



Withdrawal



What this fact sheet covers



This fact sheet explains how to make a full or partial lump-sum withdrawal from your super. Read the *Portability and rollover form* if you want to move your super to another complying super account.

Who is this fact sheet for?



Members who want to make a full or partial lump-sum withdrawal from their super.

Different rules apply for temporary residents. Call us on **1800 331 685** for more information.

When can you withdraw from your super?

Your super's working hard to support you once you retire, so you normally can't access it until you permanently retire from the workforce when you reach your preservation age.

Your super is made up of the three benefits—each with their own rules about when you can withdraw them:

- preserved
- restricted non-preserved, and
- unrestricted non-preserved.

Preserved benefits

You take out a lump sum from your preserved benefits if you meet one of the following conditions of release:

- permanent retirement from the workforce on or after reaching preservation age (see table opposite)
- termination of employment after reaching age 60
- reaching age 65
- death
- suffering permanent incapacity, or
- termination of employment with an employer who contributed to UniSuper if the account balance is less than \$200.

Your preservation age depends on when you were born.

YOUR DATE OF BIRTH	PRESERVATION AGE
Before 1 July 1960	55
1 July 1960 – 30 June 1961	56
1 July 1961 – 30 June 1962	57
1 July 1962 – 30 June 1963	58
1 July 1963 – 30 June 1964	59
1 July 1964 or after	60

There are also other circumstances in which you may be able to access some of your super early. These include

- specified compassionate grounds
- severe financial hardship or
- if you're suffering a terminal medical condition.

If you need to access your super on these grounds, go to the 'Making a claim' section of our website for more information.

Restricted non-preserved benefits

These are generally related to contributions made before 1 July 1999.

You can withdraw all or part of your restricted non-preserved benefits when you terminate employment with an employer who contributed to UniSuper on your behalf, or if you meet a condition of release.

Unrestricted non-preserved benefits

You can withdraw all or part of your unrestricted non-preserved benefits from your accumulation account/component at any time.



You can log in to your account at [unisuper.com.au](https://www.unisuper.com.au) to see how much you have in the three components.

Providing your tax file number (TFN)

Please read the important information about providing your tax file number at [unisuper.com.au/tfn](https://www.unisuper.com.au/tfn). You can also request a copy of that information, free of charge, by calling **1800 331 685**.

Partial lump-sum withdrawals

If you make a partial lump-sum withdrawal, you must leave at least \$6,000 in your account.

Payments to foreign bank accounts

All withdrawals paid into a foreign bank account will be paid in local currency unless otherwise requested.

Tax on lump-sum withdrawals

If you're under age 60, tax will be deducted from your withdrawal before payment is made. If you don't provide your TFN, tax will be deducted from the taxable component of your withdrawal at the highest marginal tax rate plus the Medicare levy.

For more information about tax on withdrawals, go to [unisuper.com.au/tax](https://www.unisuper.com.au/tax).

Definition of 'retired'

It's important to be sure you meet the definition of 'retired' before applying to withdraw your super. The regulations applying to super specify that 'retired' means you're no longer employed (either on a full-time or part-time basis), and don't intend to work again for more than 10 hours per week or that after reaching age 60, an arrangement in which you were gainfully employed has terminated. We're unable to release your super if your situation doesn't meet this definition.

At times we might need to contact your employer to verify that you're due to cease or have ceased work—for example if we're still receiving employer contributions to your account, or you've lodged your withdrawal form before retiring.

If you're not sure whether your work arrangements meet the definition, please call us before lodging your application.

Check your insurance

Your insurance may be affected by making a withdrawal. Please check the *Insurance in your super* booklet or call us for more information.



PROOF OF IDENTITY

We're required by law to verify your identity. You can quickly and easily prove your identity online—you'll know as soon as your identity gets verified. Log in to your account at [unisuper.com.au](https://www.unisuper.com.au) and go to 'Verify your identity' under the 'Manage account' tab.

Or, you can attach certified copies of proof of identity documentation to this form. Please expect delays if you provide incorrect documentation.

You'll find details about which documents can be accepted in the *Your guide to proof of identity* fact sheet.

This information is of a general nature only and includes general advice. It has been prepared without taking into account your individual objectives, financial situation or needs. Before making any decision in relation to your UniSuper membership, you should consider your personal circumstances, the relevant product disclosure statement for your membership category and whether to consult a licensed financial adviser.

This information is current as at March 2020 and is based on our understanding of legislation at that date. Information is subject to change. To the extent that this fact sheet contains information which is inconsistent with the UniSuper Trust Deed and Regulations (together the Trust Deed), the Trust Deed will prevail.

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Superannuation withdrawal form



AVOID PROCESSING DELAYS

Check you're using the latest version of this form. Compare the issue date at the bottom of this page with the version available at unisuper.com.au/forms.



WHEN WILL MY FORM BE PROCESSED?

If you've provided a correctly completed form (and any certified ID or other paperwork, if required), we'll aim to process your request as soon as possible. Not providing correct information may delay us processing your request. Please allow 3 – 5 business days for your form to arrive. We'll contact you if we have any questions about your request.



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We're required by law to verify your identity. You can quickly and easily prove your identity online—you'll know as soon as your identity gets verified. Log in at unisuper.com.au and go to 'Verify your identity' under the 'Manage account' tab. Or, you can attach certified copies of proof of identity documentation to this form. Please expect delays if you provide incorrect documentation. Read the *Your guide to proof of identity* fact sheet for more information.

Privacy information

UniSuper is committed to protecting your personal information and the confidentiality of your information in accordance with privacy law obligations. The information that you provide on this form is collected and used in accordance with our Privacy Statement and Privacy Policy which can be found online at unisuper.com.au/privacy. If you have any privacy related questions, call **1800 331 685**.

Use this form to withdraw all or part of your super from your UniSuper account.

Flexi Pension members should use the *Flexi Pension withdrawal* form available from unisuper.com.au/forms.

Note: If you're in Australia on a temporary resident visa, you can't use this form to withdraw from your super. Call us on **1800 331 685** for more information.

Important information

The actual amount paid to you may be different to the amount you request. This can happen when additional contributions have been made or when fees, costs, taxes and insurance premiums have been deducted or investment returns (positive or negative) have been applied.

Special rules for certain Defined Benefit Division (DBD) members

You can only withdraw all or part of your defined benefit component if it consists entirely of unrestricted non-preserved benefits. Different rules apply to requests to withdraw benefits on the grounds of severe financial hardship or approved compassionate grounds. Generally, if you're a DBD member and withdraw all or part of your defined benefit component, you'll cease to be a DBD member. Any remaining defined benefit component will be converted into an accumulation benefit and transferred together with your accumulation component to an Accumulation 1 account. Any future employer and member contributions will be made into the Accumulation 1 account.

SECTION 1 — Your details

Please use BLACK or BLUE BALLPOINT PEN and print in CAPITAL LETTERS. Cross where required **X**

UniSuper member number

If you're unsure of your member number, refer to your most recent UniSuper correspondence or call us on **1800 331 685**.

Title Mr Mrs Ms Dr Professor

Other

Surname

Given name

Date of birth (DDMMYYYY)

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