

TAX BRACKETS FOR 2025¹

Taxable income (i.e., income minus deductions and exemptions) between:

Married, Joint

\$0 – \$23,850	10%
\$23,851 – \$96,950	12%
\$96,951 – \$206,700	22%
\$206,701 – \$394,600	24%
\$394,601 – \$501,050	32%
\$501,051 – \$751,600	35%
Over \$751,600	37%

Capital gains/qualified dividends

\$0 – \$96,700	0%
\$96,701 – \$600,050	15%
Over \$600,050	20%

Single

\$0 – \$11,925	10%
\$11,926 – \$48,475	12%
\$48,476 – \$103,350	22%
\$103,351 – \$197,300	24%
\$197,301 – \$250,525	32%
\$250,526 – \$626,350	35%
Over \$626,350	37%

Capital gains/qualified dividends

\$0 – \$48,350	0%
\$48,351 – \$533,400	15%
Over \$533,400	20%

Married, Separate

\$0 – \$11,925	10%
\$11,926 – \$48,475	12%
\$48,476 – \$103,350	22%
\$103,351 – \$197,300	24%
\$197,301 – \$250,525	32%
\$250,526 – \$375,800	35%
Over \$375,800	37%

Capital gains/qualified dividends

\$0 – \$48,350	0%
\$48,351 – \$300,000	15%
Over \$300,000	20%

Head of Household (HOH)

\$0 – \$17,000	10%
\$17,001 – \$64,850	12%
\$64,851 – \$103,350	22%
\$103,351 – \$197,300	24%
\$197,301 – \$250,500	32%
\$250,501 – \$626,350	35%
Over \$626,350	37%

Capital gains/qualified dividends

\$0 – \$64,750	0%
\$64,751 – \$566,700	15%
Over \$566,700	20%

Estates and Trusts

\$0 – \$3,150	10%
\$3,151 – \$11,450	24%
\$11,451 – \$15,650	35%
Over \$15,650	37%

Capital gains/qualified dividends

\$0 – \$3,250	0%
\$3,251 – \$15,900	15%
Over \$15,900	20%

Corporate Tax Rate

21%

STANDARD DEDUCTION¹

Married, joint	\$30,000
Single; Married, separate	\$15,000
HOH	\$22,500

Blind or over 65: add \$1,600 if married; \$2,000 if single or HOH

Child/Dependent Tax Credit^{1,2}

Child	\$2,000 per child up to \$1,700 refundable
Qualifying Dependent	\$500 per dependent nonrefundable

Mortgage Interest Deduction²

On acquisition or home improvement indebtedness up to \$750,000 incurred after 12/15/2017 for first or second home.

State and Local Tax Deduction Limit³

State and local income and property tax deduction	\$10,000
\$5,000 if married filing separately	

IRA & PENSION PLAN LIMITS⁴

IRA Contribution

Under age 50	\$7,000
Age 50 and over, add \$1,000 catch-up	\$8,000

Phaseout for Deducting IRA Contribution

Married, joint	\$126,000 – \$146,000 AGI
Single; HOH	\$79,000 – \$89,000 AGI
Married, separate	\$0 – \$10,000 AGI
Spousal IRA	\$236,000 – \$246,000 AGI

Phaseout of Roth Contribution Eligibility⁴

Married, joint	\$236,000 – \$246,000 MAGI
Single; HOH	\$150,000 – \$165,000 MAGI
Married, separate	\$0 – \$10,000 MAGI

SEP Contribution

Up to 25% of compensation, limit	\$70,000
Compensation to participate in SEP	\$750

SIMPLE Elective Deferral⁴

Standard elective deferral	\$16,500
Age 50 and over, add \$3,500 catch-up	\$20,000
Age 60, 61, 62 or 63, add \$5,250 catch-up	\$21,750

Qualified Plan Contributions

401(k), 403(b) ^c , 457 ^d and SARSEP elective deferral	
Standard elective deferral	\$23,500
Age 50 and over, add \$7,500 catch-up	\$31,000
Age 60, 61, 62 or 63, add \$11,250 catch-up	\$34,750
Annual defined contribution limit	\$70,000
Annual defined benefit limit	\$280,000
Highly compensated employee	\$160,000
Key employee in top-heavy plan	\$230,000
Annual compensation taken into account for qualified plans	\$350,000

Retirement Tax Credit

A percentage tax credit for an IRA, 401(k), 403(b) or 457 plan contribution, in addition to deduction or exclusion, if:

Married, joint	Below \$79,000 MAGI
HOH	Below \$59,250 MAGI
Single; Married, separate	Below \$39,500 MAGI

Maximum Qualified Longevity Annuity Contract (QLAC) Premium	\$210,000
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ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX EXEMPTION AMOUNT¹

Married, joint	\$137,000
Single; HOH	\$88,100
Married, separate	\$68,500
Estates and Trusts	\$30,700

GIFT & ESTATE TAX¹

Gift tax annual exclusion	\$19,000
Estate and gift tax rate	40%
Estate tax exemption	\$13,990,000
Lifetime gift exemption	\$13,990,000
GST exemption	\$13,990,000
Annual exclusion for gifts to noncitizen spouse	\$190,000

ADDITIONAL MEDICARE TAX WHERE INCOME EXCEEDS \$200,000 (\$250,000 MARRIED, JOINT)⁵

Additional tax on excess of earned income ^e	0.9%
Additional tax on net investment income ^f	3.8%

KEY

- Assumes individual or spouse also participates in an employer-sponsored retirement plan.
- For a SIMPLE plan with 25 or fewer employees, the 2025 elective deferral limit for participants under age 50 is \$17,600; age 50 and over catch-up is \$3,850.
- Special increased limit may apply to certain 403(b) contributions with 15 or more years of service.
- In last three years prior to year of retirement, 457 plan participant may be able to double elective deferral if needed to catch up on prior missed contributions, but if they do, they cannot use catch-up.
- Total employee Medicare tax is 1.45% + 0.9% = 2.35%
- Including interest, dividends, capital gains and annuity distributions.

HEALTH CARE

Eligible Long-Term Care Deduction Limit ¹	
Age 40 or younger	\$480
Ages 41 to 50	\$900
Ages 51 to 60	\$1,800
Ages 61 to 70	\$4,810
Over age 70	\$6,020

EDUCATION

Coverdell Education Savings Account ⁶	\$2,000
Coverdell contribution eligibility phaseout	
Married, joint	\$190,000 – \$220,000
All others	\$95,000 – \$110,000

Student loan interest deduction limit ¹	\$2,500
Interest deduction is phased out	
Married, joint	\$170,000 – \$200,000 MAGI
All others	\$85,000 – \$100,000 MAGI

Phaseout of Lifetime Learning Credits ¹	
Married, joint	\$160,000 – \$180,000
All others	\$80,000 – \$90,000

Tax-free savings bonds interest phaseout ¹	
Married, joint	\$149,250 – \$179,250 MAGI
All others	\$99,500 – \$114,500 MAGI

SOCIAL SECURITY⁷

Maximum wage base	\$176,100
Amount needed to earn one credit	\$1,810
Amount needed to earn four credits	\$7,240
Social Security & Medicare Tax Rates	
Employee	7.65%
Employer	7.65%
Self-Employed	15.30%
Maximum monthly retirement benefit at full retirement age	\$4,018
Cost of Living Adjustment	2.5%

Income (in Retirement) Causing Social Security Benefits to be Taxable

Married, joint	
Up to 50% taxable	\$32,000 MAGI
Up to 85% taxable	\$44,000 MAGI
Single	
Up to 50% taxable	\$25,000 MAGI
Up to 85% taxable	\$34,000 MAGI
Income is most income including municipal bond interest but only half of Social Security.	

Earnings Limit and Benefit Reduction

In years prior to full retirement age, \$1 in benefits will be withheld for every \$2 of earnings in excess of \$23,400.

In the year of full retirement age, \$1 in benefits will be withheld for every \$3 of earnings in excess of \$62,160 (applies only to months of earnings prior to full retirement age).

There is no limit on earnings beginning the month an individual attains full retirement age.

Average Monthly Benefit (December 2023)⁸

Average monthly retirement benefit	
Men	\$2,106
Women	\$1,714
Average monthly survivor benefit	
Men	\$1,568
Women	\$1,784

REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION (RMD) STARTING AGES⁹

Date of Birth	RMD Age
June 30, 1949 and earlier	70 ½
July 1, 1949 – Dec. 31, 1950	72
Jan. 1, 1951 – Dec. 31, 1959	73
Jan. 1, 1960 and after	75

* Required Beginning Date (RBD) for IRA RMDs (including SEPs and SIMPLE IRAs): April 1 of the year following the calendar year in which you reach RMD starting age as outlined above.

UNIFORM LIFETIME TABLE¹⁰

The Uniform Lifetime Table is used to calculate required minimum distributions* from IRAs and qualified plans during owner's life. Do not use this table if owner has spousal beneficiary more than 10 years younger. Instead use Joint Life Expectancy Table from IRS Pub. 590.

Age	Divisor	Account	Age	Divisor	Account	Age	Divisor	Account
73	26.5	3.77%	87	14.4	6.94%	101	6.0	16.67%
74	25.5	3.92%	88	13.7	7.30%	102	5.6	17.86%
75	24.6	4.07%	89	12.9	7.75%	103	5.2	19.23%
76	23.7	4.22%	90	12.2	8.20%	104	4.9	20.41%
77	22.9	4.37%	91	11.5	8.70%	105	4.6	21.74%
78	22.0	4.55%	92	10.8	9.26%	106	4.3	23.26%
79	21.1	4.74%	93	10.1	9.90%	107	4.1	24.39%
80	20.2	4.95%	94	9.5	10.53%	108	3.9	25.64%
81	19.4	5.15%	95	8.9	11.24%	109	3.7	27.03%
82	18.5	5.41%	96	8.4	11.90%	110	3.5	28.57%
83	17.7	5.65%	97	7.8	12.82%	111	3.4	29.41%
84	16.8	5.95%	98	7.3	13.70%	112	3.3	30.30%
85	16.0	6.25%	99	6.8	14.71%	113	3.1	32.26%
86	15.2	6.58%	100	6.4	15.63%	114	3.0	33.33%

SINGLE LIFE EXPECTANCY TABLE¹⁰

The Single Life Expectancy Table is used to calculate required minimum distributions* from IRAs and qualified plans after owner's death. See IRS Pub. 590 for complete table of ages 0 through 111+.

Age	Divisor	Account	Age	Divisor	Account	Age	Divisor	Account
39	46.7	2.14%	55	31.6	3.16%	71	18.0	5.56%
40	45.7	2.19%	56	30.6	3.27%	72	17.2	5.81%
41	44.8	2.23%	57	29.8	3.36%	73	16.4	6.10%
42	43.8	2.28%	58	28.9	3.46%	74	15.6	6.41%
43	42.9	2.33%	59	28.0	3.57%	75	14.8	6.76%
44	41.9	2.39%	60	27.1	3.69%	76	14.1	7.09%
45	41.0	2.44%	61	26.2	3.82%	77	13.3	7.52%
46	40.0	2.50%	62	25.4	3.94%	78	12.6	7.94%
47	39.0	2.56%	63	24.5	4.08%	79	11.9	8.40%
48	38.1	2.62%	64	23.7	4.22%	80	11.2	8.93%
49	37.1	2.70%	65	22.9	4.37%	81	10.5	9.52%
50	36.2	2.76%	66	22.0	4.55%	82	9.9	10.10%
51	35.3	2.83%	67	21.2	4.72%	83	9.3	10.75%
52	34.3	2.92%	68	20.4	4.90%	84	8.7	11.49%
53	33.4	2.99%	69	19.6	5.10%	85	8.1	12.35%
54	32.5	3.08%	70	18.8	5.32%	86	7.6	13.16%

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