
2016 TAX AND FINANCIAL PLANNING TABLES

An overview of important changes, rates, rules
and deadlines to assist your 2016 tax planning

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THE IMPORTANCE OF TAX PLANNING

Careful planning throughout the year can assist you in reducing the taxes you pay – as well as help you achieve your financial goals. This guide provides an overview of tax rates, credits, deductions and related considerations that may apply to you.

Tax planning should not be done in isolation, but instead should be driven by your overall financial goals and integrated with your total financial plan. By developing and implementing appropriate strategies to lessen or to shift current and future tax liabilities, you can improve your prospects of meeting long- and short-term objectives. For example, accurately projecting your income taxes can help you determine the cash flow available to you in the coming year.

Keep in mind that tax laws are often complex and frequently change. As a consequence, you should consult your tax advisor before making investment and tax decisions.

2016 CHANGES

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS

Since 2006, IRA owners who are at least 70½ years old could make a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) of up to \$100,000 directly from an IRA to a charity without having to include the distribution in taxable income. New legislation now makes the QCD rules permanent.

Donating IRA funds directly to qualified charities allows the IRA holder or beneficiary to avoid taking possession of the funds and the tax bill that comes with them. It also allows the extra income to be excluded from tax formulas for Medicare premiums or for the Pease limitation on itemized deductions.

In brief, a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) from an IRA can be made only by an IRA owner or beneficiary age 70½ or older, and can total up to \$100,000. A spouse age 70½ with an IRA could give up to \$100,000 as well. A QCD can be used to meet your required minimum distribution. The funds, which cannot come from active SEP or SIMPLE IRAs, must be sent directly to the qualified (IRS-approved) charitable organization.

SOCIAL SECURITY CHANGES

As a result of The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, “File and Suspend” and “Restricted Application” strategies are being phased out.

File and Suspend – This strategy allowed the higher income earner in a couple to file for, then suspend their Social Security benefits. The spouse and/or eligible dependents could then collect benefits based on the higher earner’s record while the higher earner continued to earn delayed retirement credits on their individual benefit. This strategy is now only available to those already receiving benefits or those who turn 66 and file and suspend before April 30, 2016. Under the new rules, the person who is filing will actually have to begin taking benefits in order for the spouse to take spousal benefits.

Restricted Application – A spouse could file for Social Security benefits at or after full retirement age (FRA), but apply for spousal benefits only, which allowed their individual benefits to earn delayed retirement credits until they max out at age 70. At age 70, the spouse could switch to their individual benefit instead of collecting the spousal benefit. This strategy is only available to those born before 1954. Anyone born in 1954 or later must file for the spousal benefits and individual benefits at the same time and will receive the higher of the two amounts.

Born: May 1, 1950 (or earlier)
File & Suspend Strategy

Still available as long as it is completed by April 30, 2016

Born: January 1, 1954 (or earlier)
Restricted Application Strategy

Still available once you reach full retirement age.

Born: January 2, 1954 (or after)
File & Suspend Strategy
Restricted Application Strategy

Strategies no longer available. You must file a normal application.

ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE ACT OF 2014 (ABLE)

The ABLE Act amended IRC section 529 to allow states to create 529-ABLE accounts for disabled individuals. Currently, a disabled person who could not meet certain income and asset limits risked having to forfeit eligibility for certain government programs. The only way families could get around these rules was to set up special trusts. Families

are able to save money for future expenses in a 529A account without having to give up eligibility for public benefits, as long as the funds are spent toward qualified disability expenses, which include education, housing, employment training and support, health care and financial management. The aggregate annual contribution limit is \$14,000 per individual, and total contribution limits vary by state. However, only the first \$100,000 saved in the account is exempted from the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) \$2,000 limit, and beneficiaries with account values greater than \$100,000 will not receive any SSI benefits (but will still receive Medicaid).

AFFORDABLE CARE ACT (ACA)

The Affordable Care Act, which also is known as Obamacare, is entering its third year. The act mandates that all Americans have health insurance or pay a penalty. The penalty started out relatively small and has steadily increased. By 2016, the government thinks people should have had enough time to understand the rules, so the penalty is steeper. The penalties are listed below. After 2017, the minimum tax penalty per person will rise each year with inflation.

ACA Penalties for Uninsured	2014	2015	2016
Individuals	Greater of \$95 or 1% of income	Greater of \$325 or 2% of income	Greater of \$695 or 2.5% of income
Families	Greater of \$285 or 1% of income	Greater of \$975 or 2% of income	Greater of \$2,085 or 2.5% of income

Individuals or families who fall below certain income thresholds would be exempt from the penalties and would be subsidized to pay for health insurance costs. On the other hand, to offset the cost of providing insurance to low income households, individuals making more than \$200,000 a year and couples earning above \$250,000 will have additional health care taxes deducted as payroll taxes. These individuals also will get hit with a 3.8% tax on investment income.

FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT LIMITS

The annual limit on employee contributions to flexible spending accounts will remain \$2,550 for qualified health care expenses. You may carry over \$500 into 2016. However, if you carry over \$500 into 2016, you are disqualified from participating in a health savings account for the entire year.

2016 Tax Rates

Taxable income is income after all deductions, including either itemized deductions or the standard deductions, and exemptions.

Personal Exemption – \$4,050

Standard Deduction – Single \$6,300;

Head of Household \$9,300; Joint \$12,600

Extra Deduction if Blind or Over 65 – Single and Head of Household \$1,550; all others \$1,250

Single

If Taxable Income is:	Your Tax is:
Not Over \$9,275	10% of taxable income
\$9,275 to \$37,650	\$927.50 + 15% of the excess over \$9,275
\$37,650 to \$91,150	\$5,183.75 + 25% of the excess over \$37,650
\$91,150 to \$190,150	\$18,558.75 + 28% of the excess over \$91,150
\$190,150 to \$413,350	\$46,278.75 + 33% of the excess over \$190,150
\$413,350 to \$415,050	\$119,934.75 + 35% of the excess over \$413,350
over \$415,050	\$120,529.75 + 39.6% of the excess over \$415,050

Married Filing Jointly/Surviving Spouse

If Taxable Income is:	Your Tax is:
Not Over \$18,550	10% of taxable income
\$18,550 to \$75,300	\$1,855 + 15% of the excess over \$18,550
\$75,300 to \$151,900	\$10,367.50 + 25% of the excess over \$75,300
\$151,900 to \$231,450	\$29,517.50 + 28% of the excess over \$151,900
\$231,450 to \$413,350	\$51,791.50 + 33% of the excess over \$231,450
\$413,350 to \$466,950	\$111,818.50 + 35% of the excess over \$413,350
over \$466,950	\$130,578.50 + 39.6% of the excess over \$466,950

Head of Household

If Taxable Income is:	Your Tax is:
Not Over \$13,250	10% of taxable income
\$13,250 to \$50,400	\$1,325 + 15% of the excess over \$13,250
\$50,400 to \$130,150	\$6,897.50 + 25% of the excess over \$50,400
\$130,150 to \$210,800	\$26,835 + 28% of the excess over \$130,150
\$210,800 to \$413,350	\$49,417 + 33% of the excess over \$210,800
\$413,350 to \$441,000	\$116,258.50 + 35% of the excess over \$413,350
over \$441,000	\$125,936 + 39.6% of the excess over \$441,000

Married Filing Separately

If Taxable Income is:	Your Tax is:
Not Over \$9,275	10% of taxable income
\$9,275 to \$37,650	\$927.50 + 15% of the excess over \$9,275
\$37,650 to \$75,950	\$5,183.75 + 25% of the excess over \$37,650
\$75,950 to \$115,725	\$14,758.75 + 28% of the excess over \$75,950
\$115,725 to \$206,675	\$25,895.75 + 33% of the excess over \$115,725
\$206,675 to \$233,475	\$55,909.25 + 35% of the excess over \$206,675
over \$233,475	\$65,289.25 + 39.6% of the excess over \$233,475

PHASEOUT OF PERSONAL EXEMPTIONS (“PEP”)

Filing Status	Threshold	Full Phaseout
Single	\$259,400	\$381,900
Married Filing Jointly	\$311,300	\$433,800
Head of Household	\$285,350	\$407,850
Married Filing Separately	\$155,650	\$216,900

LIMITATIONS ON ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS ("PEASE LIMITATION")

For many taxpayers, the Pease limitation will reduce itemized deductions by \$3,000 for every \$100,000 of AGI over the threshold amount. The threshold amounts are now indexed for inflation. The Pease limitation does not apply to investment interest expenses, medical expenses, casualty and theft losses, and gambling losses. In addition, the Pease limitation does not apply to estates or trusts.

Threshold AGI	Reduction is Lesser Of:	
Single - \$259,400	3% of AGI minus Threshold	80% of Allow- able Itemized Deductions
Married Filing Jointly - \$311,300		
Head of Household - \$285,350		
Married Filing Separately - \$155,650		

10% AGI FLOOR FOR MEDICAL EXPENSES

For taxpayers who itemize their deductions, the AGI floor is 10%. However, if either the taxpayer or the taxpayer's spouse attains the age of 65 before the end of 2013, 2014, 2015 or 2016, then the 7.5% AGI floor will remain in place. For example, a person age 64 in 2015 would have a 10% AGI floor, and then turn 65 in 2016 and have 7.5% AGI floor. The treatment of the deduction for medical expenses will not change for AMT purposes.

Age	AGI Limitation
64 and under for the year	10%
65 or over in 2013-2016	7.5%

IN 2016, TAXPAYERS WHO EARN MORE THAN



\$259,400
for individuals



\$311,300
for joint filers

must reduce the amount of allowable
itemized deductions by the lesser of



of the excess
of AGI over those
thresholds

OR



of the total amount of
otherwise allowable
itemized deductions

This phaseout applies only to:

- ▶ charitable contribution deductions
- ▶ state income and property taxes
- ▶ miscellaneous itemized deductions

QUALIFIED DIVIDEND INCOME

The tax law indefinitely extended the favorable long-term capital gains tax rates for “qualified dividends.” To qualify, the taxpayer must have held the stock for more than 60 days during the 121-day period beginning 60 days before the ex-dividend date, and the dividend must be paid from a domestic corporation or certain qualified foreign corporations.

Dividend income that is not qualified dividend income will be taxed at ordinary income rates.

CAPITAL GAINS RATES

Short-term Capital Gains: Assets held for one year or less are taxed at an individual's ordinary tax rate.

Long-term Capital Gains: Assets held for more than one year are taxed at favorable rates outlined in the chart below.

Tax Bracket	Qualified Dividend/ Capital Gain Rate
10 -15%	0%
25 - 35%	15%
39.6%	20%

NETTING PROCESS

1. Determine whether you have a **net short-term or net long-term capital gain or loss** on the sale of stock.
2. Net your short-term gains and short-term losses.
3. Net your long-term gains and long-term losses.
4. Net your short-term gain/loss against long-term gain/loss.
5. For gains, you must pay tax on all gains each year. For losses, you may only deduct up to \$3,000 of excess losses against ordinary income per year.
6. Carry over any remaining losses to future tax years.



A NOTE ABOUT WASH SALES

Selling a security at a loss and purchasing another “substantially identical” security – within 30 days before or after the sale date – triggers what the IRS considers a “wash sale,” an action that disallows the loss deduction. The IRS looks at all of your accounts to determine whether a wash sale has occurred, so selling the stock at a loss in a taxable account and buying it within that 61-day window in your 401(k) or IRA isn't a viable option.



MEDICARE TAX

On January 1, 2013, pursuant to the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, high-income taxpayers became subject to two additional Medicare taxes – an additional 0.9% Medicare payroll tax and a 3.8% Medicare surtax on net investment income.

3.8% SURTAX ON UNEARNED INCOME

The 3.8% surtax on “unearned income” applies to individuals, trusts and estates. “Unearned income” is defined as investment income such as income from interest, dividends, annuities, royalties, capital gains and other passive income.

Two conditions must be met for the 3.8% surtax to apply. First, the taxpayer must have investment income, and second, the taxpayer’s modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) must exceed the limits below, which are not indexed for inflation:

- \$250,000 for taxpayers filing jointly
- \$125,000 for taxpayers filing married filing separately
- \$200,000 for other taxpayers

For purposes of the 3.8% surtax, the MAGI limitation is simply the taxpayer’s adjusted gross income (AGI) plus any excluded net foreign income. In general terms, AGI is the number at the bottom of the first page of a taxpayer’s 1040 (line 37).

If those two conditions are met, then the 3.8% surtax applies to the amount of the investment income, or if smaller, the difference between the taxpayer’s MAGI and the limits listed above. For example, if a single taxpayer has \$10,000 of dividend income and MAGI of \$205,000, then the 3.8% surtax applies to \$5,000. If the same taxpayer had MAGI of \$211,000, the 3.8% surtax would apply to \$10,000.

Filing Status	3.8% Surtax Applies to the Lesser of:	
Married Filing Jointly	Investment Income	MAGI minus \$250,000
Married Filing Separately	Investment Income	MAGI minus \$125,000
All Others	Investment Income	MAGI minus \$200,000

The 3.8% surtax does not apply to distributions from tax-favored retirement plans such as IRAs or qualified plans, although distributions from tax-favored retirement plans may increase a taxpayer’s MAGI over the limits discussed above and thereby potentially expose investment income to the 3.8% surtax. In general terms, the 3.8% surtax does not apply to active trades or businesses conducted by a sole proprietor, S corporation or partnership, or to the gains and losses on the sale of active trades or businesses. However, working capital is not treated as being part of an active trade or business for purposes of the 3.8% surtax.

0.9% TAX ON WAGES

An additional 0.9% Medicare tax will be imposed on wages of employees and on earnings of self-employed individuals. The 0.9% Medicare tax will apply to wages and self-employment earnings above the limits below, which are not indexed for inflation:

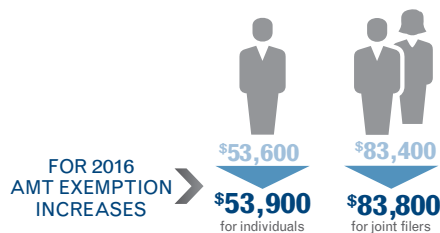
- \$250,000 for taxpayers filing jointly
- \$125,000 for taxpayers filing married filing separately
- \$200,000 for other taxpayers

The 0.9% Medicare tax applies to employees, but not to employers. For joint filers, the tax applies to the spouses' combined wages. For self-employed individuals, the 0.9% tax is not deductible.

ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX

The tax rates for computing the AMT tax have remained the same at 26% and 28%.

Filing Status	AMT Exemption 2016	AMT Exemption Threshold 2016
Single Filers and Head of Household	\$53,900	\$119,700
Married Filing Jointly and Surviving Spouses	\$83,800	\$159,700
Married Filing Separately	\$41,900	\$79,850



RETIREMENT

INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS

Generally, traditional IRA contributions are fully deductible unless you or your spouse is covered by a workplace retirement plan, in which case the following deduction phaseouts apply. If neither individual nor spouse is covered by a plan, you can deduct up to \$5,500 each or MAGI, whichever is less.

Traditional IRA: Deductibility of Contributions

Status	Modified Adjusted Gross Income	Contribution
Single Filers and Head of Household	\$0 - \$61,000	\$5,500 Maximum
	\$61,000 - \$71,000	Partial
	More than \$71,000	None
Married Filing Jointly and Surviving Spouses	\$0 - \$98,000	\$5,500 Maximum
	\$98,000 - \$118,000	Partial
	More than \$118,000	None
Married Non-Covered Spouse*	\$0 - \$184,000	\$5,500 Maximum
	\$184,000 - \$194,000	Partial
	More than \$194,000	None

* Applies to individuals whose spouses are covered by a workplace plan but who are not covered themselves.

Roth IRA: Eligibility of Contributions

Contributions made to a Roth IRA are not deductible, unlike contributions made to a traditional IRA, and there is no age restriction on making contributions. An individual may contribute up to \$5,500 to the Roth IRA, subject to income phaseout limits.

Status	Modified Adjusted Gross Income	Contribution
Single Filers and Head of Household	\$0 - \$117,000	\$5,500 Maximum
	\$117,000 - \$132,000	Partial
	More than \$132,000	None
Married Filing Jointly and Surviving Spouses	\$0 - \$184,000	\$5,500 Maximum
	\$184,000 - \$194,000	Partial
	More than \$194,000	None

Catch-Up Contributions

If you have either a traditional or Roth IRA and attain age 50 or older during the tax year, an additional \$1,000 may be contributed.

Traditional & Roth IRA Contribution

Employee maximum deferral contribution	Catch-up contribution if age 50 or older
\$5,500	\$1,000

401(k), 403(b), 457 and SARSEP Contribution

Employee maximum deferral contribution	Catch-up contribution if age 50 or older
\$18,000	\$6,000

Simple IRA Contribution

Employee maximum deferral contribution	Catch-up contribution if age 50 or older
\$12,500	\$3,000

Individual annual limit (415 for DC plans): \$53,000

Maximum compensation limit: \$265,000

Key Employee limit: \$170,000 for less than 1% owners or \$1 for more than 5% owners

Highly Compensated Employee limit: \$120,000

IRA ROLLOVERS

As of 2015, you can only make one rollover from an IRA in a 12-month period. In the past, individuals would take distributions from separate IRAs and make multiple rollovers with the philosophy being each IRA only had one rollover. The IRS has clarified that all your IRAs are counted as one and only one rollover can occur per 12-month period. However, this is different than trustee to trustee transfers. Those movements of money are still unlimited. The ruling applies to individuals receiving a check in their hand, using the money temporarily and then rolling the money back into the IRA within 60 days.

AFTER TAX 401(K) TO ROTH IRA

Previously if you wanted to roll your after-tax money in a 401(k) to a Roth IRA, you had to navigate through some very complicated rules that even experts could not always agree upon and then keep your fingers crossed that the IRS would bless the transaction. Now, if you have after-tax dollars in a plan and you are able to take a rollover eligible distribution, you may direct those after-tax dollars to a Roth IRA as a tax-free transaction. There are two critical elements to the distributions. First, you must tell the plan administrator how you are allocating the pre-tax and after-tax dollars beforehand. And second, the transfers must occur at the same time.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Maximum monthly benefit for an individual who reached full retirement age in 2016 and earned the maximum wage base amount or more for the last 35 years is \$2,639.

For those under full retirement age for the entire year: \$15,720*

For months before reaching full retirement age in the year full retirement age will be reached: \$41,880**

Beginning with month reaching full retirement age: No limit

*If your earnings exceed this, then \$1 of benefits is withheld for every \$2 you earn above \$15,720

**If your earnings exceed this, then \$1 of benefits is withheld for every \$3 you earn above \$41,880

Taxation Thresholds

	Up to 50% taxed	Up to 85% taxed
Single	\$25,000 – 34,000	More than \$34,000
Married Filing Jointly	\$32,000 – 44,000	More than \$44,000

Taxable wage base: \$118,500

REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS

For the majority of IRA participants, the following table is used for determining a participant's required minimum distributions (RMDs). There is an exception when a spousal beneficiary is more than 10 years younger than the participant and is the sole beneficiary on January 1. In this case, a different table is used.

To calculate your RMD, first find the age you will turn in 2016 and the corresponding applicable divisor. Then divide the prior year-end balance of your IRA account by the divisor. The resulting number is the dollar figure you will need to remove from your IRA to meet your RMD for the current year.

For example, if you are now 82, your applicable divisor is 17.1. If the balance in your IRA as of December 31 of last year was \$235,000, divide that amount by 17.1. The result is \$13,742.69. This is the amount of your RMD for the current year.

Age	Applicable Divisor	Age	Applicable Divisor	Age	Applicable Divisor
70	27.4	86	14.1	102	5.5
71	26.5	87	13.4	103	5.2
72	25.6	88	12.7	104	4.9
73	24.7	89	12	105	4.5
74	23.8	90	11.4	106	4.2
75	22.9	91	10.8	107	3.9
76	22	92	10.2	108	3.7
77	21.2	93	9.6	109	3.4
78	20.3	94	9.1	110	3.1
79	19.5	95	8.6	111	2.9
80	18.7	96	8.1	112	2.6
81	17.9	97	7.6	113	2.4
82	17.1	98	7.1	114	2.1
83	16.3	99	6.7	115	
84	15.5	100	6.3	and over	1.9
85	14.8	101	5.9		

2016 ESTATE, GIFT AND GENERATION SKIPPING TAX

GST Exemption Equivalent Amount	\$5,450,000
Annual Gift Tax Exclusion	\$14,000
Non-Citizen Spouse Annual Exclusion	\$148,000
Gift and Estate Tax Applicable Exclusion Amount	\$5,450,000
Unified Credit Amount	\$2,125,800

THE ANNUAL GIFT TAX EXCLUSION REMAINS AT

\$14,000
allowing married couples to gift a combined
\$28,000



Trust and Estate Income Tax Rates

If Taxable Income is:	Your Tax is:
Not Over \$2,550	15% of taxable income
\$2,550 to \$5,950	\$382.50 + 25% of the excess over \$2,550
\$5,950 to \$9,050	\$1,232.50 + 28% of the excess over \$5,950
\$9,050 to \$12,400	\$2,100.50 + 33% of the excess over \$9,050
Over \$12,400	\$3,206 + 39.6% of the excess over \$12,400

Estate and Gift Tax Rates

Taxable Gift/Estate			Percentage	Of Amount
Over	Not Over	Pay	On Excess	Above
\$0	\$10,000	\$0	18%	\$0
10,000	20,000	1,800	20%	10,000
20,000	40,000	3,800	22%	20,000
40,000	60,000	8,200	24%	40,000
60,000	80,000	13,000	26%	60,000
80,000	100,000	18,200	28%	80,000
100,000	150,000	23,800	30%	100,000
150,000	250,000	38,800	32%	150,000
250,000	500,000	70,800	34%	250,000
500,000	750,000	155,800	37%	500,000
750,000	1,000,000	248,300	39%	750,000
\$1,000,000		\$345,800	40%	\$1,000,000

EDUCATION

Contribution Amounts to Coverdell: \$2,000 per beneficiary. This amount is phased out from \$190,000 to \$220,000 for married filing jointly, and \$95,000 to \$110,000 for single filers.

Gifts to 529 Plan: Gifts can be front loaded up to \$70,000 (5 years x \$14,000 annual exclusion) and \$140,000 for married couples who split gifts. Front loading uses the annual gift tax exclusion for the current year and the next four years.

American Opportunity Credit: Up to 100% of the first \$2,000, and 25% of the next \$2,000, for a total of \$2,500 maximum credit per eligible student per year, with reduction for MAGI between \$80,000 and \$90,000 for single filers, and \$160,000 and \$180,000 for joint filers.

Lifetime Learning Credit: Up to 20% of the first \$10,000 (per taxpayer) of qualified expenses paid in 2016, with reduction for MAGI from \$55,000 to \$65,000 for single filers and \$111,000 to \$131,000 for joint filers.

Student Loan Interest Deduction: \$2,500 “above-the-line” deduction, with reduction for MAGI from \$65,000 to \$80,000 for single filers and \$130,000 to \$160,000 for married filing jointly.

Modified AGI – U.S. Savings Bond Interest Exclusion: \$77,550 to \$92,550 for single filers and \$116,300 to \$146,300 for married filing jointly. Bonds must be titled in the name of the parents only, owner must be age 24 or older at the time of issue, proceeds must be used for qualified post-secondary education expenses of the taxpayer, the taxpayer's spouse or the taxpayer's dependent.

KIDDIE TAX RULES

The Kiddie Tax rules require the unearned income of a child or young adult be taxed at the greater of the child's or parents' marginal tax bracket once the unearned income exceeds \$2,100. Under the Kiddie Tax rules, the first \$1,050 in unearned income is not subject to tax. The next \$1,050 of unearned income is taxed at the child's rate. Then, any unearned income of more than \$2,100 is taxed at the parents' marginal rate. The Kiddie Tax rules apply to unearned income of the following:

- A child under age 18 at the end of each tax year
- An 18-year-old whose earned income does not exceed one-half of his or her support
- A 19- to 23-year-old full-time student whose earned income does not exceed one-half of his or her support

BUSINESS

Corporate Tax Rates

Taxable income over	Not over	Tax rate
\$0	\$50,000	15%
50,000	75,000	25%
75,000	100,000	34%
100,000	335,000	39%
335,000	10,000,000	34%
10,000,000	15,000,000	35%
15,000,000	18,333,333	38%
18,333,333	35%

Corporate Dividend Exclusion

Corporations are eligible for a 70% dividends-received deduction for dividends received from domestic corporations whose stock was held for more than 45 days.

Standard Mileage Rate

Standard mileage rate: 54 cents per mile for business miles.

CONSIDERATIONS

PRESENT VALUE OF A LUMP SUM

What if you know you will need \$10,000 accumulated 10 years from now? How much money do you need to invest today at an average interest rate of 8% to obtain your goal? Looking at the table below, go to 10 years and then across to 8%. You see that \$0.463 invested today at 8% should yield \$1 in 10 years. Since you want \$10,000, multiply \$0.463 by \$10,000 to arrive at \$4,630.

Years	5%	6%	8%	10%	12%
10	.614	.558	.463	.386	.322
20	.377	.312	.215	.149	.104
30	.231	.174	.099	.057	.033
40	.142	.097	.046	.022	.011

FUTURE VALUE OF A LUMP SUM

If you invest \$10,000 at an interest rate of 8%, how much will your investment be worth in 10 years? By referring to the table, you find that \$1 invested today at 8% would grow to \$2.159 in 10 years. Since you invested \$10,000, multiply \$2.159 by \$10,000, giving you \$21,590.

Years	5%	6%	8%	10%	12%
10	1.629	1.791	2.159	2.594	3.106
20	2.653	3.207	4.661	6.727	9.646
30	4.322	5.743	10.063	17.449	29.960
40	7.040	10.286	21.725	45.259	93.051

PRESENT VALUE OF A SERIES OF ANNUAL PAYMENTS

How much money would you need to invest today at an interest rate of 8% to provide \$10,000 per year for 10 years? Looking at the chart below, to receive \$1 per year for 10 years at 8%, you would need to invest \$6.710. Multiply that figure by \$10,000 to get \$67,100, the amount which you would need to invest.

Years	5%	6%	8%	10%	12%
10	7.722	7.360	6.710	6.145	5.650
20	12.462	11.470	9.818	8.514	7.469
30	15.372	13.765	11.258	9.427	8.055
40	17.159	15.046	11.925	9.779	8.244

FUTURE VALUE OF A SERIES OF ANNUAL PAYMENTS

If you deposit \$5,000 in an annuity at the end of each year for 10 years at an 8% interest rate, you would have \$72,435 (\$5,000 x \$14.487) in your account at the end of the 10th year.

Years	5%	6%	8%	10%	12%
10	12.578	13.181	14.487	15.937	17.549
20	33.066	36.786	45.762	57.275	72.052
30	66.439	79.058	113.283	164.494	241.333
40	120.800	154.762	259.057	442.593	767.091

TAXABLE EQUIVALENT YIELDS

Taxable equivalent yield is the return that is required on a taxable investment to make it equal to the return on a tax-exempt investment. The taxable equivalent yield is commonly used when evaluating municipal bond returns.”

Tax Exempt Yields	15%	25%	28%	33%	35%	39.6%
4.00	4.71	5.56	5.55	5.97	6.15	6.62
4.50	5.29	6.25	6.25	6.71	6.92	7.45
5.00	5.88	6.94	6.94	7.46	7.69	8.28
5.50	6.47	7.64	7.63	8.20	8.46	9.11
6.00	7.06	8.33	8.33	8.95	9.23	9.93
6.50	7.65	9.03	9.02	9.70	10.00	10.76
7.00	8.24	9.72	9.72	10.44	10.77	11.59

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Quarterly taxes due

January 15, April 15, June 15, September 15

Corporate return deadline

March 15 for calendar year filers

RMD deadline

April 1, 2017, for those turning 70½ in 2016

December 31 thereafter

Tax deadline

April 18, 2016, for 2015 returns

October 17, 2016, for extension

Last Chance to Recharacterize 2015 Roth IRA Conversion

If you converted a traditional IRA to a Roth during 2015 and paid tax on the conversion with your 2015 return, October 17, 2016, is the deadline for recharacterizing (undoing) the conversion.

Last Date for conversion, RMD, lock in gains/losses, make contributions to 529 plans, gift: December 31, 2016 (this date falls on a Saturday, so keep in mind some transaction may need to occur by December 30, 2016).

SIMPLE IRA

October 1, 2016

QP Establishment

December 31, 2016

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