Effective Sept. 1, 2009, the General Appropriations Act, Senate Bill 1, Article IX, Section 5.06(c), 81st Legislature, Regular Session, requires agencies to use the General Services Administration (GSA)’s federal travel rates to determine the maximum meals and lodging reimbursement rates for both in-state and out-of-state travel.


**Fiscal Year 2010**

**In-State Meals and Lodging**
Refer to the federal [Domestic Maximum Per Diem Rates](http://www.gsa.gov) on the GSA site.
For areas not listed, the rates are:
- Lodging In-State: up to $85
- Meals In-State: up to $36

**Out-of-State Meals and Lodging**
Refer to the federal [Domestic Maximum Per Diem Rates](http://www.gsa.gov) on the GSA site.
For areas not listed, use the rate for the nearest city or county.

**Automobile Mileage**
55 cents per mile

In summary, this is a major change for In State Travel Reimbursement Rates. If you claim less than the maximum meal rate, the reduction is used to increase the maximum lodging rate.

**Examples:**

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