

2020 Income Tax Tables



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2020 Tax Rate Schedule

TAXABLE INCOME (\$)		BASE AMOUNT OF TAX (\$)	PLUS	MARGINAL TAX RATE	OF THE AMOUNT OVER (\$)
OVER	NOT OVER				
Single					
\$0	\$9,875	\$0	+	10.0	\$0
\$9,875	\$40,125	\$987.50	+	12.0	\$9,875
\$40,125	\$85,525	\$4,617.50	+	22.0	\$40,125
\$85,525	\$163,300	\$14,605.50	+	24.0	\$85,525
\$163,300	\$207,350	\$33,271.50	+	32.0	\$163,300
\$207,350	\$518,400	\$47,367.50	+	35.0	\$207,350
\$518,400		\$156,235.00	+	37.0	\$518,400
Head of Household					
\$0	\$14,100	\$0	+	10.0	\$0
\$14,100	\$53,700	\$1,410	+	12.0	\$14,100
\$53,700	\$85,500	\$6,162	+	22.0	\$53,700
\$85,500	\$163,300	\$13,158	+	24.0	\$85,500
\$163,300	\$207,350	\$31,830	+	32.0	\$163,300
\$207,350	\$518,400	\$45,926	+	35.0	\$207,350
\$518,400		\$154,793.50	+	37.0	\$518,400
Married Filing Jointly and Surviving Spouses					
\$0	\$19,750	\$0	+	10.0	\$0
\$19,750	\$80,250	\$1,975	+	12.0	\$19,750
\$80,250	\$171,050	\$9,235	+	22.0	\$80,250
\$171,050	\$326,600	\$29,211	+	24.0	\$171,050
\$326,600	\$414,700	\$66,543	+	32.0	\$326,600
\$414,700	\$622,050	\$94,735	+	35.0	\$414,700
\$622,050		\$167,307.50	+	37.0	\$622,050
Married Filing Separately					
\$0	\$9,875	\$0	+	10.0	\$0
\$9,875	\$40,125	\$987.50	+	12.0	\$9,875
\$40,125	\$85,525	\$4,617.50	+	22.0	\$40,125
\$85,525	\$163,300	\$14,605.50	+	24.0	\$85,525
\$163,300	\$207,350	\$33,271.50	+	32.0	\$163,300
\$207,350	\$311,025	\$47,367.50	+	35.0	\$207,350
\$311,025		\$83,653.75	+	37.0	\$311,025
Estates and Trusts					
\$0	\$2,600	\$0	+	10.0	\$0
\$2,600	\$9,450	\$260	+	24.0	\$2,600
\$9,450	\$12,950	\$1,904	+	35.0	\$9,450
\$12,950		\$3,129	+	37.0	\$12,950

Kiddie Tax: All net unearned income over a threshold amount of \$2,200 for 2020 is taxed using the brackets and rates of the child's parents.

Tax Rates on Long-Term Capital Gains and Qualified Dividends

LTCG TAX	TAXABLE INCOME			
	SINGLE FILERS	MARRIED FILING JOINTLY	HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD	MARRIED FILING SEPARATELY
0%	\$0 – \$40,000	\$0 – \$80,000	\$0 – \$53,600	\$0 – \$40,000
15%	\$40,001 – \$441,450	\$80,001 – \$496,600	\$53,601 – \$469,050	\$40,001 – \$248,300
20%	\$441,451 or more	\$496,601 or more	\$469,051 or more	\$248,301 or more

Net Investment Income Tax

3.8% tax on the lesser of: (1) Net Investment Income, or (2) MAGI in excess of \$200,000 for single filers, or head of households, \$250,000 for married couples filing jointly, and \$125,000 for married couples filing separately.

Standard Deductions & Personal Exemption

FILING STATUS	STANDARD DEDUCTION	PERSONAL EXEMPTION	PHASEOUTS BEGIN AT AGI OF
Single	\$12,400	N/A	N/A
Head of household	\$18,650	N/A	N/A
Married, filing jointly and qualifying widow(er)s	\$24,800	N/A	N/A
Married, filing separately	\$12,400	N/A	N/A
Dependent filing own tax return	\$1,100 *	N/A	N/A

Additional Deductions for Non-Itemizers

Blind or over 65 Married Filing Jointly	Add \$1,300
Blind or over 65 and unmarried and not a surviving spouse	Add \$1,650

* For taxable years beginning in 2020, the standard deduction amount under § 63(c)(5) for an individual who may be claimed as a dependent by another taxpayer cannot exceed the greater of (1) \$1,100, or (2) the sum of \$350 and the individual's earned income."

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Alternative Minimum Tax

Exemption Amounts and Phaseouts		
	EXEMPTION AMOUNT / PHASEOUT AMOUNT	
Single	\$72,900 / \$518,400	
Married, filing jointly or surviving spouses	\$113,400 / \$1,036,800	
Married, filing separately	\$56,700 / \$518,400	
Estates and trusts	\$25,400 / \$84,800	

AMT Tax Rates		
	MARRIED FILING SEPARATELY	ALL OTHERS
26% tax rate applies to income below:	\$98,950	\$197,900
28% tax rate applies to income over:		

Child Tax Credit

CREDIT	MAXIMUM CREDIT	INCOME PHASEOUTS BEGIN AT AGI OF:
Child Tax Credit**	\$2,000 per qualifying child	\$400,000 – married filing jointly \$200,000 – all others

** Subject to eligibility requirements

Gift and Estate Tax Exclusions and Credits

Gift tax annual exclusion	\$15,000
Estate, gift & generation skipping tax exclusion amount (per taxpayer)	\$11,580,000
Exclusion on gifts to non-citizen spouse	\$157,000
Maximum estate, gift & generation skipping tax rate	40%

Tax Deadlines

Jan 15, 2020 – 4th installment deadline to pay 2019 estimated taxes due

Jul 15, 2020 – Last day to file amended return for 2016. Last day to contribute to: Roth or traditional IRA for 2019; HSA for 2019; Keogh or SEP for 2019 if the federal income tax return deadline for the business that maintains the Keogh or SEP is July 15, 2020 (unless the federal income tax return filing deadline for the business has been extended). Tax filing deadline to request an extension until Oct. 15, 2020, for individuals and businesses whose tax return deadline is July 15, 2020. 1st and 2nd installments deadline to pay 2020 estimated taxes due

Sep 15, 2020 – 3rd installment deadline to pay 2020 estimated taxes due

Oct 15, 2020 – Last day to recharacterize a Traditional IRA or ROTH IRA contribution from 2019 if extension was filed or tax return was filed by July 15 2020. Last day to contribute to SEP or Keogh for 2019 if the federal income tax return deadline for the business that maintains the Keogh or SEP is July 15, 2020, and federal income tax return extension was filed for such business. Tax returns filing deadline for those who requested an extension of their July 15, 2020 deadline.

Dec 31, 2020 – Last day to: 1) pay expenses for itemized deductions for 2020; 2) complete transactions for capital gains or losses.

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Traditional IRA Deductibility Limits

The contribution limit for Traditional IRAs is **\$6,000**; the catch up at age 50+ is **\$1,000**.

FILING STATUS	MODIFIED AGI	CONTRIBUTION
Single/HOH covered by a plan	\$65,000 or Less	Fully Deductible
	\$65,001 – \$74,999	Partially Deductible
	\$75,000 or More	Not Deductible
Married Filing Jointly and spouse is covered by a plan at work	\$104,000 or Less	Fully Deductible
	\$104,001 – \$123,999	Partially Deductible
	\$124,000 or Above	Not Deductible
Married Filing Jointly and spouse is not covered by a plan at work	\$196,000 or Less	Fully Deductible
	\$196,001 – \$205,999	Partially Deductible
	\$206,000 or More	Not Deductible
Married Filing Separately *	Less than \$10,000	Partially Deductible
	\$10,000 or More	Not Deductible

If not covered by a plan, single, HOH and married filing jointly (both spouses not covered by a plan) tax filers are able to take a **full deduction** on their IRA contribution

* If spouses did not live together at any time during the year, their filing status is considered Single for purposes of IRA deductions.

ROTH IRAs Contribution Limits

The contribution limit for ROTH IRAs is **\$6,000**; the catch up at age 50+ is **\$1,000**.

ALLOWABLE CONTRIBUTION	MODIFIED ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME		
	SINGLE/HOH	MARRIED FILING JOINTLY	MARRIED FILING SEPARATELY
Full	≤ \$124,000	≤ \$196,000	\$0
Partial	\$124,000 – \$139,000	\$196,000 – \$206,000	\$0 – \$10,000
None	≥ \$139,000	≥ \$206,000	≥ \$10,000

Other Retirement Plans Contribution Limits

RETIREMENT PLAN TYPE	CONTRIBUTION LIMIT	CATCH-UP (50+)	INCOME RESTRICTIONS ON CONTRIBUTIONS
SEP IRA	The lesser of 25% of compensation (to a maximum of 285,000) or \$57,000	N/A	No limit
SIMPLE IRA	\$13,500	\$3,000	No limit except for the 2% non-elective contributions capped at \$285,000
Defined Benefit Plan	\$230,000	N/A	Income limit defined by plan document
401(k)	\$19,500	\$6,500	No limit
403(b), 457(b), Roth 401(k)	\$19,500	\$6,500	Annual contributions may not exceed annual compensation

Health Savings Accounts *

ANNUAL LIMIT	MAXIMUM CONTRIBUTION
Individuals	\$3,550
Families	\$7,100
Catch-up for 55 and older	\$1,000

* HSAs are only available for taxpayers enrolled in a high-deductible health plan

Education Credits & Deductions

CREDIT / DEDUCTION	MAXIMUM CREDIT / DEDUCTION/	INCOME PHASEOUTS AT AGI OF
American Opportunity Tax Credit/Hope	\$2,500 credit	\$160,000 – \$180,000 joint \$80,000 – \$90,000 all others
Lifetime Learning Credit	\$2,000 credit	\$118,000 – \$136,000 joint \$59,000 – \$68,000 all others
Savings bond interest tax-free if used for education	Deduction limited to amount of qualified expenses	\$123,550 – \$153,550 joint \$82,350 – \$97,350 all others

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Social Security

FILING STATUS	PROVISIONAL INCOME	AMOUNT OF SS SUBJECT TO TAXES
Tax on Social Security Benefits: Income Brackets		
Single, head of household, qualifying widow(er), married filing separately and living apart from spouse	Under \$25,000	0
	\$25,000 – \$34,000	up to 50%
	Over \$34,000	up to 85%
Married filing jointly	Under \$32,000	0
	\$32,000 – \$44,000	up to 50%
	Over \$44,000	up to 85%
Married filing separately and living with spouse	Over \$0	up to 85%

FICA

SS TAX PAID ON INCOME UP TO \$132,900	PERCENTAGE WITHHELD	MAXIMUM TAX PAYABLE
Tax (FICA)		
Employer pays	6.2%	\$8,537.40
Employee pays	6.2%	\$8,537.40
Self-employed pays	12.4%	\$17,074.80

Medicare Tax

SS TAX PAID ON INCOME	PERCENTAGE WITHHELD
Employer pays	1.45%
Employee pays	1.45% + 0.9% on income over \$200,000 (single) or \$250,000 (joint)
Self-employed pays	2.90% + 0.9% on income over \$200,000 (single) or \$250,000 (joint)

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Reduction of Social Security Benefits Before Full Retirement Age

AGE WHEN BENEFITS BEGIN	PERCENTAGE OF SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS	
	FRA OF 66 ⁽¹⁾	FRA OF 67 ⁽¹⁾
62	75%	70%
63	80%	75%
64	86.7%	80%
65	93.3%	86.7%
66	100%	93.3%
67	100%	100%

1. Full retirement age determined by year of birth

Retirement Earnings Exempt Amounts

Before Full Retirement Age (FRA)	\$18,240
During the year in which FRA is reached	\$48,600
After FRA	No limit after FRA

Deductibility of Long-Term Care Premiums on Qualified Policies

ATTAINED AGE BEFORE CLOSE OF TAX YEAR	AMOUNT OF LTC PREMIUMS THAT QUALIFY AS MEDICAL EXPENSES IN 2020
40 or less	\$430
41 to 50	\$810
51 to 60	\$1,630
61 to 70	\$4,350
Over 70	\$5,430