

2026 RCUH Travel Rates

Federal city lodging and meals & incidental expenses (M&IE) rates

To view Federal city lodging and meals & incidental expenses (M&IE) rates, see the GSA or DOD website. The data is the same, the formats are different. Travel allowances shall not exceed the established rates.

www.gsa.gov/perdiem
<https://www.travel.dod.mil/Travel-Transportation-Rates/Per-Diem/Per-Diem-Rate-Lookup/>

Pre-boarding Allowance for Airport Check-In

- Intra-State – Not to exceed 90 minutes prior to flight departure time
- Out-of-State – Not to exceed 3 hours prior to flight departure time

Reduction of M&IE Allowance

If reduction of meals is required, use the following table to reduce the M&IE allowance accordingly.

MEAL	PERCENTAGE OF M&IE
Breakfast	20 percent
Lunch	30 percent
Dinner	50 percent

Backcountry Travel Meal Allowance

Use the following table, to determine meal eligibility for fractional days, when providing a meal allowance for backcountry travel where commercial food establishments are unavailable.

QTR	TIME OF DEPARTURE/RETURN	ELIGIBLE MEAL
1	12:01 AM - 6:00 AM	N/A
2	6:01 AM - NOON	Breakfast
3	12:01 PM - 6:00 PM	Lunch
4	6:01 PM - MIDNIGHT	Dinner

\$20.00 per day (Breakfast -- \$6.66; Lunch -- \$6.67; Dinner -- \$6.67)

RCUH Rates & Federal Rates for miles driven January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026

RATES	RCUH	FEDERAL	TAXABLE
Mileage, business rate per mile	\$0.725	\$0.725	\$0.00
Mileage, in service of charitable organizations (volunteers)	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.00

2026 (January 1 – December 31, 2026) IRS mileage rate announcement
<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-sets-2026-business-standard-mileage-rate-at-725-cents-per-mile-up-25-cents>

RCUH Rates & Federal Rates for miles driven January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025

RATES	RCUH	FEDERAL	TAXABLE
Mileage, business rate per mile	\$0.70	\$0.70	\$0.00
Mileage, in service of charitable organizations (volunteers)	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.00

2025 (January 1 – December 31, 2025) IRS mileage rate announcement
<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-increases-the-standard-mileage-rate-for-business-use-in-2025-key-rate-increases-3-cents-to-70-cents-per-mile>