

2026 Annual Limits Relating to Financial Planning



2026 TAX RATE SCHEDULE				
TAXABLE INCOME		GROSS TAX PAYABLE		
Over	Not Over	Amount	+ Rate	Over
SINGLE				
\$0	\$12,400	\$0	+ 10%	\$0
\$12,400	\$50,400	\$1,240	+ 12%	\$12,400
\$50,400	\$105,700	\$5,800	+ 22%	\$50,400
\$105,700	\$201,775	\$17,966	+ 24%	\$105,700
\$201,775	\$256,225	\$41,024	+ 32%	\$201,775
\$256,225	\$640,600	\$58,448	+ 35%	\$256,225
\$640,600	-	\$192,979.25	+ 37%	\$640,600
MARRIED FILING JOINTLY & SURVIVING SPOUSES				
\$0	\$24,800	\$0	+ 10%	\$0
\$24,800	\$100,800	\$2,480	+ 12%	\$24,800
\$100,800	\$211,400	\$11,600	+ 22%	\$100,800
\$211,400	\$403,550	\$35,932	+ 24%	\$211,400
\$403,550	\$512,450	\$82,048	+ 32%	\$403,550
\$512,450	\$768,700	\$116,896	+ 35%	\$512,450
\$768,700	-	\$206,583.50	+ 37%	\$768,700
MARRIED FILING SEPARATELY				
\$0	\$12,400	\$0	+ 10%	\$0
\$12,400	\$50,400	\$1,240	+ 12%	\$12,400
\$50,400	\$105,700	\$5,800	+ 22%	\$50,400
\$105,700	\$201,775	\$17,966	+ 24%	\$105,700
\$201,775	\$256,225	\$41,024	+ 32%	\$201,775
\$256,225	\$384,350	\$58,448	+ 35%	\$256,225
\$384,350	-	\$103,291.75	+ 37%	\$384,350
HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD				
\$0	\$17,700	\$0	+ 10%	\$0
\$17,700	\$67,450	\$1,770	+ 12%	\$17,700
\$67,450	\$105,700	\$7,740	+ 22%	\$67,450
\$105,700	\$201,750	\$16,155	+ 24%	\$105,700
\$201,750	\$256,200	\$39,207	+ 32%	\$201,750
\$256,200	\$640,600	\$56,631	+ 35%	\$256,200
\$640,600	-	\$191,171	+ 37%	\$640,600
ESTATES AND TRUSTS				
\$0	\$3,300	\$0	+ 10%	\$0
\$3,300	\$11,700	\$330	+ 24%	\$3,300
\$11,700	\$16,000	\$2,346	+ 35%	\$11,700
\$16,000	-	\$3,851	+ 37%	\$16,000

LONG-TERM CAPITAL GAINS & QUALIFIED DIVIDENDS			
File Status	0% Rate	15% Rate	20% Rate
Single	≤\$49,450	\$49,451 - \$545,500	>\$545,500
MFJ	≤\$98,900	\$98,901 - \$613,700	>\$613,700
MFS	≤\$49,450	\$49,451 - \$306,850	>\$306,850
HOH	≤\$66,200	\$66,201 - \$579,600	>\$579,600
E&T	≤\$3,300	\$3,301 - \$16,250	>\$16,250

ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX (AMT)		
File Status	Exemption	Phaseout
Single	\$90,100	\$500,000 - \$680,200
MFJ	\$140,200	\$1,000,000 - \$1,280,400
MFS	\$70,100	\$500,000 - \$640,000
HOH	\$90,100	\$500,000 - \$680,200
E&T	\$31,400	\$104,800 - \$167,600

ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX (AMT) RATES	
26% up to \$244,500 of AMTI base (\$122,250 MFS)	
28% over \$244,500 of AMTI base	

INCOME TAX	
STANDARD DEDUCTION FOR NON-ITEMIZERS	
Single.....	\$16,100
Married Filing Jointly & Surviving Spouses.....	\$32,200
Married Filing Separately.....	\$16,100
Head of Household.....	\$24,150
Dependent Self-Filing.....	\$1,350
AGED 65+ OR BLIND ADDITIONAL DEDUCTION	
Single (other than surviving spouse) or HOH.....	\$2,050
All Other Statuses.....	\$1,650
ADDITIONAL NEW DEDUCTIONS	
For ages 65+ (per eligible individual).....	\$6,000 ¹
SALT (MFS / Single & MFJ).....	\$20,200 / \$40,400 ¹
Tips.....	up to \$25,000 ¹
Overtime (Single / MFJ).....	up to \$12,500 / \$25,000 ¹
Car Loan Interest (US-assembled only).....	\$10,000 ¹
Charitable (Single / MFJ).....	\$1,000 / \$2,000 ¹
QBI.....	Up to 20% of QBI (\$400 minimum) ²
SECTION 179	
Maximum Election.....	\$2,560,000
Phaseout Begins.....	\$4,090,000
ADOPTION CREDIT (NONREFUNDABLE)	
Maximum.....	\$17,670
Phaseout.....	\$265,080 - \$305,080
MEDICARE CONTRIBUTION TAX	
Tax Paid on SS Income	Percentage Withheld
Employer Pays	1.45%
Employee Pays	1.45% + 0.9% on wages over \$200,000 Single or \$250,000 MFJ
Self-Employed Pays	2.90% + 0.9% on wages over \$200,000 Single or \$250,000 MFJ
CHILD TAX CREDIT ³	
Dependent under age 17.....	\$2,200
Other dependents.....	\$500
Phaseout (Single / MFJ).....	\$200,000 / \$400,000
BUSINESS DEDUCTIONS AND EXPENSES	
Qualified Business Income (QBI) Deduction Phaseouts	
Married Filing Jointly.....	\$403,500 - \$553,500
All Other Taxpayers.....	\$201,775 - \$276,775
Qualified Production Property	
New Manufacturing Facilities.....	100% Bonus Depreciation ⁴
Research & Development (R&D) Expenses	
Immediate deduction for domestic R&D costs	
Excess Business Loss for Noncorporate Business	
Joint Filers / All Other Taxpayers.....	\$512,000 / \$256,000
IRS TAX RETURN FILING PENALTIES	
5% of unpaid taxes per month, up to 25% ⁵	

¹These are temporary deductions and each phase out at specific modified adjusted gross income levels.
²QBI phaseouts occur within certain ranges and apply only to SSBs. Non-SSBs use a separate, more complex phaseout.
³Refundable portion of the credit cannot exceed \$1,700 for a qualifying child.
⁴For new manufacturing facilities placed in service by 2030.
⁵Subject to additional penalties if over 60 days late; minimum penalty is the lesser of \$525 or 100% of the tax owed.

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RETIREMENT PLANS	
DEFINED CONTRIBUTION (401(K), 403(B), 457)	
Max Employee Deferral.....	\$24,500
Catch Up (Age 50+).....	\$8,000
Catch Up (Ages 60-63).....	\$11,250
Max Dollar Limit.....	\$72,000
Max Considered Compensation.....	\$360,000
Highly Compensated Employee.....	\$160,000
ILLINOIS SECURE CHOICE	
Illinois Secure Choice is a payroll funded Roth IRA savings program sponsored by the State of Illinois. It is mandated for private-sector employers in Illinois who have been in business at least 2 years, have at least five employees in every quarter of the previous year and don't offer a retirement plan.	
SIMPLE IRA	
Contribution Limit.....	\$17,000
Catch Up (Age 50+).....	\$4,000
Catch Up (Ages 60-63).....	\$5,250
SEP IRA	
Contribution Limit.....	\$72,000
Minimum Compensation.....	\$800
TRADITIONAL IRA & ROTH IRA CONTRIBUTIONS	
Contribution Limit.....	\$7,500
Catch Up (Age 50+) ⁶	\$1,100
ROTH IRA ELIGIBILITY	
Single MAGI Phaseout.....	\$153,000 - \$168,000
MFJ MAGI Phaseout.....	\$242,000 - \$252,000
MFS MAGI Phaseout.....	\$0 - \$10,000
TRADITIONAL IRA DEDUCTIBILITY (IF COVERED BY WORK)	
Single or HOH MAGI Phaseout.....	\$81,000 - \$91,000
MFJ MAGI Phaseout.....	\$129,000 - \$149,000
MFJ (if only spouse is covered).....	\$242,000 - \$252,000
QUALIFIED LONGEVITY ANNUITY CONTRACT	
\$210,000 (lifetime limit)	
QCD - QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION	
\$111,000 (per year)	
EDUCATION	
Amount	Phaseout Range
AMERICAN OPPORTUNITY CREDIT	
100% (first \$2,000)	\$80,000 - \$90,000 (Single)
25% (next \$2,000)	\$160,000 - \$180,000 (MFJ)
LIFETIME LEARNING CREDIT	
20% (first \$10,000)	\$80,000 - \$90,000 (Single)
	\$160,000 - \$180,000 (MFJ)
STUDENT LOAN INTEREST	
\$2,500	\$85,000 - \$100,000 (Single)
	\$175,000 - \$205,000 (MFJ)
COVERDELL EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT	
-	\$95,000 - \$110,000 (Single)
	\$190,000 - \$220,000 (MFJ)
EE BONDS FOR EDUCATION	
-	\$101,800 - \$116,800 (Single)
	\$152,650 - \$182,650 (MFJ)
STANDARD MILEAGE RATES (2026)	
Business Use.....	72.5¢ per mile
Medical Use.....	20.5¢ per mile
Moving (military only).....	20.5¢ per mile
Charitable Use (not indexed).....	14¢ per mile

SOCIAL SECURITY			
Wage Base	\$184,500	Earnings Limit	
Medicare	No Limit	Below FRA	\$24,480
COLA	2.8%	Reaching FRA	\$65,160
Full Retirement Age	Age 67 (if born in 1960 or later)		
PROVISIONAL INCOME			
Rate	Single or HOH	Married Filing Jointly	
0%	< \$25,000	< 32,000	
50%	\$25,000 - \$34,000	\$32,000 - \$44,000	
85%	> \$34,000	> \$44,000	
MEDICARE PREMIUMS & IRMMA SURCHARGE			
PART A	\$565 (less than 30 credits)	\$311 (30-39 credits)	
PART B ⁷	\$202.90		
If your 2024 MAGI was:			IRMAA Surcharge:
Single	MFJ	PART B	PART D
\$109,000 or less	\$218,000 or less	\$0	\$0
\$109,001 - \$137,000	\$218,001 - \$274,000	\$81.20	\$14.50
\$137,001 - \$171,000	\$274,001 - \$342,000	\$202.90	\$37.50
\$171,001 - \$205,000	\$342,001 - \$410,000	\$324.60	\$60.40
\$205,001 - \$500,000	\$410,001 - \$750,000	\$446.30	\$83.30
\$500,001 or more	\$750,001 or more	\$487	\$91
Married Filing Separately		PART B	PART D
\$109,000 or less		\$0	\$0
\$109,001 - \$391,000		\$446.30	\$83.30
\$391,001 or more		\$487	\$91
LONG-TERM CARE PREMIUM DEDUCTIBILITY LIMITS ⁸			
Attained Age (before end of tax year)		Limit	
40 or less		\$500	
41-50		\$930	
51-60		\$1,860	
61-70		\$4,960	
71 or more		\$6,200	
HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT			
Coverage	Contribution	Min Annual Deductible	Max Out-of-Pocket Expense
Individual	\$4,400	\$1,700	\$8,500
Family	\$8,750	\$3,400	\$17,000
55+ Catch Up	\$1,000	-	-
FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNTS			
Health Care FSA (or LPFSA).....		\$3,400 (\$680 carryover limit)	
Dependent Care FSA.....		\$7,500	
TRUMP ACCOUNT			
Contribution Limit (Under 18) ⁹		\$5,000	
U.S.Citizen ¹⁰		\$1,000	
ESTATE AND GIFT TAX			
Annual Gift Tax Exclusion.....		\$19,000	
Lifetime Exemption.....		\$15,000,000	
Tax Rate.....		40%	

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