



## Are you eligible for the

# Wage Earner Protection Program

The Government of Canada's **Wage Earner Protection Program (WEPP)** provides timely payment to employees who are owed wages when their employer goes bankrupt, enters receivership, or undergoes a qualifying insolvency proceeding.

### ► **What WEPP covers**

- Wages, commissions, production bonuses, shift premiums, and gratuities reported by the employer, business expenses for travelling salespeople and, accrued vacation pay
- Termination and severance pay

### ► **How much you could get**

One-time payment equivalent to up to 7 weeks of Employment Insurance maximum insurable earnings. In 2025, the maximum payment is \$8,844.22 and is revised annually

### ► **Who can apply**

To qualify, you must:

- **have lost your job**
- **be owed wages** from an insolvent employer and
- **have earned wages** within the eligibility period (6 months before insolvency)

### ► **How to apply**

1. Submit a **proof of claim** to the trustee or receiver managing the insolvency
2. Apply online or in person at a Service Canada Centre

Learn more about WEPP



## Need help?

For more information, visit the Service Canada website.



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