

**Texas**

***State Supplementation***

***Mandatory Minimum Supplementation***

No recipients.

***Optional State Supplementation***

**Administration:** Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

**Effective date:** September 1, 1999.

**Statutory basis for payment:** Texas Human Resources Code, section 32.024(V).

**Funding**

*Administration:* State funds.

*Assistance:* State funds.

**Passalong method:** Maintaining payment levels.

**Place of application:** Social Security Administration field offices.

**Scope of coverage:** Optional state supplement provided to all SSI recipients residing in nursing or intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded and whose countable income is less than \$60.

**Resource limitations:** Federal SSI regulations apply.

**Income exclusions:** Federal SSI regulations apply.

**Recoveries, liens, and assignments:** None.

**Financial responsibility of relatives:** None.

**Interim assistance:** State does not participate.

**Payment calculation method:** The state pays a supplement to individuals who reside in Medicaid facilities.

**Payment levels:** See Table 1.

**Number of recipients:** See Table 2.

***State Assistance for Special Needs***

State does not provide assistance for special needs.

***Medicaid***

***Eligibility***

**Criteria:** SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

**Determined by:** Social Security Administration.

***Medically Needy Program***

State provides a program for families and children.

***Unpaid Medical Expenses***

The Social Security Administration obtains this information.

**Table 1.**  
**Optional state supplementation payment levels, January 2006 (in dollars)**

Living arrangement	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Medicaid facility	60.00	a	30.00	a

SOURCES: Social Security Administration, Office of Income Security Programs; state information.

a. Couples residing in this living arrangement for more than 30 days are treated as two individuals.

DEFINITION:

**Medicaid facility.** Includes recipients residing in a federal Code D living arrangement.

**Table 2.**  
**Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2006**

Living arrangement	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled
Medicaid facility	13,102	3,371	179	9,552

SOURCE: State information.