

Employment Insurance Premium Rates for 2009

The employment insurance premium rate for 2009 is unchanged from the 2008 rate, but the maximum insurance earnings have increased, as follows:

For the 2009 calendar year, the EI premium rate remains at \$1.73 per \$100 of insurable earnings for employees. The rate paid by employers is set at \$2.42 per \$100 of insurable earnings.

The maximum insurable earnings for the year have increased to \$42,300, so the maximum premium payable by employees for 2009 will be \$731.79. The maximum employer contribution will be 1.4 times the maximum employee contribution, or \$1,024.51.