

## RETIREMENT BENEFIT LIMITS

Benefit	Limit
Contributions to 401(k), 403(b), 457(b)(2), 457(c)(1) and SARSEP plans	\$ 18,000
Contributions to defined contribution plans	\$ 53,000
Contributions to SIMPLEs	\$ 12,500
Contributions to IRAs	\$ 5,500
Catch-up contributions to 401(k), 403(b), 457(b)(2), 457(c)(1) and SARSEP plans	\$ 6,000
Catch-up contributions to SIMPLEs	\$ 3,000
Catch-up contributions to IRAs	\$ 1,000
Compensation for benefit purposes for qualified plans and SEPs	\$265,000
Highly compensated employee threshold	\$120,000
Annual benefit for defined benefit plans	\$210,000

## LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE

Age	Premium deduction limit
40 and under	\$ 380
41 to 50	\$ 710
51 to 60	\$1,430
61 to 70	\$3,800
Over 70	\$4,750

## EARNINGS THRESHOLDS FOR PHASEOUT OF SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

Retirement age status	Earnings limit
Before Full Retirement Age (FRA)	\$15,720 per year
Pre-FRA in year you reach FRA	\$3,490 per month
FRA and after	None

## ESTATE AND TRUST INCOME TAX RATES

If taxable income is ...	... tax is ...	... of amount over
\$ 0 – \$ 2,500	15%	\$ 0
\$2,501 – \$ 5,900	\$ 375.00 + 25%	\$ 2,500
\$5,901 – \$ 9,050	\$1,225.00 + 28%	\$ 5,900
\$9,051 – \$12,300	\$2,107.00 + 33%	\$ 9,050
Over \$12,300	\$3,179.50 + 39.6%	\$12,300

## GIFT AND ESTATE TAX EXEMPTIONS AND RATES

Year	Exemption	Top rate
2014	\$ 5,340,000	40%
2015	\$ 5,430,000	40%

A surviving spouse may be able to use the deceased spouse's unused estate tax exemption. The annual gift tax exclusion is \$14,000 per recipient (\$28,000 if spouses elect "split-gift" treatment).

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## CORPORATE INCOME TAX RATES

If taxable income is ...	... tax is ...	... of amount over
\$ 0 – \$ 50,000	15%	\$ 0
\$ 50,001 – \$ 75,000	\$ 7,500 + 25%	\$ 50,000
\$ 75,001 – \$ 100,000	\$ 13,750 + 34%	\$ 75,000
\$ 100,001 – \$ 335,000	\$ 22,250 + 39%	\$ 100,000
\$ 335,001 – \$10,000,000	\$ 113,900 + 34%	\$ 335,000
\$10,000,001 – \$15,000,000	\$3,400,000 + 35%	\$10,000,000
\$15,000,001 – \$18,333,333	\$5,150,000 + 38%	\$15,000,000
Over \$18,333,333	\$ 0 + 35%	\$ 0

Personal service corporations are taxed at a flat 35% rate.

## SECTION 179 EXPENSING

	2014	2015 <sup>1</sup>
Expensing limit	\$ 500,000	\$ 25,000
Phaseout threshold	\$2 million	\$200,000

<sup>1</sup> Congress might revive higher levels or make other changes. Check with your tax advisor for the latest information.

## BONUS DEPRECIATION

2014	2015 <sup>1</sup>
50%	0%

<sup>1</sup> Congress might revive 50% bonus depreciation or make other changes. Check with your tax advisor for the latest information.

## DEPRECIATION CLASSES AND METHODS

Class	Method	Examples
36-month	Straight-line	Software
3-year	200% DB <sup>1</sup>	Dies, molds, small tools
5-year	200% DB <sup>1</sup>	Vehicles, computers, office equipment
7-year	200% DB <sup>1</sup>	Manufacturing equipment, office furniture
7-year	150% DB <sup>1</sup>	Farm equipment
27.5-year	Straight-line	Rental residential buildings
39-year	Straight-line	Nonresidential buildings

<sup>1</sup> Declining-balance.

## MACRS DEPRECIATION RATES (with half-year convention)

Year	3-year	5-year	7-year
1	33.33%	20.00%	14.29%
2	44.45%	32.00%	24.49%
3	14.81%	19.20%	17.49%
4	7.41%	11.52%	12.49%
5	—	11.52%	8.93%
6	—	5.76%	8.92%
7	—	—	8.93%
8	—	—	4.46%

# 2015 Federal Tax Rates

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INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RATES¹

Single		
If taxable income is ...	... tax is ...	... of amount over
\$ 0 – \$ 9,225	10%	\$ 0
\$ 9,226 – \$ 37,450	\$ 922.50 + 15%	\$ 9,225
\$ 37,451 – \$ 90,750	\$ 5,156.25 + 25%	\$ 37,450
\$ 90,751 – \$189,300	\$ 18,481.25 + 28%	\$ 90,750
\$ 189,301 – \$411,500	\$ 46,075.25 + 33%	\$189,300
\$411,501 – \$413,200	\$119,401.25 + 35%	\$411,500
Over \$413,200	\$119,996.25 + 39.6%	\$413,200

Head of household		
If taxable income is ...	... tax is ...	... of amount over
\$ 0 – \$ 13,150	10%	\$ 0
\$ 13,151 – \$ 50,200	\$ 1,315.00 + 15%	\$ 13,150
\$ 50,201 – \$129,600	\$ 6,872.50 + 25%	\$ 50,200
\$129,601 – \$209,850	\$ 26,722.50 + 28%	\$129,600
\$209,851 – \$411,500	\$ 49,192.50 + 33%	\$209,850
\$411,501 – \$439,000	\$115,737.00 + 35%	\$411,500
Over \$439,000	\$125,362.00 + 39.6%	\$439,000

Married filing jointly or surviving spouse

If taxable income is ...	... tax is ...	... of amount over
\$ 0 – \$ 18,450	10%	\$ 0
\$ 18,451 – \$ 74,900	\$ 1,845.00 + 15%	\$ 18,450
\$ 74,901 – \$151,200	\$ 10,312.50 + 25%	\$ 74,900
\$151,201 – \$230,450	\$ 29,387.50 + 28%	\$151,200
\$230,451 – \$411,500	\$ 51,577.50 + 33%	\$230,450
\$411,501 – \$464,850	\$111,324.00 + 35%	\$411,500
Over \$464,850	\$129,996.50 + 39.6%	\$464,850

Married filing separately

If taxable income is ...	... tax is ...	... of amount over
\$ 0 – \$ 9,225	10%	\$ 0
\$ 9,226 – \$ 37,450	\$ 922.50 + 15%	\$ 9,225
\$ 37,451 – \$ 75,600	\$ 5,156.25 + 25%	\$ 37,450
\$ 75,601 – \$115,225	\$ 14,693.75 + 28%	\$ 75,600
\$115,226 – \$205,750	\$ 25,788.75 + 33%	\$115,225
\$205,751 – \$232,425	\$ 55,662.00 + 35%	\$205,750
Over \$232,425	\$ 64,989.25 + 39.6%	\$232,425

¹ These rates generally apply to earned income, business income, interest and nonqualified dividends. Long-term capital gains rates apply to qualified dividends.

STANDARD DEDUCTIONS

Filing status	Deduction
Single	\$ 6,300
Head of household	\$ 9,250
Married filing jointly or surviving spouse	\$12,600
Married filing separately	\$ 6,300

CAPITAL GAINS TAX RATES

Type of gain	Maximum rate¹
Short-term gain (assets held 12 months or less)	39.6%
Long-term gain (generally assets held more than 12 months)	15% or 20%²
Long-term gain on collectibles	28%
Long-term gain attributable to certain depreciation recapture	25%
Gain on qualified small business stock held more than 5 years	14%³
Long-term gain that would be taxed at 15% or less based on the taxpayer's ordinary-income rate	0%

¹ The 3.8% net investment income tax applies to net investment income to the extent that modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) exceeds \$200,000 (singles and heads of households), \$250,000 (joint filers) or \$125,000 (separate filers).  
² The 20% rate applies only to those with taxable income exceeding \$413,200 (singles), \$439,000 (heads of households), \$464,850 (joint filers) or \$232,425 (separate filers).  
³ Effective rate based on 50% exclusion from a 28% rate.

ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX

Single, head of household, married filing jointly or surviving spouse

If taxable income is ...	... tax is ...	... of amount over
\$ 0 – \$185,400	26%	\$ 0
Over \$185,400	\$ 48,204 + 28%	\$185,400

Married filing separately

If taxable income is ...	... tax is ...	... of amount over
\$ 0 – \$ 92,700	26%	\$ 0
Over \$ 92,700	\$ 24,102 + 28%	\$ 92,700

Exemptions

Filing status	Exemption amount
Single or head of household	\$ 53,600
Married filing jointly	\$ 83,400
Married filing separately	\$ 41,700

Exemption phaseouts based on AMT income

Filing status	Income range of phaseout
Single or head of household	\$119,200 – \$333,600
Married filing jointly	\$158,900 – \$492,500
Married filing separately	\$ 79,450 – \$246,250

STANDARD MILEAGE RATES

Use of vehicle	Deduction per mile
Business	57.5 cents
Medical or moving	23 cents
Charitable	14 cents

FICA RATES AND EXPANDED MEDICARE TAXES

The rate for the employee portion of Social Security tax is 6.2%, and the maximum earned income it applies to is \$118,500, while the Medicare rate is 1.45% and applies to all earned income.

Self-employed individuals pay both the employee and employer portions, but get a deduction for the employer portion.

Cash wages totaling \$1,900 or more to household employees are also subject to FICA taxes.

An additional 0.9% Medicare tax applies to FICA wages and self-employment income exceeding \$200,000 (singles and heads of households), \$250,000 (joint filers) or \$125,000 (separate filers).

PERSONAL EXEMPTION AND ITEMIZED DEDUCTION LIMITS

Exemption amount: \$4,000

Personal exemptions and many itemized deductions are reduced if adjusted gross income (AGI) exceeds certain levels: \$258,250 (singles), \$284,050 (heads of households), \$309,900 (joint filers) and \$154,950 (separate filers).

HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Limit	Individual	Family
Contribution	\$3,350	\$ 6,650
Catch-up contribution	\$1,000	\$ 1,000
Minimum high-deductible health plan (HDHP) deductible	\$1,300	\$ 2,600
Maximum HDHP out-of-pocket costs	\$6,450	\$12,900

COVERDELL ESAs

Contribution limit per beneficiary: \$2,000

Phaseouts based on contributor's MAGI

Filing status	MAGI range of phaseout
Single or head of household	\$ 95,000 – \$110,000
Married filing jointly	\$190,000 – \$220,000