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Abbreviations

INSURANCE BENEFITS, LAWS,
ETC.

AFA insurance schemes	A collective name for AGB, AGS, TGL, FPT and TFA
AFL	From 2011, the National Insurance Act (AFL) is included in the Social Insurance Code
AGB	Severance pay (for wage earners)
AGE	Severance compensation (for salaried employees)
AGS	Group sickness insurance
ALF	Unemployment Insurance Act
ASL	SAF-LO Collective Pension
ATP	National supplementary pension, now called supplementary pension
FPT	Parental benefit supplement insurance (for wage earners)
ITP	Collectively agreed occupational pension for salaried employees
ITPK	Occupational supplementary pension to ITP
LAF	From 2011, the Work Injury Insurance Act (LAF) is included in the Social Insurance Code
LFU	Medical expenses insurance for employees stationed outside Sweden
SFB	Social Insurance Code
SGI	Sickness-benefit qualifying income
sjLL	Sick Pay Act
STP	Special supplementary pension (up to and incl. 1995)
TFA	Work Injury Insurance
TGL	Group life insurance

INSURANCE COMPANIES,
ORGANISATIONS, ETC.

AFA Försäkring	The collective name for the following three insurance companies: AFA Livförsäkring (Insurance provider for AGB and TGL) AFA Sjukförsäkring (Insurance provider for AGS and FPT) AFA Trygghetsförsäkring (Insurance provider for TFA)
Alecta	Alecta mutual insurance company
AMF	The insurance company AMF
Collectum	Administration company for collective insurance schemes, Confederation of Swedish Enterprise - PTK
Fora	Administration company for collective insurance schemes
ILO	International Labour Organisation, a UN body
LO	Swedish Trade Union Confederation
PPM	The Premium Pension Authority has ceased operations. On 1 January 2010, the Pension Authority took over the handling of the national pension.
PRI Pensionsgaranti	Insurance company PRI Pensionsgaranti, mutual
PTK	The Council for Negotiation and Co-operation PTK
Confederation of Swedish Enterprise	The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise represents companies in Sweden and works with e.g. employer collaborations, labour market/labour law, business policy, pensions/insurance/working environment, socio-economics, taxation and schools/education.
TRR Trygghetsrådet	Kollektivavtalsstiftelsen TRR Trygghetsrådet (Confederation of Swedish Industry – PTK)
TSL	Kollektivavtalsstiftelsen Trygghetsfonden TSL (Confederation of Swedish Enterprise – LO)

Introduction

The publication “Statutory and collective insurance schemes for the Swedish labour market 2015” is a handbook for the private-sector employer, covering current pension and insurance issues.

The book is compiled according to the type of insurance, such as state pension, sickness and work injury. For each type of insurance, there is a section on statutory insurance marked by an orange border at the top of the page. This is followed by collective insurance for wage earners, which is marked with a green border. Finally there is a section on collective benefits for salaried employees with a blue border. The section “Insurance cover for the self-employed” is marked with a red border.

The text describes the regulations as at the time of printing. Changes may have occurred later. News within the sector is posted on our website on an ongoing basis, www.finf.se.

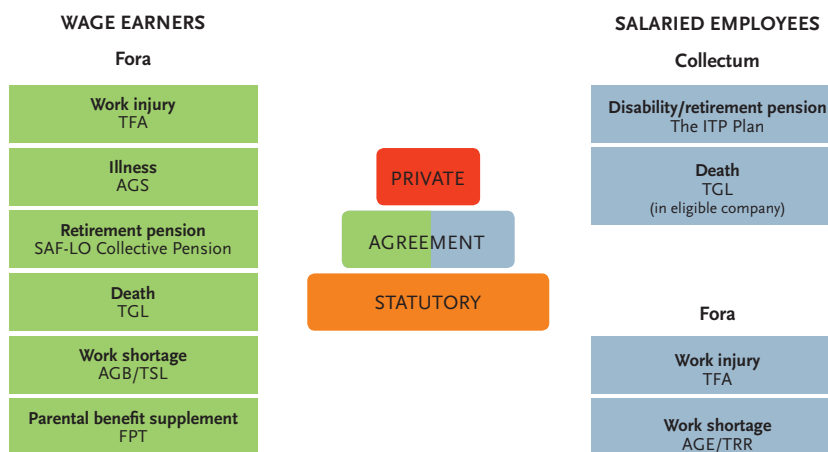
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- WAGE EARNERS ●
- SALARIED EMPLOYEES ●
- GENERAL ●
- SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS ●

The employer's obligation to take out collectively agreed insurance

Insurance cover can be viewed as a pyramid, with basic protection at the bottom in the form of the statutory protection that applies to everyone. This statutory basic protection is topped up by supplementary insurance provided under collective agreements and any private schemes. Employers who are members of the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise through the membership of an employers' association are required, as a rule, to take out insurance for their employees under current collective agreements (see below). The same applies to unaffiliated employers who have entered into collective agreements with trade unions (known as local collective agreements).



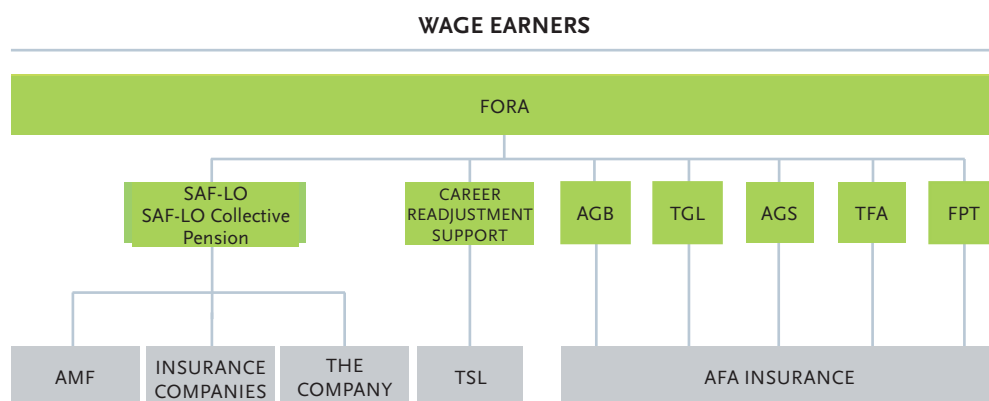
COMPANY TRANSFER

If a company bound by collective agreements undergoes partial or total transfer of ownership, the collective agreement normally remains in place. This means that the new owner is required to take out collective insurance. Share transfers and sales of trading companies or limited partnerships do not involve any change of employer. As a result, such transfers do not involve any changes in collective agreements or the obligation to take out insurance.

THE COMPANY APPLIES FOR THE INSURANCE

Employers themselves must apply for the insurance directly to the insurance company concerned. The insurance agreement is concluded when the employer receives a policy confirmation from the insurance company. The insurance contract comes into effect retroactively from the starting date of the collective agreement. Self-employed persons (see the section "Insurance cover for the self-employed") and managing directors of limited companies are automatically covered by work injury insurance (TFA) only.

The relevant employers' association or the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise Insurance Information can help where there is doubt concerning the obligation to take out collective insurance, or regarding any other provisions in the collective agreement. Employers not bound by collective agreements can take out voluntary collective insurance for their employees (not including career readjustment support). For salaried employees, only Work injury insurance (TFA) and Group life insurance (TGL) can be taken out voluntarily.

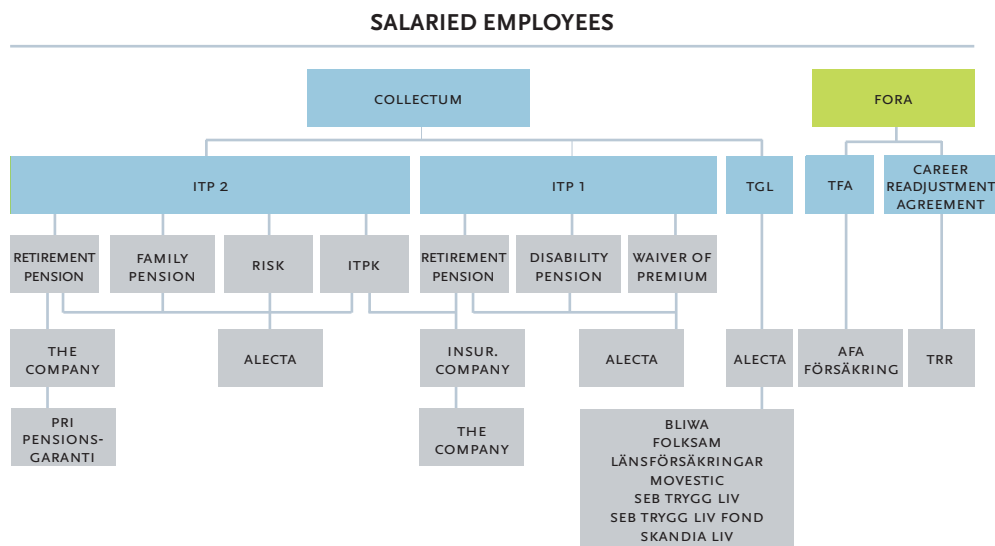


All companies must take out the following insurance:

WAGE EARNERS

- Work injury insurance (TFA) that covers both wage earners and salaried employees.
- Career readjustment insurance, Group sickness insurance (AGS), Group life insurance (TGL), Parental benefit supplement insurance (FPT) and SAF-LO Collective Pension.

Insurance cover is taken out through Fora, www.fora.se.



SALARIED EMPLOYEES

Companies with salaried employees must also take out insurance for ITP and TGL for salaried employees. The ITP plan is taken out through an agreement with Collectum. *Information regarding taking out ITP 1 for all salaried employees, irrespective of their age, can be found on page 40.* The possibility of abstentions or exemptions is described on page 34.

Employers can offer in-house management of their salaried employees' pension contributions for ITP 1 and assume responsibility for the state pension effective for ITP 2, which is explained further in the section pertaining to ITP's retirement pension 1 and 2.

TGL can be taken out with any of the following insurance companies: Alecta, Bliwa, Folksam, Länsförsäkringar, Movestic, SEB Trygg Liv, SEB Trygg Liv Fond or Skandia Liv.

Companies who become members of an employers' association within the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise need not arrange affiliation to TRR, since this takes place automatically. Local collective agreement companies within the PTK sector apply for individual affiliation to TRR.

Companies with salaried employees serving abroad must also take out medical expenses insurance (LFU) or guarantee insurance.

Summary – insurance for employees

WITHIN THE PRIVATE SECTOR

	LAW	AGREEMENTS Wage earners	AGREEMENTS Salaried employees
RETIREMENT PENSION	Income pension Premium pension Supplementary pension Guarantee pension	SAF-LO Collective Pension	ITP 1 and 2 ITPK part 2
ILLNESS	Sick pay Sickness benefit Activity and sickness compensation	AGS AGS	Collectively agreed sick pay ITP
PARENTAL LEAVE	Parental insurance	Parental benefit supplement insurance (FPT)	There is no insurance
DEATH	Career readjustment pension Extended adjustment pension	SAF-LO Collective Pension TGL	ITP 1 ITP 2 Family pension ITPK part 2 TGL
WORK INJURY	Work injury insurance	TFA	
WORK SHORTAGE	Unemployment insurance	Career readjustment insurance	Readjustment agreements (TRR)

Statutory insurance schemes – summary

INSURANCE	EMPLOYER'S OBLIGATION TO TAKE OUT INSURANCE	PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTION
RETIREMENT PENSION <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 25.</i>	Applies automatically. No special application by the company.	The company's tax return contains the basis for employer's contributions for social insurance and special payroll tax. Employer's contributions for social insurance must be paid for employees and contractors who have been paid SEK 1,000 or more during the year in the form of cash payment or taxable benefits and remunerations. www.skatteverket.se .
HEALTH INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 47.</i>	Applies automatically. No special application by the company.	
SURVIVORS' PENSION <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 63.</i>	Applies automatically.	
WORK INJURY INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 74.</i>	Applies automatically. No special application by the company.	
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 79.</i>	To receive income-related benefits, the employee must be a member of an unemployment insurance fund. Those who are not trade union members can also join. No special application by the company.	
PARENTAL INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 59.</i>	Applies automatically.	

EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTIONS 2015 % OF GROSS PAY	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	EMPLOYER'S PARTICIPATION IN INSURANCE CLAIMS	EMPLOYEE'S PARTICIPATION IN INSURANCE CLAIMS
10.21	State pension with a flexible pension age may be drawn no earlier than age 61. An employee has the right to work until the age of 67.	None. Notification under the Security of Employment Act no later than one month before reaching retirement age.	The application is made to the Pension Authority.
4.35	Sickness benefit, activity/sickness compensation and rehabilitation compensation.	As a rule, the employer pays sick pay for the first 14 days of a sick period. The employer is responsible for notifying the Social Insurance Office.	The employee reports sick to the employer. Sickness benefit and activity/sickness compensation are applied for at the Social Insurance Office.
1.17	Survivors' pension	None.	The Pension Authority investigates. In most cases, relatives do not need to apply.
0.30	Work injury life annuity and funeral grant.	The employer is obligated to report any injury at once to the Social Insurance Office. The Swedish Work Environment Authority and the Social Insurance Office have a joint website for notifying work injuries, www.anmalarbetskada.se	Immediate notice to the employer is mandatory. Self-employed individuals and contractors report the injury directly to the Social Insurance Office. An application for benefit is made to the Social Insurance Office. Compensation in the event of death is investigated by the Pension Authority.
2.64 (Labour market contribution)	Daily allowance subject to certain conditions, including work conditions and membership conditions.	The most recent employer is required by law to issue a certificate of employment on request (a special form is available).	The application is made to the unemployment insurance fund.
2.60	Parental allowance upon the birth of a child.	None.	The application is made to the Social Insurance Office.

Collectively agreed insurance for wage earners – summary

INSURANCE	EMPLOYER'S OBLIGATION TO TAKE OUT INSURANCE	BASIS OF PREMIUMS	PREMIUMS 2015 % OF GROSS PAY	PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS
SAF-LO COLLECTIVE PENSION – PENSION PREMIUM – WAIVER OF PREMIUM INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 29.</i>	Employers bound by collective agreements are required to take out the following insurance: Career readjustment insurance, AGS, TGL, FPT and SAF-LO Collective insurance, which cover wage earners, as well as TFA which covers both wage earners and salaried employees. Insurance agreements are taken out with Fora AB. The contract comes into effect from the date the collective agreement was signed.	Payroll information is sent to Fora at the beginning of the year. The information is submitted online. The statement reports the final payroll expense from the previous year and is the basis for premiums. Once the final statement has been submitted to Fora, a settlement is made between preliminary and final premiums. The employer must pay supplementary premiums to the SAF-LO Collective Pension (11.91%) for employees stationed outside Sweden. For employees born in or prior to 1953, the contribution is reduced.	The net premium is 3.80% of salary portions up to 7.5 income base amounts (SEK 435,750 per year) and 30.0% of salary portions above this amount. Premiums for waiver of premium insurance are not paid in 2015 as the companies within AFA Försäkring are well consolidated.	Fora invoices preliminary premiums at the beginning of every even-numbered month throughout the year. If the annual premium is less than SEK 4,500 (2015) there is no division into instalments, and the whole amount is payable on the due date of the first invoice. Fora must have received payment within 30 days of the invoicing date. When the preliminary premium account is settled, interest is charged and paid according to § 5 of the Swedish Interest Act (discount rate + 2 percentage points). Pay portions exceeding 7.5 price base amounts are included in the premium basis for TFA and the SAF-LO Collective Pension, including the waiver of premium insurance. The premiums are paid on the company's annual payroll for employees. The preliminary premium for 2015 is normally based on the annual payroll expense that the company finally reported to Fora for 2014. The employer can update the preliminary salary. This can be changed directly at www.fora.se or on the form that can be ordered there. Fora must be notified if the company changes name and/or address, undergoes conversion or a change of ownership or closes down. Changes are made at the employment conditions etc. and can submit the application, www.afaforsakring.se/kundwebb.www.fora.se .
AGS GROUP SICKNESS INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 53.</i>			Premiums are not paid in 2015 as the companies within AFA Försäkring are well consolidated.	
TGL - GROUP LIFE INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 66.</i>			Premiums are not paid in 2015 as the companies within AFA Försäkring are well consolidated.	
TFA WORK INJURY INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 76.</i>			0.01	
CAREER READJUSTMENT INSURANCE – AGB – CAREER READJUSTMENT SUPPORT <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 82.</i>			0.30 *	
PARENTAL BENEFIT SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 61.</i>			Premiums are not paid in 2015 as the companies within AFA Försäkring are well consolidated.	

*Local Collective Agreement companies pay 0.60%. Companies that are members of employers' associations outside of the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise pay 0.32%.

INSURANCE FOR WAGE EARNERS	INSURANCE CLAIMS ARE HANDLED BY	EMPLOYER'S PARTICIPATION IN INSURANCE CLAIMS	WAGE EARNER'S PARTICIPATION IN INSURANCE CLAIMS
State pension with or without repayment cover. Family cover is an option. Waiver of premium insurance in the event of sickness, parental leave and periods of pregnancy benefit.	The insurance company chosen by the employee. Fora, tel. 08-787 40 10.	The employer assists by providing information on salary/wages and can apply for waiver of premium. When stationed outside Sweden, Fora is to be notified when state retirement pension contributions are no longer being paid.	The wage earner makes pension choices through Fora. Before the age of 65, the wage earner will receive a pension notice and will choose the type of payment. The wage earner also has personal contact with his/her insurance company.
AGS – Daily payments to those receiving sickness benefit or monthly payments to those on activity or sickness compensation.	AFA Sjukförsäkring* tel. 0771-88 00 99.	The employer must attest to the employment conditions etc. and can submit the application, www.afaforsakring.se/kundwebb . When employees are stationed outside Sweden, Fora is to be notified when employees lose their right to Swedish sickness benefit.	The employee makes the application to AFA Försäkring's customer web or on a form entitled "Application for group sickness insurance (AGS) and waiver of premium insurance".
TGL - Lump sum in the form of a "basic sum", child supplement and funeral grant for survivors in the event of the death of the wage earner. In certain cases also in the event of the death of the spouse/registered partner/cohabitant.	AFA Livförsäkring* tel. 0771-88 00 99.	The employer must submit an employment certificate with the application.	The application is made by survivors of the deceased.
TFA – Compensation is awarded under the regulations for work injury claims, i.e. accidents occurring on the job, travel accidents subject to certain conditions and occupational disease. This denotes compensation for any expenses incurred, pain and suffering, and also, in the case of disability, for incapacity and harm and other inconvenience. Compensation for loss of income may be provided in the event of an accident at work.	AFA Trygghetsförsäkring* tel. 0771-88 00 99 (claims' payments, claims adjustment).	The employer must attest to the employment conditions, etc. The employer simply attests to the employment situation and does not assess whether a work injury in fact has occurred, www.afaforsakring.se/kundwebb .	Application on AFA Försäkring's customer web or on form "TFA Claim application form", which is to be signed by the employer and the wage earner.
AGB - Compensation to wage earners made redundant due to lack of work. Career readjustment support – Action programme to assist wage earners in finding a new job as soon as possible.	AFA Livförsäkring* tel. 0771-88 00 99. Trygghetsfonden TSL tel. 08-412 22 00.	AGB - The employer must attest to the employment conditions etc. and sign the application together with the wage earner. TSL - The application is submitted to www.tsl.se . The employer enters into an agreement with the selected supplier.	AGB - The wage earner submits the notification. TSL – wage earners sign a personal appendix after having met the selected supplier.
Compensation in the event of parental leave.	AFA Sjukförsäkring* Customer centre tel. 0771-88 00 99.	The employer must attest to the employment conditions etc., www.afaforsakring.se/kundwebb . The employer can submit notification.	The wage earner submits notification on AFA Försäkring's customer web. It is also possible to call the customer centre, tel. 0771-88 00 99.

* These insurance providers are jointly known as AFA and jointly own Fora AB.

Collectively agreed insurance for salaried employees – summary

INSURANCE	EMPLOYER'S OBLIGATION TO TAKE OUT INSURANCE	BASIS OF PREMIUMS	PREMIUMS 2015 % OF GROSS PAY	PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS
ITP PLAN PARTS 1 AND 2 <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 33.</i>	<p>Employers bound by collective agreements are required to take out insurance with Collectum. As an alternative to insurance, a company can make in-house commitments for state pension benefits. Special regulations regarding safeguarding etc. exist. The employer must also, on a continuous basis, report admission into the insurance scheme, changes in pay and termination of employment for reasons other than reaching retirement age. Notifications are made via the Internet or on a form.</p>	<p>The employer reports salaries to Collectum. For ITP 1, the gross salary paid in cash each month must be reported.</p> <p>For ITP 2, reporting refers to the current year's relevant annual salary.</p> <p>The information is submitted via the Internet or on a form.</p>	<p>For ITP 1, the expenses incurred by the employer are known. The premium is 4.641% on salary portions up to 7.5 income base amounts (SEK 36,313 per month) and 30.890% on salary portions above this amount.</p> <p>For ITP 2, the expenses are difficult to predict due to the premium being calculated on the employee's age, salary and estimated period of service. Companies that apply FPG/PRI pay credit insurance premiums and administration charges to PRI Pensionsgaranti.</p>	<p>Collectum sends out an invoice each month. Waiver of premium for ITP 1 applies in the event of illness lasting more than 14 days, parental leave lasting 13 months and temporary parental allowance (leave for child care).</p> <p>For ITP 2, waiver of premium normally applies from the end of the month after the 90th sick day. Premiums must be paid up to and including the month before the month of retirement. Collectum handles the salaried employees' own selection and invoices on behalf of the insurance companies involved.</p>
TGL - GROUP LIFE INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 71.</i>	<p>The employer shall take out insurance with either Alecta, Bliwa, Folksam, Länsförsäkringar, Movestic, SEB Trygg Liv, SEB Trygg Liv Fond or Skandia Liv for all salaried employees aged 18 or over.</p>	<p>The employer submits a report to the insurance company where TGL has been taken out. The insurance companies use various routines for premium payments.</p>	<p>Approx. 0.2. Free premium setting is applied and the premium is within the interval SEK 30-43/month.</p>	<p>Each TGL company sends its own invoices. Premiums are not paid during voluntary basic military training and when studying. Premiums are only paid up until the month before an employee's 70th birthday.</p>
TFA WORK INJURY INSURANCE <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 76.</i>	<p>The employer must take out insurance with Fora, www.fora.se.</p>	<p>The same procedure as for the AFA insurance schemes.</p>	<p>0.01</p>	<p>Fora sends out an invoice at the beginning of each even-numbered month. Fora must have received payment within 30 days of the invoicing date.</p>
CAREER READJUSTMENT AGREEMENT AND TRR (CAREER READJUSTMENT SUPPORT AND AGE) <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 84.</i>	<p>The company is automatically affiliated with the TRR when its membership of an employers' association within the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise has been approved. Local collective agreement companies must apply for affiliation.</p>	<p>The same procedure as for the AFA insurance schemes.</p>	<p>0.30*</p>	<p>Fora sends out an invoice at the beginning of each even-numbered month. Fora must have received payment within 30 days of the invoicing date.</p>
LFU MEDICAL EXPENSES INSURANCE FOR EMPLOYEES STATIONED OUTSIDE SWEDEN <i>Comprehensive information can be found on page 90.</i>	<p>The employer must take out insurance with one of the insurance companies that supply LFU and guarantee insurance.</p>	<p>In accordance with each insurance company's regulations.</p>	<p>In accordance with each insurance company's regulations.</p>	<p>In accordance with each insurance company's regulations.</p>

* Local Collective Agreement companies pay 0.70%.

INSURANCE FOR SALARIED EMPLOYEES	INSURANCE CLAIMS ARE HANDLED BY	EMPLOYER'S PARTICIPATION IN INSURANCE CLAIMS	SALARIED EMPLOYEE'S PARTICIPATION IN INSURANCE CLAIMS
<p>The ITP plan covers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • retirement pension part 1 • retirement pension part 2 • disability pension parts 1 and 2 • family pension part 2 • ITPK part 2 • family cover parts 1 and 2 	<p>Chosen insurance company. Alecta</p> <p>Alecta Alecta</p> <p>Chosen insurance company.</p> <p>Collectum and chosen insurance company.</p>	<p>The employer shall normally notify Collectum from the 91st sick day in the event of long-term incapacity due to illness or an accident, as well as in the event of death. Special forms are available.</p> <p>The employer must notify Collectum when a salaried employee stationed outside Sweden loses the right to Swedish sickness benefit or when State retirement pension contributions are no longer being paid.</p>	<p>The salaried employee makes the ITP selection applicable to part 1 and the ITPK selection applicable to part 2. A salaried employee who wishes to retire with a pension before the age of 65 must report this him/herself.</p>
<p>Lump sum in the form of a 'basic sum' and child supplement for survivors in the event of the death of the salaried employee, and in certain cases also the death of the spouse/registered partner/cohabitant.</p>	<p>Relevant insurance company.</p>	<p>The employer reports a death to the insurance company in question.</p>	<p>The application is made by survivors of the deceased.</p>
<p>Compensation is awarded under the regulations for work injury claims, i.e. accidents occurring on the job, travel accidents subject to certain conditions and occupational disease. This denotes compensation for any expenses incurred, pain and suffering, and also, in the case of disability, for incapacity and harm and other inconvenience. Compensation for loss of income may be provided in the event of an accident at work.</p>	<p>AFA Trygghetsförsäkring* tel. 0771-88 00 99 (claims' payments, claims adjustment).</p>	<p>The employer must attest to the employment conditions etc. and sign the application. The company simply attests to the employment situation and does not assess whether a work injury in fact has occurred. <i>www.afaforsakring.se/kundwebb.</i></p>	<p>Application on AFA Försäkring's customer web or on form "TFA Claim application form", which is to be signed by the employer and the salaried employee.</p>
<p>Compensation and other measures in conjunction with termination of employment due to work shortage during production cutbacks, company closures, etc.</p>	<p>TRR Trygghetsrådet tel. 020-87 78 77.</p>	<p>The employer must attest to certain employment conditions and the reason for termination. The application is submitted to <i>www.trr.se</i>.</p>	<p>A salaried employee who has been given notice due to lack of work must submit an application to <i>www.trr.se</i>.</p>
<p>Compensation for e.g. medical expenses, transport home, dental care, pregnancy checks and childbirth.</p>	<p>Relevant insurance company.</p>	<p>The employer reports to the insurance company in question.</p>	<p>The salaried employee must go to a doctor immediately and is to report injuries as soon as possible, no later than 6 months after the event.</p>

Contributions, premiums, etc.

INTRODUCTION

The employer is required by law to pay employer's contributions for state pension, health insurance, etc. Employers who have collective insurance schemes also pay premiums for these.

The employer's contributions are calculated on cash salary and taxable remunerations and benefits. Remuneration amounting to less than SEK 1,000 to a single person during a calendar year will not be included. For remuneration to people who have reached 65 years of age by the start of the year and were born between 1938-1949, only State retirement pension contributions of 10.21% are paid. Additional deviations exist, see page 20. Companies must report VAT, employer's contributions and deducted tax in a joint tax return. The date by which the declaration and payment must have been submitted to the Tax Authority can be seen from the information from the Tax Authority. The employer's contributions are a deductible expense.

SPECIAL PAYROLL TAX

The employer pays special payroll tax on pension expenses for its employees. The company can receive basic information regarding this from Fora and Collectum/Alecta. Payroll tax on pension premiums is paid in accordance with usual routines for the company's corporation tax. The payroll tax is a deductible expense.

GENERAL PENSION CONTRIBUTION

In conjunction with deductions for preliminary tax, the company also deducts employee contributions that the employee is required by law to pay. The employee contribution comprises a general pension contribution of 7% and is paid on salary portions up to 8.07 income base amounts. The company can report the employee contribution on the pay specification.

PREMIUMS TO COLLECTIVE INSURANCE SCHEMES

WAGE EARNERS

The size of the premiums is determined annually. The AFA Insurance schemes, Career readjustment insurance and SAF-LO Collective Pension are invoiced by Fora in each even-numbered month and Fora must have received the premiums within 30 days of the invoicing date. Supplementary invoices are issued in between in the event of any changes. The premiums are normally deductible for the company.

SALARIED EMPLOYEES

The size of the premiums is determined annually. The premiums for ITP 1 and 2 as well as ITPK are invoiced every month and must have been received by Collectum at the latest on the 15th of the following month. If TGL has been taken out with Alecta, the premium is included in Collectum's invoice.

Fora sends out invoices at the start of each even-numbered month regarding premiums for salaried employees' TFA and TRR Trygghetsrådet. Supplementary invoices are issued in between in the event of any changes. Fora must have received the premiums within 30 days of the invoicing date. The premiums are normally deductible for the company.

Deduction rules and taxes for pensions

Premiums for employees' pensions are a deductible expense for employers. There is, however, a ceiling for how large the deduction may be, calculated either using the main or the supplementary rule. The main rule is that the premium may not constitute more than 35% of salary. The costs can comprise insurance premiums, balance-sheet liability entries or transfers to pension funds. The deduction entitlement is limited to 10 times the price base amount (SEK 445,000) per year and employee.

The supplementary rule, which may only be used for one-off premiums, means that the costs are generally deductible regardless of amount. The pension rate may not exceed the limits set out below. For pensions paid out between the ages of 62 and 65, different regulations apply. When paying one-off premiums, it is advisable to check the effects of this on the employer and the employees.

DEDUCTION RULES FOR OCCUPATIONAL PENSION

SALARY PORTIONS IN PRICE BASE AMOUNTS	COMPARISON LEVEL AS A % OF SALARY, AT RETIREMENT AGE	
	55 – 64	65 –
– 7.5	80	20
7.5 – 20	70	70
20 – 30	40	40

Owners who work in their own limited companies are regarded as employees under the Income Tax Act. Only the main rule applies to self-employed persons in trading or sole trader companies. Private individuals have the right to make a deduction in their income tax returns for pension premiums up to a maximum of SEK 1,800 for 2015. As from 2016, the intention is for the deduction entitlement to be abolished entirely. Persons lacking occupational pensions in their employment are allowed higher deductions. The minimum age in all categories for drawing pensions is now 55 years. The shortest period for drawing pension is normally 5 years.

For employers who have taken out collective pensions, there is normally scope for supplementary premiums. The employer can offer employees the opportunity to take a portion their salary in the form of additional occupational pension, known as salary exchange or salary abstention. However, in such a scheme it is important to check the effects on both the statutory and collective insurance schemes.

SALARY EXCHANGE

Pension premiums are subject to a payroll tax of 24.26%, paid by the employer.

PAYROLL TAX

The insurance company or equivalent is taxed on pension capital. All types of pension plans are treated the same. The tax base is estimated using a standard method. The tax rate is 15%. Endowment policies are taxed in the same way at 30%.

DIVIDEND TAX

Statutory employer's contributions – wage earners, salaried employees and self-employed persons

EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTIONS FOR WAGE EARNERS AND SALARIED EMPLOYEES (% OF GROSS PAY)	
Retirement pension	10.21
Health insurance	4.35
Parental insurance	2.60
Survivors' pension	1.17
Work injury insurance	0.30
Labour market contribution	2.64
General employment tax	10.15
Total	31.42

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS - NOT LIMITED COMPANIES (% OF GROSS PAY)	
Retirement pension	10.21
Health insurance *4.61 (1 day), 4.35 (14 days), 4.18 (30 days), 3.96 (60 days), 3.81 (90 days)	4.44
Parental insurance	2.60
Survivors' pension	1.17
Work injury insurance	0.30
Labour market contribution	0.10
General employment tax	10.15
Total	28.97

From August 2015, the employer's contribution amounts to 25.46% for persons born in 1990 or later. The employer's contribution for young people has been changed during 2015. For those born in 1938-1949, the employer's contribution amounts to 10.21%.

From August 2015, the employee contribution for self-employed persons born in 1990 or later is 23.69% if no additional qualifying period has been selected. If passive business activities are conducted, a special payroll tax of 24.26% is paid instead of employee contributions, irrespective of age.

More information about employer's and employee contributions can be found at www.skatteverket.se. Information about various forms of employment support can be found at www.arbetsformedlingen.se.

* The general qualifying period is 7 days. Self-employed persons can choose a qualifying period of 1, 14, 30, 60 or 90 days. The employee contribution is then 29.14 (1 day), 28.88 (14 days), 28.71% (30 days), 28.49% (60 days) and 28.34% (90 days) on salary portions up to 7.5 price base amounts. 28.97% is paid on salary portions in excess of this, irrespective of the qualifying period.

REDUCTION IN CONTRIBUTIONS

There are reductions in certain regions. Further information can be obtained from the County Administrative Board. Self-employed businessmen and owners in trading companies can receive a special deduction from their own contributions, www.skatteverket.se.

SUPPORT FOR NEW START JOBS AND SPECIAL NEW START JOBS

The rules for New Start jobs mean that the employer, when employing a person under this scheme, receives financial support equivalent to twice the employer's contributions that the employer has to pay. New Start jobs apply for example to people who have reached 26 years of age by the start of the year and who, during a reference period of 15 months, have been unemployed for at least 12 months, have received received sickness benefit, rehabilitation compensation, sickness or activity compensation full time. For young people between the ages of 20 and 25 at the start of the year, a period of 6 months during a reference period of 9 months applies. For young people, the support corresponds to the employer's contribution and applies for a maximum of 12 months. For young people who have been out of work for 12 months, the support is equivalent to twice the employer's contribution. Special New Start jobs relate to people who are between the ages of 20 and 25 at the start of the year and who have qualified for a New Start job through full-time sick leave, and mean that support is provided for a maximum of 5 years with an unreduced employer's contribution as well as an employer's contribution for young people. For young people who have been out of work for 12 months, the support is equivalent to twice the employer's contribution. Other individuals, such as certain unemployed immigrants, may be covered by New Start jobs. More information can be found at www.arbetsformedlingen.se. The employer applies for the subsidy from the Employment Service. The subsidy is issued through a credit entry in the employer's tax account.

Premiums for collective insurance – wage earners

PREMIUMS – WAGE EARNERS (% OF GROSS PAY)		
	Salary ≤ SEK 435,750/year	Salary > SEK 435,750/year
Career readjustment insurance*	0.30	0.00
AGS (Health insurance)**	0.00	0.00
TFA (Statutory work injury insurance)	0.01	0.01
TGL (Life insurance)**	0.00	0.00
FPT (Parental benefit supplement)**	0.00	0.00
SAF-LO Collective Pension		
– pension premium****	4.50	30.00
– waiver of premium insurance**	0.00	0.00
Total premium	4.81	30.01
Funded by surplus funds*****	- 0.70	0.00
Total premium invoiced	4.11	30.01

* Local Collective Agreement companies pay 0.60%. Companies that are members of employers' associations outside of the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise pay 0.32%. The premium is paid on salary portions up to 7.5 price base amounts (SEK 333,750).

** Premiums are not paid in 2015 as the companies within AFA Försäkring are well consolidated.

**** The premium is paid from the month in which the wage earner turns 25 until the month before he turns 65.

***** In connection with the phasing out of the pension plan (STP) applicable for wage earners up to 1995, the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise and LO reached an agreement whereby any surplus funds, after essential capital to pay the defined benefit STP has been separated within the AMF pension, shall be repaid to the employers.

The surplus funds now available are to be used in 2015 to pay 0.70 percentage point of the premium for SAF-LO Collective Pension on salary portions up to 7.5 income base amounts. This entails a saving for the companies of approximately SEK 2 billion.

PREMIUMS ACCORDING TO INDUSTRIAL AGREEMENTS

Within a number of sectors, the parties have agreed that the employer should pay the premium for part-time pension and/or working hours pension. These premiums are additional and are not presented in the above compilation.

Fora administers the allocation, www.fora.se. For further information please refer to the collective agreement of the concerned employers' association.

SPECIAL PAYROLL TAX

Employers must pay a special payroll tax of 24.26% of the pension costs for their employees.

This special payroll tax is payable in accordance with the usual routines for the company's F-tax (corporation tax).

Payroll tax is deductible for the employer for income tax purposes.

Premiums for collective insurance – salaried employees ITP 1

PREMIUMS – SALARIED EMPLOYEES ITP 1 (% OF GROSS PAY)		
	Salary ≤ SEK 36,313/month	Salary > SEK 36,313/month
ITP 1		
- retirement pension*	4.50	30.00
- waiver of premium insurance*	0.083	0.570
- health insurance**	0.058	0.320
TGL (life insurance)***	0.20	0.00
TFA (statutory work injury insurance)	0.01	0.01
TRR (career readjustment agreement)****	0.30	0.30
Total	5.151	31.200

* The premium is paid from the month in which the salaried employee turns 25 until the month before he turns 65.

** The premium of 0.058% is paid on salary portions up to SEK 27,813/month (7.5 price base amounts). The premium of 0.320% is paid on salary portions between SEK 27,813/month and SEK 145,250/month (30 income base amounts).

*** Free premium setting is applied and the premium is within the interval SEK 30-43/month, which is equivalent to slightly less than 0.2% in the event of salaries of SEK 27,813/month (7.5 price base amounts).

**** Local Collective Agreement companies pay 0.70%.

PREMIUM REDUCTION

During 2015, the premiums for waiver of premium and health insurance are reduced by 75%. The premiums are presented after the premium reduction.

PREMIUMS ACCORDING TO INDUSTRIAL AGREEMENTS

Within a number of sectors, the parties have agreed that the employer should pay the premium for part-time pension and/or working hours pension. These premiums are additional and are not presented in the above compilation. Collectum administers the allocation, www.collectum.se. For further information please refer to the collective agreement of the concerned employers' association.

ITP 1

Salaried employees born in 1979 or later with companies who had signed ITP agreements prior to 26 April 2006 are covered by ITP part 1. Companies that are currently bound by collective agreements can take out ITP 1 for all salaried employees irrespective of age (provided this is approved by Collectum). Unpaid gross salary is reported by the employer each month and is the basis for the premium as above. Between the ages of 18 and 25, a premium is only paid for ITP health insurance.

SPECIAL PAYROLL TAX

Employers must pay a special payroll tax of 24.26% of the pension costs for their employees. This special payroll tax is payable in accordance with the usual routines for the company's F-tax (corporation tax). Payroll tax is deductible for the employer for income tax purposes.

Premiums for collective insurance – salaried employees ITP 2

PREMIUMS – SALARIED EMPLOYEES ITP 2 (% OF GROSS PAY)	
ITP 2 (retirement pension, ITPK, health insurance, etc.)*	approx. 12.7
TGL (life insurance)**	approx. 0.2
TFA (statutory work injury insurance)	0.01
TRR (career readjustment agreement)***	0.3
Total	approx. 13.2

* Projection for 2015. There are wide variations. The premium normally varies between 5 and 20%. No wage trends for 2015 have been taken into account when making the calculations. The effect of a wage increase can be estimated by assuming that a wage increase of 1% produces an increased premium of approx. 0.6 percentage points. The premium is paid on salary portions up to 30 income base amounts (SEK 1,743,000 per year). The premium is paid until the month before the salaried employee turns 65.

** Free premium setting is applied and the premium is within the interval SEK 30-43/month, which is equivalent to slightly less than 0.2% in the event of salaries of 7.5 price base amounts (SEK 333,750 per year).

*** Local Collective Agreement companies pay 0.7%.

PREMIUM REDUCTION

During 2015, the premiums for waiver of premium and health insurance are reduced by 75%. The premiums are presented after the premium reduction.

PREMIUMS ACCORDING TO INDUSTRIAL AGREEMENTS

Within a number of sectors, the parties have agreed that the employer should pay the premium for part-time pension and/or working hours pension. These premiums are additional and are not presented in the above compilation. Collectum administers the allocation, www.collectum.se. For further information please refer to the collective agreement of the concerned employers' association.

ITP 2

Salaried employees born in 1978 or earlier with companies who had signed ITP agreements prior to 26 April 2006 are covered by ITP part 2. Companies that are currently bound by collective agreements can take out ITP 1 for all salaried employees irrespective of age (provided this is approved by Collectum).

SPECIAL PAYROLL TAX

Employers must pay a special payroll tax of 24.26% of the pension costs for their employees.

This special payroll tax is payable in accordance with the usual routines for the company's F-tax (corporation tax).

Payroll tax is deductible for the employer for income tax purposes.

Base amounts and indices

The statutory insurance and pension plans are regulated by legislation including the Social Insurance Code, the Sick Pay Act (sjLL) and the Unemployment Insurance Act (ALF). The collective insurance schemes are regulated through collective agreements between the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise and the LO on the one hand and the Confederation and the PTK on the other.

The pensions and other benefits included in the statutory insurance schemes are calculated in terms of base amounts, the income index/balance index and the adaptability index. This index-links benefits and pensions to prices and incomes, as well as to the financial stability of the pension system.

INDEX

INCOME INDEX – Based on the average annual real change in incomes over the past three-year period and the change in price over the past year. The income index is based on the base year 1999, which was given the index ratio 100. The income index for 2015 is 158.91 and for 2014 it is 155.61. The income index affects such items as pension capital for the income-based pension, serving as the system's "interest" rate. For some years, the balance index is used instead. When the balance index has caught up with the income index, the pension capital will revert to being recalculated using the income index.

BALANCE INDEX – In order to ensure that the income-based pension system tracks macroeconomic development and remains financially stable, a balance ratio is established each year that describes the relationship between the system's assets and liabilities. If the balance ratio is below one (1), this means that the liabilities are greater than the assets. A balance index must then be established and full index-linking will not be carried out. After this, a balance index is set for each year until it reaches the same value as the income index. For 2015, the balance ratio is estimated at 1.0040 and the balance index at 150.55.

ADAPTABILITY INDEX – This means that the income-based pension and supplementary pension from the person's 66th year are recalculated using the change in the income index or balance index between two years, with a deduction for interest in advance (constant) set at 1.6%. As of 1 January 2015, this means that these pensions are increased by 0.9%.

BASE AMOUNTS

There are three base amounts: the price base amount, the income base amount and the raised price base amount. The various base amounts are used in different contexts, as described below:

PRICE BASE AMOUNT (SEK 44,500 IN 2015) – Income ceiling for sickness benefit and activity or sickness compensation, guarantee pension and work injury life annuity.

INCOME BASE AMOUNT (SEK 58,100 IN 2015) – The ceiling for the pensionable income (PGI), the general pension contribution and extra pension rights for childcare years.

RAISED PRICE BASE AMOUNT (SEK 45,400 IN 2015) – Used in the calculation of pension points for supplementary pension.

State pension

Basic state pension and ATP are now called supplementary pension and are gradually being replaced by income-based pension, premium pension and guarantee pension. The year in which a person was born determines which rules apply to the calculation of their state pension.

The pensions of those born in 1937 and earlier will be entirely according to the old system.

Those born in 1954 and later receive their state pension entirely according to the new system.

Those born between 1938 and 1953 receive their pension according to both the old system and the new one, in proportions depending on when the person was born. Earned pension arising from pensionable income from the calendar year in which the person reaches the age of 65 will be calculated entirely according to the new system.

THE TABLE SHOWS EARNED PENSION IN 2015

YEAR OF BIRTH	PROPORTION NEW SYSTEM	PROPORTION ATP	ALLOCATION TO PREMIUM PENSION %
1938	20/20	–	2.5
1939	20/20	–	2.5
1940	20/20	–	2.5
1941	20/20	–	2.5
1942	20/20	–	2.5
1943	20/20	–	2.5
1944	20/20	–	2.5
1945	20/20	–	2.5
1946	20/20	–	2.5
1947	20/20	–	2.5
1948	20/20	–	2.5
1949	20/20	–	2.5
1950	20/20	–	2.5
1951	17/20	3/20	2.125
1952	18/20	2/20	2.25
1953	19/20	1/20	2.375
1954	20/20	0	2.5

Every year, the Pension Authority sends out an “orange envelope” containing decisions regarding earned pension rights, the change in the value of the unit trusts as well as a forecast for the future pension.

PENSIONABLE INCOME (PGI) CONFERS THE RIGHT TO PENSION

In the national pension, lifetime income is important. All earned income and compensation from social and unemployment insurance gives pension rights. Pension rights are earned when the income exceeds 42.3% of the price base amount (SEK 44,500) and the pension rights are then calculated from the first krona earned.

PENSION RIGHTS

There are no lower or upper age limits. Every year, the Tax Authority determines the pensionable income (PGI) from the tax returns. When the PGI has been determined, a deduction is made for the general pension contribution, which is 7% of income. The PGI cannot be higher than 7.5 income base amounts (SEK 435,750 for 2015). To obtain maximum PGI, a person's income before deduction for the general pension contribution must amount to SEK 468,867 (8.07 income base amounts).

PENSIONABLE AMOUNTS GIVE PENSION RIGHTS

Every year, the Pension Authority automatically sets figures known as pensionable amounts. These amounts are not money paid out today, but merely hypothetical calculations that confer higher future pensions. These amounts replace or supplement the PGI for the year concerned. Pensionable amounts can be earned for post-upper secondary school studies, activity and sickness compensation, and years spent looking after children (child years).

Pension rights are earned on studies from 1995, child years from 1960, early retirement pension from 1960-2002, activity compensation/sickness compensation from 2003 and military service from 1995-2010. Post-upper secondary school studies confer pension rights on the basis of a hypothetical income calculated as 138% of the grant portion of the student grant system.

For child years, pension entitlement is given for the child's first four years. Only one of the parents is credited with child years for a given year, and only for one child at a time. Certain requirements relating to residence and custody must be fulfilled in order for child years to be calculated. Pension entitlement is calculated in three different ways:

- Child years are used to top up the income the parent had in the year before the child was born.
- Child years are used to top up to a hypothetical salary corresponding to 75% of the average income in Sweden.
- A fixed increment corresponding to one income base amount (SEK 58,100).

The Pension Authority automatically chooses the alternative that is most advantageous for the parent. The child year is credited to the parent with the lowest income for the year. If the parents wish otherwise, they can tell the Pension Authority.

For pension to be calculated including child years, military service and studies, the person must have some connection with a workplace. The person's PGI must be at least twice the income base amount for at least five years before reaching the age of 70 (known as the income condition).

If the PGI exceeds 7.5 times the income base amount, no pensionable amount is approved.

One of the basic ideas of the pension system is that pensions should be financed by employers and employees jointly. The total contribution is to be 18.5%, of which 16% to the income pension and 2.5% to the premium pension. The employer pays 10.21% of the total salary via the employer's contribution. The employee pays 7% as a pension contribution on salary portions up to 8.07 income base amounts. Via a state retirement pension contribution, the government pays 10.21% for social security and unemployment benefits and 18.5% for pensionable amounts.

PENSIONABLE AMOUNT

FEES

An amount equivalent to 16% of the annual income is set aside to the income-related pension (1960-1994 18.5% and 1995-1998 16.5%). These pension rights are added up each year and make up the pension capital, known as a pension account. Each year, inheritance gains are added from deceased persons of the same age group. The account is recalculated annually in line with general wage trends in the country (income index/balance index), and administrative costs are deducted. The pension that is paid out depends on the lifetime accumulated pension capital (divided by the life expectancy denominator). The life expectancy denominator is based on the estimated remaining average life expectancy and projected income growth of 1.6%. The life expectancy denominator is the same for both men and women. The longer someone waits to draw their income pension, the higher the pension.

INCOME PENSION

An amount corresponding to 2.5% of the annual income is set aside to the premium pension. Every year new pension rights are earned. The amounts placed in unit trusts during December 2014 were earned in the 2013 income year. A lower proportion of income goes to the premium pension for persons only partially covered by the new pension system, as described in the table on page 25. Each person can choose up to five different unit trusts. The money is invested according to the most recent choice made by the person. There is no limit to the switches a person can make between unit trusts and no costs are currently incurred. If no choice of trust has been made, the money is placed in the Seventh National Pension Insurance Fund. Spouses can transfer their premium pension rights to each other. Notification is given to the Pension Authority, and entails a reduction in pension rights of 8% at present.

PREMIUM PENSION

The size of a person's future premium pension depends on how much his or her unit trusts are worth at the time of payment. This unit trust value is divided by a life expectancy denominator based on remaining estimated average life expectancy. The life expectancy denominator is the same for men and women. While people are drawing their pensions, they can buy life annuities at guaranteed amounts, or retain their unit trusts. It is possible to buy survivors' cover when applying for premium pension. This will result in a lower pension while the person is alive, but it will be paid out as long as one of the spouses is alive.

An application to draw the income and/or premium pension can be submitted to the Pension Authority from age 61 at the earliest. The longer someone works, the higher the pension. The pension is lifelong and can be drawn as 1/1, 3/4, 1/2 or 1/4 parts. The income and premium pension need not be drawn in identical proportions. The fact that state pension can be drawn part-time does not obligate the employer to provide part-time employment. The employee has a statutory right to work up to age 67. No connection is made between working hours and the drawing of a state pension. It is therefore possible to work full-time and draw a full state pension.

RETIREMENT AGE

The guarantee pension is basic protection for those who have had no income or a low income. The full guarantee pension is 2.13 price base amounts for an unmarried person (SEK 7,899 per month) and 1.90 price base amounts for married persons (SEK 7,046 per month). Full guarantee pension is paid to those who have no income-related pension at all. If the income-related pension is lower than approximately three price base amounts, the person can receive a guarantee pension to top it up. The top-up amount depends on the size of the person's income-related pension.

GUARANTEE PENSION

To receive a full guarantee pension, a person must have lived in Sweden for 40 years since the age of 16. Special rules apply to refugees. The guarantee pension is payable from age 65 at the earliest.

Supplementary pension for persons born in 1938–1953

In principle, all income-earners born before 1954 are entitled to supplementary pension. The supplementary pension is payable in twentieths depending on when the person was born (see table on page 25). Pension points are credited for each year for which pensionable income is confirmed. These points are calculated by means of the raised price base amount and are used to index-link the pensionable salary.

Pension points are equal to the relationship between pensionable income for one year and the monetary value applicable for that income year. They are calculated as follows:

$$\text{PENSION POINTS} = \frac{\text{Pensionable income} - \text{raised price base amount}}{\text{Raised price base amount}}$$

The quotient is calculated to two decimal points. A maximum of 8.60 and a minimum of 0.01 pension points may be acquired for the 2015 income year.

PENSION POINTS

To receive a supplementary pension, the person must have at least three years' pension points, with thirty years required for the maximum supplement. Pension points are awarded until the year in which a person turns 64. After that, all points earned (20/20) by those born in 1938-1953 are added to the income and premium pension.

PENSION CALCULATION

Pension is calculated on the basis of the insured person's average points, which is the average number of pension points in the 15 years of highest income. For those with fewer than 15 years of pension points, the average points are the same as the average of all points earned.

The pension is 60% of the average points multiplied by the price base amount at the time of payment. The pension is reduced if the number of point-earning years is less than 30.

The term 'basic state pension' has disappeared. Those born between 1938 and 1953 receive an amount equivalent to the 'old basic state pension' in their supplementary pension. In order to be entitled to this, the person must have at least three pension point years, while a full amount requires thirty years.

The amount that replaces the basic state pension is 96% of the price base amount for unmarried persons. Married individuals living together receive 78.5% of the price base amount.

DRAWING

The pension may be drawn starting from the month when the recipient turns 61. The supplementary pension is reduced by 0.5% for each month in which it is drawn before the month in which the person turns 65. This reduction continues throughout the person's life. Drawing the state pension can also be deferred, and the pension then rises by 0.7% for each month in which the person postpones drawing the pension. The drawn pension must include both income and supplementary pensions. The premium pension need not be drawn at the same time as the income and supplementary pensions. The pension application is submitted to the Pension Authority.

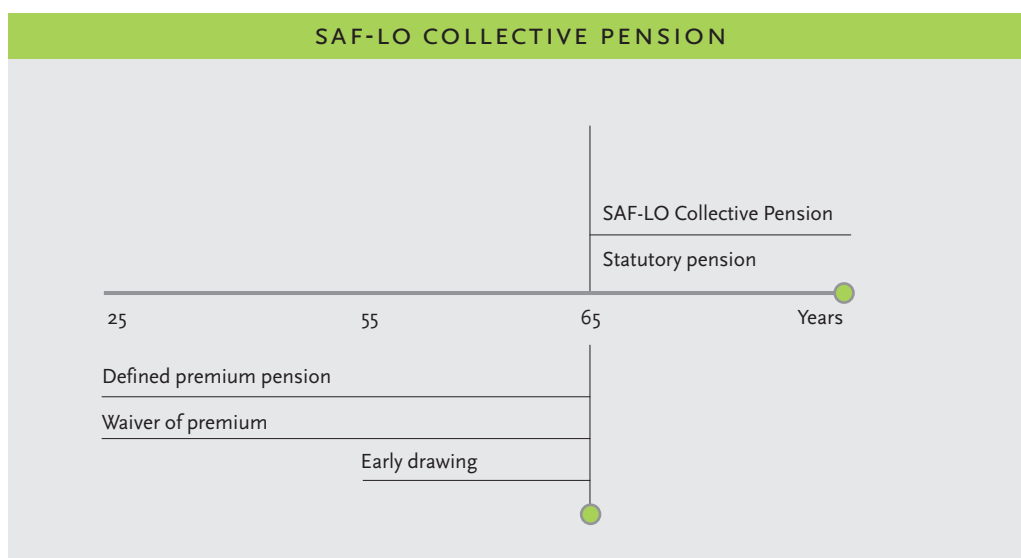
GUARANTEE RULE

A guarantee rule is in force for persons born between 1938 and 1953. This means a guaranteed minimum pension equivalent to that which the person would have earned in the old ATP system up to the year 1994. If this pension is higher than what was earned under the new rules, a guarantee supplement is paid. The supplement is payable from age 65 at the earliest.

Collective retirement pension – wage earners

SAF-LO Collective Pension

The SAF-LO collective pension comprises state pension, waiver of premium and the option of selecting survivors' cover. The waiver of premium insurance applies in the event of sickness, parental leave and periods of pregnancy benefit.



RETIREMENT PENSION

The pension premium is 4.5% of salary portions up to 7.5 income base amounts (SEK 435,750 per year) and 30.0% of salary portions above this amount. There is no ceiling for salaries. Pensionable salary during the year is gross salary paid in cash. The pension premium is paid from the month in which the wage earner turns 25. Everyone is covered, regardless of the type or scope of employment.

SAF-LO Collective Pension is earned until the month before the employee turns 65. If the employee remains in work after his 65th birthday, pension may be earned if this is agreed between the company and the employee. In this case, the company will continue to pay premiums, following notification to Fora.

Up until 2008, the premium was 3.5% of the entire salary, and was paid from the age of 21.

According to the agreement between the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise and the LO, the pension premium has been increased as shown below, and is now up to the same level as ITP 1 for salaried employees. When negotiating salaries and employment conditions for the period 2008–2012, the unions in each contractual area must have taken the increase in costs into account.

EMPLOYMENT AFTER 65

PREMIUM FOR SAF-LO COLLECTIVE PENSION

YEAR	≤ 7.5 IBA	> 7.5 IBA
2008	3.9%	6.0%
2009	4.0%	12.0%
2010	4.1%	18.0%
2011	4.3%	24.0%
2012	4.5%	30.0%

The employer pays the premium for the state pension and waiver of premium insurance to Fora AB. Fora informs the wage earner of the pension choice. The pension premium is transferred to the selected fund manager in the year following the earning year, after the final premiums have been paid by the employer.

SAFEGUARDS BY THE EMPLOYER

The employer can, after gaining approval from the Pension Board at Fora, offer in-house management of the pension premium, secured by entering the pension liability onto the books or by allocating the money to a pension fund. Such safeguarding shall be covered by credit insurance. The employer must also sign an administrative agreement with Fora.

OTHER PENSION PLAN

The employer may reach an agreement with the local trade union or with the wage earner regarding a pension plan other than the SAF-LO Collective Pension including waiver of premium insurance. Local agreements must be approved centrally and then notified to Fora. An agreement with the wage earner must be approved by the Pension Board at Fora. The Pension Board comprises members from the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise and LO.

SUPPLEMENTARY PREMIUMS

The employer can agree to pay supplementary premiums. The agreement can be made with a local trade union or with the wage earner.

OPTIONS

The wage earner can choose the type of saving and insurance company, as well as whether to take out repayment cover and family cover. The choice can be changed during the insurance period.

TRADITIONAL PENSION INSURANCE

In traditional pension insurance, it is the insurance company that is responsible for investing the pension capital. The wage earner is guaranteed a certain basic pension. The guarantee varies between the insurance companies. If the company manages the money in such a way that a surplus arises, the pension becomes higher.

UNIT-LINKED INSURANCE

By choosing unit-linked insurance, the wage earner exercises his right to decide how his pension premiums are to be managed. The employee chooses from among eligible funds. The pension may be higher or lower than that guaranteed in traditional insurance, since unit-linked insurance provides no guaranteed basic pension.

ELIGIBLE INSURANCE COMPANIES

An affiliation process has been conducted which means that all companies that satisfy given terms within the SAF-LO Collective pension are eligible for the premiums that are paid from 2014.

ELIGIBLE INSURANCE COMPANIES

TRADITIONAL INSURANCE
Alecta
AMF
Folksam Liv

UNIT-LINKED INSURANCE
AMF
Danica Pension
Folksam-LO Pension
Handelsbanken Liv
Länsförsäkringar Fondliv
Movestic Liv & Pension
Nordea Liv & Pension
SEB Trygg Liv
SPP Pension & Försäkring
Swedbank Försäkring

Earned capital as from 1996 can be moved within an eligible company or to one of the other eligible companies. Fora administers the move. Information about the charges etc. for moving capital can be found at www.fora.se.

RIGHT TO MOVE CAPITAL

Employees can take out repayment cover on their state pension, which means that the earned pension is paid to beneficiaries in the event of the death of the insured. Repayment cover normally includes the whole pension capital paid into the SAF-LO collective pension from 1996 onwards, regardless of fund manager. Repayment cover persists even after payment of the state pension has begun, unless the recipient opts out. Once the pension has begun to be paid, it is no longer possible to choose repayment cover.

REPAYMENT COVER

The state pension can be supplemented with family cover that is disbursed at the rate of 1, 2, 3 or 4 price base amounts per year for 5, 10, 15 or 20 years in the event of death. Family cover is only payable up until the day the deceased would have turned 70. The premium for family cover is age dependent and reduces the premium for the retirement pension, see page 65. The family cover is taken out with AFA Försäkring. The family cover is paid to the surviving spouse, registered partner, cohabitant or child(ren).

FAMILY COVER

EXAMPLE – WAGE EARNER AGED 45

ANNUAL SALARY	SEK 300,000
Premium 4.5%	SEK 13,500
Family cover 1 price base amount/year over 5 years (see table on page 65)	- SEK 251
For pension	SEK 13,249

The premiums of those who do not specify a choice are invested in a traditional pension insurance with AMF with no repayment cover or family cover.

“NON-CHOOSERS”

DRAWING OF PENSION

The state pension may be drawn as full or partial pension from the age of 55. The pension can be drawn for a limited period or on a lifelong basis. It is possible to defer drawing until a point after the person's 65th birthday.

PENSION STATEMENT AND ANNUAL STATEMENT

Fora issues annual pension statements to the employees detailing the value of their pension capital. The statement includes information pertaining to which fund manager(s) the employee has chosen, and whether repayment cover and family cover have been taken out. The annual statement includes the name of the employer and the premiums paid.

WAIVER OF PREMIUM INSURANCE

With waiver of premium insurance (PBF), the premium for the state pension of the wage earner and, where applicable, family cover are still paid during sickness and parental leave with parental benefit. From 1 January 2012, PBF also applies during periods of pregnancy benefit. PBF comes into effect in the event of absence due to illness or accidents for periods exceeding that of the sick pay period. The waiver of premium is proportional to the degree of work incapacity. The PBF also applies to insurance events where the insured person has a life annuity under the Work Injury Insurance Act without simultaneously drawing sickness compensation. For parental leave with parental benefit, the premium is paid for a maximum of 13 months. When applying to AFA Försäkring for parental benefit supplement, see page 61, PBF applies automatically.

POST-EMPLOYMENT COVER

An application is required for any insurance event that may confer entitlement to waiver of premium. After employment is terminated, there is 90 day post-employment PBF cover for those who were employed for at least 90 days. So, anyone who falls ill within 90 days of termination of employment continues to earn a pension during the illness period, at most up until the age of 65. This is paid for by the collective waiver of premium insurance.

PENSIONS BENEFITS PREVIOUSLY EARNED IN THE STP PLAN

There are transitional rules applying to those who earned pension benefits under the STP plan prior to 1996; these rules determine how the pension is finally set no later than when the employee reaches the age of 60. This pension is paid lifelong and can be drawn from the age of 60 at the earliest. It is possible to defer drawing until a point after the person's 65th birthday.

INDUSTRIAL AGREEMENTS**PART-TIME PENSION**

In certain sectors, the parties have agreed that the employer is to pay a premium for part-time pension. Fora administers the allocation. For further information please refer to the collective agreement of the concerned employers' association.

LIFETIME WORKING HOURS PENSION/WORKING HOURS PENSION

Besides the SAF-LO collective pension, the parties in certain industries have agreed to give employees the option of choosing for themselves between further allocation for state pension, leave or cash payment. For further information please refer to the collective agreement of the concerned employers' association.

Collective retirement pension – salaried employees

– The parts of the ITP plan

The ITP plan is a complement to the statutory insurance cover. Companies with collective agreements take out ITP via the insurance company, Collectum AB, which also invoices the premiums. This applies to companies that are members of an employers' association within the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise or that have entered into local collective agreements with trade unions for salaried employees.

The ITP plan has two parts, ITP 1 and 2. For an explanation of which persons are covered by the respective parts, see below.

Companies currently bound by collective agreements involving an obligation to take out ITP can normally apply ITP 1 to all salaried employees, irrespective of age. Central approval by the relevant professional associations is required for ITP 1 to be applied to all salaried employees. Collectum grants approval on behalf of the parties. Approval is not given when the company, within 18 months of signing a new collective agreement, has been included in a previously signed collective agreement involving an obligation to take out ITP 2. *See also the section "Abstention" on the next page.*

NEW MEMBER COMPANIES

For other companies the following is applicable: salaried employees born in 1979 or later are covered by ITP 1, and salaried employees born in 1978 and earlier are covered by ITP 2. The regulations for ITP 1 and 2 are explained in the relevant section for the type of insurance.

The company's ITP plan governs which plan the salaried employee is insured in. For instance, a 55-year-old salaried employee who is insured in ITP 2 and changes employer, will be insured in ITP 1 if the new employer applies ITP 1 for all salaried employees.

The ITP disability pension applies from the age of 18 and is explained under disability pension on page 57.

Salaried employees, insured in ITP 2, with a pensionable salary exceeding 10 income base amounts (SEK 581,000 for 2015) can, upon reaching agreement with the employer, choose to be covered by ITP 1. This is applicable irrespective of whether the salaried employee has traditional ITP, or an alternative ITP, known as a "tjotaggarlösning" (ten-fold earner solution).

SALARIED EMPLOYEES WITH
YEARLY SALARIES OVER 10
INCOME BASE AMOUNTS

SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS

All salaried employees except managing directors in limited companies and self-employed persons or a spouse of a self-employed person who works in the company are covered by the plan.

The following are considered self-employed persons

- The owner of a sole trading firm.
- All owners in trading companies.
- General partners in limited partnerships.
- In limited liability companies – a shareholder who personally, or jointly with another shareholder who is his spouse, parent or child, owns at least one third of the shares in the company. Co-owners with a smaller stake can apply for exemption from affiliation to the collective insurance schemes. Spouses of self-employed persons are always counted as self-employed persons regardless of corporate form. A cohabitant who has a child with the self-employed person may also apply for an exemption from the collective insurance schemes. Exemptions are applied for from the ITB Board, Collectum.

Only companies with collective agreements which involve an obligation to take out ITP can be newly affiliated through an agreement with Collectum. Self-employed persons and managing directors may voluntarily affiliate to the company's ITP plan.

EXEMPTIONS

If a particular reason exists, the ITP Board may permit another owner to be regarded as self-employed and accordingly be exempted from the ITP plan. The Board can grant exemptions in some other cases too.

ABSTENTION FROM ITP

In companies that previously took out another pension plan for salaried employees when the collective agreement came into force, salaried employees who were employed by the company at that time may agree with the employer to retain this pension solution and abstain from ITP. Collectum should be informed of any abstention within six months of the collective agreement. A special form is available for this purpose.

ABSTENTION AND
ADMISSION WITH NEW
EMPLOYER

If the salaried employee changes employer and is to be covered by ITP 1, admission may be granted if the salaried employee is able to work to at least 25% (the salaried employee is insured for the portion that he/she is able to work).

If the salaried employee changes employer and is to be covered by ITP 2, admission may be granted if the salaried employee is able to work to at least 25% (the salaried employee is insured for the portion that he/she is able to work) and has more than 15 years remaining until normal retirement age, usually 65 years. If there are fewer than 15 years remaining until normal retirement age, a check is performed as to whether the insurance will be subject to premium maximisation (in the defined-benefit ITP 2 there is a ceiling for how high the premium for retirement pension may be, a maximum premium). If the premium does not exceed the ceiling, re-admission is normally granted. Re-admission that exceeds the ceiling is assessed by the ITP Board, and re-admission may be granted with a natural premium, i.e. premium without premium maximisation. If the employer does not approve natural premium, the employer may apply for an exemption.

Salaried employees with a yearly salary exceeding 10 income base amounts may also be granted re-admission if alternative ITP is taken out, see page 44.

**ABSTENTION IN COMPANIES THAT APPLY ITP 1 TO ALL SALARIED EMPLOYEES,
IRRESPECTIVE OF AGE**

Collectum signs a pension agreement and informs the professional associations that the company has entered into an agreement for ITP 1. Salaried employees have the potential, within 14 days of Collectum informing the professional associations, to tell their employer that they wish to abstain from ITP 1 in order to retain their previously agreed occupational pension. If the employer does not approve abstention within a further 14 days, the salaried employee may request that the ITP Board at Collectum (the ITP Board comprises members from the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise and PTK) approve abstention.

A written request must reach the ITP Board within a further three days. Abstention will be approved if the previous pension solution is likely to offer a significantly better pension compared with ITP 1. The ITP Board's decision must be unanimous.

The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise recommends that previously agreed pensions are terminated at the time of the collective agreement. ITP can normally be taken out to the extent the salaried employee is able to work. In the event there are salaried employees who are e.g. on sick leave or receiving sickness or activity compensation, these will remain in the previously agreed insurance for the “ill” part in order to be transferred to ITP on recovery.

If a salaried employee asks to retain the previously agreed occupational pension, and the company intends to reject this request, the company must contact the “old” insurance company to revive the terminated pension solution. The company is granted a temporary exemption from taking out ITP up until the decision of the ITP Board. The revived pension solution is paid until a decision has been taken by the ITP Board (and naturally from then on if the ITP Board judges that it will probably provide a significantly better pension compared to ITP 1).

The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise Insurance Information will assist with information and advice.

Collective retirement pension – salaried employees

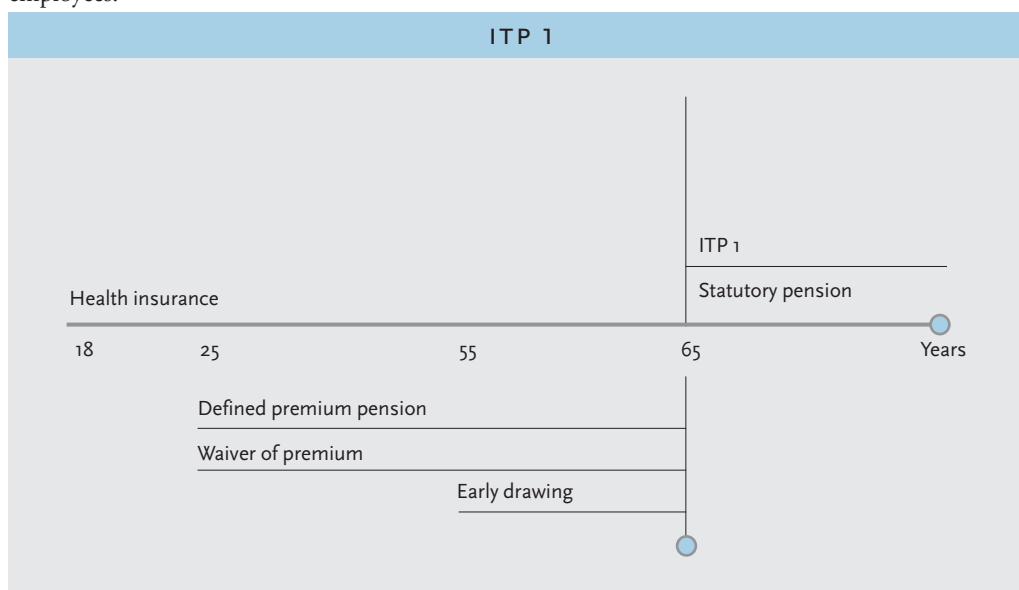
Comparison between the parts of the ITP plan

	ITP 1	ITP 2
Pension system	Defined premiums.	Benefits/Defined premiums.
Entry age/ Scope	Retirement pension 25-65 years old. Disability pension 18 years old.	Retirement pension and disability pension cover all insured persons who have not reached their 65th birthday, i.e. salaried employees born in 1978 or earlier.
The size of the pension	The premium is set and the size of the pension depends on the premiums paid in, which are calculated on the employee's salary, the fund management and any charges applied by the company.	The premium is dependent on the benefits to be paid. ITP retirement pension is dependent on the salary at the time of retirement. ITPK retirement pension depends on the premiums paid in, as well as the salary earned by the employee, the fund management and any charges applied by the company.
Final payment	There is no final payment.	There is a final payment, see page 45.
Expenses	The expenses incurred by the employer are known. The premium is 4.5% of salary portions up to 7.5 income base amounts (SEK 36,313 per month) and 30% of salary portions above this amount. The premium is based on gross salaried paid in cash/month. An additional expense for health and waiver of premium insurance is added.	The employer's expenses are difficult to predict due to the premium being calculated on the employee's age, salary and estimated period of service (concerning state and family pension). Generally speaking, the higher the salary and age, the more expensive the insurance. ITPK premium corresponds to 2% of salary.
Pensionable salary	Gross salary paid in cash including overtime, bonus, commission, etc., per month. Expense allowance is not included.	Current permanent monthly salary x 12.2 plus any variable salary portions etc. Overtime and expense allowances are not included.
Salary portions covered	No upper salary limits.	Salary limit 30 iba (SEK 1,743,000/year).
Compensation to survivors	Within the framework of the general pension premium, the salaried employee can choose repayment cover and family cover.	Family pension is paid out for the life duration of the survivor, if the salaried employee has/had salary in excess of 7.5 income base amounts. Not applicable to cohabitant of the insured or children over the age of 20. The premium for family pension can be transferred to ITPK. In ITPK employees can choose repayment cover and family cover.
Waiver of premium insurance	Waiver of premium for the employer in the event of - illness/accidents (takes effect after more than 14 days of illness) - parental leave with parental benefit (13 months) - temporary parental allowance - leave for child care. The waiver of premium is proportional to the degree of work incapacity.	Waiver of premium for the employer in the event of - illness or accidents (takes effect after 90 days' consecutive illness or after 105 days during the last twelve month period) and with a minimum of 25% sick leave. The employer need not pay any premiums at present in the event of at least 25% sick leave.

Collective retirement pension – salaried employees

- ITP 1

The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise and PTK reached a new agreement regarding occupational pension (ITP 1) for salaried employees, which entered into force in 2007. That which is described below relates to companies that have signed ITP 1 and ITP 2 agreements (salaried employees born in 1978 and earlier are covered by ITP 2). In conclusion, there is an explanation of what applies to companies that are now bound by collective agreements and that can take out ITP 1 for all salaried employees.



ITP 1

Salaried employees born in 1979 or later are covered by ITP 1. The pension premium is paid from the month in which the salaried employee turns 25.

The plan is a complete defined-premium scheme. The premium is 4.5% on salary portions up to 7.5 income base amounts (SEK 36,313 per month) and 30% on salary portions above this amount. There is no ceiling for salaries. Over and above the defined premium scheme, premiums will be added for the ITP disability pension and waiver of premium insurance.

Pension is earned until the month before the employee turns 65. Pension points can be earned after the age of 65 if the company and salaried employee so agree. In this case, the company will continue to pay premiums, following notification to Collectum.

EMPLOYMENT AFTER 65

PENSIONABLE SALARY

Pensionable salary is gross salary paid in cash excluding reimbursement of expenses for each calendar month. The premium is paid from the first krona of salary.

Start from the gross salary each month

- before deductions for tax
- after gross salary deductions for e.g. home PCs, courtesy cars, etc.

Salary exchange and salary abstention reduce the monthly salary that is to be reported by a corresponding amount.

SALARY EXCHANGE

SALARY TERMS

Add

- holiday compensation and holiday pay,
- compensation for additional hours overtime compensation
- compensation for on-call time and stand-by time
- supplements for shift work or unsocial hours
- supplements paid to salaried employees who are receiving pregnancy benefit
- statutory sick pay (paid by the employer on days 2-14 of the illness)
- bonus, commission, performance bonus
- travel time remuneration
- salary increments.

Do not include

- the value of free board and lodging
- per diem allowance, regardless of whether this is taxable or tax-free
- remunerations (e.g. rent compensation, compensation for use of own car, congestion tax, compensation for journeys home, compensation to cover an employee's work-related expenditure)
- non-statutory sick pay (e.g. according to collective agreement that the employer pays on sick days 15-90)
- parental pay
- allocation of shares or bonds that trigger taxation
- taxable benefits that are not cash salary
- remunerations that are not linked to the employment
- car remuneration (as standard for the use of own car at work and costs for wear, fuel, etc.)
- inventor remuneration
- severance pay.

If the company has a type of pay that does not match any of the items above, the matter is raised with the company's local trade union on the employer's and the employee's side.

For a detailed summary regarding the term "salary", visit www.collectum.se.

ITP SELECTION

Salaried employees can choose the fund manager and type of saving (traditional pension insurance or unit-linked insurance). However, at least half the premium is invested in traditional pension insurance. The terms traditional insurance and unit-linked insurance are described on pages 44 and 45. The salaried employee can also choose repayment cover (paid to beneficiaries in the event of the death of the insured) and family cover at 1, 2, 3 or 4 times the price base amount that is paid annually for 5, 10, 15 or 20 years in the event of death.

Family cover is only payable up until the day the deceased would have turned 70. The premium for family cover is age dependent and reduces the premium for the retirement pension, see page 69. ITP is taken out with Collectum and family cover is taken out with Alecta.

EXAMPLE: SALARIED EMPLOYEE AGED 45

ANNUAL SALARY	SEK 300,000
ITP premium 4.5%	SEK 13,500
Family cover 1 price base amount/year over 5 years (see table on page 69)	- SEK 50
For pension	SEK 13,450

Collectum, on the basis of directives from the ITP Board, has carried out a procurement procedure to select the insurance companies that employees may choose. The premiums of those who do not specify a choice are invested in a traditional pension insurance with Alecta with no repayment cover or family cover. The most recent procurement procedure applies from July 2013.

CHOICE OF INSURANCE
COMPANY

ELIGIBLE INSURANCE COMPANIES

TRADITIONAL INSURANCE	UNIT-LINKED INSURANCE
Alecta	AMF
AMF	Danica Pension
Folksam Liv	SEB Trygg Liv
Skandia Liv	SPP Pension & Försäkring
	Swedbank Försäkring

Earned capital can be moved within an eligible company or to one of the other eligible companies. Collectum carries out the administration of the move. Information about the charges etc. for moving capital can be found at www.collectum.se.

RIGHT TO MOVE CAPITAL

The state pension may be drawn as full or partial pensions from the age of 55. The pension can be drawn for a limited period or on a lifelong basis. It is possible to defer drawing until a point after the person's 65th birthday.

DRAWING OF PENSION

The employer can agree to pay supplementary premiums. Agreement can be reached with a local trade union or with an individual salaried employee.

SUPPLEMENTARY PREMIUMS

With waiver of premium insurance, the premium for the state pension of the salaried employee and, where applicable, family cover are paid by the insurance. Waiver of premium insurance pays the premiums in proportion to the degree of work incapacity due to sickness or accident for periods exceeding the statutory sick pay period, for parental leave with parental benefit to at least 25% due to the child's birth or adoption for a maximum of 13 months per birth/adoption and for temporary parental allowance (leave for child care) to at least 25%.

WAIVER OF PREMIUM
INSURANCE

The employer can, after gaining approval from the ITP Board, offer in-house management of their salaried employees' pension premiums, secured by entering the pension liability onto the books or by allocating the money to a pension fund. Such safeguarding shall be covered by credit insurance. The employer must also sign an administrative agreement with Collectum.

SAFEGUARDS BY THE
EMPLOYER

INDUSTRIAL AGREEMENTS

PART-TIME PENSION

In certain sectors, the parties have agreed that the employer is to pay a premium for part-time pension. Collectum carries out the allocation. For further information please refer to the collective agreement of the concerned employers' association.

LIFETIME WORKING HOURS PENSION/WORKING HOURS PENSION

Besides the ITP, the parties in certain industries have agreed to give employees the option of choosing for themselves between further allocation to state pension, leave or cash payment. For further information please refer to the collective agreement of the concerned employers' association.

NEW MEMBER COMPANIES

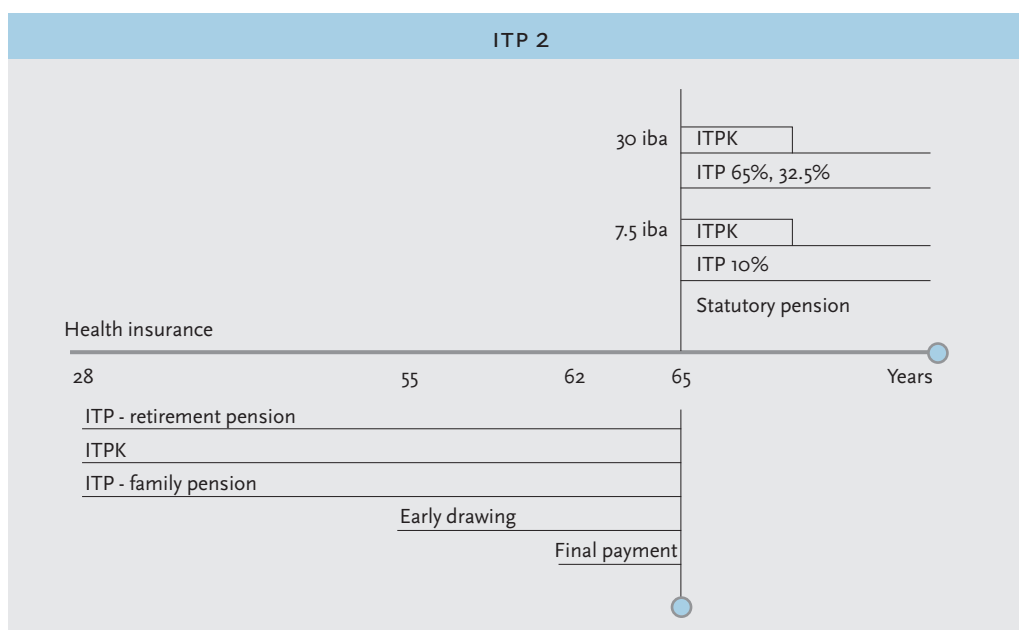
Companies currently bound by collective agreements involving an obligation to take out ITP can normally apply ITP 1 to all salaried employees, irrespective of age. Central approval by the relevant professional associations is required for ITP 1 to be applied to all salaried employees. Collectum grants approval on behalf of the parties. Approval is not given when the company, within 18 months of signing a new collective agreement, has been included in a previously signed collective agreement involving an obligation to take out ITP 2. See also the section "Abstention" on page 35.

All other collective agreement insurance (TGL, TFA and TRR) is taken out in the usual way.

Collective retirement pension – salaried employees

- ITP 2

Companies bound by collective agreements (member companies in the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise or companies with local collective agreements) always take out ITP 2 via the Alecta insurance company. Affiliation is carried out through an agreement with Collectum.



The ITP plan includes the following benefits:

- retirement pension
- ITPK – supplementary retirement pension
- final payment (more information on page 45)
- disability pension (more information on page 57)
- family pension (more information on page 70).

BENEFITS

The ITP plan applies to salaried employees who are permanently or temporarily employed starting from the first month of employment. Salaried employees working on a stand-in, trainee or other temporary basis are covered by ITP after three full consecutive calendar months. Employers pay from the first month of employment.

For a salaried employee working part-time, the plan applies if his or her average working hours amount to at least 8 hours a week with the same employer.

Salaried employees who have less than three years left to normal retirement age and who have not previously earned ITP or any other equivalent pension are not covered by the ITP plan. Collectum should, however, always be notified.

Pension is earned until the month before the employee turns 65. No pensionable income can be received in ITP 2 after the employee's 65th birthday. Pension points can be earned after the age of 65 in ITP 1 if the company and salaried employee so agree. In such a case, the company registers the salaried employee with ITP 1 and pays premiums.

EMPLOYMENT AFTER 65

PENSIONABLE SALARY

The benefits of the ITP scheme are calculated on the basis of the salary reported to Collectum. The reported salary should include:

- 12.2 x permanent monthly salary.
- Commission, bonus, etc. (average for the variable salary portions paid out over the last three years); see below. The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise recommends that estimated variable salary portions that will be paid out during the first year are reported directly. After one year, variable salary portions that have been paid out during the first year are reported, and after two years the average of the variable salary portions paid out over the two years is reported. The reported salary must not be below any guaranteed income.
- The compensation paid out over the preceding year for regular shift work, unsocial hours, on-call and stand-by time.
- The compensation paid out over the preceding year for travel time remuneration (not travel cost compensation).
- Holiday pay on variable salary portions as above.
- Fringe benefits in the form of entirely free board or lodging.

BONUS

Any bonus that is comparable with a commission is to be included in the pensionable salary. This means that the bonus is a variable sum that is paid when targets have been achieved. The rules are to be clear in advance. Performance bonuses determined by the employer alone do not count as pensionable salary.

No other fringe benefits, overtime pay, per diem allowances, travel costs or severance pay are to be included in the reported salary.

For a detailed summary regarding the term “salary”, visit www.collectum.se.

SALARY EXCHANGE AND PARTIAL PENSION

In the event of salary exchange and partial retirement under the auspices of the company and similar, the employer can report the unreduced salary. This means that the ITP retirement and family pension as well as the ITPK insurance are based on the unreduced salary. The ITP disability pension is based on the reduced salary, however. Salary exchange means that the salaried employee abstains from salary in favour of other benefits, and if those benefits cease, the salary is increased again.

The employee chooses which salary terms are to be applied. However, it is important for it to be clear from the agreement with the salaried employee which salary terms are to be applied.

When less than 60 months remain before the normal retirement age, there are restrictions regarding how much the pensionable salary may be raised. This rule means that the pensionable proportion of the salary rise is limited by the percentage change in the income base amount from the previous year, adjusted upwards by a factor according to the table below. The table presents the maximum salary rise that may be credited in various time intervals.

NUMBER OF MONTHS REMAINING UNTIL RETIREMENT	MAXIMUM PENSIONABLE SALARY RISE
59 - 49	1.20 x increase in the income base amount
48 - 37	1.15 x increase in the income base amount
36 - 25	1.10 x increase in the income base amount
24 - 13	1.05 x increase in the income base amount
12 - 1	1.00 x increase in the income base amount

Example: The increase in the income base amount is 2.1%. A salaried employee who is 62 years of age may credit himself with a pensionable salary rise corresponding to a maximum of $2.1\% \times 1.10 = 2.3\%$. This example is based on the salaried employee having a retirement age of 65.

PENSIONABLE EMPLOYMENT PERIOD

Salaried employees covered by the ITP plan are credited with pensionable employment starting from the month after the employee's 28th birthday. In order to receive a full pension, the insured must have an expected period of at least 360 months left until retirement. Otherwise the pension is paid in proportion to the employment period completed.

CO-ORDINATION WITH PREVIOUSLY EARNED PENSION RIGHTS

When salaried employees switch to the ITP 2 plan from some other pension schemes, they are credited with periods of pensionable employment earned prior to 1 January 2009. The previously earned occupational pension is taken into account when calculating the size of the ITP benefits and when calculating the employer's premium. For salaried employees employed as from 1 January 2009, there is no co-ordination with previously earned pension rights outside of the ITP 2 plan with Alecta. Co-ordination will continue to take place with earned pension rights within the ITP 2 plan with Alecta. The co-ordination that has taken place with other occupational pensions prior to 1 January 2009 will also remain. For salaried employees born in 1951 or earlier, the old co-ordination rules will continue to apply.

WAIVER OF PREMIUM INSURANCE

Waiver of premium insurance for ITP 2 pays the premium from the month after the insured has suffered work incapacity due to sickness or accident lasting for more than 90 consecutive calendar days, or for a total of 105 days during the past twelve month period.

BASE AMOUNTS

The income base amount is used to calculate salary limits in the ITP plan. When calculating 7.5 base amounts for ITP disability pension, the price base amount is used.

RETIREMENT PENSION

Retirement age under the ITP plan is 65, unless the employer and salaried employee have agreed on a lower retirement age.

FULL RETIREMENT PENSION IS PAID LIFELONG AT THE FOLLOWING PERCENTAGES OF SALARY:

SALARY PORTIONS WITHIN THE INTERVAL <i>income base amounts</i>	RETIREMENT PENSION
– 7.5	10%
7.5 – 20	65%
20 – 30	32.5%

DRAWING OF PENSION

Earned pension may be drawn as full or partial pensions from the age of 55. The salaried employee decides the payment period, with 5 years being the minimum and lifelong payment being the maximum. It is possible to defer drawing until a point after the person's 65th birthday.

SALARIED EMPLOYEES WITH YEARLY SALARIES OVER 10 INCOME BASE AMOUNTS

An employer can enter into an agreement with a salaried employee who receives a pensionable salary exceeding ten times the income base amount (SEK 581,000 in 2015) to apply a different pension system regarding portions of salary between 7.5 and 30 times the income base amount, known as alternative ITP, which means that the traditional ITP plan is partially replaced. Such an agreement is valid for pension purposes only and covers both retirement and survivors' pensions. It is valid thereafter for the duration of employment. The employer decides on whether the company will offer an alternative ITP. The premium can be paid as an ongoing supplementary premium to ITPK, see www.collectum.se.

CHANGE OF ITP PLAN

Salaried employees with pensionable salaries over 10 income base amounts can, upon reaching agreement with the employer, choose to be covered by ITP 1. This is applicable irrespective of whether the salaried employee has traditional ITP or an alternative ITP, known as a "tiotaggarlösning" (ten-fold earner solution).

ITPK

The supplementary retirement pension (ITPK) is based on the amount of premium paid in. The premium, which goes to the salaried employee's insurance, is 2% of the salary for all employees. The premiums are paid through Collectum. The salaried employee can choose the savings form and fund manager, as well as whether to take out repayment cover and/or family cover. These choices can be changed during the insurance period.

TRADITIONAL PENSION INSURANCE

In traditional pension insurance, it is the insurance company that is responsible for investing the pension capital. The salaried employee is guaranteed a certain basic pension. The guarantee varies between the insurance companies. If the company manages the money in such a way that a surplus arises, the pension becomes higher.

By choosing unit-linked insurance, a salaried employee exercises his right to decide how his pension premiums are to be managed. The salaried employee chooses from among eligible funds. The pension may be higher or lower than that guaranteed in traditional insurance, since unit-linked insurance provides no guaranteed basic pension.

UNIT-LINKED INSURANCE

Collectum, on the basis of directives from the ITP Board, has carried out a procurement procedure to select the insurance companies that employees may choose. The eligible companies are the same companies that can be chosen in ITP 1.

CHOICE OF INSURANCE
COMPANY

Repayment cover means that the earned pension is paid to beneficiaries in the event of the death of the salaried employee.

REPAYMENT COVER

The state pension can be supplemented with family cover that is disbursed at the rate of 1, 2, 3 or 4 price base amounts per year for 5, 10, 15 or 20 years in the event of death. Family cover is only payable up until the day the deceased would have turned 70. The premium for family cover is age-dependent and reduces the premium for the retirement pension. The family cover is taken out with Alecta and is the same as for ITP 1, see page 69. The family cover is paid to the surviving spouse, registered partner, cohabitant or child(ren).

FAMILY COVER

If the family cover has been selected before 1 April 2008, the “old” variant applies with 1 or 2 times the raised price base amount being paid out to survivors for 5 years. The premium, which is not age-dependent, amounts to SEK 9 per base amount and month during 2015.

The premiums of those who do not specify a choice are invested in traditional pension insurance with Alecta with no repayment cover or family cover (the same as for non-choosers within ITP 1).

“NON-CHOOSERS”

Earned capital in ITPK can be moved within an eligible company or to one of the other eligible companies. This also applies to the original ITPK. Collectum carries out the administration of the move. Information about the charges etc. for moving capital can be found at www.collectum.se.

RIGHT TO MOVE CAPITAL

The employer can agree to pay supplementary premiums to ITPK. The agreement can be made with a local trade union or with the individual employee.

SUPPLEMENTARY PREMIUMS

FINAL PAYMENT

Salaried employees who wish to leave their jobs in order to retire no earlier than the month after their 62nd birthday, are entitled to receive pension as if they had earned retirement pension, ITPK pension and family pension until their 65th birthday. If the salaried employee chooses to draw lifelong pension before the age of 65, the pension is only reduced because the calculated disbursement period is longer.

PAID-UP POLICY

Salaried employees who terminate their employment after the age of 28 are entitled to convert their earned pension entitlement into a ‘paid-up policy’. This right to a paid-up policy applies to the state pension, ITPK and family pension.

ENTERING PENSION AS A LIABILITY AND PENSION FUND

The ITP retirement pension can be safeguarded either by insurance through the Alecta insurance company, by entering the pension as a liability in the company's books or by allocating sums to a pension fund. Entering the pension as a liability means that the pension savings are kept in the company's business. A pension fund is a separate legal entity. If the employer draws up pension commitments for all or some of the employees, the company is entitled to allocate funds to the pension fund for future pension purposes. When making pension payments, the employer is entitled to a refund of pension expenses from the fund.

On entering the pension into the books as a liability and maintaining a pension fund, the employer must take out credit insurance and register the pension commitments with PRI Pensionsgaranti (the insurance company PRI Pensionsgaranti, mutual). The advantage of the FPG/PRI model is that the company obtains long-term credit since the pension payments are deferred to the future. When employees then retire, PRI Pensionsgaranti disburses the pensions and charges the company for such payments.

The preliminary average ITP premiums reported on page 23 relate to the average cost for the whole ITP collective. However, the costs reported are usually higher for a company using the FPG/PRI model. This is because technical accounting rules require that the company reports part of the pension liability as a financial expense.

The financial expense is determined by PRI Pensionsgaranti. It is calculated on the basis of an interest rate on the average pension liability for the year. This interest rate is based on the discount rates used in calculating the pension liability and the upward adjustment for inflation made during the year. When comparing with the insurance alternative, the financial expense must be deducted.

PENSION SUPPLEMENTS

The ITP pension is index-linked in the event of payment with pension supplements. This pension supplement must not correspond to more than the rise in the consumer price index. PRI companies and Alecta provide pension supplements of the same size.

WHAT DOES IT COST?

The ITP premium for a salaried employee consists of a state pension premium, ITPK premium, risk premium and compensating premium, and for salaried employees with salaries above 7.5 income base amounts, a family pension premium. The ITP state and family pensions are defined-benefit pensions, and so the premiums are calculated on an individual basis. The premiums are affected by the employee's salary, age and previously earned pension.

PART-TIME PENSION

In certain sectors, the parties have agreed that the employer is to pay a premium for part-time pension. Collectum carries out the allocation. For further information please refer to the collective agreement of the concerned employers' association.

LIFETIME WORKING HOURS PENSION/WORKING HOURS PENSION

Besides the ITP, the parties have agreed to give employees the option of choosing for themselves between further allocation to state pension, leave or cash payment. For further information please refer to the collective agreement of the concerned employers' association.

Statutory sickness benefits

In the event of sickness, an employee receives compensation in the form of sick pay for the first 14 days, sickness benefit from day 15 and, for long-term illness, benefit in the form of activity or sickness compensation. There are also supplementary benefits in the form of sick pay and health insurance under collective agreements, i.e. AGS and ITP disability pension.

THE SICK PAY ACT

The Sick Pay Act is directly applicable to employees who have permanent employment or who are temporarily employed for at least one month. For other employees, the Act applies after 14 days of employment. Several periods of employment with the same employer may be combined if the intervals between them do not exceed 14 calendar days. During the sick pay period, the employer is responsible for payments to the employee.

In some cases, the employer can refund additional costs relating to travel to and from work instead of paying sick pay. Employers pay sick pay for the first 14 calendar days when an employee is absent due to reduced work capacity in the event of sickness (sick-pay period).

It is only paid for working days. The basis for calculating the size of sick pay is regulated in the Sick Pay Act and in collective agreements. In the event of absence due to sickness, the following applies.

Day 1	Qualifying day (no compensation)
Days 2-14	80% of pay

A qualifying day means that no compensation is paid for the first working day in a sick pay period. The number of qualifying days is restricted to ten during a 12-month period. The qualifying period also applies if the sickness is due to a work injury.

QUALIFYING DAY

If an employee recovers and then falls ill again within 5 calendar days, the new period of sickness is counted as a continuation of the previous one. Compensation must then be calculated as if the period of sickness was unbroken. In practice this means that no new qualifying day is required. It also has a bearing on the length of the sick pay period.

REPEATED SICKNESS RULE

The employee must submit a doctor's certificate to the employer if the illness lasts for longer than 7 calendar days. If particular reasons exist, the employer may request the submission of a doctor's certificate earlier, for example from the first day of the sickness period.

DOCTOR'S CERTIFICATE

Individuals who in future are assumed to have extensive sickness absence (more than 10 short sick periods during a 12-month period), as well as those who are going to donate organs or tissue, can apply to the Social Insurance Office to be covered by special high-risk cover. This means that sick pay is payable from the first day in the sick pay period. Those who suffer an illness that entails one or more lengthy periods of sickness (at least 28 days) during a 12-month period or who have been paid activity compensation are also covered (a qualifying day applies in this case). The employer is refunded for sick pay expenses (including employer's contributions) by the Social Insurance Office on application.

SPECIAL HIGH-RISK COVER

Employers with 100 employees or more are to submit information about paid sick pay once a month to Statistics Sweden.

EMPLOYER'S REPORTING RESPONSIBILITY

COMPENSATION FOR HIGH SICK PAY COSTS

Protection against high sick pay costs is available to all employers in Sweden. This protection means that employers can receive compensation for annual sick pay costs that exceed a certain level. From 2015, new levels apply and the procedures for applying for compensation are changing.

SIZE OF THE COMPENSATION	<p>The compensation is calculated on the basis of different levels. The employer's level is dependent on how high its annual pay costs are.</p> <p>The employer can receive compensation for that part of the sick pay costs that exceeds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0.5% of the total pay cost if the annual pay cost does not exceed SEK 3 million • 0.9% of the total pay cost if the annual pay cost is between SEK 3 million and SEK 6 million • 1.2% of the total pay cost if the annual pay cost is between SEK 6 million and SEK 12 million • 1.3% of the total pay cost if the annual pay cost is between SEK 12 million and SEK 20 million • 1.5% of the total pay cost if the annual pay cost exceeds SEK 20 million
MAXIMUM COMPENSATION	The maximum compensation that can be received is SEK 250,000 annually.
DECISION ON COMPENSATION	The Social Insurance Office calculates any entitlement to compensation based on the information in the monthly employer's declarations submitted to the Tax Authority. If the Social Insurance Office decides that the employer is entitled to compensation, the employer's tax account is credited once a year. At the start of 2016, the Social Insurance Office will have the calculation grounds for 2015, and can then investigate and decide on any entitlement to compensation. The employer can apply for preliminary compensation in advance.
COMPENSATION FOR 2014	For 2014, the employer can apply for compensation for sick pay costs exceeding 2.5 times the average sick pay cost for all employers. The application must be completed and submitted to the Social Insurance Office no later than 31 May 2015.
SICKNESS-BENEFIT QUALIFYING INCOME (SGI)	<p>SICKNESS BENEFIT</p> <p>All those working in Sweden who have an annual qualifying income for sickness benefit (SGI) of at least SEK 10,700 are insured with the Social Insurance Office. The income qualifying for sickness benefit (SGI) is the estimated cash payment per month multiplied by 12. SGI is multiplied by a factor of 0.97. This calculation shall be in force pending a proposal for SGI to be based on past income instead of anticipated income, as is the case today. Sickness benefit is paid out on SGI up to 7.5 price base amounts (SEK 333,700 for 2015) multiplied by 0.97, i.e. SEK 323,689. Neither taxable benefits nor holiday compensation are included in the SGI. In order to be entitled to sickness benefit, the person must have an illness that reduces his or her work capacity by at least 1/4. In order to be entitled to full sickness benefit, the person must be fully incapacitated. Additional sickness benefit levels are 3/4 and 1/2.</p>
TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT	In certain cases the Social Insurance Office will refund extra costs in conjunction with travel to and from work instead of paying sickness benefit.

Sick leave of more than 14 days must be reported by the employer to the Social Insurance Office within 7 calendar days of the end of the sick-pay period. The Social Insurance Office pays sickness benefit from day 15 at 80% of SGI for 364 days during a reference period comprising the last 450 days. These 364 days include days with sickness benefit, rehabilitation compensation, etc. 13 days in the sick pay period are also included, provided the sickness benefit has been paid directly in connection with this. Days with partial compensation are also counted as one (1) day. A person who has received compensation for 364 days must stop receiving compensation for 87 days in order once again to be entitled to sickness benefit at normal level.

SICKNESS BENEFIT AT
NORMAL LEVEL

People with a serious illness can apply to have more days with sickness benefit at normal level.

MORE DAYS WITH SICKNESS
BENEFIT AT NORMAL LEVEL

Individuals whose work capacity is still reduced at the end of the 364 days may apply for sickness benefit at continuation level; the compensation will then be approx. 75% of SGI. Sickness benefit at continuation level can be paid for a maximum of 550 days. Days with partial compensation are also counted as one (1) day.

SICKNESS BENEFIT AT
CONTINUATION LEVEL

Beyond the 550 days, more days with sickness benefit at continuation level can be paid in the event of hospital care or when other comprehensive care is required, in the event of an approved work injury or if it is deemed unreasonable to stop paying sickness benefit.

MORE DAYS WITH SICKNESS
COMPENSATION AT
CONTINUATION LEVEL

Sickness benefit at normal and continuation level is calculated as $80\% / 75\% \times \text{SGI} \times 0.97/365$. The maximum sickness benefit in 2015 at a benefit level of 80% is SEK 709 per day. The highest sickness benefit for unemployed people is SEK 543 per day.

The Social Insurance Office will reduce the sickness benefit at normal level (80%) if compensation in the form of sick pay or compensation from free group sickness insurance determined in a collective agreement exceeds 10% of the salary up to 7.5 price base amounts and 90% of salary portions that exceed 7.5 price base amounts. In the event of sickness benefit at continuation level (75%), the reduction rule applies if compensation exceeds 10% and 85% respectively.

THE REDUCTION RULE

In cases where the insured person is undergoing medical treatment or medical rehabilitation aimed at preventing illness or shortening the period of illness, the Social Insurance Office can pay preventive sickness benefit instead of the employer's sick pay. This is paid from the first day.

SICKNESS BENEFIT FOR
PREVENTIVE PURPOSES

WHEN THE PERIOD WITH SICKNESS BENEFIT COMES TO AN END

For an insured individual whose days with sickness benefit have come to an end, a labour market programme lasting three months is offered. This programme includes an investigation and charting of the need for support in order to return to work. For insured individuals who satisfy the conditions for UIF compensation, activity support is paid by the Social Insurance Office at the same compensation level as UIF compensation. If the person is not entitled to UIF, the compensation in the case of full-time amounts to SEK 223/day.

ACTIVITY AND SICKNESS COMPENSATION

A person who is younger than 30 and whose work capacity is reduced due to sickness that is expected to last for at least one year receives activity compensation. For a person between the ages of 30 and 64 and whose work capacity is permanently reduced, sickness compensation is granted until further notice. For both payments, the work capacity is to be reduced by at least a quarter. It is also payable as 1/2, 3/4 and full compensation. The payments are made by the Social Insurance Office in the form of an income-related compensation and/or a guarantee compensation.

**INCOME-RELATED
COMPENSATION**

The income-related sickness and activity compensation is calculated on the basis of an assumed income. The assumed income, which can never be higher than 7.5 times the price base amount, is calculated using the rule of the average of the 3 highest yearly salaries during a reference period. The length of the reference period varies from the previous 5 to 8 years, depending on the age of the insured person. An insured person who is 46 or younger has a reference period of 8 years, while older people have shorter periods. The full income-related activity and sickness compensation is calculated as 64% of the assumed income.

GUARANTEE COMPENSATION

To be entitled to guarantee compensation, the insured must have at least three years of credited insurance time (residence in Sweden/EU). To receive full compensation, the insured must have at least 40 years' insurance time in Sweden, including future insurance time to retirement at age 65.

The guarantee compensation is age-related until the age of 30. It rises from 2.1 price base amounts annually for a 20-year-old to 2.35 price base amounts for a 29-year-old. For persons aged 30-64, the guarantee level is 2.40 price base amounts. The guarantee level is the same for married and unmarried persons. The guarantee compensation is co-ordinated in direct proportion to the income-related compensation.

ACTIVITY COMPENSATION

The Social Insurance Office is obliged to offer some sort of activity to people with activity compensation. The insured need not accept. Decisions regarding activity compensation are always time-limited, and for a maximum of three years.

EMPLOYMENT

An employee receiving activity compensation keeps his or her employment. In the event of full sickness compensation payable until further notice (no time limit), the employment is terminated when the employer gives the employee notice of this.

WORKING WITH SICKNESS COMPENSATION

Individuals who have been granted sickness compensation prior to July 2008 can apply to the Social Insurance Office to retain their sickness compensation and at the same time enter into gainful employment or study. Individuals who are receiving full sickness compensation can earn up to one price base amount, SEK 44,500, and still retain their sickness compensation. In the event of higher incomes, the sickness compensation is reduced. These individuals are not entitled to either sick pay or sickness benefit.

Individuals who have been granted sickness compensation from July 2008 can apply to the Social Insurance Office to put their sickness compensation on hold for a maximum of two years in order to try working or studying. For a person who is working, 25% of the dormant compensation can be paid for a maximum of 12 months.

People below the age of 30 with activity compensation who want to work or study can also apply for the activity compensation to be dormant.

People who work according to these rules are covered by the normal employment protection, and the employer's rehabilitation and adaptation responsibility applies.

REHABILITATION

Employers have the primary responsibility for their employees' rehabilitation. Employers must undertake measures at their own workplaces aimed at enabling the employee to return to work. The Social Insurance Office is responsible for co-ordinating the various measures required.

The employer can receive a grant from the Social Insurance Office for the purchase of workplace-related support intended to prevent illness and to make it easier for employees to return to work. This effort must be carried out by the occupational health service or an equivalent body. This can involve help in charting the need for adaptation of work duties and working hours, or for consultation regarding work aids. The grant goes directly to the employer and covers half the cost of the measures that are carried out, up to a maximum of SEK 7,000 per measure. The support is provided as far as access to allocated resources permits, which is why the employer is recommended to apply for the support continually.

WORKPLACE-RELATED
SUPPORT

AFA Försäkring can finance up to half the cost of work-oriented rehabilitation or preventive measures for an employee covered by AGS insurance. More information can be found on page 56.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT
FOR WORK-ORIENTED
REHABILITATION

REHABILITATION COMPENSATION

A person undergoing work-oriented rehabilitation can receive rehabilitation benefit and a special grant from the Social Insurance Office. The rehabilitation compensation is paid at the same amount that applies for sickness benefit. During rehabilitation, a special grant can be paid for expenses.

In order for an employee to be able to continue working or to return to work after illness, work aids or adaptation of the workplace may be necessary. The Social Insurance Office can provide grants to the employer or the employee. Applications from the employer can relate to aids or devices that entail interventions in property, such as the conversion of premises or a machine. The employee himself applies if the work aid is personal. The employer and the employee can normally receive grants of up to SEK 50,000 each. For employers, there is a qualifying deduction of SEK 10,000, after which compensation can be paid at half the remaining cost.

WORK AIDS

REHABILITATION CHAIN

The rehabilitation chain entails set times for the Social Insurance Office's assessment of the right to sickness benefit.

DAYS 1-90

During the first 90 days of a sickness absence period, the Social Insurance Office will assess the person's work capacity in relation to regular work or other suitable work that the employer can offer.

DAYS 91-180

The Social Insurance Office assesses the work capacity against other work at the employee's employer. If it is possible for the employee, after rehabilitation, relocation, etc., to carry out some other work that is available at the employer, sickness benefit will not be paid. The presence of work duties at the employer does not in itself entail sickness benefit being brought into question.

NEED FOR NEW WORK

If the employee cannot return to work at the employer within 180 days of sickness absence, a plan for his return to work will be drawn up by the Social Insurance Office and support will be offered via the Employment Service.

STATEMENT FROM THE EMPLOYER

In order for the Social Insurance Office to have a comprehensive basis on which to assess whether the employee can carry out work other than his regular duties with the employer, the Social Insurance Office is able to request a statement from the employer, via the employee. This statement must indicate the opportunities that exist to utilise the employee's work capacity within the employer's operations after relocation or rehabilitation. It is the employee's obligation to submit this statement to the Social Insurance Office.

DAYS 181-365

In its assessment of the entitlement to sickness benefit, the Social Insurance Office must take into consideration whether the person is able to provide for himself through gainful employment that occurs normally on the labour market. This assessment may be deferred, although at most until day 365, if it is probable that the person can return to work with the employer in the near future or if there are particular reasons, as well as if this assessment can be deemed unreasonable.

DAY 366 AND AFTER

If it is not deemed unreasonable, the Social Insurance Office assesses whether the person has the work capacity to provide for himself through gainful employment on the regular labour market.

LEAVE ACT

An employee who is on sick leave is entitled to leave from his employment to try out other work. The employment agreement with another employer must have been entered into during the period from day 91 to day 180 in the rehabilitation chain, and the new employment can be a permanent or a temporary position. The employee is entitled to a maximum of nine months' leave.

CUSTOMER CENTRE FOR EMPLOYERS

The customer centre for employers at the Social Insurance Office is responsible for questions regarding the implications of sick leave and sickness absence for employers. For addresses and telephone numbers, see page 118.

Collectively agreed sickness benefits – wage earners

Group sickness insurance (AGS)

In the event of work incapacity due to sickness, the group sickness insurance scheme (AGS) supplements the statutory sickness benefit and activity or sickness compensation.

WHEN DOES AGS APPLY?

Only persons with income regarded by the Social Insurance Office as qualifying for sickness benefit are covered by AGS. The insurance applies in cases of work incapacity due to sickness or accident.

WHEN IS COMPENSATION PAID?

AGS compensation is paid up to and including day 360 in the event of sick leave at a rate equivalent to at least 1/4 of the sickness benefit, as well as during periods with activity or sickness compensation. AGS compensation applies until the wage earner turns 65.

CONDITIONS FOR ENTITLEMENT TO COMPENSATION

Compensation is paid from the AGS for periods of sickness benefit as well as activity or sickness compensation after the wage earner has been employed for 90 days. Previous periods of employment with another employer who has AGS insurance cover are also counted in the qualifying period, provided that the job(s) concerned were not held more than two years before the last job. If the employer has taken out ITP insurance, the employee may also count a period as a salaried employee.

QUALIFYING PERIOD

When the wage earner has completed the above qualifying period, the insurance applies for the duration of his/her employment. This is known as the insurance-carrying employment period. If the employee is absent for longer than six consecutive months, the insurance-carrying employment period ends, provided that the absence is not due to sickness or care of children.

INSURANCE-CARRYING
EMPLOYMENT PERIOD

SIZE OF THE COMPENSATION

The following compensation rules apply to the daily compensation rate:

- No AGS compensation is paid for the first 14 days during which sick pay is normally paid.
- Daily compensation is paid from day 15 until day 360. During the period when sickness benefit is paid at 80% of salary, daily compensation is paid corresponding to 12.5% of the sickness benefit, and during the period when sickness benefit is paid at 75% of salary, daily compensation is paid corresponding to 13.3% of the sickness benefit. Sickness benefit is paid out on incomes up to 7.5 price base amounts, see page 48.

The AGS does not pay daily compensation after day 360 in a sickness period. If 3/4, 1/2 or 1/4 sickness benefit is being paid, the AGS pays the corresponding rate of daily compensation.

COMPENSATION DURING
SICKNESS BENEFIT PERIOD

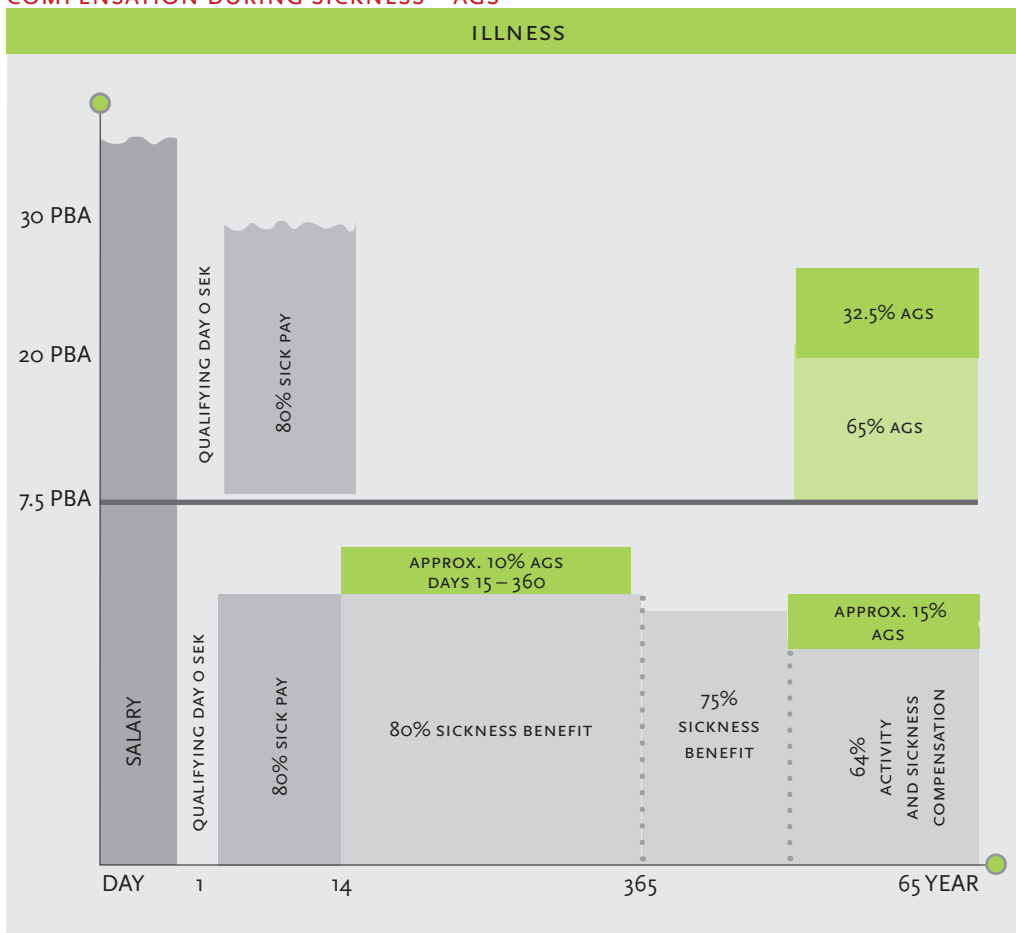
When activity or sickness compensation is being paid, the AGS compensation is calculated on the basis of the size of the sickness-benefit qualifying income (SGI) the person was earning when he/she fell ill. Depending on the degree of work incapacity, the monthly compensation can be paid at 1/1, 3/4, 1/2 or 1/4 of the full amount. The extent of the monthly compensation, which is approx. 15% on salary portions up to SEK 321,000 per year, is shown in the table on page 114.

COMPENSATION DURING
PERIOD OF ACTIVITY OR
SICKNESS COMPENSATION

Individuals who have an income exceeding 7.5 price base amounts can also receive monthly compensation for the loss of income during the activity/sickness compensation period. The compensation is 65% of salary portions between 7.5 and 20 price base amounts, and 32.5% between 20 and 30 price base amounts.

COMPENSATION FOR
INCOME EXCEEDING 7.5
PRICE BASE AMOUNTS

COMPENSATION DURING SICKNESS – AGS



*Paid out on salary portions up to SEK 321,000 per year.

TAXATION

All AGS compensation is regarded as taxable earned income. An exception is made for those who fell ill before 1991.

INDEX-LINKING

When AGS compensation has been paid for 24 consecutive months, special rules allow the compensation amount to be raised if the price base amount has been raised. However, this increase must not exceed 4% annually unless AFA Försäkring adopts a higher upward adjustment.

POST-EMPLOYMENT COVER

AGS can provide cover after the period of insurance-carrying employment has ended. Post-employment cover applies for 720 calendar days. One condition of post-employment cover is that the insured person has income that is considered to qualify for sickness benefit under the National Insurance Act. If the wage earner falls ill during the period of post-employment cover, the post-employment cover days are not used up. Post-employment cover ends if the wage earner, after three consecutive months' unemployment, is not at the disposal of the labour market, or has been employed for a total of 180 days with an employer who has not signed an insurance agreement for AGS, or becomes otherwise entitled to benefits that are similar in principle. A wage earner who leaves his/her employment without observing the collectively agreed period of notice is not covered by post-employment cover.

CUSTOMER WEB AT AFA FÖRSÄKRING

Employers who sign up to the customer web at AFA Försäkring can confirm employment, view current trends and receive a history of registered cases. The wage earner registers for compensation in the event of parental leave, sick leave or a work injury directly on the customer web. Information can be found at www.afaforsakring.se/kundwebb.

INFORMATION TO EMPLOYEES IN DIFFERENT LANGUAGES

AFA Försäkring issues the brochure “Försäkrad via jobbet” (“Insured through work”) in Arabian, English, Finnish, Persian, Polish, Serbian, Spanish, Swedish and Turkish. The insurance schemes described are AGS, FPT, TFA, AGB and TGL.

Financial support to employers for work-oriented rehabilitation

Since 2000, the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise and LO have set aside a total of SEK 175 million from the joint AGS fund to cover costs in association with individual rehabilitation measures.

CONDITIONS FOR GRANTING REHABILITATION SUPPORT

In order for AFA Försäkring to co-finance rehabilitation, it is necessary for:

- the employee for whom the rehabilitation funds are being sought to be covered by AGS insurance
- the need for rehabilitation must be confirmed and be evident from the plan for a return to work. The plan must be drawn up by the employer, the Social Insurance Office or the Employment Service.

Grants are only provided for work-oriented rehabilitation. Grants may also be provided for rehabilitation measures that are implemented for preventive purposes, such as treatment sessions with a psychologist or licensed psychotherapist, in the event of treatment for abuse or dependency, or for other activities when the Social Insurance Office is paying preventive sickness benefit.

SCOPE

AFA Försäkring can finance up to half the rehabilitation cost for employees.

APPLICATION

The employer, the Social Insurance Office or the Employment Service applies for a rehabilitation grant from AFA Försäkring, www.afaforsakring.se.

Collectively agreed sickness benefits – salaried employees

ITP 1 and 2

The employer pays the collectively-agreed sick pay to salaried employees for sickness periods that last for longer than 14 days and up to day 90. For salary portions up to 7.5 price base amounts, the sick pay is 10% of the pay, and for salary portions above this it is 90%.

SICK PAY

DISABILITY PENSION IN THE ITP PLAN

The ITP disability pension applies from the age of 18 and is taken out with Alecta through an agreement between the employer and Collectum. Salaried employees are entitled to a disability pension from the ITP plan in the event of work incapacity of at least 25% due to sickness or accident, and when this incapacity has lasted for more than 90 consecutive days.

QUALIFYING PERIOD

If the work incapacity has not lasted for more than 90 consecutive days, but the salaried employee has been ill on several occasions during the past 12-month period, the employee becomes entitled to a disability pension after a total of 105 calendar days.

Full disability pension is paid in the event of complete work incapacity. If the work incapacity is partial, the pension is paid in proportion to the degree of incapacity, which must be at least 25%.

SALARY-BASED DISABILITY PENSION

The salary that is the basis for the disability pension applicable for ITP 1 is the average pensionable salary for the 12 months prior to the illness. The term 'salary' is defined on page 37.

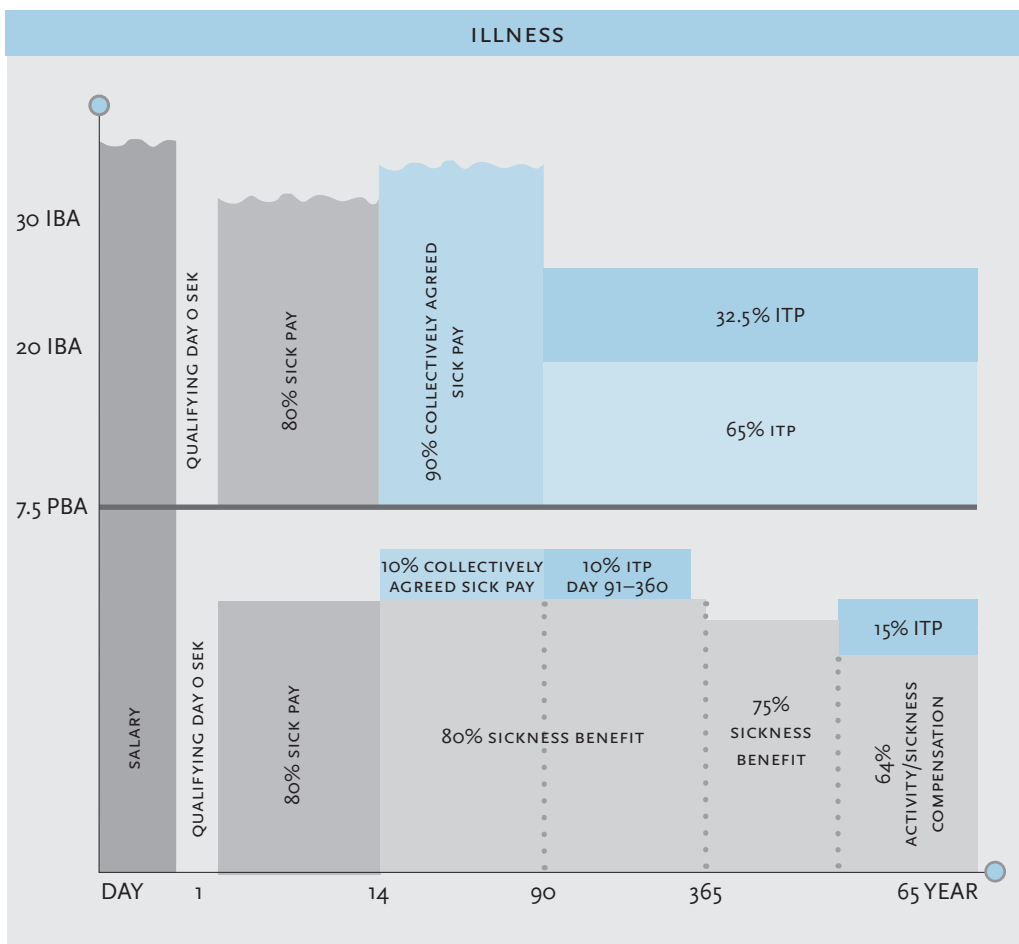
For ITP 2 the term salary applies in accordance with the explanation on page 42.

SALARY PORTIONS WITHIN THE INTERVAL	SICKNESS BENEFIT PERIOD		
	up to and incl. day 90*	days 91-360	day 361-
- 7.5 price base amounts (pba)	0%	10%	0%
7.5 pba - 20 income base amounts	0%	65%	65%
20-30 income base amounts	0%	32.5%	32.5%

* Days 15-90, collectively agreed sick pay is paid by the employer. When the qualifying rule of 105 days has been met, the employer no longer pays collectively agreed sick pay. Instead, compensation is paid from the ITP at 10%, 65% and 32.5% of pay.

SALARY PORTIONS WITHIN THE INTERVAL	ACTIVITY OR SICKNESS COMPENSATION PERIOD
- 7.5 price base amounts (pba)	15%
7.5 pba - 20 income base amounts	65%
20-30 income base amounts	32.5%

COMPENSATION DURING SICKNESS – ITP



WAIVER OF PREMIUM INSURANCE - ITP 1

Waiver of premium insurance for ITP 1 pays the premiums in proportion to the degree of work incapacity due to sickness or accident for periods exceeding the statutory sick pay period, for parental leave with parental benefit to at least 25% due to a child's birth or adoption for a maximum of 13 months per birth/adoption and for temporary parental allowance (leave for child care) to at least 25%.

WAIVER OF PREMIUM INSURANCE - ITP 2

Waiver of premium insurance for ITP 2 pays the premium from the month after the insured has suffered work incapacity due to sickness or accident lasting for more than 90 consecutive calendar days, or for a total of 105 days during the past twelve month period.

POST-EMPLOYMENT COVER

After the end of the period of employment, the insurance applies for a further three months.

Statutory parental insurance

Parental insurance makes it financially possible for parents to take leave at the birth of a child and thereafter to care for the child.

PARENTAL BENEFIT AT THE BIRTH/ADOPTION OF A CHILD

Parental benefit is paid for max. 480 days in total to the parents. When the parents provide joint care, they are entitled to 240 days each. Of these, 60 days according to the sickness benefit level are reserved for each of the parents and cannot be transferred. In the case of multiple births, parental benefit is paid for a further 180 days per additional child.

CHILDREN BORN IN 2014 AND LATER

Parental benefit can be paid in conjunction with the birth of a child until the child reaches the age of 12. The majority must be drawn before the child reaches the age of 4. After the child has reached the age of 4, parental benefit can be paid for a maximum of 96 days. In the case of multiple births, there are an additional 36 days per additional child.

CHILDREN BORN BEFORE 2014

Parental benefit is paid at most until the child has finished the first year of compulsory school. If the child reaches the age of 8 after the end of the school year, parental benefit can be drawn until the child's 8th birthday.

LEVELS

Parental benefit can be paid at full, three-quarters, half, one-quarter or one-eighth payment.

ENTITLEMENT TO LEAVE

The Parental Leave Act grants entitlement to various types of parental leave. The employers' associations help employers who have questions regarding the entitlement to leave.

SIZE OF PARENTAL BENEFIT

Parental benefit is calculated per day, including for days when the person is not normally working. There are three different compensation levels. The first level is called the sickness benefit level and the compensation is equivalent to approximately 80% of sickness-benefit qualifying income (SGI). This is calculated in the same way as sickness benefit, see page 48. Parental benefit is paid on SGI up to 10 price base amounts (SEK 445,000 for 2015). The second level is called the basic level. The basic level applies to parents with low or no income. The basic level is SEK 225 per day. The third level is called the lowest level and applies for 90 days. The lowest level is SEK 180 per day.

In order to receive compensation calculated on SGI for the first 180 days, the parent must be entitled to sickness benefit exceeding SEK 180 per day for at least 240 consecutive days before the predicted or actual birth. If this requirement is not satisfied, the basic level of SEK 225 per day is paid. The same requirement does not apply for the remaining 210 days. For the additional days in the event of twins being born, the compensation is calculated for 90 days according to the sickness benefit level or basic level and the remaining 90 days according to the lowest level.

PARENTAL BENEFIT ON LEAVE DAYS

Parental benefit can be paid for all days of the week, including Saturdays and Sundays. For payment of parental benefit at sickness benefit level for a maximum of four days, which are normally non-working days, the payment must be drawn the day before or the day after the non-working days. Parental benefit cannot be drawn during holidays.

PREGNANCY BENEFIT

If a woman who is pregnant is incapacitated by at least a quarter, and she cannot be offered less physically demanding work, then she is entitled to pregnancy benefit, although at most until the 11th day before the estimated birth date. A pregnant woman is able to start drawing parental benefit 60 days before the estimated birth date.

TEMPORARY PARENTAL BENEFIT AT THE BIRTH OF A CHILD

The father or the other parent is entitled to temporary parental benefit for ten days in conjunction with the birth of a child if the parent abstains from work or UIF. These days will provide the potential to be present at the birth and to both get to know the new child and take care of other children in the family.

TEMPORARY PARENTAL BENEFIT IN THE CASE OF A SICK CHILD

When caring for a sick child below the age of 12, temporary parental benefit can be paid. In special cases, temporary parental benefit can also be paid for children who have reached the age of 12.

Collectively agreed benefits in the event of parental leave – wage earners

Parental benefit supplement insurance (FPT) is an insurance for wage earners according to an agreement with the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise and the Swedish Trade Union Confederation (LO). The insurance applies from 1 January 2014. There is no corresponding insurance for salaried employees.

Within the agreement areas where agreements have existed regarding parental pay, parental benefit supplement insurance replaces these agreements as from January 2014.

The insurance is administered by Fora and taken out with AFA Försäkring. No premium for the parental benefit supplement will be drawn for 2015 as the companies within AFA Försäkring are well consolidated.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to be entitled to compensation, the wage earner at the time of the child's birth or adoption must have been employed for at least 12 months during a reference period of 4 years with one or more employers who have the insurance. Time before the employer had the insurance is also counted.

Absence from employment of more than 6 consecutive months is not counted as the qualifying period unless the absence is due to illness, full leave with pay or full leave according to the Parental Leave Act.

ENTITLEMENT TO COMPENSATION

An employee is entitled to compensation during a continuous period of parental leave, according to the Parental Leave Act, with parental benefit at sickness benefit level. The parental benefit supplement does not apply to time later than 18 months after the birth or adoption of the child.

PAYMENT PERIOD

The parental benefit supplement can be paid for a maximum of 180 calendar days with parental benefit at sickness benefit level per birth or adoption. Each payment day, regardless of whether the statutory parental benefit is drawn partially or in full, constitutes one (1) full day. The compensation is proportional in relation to the drawing of statutory parental benefit.

In the case of employment for at least 12 months, according to the qualification requirements above, compensation is paid for a maximum of 60 days. In the event of at least 24 months' employment, compensation is paid for a maximum of 180 days.

SIZE OF THE COMPENSATION

The compensation is based on the sickness benefit-qualifying income for the employment, which forms the basis for statutory parental benefit, known as the parental benefit basis.

The compensation is 10% on salary portions up to 10 price base amounts and 90% on salary portions above this amount. The compensation is proportional in relation to the drawing of statutory parental benefit.

APPLICATION

The employee must apply to AFA Försäkring. The employer can also apply, but is under no obligation to do so.

The application must be made within five and a half years of the child's birth or adoption. If the application is made later than this, no compensation will be paid out.

In the event of an application to AFA Försäkring regarding parental benefit supplement, the waiver of premium insurance will apply automatically.

CUSTOMER WEB AT AFA FÖRSÄKRING

Employers who sign up to the customer web at AFA Försäkring can confirm employment, view current trends and receive a history of registered cases. The employer registers for compensation in the event of parental leave, sick leave or a work injury directly on the customer web. Information can be found at www.afaforsakring.se/kundwebb.

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Statutory insurance benefits in the event of death

Under current rules, the adjustment pension applies to both women and men. The widow's pension still applies for women who were married as of 31 December 1989 through special transitional rules. Children who have lost a parent receive a child pension.

TO SURVIVING ADULTS

- Career readjustment pension
- Extended adjustment pension
- Guarantee pension for adjustment pension
- Widow's pension

The surviving spouse, registered partner or cohabitant who lived with the deceased on a permanent basis has the right to claim adjustment pension for 12 months. The survivor shall

- not have attained the age of 65 and
- live permanently with children under the age of 18, which either of the spouses had custody of or lived together with the spouse for the last five years.

ADJUSTMENT PENSION

In order for a cohabitant to have the same rights as a spouse, one of the following requirements must be met:

- he/she must have/have had or be expecting a child with the deceased
- he/she must have been previously married to the deceased.

Extended adjustment pension is granted

- for a further 12 months if there are children under the age of 18
- always until the youngest child is 12, however.

EXTENDED ADJUSTMENT
PENSION

The right to extended adjustment pension ceases if the survivor gets married, registers a partnership or becomes a cohabitant with somebody with whom the survivor has children or to whom the survivor has previously been married.

The adjustment pension is calculated as 55% of the estimated state pension of the deceased. The calculation is done as though the deceased had worked up to age 65. This applies to both adult and child survivor pensions.

COMPENSATION IN THE
EVENT OF ADJUSTMENT
PENSION

The guarantee pension for the adjustment pension gives 2.13 price base amounts per year, which amounts to SEK 7,899 per month. If the residence period is shorter than 40 years, the pension is reduced. The guarantee pension is reduced by the adjustment pension in direct proportion to the payment.

The same payments apply to the extended adjustment pension.

TRANSITIONAL RULES FOR WIDOW'S PENSION

Widows who were married as of 31 December 1989 are still entitled to a widow's pension. Those born in 1945 or later will primarily receive an adjustment pension, and a widow's pension as a supplement if that produces a higher amount.

TO SURVIVING CHILDREN

- Child pension
- Survivor support to children

Children whose parent has died are entitled to child pension and survivor support. The pension is paid until the child's 18th birthday, but is extended while the child attends upper secondary school up to and including the month of June in the year the child turns 20.

COMPENSATION IN THE EVENT OF CHILD PENSION

When there is a child under 12, the child pension is 35% of the calculated state pension of the parent. Two children can share 60% of the same basis. For each further child, 25% is added, to be divided between the children.

When the child is 12 years old or older, the compensation is 30% of the basis. Two children from the age of 12 share 50% of the basis. For each further child, they share a further 20%.

If both parents have died, the children's pension from each parent is 35%, 60%, etc., regardless of whether the children are under or over the age of 12.

The compensation paid never exceeds 100% of the deceased parent's calculated state pension. Where there is an adult survivor, the compensation level cannot exceed 80% of the calculated state pension.

SURVIVOR'S SUPPORT

There is a guaranteed survivor support level for cases where the deceased parent has a low estimated state pension. Survivor's support is a basic protection where a child is guaranteed that the compensation from each deceased parent amounts to 40% of the price base amount, SEK 1,483/month.

FINANCING

The adjustment pension and child pension are financed via employer's contributions. The guarantee pension and survivor support to children are publicly financed.

APPLICATION

Pension to survivors is administered by the Pension Authority. An application is required if the survivor or the deceased did not live in Sweden. For others, survivors' pension is granted with no application.

Collectively agreed benefits in the event of death – wage earners

SAF-LO Collective Pension

The SAF-LO Collective Pension offers the options of repayment cover and family cover.

REPAYMENT COVER

Employees can take out repayment cover on their state pension, which means that earned pension is paid to beneficiaries in the event of the death of the wage earner. Repayment cover normally includes the whole pension capital paid that has been earned in the SAF-LO collective pension from 1996 onwards, regardless of fund manager. Repayment cover persists even after payment of the state pension has begun, unless the recipient opts out. Once the pension has begun to be paid, it is no longer possible to choose repayment cover.

The state pension can be supplemented with family cover that is disbursed at the rate of 1, 2, 3 or 4 price base amounts per year for 5, 10, 15 or 20 years in the event of death before the age of 65. Family cover is only payable up until the day the deceased would have turned 70. When taking out family cover, there are rules regarding when a health declaration is required. The premium for the family cover, which is determined for one year at a time, reduces the premium for the state pension and is age-dependent (see example on page 31). The family cover is taken out with AFA Försäkring.

FAMILY COVER

EXAMPLE OF PREMIUM/YEAR FOR FAMILY COVER

AGE	PREMIUM/YEAR FOR 1 PRICE BASE AMOUNT	
	<i>Payment 5 years</i>	<i>Payment 20 years</i>
25 years	SEK 157	SEK 513
35 years	SEK 183	SEK 597
45 years	SEK 251	SEK 816
55 years	SEK 469	SEK 1,162*
64 years	SEK 1,177	SEK 1,177*

* Payment ceases on the day the deceased would have turned 70.

The premium for 2, 3 and 4 price base amounts is calculated by multiplying the premium for one price base amount by the number of price base amounts.

Family cover and repayment cover are paid to the surviving spouse, registered partner, cohabitant or child(ren). The order of priority between these may be changed through a written instruction on beneficiaries. Other beneficiaries may be selected, but these are limited to previous spouse or cohabitant, his or her child(ren), and stepchild(ren) and foster child(ren). No other beneficiaries may be selected.

BENEFICIARY

The pension statement from Fora will show any choice of repayment cover and family cover.

Collectively agreed benefits in the event of death – wage earners

TGL Group life insurance

Group life insurance (TGL) is a form of life insurance paid in a lump sum on the death of the wage earner. In certain cases, TGL also applies if the spouse, registered partner or cohabitant of the wage earner dies. TGL is insured with AFA Försäkring.

TGL includes the following benefits:

- funeral grant
- basic benefit
- child supplement.

WHEN DOES TGL APPLY?

TGL cover becomes effective on the day on which the wage earner is fit to work and begins to do so. The cover lasts as long as the person is employed to carry out at least eight hours of work per week. When the work is for less than eight hours weekly, TGL cover applies only during days on which work is carried out. There are special regulations for wage earners aged 65 and over who remain employed. Absence from work lasting up to 180 consecutive days also counts as an insurance-carrying employment period. For illness and leave for child care, TGL cover applies even after 180 days' absence.

TGL BENEFITS

Compensation from TGL is paid in the form of a lump sum paid on death, irrespective of whether the death takes place during working hours or not. The only exception is if the working hours are fewer than eight hours weekly.

The basic benefit is paid on the death of a wage earner who leaves as the next of kin a spouse, registered partner, unmarried cohabitant or child(ren). If there are no such relatives, no basic benefit is paid. The benefit paid is based on the age of the deceased. The full basic benefit is paid in cases where the deceased was employed to carry out at least 16 hours' work weekly. Half this benefit is paid when the employment has been for at least eight, but less than 16 hours per week.

Half the basic amount is paid on the death of a wage earner who only leaves children who have reached the age of 21.

THE BASIC BENEFIT IS PAID ON THE BASIS OF THE AGE OF THE DECEASED

THE WAGE EARNER AT THE TIME OF DEATH IS	FULL BASIC BENEFIT IN SEK	HALF BASIC BENEFIT IN SEK
Below 55 years of age	267,000	133,500
55 but not turned 56	244,750	122,375
56 but not turned 57	222,500	111,250
57 but not turned 58	200,250	100,125
58 but not turned 59	178,000	89,000
59 but not turned 60	155,750	77,875
60 but not turned 61	133,500	66,750
61 but not turned 62	111,250	55,625
62 but not turned 63	89,000	44,500
63 but not turned 64	66,750	33,375
64 or above	44,500	22,250

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EMPLOYMENT PERIOD

BASIC BENEFIT

If the wage earner has children under the age of 17, the basic benefit is not reduced even if the age of the wage earner is between 55 and 65.

The child benefit is paid to each child under the age of 21 at a rate between one half and double the price base amount, as shown below:

CHILD BENEFIT

AT THE TIME OF DEATH OF THE WAGE EARNER, THE CHILD IS	FULL CHILD SUPPLEMENT IN SEK	HALF CHILD SUPPLEMENT IN SEK
Below 17 years of age	89,000	44,500
17 or 18 years old	66,750	33,375
19 or 20 years old	44,500	22,250

A funeral grant is paid to the estate of the deceased in the amount of SEK 22,250, even when the basic benefit/child benefit is paid to the beneficiaries.

FUNERAL GRANT

If the wage earner's spouse, registered partner or cohabitant dies, a funeral grant in the amount of SEK 22,250 is paid to the estate, provided that the spouse, registered partner or cohabitant was not covered by TGL. The deceased must not have reached the age of 65 and the wage earner must not have reached the age of 70 and must have been employed to carry out at least 16 hours' work weekly. If there are children under 17, a child benefit of SEK 44,500 is also paid for each such child living at home.

SPOUSE INSURANCE

BENEFICIARY CLAUSE

Under the beneficiary clause of the insurance provisions, the basic benefit is paid to the spouse, registered partner, unmarried cohabitant and/or child in that order.

BENEFICIARY CLAUSE

The basic benefit is paid to a cohabitant who has, has had or is expecting a child with the wage earner, or to a cohabitant to whom the wage earner was previously married or a registered partner. The cohabitation must have been on a permanent basis.

The basic benefit can also be paid to a cohabitant other than the above. If the wage earner has children with someone else, half the basic benefit is paid to them and half to the current cohabitant. If the wage earner leaves no children of his or her own, the current cohabitant is the beneficiary of the whole basic amount. The period of cohabitation must have lasted for at least six months. Both the wage earner and his/her cohabitant are to be aged at least 18.

In order to be regarded as cohabitants, the parties must have lived together in quasi-marital or quasi-partnership conditions.

In order for the basic amount to be paid out, there must be a survivor within group of people specified in the general clause above. If the wage earner wishes to select one or more other beneficiaries, AFA Försäkring must be notified in writing. The insured will receive a confirmation notice as proof that this other instruction has been registered by AFA Försäkring.

AMENDED BENEFICIARY CLAUSE

TAXATION

TGL payments are exempt from income tax. Inheritance tax has been abolished.

POST-EMPLOYMENT COVER

TGL cover continues to apply in certain cases even when the insurance-carrying employment period has ended. In the event of work incapacity due to sickness or accident, the insurance cover applies until the insured reaches the age of 65.

If the wage earner has completed at least 180 days of insurance-carrying employment, post-employment cover applies for 180 days (general period of post-employment cover). In calculating the length of the insurance-carrying period, the wage earner can be credited with a previous period of employment with another employer covered by the TGL insurance.

If, during the general period of post-employment cover, the wage earner is at the disposal of the labour market or in receipt of full parental allowance, his or her post-employment cover is retained for this period, although no longer than for two years.

If the wage earner has not been employed for a period of 180 days or more, the post-employment cover applies for the same number of days as the employee was employed.

If a wage earner leaves his/her job, e.g. due to production cutbacks, and has received a severance pension up to the age of 65, the employer has the option of taking out “TGL in the event of occupational pension” with AFA Försäkring via Fora.

CONTINUATION INSURANCE

A wage earner who is covered by general post-employment protection in TGL is able to take out continuation insurance via Fora.

INFORMATION TO EMPLOYEES IN DIFFERENT LANGUAGES

AFA Försäkring issues the brochure “Försäkrad via jobbet” (“Insured through work”) in Arabian, English, Finnish, Persian, Polish, Serbian, Spanish, Swedish and Turkish. The insurance schemes described are AGS, FPT, TFA, AGB and TGL.

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Collectively agreed benefits in the event of death – salaried employees

ITP 1

In the ITP 1 scheme, the salaried employee can choose repayment cover and family cover payable to the beneficiaries on the death of the insured. The salaried employee must make an active choice if money is to be paid.

Employees can take out repayment cover on their state pension, which means that earned pension is paid to beneficiaries in the event of the death of the salaried employee. Repayment cover persists even after payment of the state pension has begun, unless the recipient opts out. Once the pension has begun to be paid, it is no longer possible to choose repayment cover.

REPAYMENT COVER

The state pension can be supplemented with family cover that is disbursed at the rate of 1, 2, 3 or 4 price base amounts per year for 5, 10, 15 or 20 years in the event of death before the age of 65. Family cover is only payable up until the day the deceased would have turned 70. When taking out family cover, there are rules regarding when a health declaration is required. The premium for the family cover, which is determined for one year at a time, reduces the premium for the state pension and is age-dependent (see example on page 39). The family cover is taken out with Alecta.

FAMILY COVER

EXAMPLE OF PREMIUM/YEAR FOR FAMILY COVER

AGE	PREMIUM/YEAR FOR 1 PRICE BASE AMOUNT	
	<i>Payment 5 years</i>	<i>Payment 20 years</i>
25 years	SEK 10	SEK 34
35 years	SEK 20	SEK 66
45 years	SEK 50	SEK 168
55 years	SEK 146	SEK 389*
64 years	SEK 401	SEK 475*

* Payment ceases on the day the deceased would have turned 70.

The premium for 2, 3 and 4 price base amounts is calculated by multiplying the premium for one price base amount by the number of price base amounts.

Family cover and repayment cover are paid to the surviving spouse, registered partner, cohabitant or child(ren). The order of priority between these may be changed through a written instruction on beneficiaries. Other beneficiaries may be selected, but these are limited to previous spouse or cohabitant, his or her child(ren), and stepchild(ren) and foster child(ren). No other beneficiaries may be selected.

BENEFICIARY

Collectively agreed benefits in the event of death – salaried employees ITP 2

ITPK

In the ITPK scheme, the salaried employee can choose repayment cover and family cover payable to the beneficiaries on the death of the insured. The salaried employee must make an active choice if money is to be paid.

REPAYMENT COVER

Repayment cover means that the earned pension is paid to beneficiaries in the event of the death of the salaried employee.

FAMILY COVER

The state pension can be supplemented with family cover that is disbursed at the rate of 1, 2, 3 or 4 price base amounts per year for 5, 10, 15 or 20 years in the event of death. Family cover is only payable up until the day the deceased would have turned 70. The premium for family cover is age-dependent and reduces the premium for the retirement pension. The family cover is taken out with Alecta and is the same as for ITP 1 (see previous page).

BENEFICIARY

Family cover and repayment cover are paid to the surviving spouse, registered partner, cohabitant or child(ren). The order of priority between these may be changed through a written instruction on beneficiaries. Other beneficiaries may be selected, but these are limited to previous spouse or cohabitant, his or her child(ren), and stepchild(ren) and foster child(ren). No other beneficiaries may be selected.

If the family cover has been selected before 1 April 2008, the “old” variant applies with 1 or 2 times the raised price base amount being paid out to survivors for 5 years. The premium, which is not age-dependent, amounts to SEK 9 per base amount and month during 2015.

FAMILY PENSION

The ITP family pension is paid to the spouse of a deceased salaried employee. If the couple had no children together, the marriage must have lasted at least five years if it was entered into after the 60th birthday of the deceased. Entitlement to family pension remains even after the salaried employee has attained retirement age.

SIZE OF FAMILY PENSION

Full family pension is paid at an amount determined by a basic benefit and the number of beneficiaries.

SALARY PORTIONS WITHIN THE INTERVAL <i>income base amounts</i>	BASIC BENEFIT
- 7.5	0%
7.5 - 20	32.5%
20 - 30	16.25%

Family pension paid to a spouse without children entitled to pension (i.e. under age 20) is paid at 100% of the basic benefit. To a spouse with one child, 130%, spouse with two children 150% and for each further child, 10%. A spouse receives 75% of the basic amount and the remaining amount is divided equally between the children. If only children survive, then 75% is paid for one child, 110% for two children, 135% for three children, 150% for four children and for each further child 10%.

ABSTENTION FROM FAMILY PENSION

Salaried employees can choose to abstain from future payments to family pension and instead have the premium transferred to ITPK.

This abstention is permanent, even in the event of a change of employer. The salaried employee receives a paid-up policy for the previously earned family pension.

Collectively agreed benefits in the event of death – salaried employees

TGL Group life insurance

Group Life Insurance (TGL) for salaried employees is a form of life insurance that is paid out in a lump sum if the salaried employee dies. TGL may also be paid if the spouse, registered partner or co-habitant of the salaried employee dies.

TGL includes:

- basic benefit
- child supplement.

TGL can be taken out with any of the following insurance companies: Alecta, Bliwa, Folksam, Länsförsäkringar, Movestic, SEB Trygg Liv, SEB Trygg Liv Fond or Skandia Liv.

WHEN DOES TGL APPLY?

TGL applies to salaried employees who work a minimum of 8 hours/week and at the earliest from the month after the salaried employee turns 18. TGL ceases when the employment ceases or when the salaried employee retires. The rules relating to post-employment cover are described at the end of the section. In the case of work after the age of 65, the insurance applies at most until the month before the 70th birthday.

TGL BENEFITS

TGL compensation is paid on death as a lump sum, regardless of whether the death takes place during working hours. The full TGL sum is paid if the salaried employee works at least 16 hours weekly. Half the TGL sum is paid if the salaried employee works at least 8 but fewer than 16 hours weekly.

BASIC BENEFIT

THE BASIC BENEFIT IS PAID ON THE BASIS OF THE AGE OF THE DECEASED

THE SALARIED EMPLOYEE AT THE TIME OF DEATH IS	FULL BASIC BENEFIT IN SEK	HALF BASIC BENEFIT IN SEK
Below 55 years of age	267,000	133,500
55 but not turned 56	244,750	122,375
56 but not turned 57	222,500	111,250
57 but not turned 58	200,250	100,125
58 but not turned 59	178,000	89,000
59 but not turned 60	155,750	77,875
60 but not turned 61	133,500	66,750
61 but not turned 62	111,250	55,625
62 but not turned 63	89,000	44,500
63 but not turned 64	66,750	33,375
64 but not turned 70	44,500	22,250

If the salaried employee has children under the age of 17, the basic benefit is not reduced even if the salaried employee is between the ages of 55 and 70.

CHILD SUPPLEMENT

The child supplement is paid at a rate between one half and double the price base amount to children under 20.

AT THE TIME OF THE DEATH OF THE SALARIED EMPLOYEE, THE CHILD IS	FULL CHILD SUPPLEMENT IN SEK	HALF CHILD SUPPLEMENT IN SEK
Below 17 years of age	89,000	44,500
17 or 18 years old	66,750	33,375
19 but not turned 20	44,500	22,250

FUNERAL GRANT

If there are no beneficiaries of the basic benefit when the salaried employee dies, SEK 22,250 is paid to the estate as a funeral grant.

SPOUSE INSURANCE

If the spouse, registered partner or cohabitant of the salaried employee dies, and they have children under the age of 17, a lump sum is paid to the survivor from the 'spouse insurance'. The registered partner or cohabitant is covered if the couple have children together. The registered partner or cohabitant who has been included by the insured individual as a beneficiary of the basic amount is also covered, even if the couple do not have children together. The condition is that the deceased was not covered by TGL. The amounts for 2015 are:

- SEK 22,250 to the salaried employee
- SEK 44,500 to each child under 17.

BENEFICIARY CLAUSE

BENEFICIARY CLAUSE

Under the beneficiary clause, the beneficiaries of the basic benefit are, in order of priority:

- spouse/registered partner
- child(ren), grandchild(ren)
- parents

AMENDED BENEFICIARY CLAUSE

If the insured wishes to select one or more beneficiaries other than those included in the beneficiary clause above, he or she must send written instructions to Collectum amending the beneficiary clause. Collectum will return a copy as proof that the names have been registered.

A salaried employee who cohabits with a person without being married to him/her and who wishes the cohabitant to be a beneficiary must always submit written notification of this. This applies even if the couple have children together.

The beneficiary clause should be updated if changes occur in family circumstances.

Collectum maintains a register of beneficiaries that is shared by the insurance companies who are insuring TGL for salaried employees.

TAXATION

TGL amounts are exempt from income tax. Inheritance tax has been abolished.

POST-EMPLOYMENT COVER

The TGL insurance continues to be valid for three months after the employment ceases. This is known as 'post-employment cover'. If the salaried employee becomes unemployed and applies for or obtains a new job without TGL insurance, the post-employment cover is extended. Post-employment cover applies for as long as the employment has lasted, but no longer than 24 months. The same applies if the salaried employee is on leave for studies and is entitled to a study grant or a study allowance. In the event of sickness during the period of post-employment cover, the cover is extended for the same length of time.

In other words, compensation during sickness applies up to the age of 65.

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Statutory work injury insurance

WHO IS COVERED?

Work injury insurance covers all gainfully employed persons with either permanent or temporary jobs. Managing directors, self-employed persons and those working on commission or on a freelance basis are also covered. Students whose courses entail a particular risk of work injury are covered as well.

WHAT IS A WORK INJURY?

- an injury caused by an accident at work
- an injury in the course of travel to and from work (travel accident)
- an occupational illness, i.e. injurious effect of the work environment that has with a high degree of probability caused the illness
- an illness caused by infection, such as hepatitis.

COMPENSATION ACCORDING TO WORK INJURY INSURANCE

The Social Insurance Office shall assess the injury. The insurance can cover expenses for:

- medical care outside Sweden
- dental care
- special technical aids, such as crutches and prostheses.

Persons wishing to apply for compensation must make a written application. If the work injury has caused a lasting reduction in work capacity, any loss of income is made up for through a life annuity.

A funeral grant is paid in the event of death due to work injury. Life annuities to survivors can also be paid.

WORK INJURY LIFE ANNUITY

In the event of lasting reduction in work capacity, the injured person is entitled to receive compensation in the form of a life annuity if the injury causes permanent loss of income or loss of income that lasts at least one year. This life annuity compensates for the future loss of income caused by the work injury at a rate of up to 100%, although for losses up to a maximum of 7.5 price base amounts.

The work injury life annuity counts as pensionable income towards the statutory retirement pension. An ongoing life annuity may be reduced or terminated should the post-injury income rise or a significant improvement occur in work capacity.

If the injured person's capacity to earn income through work is impaired by at least 1/15 and if the annual loss of income amounts to at least 1/4 of the price base amount, life annuity can be paid. Those granted the work injury life annuity also receive special work injury compensation. The compensation is to make up the loss of income for 2 qualifying days. Life annuities are index-linked through both the price base amount and real pay rises.

COMPENSATION IN EVENT OF DEATH

In the event of death owing to work injury, a funeral grant is paid at 30% of the price base amount at the time of death.

ANNUITY TO SURVIVORS

This benefit consists of an adjustment annuity and an extended adjustment annuity.

The adjustment annuity is paid to a spouse who has not reached the age of 65. Equated with spouse is a cohabitant who was previously married to the deceased, has or has had a child with him/her, or was expecting a child by the deceased. In addition, the cohabitation must have been on a permanent basis at the time of death for a period of at least five years or they must have been living permanently with children under the age of 18, which one of the spouses had custody of. The period of payment is 12 months. If the survivor has custody of a child(ren) and lives with child(ren) aged between 12 and 18, an extended adjustment annuity is paid for a 12-month period. This extended adjustment annuity is paid until the youngest child has reached the age of 12.

The size of the life annuity is 45% of the deceased person's annuity basis if there are no children entitled to an annuity. If there are children, the life annuity is reduced to 20%.

If there is one child, the child is entitled to 40% of the deceased parent's annuity basis. If there are two or more children, the basis is increased by 20% for each child and then divided equally between them, up to a maximum of 100% of the deceased's annuity basis.

CHILD ANNUITY

NOTIFICATION OF WORK INJURY

An employer who has learned of a work injury is required to notify the Social Insurance Office of the injury. The Swedish Work Environment Authority and the Social Insurance Office have a joint website for notifying work injuries, www.anmalarbetskada.se.

The company simply attests the employment situation to the Social Insurance Office, and does not assess whether a work injury in fact has occurred or not. The employer's account of the incident can, however, be of great value to the Social Insurance Office.

Applications for compensation are made to the Social Insurance Office. Compensation in the event of death is investigated by the Pension Authority. In most cases, relatives do not need to apply.

APPLICATION

The insurance is financed by the work injury contribution that is included in the employer's contribution.

FINANCING

POST-EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION – LIMITATION

In order for compensation to be able to be paid out, the person must apply within six years.

Collectively agreed benefits in the event of work injury – all employees

Work Injury Insurance (TFA)

WHAT IS TFA?

Work Injury Insurance (TFA) is a collective insurance that covers both wage earners and salaried employees. TFA is a type of no-fault liability insurance. This means that an employee can receive compensation from the TFA regardless of whether the employer or anyone else was at fault. A salaried employee who has suffered a work injury may not sue an employer for damages who has taken out TFA, or another employee covered by TFA.

The TFA provides compensation for costs arising from the work injury. The TFA provides compensation for non-pecuniary loss, largely under the rules of tort liability. This involves compensation for pain and suffering, and in the event of disability, for incapacity and harm. For more severe injuries, compensation is paid in some cases for special inconvenience. In the case of accidents at work that result in absence, income compensation can be paid right from the first day.

In the event of death, compensation is paid for funeral costs, loss of support and compensation for the bodily injury of a close relative. Compensation for the bodily injury of a close relative means that those who were closely related to the deceased – primarily the spouse, registered partner, cohabitant, child(ren) and parent(s) – can receive compensation for bodily injury, e.g. shock, if the problems arose from the death.

WHEN DOES TFA APPLY?

All employees are covered immediately, without a qualifying period and regardless of the number of working hours. For TFA to apply, the injuries must have been caused by:

- accidents at work
- travel accidents where the Traffic Damage Act is not applicable
- occupational illnesses lasting at least 180 days, provided that
 - the Social Insurance Office has classed the illness as an occupational injury, and
 - the illness is listed in the ILO Convention (on employment injury benefits, see page 116)
- injury caused by infection under certain conditions.

The insurance also applies when a sick-listed person visits the workplace during rehabilitation. The insurance also applies when stationed outside Sweden. When stationed outside Sweden, injuries caused by environmental factors not normally occurring in Sweden are compensated in some cases.

INCOME COMPENSATION DURING THE SICKNESS BENEFIT PERIOD

In the case of work accidents that entail absence, income compensation is paid from the first day. In most cases, the compensation will cover the loss of income. As a rule, no income compensation is paid from the TFA for occupational disease or travel accidents. However, if the employer is deemed the cause of the occupational illness, compensation for income shortfall will be paid. The employee must demonstrate that the employer has been negligent.

COMPENSATION DURING PERIOD OF ACUTE ILLNESS

For accidents causing personal injury and necessitating a visit to the doctor, compensation can be paid for doctor's and healthcare costs, damaged spectacles, prostheses and the like. This applies even where the accident does not result in absence from work.

In the event of accidents that entail work incapacity, compensation can also be paid according to the rules of tort liability for other additional costs that the injury has entailed, e.g. clothing.

If the period of sick leave after an accident lasts for 31 days or more, TFA compensation is paid from the first day for pain and suffering (temporary mental and physical suffering). No compensation for pain and suffering is normally provided for occupational disease which manifested itself on 1 May 2003 or later.

PAIN AND SUFFERING

The size of the compensation depends on the type, treatment, healing time, etc., of the injury. The compensation is tax-exempt and is paid as a lump sum. Compensation for pain and suffering is not paid in the event of sick leave pending retraining/relocation, a decision on sickness compensation or similar factors.

If the injured person cannot return to his or her previous job, but must be retrained for another comparable occupation, TFA compensation is provided for such costs arising in conjunction with re-training, provided such costs are not refunded from another source.

REHABILITATION
COMPENSATION

COMPENSATION FOR LASTING WORK INCAPACITY

Compensation from TFA can be provided for future loss of income not compensated by the Social Insurance Office or another source. The compensation is paid either as a lump sum or an annuity. The lump sum is 40% tax-free and 60% taxable. The annuity is taxable.

FUTURE LOSS OF INCOME

COMPENSATION FOR INVALIDITY

Compensation is provided for disability or other lasting injury (physical and mental suffering of a permanent nature). A disability in this context is a bodily defect that may be regarded as disfiguring and can be observed directly by others. This includes scars, lameness and loss of an arm, foot and the like. 'Other lasting injury' in this context comprises a great deal more and is used to summarise problems connected with one's way of life. Such injuries include loss or impairment of vision, hearing, the senses of smell and taste, non-disfiguring bodily defects, e.g. mobility problems or pain associated with certain movements.

INCAPACITY AND HARM

This compensation is calculated under the rules of tort liability. The starting point is both the medical degree of invalidity that can be predicted to be permanent, the age at the time of injury and whether the injured person has returned to work or not. The examples shown in the table below relate to injuries from 1 January 2002 where the injured person has not returned to work. If the injured person has returned to work, another table is used where the figures include compensation for work stress. The amounts are higher if the injured person returns to work. The compensation is tax-exempt.

EXAMPLES OF THE SIZE OF THE AMOUNTS

MEDICAL DISABILITY	25-YEAR-OLD LUMP SUM, SEK	50-YEAR-OLD LUMP SUM, SEK	65-YEAR-OLD LUMP SUM, SEK
99%	1,612,500	1,240,200	850,300
50%	499,400	384,000	263,100
5%	43,400	33,700	23,500

In injury cases where there is particular stress in daily life, compensation in excess of that shown in the table can be paid for special inconvenience.

If the injury entails unavoidable extra future expenses, compensation is paid from TFA as either an annuity or a lump sum. Compensation is provided for costs not covered by the Social Insurance Office or another source and is tax-exempt.

COMPENSATION IN EVENT OF DEATH

In the event of death, a funeral grant is provided from TFA, subject to co-ordination with funeral grants from TGL and statutory work injury insurance. Compensation is also provided for loss of support to survivors, i.e. the survivor is in principle to retain the same standard of living. For injuries from 2002 and onwards, there are no guaranteed amounts. Survivors can also receive compensation for psychological problems caused by the death.

INDEX-LINKING

The life annuities paid from TFA are indexed under the Act on the Adjustment of Annuities Awarded in Tort (1973:213). Life annuities are recalculated at the end of each year.

POST-EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION – LIMITATION

In some cases, a person incurring an occupational disease has the right to compensation from TFA even if the disease does not manifest itself until the employment has ceased.

The TFA conditions contain a 10-year limitation on non-pecuniary compensation. A 6-year limitation applies to the payment of other compensation.

CUSTOMER WEB AT AFA FÖRSÄKRING

Employers who sign up to the customer web at AFA Försäkring can confirm employment, view current trends and receive a history of registered cases. The employer registers for compensation in the event of parental leave, sick leave or a work injury directly on the customer web. Information can be found at www.afaforsakring.se/kundwebb.

FOR PRACTICAL MANAGEMENT
www.finfa.se
AND “ADMINISTRATION & APPLICATION”

Statutory unemployment insurance

Unemployment insurance covers both employees and self-employed persons. There are certain special provision for self-employed persons. A person may be a member of a sector-specific unemployment insurance fund (UIF) or belong to the supplementary unemployment insurance fund, Alfa.

CONDITIONS FOR ENTITLEMENT TO COMPENSATION

Compensation is divided into basic compensation and income-related compensation. Membership of a UIF or Alfa is necessary to receive income-related compensation.

INCOME-RELATED COMPENSATION AND MEMBERSHIP CONDITIONS

The right to income-related compensation is enjoyed by a person who:

- has been a member of the fund for at least 12 consecutive calendar months (the same conditions apply to employees and self-employed people)
- and has satisfied a work condition within the membership period.

In order to become a member of a UIF, work within the sector covered by the unemployment fund is required. There is no requirement as regard the extent of the work. Individuals who are not working at the time of the application are entitled to admission if their most recent job was within the sector covered by the unemployment fund. It is not necessary to be a member of a trade union or company organisation.

Benefit from the basic insurance is paid out as a basic amount to the individual who satisfies a work condition, although not a membership condition. The basic benefit calculated on full-time is SEK 365 per day and is paid by the UIF of which the person is a member. If the person is not a member of a UIF, the basic benefit is paid by Alfa. Payment is made at the earliest from the day on which the unemployed person turns 20.

BASIC BENEFIT

To be entitled to compensation, it is necessary to satisfy a work condition.

WORK CONDITIONS

In order to fulfil the work condition the following must apply:

- have worked at least 6 calendar months during the last twelve month period (reference period) with a minimum of 80 hours worked in each month, or have worked at least 480 hours during a continuous 6 month period, with a minimum of 50 hours for each and every month.

Gainful employment includes

- regular work
- employment with salary subsidies or employment support, (not special employment support, however)
- sheltered employment with public employers
- work within Samhall
- development employment and security employment
- New Start jobs and Special New Start jobs

Gainful employment also includes

- Holiday or other leave with fully or partially retained salary, although not leave due to illness, military service or the birth of a child.
- Time with severance pay or financial damages.
- Time with parental benefit (although max. 2 months together with work for 4 months).
- Completed military service (although max. 2 months together with work for 4 months).

TIME THAT CAN BE DISREGARDED

Time that can be disregarded, e.g. in the event of illness or child care, entails an extension of the reference period. This means that work performed more than 12 months previously can be included in the work condition. The main rule is that the time that can be disregarded amounts to a maximum of 5 years.

BASIC TERMS

SUITABLE WORK

To be entitled to compensation, it is also necessary to satisfy the following basic conditions:

- is fit for work and not impeded from undertaking suitable work
- is registered as a jobseeker with the Employment Service
- is otherwise at the disposal of the labour market
- the person must be able to and want to undertake work lasting at least 3 hours each working day and an average of at least 17 hours per week.

Employment offered is considered suitable if:

- Reasonable consideration has been given, with a view to available jobs, to the person's suitability for the work and other personal circumstances.
- The employment benefits are in accordance with a collective agreement or, if there is no collective agreement, are reasonable in relation to the benefits that employees with equivalent work duties and qualifications receive at comparable companies.
- The work does not relate to a workplace where a legal industrial dispute is under way.
- The conditions at the workplace comply with the regulations aimed at preventing ill-health and accidents.

ACTIVITY REPORT

The person must repeatedly submit an activity report to the employment service. If the person does not submit an activity report, misses a meeting that has been booked with the employment service, or otherwise mismanages his jobseeking activities, there is a series of measures comprising warning, exclusion and withdrawal of compensation.

COMPENSATION PERIOD AND QUALIFYING PERIOD

The compensation period is 300 days. Parents of children below the age of 18 can receive a further 150 compensation days. The first 7 days without work are a qualifying period. The qualifying days are not deducted from the 300 compensation days.

WORK AND DEVELOPMENT GUARANTEE

Long-term registered jobseekers must be invited to participate in the work and development guarantee, where activity support is paid. The purpose of the guarantee is, with the aid of individually tailored measures, to help the participants to progress to the regular labour market as quickly as possible.

The compensation is paid for a maximum of 5 days a week and is based on the income during the 12 months immediately preceding the unemployment. Months out of work can also be included in the calculation. After a temporary or partial absence from work, some compensation from the Social Insurance Office can be included.

COMPENSATION LEVELS

The compensation level is determined by the number of compensation days that have been paid out. Days receiving both unemployment benefit and activity support count as compensation days. The highest daily payment is SEK 910 for the first 100 days and thereafter SEK 760.

- Day 1-200, the compensation level is 80%.
- Day 201-300, the compensation level is 70%.
- After day 300, jobseekers are invited to participate in the work and development guarantee, where activity support is paid at 65%.
- Parents with children under 18 years of age on the 300th compensation day may receive an extended period of 150 compensation days. The compensation during these 150 days is 70%. After this, the work and development guarantee applies with a compensation level of 65%.

A person who works part-time can receive unemployment benefit in combination with work below a maximum of 75 compensation days. An applicant who is affected by the part-time restriction rule, and who is single and has children below the age of 18, may participate in the work and development guarantee.

Persons who voluntarily leave their jobs without a valid reason or have to resign owing to improper conduct are excluded from compensation. The exclusion can vary, but is normally 45 days.

PART-TIME RESTRICTION

EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION

HEALTH REASONS

Health factors can be a valid reason for leaving employment. Health reasons normally need to be verified by a doctor's certificate that has been issued before the employment ceased. The doctor's certificate should show that the person cannot return either to his previous job or to another job with the employer.

Compensation can also be paid to a person who has been granted unpaid leave of absence and who, for health reasons, cannot return to either his previous job or to another job with the employer. The Social Insurance Office must have assessed that work capacity exists in relation to the labour market in general. Compensation can be paid even if the employer has an outstanding rehabilitation obligation, if the employer has implemented the rehabilitation measures that have been possible up until the time of the application.

Severance pay, which is paid in conjunction with the termination of employment, is recalculated in terms of time and viewed as work.

SEVERANCE PAY

In the event of bankruptcy, and provided certain conditions are satisfied, the State may pay the salary to the employee in the event the employer is unable to pay.

STATE PAY GUARANTEE

A written application for compensation during unemployment is made to the UIF of which the person is a member. A certificate of employment regarding the person's employment situation must be enclosed.

APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION

If you mismanage your jobseeking activities, there is a series of measures comprising warning, exclusion etc.

EXCLUSION AND MEASURES

Collectively agreed benefits in the event of unemployment – wage earners

Career readjustment insurance

The object of the career readjustment insurance is to deal with redundancy problems for wage earners and companies when a work shortage arises. The agreement is made up of two components: career readjustment support and severance pay (AGB).

Career readjustment insurance means that companies allocate funds continuously for use in the event of redundancy. If production cutbacks become necessary, the local parties must try to reach agreement on an order of selection that promotes the company's future competitiveness, thus paving the way for continued employment. The rules for order of selection and periods of notice are set out in the relevant union agreements. We recommend that Confederation of Swedish Enterprise member companies contact their employer organisations as early as possible for consultation prior to local negotiations.

CAREER READJUSTMENT SUPPORT

Career readjustment support means that the worker is involved in measures that are to make it easier to find a new job. The career readjustment support is administered by TSL.

SCOPE

Career readjustment support can only cover companies that are parties to the collective agreement. All wage earners in such companies are covered. Companies that, without a collective agreement, have entered into an agreement with Fora, are only covered by AGB.

The managing director, business owner and business owner's spouse are never covered by the career readjustment insurance.

PREMIUM

The premium for agreements relating to career readjustment insurance is 0.30% for companies that are members of an employers' association within the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise. Companies with local collective agreements will pay 0.60%. Companies that are members of employers' associations outside of the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise pay 0.32%. The premium is calculated on the company's payroll expense for wage earners.

The parties can agree locally not to take out career readjustment support. The TSL Board makes a decision on a reduction in the premium corresponding to the part of the contribution that finances the TSL's activities.

The AFA Försäkring board makes a decision every year about the level of AGB and the TSL board makes a decision about the level of the contribution to career readjustment support. The premium for the career readjustment insurance remains the same.

CONDITIONS FOR CAREER READJUSTMENT SUPPORT

Wage earners who are made redundant from a permanent post due to work shortage can receive career readjustment support. Wage earners who leave their jobs on the employer's initiative (due to a work shortage) without it being clearly evident that a termination with notice has taken place may also be given support. Their average working hours must have been over 16 hours a week and they must have been employed for at least a year. Periods of employment in several companies who have been affiliated to TSL may be added together. In the event of disputes regarding the giving of notice, the wage earner is not entitled to career readjustment support. The possibility of declaring the redundancy invalid or suing for damages is void one week after the application for support is received by the TSL. Career readjustment support applies until the 65th birthday at the latest.

The application for career readjustment support on TSL's website can be filled in by the company, the trade union or the career readjustment company that has been selected. The application is then

printed onto paper and signed by the company and local trade union. The formal application is made by sending the signed application along with the list of participants to TSL.

The company enters into an agreement with any career readjustment company. A career readjustment company that is selected for the first time enters into a framework contract with TSL. A list of career readjustment companies that have agreements with TSL can be found at www.tsl.se. It is also possible to choose another company.

The support is currently SEK 22,000 per redundant wage earner and commenced programme. The programmes vary in length depending on the career readjustment company, and include

- mapping
- review of opportunities on the labour market
- guidance
- plan of action
- training in personal marketing and applying for a job.

The company pays the career readjustment company and receives a grant from the TSL (max. SEK 22,000 per wage earner) when the invoice has been paid.

AGB

Severance pay (AGB) is a lump sum that is paid on termination of employment. This sum is paid irrespective of whether the person is unemployed or not.

Wage earners who are made redundant from a permanent post due to work shortage can receive severance pay (AGB). Employees who leave their jobs due to a work shortage without notice being given, where it is clearly evident that termination is at the employer's initiative, may also receive AGB, e.g. where the company and employee have agreed that employment should cease due to the work shortage. This is common in the event of severance pension. The wage earner must be at least 40 when made redundant, and AGB entitlement ends in the month when the wage earner turns 65. The employee must have been employed for at least 50 months over a five-year period with one or more companies that have the AGB insurance. This period is the five-year period immediately preceding the time when the permanent employment ceased. The wage earner need not be completely redundant. Those who have their working hours reduced receive benefits proportional to their loss of hours.

CONDITIONS FOR AGB

There is no entitlement to AGB when the redundant person:

- before the cessation of the employment is granted an entitlement to full sickness compensation, or
- within three months has been reemployed or offered reemployment within the company or the Group, or
- has declined an offer of employment with a new employer in the event of a business transfer.

If particular reasons exist, the AGB Board may decide on exemptions from the provision that AGB should not be disbursed if the wage earner has gained new employment within the same Group within three months, or if the wage earner has declined to go along with the business transfer.

Collectively agreed benefits in the event of unemployment – salaried employees

Career readjustment agreement and TRR

AGB - AMOUNT

AGB is a lump sum paid by AFA Försäkring. The sum is SEK 32,250 for 2015. Those who have turned 50 receive a further SEK 1,350, those who have turned 51 a further SEK 2,700 and so on up to the age of 60. The maximum amount that is paid out totals SEK 47,100 (salaried employees between the ages of 60 and 65). The application must have been received by AFA Försäkring no later than two years after the end of employment. The sum is taxable but not pensionable income. Compensation from the UIF is not reduced because AGB is paid.

The career readjustment agreement means that companies allocate funds continuously for use in the event of redundancy. If production cutbacks become necessary, the local parties must try to reach agreement on an order of selection that promotes the company's future competitiveness, thus paving the way for continued employment. The rules for order of selection and periods of notice are set out in the relevant union agreements. We recommend that Confederation of Swedish Enterprise member companies contact their employer organisations as early as possible for consultation prior to local negotiations.

KOLLEKTIVAVTALSSTIFTELSEN TRR TRYGGHETSÅRÅDET

The function of TRR is to make it easier for companies and employees when dismissals are necessitated by work shortage. TRR's work is based on the career readjustment agreement. It is financed by a premium (0.30% annually) calculated on the basis of the company's payroll expense for the employees covered by the career readjustment agreement.

In most companies only the salaried employees are covered. However, the agreement makes it possible for all company employees to become affiliated. The managing director, business owner and business owner's spouse are never covered by the career readjustment agreement.

Companies that are not members of an employer's association within the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise can affiliate separately to the TRR provided that the company has signed a collective agreement (local collective agreement) with, normally, a PTK-affiliated association. Local collective agreement companies pay 0.70%, compared to member companies in employers' associations within the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise which pay 0.30%.

WHAT SUPPORT CAN TRR PROVIDE?

ADVICE TO THE COMPANY

Prior to a dismissal, TRR can provide companies with advice, communicate experiences from similar situations and tell them how the organisation works.

As soon as it is clear who is/are to be dismissed owing to work shortage, an application should be sent to TRR. For approval to be granted, the application must have been received within two years of the severance date.

The career readjustment agreement provides for two different types of support from TRR: career readjustment support and severance compensation (AGE). Career readjustment support involves personal consultation and measures to help the dismissed person find a new job or start a business. AGE is a form of financial support during the period of unemployment. The benefits apply until the employee reaches the age of 65.

The objective of AGE is to provide an income level corresponding to 70% of previous salary (including compensation from a UIF). After 6 months, the compensation level falls to 50%. The salaried employee must have had a monthly salary of at least approx. SEK 27,100, as in the event of a salary below that level, he would have received compensation via the UIF corresponding to 70% or more of the previous salary. When the compensation level is reduced to 50%, a monthly salary of around SEK 33,000 is required in order for AGE to be paid. The highest monthly salary that can form the basis for AGE is 1.4 income base amounts (SEK 81,340/month).

The term “salary” includes cash salary x 12, the average of the previous three years' commissions and bonuses, entirely free board or lodging, as well as compensation for shift work, on-call or stand-by time. The salary is the same as that which applies to the pensionable salary under ITP 2, not including holiday supplement. There is no alternative salary term in the event of salary exchange and partial pension that can be applied within the ITP 2 plan. AGE is calculated on actual salary.

SEVERANCE COMPENSATION

SALARY TERMS

PAYMENT OF AGE

DAY OF SEVERANCE	PAID IN	COMPENSATION LEVEL % INCLUDING UIF
40 - 44 years	6 months	70
45 - 59 years	6 months + 6 months	70 50
60 - 65 years	6 months + 12 months	70 50

The payment period varies with the age of the salaried employee at the end of the period of notice.

Amounts payable and time limits are not determined in negotiations between the parties, but by the TRR Board. This means that the rules may change over the course of an agreement period.

The AGE is paid while the salaried employee is looking for work, is participating in a labour market programme or is in receipt of a business start-up grant.

To be entitled to AGE, the person under notice must have reached the age of 40 not later than on the day of severance and have had at least five years' continuous employment in the company giving notice. Working hours must have been at least five hours a week. The redundancy must have been on the grounds of lack of work.

Salaried employees who leave their jobs on the employer's initiative (due to a work shortage) without it being clearly evident that a termination with notice has taken place may also be given AGE. This possibility presupposes an agreement between the company and the salaried employee. The company and the local trade union must be in agreement that redundancy exists, and this must be confirmed in writing, for example with minutes of the negotiations.

WHO IS ENTITLED TO AGE?

With career readjustment support, dismissed salaried employees receive a personal contact for consultation and guidance throughout the process leading up to a new job or business start-up. In addition to personal discussions, TRR offers methods and group activities to meet the job applicant's various needs. TRR can also finance practical, skills-enhancing, initial or further training wholly or in part, as well as providing financial support for company start-ups.

CAREER READJUSTMENT SUPPORT

To be covered by career readjustment support, a salaried employee must have worked at least an aver-

WHO IS ENTITLED TO CAREER READJUSTMENT SUPPORT?

age of 16 hours a week for a year. The redundancy must have been on the grounds of lack of work. Salaried employees who leave their jobs at the employer's initiative without it being clearly evident that a termination with notice has taken place may also be given support following a TRR assessment.

ALTERNATIVES TO CAREER READJUSTMENT REPORT

Instead of career readjustment support provided by TRR, the company and the company-level salaried employees' union can agree on a different arrangement. If a company is considering this alternative, we recommend contacting the employer's organisation concerned.

One option is for the company to decide to request a discount on the TRR premium and, instead of utilising the career readjustment support, paying for the necessary measures in the event of future staff cutbacks. This discount is decided upon by TRR's board and must be at least 0.12%. The local agreement must be registered with TRR.

LOCAL AGREEMENT

Another option is for the company to pay a full charge, but to agree with the company-level trade union on other outplacement arrangements should it be necessary to reduce staff. For these arrangements, the company can utilise a sum (currently SEK 25,900 per full-time employee) for each redundancy, instead of making use of TRR's career readjustment support.

SALARIED EMPLOYEE'S CHOICE OF ANOTHER SUPPLIER

If the local parties do not reach an agreement, the salaried employee can, after a decision by TRR, utilise the same amount plus VAT himself if he wants career readjustment support from another supplier.

RECRUITMENT SERVICE

Employers wishing to appoint new staff can obtain help from TRR.

APPLICATION

Both employer and salaried employee need to apply, www.trr.se.

Stationed outside Sweden – social security in the EU

There are no joint regulations on social insurance schemes in the European Union. Each country decides on its own insurance systems, compensation rates and contributions. On the other hand, there is some co-ordination to ensure that persons who work in different countries do not lose their earned benefits. The main rule is that people are insured in the country where they work. Unemployed family members are insured in the country where the employed family member works. Self-employed persons are also insured in the country where they work.

THE CO-ORDINATED SYSTEM COVERS THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS

- benefits in the event of illness and maternity, such as sickness benefit and parental allowance
- benefits in the event of invalidity, such as sickness compensation and rehabilitation measures
- benefits in old age, such as state pension
- benefits related to work accidents and occupational disease, e.g. work injury compensation
- benefits in the event of unemployment, such as compensation from unemployment insurance funds
- benefits in the event of death, such as funeral grants
- family-related benefits, such as child allowance.

IN ORDER TO ENABLE FREE MOVEMENT OF LABOUR, THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES APPLY

THE LEGISLATION PRINCIPLE

This main principle means that you can only belong to one country's social insurance system at any one time, and that you only pay social insurance charges to that country. The main rule is that a person working in a Member State must belong to that country's social insurance system, even if he/she is living in another Member State.

THE PRINCIPLE OF EQUAL TREATMENT

An EU/EEA citizen working in another EU/EEA country must be treated the same as that country's own citizens. This means, for example, that child allowance and study allowance are available to EU/EEA citizens as soon as they come to Sweden.

THE AGGREGATION PRINCIPLE

When the qualifying period for certain social benefits is calculated, all insurance periods in different EU/EEA countries are aggregated so that the individual is entitled to the benefits earned even if they have not spent sufficient time in each particular country.

THE PRINCIPLE OF EXPORTABILITY

Benefits such as pensions must be paid from the country in which they were earned even if the person concerned lives in another EU/EEA country.

THE PRINCIPLE OF EARNING

A person who has earned a pension in several countries is entitled to have their pension paid from each country. The size of the pension depends on the period of earning in the various countries.

EU REGULATION 883/2004

The co-ordination of social insurance schemes within the EU has been governed since May 2010 by EU Regulation 883/2004. As from 1 July 2012, Switzerland and the EEA countries Norway, Liechtenstein and Iceland are also applying EU Regulation 883/2004.

The principal content in Regulation 883/2004 is

- In the event of brief periods stationed outside Sweden, it is obligatory to remain in the home country's social insurance system for up to 24 months. The possibility of an exemption also exists in the event of extended periods stationed outside Sweden.
- In the event of work in several Member States, the work in the country of residence must constitute a significant proportion, at least 25%, in order for the employee to remain in the country of residence's social insurance scheme.
- Individuals who are employed in one Member State and are self-employed in another may only have social insurance in the country in which they receive their main income.
- The certificate regarding applicable legislation (A1) applies when being stationed within the EU. The application is made jointly by the employer and employee at the Social Insurance Office on form 6209.

24 MONTHS

If the job is intended to be of more than 24 months' duration, the posted employee is covered from the first day by the social insurance system of the country of posting. If the intention is for the work to continue for 24 months or less, the employee is covered by the social insurance scheme of the Member State of origin. After 24 months, and if the posting period has been completed, a new posting period may not be granted until at least 2 months have elapsed from the final day of the completed posting period.

EXEMPTION

However, the posted employee may remain covered by the social insurance system in the Member State of origin for a longer period of posting. In Sweden, an application for such an exemption is made to the Social Insurance Office. This should be done at the time of posting. There has been a growth in the practice of normally permitting exemptions for five years.

COLLECTIVE INSURANCE SCHEMES

Benefits from collective insurance schemes are not affected by the co-ordination regulations. There are special regulations for employees sent abroad to work in another EU/EEA country for limited periods. This also applies to family members.

OUTSIDE THE EU/EEA

CONVENTION COUNTRIES

If the employee is sent to a country outside the EU/EEA, with which Sweden has a social insurance convention, the employee remains within Sweden's social insurance system for the period specified by the convention.

OTHER COUNTRIES

If the employee is sent to a country outside the EU/EEA, with which Sweden does not have a social insurance convention, the employee remains within Sweden's social insurance system if the posting period does not exceed 12 months. If the posting period exceeds 12 months, the employee leaves the Swedish social insurance system.

Insurance cover when stationed outside Sweden – wage earners

When stationed outside Sweden, the collective insurance schemes will continue to apply under the “Provisions for AFA Insurance Schemes, Career Readjustment Insurance and the SAF-LO Collective Pension during Service Abroad”.

These provide compensation for loss of Swedish sickness benefit and general state pension. Payments are made via Fora.

In the event of the loss of Swedish sickness benefit, the employer pays a supplementary premium to the AGS in order for this insurance to compensate the loss.

In the event of the loss of general state pension in Sweden, the employer must pay the corresponding statutory state pension contribution and survivors’ pension contribution into an occupational pension insurance plan on the employee’s salary up to 7.5 income base amounts. The occupational pension insurance plan is covered by the same regulations as apply to the SAF-LO Collective Pension.

Compensation for loss of general state pension does not apply to an employee who is working in an EU/EEA country or in another country with which Sweden has a Social Insurance convention.

MEDICAL EXPENSES INSURANCE

The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise recommends that employers concerned also take out special insurance to cover the medical expenses of employees stationed outside Sweden.

WHEN DOES THE INSURANCE COVER APPLY?

In order for the provisions to be applicable, the wage earner must have been covered by Swedish work injury insurance or unemployment insurance immediately before commencing his or her service abroad, or have completed another period of service abroad covered by the agreement on social security. In addition, the following requirements must be met

- ‘Service abroad’ relates to both business trips and more prolonged assignments abroad
- The position must be with a ‘Swedish’ employer
- The service abroad must take place on behalf of a Swedish employer.

EXEMPTIONS

In certain cases it may be less appropriate to retain the Swedish collective insurance schemes during service abroad. The employer and the wage earner may therefore agree that the employee should be exempted from one or more collective insurance schemes in the following three situations:

- The wage earner was not domiciled in Sweden at the time of being sent abroad
- The service abroad is intended to last, or has lasted, for more than six years
- The wage earner is doubly employed, i.e. is employed by both a Swedish and a foreign company, and there is an agreement on social benefits with the foreign company.

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Insurance cover when stationed outside Sweden – salaried employees

The agreement on social security during service abroad means that the Swedish collective insurance schemes ITP, TGL and TFA, plus the career readjustment agreement, continue to apply during service abroad. The ITP plan is supplemented by provisions on compensation for loss of Swedish sickness benefit and statutory retirement pension. In some cases of sickness, the employer is responsible for topping up the employee's salary to a level corresponding to the Swedish sickness benefit. In addition, the employer must take out insurance to cover medical expenses (LFU) or a guarantee insurance.

WHEN DOES THE INSURANCE COVER APPLY?

In order for the provisions to be applicable, the salaried employee must have been covered by Swedish work injury insurance or unemployment insurance immediately before commencing his or her service abroad, or have completed another period of service abroad covered by the agreement on social security. In addition, the following requirements must be met

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- The service abroad must take place on behalf of a Swedish employer.

EXEMPTIONS

In certain cases it may be less appropriate to retain the Swedish collective insurance schemes during service abroad. The employer and the salaried employee may therefore agree that the salaried employee should be exempted from one or more collective insurance schemes in the following three situations:

- The salaried employee was not domiciled in Sweden at the time of being sent abroad
- The service abroad is intended to last, or has lasted, for more than six years
- The salaried employee is doubly employed, i.e. is employed by both a Swedish and a foreign company, and there is an agreement on social benefits with the foreign company.

MEDICAL EXPENSES INSURANCE

The employer must ensure that the salaried employee is covered by special terms for medical expenses. The employer can choose between taking out medical expense insurance (LFU) or assume responsibility for equivalent benefits by taking out a guarantee insurance policy. As an insurance provider for LFU, the employer can currently choose between AIG, ERV, Gouda, If Skadeförsäkring and ihi Bupa. Guarantee insurance can be taken out with Willis Faber & Dumas Ltd (Lloyds Brokers).

Medical expenses insurance cover provides compensation in the following cases

- Reasonable costs connected with medical and hospital care, travel costs, transport home and the return journey
- Emergency dental care
- Maternity care and childbirth.

The accompanying spouse or cohabitant and child(ren) are covered by medical expenses insurance if the company and the salaried employee concerned have agreed that they should accompany him or her. There are special business travel insurance policies for shorter trips that are adapted to the agreement between the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise and PTK. Business travel insurance is often included in the company insurance. The insurance companies can provide information about medical expenses insurance.

SICKNESS BENEFIT GUARANTEE

If, in the event of illness, a salaried employee does not receive sickness benefit or its equivalent in the country of posting, or if she/he receives sickness benefit below Swedish levels, the employer must pay the difference, topping up the employee's income to a level corresponding to Swedish sickness benefit. However, this does not apply if the salaried employee is receiving compensation from ITP or TFA. In practice, this provision is rather meaningless since the company normally pays sick pay. However, there is no collective obligation to pay sick pay abroad.

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Foreign companies with temporary business in Sweden

The agreement between the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise and the LO on the one hand and the Confederation and the PTK on the other concerns companies domiciled in the EU/EEA who have temporary business in Sweden and where the company in the collective agreement is legally bound to affiliate to the insurance. Temporary business means the period the company intends to run the business in Sweden is not expected to exceed 12 months.

The insurance agreements with Fora and Collectum must be taken out at the time of the collective agreement.

The starting point is that all the insurances must be taken out, although exceptions are granted as follows:

- TGL and TFA must always be taken out.
- Career readjustment insurance for wage earners and career readjustment agreements for salaried employees are not taken out.
- AGS group sickness insurance for wage earners and ITP disability pension for salaried employees are not taken out if the employer can show that the employee is covered by the social insurance scheme in another EU/EEA Member State.
- If the contributions for the supplementary state pension in the country of origin are still being paid, wage earners may be exempt from the SAF-LO Collective Pension and salaried employees may be exempt from the ITP retirement and family pensions as well as the ITPK.

The exemptions in accordance with the above must be applied for via Fora for wage earners and via Collectum for salaried employees.

Companies domiciled outside the EU/EEA that have temporary business in Sweden and where the company in the collective agreement is legally bound to affiliate to the insurance schemes may, after special assessment by the Insurance board at Fora and the ITP board at Collectum, also be exempt in accordance with the above. Foreign companies that are active in Sweden for longer than 12 months may also, after special assessment, be granted exemption from the insurance policies.

Absence during employment – wage earners

In addition to sickness and work injury, there are other types of absence during employment that may occur and may to some extent influence the insurance cover. The AFA insurance schemes generally apply during absences. In the event of longer absences, the insurance cover may be reduced or may cease entirely.

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AGS

The insurance cover is retained in the event of full leave according to the Parental Leave Act.

PARENTAL LEAVE

TGL

The insurance cover is retained in the event of full leave according to the Parental Leave Act.

FPT

Absence from employment of more than six consecutive months is not counted as the qualifying period unless the absence is due to illness, full leave with pay or full leave according to the Parental Leave Act. Parental benefit supplement insurance can be paid out if the conditions for FPT are satisfied.

TFA

The cover only applies when working.

CAREER READJUSTMENT INSURANCE

The insurance is valid if the employee still holds a position in the company.

SAF-LO COLLECTIVE PENSION

Waiver of premium insurance (PBF) comes into effect in the event of parental leave with parental benefit, which means that the premiums are paid by the insurance for a maximum of 13 months per birth. From 1 January 2012, PBF also applies during periods of pregnancy benefit.

AGS

The insurance cover is not valid if the employee is not entitled to sickness benefit.

SERVICE WITHIN THE
SWEDISH ARMED FORCES

TGL

The insurance does not apply to service within the Swedish Armed Forces. However, the State maintains a group life insurance.

FPT

Absence from employment of more than six consecutive months is not counted as the qualifying period unless the absence is due to illness, full leave with pay or full leave according to the Parental Leave Act. Parental benefit supplement insurance can be paid out if the conditions for FPT are satisfied.

TFA

The cover only applies when working. During service within the Swedish Armed Forces, the State's personal injury protection comes into effect.

CAREER READJUSTMENT INSURANCE

The insurance is valid if the employee still holds a position in the company.

SAF-LO COLLECTIVE PENSION

Employees who are not receiving pay do not earn a pension.

AGS

If the 90 day qualifying period has been completed, the insurance continues to apply for 6 months. After this, post-employment cover applies for 720 days. Sick days with sick pay or sickness benefit do not use up the post-employment cover. Work during the period of post-employment normally provides new cover for 720 days.

TGL

The cover normally applies for 6 months plus post-employment cover for a further 180 days. Returning to work during this period provides new protection for up to approximately 1 year.

FPT

Absence from employment of more than six consecutive months is not counted as the qualifying period unless the absence is due to illness, full leave with pay or full leave according to the Parental Leave Act. Parental benefit supplement insurance can be paid out if the conditions for FPT are satisfied.

TFA

The cover only applies when working.

CAREER READJUSTMENT INSURANCE

The insurance is valid if the employee still holds a position in the company.

SAF-LO COLLECTIVE PENSION

Employees who are not receiving pay do not earn a pension.

AGS

If the qualifying period of 90 days has been completed, the insurance cover continues to apply for 6 months. After this, post-employment cover applies for 720 days. One condition of post-employment cover is that the insured person has income that is considered to qualify for sickness benefit. Work during the period of post-employment normally provides new cover for 720 days.

TGL

The cover normally applies for 6 months plus a period of post-employment cover lasting a further 180 days. Work during the post-employment period provides new protection for up to approximately 1 year.

FPT

Absence from employment of more than six consecutive months is not counted as the qualifying period unless the absence is due to illness, full leave with pay or full leave according to the Parental Leave Act. Parental benefit supplement insurance can be paid out if the conditions for FPT are satisfied.

OTHER LEAVE

TFA

The cover only applies when working.

OTHER LEAVE

CAREER READJUSTMENT INSURANCE

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SAF-LO COLLECTIVE PENSION

Employees who are not receiving pay do not earn a pension.

Absence during employment – salaried employees

INTRODUCTION

In addition to sickness and work injury, there are other types of absence during employment that may occur and may to some extent influence the insurance cover. In some cases there are no general rules for how the company should proceed, which is explained in this section.

PARENTAL LEAVE

ITP 1

Waiver of premium insurance means that the premiums are met by the insurance. Waiver of premium insurance pays the premiums for parental leave with parental benefit to at least 25% due to the child's birth or adoption for a maximum of 13 months per birth/adoption and for temporary parental allowance (leave for child care) to at least 25%.

ITP 2

The period of parental benefit is pensionable for 11 months. According to the insurance provisions, there is no obligation for the company to continue to pay ITP. The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise recommends that ITP be maintained for 11 months. It is important for the company to determine which policy it is going to apply to salaried employees on parental leave, i.e. how long the ITP plan is to be maintained.

TGL

The group life insurance applies for the duration of employment, and must also be maintained during parental leave.

TFA

The cover only applies when working.

CAREER READJUSTMENT AGREEMENT AND TRR

Leave of absence is equated with period of employment when it comes to qualifying periods in the career readjustment agreement.

SERVICE WITHIN THE SWEDISH ARMED FORCES

ITP 1 AND 2

The company is not obliged to maintain the ITP insurance.

TGL

During service within the Swedish Armed Forces, the salaried employee is not covered by TGL. However, the State maintains a group life insurance.

TFA

The cover only applies when working. During service within the Swedish Armed Forces, the State's personal injury protection applies.

CAREER READJUSTMENT AGREEMENT AND TRR

Leave of absence is equated with period of employment when it comes to qualifying periods in the career readjustment agreement.

STUDIES

ITP 1 AND 2

The ITP plan includes no obligation to maintain the insurance during extended periods of study (one calendar month or more).

TGL

A salaried employee who has statutory leave for studies is not covered by TGL and the company issues a cancellation notice.

If the salaried employee is entitled to receive a study grant or a study allowance during his study leave, TGL applies with an extended post-employment cover for the same number of months that the salaried employee has been employed, although not more than 24 months. There is also the standard post-employment cover of 3 months.

TFA

The cover only applies when working.

CAREER READJUSTMENT AGREEMENT AND TRR

Leave of absence is equated with period of employment when it comes to qualifying periods in the career readjustment agreement.

OTHER LEAVE

ITP 1 AND 2

In the event of other extended leave, the company deregisters the salaried employee.

TGL

The insurance cover for TGL applies for the duration of the employment.

TFA

The cover only applies when working.

CAREER READJUSTMENT AGREEMENT AND TRR

Leave of absence is equated with period of employment when it comes to qualifying periods in the career readjustment agreement.

POST-EMPLOYMENT COVER

When the company deregisters a salaried employee, the insurance cover may continue for a certain time.

Employment after 65

STATUTORY

According to the Security of Employment Act (LAS), employees are obliged to retire at 67. At this age, employment is terminated via a simplified procedure. People remaining in their jobs after 67 are subject to a one-month period of notice from their employer. After the age of 67, the right to priority in new employment is lost. Employers also have the potential to employ a person aged 67 or over for limited periods without special justification.

RETIREMENT PENSION

Pension rights to the state pension continue to be earned for as long as a person has pensionable income, irrespective of their age. This applies to people born in 1938 and later. Those born in and before 1937 do not continue to earn state pension.

WORK INJURY INSURANCE

Statutory work injury insurance applies during employment. A life annuity is paid until the employee is 67.

ILLNESS

The Sick Pay Act applies to all employees without age limit. Sickness benefit is paid within certain limitations; the Social Insurance Office can assess the right to continued sickness benefit of persons who have reached the age of 65 and have been receiving sickness benefit for 180 days. If the person has turned 70, the sick pay is received for a maximum of 180 days.

Sickness compensation is not paid after 65. Nor is it possible to receive unemployment benefit from a UIF after the age of 65.

EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTIONS

Full employer contributions are paid for the year in which a person turns 65. For remuneration to people who have reached 65 years of age by the start of the year and were born between 1938-1949, only state retirement pension contributions of 10.21% are paid. For employees born in or prior to 1937, no contribution is paid.

ACCORDING TO AGREEMENT – WAGE EARNERS

TFA

Work injury insurance applies irrespective of age. No premium payment from the month in which the wage earner turns 65.

AGS

AGS applies until the employee reaches the age of 65. No premium payment from the month in which the wage earner turns 65.

FPT

The parental benefit supplement insurance can be paid provided the wage earner receives statutory parental benefit at sickness benefit level and otherwise satisfies the conditions for FPT. No premium payment from the month in which the wage earner turns 65.

TGL

TGL applies for as long as the employee remains in work, on the condition that, after his 65th birthday, he is not absent for more than 90 consecutive days. No premium payment from the month in which the wage earner turns 65.

SAF-LO COLLECTIVE PENSION

The pension is earned until the month before the employee turns 65. If the employee remains in work after his 65th birthday, pension may be earned if this is agreed between the company and the employee. In this case, the company will continue to pay premiums, following notification to Fora. The waiver of premium insurance applies at most until the month before the employee turns 65.

CAREER READJUSTMENT INSURANCE

Career readjustment insurance applies until the employee reaches the age of 65. No premium payment from the month in which the wage earner turns 65.

TFA

Work injury insurance applies irrespective of age. No premiums are paid from the start of the calendar year in which the salaried employee turns 66.

ACCORDING TO AGREEMENT
– SALARIED EMPLOYEES

TGL

The insurance cover and the payment of premiums continue at most until the month before the employee turns 70.

ITP 1

Pension is earned until the month before the employee turns 65. Pension points can be earned after the age of 65 if the company and salaried employee so agree. In this case, the company will continue to pay premiums, following notification to Collectum. The waiver of premium insurance applies until the month before the salaried employee turns 65. The ITP disability pension applies during the sickness benefit period up to and including the 180th sick day.

ITP 2

Pension is earned until the month before the employee turns 65. No pensionable income can be received in ITP 2 after the employee's 65th birthday. Waiver of premium insurance and ITP disability pension apply until the age of 65. Pension points can be earned after the age of 65 in ITP 1 if the company and salaried employee so agree. In such a case, the company registers the salaried employee with ITP 1 and pays premiums.

CAREER READJUSTMENT AGREEMENT AND TRR

The career readjustment agreement and TRR apply until the age of 65. No premiums are paid from the start of the calendar year in which the salaried employee turns 66.

Collectively agreed sickness benefits after 65 vary between different areas of agreement.

COLLECTIVELY AGREED
SICK PAY

Insurance cover for the self-employed – collectively agreed insurance

The collective insurance schemes do not cover managing directors of limited liability companies and self-employed persons. The exception is the work injury insurance (TFA) that covers all employees, managing directors and self-employed persons working in companies that have signed insurance agreements with Fora. Managing directors and self-employed persons must personally ensure that they obtain appropriate insurance cover.

SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING

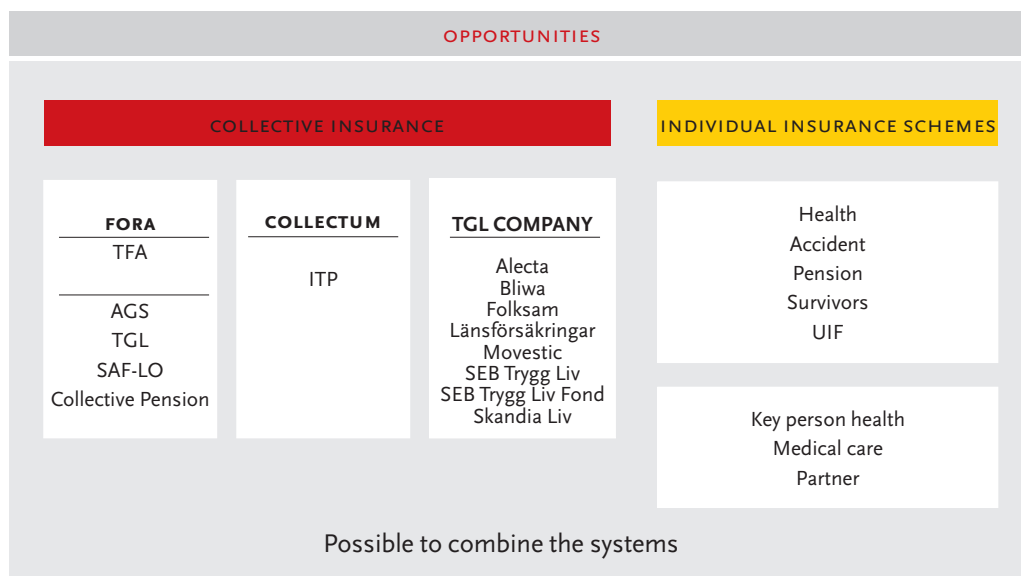
- The owner of a sole trading firm
- All owners in trading companies
- General partners in limited partnerships
- Any shareholder of a limited liability company who personally, or jointly with child, spouse and/or parent, owns at least one-third of the shares. Co-owners with a smaller stake can apply for exemption from affiliation to the collective insurance schemes. Spouses of self-employed persons are always counted as self-employed persons regardless of corporate form. A cohabitant who has a child with the self-employed person may also apply for an exemption from the collective insurance schemes. Exemptions are applied for from the ITB Board at Collectum or the Insurance Board at Fora.

Insurance cover can be arranged through individual insurance, the “Self-employed person's own insurance policy” via Fora or the ITP plan (only companies with collective agreements which involve an obligation to take out ITP can be newly affiliated), as well as through membership in an unemployment insurance fund for self-employed persons. In order to be able to take out a “Self-employed person's own insurance” via Fora, the company must either have signed an insurance contract with Fora for employees or have a ‘contingency policy’. Under the latter, the self-employed person is covered by TFA and when the company hires new employees they are covered by all the AFA schemes and the SAF-LO Collective Pension. The premium for contingency insurance is SEK 450 annually. It is possible to combine one or more of the products in the collective insurance schemes with individual insurance. Self-employed persons may also be able to take out discounted group insurance policies. It is not possible to issue a general recommendation for a ‘best insurance scheme’, as the individual's own situation determines the need for insurance cover.

INSURANCE	SCOPE	INFORMATION FROM
TFA	Work injury insurance. Self-employed persons are automatically included at no cost if the company has taken out insurance policies for its employees with Fora.	Fora
AGS	Group sickness insurance.	Fora
TGL	For group life insurance, terms differ between AFA and other companies that offer the product.	Fora, Alecta, Bliwa, Folksam, Länsförsäkringar, Movestic, SEB Trygg Liv, SEB Trygg Liv Fond, Skandia Liv.
SAF-LO COLLECTIVE PENSION	Pension insurance.	Fora
ITP	Self-employed persons in limited companies may affiliate to ITP. Only companies with a collective obligation to take out ITP are newly affiliated.	Collectum

Self-employed persons cannot take out Career readjustment insurance/AGB and are not covered by the TRR's activities.

Self-employed person's choice



Self-employed persons who want to allow the company to purchase supplementary protection can choose between several alternatives

- The self-employed person's own insurance via Fora. This includes three products and the self-employed person can take out one or more of these. These are AGS health insurance, TGL and SAF-LO Collective Pension.
- The ITP plan via Collectum (Note: To take out ITP, a collective agreement is required).
- TGL with a number of companies.
- Individual insurance solutions from any insurance company.

The various forms of insurance cover can be combined. Many different factors can influence this choice, such as salary, previous employment, family situation, health, corporate form, collective agreement, etc.

Self-employed persons cannot take out Career readjustment insurance/AGB and are not covered by the TRR's activities.

Individual insurance schemes

On the market there are insurance companies that supply

- health insurance
- accident insurance
- pension insurance
- life insurance
- and special products such as medical care, key person health insurance and partner insurance, etc.

ILLNESS	The Social Insurance Office's compensation during the sickness benefit period is approx. 80% and during the sickness compensation period approx. 64% of income. Individual health insurance can raise the compensation level up to 90% of income during the sickness benefit/sickness compensation period.
ACCIDENT	An individual accident insurance scheme normally applies 24 hours a day. The compensation is paid in the form of both a tax-free lump sum (non-pecuniary compensation), as well as compensation for various costs as well as for rehabilitation. It is important for the cover to cover both working hours and leisure time if the individual does not have TFA insurance. If there is both TFA and full-time accident insurance, compensation is paid from both if the individual suffers an accident during working hours.
PENSION	For most people, the general retirement pension pays approximately 50% of the salary in pension from the age of 65. By saving towards a pension, it is possible for an individual to raise his/her pension from the age of 65 or to retire early, although not before the age of 55. In the event of death, the spouse, cohabitant and children can also be protected.
LIFE	Life insurance is a good complement to the basic legal protection. This can provide a tax-free lump sum, making it possible to e.g. redeem loans, pay costs arising in conjunction with the death or save a little capital as a reserve for future needs.
KEY PERSON HEALTH	If the owner or a key employee should suffer an accident or long-term illness, this can result in a reduction in the company's income, while the fixed costs (salaries, rent, interest, telecommunications, etc.) remain. With key person health insurance, cover can be arranged for the business that helps to cover these costs. The insurance covers the fixed costs that are incurred by the business and/or the additional costs that may arise if e.g. a replacement has to be employed (salary, employer's contributions, etc.).
MEDICAL CARE	Medical care insurance provides access to qualified care and reduces the company's risk of financial damage due to absence. The insurance covers the costs for any required medical care/operations, and ensures rapid care. The insurance provides access to specialist care. The insurance can be taken out for everyone or for key individuals in the company. Depending on how the insurance is taken out, only approx. 2–15% of the premium may be deducted in the business. Preferential taxation for the individual takes place to the same extent.
PARTNER	An individual who runs a limited liability company or a trading company can have one or more partners. If this is the case, the self-employed person should consider entering into a partner agreement and taking out partner insurance. The agreement regulates rights and obligations between the partners. Insurance payments from a partner insurance scheme may be used to buy out the deceased partner's family from the company. The insurance can also be paid out if a partner has to withdraw, e.g. due to illness.

Statutory protection – sickness

Self-employed persons or contractors are not covered by the rules relating to sick pay. They are only entitled to sickness benefit and sickness compensation. The illness must be notified on the first day to the Social Insurance Office, which also pays the sickness benefit.

Self-employed persons in limited liability companies, who receive pay from the company, are viewed as employees and are thereby covered by the Sick Pay Act for the first 14 calendar days.

As a self-employed person, i.e. somebody who conducts business activities in the form of a sole trader company, trading company or limited partnership, there is a basic qualifying period of 7 days. It is also possible to reduce the contribution within the health insurance by selecting a longer qualifying period. It is possible to choose 1, 14, 30, 60 or 90 qualifying days. Note that if a self-employed person has selected a long qualifying period and wishes to change to a shorter period, the person must be healthy and below 55 years of age. However, a new self-employed person over the age of 55 may select a longer qualifying period.

QUALIFYING PERIOD

A general high-risk cover comes into effect in the event of subsequent instances of illness for a self-employed person who has had more than 21 qualifying days over a total of at least five sick periods during a consecutive 12-month period. No new qualifying day will then be required. The general high-risk cover applies to self-employed persons who have a qualifying period of 1 or 7 days.

HIGH-RISK COVER

The special high-risk protection that has been introduced to protect people who have an illness or a disability will continue to apply. Self-employed persons with a qualifying period of 1 or 7 days may be covered by the special high-risk protection, which means that sickness benefit is paid from the first day of each period of illness.

The Sick Pay Act is applicable to employees – and self-employed persons in limited liability companies – who are permanently employed or who are temporarily employed for at least one month. For other employees, the Act applies after 14 days of employment.

SICK PAY

A self-employed person can be covered by the health insurance. The compensation is based on sickness-benefit qualifying income (SGI) and is calculated differently depending on the corporate form.

SICKNESS BENEFIT

As an employee in his/her own limited liability company or financial association, SGI is calculated on the basis of the pay the self-employed person receives. If the self-employed person does not receive any pay, no compensation is paid in the event of illness either, and only the lowest compensation in the event of parental leave. Note that dividends from a limited liability company and repayments from a financial association are not sickness-benefit qualifying income.

An individual who runs an individual sole trader company, trading company or limited partnership has his sickness-benefit qualifying income calculated on the basis of the proportion this constitutes of the calculated net income.

Special rules apply for the calculation of SGI for self-employed persons during the business's development phase. These rules entail that a self-employed person is entitled, for 24 months, to receive an SGI that corresponds to that which an employee would receive for similar work. If the company is established and has been in existence for longer than 24 months, SGI is calculated from the estimated income from business activities. If particular reasons exist, SGI may also be calculated at a higher amount.

INDIVIDUAL SOLE TRADER
COMPANY
– UNDER DEVELOPMENT

Individual insurance schemes – sickness

The individual health insurance will compensate for loss of income in the event of long-term work incapacity due to illness or an accident. It is normally included in an occupational pension plan for self-employed persons.

QUALIFYING PERIOD

In an individual health insurance scheme, the qualifying period may be 3 months, 12 months and/or a flexible qualifying period. The flexible qualifying period means that compensation starts to be paid out when the insured person receive sickness benefit, normally at a minimum of 25% work incapacity. Conditions can vary between different companies.

Compensation from health insurance is given as a rule in the event of 25% work incapacity due to illness or an accident, and is paid out at an amount in the month that has been agreed in advance up until pension age.

MAXIMUM COMPENSATION LEVEL

Compensation in the event of illness may not normally exceed 90% of the income, including sickness benefit. This is in accordance with the recommendation of the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority. If several health insurance schemes are taken out and the total compensation exceeds 90% of the work income, the insurance company can retain a portion of the compensation.

For self-employed persons, special maximum rules may apply. As self-employed persons are assumed to take a relatively lower pay from the company in order to consolidate the company, they may take out more than 90% of the sickness-benefit qualifying income (up to 120% of SGI in some companies).

HEALTH CHECK

When taking out health insurance, an individual has to submit a health declaration and in certain cases undergo a medical examination. Option rights are generally included, which means that an individual is entitled, within a certain framework, to increase the compensation amount without a health examination.

PREMIUM

The premium is based on qualifying period, age and pay – the shorter the qualifying period, the higher the age and the higher the insurance amount, the higher the premium. The premium is recalculated every year.

It is possible to choose between individual or group health insurance. Individual health insurance can be taken out either as P-insurance (taxable amount) or K-insurance (tax-free amount). The group health insurance is a K-insurance.

RIGHT TO MAKE DEDUCTIONS

The premium for the health insurance in AGS and ITP is normally deductible. In an individual health insurance scheme, the premium is normally deductible if the insurance is P-classified.

Individual insurance schemes – accident

ACCIDENT – FULL-TIME		
EXAMPLE		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disability compensation 20 pba – medical or financial Pain and suffering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pharmaceutical costs Dental care costs, required amounts Travel, required amounts Additional costs, max. 3,5 pba Rehabilitation costs 	(Death 1 pba)

INDIVIDUAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Accident insurance only covers accidents, not the risk of suffering a long-term illness. Individual accident insurance normally applies 24 hours a day, whereas group accident insurance normally only applies to accidents that occur during leisure time.

Compensation for costs and “pain and suffering” can be paid out from an insurance scheme. Remaining portions, such as the non-pecuniary compensations, are paid out from each insurance scheme.

Certain accident insurance schemes, such as TFA, are only linked to work, whereas others only apply to leisure time, such as group accident insurance. This includes largely the same types of compensation as TFA.

DISABILITY COMPENSATION

In an individual accident insurance scheme, the emphasis is placed on disability compensation, which is paid out in the form of a lump sum when the degree of disability has been definitively determined. This insurance includes both medical and financial disability.

Medical disability is based on a permanent reduction in body function. The disability is graded according to various disabilities in 'disability degrees' that have been developed in consultation with doctors within various medical specialist areas.

Financial disability is assessed according to the extent to which the ability to work has been impaired as a result of the accident. In practice, a comparison is made with the rules for sickness compensation, and the assessment is based on whether the injury has entailed at least half sickness benefit from statutory insurance.

It is also possible to receive compensation for costs in conjunction with medical and dental care, as well as for travel, to the extent these costs are not covered by the statutory insurance. If the accident results in a fatality, death compensation is paid instead.

The premium is normally not age-dependent, but is based on the disability compensation that has been taken out. Certain risky professions entail a higher premium.

A certain excess may be included in this type of accident insurance.

MULTIPLE ACCIDENT
INSURANCE SCHEMES

MEDICAL AND FINANCIAL
DISABILITY

PREMIUM

EXCESS

General information about occupational pensions

RIGHT TO MAKE DEDUCTIONS The insurance is viewed as a K-insurance and is consequently not deductible. Payments made are tax-free, however.

Is it necessary to supplement the statutory pension, then? This depends on how individuals view their future as pensioners, if they want to retain their financial standard, provide security for survivors in the event of their death, etc.

OCCUPATIONAL PENSION Occupational pension is a pension that is linked to an employment situation and that is paid by the employer. The primary purpose of the occupational pension is to supplement the national pension. The pension is based on commitments regarding the pension to the insured person and his/her survivors. The commitment normally includes rules about

- disability pension in the event of periods of sickness benefit and sickness compensation
- retirement pension from a certain age, which can either be defined-benefit or defined-premium
- survivors' pension
- how the premium is to be safeguarded, see below.

SAFEGUARDING THE OCCUPATIONAL PENSION

FINANCING SYSTEMS

How is it possible to be really sure that these commitments will be observed, that the pension will be paid out on the day you leave the company? The following financing systems are available:

- Insurance – The company takes out insurance in return for payment of a certain premium, and the responsibility for the pension being paid rests with the insurance company.
- Pension fund – The company pays premiums into a pension fund owned by the company.
- Entering the pension as a liability in the company – The company itself is responsible for the pension commitment. If the company goes into liquidation or if the self-employed person leaves the company before retirement age, it is possible that the pension may not be paid out if it is a “non-protected” pension, i.e. the commitment is not guaranteed. If the company chooses instead to safeguard the commitment through credit insurance, a bank guarantee or capital insurance, the pension is “protected” and will be paid out.

RETIREMENT PENSION – PENSION COMMITMENT	
DEFINED BENEFITS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guarantees a certain pension • The cost is difficult to predict 	DEFINED PREMIUMS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No guarantee of the size of the pension • Determined by fees and return • Check of the pension cost

DEFINED-BENEFIT OR DEFINED-PREMIUM PENSION?

PENSION COMMITMENT

A defined-benefit pension entails that a certain percentage of the salary will be paid out in pension, while in a defined-premium pension the size of the pension is determined by the premiums that are paid in. ITP 2 is a defined-benefit pension. ITP 1 and SAF-LO collective pension are defined-premium pensions. The individual occupational pensions are usually defined-premium pensions.

SOME SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS CANNOT TAKE OUT OCCUPATIONAL PENSION INSURANCE

The potential to take out occupational pension insurance is dependent on the corporate form.

A self-employed person who runs a limited liability company and declares income from employment may receive occupational pension. The company must deduct the premiums in the business according to certain rules.

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

In trading companies and limited partnerships, the self-employed person, as owner, declares income from the operation, while his/her spouse and children over the age of 16 declare income from employment. As an owner, it is not possible to receive occupational pension, although it is still possible to arrange your retirement via a private pension insurance or SAF-LO collective pension. The pension contribution may not be deducted as a business cost, although individuals may make a deduction in their own tax return.

TRADING COMPANY/LIMITED
PARTNERSHIP

For sole trading firms, both spouses may declare income from the business, and may consequently take out private insurance. Children over the age of 16 declare income from employment, and should take out an occupational pension. Premiums for the children's occupational pension may be deducted within the business, and the premiums for the spouses' private insurance are deducted in their own tax returns.

SOLE TRADING FIRM

PENSION SAVING

Pension saving is characterised by the paid amounts being subject to income tax, and by the premium being deductible within certain limits. The pension may be drawn at the earliest from the age of 55, and is normally paid out for at least 5 years. In both traditional and unit-linked insurance, a spouse, cohabitant and children can be beneficiaries, and with both alternatives the saving can be combined with survivors' pension. There are three alternatives for deductible pension saving

DEDUCTIBLE PREMIUM

- traditional insurance
- unit-linked insurance
- individual pension saving, IPS, via a bank. (Does not apply to self-employed persons in limited liability companies.)

The insurance company or equivalent is taxed on pension capital. All types of pension plans are treated the same. The tax base is estimated using a standard method. The tax rate is 15%. Endowment policies are taxed in the same way at 30%.

DIVIDEND TAX

Individual insurance schemes – death

SURVIVORS' PENSION

A survivors' pension can be structured in several different ways, but always entails a monthly amount that is to be paid out in the event of a death. The group of beneficiaries is limited in the case of pension insurance according to the Income Tax Act.

PAYMENT PERIOD

If you want to protect your family by supplementing your occupational pension with a survivors' pension, you can choose to allow a certain amount to be paid out to your family in the event of your death and/or for the paid premiums to be repaid. The pension is paid out for at least five years, although it can be drawn for a longer, set period or lifelong.

WAIVER OF PREMIUM

A person who is receiving sickness compensation is normally exempted from paying premiums corresponding to the degree of sick leave. In order to take out the insurance, however, it is usually necessary to undergo a health check. The premium is normally deductible for the company.

One alternative to survivors' pension that is becoming increasingly common is to purchase a separate life insurance as financial security for the survivors.

LIFE INSURANCE

There are two types of individual life insurance: pure life insurance or life insurance with saving.

LIFE INSURANCE – PURE

Pure life insurance is taken out for a certain period, e.g. until the age of 70. If the insured person dies before this age, the insurance amount is paid out to beneficiaries. If the insured person lives beyond the age limit, the insurance ceases and no money is paid out.

LIFE INSURANCE – WITH SAVING

Life insurance with saving works in the same way as risk insurance in the event of death, i.e. if the insured person dies before the age limit in the insurance policy, the insurance amount is paid out. Otherwise, an insurance amount is paid when the insured person reaches the age limit specified in the insurance policy.

PREMIUM

Unlike group insurance policies, the insured person has greater freedom to determine the insurance amount and to select beneficiaries when taking out an individual life insurance.

An individual life insurance premium is based on age and the insurance amount. The higher the age and the insurance amount, the higher the premium.

WAIVER OF PREMIUM – LIFE

Waiver of premium normally comes into effect at a minimum of 25% sickness compensation.

Deduction rules

DEDUCTION RULES – PENSION	
<p>MAIN RULE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defined premiums • Max. 35% of pay 	<p>SUPPLEMENTARY RULE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defined benefits • Percentage of final salary <p><i>Note! Only applies to self-employed persons in limited liability companies.</i></p>

The deduction rules for the employer's pension costs include both a main rule that applies to self-employed persons in all companies, as well as a supplementary rule that only applies to self-employed persons in limited liability companies. The supplementary rule may only be used for one-off premiums.

MAIN RULE

Deductions for pension costs may be made at a maximum of 35% of the employee's pay, irrespective of whether the costs relate to payment of the pension insurance, balance-sheet liability entries or transfers to pension funds. The deduction for each person may not exceed 10 price base amounts for the year before the tax year.

Pay refers to the pensionable remuneration according to the pension agreement. It is possible to choose whether this will be the pay for the current tax year or the previous year's pay.

DEDUCTION RULES – THE SUPPLEMENTARY RULE																			
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The supplementary rule only applies to employees in limited liability companies. Managing directors and self-employed persons are also viewed as employees in the limited liability company.

SUPPLEMENTARY RULE

The supplementary rule can be used for example if you want

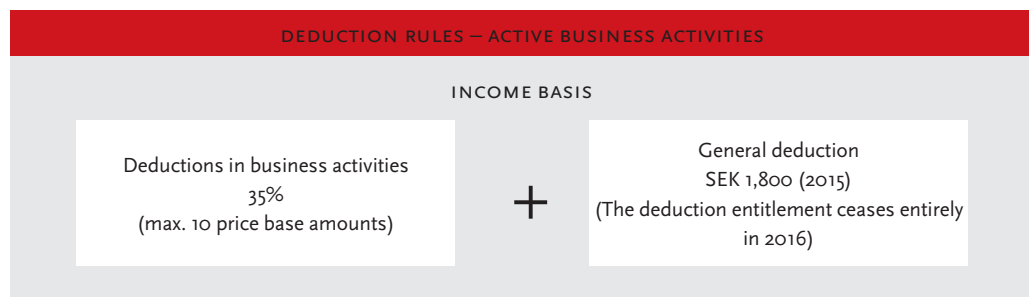
- to make changes in a pension agreement or
- take out a new pension agreement due to early retirement or the pension commitments being insufficiently secured.

The supplementary rule grants the right to make a deduction for the actual cost of the retirement pension, however large it may be, as long as it does not exceed costs corresponding to the pension levels specified in the Act, as above. For pensions paid out between the ages of 62 and 65, different regulations apply. When paying one-off premiums, it is advisable to check the effects of this.

The pension levels are only provided to make it possible to calculate the deduction scope, and it does not matter if this relates to a defined-benefit or a defined-premium insurance. The rule can also be used if you have taken out a unit-linked insurance. In this case, the scope is calculated as if the insurance had been a normal pension insurance with a certain guaranteed return.

DISABILITY AND SURVIVORS' PENSION

Costs for survivors' pension and disability pension must be included in this scope according to the main rule. If the supplementary rule is used, only the retirement pension costs are of interest. This means that costs for disability and survivors' pension are normally deductible when using the supplementary rule.



ACTIVE BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

Deductions for premiums for private pension insurance schemes are only calculated based on income from active business activities and income from employment, known as general deductions. Capital income etc., which must be reported as income from employment according to the special rules for private companies, may not be included in the calculation basis.

The calculation is based on the current tax year or on income from the preceding tax year.

Business owners may also make deductions for a private pension insurance in the business activities.

If the deduction is based on income from employment, this is viewed as a general deduction. If a person has mixed income, it is possible to distribute SEK 1,800 freely between general deductions and deductions in business activities.

If you are running an individual sole trader company, the basis for the deduction comprises income from business activities before the premium, before deductions for payroll tax on the premium and before deductions for employee contributions. Income from business activities must be calculated after interest adjustment and allocations to an accruals fund and expansion funds.

If the deduction results in a deficit in the business activities, it can be transferred to the following year.

Unemployment

Remuneration for self-employed persons is calculated on the income from the business that can be seen from the most recent taxation. If it is more beneficial for the self-employed person, the remuneration will be based on the average income from the business over the two years preceding the income year in the most recent taxation. A self-employed person who ceases business activities within 24 months of the business being started can have his/her remuneration based on income from previous employment. When the remuneration is based on previous employment, the assessment of whether the work condition has been satisfied will relate to time in the previous employment. The reference period will then refer to the twelve months preceding the month in which the applicant started up his/her business.

BASIS FOR COMPENSATION

A self-employed person is counted as unemployed

- when his/her activities in the company have completely ceased or
- the business has temporarily ceased operations.

WHEN IS A SELF-EMPLOYED PERSON UNEMPLOYED?

A self-employed person who ceases conducting business activities is deemed to be unemployed as soon as no actions are being implemented in the business. If business activities are resumed by the self-employed person or a close relative, the potential for unemployment benefit exists in the event of renewed unemployment if at least five years have elapsed from the time when the business activities were resumed.

Secondary occupations refer to employment or business activities that are conducted in parallel with full-time employment or a full-time business. The income limit for having a business activity approved as a secondary occupation was removed as from 5 July 2010. Self-employed persons are thereby given greater opportunity to continue to run their company as a secondary occupation at the same time as receiving unemployment benefit (deductions from the daily payment may be made in certain cases).

SECONDARY OCCUPATION

There are also unemployment insurance funds for self-employed persons. In addition to these, there is a completely independent unemployment insurance fund that is available to everyone – Alfa.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FUNDS FOR SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS

UIFs that cover all self-employed persons within all sectors are:

- SHA, the UIF for all self-employed persons, for which the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise is one of the principals
- Alfa Unemployment Insurance Fund (Arbetslöshetskassan Alfa)
- Unemployment Insurance Fund for Small Entrepreneurs.

Liability insurance for managing director and board of directors

According to the Swedish Companies Act (ABL), the managing director and board of directors of a limited liability company have personal responsibility for the administration of the company's affairs. If the managing director or the board of directors should harm the company, either intentionally or through negligence, they are liable to compensate for the harm. The same applies if the harm is caused by shareholders or another party by means of an infringement of the articles of association or the Swedish Companies Act.

In certain cases, the managing director and the board of directors also have personal responsibility for the company's liabilities, as well as criminal responsibility in accordance with applicable legal stipulations. Personal liability for damages can be targeted at the managing director or members of the board, for example if they have exceeded their authority, disadvantaged shareholders through an infringement of the Swedish Companies Act or the articles of association, breached the accounting regulations, granted loans on incorrect grounds, etc.

The managing director and board of directors can protect themselves against financial consequences of negligence through a liability insurance, which provides compensation for costs relating to damages, investigations, negotiations and legal action. Under certain conditions, the liability insurance can also provide compensation for the company's liabilities for which the managing director or the board of directors are personally liable according to applicable law.

Furthermore, the insurance can provide compensation for necessary and reasonable costs for defending an insured person, in the event he/she has acted in a way that is criminally negligent. It can also provide compensation for costs for representation in conjunction with the company's activities being examined.

Note that it is important to study terms and content carefully before selecting liability insurance, as the various companies' products and premiums can vary.

Base amounts

YEAR	PRICE BASE AMOUNT SEK	YEAR	PRICE BASE AMOUNT SEK	YEAR	PRICE BASE AMOUNT SEK
1962	4,500	1980	13,900	1998	36,400
1963	4,700	1981	16,100	1999	36,400
1964	4,800	1982	17,800	2000	36,600
1965	5,000	1983	19,400	2001	36,900
1966	5,300	1984	20,300	2002	37,900
1967	5,500	1985	21,800	2003	38,600
1968	5,700	1986	23,300	2004	39,300
1969	5,800	1987	24,100	2005	39,400
1970	6,000	1988	25,800	2006	39,700
1971	6,400	1989	27,900	2007	40,300
1972	7,100	1990	29,700	2008	41,000
1973	7,300	1991	32,200	2009	42,800
1974	8,100	1992	33,700	2010	42,400
1975	9,000	1993	34,400	2011	42,800
1976	9,700	1994	35,200	2012	44,000
1977	10,700	1995	35,700	2013	44,500
1978	11,800	1996	36,200	2014	44,400
1979	13,100	1997	36,300	2015	44,500

YEAR	RAISED PRICE BASE AMOUNT SEK	INCOME BASE AMOUNT SEK
1996	36,800	
1997	37,000	
1998	37,100	
1999	37,200	
2000	37,300	
2001	37,700	37,700
2002	38,700	38,800
2003	39,400	40,900
2004	40,100	42,300
2005	40,300	43,300
2006	40,500	44,500
2007	41,100	45,900
2008	41,800	48,000
2009	43,600	50,900
2010	43,300	51,100
2011	43,700	52,100
2012	44,900	54,600
2013	45,400	56,600
2014	45,300	56,900
2015	45,400	58,100

**MONTHLY PAYMENTS BELOW 7.5 PRICE BASE AMOUNTS FROM AGS IN THE EVENT OF
ACTIVITY OR SICKNESS COMPENSATION**

Applies to those who have fallen ill from 1 January 2009. (For a complete table, see the AGS conditions.)

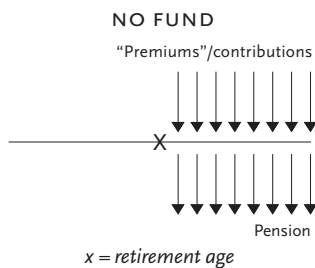
SICKNESS-BENEFIT QUALIFYING INCOME ON FALLING ILL AMOUNTS TO			MONTHLY PAYMENTS FROM AGS
SEK		but not SEK	SEK
0	–	132,000	75
140,000	–	141,000	657
150,000	–	151,000	1,315
160,000	–	161,000	2,000
170,000	–	171,000	2,125
180,000	–	181,000	2,250
190,000	–	191,000	2,375
200,000	–	201,000	2,500
210,000	–	211,000	2,625
220,000	–	221,000	2,750
230,000	–	231,000	2,875
240,000	–	241,000	3,000
250,000	–	251,000	3,125
260,000	–	261,000	3,250
270,000	–	271,000	3,375
280,000	–	281,000	3,500
290,000	–	291,000	3,625
300,000	–	301,000	3,750
310,000	–	311,000	3,875
319,000	–	320,000	3,988
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Financing systems - pensions

There are various methods for financing future pension payments. A description follows of various financing systems.

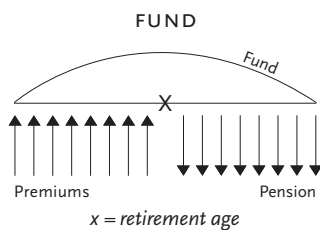
PAY-AS-YOU-GO SYSTEMS

The pay-as-you-go system that applies e.g. to the income-related pension in the state pension system means that there is no investment. The fees paid each month to the government by companies via the employer's contributions are immediately paid out as pensions. Buffer funds may be created, e.g. the AP funds.



FUNDED SYSTEM

The collectively agreed pension plans SAF-LO Collective Pension, ITP retirement pension and ITPK are funded systems. Premiums are paid or investments made during the active period until retirement age. On retirement age, the pension begins to be paid, and the fund is reduced by the amounts paid out. If the premium payments are stopped, a paid-up policy is created based on the premiums paid. At retirement age, the paid-up policy is paid in the form of an ongoing pension. The premiums are calculated with regard to estimated life expectancy, the time remaining until retirement age, and interest. For ITP 1, ITPK and the SAF-LO Collective Pension the premiums are set in agreements. In the state pension system, the premium pension is a funded system.



ILO convention on employment injury benefits

Table 1. List of occupational diseases (revised in 1980).

OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES	WORK THAT INVOLVES EXPOSURE TO RISK
1. Pneumoconioses caused by sclerogenic mineral dust (silicosis, anthraco-silicosis, asbestosis) and silicotuberculosis, provided that silicosis is an essential factor in causing the resultant incapacity or death.	All work where the employee is exposed to this risk.
2. Bronchiopulmonary disease caused by hard-metal dust.	“
3. Bronchiopulmonary disease caused by cotton dust (byssinosis), or flax, hemp or sisal dust.	“
4. Occupational asthma caused by sensitising agents or irritants both recognised in this regard and inherent in the work process.	“
5. Extrinsic allergic alveolitis and its sequelae caused by the inhalation of organic dusts, as prescribed by national legislation.	“
6. Diseases caused by beryllium or its toxic compounds.	“
7. Diseases caused by cadmium or its toxic compounds.	“
8. Diseases caused by phosphorous or its toxic compounds.	“
9. Diseases caused by chromium or its toxic compounds.	“
10. Diseases caused by manganese or its toxic compounds.	“
11. Diseases caused by arsenic or its toxic compounds.	“
12. Diseases caused by mercury or its toxic compounds..	“
13. Diseases caused by lead or its toxic compounds.	“
14. Diseases caused by fluorine or its toxic compounds.	“
15. Diseases caused by carbon disulphide.	“
16. Diseases caused by the toxic halogen derivatives of aliphatic or aromatic hydrocarbons.	“
17. Diseases caused by benzene or its toxic homologues.	“
18. Diseases caused by toxic nitro and amino derivatives of benzene or its homologues.	“
19. Diseases caused by nitroglycerine or other nitric acid esters.	“
20. Disease caused by alcohols, glycols or ketones.	“
21. Diseases caused by asphyxiants: carbon monoxide, hydrogen cyanide or its toxic compounds, hydrogen sulphide.	“
22. Hearing impairment caused by noise.	“
23. Diseases caused by vibration (disorders of muscles, tendons, bones, joints, peripheral blood vessels or peripheral nerves).	“
24. Diseases caused by work in compressed air.	“
25. Diseases caused by ionising radiations.	All work involving exposure to the action of ionising radiations.
26. Dermatological diseases caused by physical, chemical or biological factors not included under other items.	All work that involves exposure to the risk concerned.
27. Primary skin cancer caused by tar, pitch, bitumen, mineral oil, anthracene, or the compounds, products or residues of these substances.	“
28. Lung cancer or mesotheliomas caused by asbestos.	“
29. Infectious or parasitic diseases contracted in an occupation where there is a particular risk of contamination.	(a) Health or laboratory work. (b) Veterinary work. (c) Work handling animals, animal carcasses, parts of such carcasses, or merchandise which may have been contaminated by animals, animal carcasses or parts of such carcasses. (d) Other work carrying a particular risk of contamination.

* In the application of this Schedule, the degree and type of exposure should be taken into account when appropriate.

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Addresses and telephone numbers – wage earners

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General information about the AFA insurance schemes, insurance agreements, invoices, amendments to insurance, forms, conditions, etc.	Fora 101 56 Stockholm www.fora.se	08-787 40 10
AGB	AFA Försäkring 106 27 Stockholm www.afaforsakring.se	0771-88 00 99
AGS Waiver of premium matters	AFA Försäkring 106 27 Stockholm www.afaforsakring.se	0771-88 00 99
Parental benefit supplement insurance (FPT)	AFA Försäkring 106 27 Stockholm www.afaforsakring.se	0771-88 00 99
SAF-LO Collective Pension	Fora 101 56 Stockholm www.fora.se	08-787 40 10
Career readjustment support	Trygghetsfonden TSL Box 19081 104 32 Stockholm www.tsl.se	08-412 22 00
Pension choice, SAF-LO Collective Pension	Fora 101 56 Stockholm www.fora.se	08-787 40 10
Questions concerning sickness absence	Försäkringskassan Customer Centre for Employers Forskningsvägen 1 661 29 Säffle www.forsakringskassan.se	0771-17 90 00
TFA	AFA Försäkring 106 27 Stockholm www.afaforsakring.se	0771-88 00 99
TGL	AFA Försäkring 106 27 Stockholm www.afaforsakring.se	0771-88 00 99
Stationed outside Sweden	Fora 101 56 Stockholm www.fora.se	08-787 40 10

Address and telephone numbers – salaried employees

SALARIED EMPLOYEES		
Architects' ITP	AI Pension Nybrogatan 7 114 34 Stockholm www.aipension.se	08-45 048 00
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