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Form **941 for 2026: Employer's QUARTERLY Federal Tax Return**
(Rev. March 2026) Department of the Treasury — Internal Revenue Service

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OMB No. 1545-0029

Employer identification number (EIN) -

Name (not your trade name)

Trade name (if any)

Address

Number Street Suite or room number

City State ZIP code

Foreign country name Foreign province/county Foreign postal code

Report for this Quarter of 2026
(Check one.)

- ☐ 1: January, February, March
☐ 2: April, May, June
☐ 3: July, August, September
☐ 4: October, November, December

Aggregate Return Filers Only

Type of filer (check one):

- ☐ Section 3504 Agent
☐ Certified Professional Employer Organization (CPEO)
☐ Other Third Party

Read the separate instructions before you complete Form 941. Type or print within the boxes.

Part 1: Answer these questions for this quarter. Employers in American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico must skip lines 2 and 3, unless you have employees who are subject to U.S. income tax withholding.

1	Number of employees who received wages, tips, or other compensation for the pay period including: <i>Mar. 12</i> (Quarter 1), <i>June 12</i> (Quarter 2), <i>Sept. 12</i> (Quarter 3), or <i>Dec. 12</i> (Quarter 4)	1	
2	Wages, tips, and other compensation	2	
3	Federal income tax withheld from wages, tips, and other compensation	3	
4	If no wages, tips, and other compensation are subject to social security or Medicare tax	☐	Check here and go to line 6.

	Column 1		Column 2
5a	Taxable social security wages . . .	× 0.124 =	
5b	Taxable social security tips . . .	× 0.124 =	
5c	Taxable Medicare wages & tips . .	× 0.029 =	
5d	Taxable wages & tips subject to Additional Medicare Tax withholding	× 0.009 =	
5e	Total social security and Medicare taxes. Add Column 2 from lines 5a, 5b, 5c, and 5d		
5f	Section 3121(q) Notice and Demand—Tax due on unreported tips (see instructions)		
6	Total taxes before adjustments. Add lines 3, 5e, and 5f		
7	Current quarter's adjustment for fractions of cents		
8	Current quarter's adjustment for sick pay		
9	Current quarter's adjustments for tips and group-term life insurance		
10	Total taxes after adjustments. Combine lines 6 through 9		
11	Qualified small business payroll tax credit for increasing research activities. Attach Form 8974		
12	Total taxes after adjustments and nonrefundable credits. Subtract line 11 from line 10		
13	Total deposits for this quarter, including overpayment applied from a prior quarter and overpayments applied from Form 941-X, 941-X (PR), or 944-X filed in the current quarter		
14	Balance due. If line 12 is more than line 13, enter the difference and see instructions		

15a Overpayment. If line 13 is more than line 12, enter the difference 15b Check one: ☐ Apply to next return. ☐ Send a refund.

15c Routing number 15d Type: ☐ Checking ☐ Savings

15e Account number

You MUST complete both pages of Form 941 and SIGN it.

Name (not your trade name)

Employer identification number (EIN)

Part 2: Tell us about your deposit schedule and tax liability for this quarter.

If you're unsure about whether you're a monthly schedule depositor or a semiweekly schedule depositor, see section 11 of Pub. 15.

- 16 Check one: ☐ Line 12 on this return is less than \$2,500 or line 12 on the return for the prior quarter was less than \$2,500, and you didn't incur a \$100,000 next-day deposit obligation during the current quarter. If line 12 for the prior quarter was less than \$2,500 but line 12 on this return is \$100,000 or more, you must provide a record of your federal tax liability. If you're a monthly schedule depositor, complete the deposit schedule below; if you're a semiweekly schedule depositor, attach Schedule B (Form 941). Go to Part 3.

- ☐ You were a monthly schedule depositor for the entire quarter. Enter your tax liability for each month and total liability for the quarter, then go to Part 3.

Tax liability: Month 1 Month 2 Month 3 Total liability for quarter

Total must equal line 12.

- ☐ You were a semiweekly schedule depositor for any part of this quarter. Complete Schedule B (Form 941), Report of Tax Liability for Semiweekly Schedule Depositors, and attach it to Form 941. Go to Part 3.

Part 3: Tell us about your business. If a question does NOT apply to your business, leave it blank.

- 17 If your business has closed or you stopped paying wages ☐ Check here and enter the final date you paid wages / / ; also attach a statement to your return. See instructions.

- 18 If you're a seasonal employer and you don't have to file a return for every quarter of the year . . . ☐ Check here.

Part 4: May we speak with your third-party designee?

Do you want to allow an employee, a paid tax preparer, or another person to discuss this return with the IRS? See the instructions for details.

☐ Yes. Designee's name and phone number

Select a 5-digit personal identification number (PIN) to use when talking to the IRS.

 ☐ No.**Part 5: Sign here. You MUST complete both pages of Form 941 and SIGN it.**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign your name here

Print your name here

Print your title here

Date / / Best daytime phone **Paid Preparer Use Only**Check if you're self-employed ☐Preparer's name PTIN Preparer's signature Date / / Firm's name (or yours if self-employed) EIN Address Phone City State ZIP code

Form 941-V, Payment Voucher

Purpose of Form

Complete Form 941-V if you're paying your balance due on Form 941 by check or money order. We will use the completed voucher to credit your payment more promptly and accurately, and to improve our service to you.

Making Payments With Form 941

To avoid a penalty, make your payment with Form 941 **only if**:

- Your total taxes after adjustments and nonrefundable credits (Form 941, line 12) for either the current quarter or the preceding quarter are less than \$2,500, you didn't incur a \$100,000 next-day deposit obligation during the current quarter, and you're paying in full with a timely filed return; or
- You're a monthly schedule depositor making a payment in accordance with the accuracy of deposits rule. See section 11 of Pub. 15 for details. In this case, the amount of your payment may be \$2,500 or more.

Otherwise, you must make deposits by electronic funds transfer (EFT). An EFT can be made using the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS), IRS Direct Pay, or your IRS business tax account. Don't use Form 941-V to make federal tax deposits. You can also pay your balance due by EFT instead of sending Form 941-V. If you pay your balance due by EFT, file your return using the *Without a payment* address under *Where Should You File?* in the Instructions for Form 941; don't file Form 941-V. For more information about EFTPS or to enroll in EFTPS, go to www.eftps.gov. For more information about IRS Direct Pay, go to www.irs.gov/DirectPay. For more information about making an EFT through your IRS business tax account, go to www.irs.gov/BusinessAccount. See section 11 of Pub. 15 for deposit instructions. Don't use Form 941-V to make federal tax deposits.



Use Form 941-V if you're paying your balance due on Form 941 by check or money order. However, if you pay an amount with Form 941 that should've been deposited, you may be subject to a penalty. See Deposit Penalties in section 11 of Pub. 15.

Specific Instructions

Box 1—Employer identification number (EIN). If you don't have an EIN, you may apply for one online by going to www.irs.gov/EIN. You may also apply for an EIN by faxing or mailing Form SS-4 to the IRS. If you haven't received your EIN by the due date of Form 941, write "Applied For" and the date you applied in this entry space.

Box 2—Amount paid. Enter the amount paid with Form 941.

Box 3—Tax period. Darken the circle identifying the quarter for which the payment is made. Darken only one circle.

Box 4—Name and address. Enter your name and address as shown on Form 941.

- Enclose your check or money order made payable to "United States Treasury." Be sure to enter your EIN, "Form 941," and the tax period ("1st Quarter 2026," "2nd Quarter 2026," "3rd Quarter 2026," or "4th Quarter 2026") on your check or money order. Don't send cash. Don't staple Form 941-V or your payment to Form 941 (or to each other).

- Detach Form 941-V and send it with your payment and Form 941 to the address in the Instructions for Form 941.

Note: You must also complete the entity information above Part 1 on Form 941.

Detach Here and Mail With Your Payment and Form 941.

Form 941-V Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service		Payment Voucher Don't staple this voucher or your payment to Form 941.		OMB No. 1545-0029 2026	
1 Enter your employer identification number (EIN). —		2 Enter the amount of your payment. Make your check or money order payable to "United States Treasury."		Dollars Cents	
3 Tax Period ☐ 1st Quarter ☐ 3rd Quarter ☐ 2nd Quarter ☐ 4th Quarter		4 Enter your business name (individual name if sole proprietor). _____ Enter your address. _____ Enter your city, state, and ZIP code; or your city, foreign country name, foreign province/county, and foreign postal code.			

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