

**Table VIII.4**

**Medicare Annual Maximum Taxable Earnings and HI Contribution Rates  
Calendar Years 1966 - 2008**

Calendar Year	Annual Maximum Taxable Earnings	Contribution Rate <sup>1</sup>	
		Employees and employers, each	Self-employed
1966	\$6,600	0.35	0.35
1967	6,600	0.50	0.50
1968	7,800	0.60	0.60
1969	7,800	0.60	0.60
1970	7,800	0.60	0.60
1971	7,800	0.60	0.60
1972	9,000	0.60	0.60
1973	10,800	1.00	1.00
1974	13,200	0.90	0.90
1975	14,100	0.90	0.90
1976	15,300	0.90	0.90
1977	16,500	0.90	0.90
1978	17,700	1.00	1.00
1979	22,900	1.05	1.05
1980	25,900	1.05	1.05
1981	29,700	1.30	1.30
1982	32,400	1.30	1.30
1983	35,700	1.30	1.30
1984	37,800	1.30	2.60
1985	39,600	1.35	2.70
1986	42,000	1.45	2.90
1987	43,800	1.45	2.90
1988	45,000	1.45	2.90
1989	48,000	1.45	2.90
1990	51,300	1.45	2.90
1991	125,000	1.45	2.90
1992	130,200	1.45	2.90
1993	135,000	1.45	2.90
1994 and later	none <sup>2</sup>	1.45	2.90

<sup>1</sup> Percent of taxable earnings.

<sup>2</sup> The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 eliminated the Annual Maximum Taxable Earnings amount for 1994 and later. For those years, the contribution rate is applied to all earnings in covered employment.