

2026 Tax Facts

ORDINARY TAX RATES AND BRACKETS

	Taxable Income	Pay	% on excess	Of the amount over:
Single	\$0 – 12,400	\$0	10%	\$0
	12,401 – 50,400	1,240	12	12,400
	50,401 – 105,700	5,800	22	50,400
	105,701 – 201,775	17,966	24	105,700
	201,776 – 256,225	41,024	32	201,775
	256,226 – 640,600	58,448	35	256,225
640,601+	192,979.25	37	640,600	
Married Filing Jointly	\$0 - \$24,800	\$0	10%	\$0
	24,801 – 100,800	2,480	12	24,800
	100,801 – 211,400	11,600	22	100,800
	211,401 -- 403,550	35,932	24	211,400
	403,551 – 512,450	82,048	32	403,550
	512,451 – 768,700	116,896	35	512,450
768,701+	206,583.50	37	768,700	
Married Filing Separately	\$0 – 12,400	\$0	10%	\$0
	12,401 – 50,400	1,240	12	12,400
	50,401 – 105,700	5,800	22	50,400
	105,701 – 201,775	17,966	24	105,700
	201,776 – 256,225	41,024	32	201,775
	256,226 – 384,350	58,448	35	256,225
384,351+	103,291.75	37	384,35	
Head of Household	\$0 - \$ 17,700	\$0	10%	\$0
	17,701 – 67,450	1,770	12	17,700
	67,451 – 105,700	7,740	22	67,450
	105,701 – 201,750	16,155	24	105,700
	201,751 – 256,200	39,207	32	201,750
	256,201 – 640,600	56,631	35	256,200
640,601+	191,171	37	640,600	
Estates and Non-Grantor Trusts	\$0 - \$3,300	\$0	10%	\$0
	3,301 – 11,700	330	24	3,300
	11,701 – 16,000	2,346	35	11,700
	16,001+	3,851	37	16,000

- The tax rate on long-term capital gains and qualified dividends is also based on a bracketed system using taxable income:

Long-Term Capital Gain Tax Rate	Single	Married Filing Jointly	Married Filing Separately	Head of Household	Estates & Non-Grantor Trusts
0%	\$0 – 49,450	\$0 – 98,900	\$0 – 49,450	\$0 – 66,200	\$0 – 3,300
15%	49,451 – 545,500	98,901 – 613,700	49,451 – 306,850	66,201 – 579,600	3,301 – 16,250
20%	\$545,501+	\$613,701+	\$306,851+	\$579,601+	\$16,251+

- In addition, married taxpayers with Modified AGI over \$250,000 (\$200,000 if Single; \$125,000 if Married Filing Separately) and estates/non-grantor trusts in the top tax bracket are subject to an additional 3.8% tax on Net Investment Income.

STANDARD DEDUCTION / SALT DEDUCTION

	2026	2025	2024
Single	\$16,100	\$15,750	\$14,600
Married, filing jointly	\$32,200	\$31,500	\$29,200
Married, filing separately	\$16,100	\$15,750	\$14,600
Head of Household	\$24,150	\$23,625	\$21,900
Additional deduction for age 65+ or blind – married	\$1,650	\$1,600	\$1,550
Additional deduction for age 65+ or blind – single	\$2,050	\$2,000	\$1,950
Maximum SALT Deduction	\$40,400	\$40,000	\$10,000
MAGI phaseout range for increased SALT deduction ¹	\$500,000-\$600,000	\$500,000-\$600,000	N/A

TEMPORARY DEDUCTIONS UNDER OBBBA

	Maximum Deduction	MAGI Phaseout Range ¹
Senior deduction (age 65+ by year end)	\$6,000 per person	Joint filers - \$150,000-250,000 All others - \$75,000-175,000
Deduction for qualified tip income	\$25,000	Joint filers - \$300,000-550,000 All others - \$150,000-400,000
Deduction for qualified overtime income	\$12,500 per person	Joint filers - \$300,000-550,000 All others - \$150,000-275,000
Deduction for qualified auto loan interest	Joint filers - \$20,000 All Other - \$10,000	Joint filers - \$200,000-250,000 All others - \$100,000-150,000

- All four of these deductions only apply for 2025-2028 and are not adjusted for inflation

KIDDIE TAX

	2026	2025	2024
Standard Deduction for dependent with no earned income	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$1,300
Maximum net unearned income taxed at child's rate (<i>using the tax rates & brackets for a single filer</i>)	1,350	1,350	1,300
Floor beyond which additional unearned income is taxed at the parent's tax rate	2,700	2,700	2,600

- The standard deduction for a dependent is the greater of (i) \$1,350 or (ii) the sum of \$450 and the individual's earned income (up to 13,500).

HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

	2026	2025	2024
Contribution Limit – Single Coverage	\$4,400	\$4,300	\$4,150
Contribution Limit – Family Coverage	8,750	8,550	8,300
Catch-up Contribution (age 55+ by end of year)	1,000	1,000	1,000

¹ MAGI is defined as Adjusted Gross Income plus any deduction claimed for foreign earned income, foreign housing, and income from US territories that would otherwise be exempt from US tax

ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX

	2026 Taxable Income	Pay	Plus % on excess	Of the amount over:
Single, Head of Household, Married Filing Jointly, Trusts	\$0 – 244,500		26%	\$0
	244,501 and above	\$63,570	28%	244,500
Married Filing Separately	0 – 122,250		26%	0
	122,251 and above	\$31,785	28%	122,250

- For AMT purposes, long-term capital gains and qualified dividends are taxed at either 15% or 20%, using the same income thresholds as for regular tax.

AMT Personal Exemption	2026	2025	2024
Single/Head of Household	\$90,100	\$88,100	\$85,700
Married Filing Jointly	\$140,200	\$137,000	133,300
Married Filing Separately	\$70,100	\$68,650	66,650

- For 2026, the AMT Exemption begins to phase out for married couples with Alternative Minimum Taxable Income above \$1,000,000 and above \$500,000 for all other taxpayers. The amount of exemption lost equals 50% of AMTI over the applicable threshold.

RETIREMENT PLAN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS

Traditional & Roth IRAs	2026	2025	2024
IRA and Roth IRA regular contributions	\$7,500	\$7,000	\$7,000
IRA and Roth IRA catch-up contributions	1,100	1,000	1,000
MAGI phaseout range for IRA deduction - single	81,000-91,000	79,000- 89,000	77,000- 87,000
MAGI phaseout range for IRA deduction - married	129,000-149,000	126,000- 146,000	123,000- 143,000
Roth IRA contribution MAGI range – single	153,000-168,000	150,000- 165,000	146,000- 161,000
Roth IRA contribution MAGI range – married	242,000-252,000	236,000- 246,000	230,000- 240,000

- Catch-up contributions to IRAs and employer plans are available to taxpayers age 50 and older by 12/31/26.
- For those not covered by an employer retirement plan but whose spouse is covered, the IRA deduction is phased out for MAGI between \$242,000 and \$252,000 for 2026 (\$236,000 and \$246,000 for 2025).
- If neither spouse is covered by a qualified plan, there is no phaseout range for Traditional IRA deductions.
- MAGI for a Roth contribution is defined as Adjusted Gross Income less income from Roth conversions plus any deductions taken for IRA contributions or student loan interest, plus any excluded foreign income, interest from savings bonds used for education, and employer-provided adoption benefits.

Employer Plans	2026	2025	2024
401(k), 403(b) regular contributions	\$24,500	\$23,500	\$23,000
401(k), 403(b) catch-up contributions (age 50+)	8,000	7,500	7,500
401(k), 403(b) extra catch-up contributions (age 60-63)	3,250	3,750	n/a
Profit Sharing or MPP	72,000	70,000	69,000
Individual 401(k) total contribution limit	72,000	70,000	69,000
SIMPLE IRA regular contributions	17,000	16,500	16,000
SIMPLE IRA catch-up contributions (age 50+)	4,000	3,500	3,500
SIMPLE IRA extra catch-up contributions (age 60-63)	1,250	1,750	n/a
SEP plan contributions	72,000	70,000	69,000
Maximum compensation for plan benefit	360,000	350,000	345,000

SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES AND BENEFITS

	2026	2025	2024
Maximum wages subject to FICA tax	\$184,500	\$176,100	\$168,600
Maximum earned income before reduction in SS benefits (up to full retirement age)	24,480	23,400	22,320
Maximum SS benefit, retiring at full retirement age	4,152/mo	4,018/mo	3,822/mo

- Earned income above threshold, for taxpayers younger than full retirement age, results in reduced Social Security benefits. Benefit amount is reduced by \$1 for every \$2 over the \$24,480 threshold.

Taxability of Benefits	Single, Head of Household, Married Filing Separately	Married Filing Jointly	Taxable Portion of Benefits
Income Level	\$0 - 25,000	\$0 - 32,000	0%
	25,001 - 34,000	32,001 - 44,000	Up to 50%
	Over 34,000	Over 44,000	Up to 85%

- Income for purposes of this test includes:
 1. All income from investments, retirement plans, businesses, & all other sources
 2. Any tax-exempt interest included on line 2a of Form 1040
 3. Half the gross Social Security benefit itself

MEDICARE INCOME-RELATED MONTHLY ADJUSTMENT AMOUNT (IRMAA)

Taxpayers with a modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) above a certain amount may be required to pay an Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA) in addition to their Part B or Part D premium. Medicare will use the MAGI reported on the taxpayer's 2024 tax return in determining their 2026 IRMAA.

2024 Modified Adjusted Gross Income (AGI + Tax-Exempt Income)			Premium Adjustment	
Single	Married Filing Jointly	Married Filing Separately	Part B	Part D
≤ \$109,000	≤ \$218,000	≤ \$109,000	\$0	\$0
\$109,001-137,000	\$218,001 – 274,000	n/a	\$81.20	\$14.50
\$137,001 – 171,000	\$274,001 – 342,000	n/a	\$202.90	\$37.50
\$171,001 – 205,000	\$342,001 – 410,000	n/a	\$324.60	\$60.40
\$205,001 – 499,999	\$410,001 – 749,999	\$109,001 – 390,999	\$446.30	\$83.30
≥ \$500,001	≥ \$750,001		(MFS \$446.30)	
		≥ \$391,000	\$487.00	\$91.00
			(MFS \$487.00)	

ESTATE PLANNING

Decedents Dying In:	Lifetime Exemption Amount	Tax Rate
2022	12,060,000	40%
2023	12,920,000	40%
2024	13,610,000	40%
2025	13,990,000	40%
2026	15,000,000	40%

	2026	2025	2024
Annual Gift Tax exclusion	\$19,000	\$19,000	\$18,000