

Medicare Trust Fund Solvency:
*2008 Report Shows Program is Strong
 But Undermined by Private Plan Overpayments
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Year of Trustees' Report	Years of Solvency	Year of Insolvency
1970	2	1972
1971	2	1973
1972	4	1976
1973	none indicated	--
1974	none indicated	--
1975	about 20*	about 1995
1976	about 15*	about 1991
1977	about 10*	about 1987
1978	12	1990
1979	13	1992
1980	14	1994
1981	10	1991
1982	5	1987
1983	7	1990
1984	7	1991
1985	13	1998
1986	10	1996
1986 amended	12	1998
1987	15	2002
1988	17	2005
1989	none indicated	--
1990	13	2003
1991	14	2005
1992	10	2002
1993	6	1999
1994	7	2001
1995	7	2002
1996	5	2001
1997	4	2001
1998	10	2008
1999	16	2015
2000	25	2025
2001	28	2029
2002	28	2030
2003	23	2026
2004	15	2019
2005	15	2020
2006	12	2018
2007	12	2019

2008	11	2019

* Projections for 1975, 1976 and 1977 put the dates of insolvency, respectively, in “the late 1990s,” “the early 1990s,” and “the late 1980s.”