Tax rates and allowances

Income tax allowances

	2022/23 £	2023/24 £
Personal allowance	12,570	12,570
Income limit	100,000	100,000
Transferable marriage all	owance ¹ 1,2	260 1,260
Married couple's allowand	ce ¹	
(relief at 10%)		
Either partner born before 10,375	e 6.4.1935	9,415
Income limit	31,400	34,600
Minimum where income		
exceeds limit	3,640	4,010
Blind person's allowance	2,600	2,870
Dividend allowance	2,000	1,000
Personal savings allowand	ce	
Basic rate taxpayers	1,000	1,000
Higher rate taxpayers	500	500

Income tax rates

Taxable income	£	
2022/23	2023/24	Rate %
0 – 37,700	0 – 37,700	20
37,701 – 150,000	37,701 - 125,140	40
Over 150,000	Over 125,140	45
		
Dividend income	-	2023/24
Dividend income	2022/23 Rate %	2023/24 Rate %
Dividend income Basic rate band	-	
	Rate %	Rate %

Scottish rates and bands were announced in the Scottish Budget on 15 December 2022. Welsh rates were published in the Draft Welsh Budget on 13 December 2022.

A 0% starting rate for savings income only applies to the extent that such income falls within the first £5,000 of taxable income. If taxable non-savings income exceeds the limit, the starting rate does not apply. A 0% rate applies to savings income falling within the personal savings allowance. Income taxable at the starting rate for savings does not fall within the personal savings allowance.

A 0% rate applies to dividend income within the dividend allowance.

The trust rate of income tax is 45%. The dividend trust rate is 39.35%.

¹ Available for civil partners.

NICs	
Class 1 (Earnings related	2023/24
Employees	
Weekly earnings	
First £242	Nil
£242.01 – £967	12%
Over £967	2%

Employers

Weekly earnings	
First £175	
Over £175	

Employees' rates are reduced to 5.85% for married women with valid certificates of election but the 2% rate above £967 still applies. Rates are nil for employees over state pensionable age. Normal employers' contributions are still payable. Employers' rates for employees under 21, apprentices under 25 and eligible veterans are nil on earnings up to £967 per week, and for eligible employees in freeport and investment zone tax sites on earnings up to £481 per week.

Employment allowance (per employer) – £5,000 a year.

Available only where the employer's NIC liability for the previous tax year was less than £100,000.

Class 1A and Class 1B - 13.8%

Class 2 (Self-employed) – flat rate £3.45 a week.

Small profits threshold (SPT) £6,725 a year. Lower profits threshold (LPT) £12,570 a year. No contributions due where profits fall between SPT and LPT.

Class 3 (Voluntary contributions) – £17.45 a week.

Class 4 (Self-employed) – 9% of profits between £12,570 and £50,270 a year. 2% of profits above £50,270 a year.

Inheritance tax

 2022/23
 2023/24

 Nil-rate band1
 £325,000
 £325,000

 Residence nil-rate band1
 £175,000
 £175,000

 Rate of tax on excess
 40%2
 40%2

 Chargeable lifetime transfers
 20%
 20%

Annual gifts of up to £3,000 per donor are exempt.

¹ Unused nil-rate band is transferable to spouse or civil partner. ² 36% where 10% or more of the net estate is left to charity.

Capital gains tax

Annual exempt amounts 2023/24 Individuals, disabled trusts and, for of death and next two years, person	/
representatives	6,000
Trusts generally	3,000
Rates 2023/24	
Individuals: Standard rate	10%
Higher rate	20%
Gains on residential property	
and carried interest 1	8%/28%
Trustees and PRs (ordinary gains) Trustees and PRs	20%
(residential property gains) Gains to which business	28%
asset disposal relief applies ¹	10%
Gains to which investors' relief appli	es² 10%

Corporation tax

Nil

13.8%

Financial Year to	31/3/2023	31/3/2024
Main rate	19%	25%
Small profits rate	n/a	19%
19% rate limit	n/a	£50,000
marginal relief limit	n/a	£250,000
marginal relief fraction	on n/a	3/200
effective marginal ra	te n/a	26.5%

Stamp taxes

£

£

£

Shares and marketable securities0.5%3Transfers of land and buildings40.5%3Residential (on band of consideration)5.67

0 – £250,000	0%
250,001 – £925,000	5%
925,001 – £1,500,000	10%
Over £1,500,000	12%

Non-residential (on band of consideration)

£0 – £150,000	0%
£150,001 – £250,000	2%
Over £250,000	5%

Leases (rent – on band of net present value)⁴

Residential Non-residential			
	£0 – £250,000	£0 – £150,000	0%
	Over £250,000	£150,001 - £5,000,000	1%
	n/a	Over £5,000,000	2%

Freeport and investment zone tax sites

Qualifying purchases receive full SDLT relief.

Subject to lifetime limit on gains of £1 million.

- Subject to lifetime limit on gains of £10 million.
- ³ Rounded up to the nearest multiple of £5. Transactions of £1,000 or less exempt.
- In Scotland land and buildings transaction tax. In Wales land transaction tax.
- ⁵ Where the consideration exceeds £500,000 and the purchase is by - or by a partnership including - a company or collective investment scheme enveloping the property, the rate is 15% of the total
- consideration.

⁶ Where the consideration is no more than £625,000 and the purchaser is a first-time buyer, the 0% band is increased to £425,000 (and the 5% rate applies to any consideration above £425,000 up to £625,000).

⁷ Rates are increased by 3 percentage points for certain purchases, including purchases of additional residential properties by individuals. Transactions under £40,000 are excluded. Rates are increased by 2 percentage points for purchases by non-UK residents.

Car benefit

2023/24		
C O ₂	Electric	% of
emissions	range	list price
g/km	(miles)	
0	N/A	2
1-50	>130	2
1-50	70-129	5
1-50	40-69	8
1-50	30-39	12
1-50	<30	14
51–54		15
55–59		16
60-64		17
65–69		18
70–74		19
75–79		20
80-84		21
85-89		22
90-94		23

CO2 emissions g/km	% of list price
95-99	24
100-104	25
105-109	26
110-114	27
115-119	28
120-124	29
125-129	30
130-134	31
135-139	32
140-144	33
145-149	34
150-154	35
155-159	36
160 or more	37

4% supplement (up to max 37%) applies to diesel cars which do not meet the RDE2 standard.

Car fuel benefit

For 2023/24, car fuel benefit is calculated by applying the above car benefit percentage to a figure of £27,800.

Tax-free mileage allowances

Employee's own vehicle			
Motorcars and vans	2023/24		
Up to 10,000 business miles	45p		
Over 10,000 business miles	25p		
Each passenger making same trip	5p		
Motorcycles	24p		
Cycles	20p		

Advisory fuel rates for company car from 1 March 2023

Cylinder capacity	Petrol	Diesel	LPG
0-1,400 cc	13p	-	10p
0-1,600 cc	-	13p	-
1,401 cc - 2,000 cc	15p	-	11p
1,601 cc - 2,000 cc	-	15p	-
Over 2,000 cc	23p	20p	17p
Advisory Electricity Rate for fully electric			
cars is 9p per mile			

Fixed rate deductions: unincorporated businesses

Vehicle expenditure	Amount per mile
Motorcars and goods vehic	cles
Up to 10,000 business mile	es 45p
Over 10,000 business miles	s 25p
Motorcycles	24p

Business use of home hours worked per		
month	Amount per month	
25 or more	£10	
51 or more	£18	
101 or more	£26	

Private use of business premises Disallowable

Disallowable	
Number of occupants	amount per month
1	£350
2	£500
3 or more	£650

Individual savings accounts

Limits	2022/23	2023/24
Annual limit	£20,000	£20,000
Junior ISA annual limit	£9,000	£9,000
Lifetime ISA annual limit	£4,000	£4,000
Help to Buy ISA monthly limit £200		£200

Investment reliefs

Inv	vestment limit	Income tax relief rate
Enterprise inves	tment	
scheme ¹	£1,000,000	30%
Venture capital		
trusts	£200,000	30%
Seed enterprise		
investment		
scheme	£200,000	50%

VAT

Standard rate Reduced rate	20% 5%
Registration threshold	£85,000 pa
Deregistration limit	£83,000 pa
Annual accounting scheme	
turnover limit	£1,350,000 pa
Cash accounting scheme turnover limit Flat rate scheme turnover lim	£1,350,000 pa it £150,000 pa

¹ Investment limit is £2,000,000 if any amount over £1,000,000 is invested in knowledge-intensive companies.

Capital allowances

capital allowances	
Dredging	Rate %
(straight-line basis)	
Writing-down allowance	4
5	
Know-how	
(reducing balance basis)	
Writing-down allowance	25
5	
Mineral extraction	
(reducing balance basis)	
Writing-down allowances	
General	25
Acquisition of mineral asset	10
Patent rights	
(reducing balance basis)	
Writing-down allowance	25
5	
Plant and machinery	
(reducing balance basis)	
Annual investment allowance - max	
£1,000,000 pa	100
First-year allowances	
New cars with CO, emissions 0 g/km	100
New gas refuelling stations	100
New zero-emission goods vehicles	100
New assets for use in designated	
areas of enterprise zones	
(companies only)	100
New electric charge-point equipmen	t 100
Full expensing (companies only)	
main rate expenditure	100
special rate expenditure	50

New assets for use in freeport or investment zone Tax sites (companies only)	100
Writing-down allowances Main rate expenditure Cars (other than low-emission cars) Special rate expenditure	18 6
(including integral features and therma insulation) Long-life assets	l 6 6
Research and development Allowance	100
Structures and buildings	

Structures and buildings	
(straight-line basis)	
Writing-down allowance	
General	3
Freeport and investment zone tax sites	10

Registered pension schemes

Individual contributions	
Maximum tax-relievable contributi	ons are
the higher of:	
 100% of taxable UK earnings; or 	•
• £3,600 (where the scheme appl	ies tax
relief at source).	
2023/24	
Annual allowance	£60,000
Threshold income limit	£200,000
Adjusted income limit	£260,000
Minimum where income exceeds li	mit
	£10,000
Lifetime allowance n/a	
2022/23	
Annual allowance	£40,000
Threshold income limit	£200,000
Adjusted income limit	£240,000
Minimum where income exceeds	
1:5-time - 11-man	£4,000
Lifetime allowance £1,073,100	lfforun
Unused annual allowance can be c to three years.	/i tor up
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Tax credits	
Annual amounts 2023/24	£
Child tax credit	F /F
Family element Child element (for each child)	545
Disabled child element	3,235 3,905
Severely disabled child element	1,575
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Working tax credit	
Basic element	2,280
Lone parent and couple element	2,340
30-hour element	950
Disability element	3,685
Severe disability element	1,595
Childcare element (up to 70% of cos	ts) weekly
1 1 1 1 / 1 1	

Income fall disregard 2,500

175

7,455

18,725

41%

2,500

maximum eligible cost (1 child)

eligible for child tax credit only

Income thresholds

Income threshold

Withdrawal rate

Income rise disregard

maximum eligible cost (2 or more) 300

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