



2018 Key Facts and Figures

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INCOME TAXES

-	2017				2018			
ľ	If Taxable I	ncome Is:			If Taxable Ir	ncome Is:		
		But Not More		Of the Amount		But Not More		Of the Amount
	Over	Than	The Tax Is	Over	Over	Than	The Tax Is	Over
	Married Fil	ing Jointly:			Married Fili	ng Jointly:		
	\$0	\$18,650	\$0 + 10%	\$0	\$0	\$19,050	\$0.00 + 10%	\$0
	18,650	75,900	1,865.00 + 15%	18,650	19,050	77,400	1,905.00 + 12%	19,050
	75,900	153,100	10,452.50 + 25%	75,900	77,400	165,000	8,907.00 + 22%	77,400
	153,100	233,350	29,752.50 + 28%	153,100	165,000	315,000	28,179.00 + 24%	165,000
	233,350	416,700	52,222.50 + 33%	233,350	315,000	400,000	64,179.00 + 32%	315,000
ı	416,700	470,700	112,728.00 + 35%	416,700	400,000	600,000	91,379.00 + 35%	400,000
ı,	470,700		131,628.00 + 39.6%	470,700	600,000		161,379.00 + 37%	600,000
ı	Married Fil	ing Separate	ly:		Married Fili	ng Separately	/ :	
	\$0	\$9,325	\$0 + 10%	\$0	\$0	\$9,525	\$0.00 + 10%	\$0
	9,325	37,950	932.50 + 15%	9,325	9,525	38,700	952.50 + 12%	9,525
۱	37,950	76,550	5,226.25 + 25%	37,950	38,700	82,500	4,453.50 + 22%	38,700
	76,550	116,675	14,876.25 + 28%	76,550	82,500	157,500	14,089.50 + 24%	82,500
	116,675	208,350	26,111.25 + 33%	116,675	157,500	200,000	32,089.50 + 32%	157,500
	208,350	235,350	56,364.00 + 35%	208,350	200,000	300,000	45,689.50 + 35%	200,000
	235,350		65,814.00 + 39.6%	235,350	300,000		80,689.50 + 37%	300,000
ľ	Head of Ho	usehold:			Head of Ho	usehold:		
	\$0	\$13,350	\$0 + 10%	\$0	\$0	\$13,600	\$0.00 + 10%	\$0
	13,350	50,800	1,335.00 + 15%	13,350	13,600	51,800	1,360.00 + 12%	13,600
	50,800	131,200	6,952.50 + 25%	50,800	51,800	82,500	5,944.00 + 22%	51,800
P	131,200	212,500	27,052.50 + 28%	131,200	82,500	157,500	12,698.00 + 24%	82,500
	212,500	416,700	49,816.50 + 33%	212,500	157,500	200,000	30,698.00 + 32%	157,500
	416,700	444,550	117,202.50 + 35%	416,700	200,000	500,000	44,298.00 + 35%	200,000
	444,550		126,950.00 + 39.6%	444,550	500,000		149,298.00 + 37%	500,000
ľ	Single:				Single:			
	\$0	\$9,325	\$0 + 10%	\$0	\$0	\$9,525	\$0.00 + 10%	\$0
ľ	9,325	37,950	932.50 + 15%	9,325	9,525	38,700	952.50 + 12%	9,525
	37,950	91,900	5,226.25 + 25%	37,950	38,700	82,500	4,453.50 + 22%	38,700
ľ	91,900	191,650	18,713.75 + 28%	91,900	82,500	157,500	14,089.50 + 24%	82,500
	191,650	416,700	46,643.75 + 33%	191,650	157,500	200,000	32,089.50 + 32%	157,500
	416,700	418,400	120,910.25 + 35%	416,700	200,000	500,000	45,689.50 + 35%	200,000
	418,400		121,505.25 + 39.6%	418,400	500,000		150,689.50 + 37%	500,000
ľ	Estates and	d Trusts:			Estates and	Trusts:		
	\$0	\$2,550	\$0 + 15%	\$0	\$0	\$2,550	\$0.00 + 10%	\$0
	2,550	6,000	382.50 + 25%	2,550	2,550	9,150	255.00 + 24%	2,550
	6,000	9,150	1,245.00 + 28%	6,000	9,150	12,500	1,839.00 + 35%	9,150
	9,150	12,500	2,127.00 + 33%	9,150	12,500		3,011.50 + 37%	12,500
	12,500		3,232.50 + 39.6%	12,500				

EDUCATION INCENTIVES

Tuition and Fees Deduction – "Above-the-line" deduction up to \$4,000 for qualified tuition and related expenses in 2017. Absent legislation, no deduction available in 2018.

Student Loan Interest Deduction – "Above-the-line" deduction up to \$2,500 (2017 and 2018); no time limit on deductibility period; subject to income limitations.

Education Credits – American Opportunity (modified Hope) Credit is up to \$2,500 in 2017 and 2018 per student for first four years of higher education expenses paid. Lifetime Learning Credit is 20% of tuition paid up to \$2,000 per return for 2017 and 2018. Both credits are subject to income limitations and cannot be used in conjunction with each other for the same student.

Section 529 Plans (Qualified Tuition Programs) – Distributions used for qualified higher education expenses are income tax free. Contributions are potentially subject to gift tax, but are eligible for the per-donee annual exclusion (\$14,000 for 2017; \$15,000 for 2018). Donor can elect to treat up to \$70,000 of the contribution in 2017 (\$75,000 in 2018) as if it had been made ratably over a 5-year period.

Coverdell Education Savings Accounts (Education IRAs) – Contribution limit is \$2,000 in 2017 and 2018; subject to income limitations.

OTHER TAX RATES

2017 - Long-Term Capital Gains and Qualified Dividends Rates for Taxpayers in the Specified Brackets*						
	0%	15%	20%			
10	%, 15% brackets	25% – 35% brackets	39.6% bracket			
	2018 - Long-Term Capital Gains and Qualified Dividends Rates for Taxpayers with Taxable Income in the Specified Ranges*					
	0%	15%	20%			
MFJ/SS	\$0 - \$77,199	\$77,200 - \$478,999	\$479,000 and up			
MFS	\$0 - \$38,599	\$38,600 - \$239,499	\$239,500 and up			
НоН	\$0 - \$51,699	\$51,700 - \$452,399	\$452,400 and up			
Single	\$0 - \$38,599	\$38,600 - \$425,799	\$425,800 and up			
E&T	\$0 - \$2,599	\$2,600 - \$12,699	\$12,700 and up			

Short-term gain taxed at ordinary rates.

* Additional 3.8% tax imposed on the lesser of the individual's Net Investment Income or the excess of the individual's MAGI over certain thresholds (\$250,000 for married couples filing jointly or surviving spouse, \$125,000 for married couples filing separately, and \$200,000 for all other taxpayers).

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- Under age 19 (or certain full-time students under age 24) with unearned income consisting solely of interest, dividends and capital gain distributions; and child's gross income is less than \$10,500 in 2017 or in 2018 – use Form 8814 with parent's return.
- If child files own return use Form 8615 with child's return to calculate tax at parent's marginal rate.

	2017	2018	
First	\$1,050	\$1,050	No Tax
Next	\$1,050	\$1,050	Taxed at child's marginal rate
Amount Over	\$2,100	\$2,100	Taxed at higher rate*

* 2017 taxed at parent's marginal rate, 2018 taxed at estates and trusts rate.

AMT Rates for Individuals

	AN	AMI			
	2017	2018	Rate		
Single, MFJ, HoH	\$0 - \$187,800	\$0 - \$191,100	26%		
Siligle, Mr), non	\$187,801 or more	\$191,101 or more	28%		
MEC	\$0 - \$93,900	\$0 - \$95,550	26%		
MFS	\$93,901 or more	\$95,551 or more	28%		
	AMT Exemption				
	2017	2018			
Single, HoH	\$54,300	\$70,300			
MFJ, SS	\$84,500	\$109,400			
MEC	\$42.250	\$54.700			

SOCIAL SECURITY

Maximum Compensation Sul	oject to FICA	
2017		
OASDI Maximum	\$127,200	\$128,400
HI Maximum	No Limit	No Limit

• OASDI tax rate – 2017 & 2018: 12.4% self-employed, 6.2% employees

• HI tax rate* – 2017 & 2018: 2.9% self-employed, 1.45% employees

*Additional 0.9% tax imposed on employment wages for certain higher-income taxpayers (income of more than \$250,000 for married couples filing jointly or surviving spouse, \$125,000 for married couples filing separately, and \$200,000 for all other individual taxpayers)

Maximum Amount of Earnings to Still Receive Full Benefits

	201/	2018	
Under full retirement age	\$16,920	\$17,040	
MAGI Amounts for Benefits to Be Taxable			

	50% Taxable	85% Taxable
Married Filing Jointly	\$32,000	\$44,000
Single, HOH, MFS Living Apart	\$25,000	\$34,000

DEDUCTIONS & EXEMPTIONS

Standard Deductions					
	Year	Annual	Add'l Age 65 or Older or Blind		
Married Filing Jointly/	2017	\$12,700	\$1,250		
Surviving Spouse	2018	\$24,000	\$1,300		
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Married Filing Jointly/	2017	\$12,700	\$1,250
Surviving Spouse	2018	\$24,000	\$1,300
Married Filing	2017	\$6,350	\$1,250
Separately	2018	\$12,000	\$1,300
Head of	2017	\$9,350	\$1,550
Household	2018	\$18,000	\$1,600
Single	2017	\$6,350	\$1,550
Siligle	2019	\$12,000	\$1.600

Phaseout of Itemized Deductions

	AGI Threshold		
	2017 2018		
MFJ/SS	\$313,800	No phaseout applies	
MFS	\$156,900	No phaseout applies	
НоН	\$287,650	No phaseout applies	
Single	\$261,500	No phaseout applies	

Personal Exemptions			
	Year	Exemption	AGI Threshold/ Upper Limit
Married Filing Jointly/	2017	\$4,050	\$313,800/\$436,300
Surviving Spouse	2018	Personal Ex	emption Repealed
Married Filing	2017	\$4,050	\$156,900/\$218,150
Separately	2018	Personal Ex	emption Repealed
Head of	2017	\$4,050	\$287,650/\$410,150
Household	2018	Personal Ex	emption Repealed
Single	2017	\$4,050	\$261,500/\$384,000
Single	2018	Personal Ex	emption Repealed

	2017	2018	
Dollar limitation	\$510,000	\$1,000,000	
Investment limitation	\$2,030,000	\$2,500,000	

ESTATE & GIFT TAXES

	2017	2018
Annual Gift Tax Exclusion	\$14,000	\$15,000
for Noncitizen Spouses	\$149,000	\$152,000
Estate Tax Exclusion	\$5,490,000	\$11,180,000
Applicable Credit	\$2,141,800	\$4,417,800
Gift Tax Exclusion	\$5,490,000	\$11,180,000
Generation-Skipping Transfer Tax Exemption	\$5,490,000	\$11,180,000

CREDITS & EXCLUSIONS

Child Tax Credit

	2017	2018
	\$1,000	\$2,000
For 2017, phases out \$50 for eac (married filing jointly), \$75,000 (separately). For 2018, phases ou \$400,000 (married filing jointly)	(single) or \$5 ıt \$50 for ead	5,000 (married filing ch \$1,000 MAGI over

Foreign Income

	2017	2018
Foreign earned income exclusion	\$102,100	\$103,900
Maximum foreign housing exclusion of qualified housing expenses	\$14,294 (\$30,630 - \$16,336)	\$14,546 (\$31,170 - \$16,624)

INDIVIDUAL ESTIMATED TAXES

Individuals can base federal estimated tax payments on:

- 1) 90% of current year's tax,
- 100% of prior year's tax, or
- 110% of prior year's tax if prior year's AGI is > \$150,000 (> \$75,000 for Married Filing Separately)
- Annualization exception
- No penalty if tax less withholding < \$1,000 or no tax liability in preceding tax year

IRAs

Contribution Limits - Traditional and Roth			
	2017	2018	
Regular	\$5,500	\$5,500	
Catch-up*	\$1,000	\$1,000	
*Individuals who will be at least age 50 by the end of the year can make catch-up contributions.			
Roth IRAs			

MAGI Phaseout Ranges for Contributions to Roth IRAs	2017	2018
Married Filing Jointly	\$186,000 - \$196,000	\$189,000 - \$199,000
Single, Head of Household	\$118,000 - \$133,000	\$120,000 - \$135,000
Married Filing Separately	\$0 - \$10,000	\$0 - \$10,000

Traditional IRA Deductibility Rules

		Modified AGI			
	Filing Status	Covered by Qualified Retirement Plan?	2017	2018	Deductibility
		No	Any amount	Any amount	Full Deduction
	Single, HoH	Yes	\$62,000 or less \$62,001 - \$71,999 \$72,000 or more	\$63,000 or less \$63,001 - \$72,999 \$73,000 or more	Full Deduction Partial Deduction No Deduction
		Neither spouse	Any amount	Any amount	Full Deduction
	Marriad	Both spouses covered	\$99,000 or less \$99,001 - \$118,999 \$119,000 or more	\$101,000 or less \$101,001 - \$120,999 \$121,000 or more	Full Deduction Partial Deduction No Deduction
	Married Filing Jointly	One spouse covered: for covered spouse	\$99,000 or less \$99,001 - \$118,999 \$119,000 or more	\$101,000 or less \$101,001 - \$120,999 \$121,000 or more	Full Deduction Partial Deduction No Deduction
		One spouse covered: for non-covered spouse	\$186,000 or less \$186,001 - \$195,999 \$196,000 or more	\$189,000 or less \$189,001 - \$198,999 \$199,000 or more	Full Deduction Partial Deduction No Deduction
		Neither spouse	Any amount	Any amount	Full deduction
	Married Filing Separately, lived together for any part of the year (if spouses lived separately throughout	Both spouses covered	\$9,999 or less	\$9,999 or less	Partial deduction
		Both spouses covered	\$10,000 or more	\$10,000 or more	No deduction
		One spouse covered:	\$9,999 or less	\$9,999 or less	Partial deduction
		for covered spouse	\$10,000 or more	\$10,000 or more	No deduction
	year, treated as Single)	One spouse covered:	\$9,999 or less	\$9,999 or less	Partial deduction
		non-covered spouse	\$10,000 or more	\$10,000 or more	No deduction

QUALIFIED PLANS

	2017	2018	
Maximum elective deferral to retirement plans (e.g., 401(k), 403(b))	\$18,000	\$18,500	
Maximum elective deferral to SIMPLE IRA plans	\$12,500	\$12,500	
Maximum elective deferral to 457 plans of exempt employers	\$18,000	\$18,500	
Limit on annual additions to Keogh plans and SEP-IRAs	\$54,000	\$55,000	
Limit on annual additions to defined contribution plans	\$54,000	\$55,000	
Maximum annual compensation taken into account for contributions	\$270,000	\$275,000	
Annual benefit limit under defined benefit plans	\$215,000	\$220,000	
Threshold amount for definition of highly compensated employee	\$120,000	\$120,000	
Threshold amount for definition of key employee in top-heavy plans	\$175,000	\$175,000	
Catch-up Contribution Limits*			
401(k), 403(b), SARSEP and 457 plans	\$6,000	\$6,000	
SIMPLE plans	\$3,000	\$3,000	
* Individuals who will be at least age 50 by the end of the year can make catch-up contributions.			





