



Instructions for Form 8606

Nondeductible IRAs and Coverdell ESAs

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

General Instructions

A Change To Note

Education IRAs are now called Coverdell education savings accounts (ESAs).

Purpose of Form

Use Form 8606 to report:

- Nondeductible contributions you made to traditional IRAs,
- Distributions from traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRAs, if you have ever made nondeductible contributions to traditional IRAs,
- Distributions from Roth IRAs,
- Distributions from Coverdell ESAs, and
- Conversions from traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRAs to Roth IRAs.

Additional information. See **Pub. 590**, Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs), for more details on IRAs and **Pub. 970**, Tax Benefits for Higher Education, for more details on Coverdell ESAs.

TIP If you received distributions from a traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA in 2001 and you have never made nondeductible contributions to traditional IRAs, **do not** report the distributions on Form 8606. Instead, see the instructions for Form 1040, lines 15a and 15b; Form 1040A, lines 11a and 11b; or Form 1040NR, lines 16a and 16b. Also, to find out if any of your contributions to traditional IRAs are deductible, see the instructions for Form 1040, line 23; Form 1040A, line 16; or Form 1040NR, line 24.

Who Must File

File Form 8606 if any of the following apply.

- You made nondeductible contributions to a traditional IRA for 2001.
- You received distributions from a traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA in 2001 (other than a rollover, conversion, recharacterization, or return of certain contributions) **and** you have ever made nondeductible contributions to a traditional IRA.
- You converted an amount from a traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA to a Roth IRA in 2001 (unless you recharacterized the entire conversion—see page 2).

- You received distributions from a Roth IRA in 2001 (other than a rollover, recharacterization, or return of certain contributions).
- You received distributions as the beneficiary of a Coverdell ESA in 2001 (other than a rollover or return of excess contributions).

Note: If you recharacterized a 2001 Roth IRA contribution as a traditional IRA contribution, or vice versa, treat the contribution as having been made to the second IRA, not the first IRA. See page 2.



TIP You **do not have** to file Form 8606 solely to report contributions to Roth IRAs. But see **What Records Must I Keep?** on page 5.

1998 Roth IRA Conversions

If you converted a traditional or SEP IRA to a Roth IRA in 1998 and are reporting the taxable portion over 4 years, the portion, if any, of the taxable amount of the conversion (shown on your 1998 Form 8606, line 16) not taxed in 1998, 1999, and 2000 is taxable in 2001. The 2001 taxable amount is generally the amount from your 1998 Form 8606, line 17, reduced (but not below zero) by the totals of the amounts on your 1998 Form 8606, line 22; 1999 Form 8606, line 21; and 2000 Form 8606, line 21. However, if you rounded the amount on line 17 of your 1998 Form 8606 to the next higher whole dollar, the 2001 taxable portion cannot exceed the amount from your 1998 Form 8606, line 16, reduced (but not below zero) by (a) 3 times the amount on your 1998 Form 8606, line 17, plus (b) the total of the amounts on your 1998 Form 8606, line 22; 1999 Form 8606, line 21; and 2000 Form 8606, line 21.

How To Report

Report the 2001 taxable portion of your 1998 Roth IRA conversion as follows.

- If you did not receive a Roth IRA distribution in 2001, include the 2001 taxable portion on Form 1040, line 15b; Form 1040A, line 11b; or Form 1040NR, line 16b.
- If you received a Roth IRA distribution in 2001, complete Part III of Form 8606. If you rounded the amount on line 17 of your 1998 Form 8606 to the next higher whole dollar, do not enter on line 26 more than your 2001 taxable amount. (If your

2001 taxable amount is zero, do not complete lines 24 through 26.)

When and Where To File

File Form 8606 with your 2001 Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040NR. If you are not required to file an income tax return but are required to file Form 8606, sign Form 8606 and send it to the Internal Revenue Service at the same time and place you would otherwise file Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040NR.

Definitions

Traditional IRAs

For purposes of Form 8606, a traditional IRA is an individual retirement account or an individual retirement annuity other than a SEP, SIMPLE, or Roth IRA.

Contributions. An overall contribution limit applies to traditional IRAs and Roth IRAs. See page 2. Contributions to a traditional IRA may be fully deductible, partially deductible, or completely nondeductible.

Basis. Your basis in traditional IRAs is the total of all your nondeductible contributions to traditional IRAs minus the total of all your nontaxable distributions. Keep track of your basis to figure the nontaxable part of your future distributions.

SEP IRAs

A simplified employee pension (SEP) is an employer-sponsored plan under which an employer can make contributions to traditional IRAs for its employees. If you make contributions to that IRA (excluding employer contributions you make if you are self-employed), they are treated as contributions to a traditional IRA, and may be deductible or nondeductible. SEP IRA distributions are reported in the same manner as traditional IRA distributions.

SIMPLE IRAs

Your participation in your employer's SIMPLE IRA plan does not prevent you from making contributions to a traditional, SEP, or Roth IRA.

Coverdell ESAs

A Coverdell ESA is an account created exclusively for paying the qualified higher

education expenses of a designated beneficiary. See Pub. 970 for details.

Roth IRAs

A Roth IRA is similar to a traditional IRA, but has the following features.

- Contributions are never deductible.
- Contributions can be made after the owner reaches age 70½.
- No minimum distributions are required during the Roth IRA owner's lifetime.
- Qualified distributions are not includible in income.

Generally, a **qualified distribution** is any distribution made:

- On or after age 59½,
- Upon death,
- Due to disability, or
- For qualified first-time homebuyer expenses.

Exception. Any distribution made during the 5-year period beginning with the first year for which you made a Roth IRA contribution or conversion is **not** a qualified distribution, and may be taxable. Because 1998 was the first year for which Roth IRA contributions or conversions could be made, no Roth IRA distribution prior to 2003 is a qualified distribution.

Contributions. You can contribute to a Roth IRA for 2001 only if your 2001 modified adjusted gross income (AGI) for Roth IRA purposes is less than:

- \$10,000 if married filing separately and you lived with your spouse at any time in 2001,
- \$160,000 if married filing jointly, or
- \$110,000 if single, head of household, or qualifying widow(er), or if married filing

separately and you did not live with your spouse at any time in 2001.

Use the **Maximum Roth IRA Contribution Worksheet** below to figure the maximum amount you can contribute to a Roth IRA for 2001. If you are married filing jointly, complete the worksheet separately for you and your spouse.



If you contributed too much, see **Recharacterizations** on this page.

Modified AGI for Roth IRA purposes.

First, figure your AGI (Form 1040, line 33; Form 1040A, line 19; or Form 1040NR, line 33). Then, refigure it by:

1. Subtracting any amount due to Roth IRA conversions included on Form 1040, line 15b; Form 1040A, line 11b; or Form 1040NR, line 16b; and
2. Adding the total of the following.
 - IRA deduction from Form 1040, line 23; Form 1040A, line 16; or Form 1040NR, line 24.
 - Student loan interest deduction from Form 1040, line 24; Form 1040A, line 17; or Form 1040NR, line 25.
 - Exclusion of interest from **Form 8815**, Exclusion of Interest From Series EE and I U.S. Savings Bonds Issued After 1989.
 - Exclusion of employer-provided adoption benefits from **Form 8839**, Qualified Adoption Expenses.
 - Foreign earned income exclusion from **Form 2555**, Foreign Earned Income, or **Form 2555-EZ**, Foreign Earned Income Exclusion.
 - Foreign housing exclusion or deduction from Form 2555.



When figuring modified AGI for Roth IRA purposes, you may have to refigure items based on modified AGI, such as taxable social security benefits and passive activity losses allowed under the special allowance for rental real estate activities. See **Can I Contribute to a Roth IRA?** in Pub. 590 for details.

Distributions. See the instructions for Part III beginning on page 6.

Overall Contribution Limit for Traditional and Roth IRAs

If you are **not** married filing jointly, your limit on contributions to traditional and Roth IRAs is the **smaller** of \$2,000 or your taxable compensation (defined below). If you are married filing jointly, your contribution limit is generally \$2,000 (and your spouse's contribution limit is \$2,000 as well). But if the combined taxable compensation of both you and your spouse is less than \$4,000, see Pub. 590 for special rules. This limit does not apply to employer contributions to a SEP or SIMPLE IRA.



The amount you may contribute to a Roth IRA may also be limited by your modified AGI (see **Roth IRAs** on this page).

Taxable compensation includes the following.

- Wages, salaries, tips, etc. If you received a distribution from a nonqualified deferred compensation plan or section 457 plan that is included in box 1 of your W-2 form, **do not** include that distribution in taxable compensation. The distribution should be shown in box 11 of your W-2 form. If it is not, contact your employer for the amount of the distribution.
- Self-employment income. If you are self-employed (a sole proprietor or a partner), taxable compensation is your net earnings from your trade or business (provided your personal services are a material income-producing factor) reduced by your deduction for contributions made on your behalf to retirement plans and the deduction allowed for one-half of your self-employment tax.
- Alimony and separate maintenance. See Pub. 590 for details.

Note: Rollovers and Roth IRA conversions **do not** affect your contribution limit.

Recharacterizations

Generally, you may recharacterize (correct) an IRA contribution or Roth IRA conversion by making a trustee-to-trustee transfer from one IRA to another type of IRA. Trustee-to-trustee transfers are made directly between financial institutions or within the same financial institution. You generally must make the

Maximum Roth IRA Contribution Worksheet (keep for your records)

Caution: If married filing jointly and the combined taxable compensation (defined on this page) for you and your spouse is less than \$4,000, **do not** use this worksheet. Instead, see Pub. 590 for special rules.

1	If married filing jointly, enter \$2,000. All others, enter the smaller of \$2,000 or your taxable compensation (defined on this page)	1	_____
2	Enter your total contributions to traditional IRAs for 2001	2	_____
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	_____
4	Enter: \$160,000 if married filing jointly; \$10,000 if married filing separately and you lived with your spouse at any time in 2001. All other(s), enter \$110,000	4	_____
5	Enter your modified AGI for Roth IRA purposes (see above)	5	_____
6	Subtract line 5 from line 4. If zero or less, stop here ; you may not contribute to a Roth IRA for 2001. See Recharacterizations on this page if you made Roth IRA contributions for 2001	6	_____
7	If line 4 above is \$110,000, enter \$15,000; otherwise, enter \$10,000. If line 6 is more than or equal to line 7, skip lines 8 and 9 and enter the amount from line 3 on line 10	7	_____
8	Divide line 6 by line 7 and enter the result as a decimal (rounded to at least 3 places). Do not enter more than "1.000"	8	_____
9	Multiply line 1 by line 8. If the result is not a multiple of \$10, increase it to the next multiple of \$10 (for example, increase \$490.30 to \$500). Enter the result, but not less than \$200	9	_____
10	Maximum 2001 Roth IRA Contribution. Enter the smaller of line 3 or line 9. See Recharacterizations on this page if you contributed more than this amount to Roth IRAs for 2001	10	_____

transfer by the due date of your return (including extensions) and reflect it on your return. However, if you timely filed your return without making the transfer, you still may make the transfer within 6 months of the due date of your return, excluding extensions. If necessary, file an amended return reflecting the transfer (see page 4). Write "Filed pursuant to section 301.9100-2" on the amended return.

Reporting Recharacterizations

Any recharacterized conversion will be treated as though the conversion had not occurred. Any recharacterized contribution will be treated as having been originally contributed to the second IRA, not the first IRA. The amount transferred **must** include related earnings or be reduced by any loss. Any earnings or loss that occurred in the first IRA will be treated as having occurred in the second IRA. You may not deduct any loss that occurred while the funds were in the first IRA. Also, you cannot take a deduction for a contribution to a traditional IRA if the amount is later recharacterized. See below for how to report the three different types of recharacterizations, including the statement that must be attached to your return explaining the recharacterization.

1. You converted an amount from a traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA to a Roth IRA in 2001 and later recharacterized all or part of the amount back to a traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA. If you only recharacterized part of the amount converted, report the amount not recharacterized on Form 8606. If you recharacterized the entire amount, do not report the recharacterization on Form 8606. In either case, attach a statement to your return explaining the recharacterization and include the amount converted from the traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA on Form 1040, line 15a; Form 1040A, line 11a; or Form 1040NR, line 16a. If the recharacterization occurred in 2001, also include the amount transferred back from the Roth IRA on that line. If the recharacterization occurred in 2002, report the amount transferred only in the attached statement, and not on your 2001 or 2002 tax return (you should receive a 2002 Form 1099-R by January 31, 2003, stating that you made a recharacterization of an amount converted in the prior year).

Example. You are married filing jointly and converted \$20,000 from your traditional IRA to a new Roth IRA on May 22, 2001. On April 10, 2002, you determine that your 2001 modified AGI for Roth IRA purposes will exceed \$100,000, and you are not allowed to make a Roth

IRA conversion. The value of the Roth IRA on that date is \$19,000. You recharacterize the conversion by transferring that entire amount to a traditional IRA in a trustee-to-trustee transfer. You report \$20,000 on Form 1040, line 15a. You do not include the \$19,000 on line 15a because it did not occur in 2001 (you also do not report that amount on your 2002 return because it does not apply to the 2002 tax year). You attach a statement to Form 1040 explaining that you made a conversion of \$20,000 from a traditional IRA on May 22, 2001, and that you recharacterized the entire amount, which was then valued at \$19,000, back to a traditional IRA on April 10, 2002, because your 2001 modified AGI for Roth IRA purposes exceeded \$100,000.

2. You made a contribution to a traditional IRA and later recharacterized part or all of it to a Roth IRA. If you recharacterized only part of the contribution, report the nondeductible traditional IRA portion of the remaining contribution, if any, on Form 8606, Part I. If you recharacterized the entire contribution, do not report the contribution on Form 8606. In either case, attach a statement to your return explaining the recharacterization. If the recharacterization occurred in 2001, include the amount transferred from the traditional IRA on Form 1040, line 15a; Form 1040A, line 11a; or Form 1040NR, line 16a. If the recharacterization occurred in 2002, report the amount transferred only in the attached statement.

Example. You are single, covered by a retirement plan, and you contributed \$2,000 to a new traditional IRA on May 31, 2001. On February 24, 2002, you determine that your 2001 modified AGI of \$38,000 limits the amount of your traditional IRA deduction to \$1,000. The value of your traditional IRA on that date is \$2,200. You decide to recharacterize \$1,000 of the traditional IRA contribution as a Roth IRA contribution, and have \$1,100 (\$1,000 contribution plus \$100 related earnings) transferred from your traditional IRA to a Roth IRA in a trustee-to-trustee transfer. You deduct the \$1,000 traditional IRA contribution on Form 1040. You are not required to file Form 8606, but you must attach a statement to your return explaining the recharacterization. The statement indicates that you contributed \$2,000 to a traditional IRA on May 31, 2001; recharacterized \$1,000 of that contribution on February 24, 2002, by transferring \$1,000 plus \$100 of related earnings from your traditional IRA to a Roth IRA in a trustee-to-trustee transfer; and that all \$1,000 of the remaining traditional IRA contribution is deducted on

Form 1040. You do not report the \$1,100 distribution from your traditional IRA on your 2001 Form 1040 because the distribution occurred in 2002. You do not report the distribution on your 2002 Form 1040 because the recharacterization related to 2001 and was explained in an attachment to your 2001 return.

3. You made a contribution to a Roth IRA and later recharacterized part or all of it to a traditional IRA. Report the nondeductible traditional IRA portion, if any, on Form 8606, Part I. If you did not recharacterize the entire contribution, do not report the remaining Roth IRA portion of the contribution on Form 8606. Attach a statement to your return explaining the recharacterization. If the recharacterization occurred in 2001, include the amount transferred from the Roth IRA on Form 1040, line 15a; Form 1040A, line 11a; or Form 1040NR, line 16a. If the recharacterization occurred in 2002, report the amount transferred only in the attached statement, and not on your 2001 or 2002 tax return.

Example. You are single and contributed \$2,000 to a new Roth IRA on June 14, 2001. On December 26, 2001, you determine that your 2001 modified AGI will allow a full traditional IRA deduction. You decide to recharacterize the Roth IRA contribution as a traditional IRA contribution and have \$2,178, the balance in the Roth IRA account (\$2,000 contribution plus \$178 related earnings), transferred from your Roth IRA to a traditional IRA in a trustee-to-trustee transfer. You deduct the \$2,000 traditional IRA contribution on Form 1040. You are not required to file Form 8606, but you must attach a statement to your return explaining the recharacterization. The statement indicates that you contributed \$2,000 to a new Roth IRA on June 14, 2001; recharacterized that contribution on December 26, 2001, by transferring \$2,178, the balance in the Roth IRA, to a traditional IRA in a trustee-to-trustee transfer; and that \$2,000 of the traditional IRA contribution is deducted on Form 1040. You include the \$2,178 distribution on your 2001 Form 1040, line 15a.

Return of IRA Contributions

If, in 2001, you made traditional IRA contributions or Roth IRA contributions for 2000 or 2001, **and** you had those contributions returned to you with any related earnings (or less any loss) by the due date (including extensions) of your tax return for the year for which the contribution was made, the returned contributions are treated as if they were never contributed. Do not report the contribution or distribution on Form 8606 or take a deduction for the contribution.

However, you must report the distribution and any related earnings on your 2001 Form 1040, lines 15a and 15b; Form 1040A, lines 11a and 11b; or Form 1040NR, lines 16a and 16b. Attach a statement explaining the distribution. You **may not** deduct any loss that occurred (see Pub. 590 for an exception if you withdrew the entire amount in all your traditional or Roth IRAs). Also, if you were under age 59½ at the time of a distribution with related earnings, you generally are subject to the additional 10% tax on early distributions (see **Form 5329**, Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans (Including IRAs) and Other Tax-Favored Accounts).

If you timely filed your 2001 tax return without withdrawing a contribution that you made for 2001, you may still have the contribution returned to you within 6 months of the due date of your 2001 tax return, excluding extensions. If you do, file an amended return with "Filed pursuant to section 301.9100-2" written at the top. Report any related earnings for 2001 on the amended return and include an explanation of the withdrawal. Make any other necessary changes on the amended return (for example, if you reported the contributions as excess contributions on your original return, include an amended Form 5329 reflecting that the withdrawn contributions are no longer treated as having been contributed).

You or the trustee of your IRA may figure the earnings (or loss) as provided in Notice 2000-39, 2000-2 C.B. 132. You can find Notice 2000-39 on page 132 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2000-30 at www.irs.gov. Notice 2000-39 permits the earnings or loss to be determined by allocating to the contribution a pro-rata share of the earnings that accrued in the IRA during the period the IRA held the contribution. If there are no intervening contributions or distributions, the earnings (or loss) is equal to the contribution multiplied by the net change in the value of the IRA divided by the value of the IRA immediately after the contribution was made. The net change in the value of the IRA is equal to the value of the IRA immediately prior to the distribution minus the value of the IRA immediately after the contribution was made. See the example below. If you made a contribution or distribution while the IRA held the returned contribution, see Notice 2000-39.

If you made a contribution for 2000 and you had it returned to you **do not** report the distribution on your 2001 tax return. Instead, report it on your 2000 tax return in the manner described above. Likewise, report on your 2002 tax return any distribution made in 2002 that is a return of contributions that were made in

2002 for 2001 (but be sure that your original or amended 2001 tax return reflects that the contribution is treated as not having been contributed).

Example. On May 31, 2001, you contributed \$2,000 to your traditional IRA. The value of the IRA was \$18,000 prior to the contribution. On December 28, 2001, when you are age 57 and the value of the IRA is \$21,600, you realize you cannot make the contribution because your earned income for the year will be only \$800. You decide to have \$1,200 of the contribution returned to you and withdraw \$1,296 from your IRA (\$1,200 contribution plus \$96 earnings). You did not make any other withdrawals or contributions. The earnings were figured according to Notice 2000-39 by first dividing the \$1,600 increase in the value of the IRA by \$20,000 (the value of the IRA immediately after the contribution) and multiplying the result by \$1,200 (the amount being returned). You are not required to file Form 8606. You deduct the \$800 remaining contribution on Form 1040. You include \$1,296 on Form 1040, line 15a, and \$96 on line 15b. You attach a statement to your tax return explaining the distribution. Because you properly removed the excess contribution with the related earnings by the due date of your tax return, you are not subject to the additional 6% tax on excess contributions. However, because you were under age 59½ at the time of the distribution, the \$96 of earnings is subject to the additional 10% tax on early distributions. You include \$9.60 on Form 1040, line 55.

Return of Excess Traditional IRA Contributions

The return (distribution) in 2001 of excess traditional IRA contributions for years prior to 2001 is not taxable if **all three** of the following apply.

1. The distribution was made after the due date, including extensions, of your tax return for the year for which the contribution was made (if the distribution was made earlier, see **Return of IRA Contributions** on page 3).

2. The total contributions (excluding rollovers and conversions) to your traditional and SEP IRAs for the year for which the excess contribution was made did not exceed \$2,000 (\$2,250 for years before 1997). If your total IRA contributions for the year included employer contributions to a SEP IRA, increase the \$2,000 (or \$2,250, if applicable) by the smaller of the employer contributions or \$30,000.

3. No deduction was allowable (without regard to the modified AGI limitation) or taken for the excess contributions.

However, report the distribution on Form 8606 as follows. Complete lines 1 through 5 of Form 8606. Include the amount of the withdrawn contribution on line 13, not line 7. Complete line 14, which will reflect your basis after withdrawing the contributions. Include the total amount distributed on Form 1040, line 15a; Form 1040A, line 11a; or Form 1040NR, line 16a, and attach a statement to your return explaining the distribution.

Example. You are single, you retired in 1998, and you had no earned income after 1998. However, you made traditional IRA contributions (that you did not deduct) of \$2,000 in 1999 and 2000. In November 2001, a tax practitioner informed you that you had made excess contributions for those years because you had no earned income. You withdrew the \$4,000 and filed amended returns for 1999 and 2000 reflecting the additional 6% tax on excess contributions on Form 5329. You include the \$4,000 distribution on your 2001 Form 1040, line 15a, enter -0- on line 15b, and attach a statement to your return explaining the distribution, including the fact that you filed amended returns for 1999 and 2000 and paid the additional 6% tax on the excess contributions for those years. The statement indicates that the distribution is not taxable because **(a)** it was made after the due dates of your 1999 and 2000 tax returns, including extensions, **(b)** your total IRA contributions did not exceed \$2,000 for 1999 or 2000, and **(c)** you did not take a deduction for the contributions, and no deduction was allowable because you did not have any earned income for those years. The statement also indicates that the distribution reduced your excess contributions to zero, as reflected on your 2001 Form 5329.

Amending Form 8606

After you file your return, you may change a nondeductible contribution to a deductible contribution or vice versa. You also may be able to make a recharacterization (see page 2). If necessary, complete a new Form 8606 showing the revised information and file it with **Form 1040X**, Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return.

Penalty for Not Filing

If you are required to file Form 8606 for 2001 but do not do so, you must pay a \$50 penalty, unless you can show reasonable cause.

Overstatement Penalty

If you overstate your nondeductible contributions, you must pay a \$100 penalty, unless you can show reasonable cause.

What Records Must I Keep?

To verify the nontaxable part of distributions from your IRAs, including Roth IRAs, and Coverdell ESAs, keep a copy of the following forms and records until all distributions are made.

- Page 1 of Forms 1040 (or Forms 1040A, 1040NR, or 1040-T) filed for each year you made a nondeductible contribution to a traditional IRA.
- Forms 8606 and any supporting statements, attachments, and worksheets for all applicable years.
- Forms 5498 or similar statements you received each year showing contributions you made to a traditional IRA, Roth IRA, or Coverdell ESA.
- Forms 5498 or similar statements you received showing the value of your traditional IRAs and Coverdell ESAs for each year you received a distribution.
- Forms 1099-R or W-2P you received for each year you received a distribution.

Note: Forms 1040-T and W-2P are forms that were used in prior years.

Specific Instructions

Name and social security number (SSN). If you file a joint return, enter only the name and SSN of the spouse whose information is being reported on Form 8606. If both you and your spouse are required to file Form 8606, file a separate Form 8606 for each of you.

Part I—Nondeductible Contributions to Traditional IRAs and Distributions From Traditional, SEP, and SIMPLE IRAs

Line 1

If you used the **IRA Deduction Worksheet** in the Form 1040 or 1040A instructions, subtract line 10 of the worksheet (line 8 of the Form 1040A worksheet) (or the amount you chose to deduct on Form 1040, line 23, or Form 1040A, line 16, if less) from the **smaller** of line 8 or line 9 of the worksheet (line 6 or line 7 of the Form 1040A worksheet). Enter the result on line 1 of Form 8606. You cannot deduct the amount included on line 1.

If you used the **Worksheet for Reduced IRA Deduction** in Pub. 590, enter on line 1 of Form 8606 any nondeductible contributions from the appropriate lines of that worksheet.

If you did not have any deductible contributions, you may make nondeductible contributions up to your contribution limit. Enter on line 1 of Form 8606 your nondeductible contributions.

Do not include on line 1 contributions that you had returned to you with the related earnings (or less any loss). See page 3.

Line 2

If this is the first year you are required to file Form 8606, enter zero. Otherwise, use the chart below to find the amount to enter on line 2.

IF the last Form 8606 you filed was for...	THEN enter on line 2...
A year after 1992	The amount from line 12 of that Form 8606
A year after 1988 and before 1993	The amount from line 14 of that Form 8606
1988	The total of the amounts on lines 7 and 16 of that Form 8606
1987	The total of the amounts on lines 4 and 13 of that Form 8606

Line 4

If you made contributions to traditional IRAs for 2001 in 2001 and 2002 and you have both deductible and nondeductible contributions, you may choose to treat the contributions made in 2001 first as nondeductible contributions and then as deductible contributions, or vice versa. But the amount on line 4 cannot be less than the excess, if any, of the amount on line 1 over the contributions you actually made in 2001.

Example. You made contributions for 2001 of \$1,000 in May 2001 and \$1,000 in January 2002, of which \$1,500 are deductible and \$500 are nondeductible. You choose \$500 of your contribution in 2001 to be nondeductible. You enter the \$500 on line 1, but not line 4, and it becomes part of your basis for 2001.

Although the contributions to traditional IRAs for 2001 that you made from January 1, 2002, through April 15, 2002, can be treated as nondeductible, they are not included in figuring the nontaxable part of any distributions you received in 2001.

Line 6

Enter the total value of **all** your traditional, SEP, and SIMPLE IRAs as of December 31, 2001, **plus** any outstanding rollovers. You should receive a statement by January 31, 2002, showing the value of each IRA on December 31, 2001.

However, if you recharacterized any amounts, enter on line 6 the total value taking into account all recharacterizations, including recharacterizations made after December 31, 2001.

For line 6, a **rollover** is a tax-free distribution from one traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA that is contributed to another traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA. The rollover must be completed within 60 days of receiving the distribution from the first IRA. An **outstanding rollover** is any amount distributed within 60 days before the end of 2001 (from November 2 through December 31) that was rolled over after December 31, 2001, but within the 60-day rollover period.

Line 7

 **CAUTION** If you received a distribution in 2001 from a traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA and you also made contributions for 2001 to a traditional IRA that may not be fully deductible because of the income limits, you must make a special computation before completing the rest of this form. For details, including how to complete Form 8606, see **Are Distributions Taxable?** in Chapter 1 of Pub. 590.

Do not include any of the following on line 7.

- Distributions that you converted to a Roth IRA.
- Recharacterizations.
- Distributions that you rolled over by December 31, 2001.
- Outstanding rollovers included on line 6.
- Distributions that are treated as a return of contributions under **Return of IRA Contributions** on page 3.
- Distributions that are treated as a return of excess contributions under **Return of Excess Traditional IRA Contributions** on page 4.
- Distributions of excess contributions due to incorrect rollover information. If an excess contribution in your traditional IRA is the result of a rollover from a qualified retirement plan and the excess occurred because the information the plan was required to give you was incorrect, the distribution of the excess contribution is not taxable. Attach a statement to your return explaining the distribution and include the amount of the distribution on Form 1040, line 15a; Form 1040A, line 11a; or Form 1040NR, line 16a. See Pub. 590 for more details.
- Distributions incident to divorce. The transfer of part or all of your traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA to your spouse under a divorce or separation agreement is not taxable. Attach a statement to your return explaining the distribution and include the total amount distributed on Form 1040, line 15a; Form 1040A, line 11a; or Form 1040NR, line 16a. Include in

the explanation the character of any amounts remaining in your traditional IRAs, such as the amount attributable to deductible contributions, nondeductible contributions, etc. If you have ever made nondeductible contributions to a traditional IRA, file Form 8606 and reflect your new basis on line 14.

Line 8

If, in 2001, you converted any amounts from traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRAs to a Roth IRA, enter on line 8 the net amount you converted. To figure that amount, subtract from the total amount converted in 2001 any portion that you recharacterized back to traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRAs in 2001 or 2002 (see **Recharacterizations** on page 2). **Do not** take into account related earnings that were transferred with the recharacterized amount or any loss that occurred while the amount was in the Roth IRA. See item **1** under **Reporting Recharacterizations** on page 3 for details.

Line 15

If you were under age 59½ at the time you received distributions from your traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA, there generally is an additional 10% tax on the portion of the distribution that is included in income (25% for a distribution from a SIMPLE IRA during the first 2 years). See the instructions for Form 1040, line 55.

Part II—Conversions From Traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRAs to Roth IRAs

Complete Part II if you converted part or all of your traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRAs to a Roth IRA in 2001, excluding any portion you recharacterized. See item

1 under **Reporting Recharacterizations** on page 3 for details.

Limit on number of conversions. If you converted an amount from a traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA to a Roth IRA in 2001 and then recharacterized the amount back to a traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA, you may not reconvert that amount until the **later** of January 1, 2002, or 30 days after the recharacterization. See Pub. 590 for details.



*You may not convert any amount to Roth IRAs in 2001 if (a) your modified AGI for Roth IRA purposes (see page 2) is more than \$100,000 or (b) your filing status is married filing separately and you lived with your spouse at any time in 2001. If you erroneously made a conversion, you must recharacterize the converted amount. See **Recharacterizations** on page 2.*

Line 16

If you did not complete line 8, see the instructions for that line. Then, enter on line 16 the amount you would have entered on line 8 had you completed it.

Line 17

If you did not complete line 11, enter on line 17 the amount from line 2 (or the amount you would have entered on line 2 if you had completed that line) plus any contributions included on line 1 that you made before the conversion.

Part III—Distributions From Roth IRAs

Complete Part III to figure the taxable part, if any, of your 2001 Roth IRA distributions (other than rollovers, recharacterizations, or distributions of certain contributions—see page 3).

Distributions from Roth IRAs are applied in the following order.

- 1.** Regular Roth IRA contributions. These amounts (not previously distributed) are shown on line 20. The distribution shown on line 19 is not included in income to the extent it does not exceed the amount on line 20.
- 2.** Amounts converted from traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRAs to Roth IRAs. These amounts (not previously distributed) are shown on line 22. The amount on line 21 is not included in income to the extent it does not exceed the amount on line 22.
- 3.** Earnings. Any remaining amount is earnings, which are included in income because the distribution is not a qualified distribution (see page 2). This amount is figured on line 23.

Line 19

Do not include on line 19 any of the following.

- Distributions that you rolled over, including distributions made in 2001 and rolled over after December 31, 2001 (outstanding rollovers).
- Recharacterizations.
- Distributions that are a return of contributions under **Return of IRA Contributions** on page 3.
- Distributions incident to divorce. The transfer of part or all of your Roth IRA to your spouse under a divorce or separation agreement is not taxable. Attach a statement to your return explaining the distribution and include the total amount distributed on Form 1040, line 15a; Form 1040A, line 11a; or Form 1040NR, line 16a. Include in the explanation the amount attributable to regular contributions, taxable conversions, nontaxable conversions, etc.

Line 20

Figure the amount to enter on line 20 as follows.

- If you did not take a Roth IRA distribution before 2001 (other than an amount rolled over or recharacterized or a returned contribution), enter on line 20 the total of all your regular contributions to Roth IRAs for 1998, 1999, and 2000 (excluding rollovers and any contributions that you had returned to you), adjusted for any recharacterizations.
- If you did take such a distribution before 2001, use the chart on this page to figure the amount to enter.

Line 22

Figure the amount to enter on line 22 as follows.

- If you have never made a Roth IRA conversion, enter -0- on line 22.
- If you took a Roth IRA distribution (other than an amount rolled over or recharacterized or a returned

Basis in Regular Roth IRA Contributions—Line 20

IF the most recent year prior to 2001 in which you took a Roth IRA distribution* was...	THEN enter on Form 8606, line 20, this amount...	PLUS the total of all your regular contributions** to Roth IRAs for...
2000 (you had an amount on your 2000 Form 8606, line 17)	The excess of your 2000 Form 8606, line 18d, over line 17 of that Form 8606	2001
1999 (you had an amount on your 1999 Form 8606, line 17)	The excess of your 1999 Form 8606, line 18d, over line 17 of that Form 8606	2000 and 2001
1998 (you had an amount on your 1998 Form 8606, line 18)	The excess of your 1998 Form 8606, line 19c, over line 18 of that Form 8606	1999 through 2001
Did not take a Roth IRA distribution* prior to 2001	\$0	1998 through 2001
*Excluding rollovers, recharacterizations, and contributions that you had returned to you.		
**Excluding rollovers, conversions, Roth IRA contributions that were recharacterized, and any contributions that you had returned to you.		

Basis in Roth IRA Conversions—Line 22

IF the most recent year prior to 2001 in which you had a distribution* in excess of your basis in contributions was...	THEN enter on Form 8606, line 22, this amount...	PLUS the sum of the amounts on the following lines...
2000 (you had an amount on your 2000 Form 8606, line 19)	The excess, if any, of line 25 of your 2000 Form 8606 over line 19 of that Form 8606	Line 16 of your 2001 Form 8606
1999 (you had an amount on your 1999 Form 8606, line 19)	The excess, if any, of line 25 of your 1999 Form 8606 over line 19 of that Form 8606	Line 14c of your 2000 Form 8606 and line 16 of your 2001 Form 8606
1998 (you had an amount on your 1998 Form 8606, line 20)	The excess, if any, of line 14c of your 1998 Form 8606 over line 20 of that Form 8606	Line 14c of your 1999 and 2000 Forms 8606 and line 16 of your 2001 Form 8606
Did not have such a distribution in excess of my basis in contributions	The amount from line 16 of your 2001 Form 8606	Line 14c of your 1998, 1999, and 2000 Forms 8606
*Excluding rollovers, recharacterizations, and contributions that you had returned to you.		

contribution) before 2001 in excess of your basis in regular Roth IRA contributions, use the chart on this page to figure the amount to enter on line 22. You took such a distribution if you had an amount on your 1998 Form 8606, line 20; 1999 Form 8606, line 19; or 2000 Form 8606, line 19.

- If you did not take such a distribution before 2001, enter on line 22 the total of all your conversions to Roth IRAs (other than amounts recharacterized). These amounts are shown on line 14c of your 1998, 1999, and 2000 Forms 8606 and line 16 of your 2001 Form 8606.

Additional 10% Tax

There generally is an additional 10% tax on 2001 distributions from a Roth IRA that are shown on line 21 if you were under age 59½ at the time of the distribution. The additional tax is figured in Part I of Form 5329. See the instructions for Form 5329, line 1, for details and exceptions.

Part IV—Distributions From Coverdell ESAs

 *If the total Coverdell ESA contributions made in 2001 on behalf of the beneficiary are more than \$500 (or more than the total amount allowed to be contributed by all contributors to the account, if less), the excess contributions (plus related earnings or less any loss) must be distributed by the due date (including extensions) of the beneficiary's tax return (or by April 15, 2002, if the beneficiary is not required to file a return). Otherwise, the beneficiary is subject to the additional 6% tax on excess contributions. See Pub. 970 and Form 5329 for details, including how to figure the additional tax.*

Line 28

Enter the total Coverdell ESA distributions (withdrawals) received in 2001. Do not include amounts rolled over within 60 days (only one rollover is allowed during any 12-month period). Also, do not include contributions that were distributed with the related earnings (or less any loss) by the due date of the beneficiary's tax return, including extensions (or by April 15, 2002, if the beneficiary is not required to file a tax return). **Do not** deduct any loss that occurred. Report the total amount withdrawn on line 15a and any related earnings on line 15b if filing Form 1040, lines 11a and 11b if filing Form 1040A, or lines 16a and 16b if filing Form 1040NR. Withdrawn contributions are treated as if they were never contributed for basis purposes and are not reported on Form 8606.

If the beneficiary reaches age 30 or dies, the account balance generally must be distributed to the beneficiary (or to the estate of the beneficiary) within 30 days. However, any balance in a Coverdell ESA generally may be rolled over to a Coverdell ESA of a family member under age 30. (The same result may be accomplished by changing the beneficiary of the existing Coverdell ESA.) If a rollover is made from one family member's Coverdell ESA to another's, attach a statement to the tax return of the beneficiary of the Coverdell ESA from which the rollover was made. Indicate on the statement the amount and date of the rollover, and the name and SSN of the family member to whose Coverdell ESA the rollover was contributed. Also, report the amount of the rollover on Form 1040, line 15a; Form 1040A, line 11a; or Form 1040NR, line 16a. See Pub. 970 for details.

Line 29

Qualified higher education expenses include tuition, fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for the attendance of the beneficiary at an eligible educational institution. Education expenses also include the cost of room and board while attending the educational institution, if the student is attending at least half-time. See Pub. 970 for details.

Amounts paid to a qualified state tuition program for the beneficiary are also treated as qualified higher education expenses.

The Hope and lifetime learning credits (education credits) may not be claimed in 2001 for a student's expenses if the student takes a tax-free withdrawal from a Coverdell ESA in 2001. To allow the education credits to be claimed for the student's expenses, check "Yes" on line 29. Checking this box indicates you are waiving any exclusion from income of a distribution from a Coverdell ESA.

Note: *No deduction or credit (for example, a business expense deduction for education expenses on Schedule C or C-EZ (Form 1040) or miscellaneous itemized deduction on Schedule A (Form 1040)) is allowed for any qualified education expenses to the extent the expenses are used in determining the exclusion for a Coverdell ESA distribution.*

Line 30

Instructions for Coverdell ESA Worksheet

Line 2. Your basis in each Coverdell ESA as of December 31, 2000, is the total of all contributions to the Coverdell ESA in 1998, 1999, and 2000, less the nontaxable portion of any distributions you received in 1998, 1999, and 2000. If you previously took a distribution from this Coverdell ESA, your basis is shown on the last line of the worksheet in the Instructions for Form 8606 that you completed for the most recent year for which you took a distribution. Increase that amount by any contributions to that Coverdell ESA for years after the last year for which you took a distribution.

Line 7. Enter the total value of this Coverdell ESA as of December 31, 2001, plus any outstanding rollovers contributed to the account after December 31, 2000, but before the end of the 60-day rollover period. You should receive a statement by January 31, 2002, for each Coverdell ESA showing the value on December 31, 2001.

A **rollover** is a tax-free distribution from one Coverdell ESA that is contributed to another Coverdell ESA. The rollover must be completed within 60 days of receiving the distribution from the first Coverdell ESA. An **outstanding**

rollover is any amount distributed within 60 days before the end of 2001 (November 2 through December 31) that was rolled over after December 31, 2001, but within the 60-day rollover period.

Additional 10% Tax

If you have an amount on line 30, you may be subject to an additional 10% tax figured on Form 5329.

Exceptions. The additional tax does not apply to distributions that are:

- Taxable solely because you checked "Yes" on line 29,
- Due to the death or disability of the beneficiary, or

- Made on account of a scholarship, allowance, or payment described in section 25A(g)(2).

See the Instructions for Form 5329 for details.

Coverdell ESA Worksheet (keep for your records)

If line 28 is more than line 29 on Form 8606, use this worksheet to figure the amount of taxable distributions you received from each Coverdell ESA in 2001.	
Complete lines 1 through 16 separately for each of your Coverdell ESAs.	
1	Enter the amount contributed to this Coverdell ESA in 2001 1 _____
2	Enter your basis in this Coverdell ESA as of December 31, 2000 (see instructions) 2 _____
3	Add lines 1 and 2 3 _____
4	Enter the total amount of all distributions you received from this Coverdell ESA in 2001. Do not include rollovers or the return of excess contributions 4 _____
5	Enter the amount of qualified higher education expenses from Form 8606, line 29, attributable to distributions from this Coverdell ESA 5 _____
6	Subtract line 5 from line 4 6 _____
7	Enter the total value of this Coverdell ESA as of December 31, 2001, plus any outstanding rollovers (see instructions) 7 _____
8	Add lines 4 and 7 8 _____
9	Divide line 3 by line 8 and enter the result as a decimal (rounded to at least 3 places). Do not enter more than "1.000" 9 _____
10	Multiply line 4 by line 9. This is the nontaxable portion of your distributions from this Coverdell ESA 10 _____
Note: If line 6 is zero, skip lines 11 through 14, enter -0- on line 15, and go to line 16.	
11	Subtract line 10 from line 4 11 _____
12	Did you check Yes on line 29 of the form? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Enter the amount from line 11 on line 15 and go to line 16. <input type="checkbox"/> No. Go to line 13.
13	Divide line 5 by line 4 and enter the result as a decimal (rounded to at least 3 places). Do not enter more than "1.000" 13 _____
14	Multiply line 11 by line 13 14 _____
15	Subtract line 14 from line 11. This is the portion of the distributions you received from this Coverdell ESA in 2001 that you must include in income. Enter the result here and include it on line 30 of Form 8606 15 _____
16	Subtract line 10 from line 3. This is your basis in this Coverdell ESA as of December 31, 2001 16 _____

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