

The main parts of a pay stub

Most pay stubs include similar sections, even if the layout looks different.
Here are the key parts to look for:

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San Francisco, CA 94104

EMPLOYEE ID: 12345

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Business Name

321 Main Tree Street

San Francisco, CA 94104

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PAY PERIOD: 5/1/2026 -5/15/2026

PAY DATE: 5/15/2026

INCOME		6 DEDUCTIONS	CURRENT TOTAL	YEAR TO DATE
4 GROSS INCOME	\$300.00	FEDERAL INCOME TAX	\$45.00	\$405.00
		MEDICARE	\$ 4.35	\$39.15
		SOCIAL SECURITY	\$18.60	\$167.40
		STATE TAX	\$15.00	\$135.00
		TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	\$82.95	
		5 NET INCOME	\$217.05	
7 YTD GROSS INCOME		YTD TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	YTD NET INCOME	
\$2700.00		\$746.55	\$1953.45	

- 1 Employee info:**
Your name, address, employee ID number, and sometimes part of your Social Security number
- 2 Employer info:**
The name and address of the company paying you
- 3 Pay period:**
The start and end dates for the work you're being paid for
- 4 Gross income:**
The total amount of money you earned before taxes or deductions
- 5 Net pay (take-home pay):**
The amount you receive after deductions
- 6 Deductions:**
Money taken out for taxes, insurance, retirement contributions, or other benefits
- 7 Year-to-date summaries:**
Running totals of what you've earned and what's been deducted so far