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Remember to include Form 1099-G income when you file your taxes

If you received certain government payments in 2012, you should receive a [Form 1099-G, Certain Government Payments](#), reporting what you've been paid. The federal, state, and local government agencies will also report the amount to the IRS on Form 1099-G. Because these payments may be taxable, the government agencies are required to provide this information to you.

These may include payments of:

- unemployment compensation
- state or local income tax refunds
- credits, or offsets
- reemployment trade adjustment assistance payments
- taxable grants
- agricultural payments

If you received a payment like this in 2012, you should receive Form 1099-G, showing the amount you were paid. You may need to report this as income when you file your federal tax return. You don't usually attach the 1099-G form to your return.

In general, most government agencies provide a paper copy of Form 1099-G to you by January 31 of the year following the year of payment. If you did not receive a Form 1099-G, check with the government agency that made the payments to you.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT STATES ISSUING ELECTRONIC FORM 1099-G

If you received a state or local income tax refund for 2012 and you reside in Conn., Mo., N.J., N.Y. or Penn your Form 1099-G may be available to you only in an electronic format. You will need to get instructions from the state agency to retrieve this document.

You are required and responsible for reporting any taxable income you received - including state or local income tax refunds - even if you did not receive Form 1099-G. Keep payers advised of your current address so you'll receive your 1099-G timely.

If you file your return and later receive a Form 1099-G for income that you did not fully include on that return, you should report the income and take credit for any income tax withheld by filing Form 1040X, "Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return."

For more information, see [Publication 525, Taxable and Nontaxable Income](#). The booklet is available at IRS.gov or by calling 800-TAX-FORM (800-829-3676).

Helpful Links:

- [IRS.gov](#) (Search 1099-G)

Tweets:

Did you get a [#state income tax refund](#) last year? Expecting a #1099G? Check with issuing agency to view online and report on your federal tax return.