



2023 Tax Planning & Reference Guide

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#### \*\*REMINDER\*\*

Many of the provisions of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (TCJA) will sunset on December 31, 2025. Starting in 2026, the rules in effect in 2017 will be reinstated with many adjusted for inflation. The main provisions affected include income tax brackets and rates, standard and itemized deductions, personal exemptions, capital gains, dividends, alternative minimum taxes, and estate taxes.

The following three years may provide opportunities to minimize your future taxes and that of your heirs. Ask your Davenport Financial Advisor about creating a financial plan to see if any tax minimizing strategies make sense for you.

## 2023 Income Tax Rates

# Single Individuals

| Taxable Income |          |                       | Your Tax Is: |          |
|----------------|----------|-----------------------|--------------|----------|
| Above          | То       | Tax                   | Rate on Exc  | ess      |
| \$0            | \$11,000 | 10% of taxable income |              | N/A      |
| 11,000         | 44,725   | \$1,100 plus          | 12% over     | \$11,000 |
| 44,725         | 95,375   | 5,147 plus            | 22% over     | 44,725   |
| 95,375         | 182,100  | 16,290 plus           | 24% over     | 95,375   |
| 182,100        | 231,250  | 37,104 plus           | 32% over     | 182,100  |
| 231,250        | 578,125  | 52,832 plus           | 35% over     | 231,250  |
| 578,125        |          | 174,238.25 plus       | 37% over     | 578,125  |

# Married Filing Jointly

| Taxable Income |          |                       | Your Tax Is: |          |
|----------------|----------|-----------------------|--------------|----------|
| Above          | То       | Tax                   | Rate on Exc  | ess      |
| \$O            | \$22,000 | 10% of taxable income |              | N/A      |
| 22,000         | 89,450   | \$2,200 plus          | 12% over     | \$22,000 |
| 89,450         | 190,750  | 10,294 plus           | 22% over     | 89,450   |
| 190,750        | 364,200  | 32,580 plus           | 24% over     | 190,750  |
| 364,200        | 462,500  | 74,208 plus           | 32% over     | 364,200  |
| 462,500        | 693,750  | 105,664 plus          | 35% over     | 462,500  |
| 693,750        |          | 186,601.50 plus       | 37% over     | 693,750  |

# Married Filing Separately

| Taxable Income |          |                       |             |          |  |
|----------------|----------|-----------------------|-------------|----------|--|
| Above          | То       | Tax                   | Rate on Exc | ess      |  |
| \$0            | \$11,000 | 10% of taxable income |             | N/A      |  |
| 11,000         | 44,725   | \$1,100 plus          | 12% over    | \$11,000 |  |
| 44,725         | 95,375   | 5,147 plus            | 22% over    | 44,725   |  |
| 95,375         | 182,100  | 16,290 plus           | 24% over    | 95,375   |  |
| 182,100        | 231,250  | 37,104 plus           | 32% over    | 182,100  |  |
| 231,250        | 346,875  | 52,832 plus           | 35% over    | 231,250  |  |
| 346,875        |          | 93,300.75 plus        | 37% over    | 346,875  |  |

### 2023 Income Tax Rates

### Head of Household

| Taxable Inc | Taxable Income |                       |             |          |  |  |
|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------|--|--|
| Above       | То             | Tax                   | Rate on Exc | ess      |  |  |
| \$0         | \$15,700       | 10% of taxable income |             | N/A      |  |  |
| 15,700      | 59,850         | \$1,570 plus          | 12% over    | \$15,700 |  |  |
| 59,850      | 95,350         | 6,868 plus            | 22% over    | 59,850   |  |  |
| 95,350      | 182,100        | 14,678 plus           | 24% over    | 95,350   |  |  |
| 182,100     | 231,250        | 35,498 plus           | 32% over    | 182,100  |  |  |
| 231,250     | 578,100        | 51,226 plus           | 35% over    | 231,250  |  |  |
| 578,100     |                | 172,623.50 plus       | 37% over    | 578,100  |  |  |

#### Trusts and Estates

| Taxable Inc | Taxable Income |                       |             |         |  |  |
|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|---------|--|--|
| Above       | То             | Tax                   | Rate on Exc | ess     |  |  |
| \$0         | \$2,900        | 10% of taxable income |             | N/A     |  |  |
| 2,900       | 10,550         | \$290 plus            | 24% over    | \$2,900 |  |  |
| 10,550      | 14,450         | 2,126 plus            | 35% over    | 10,550  |  |  |
| 14,450      |                | 3,491 plus            | 37% over    | 14,450  |  |  |

### Corporate

Corporate income is taxed at a flat 21% rate.

# Tax on Net Long-Term Capital Gains<sup>1</sup>

|   | Taxable Income  |                        |                       |                              |
|---|---|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| Long-Term<br>Capital Gains<br>Tax Rate <sup>2</sup> | Single  | Married Filing Jointly | Head of Household     | Married Filing<br>Separately |
| 0%³   | Up to \$44,625  | Up to \$89,250         | Up to \$59,750        | Up to \$44,625               |
| 15%³  | \$44,625 to \$492,300   | \$89,250 to \$553,850  | \$59,750 to \$523,050 | \$44,625 to \$276,900        |
| 20%³  | Over \$492,300  | Over \$553,850         | Over \$523,050        | Over \$276,900               |
| 28%   | Tax on gains on collectibles  |                        |                       |                              |
| 28%   | Tax on gains on qualified small business stock after the section 1202 exclusion |                        |                       |                              |
| 25%   | Tax rate on unrecapture   | ed section 1250 gains  |                       |                              |

<sup>1. &</sup>quot;Net long-term capital gain" is the amount by which your total long-term capital gains for the year are more than your total shortterm capital losses. A net short-term capital gain is taxed as ordinary income at the applicable rates on pages 2 and 3.

<sup>2.</sup> Rates presented do not reflect the potential impact of the additional 3.8% Medicare surtax on unearned income.

<sup>3.</sup> These rates apply to all capital gains other than those relating to collectible gains, gains on qualified small business stock, or unrecaptured section 1250 gains.

### Tax on Qualified Dividends

Qualified Dividends are defined as dividends received from domestic and qualified foreign corporations (with some exceptions such as those based on stock holding period). Consult your tax advisor to determine which dividends qualify.

|   | Taxable Income        |                        |                       |                              |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| Long-Term<br>Capital Gains<br>Tax Rate <sup>1</sup> | Single                | Married Filing Jointly | Head of Household     | Married Filing<br>Separately |
| 0%  | Up to \$44,625        | Up to \$89,250         | Up to \$59,750        | Up to \$44,625               |
| 15%   | \$44,625 to \$492,300 | \$89,250 to \$553,850  | \$59,750 to \$523,050 | \$44,625 to \$276,900        |
| 20%   | Over \$492,300        | Over \$553,850         | Over \$523,050        | Over \$276,900               |

<sup>1.</sup> Rates presented do not reflect the potential impact of the additional 3.8% Medicare surtax on unearned income.

#### Additional Tax on Unearned (Investment) Income

A 3.8% "surtax" (Unearned Income Medicare Contribution Tax) will apply to the lesser of a taxpayer's net investment income (generally interest, dividends, capital gains, annuity income, rents, royalties, and passive business income) or the amount the taxpayer's modified adjusted gross income exceeds the applicable threshold: \$250,000 for married filing jointly or surviving spouse; \$125,000 for married filing separately; \$200,000 for all other filing categories.

| Standard Deductions*      | 2023      |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Single                    | \$ 13,850 |
| Head of Household         | 20,800    |
| Married Filing Separately | 13,850    |
| Married Filing Jointly    | 27.700    |

<sup>\*</sup>Additional standard deductions of \$1,850 are available for unmarried taxpayers who are 65 or older and are not surviving spouses or for taxpayers who are blind. The additional deduction amount for married taxpayers or a surviving spouse is \$1,500.

## **Deductions and Exemptions**

#### Personal Exemptions

Under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, personal exemptions were suspended.

#### Child Tax Credit

The 2023 tax credit for each qualifying dependent child under age 17 is \$2,000. The refundable portion of the credit is limited to \$1,600 in 2023 and will be adjusted for inflation in subsequent years. The income threshold for the refundable credit is \$2,500 and the phase-out for this credit begins at an income of \$200,000 for individuals and \$400,000 for joint filers.

There is a \$500 credit in 2023 for dependents who are not qualifying children, such as dependent children in college and dependent parents being cared for in the home. This non-refundable credit is subject to the same phase-out income of \$200,000 for individuals and \$400,000 for joint filers.

#### Charitable Contribution Deductions

In 2023, taxpayers may be able to deduct contributions of up to 60% of their Adjusted Gross Income to qualifying charities.

### Mortgage and Home Equity Debt Interest Deductions

In 2023, the Mortgage Interest Deduction for mortgages taken on or after December 16, 2017 is limited to mortgage debt of up to \$750,000. Mortgages taken prior to that date are grandfathered to the previous limitation of \$1,000,000 in mortgage debt.

Interest on home equity debt does not qualify for an interest deduction unless used to substantially improve the home.

### **Medical Expense Deductions**

Unreimbursed medical expenses exceeding 7.5% of Adjusted Gross Income may be deducted in 2023. Legislation passed in 2020 makes this threshold amount permanent.

### Wash Sales

According to the IRS, a wash sale occurs if "within a period beginning 30 days before the date of a sale" (creating a loss) "and ending 30 days after the date of a sale, the taxpayer acquires or has entered into a contract or option to acquire stock or securities that are substantially identical." For 2023, this means that for losses incurred on Friday, December 29, 2023 (sell date), the last day to "double-up" would be Tuesday, November 28, 2023 and the next repurchase date would be Monday, January 29, 2024.

## Self-Employment Tax

For 2023, a tax is imposed on self-employed individuals at a rate of 15.30%, which is a combination of a 12.40% Old Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance Tax (OASDI) and a 2.90% Medicare Tax. For 2023, the OASDI Tax is computed on the first \$160,200 of self-employment income/earned income. The maximum self-employed OASDI Tax liability for 2023 is \$19,864.80 (12.40% of \$160,200). The 2.90% Medicare Tax is computed on the taxpayer's entire self-employment income with no cap.

## FICA (Social Security & Medicare) Tax

For 2023, a tax is imposed on an employee's compensation at a rate of 7.65%, which is a combination of a 6.20% Old Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance Tax (OASDI) and a 1.45% Medicare Tax. For 2023, the OASDI Tax is computed on the first \$160,200 of compensation/earned income. The maximum employee OASDI Tax liability for 2023 is \$9,932.40 (6.20% of \$160,200). The 1.45% Medicare Tax is computed on the taxpaver's entire compensation with no cap.

#### Additional Medicare Tax

Higher income taxpayers, including self-employed individuals, with earned income above the following thresholds pay an additional Hospital Insurance Tax (Medicare) at a rate of 0.9% on earned income above the threshold amount: \$250,000 for married filing jointly; \$125,000 for married filing separately; \$200,000 for all other filing categories.

# **Health Savings Accounts**

| Туре                     | Annual<br>Contribution Limit | Annual Out-of-Pocket<br>Expense Limit | Minimum Deductible |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Self only                | \$3,850                      | \$7,500                               | \$1,500            |
| Family                   | \$7,750                      | \$15,000                              | \$3,000            |
| Age 55 or older catch up | \$1,000                      |                                       |                    |

## **Taxation of Social Security Retirement Benefits**

Under current law, Social Security recipients may be subject to federal income tax on up to 85% of their annual Social Security income. For taxpayers with "provisional" income (Adjusted Gross Income, excluding Social Security benefits, plus tax-exempt interest, plus 50% of Social Security benefits) less than \$25,000 (\$32,000 for married tax payers filing jointly), Social Security benefits are income tax free. For taxpayers with provisional income between \$25,000 and \$34,000 (\$32,000 and \$44,000 for married taxpayers filing jointly) up to 50% of Social Security benefits may be subject to income tax. For taxpayers with provisional income in excess of \$34,000 (\$44,000 for married taxpayers filing jointly) up to 85% of Social Security benefits may be subject to income tax. Additionally, some states may tax Social Security benefits.

## **Social Security Annual Earnings Limits**

Individuals are eligible to receive permanently reduced Social Security retirement benefits between age 62 and their applicable full retirement age. Retirement benefits may be further reduced in years that an individual's earned income exceeds annual earning limits until the individual reaches full retirement age.

For those receiving benefits before their full retirement age, \$1 in benefits will be deducted for each \$2 earned above the annual limit. In 2023, this limit is \$21,240. In the year that full retirement age is reached, \$1 in benefits will be deducted for each \$3 earned above the 2023 limit of \$56,520. This limit applies only to the months prior to the month in which full retirement age is reached. After full retirement age is attained, full benefits can be received with no limit on earnings.

## Social Security Full Retirement Age

| Social Security<br>Full Retirement Age <sup>1</sup> | Year of Birth <sup>2</sup> | Social Security<br>Full Retirement Age for<br>Surviving Spouse |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| 66 and 4 months                                     | 1956                       | 66   |
| 66 and 6 months                                     | 1957                       | 66 and 2 months  |
| 66 and 8 months                                     | 1958                       | 66 and 4 months  |
| 66 and 10 months                                    | 1959                       | 66 and 6 months  |
| 67  | 1960                       | 66 and 8 months  |
| 67  | 1961                       | 66 and 10 months   |
| 67  | 1962 and later             | 67   |

<sup>1.</sup> The maximum Social Security benefit in 2023 for a worker at full retirement age is \$3,627 per month or \$43,524 per year.

## 2023 Required Minimum Distribution Rules

Effective January 1, 2023, the Required Beginning Date (RBD) for taking Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) from a traditional IRA changed from age 72 to age 73. If you turn 72 in 2023, your first RMD is not due until December 31, 2024. You may elect to postpone your first RMD to no later than April 1, 2025. Postponing your first (2024) RMD means you will still have an RMD for 2025, which must be taken by December 31, 2025. If you turn 73 in 2023, you are subject to the previous rules and your second RMD is due by December 31, 2023. Note that funds held in tax-deferred employer-sponsored plans are subject to RMDs, but certain exceptions may apply.

The provision for direct transfers to charity of up to \$100,000 from IRAs, known as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD), is available to IRA owners age 70½ or older. Beginning in 2024, the annual QCD limit will be indexed for inflation.

New for 2023, an IRA owner may make a one-time gift up to \$50,000 (will be inflation adjusted) to a charitable remainder annuity trust, a charitable remainder unitrust, or a charitable gift annuity. The amount of the gift applies to the overall QCD funding limit for that year.

Please consult your tax advisor for guidance when electing a QCD as there may be additional factors that affect your situation.

<sup>2.</sup> Individuals born on January 1 of any year should refer to the full retirement age for the previous year.

### **Traditional IRA & Roth IRA Contribution Limits**

| Year | Maximum Contribution*                 | Catch-Up Age 50+* |
|------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 2023 | \$6,500 (will continue to be indexed) | \$1,000           |

<sup>\*</sup>The maximum contribution amount equals the lesser of \$6,500/\$7,500 or total earned income.

## **Traditional IRA Contribution Phase-Out**

IRA Deduction if You ARE Covered by a Retirement Plan at Work

| If Your Filing Status Is                       | And Your Modified AGI Is                       | Then You Can Take  |  |
|--|--|--|--|
|  | \$73,000 or less                               | A full deduction up to the amount of your contribution limit |  |
| Single or Head of Household                    | More than \$73,000<br>but less than \$83,000   | A partial deduction  |  |
|  | \$83,000 or more                               | No deduction   |  |
|  | \$116,000 or less                              | A full deduction up to the amount of your contribution limit |  |
| Married Filing Jointly or Qualifying Widow(er) | More than \$116,000<br>but less than \$136,000 | A partial deduction  |  |
|  | \$136,000 or more                              | No deduction   |  |
| Manusia di Cilina di Cara anatala *            | Less than \$10,000                             | A partial deduction  |  |
| Married Filing Separately*                     | \$10,000 or more                               | No deduction   |  |

<sup>\*</sup>If you file separately and did not live with your spouse at any time during the year, your IRA deduction is determined under the "single" filing status.

IRA Deduction if You Are **NOT** Covered by a Retirement Plan at Work (deduction is limited only if your spouse IS covered by a retirement plan)

| If Your Filing Status Is   | And Your Modified AGI Is  | Then You Can Take  |
|--|---|--|
| Single, Head of Household, or Qualifying Widow(er)   | Any amount  | A full deduction up to the amount of your contribution limit |
| Married Filing Jointly or<br>Separately with a Spouse<br>Who is Not Covered<br>By a Plan at Work | Any amount  A full deduction up to the of your contribution limit |  |
| Married Filing Jointly   | \$218,000 or less   | A full deduction up to the amount of your contribution limit |
| with a Spouse Who is Covered By a Plan at Work   | More than \$218,000<br>but less than \$228,000                    | A partial deduction  |
|  | \$228,000 or more   | No deduction   |
| Married Filing Separately  | Less than \$10,000  | A partial deduction  |
| with a Spouse Who is<br>Covered By a Plan at Work*   | \$10,000 or more  | No deduction   |

<sup>\*</sup>If you file separately and did not live with your spouse at any time during the year, your IRA deduction is determined under the "single" filing status.

### **Roth IRA Contribution Phase-Out**

| Your Filing Status is                          | Full Contribution if Modified AGI is | Modified AGI<br>Phase-Out Range <sup>1</sup> | No Contribution if Modified AGI is |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Single or Head of Household                    | Less than \$138,000                  | \$138,000 but less<br>than \$153,000         | \$153,000 or more                  |
| Married Filing Jointly or Qualifying Widow(er) | Less than \$218,000                  | \$218,000 but less<br>than \$228,000         | \$228,000 or more                  |
| Married Filing Separately                      | N/A                                  | Less than \$10,000                           | \$10,000 or more                   |

<sup>1.</sup> If the individual's Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) for the taxable year is in the phase-out range, the maximum regular contribution for the taxable year is rounded up to the next multiple of \$10 and is not reduced below \$200.

#### Traditional IRA to Roth IRA Conversion

- There are no Adjusted Gross Income limits on the conversion of IRA and qualified plan assets to a Roth IRA.
- Any amount in a SEP or SIMPLE IRA may also be converted to a Roth IRA; however, a conversion from a SIMPLE IRA may be made only after the 2-year period beginning on the date the individual first participated in any SIMPLE IRA maintained by the individual's employer.
- The conversion is subject to income tax in the year of the conversion (reported on Form 8606), but is not subject to the 10% premature distribution penalty.
- Intra-plan Roth conversions from vested tax-deferred balances are available within qualified retirement plans (401(k), 403(b), 457) that provide a Roth option, when allowed by the plan's controlling document.

## **Employer-Sponsored Retirement Plans**

401(k)\*, 403(b)\*, and 457\* Salary Deferral Limits\*\*

| Year | Maximum Employee Deferral              | Catch-Up Age 50+ |
|------|--|------------------|
| 2023 | \$22,500 (will continue to be indexed) | \$7,500          |

<sup>\*</sup>The Maximum combined employee/employer contribution is \$66,000; \$73,500 with a catch-up contribution.

#### SIMPLE IRA\* Deferral Limits

| Year | Maximum Deferral                       | Catch-Up Age 50+ |  |
|------|--|------------------|--|
| 2023 | \$15,500 (will continue to be indexed) | \$3,500          |  |

<sup>\*</sup>Generally, employers must either match employee contributions dollar-for-dollar up to 3% of the employee's compensation or make a contribution of 2% of compensation for all eligible employees, whether participating or not.

### **SEP IRA Plans**

- The 2023 maximum contribution limit is the lesser of 25% of compensation\* or \$66,000.
- Minimum compensation for plan eligibility is \$750 in 2023 unless otherwise noted by the plan.
- Contributions may be made into a SEP plan through the filing date of the employer's tax return, including extensions.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Participation in concurrent multiple employer-sponsored retirement plans may incur limitations not addressed here. Participants should consult with their plan sponsors for additional details.

<sup>\*</sup>Compensation is limited to \$330,000 in 2023.

# **Education Funding**

| Funding<br>Source/Benefit                                  | Benefit  | Annual Limits  | Qualified Expenses  |
|--|--|--|---|
| Coverdell<br>Education Savings<br>Accounts <sup>1</sup>    | <ul> <li>Earnings are not taxed</li> <li>Tax-free withdrawals for qualified expenses</li> </ul>  | Maximum 2023<br>contribution is \$2,000<br>(generally contributions<br>may be made until the<br>beneficiary turns 18) <sup>2</sup> | <ul> <li>Tuition &amp; mandatory fees</li> <li>Books, supplies, equipment</li> <li>Room &amp; board if at least half-time student</li> <li>Payments to 529 Plans</li> </ul>   |
| 529 Savings Plans <sup>1</sup>                             | <ul> <li>Earnings are not taxed</li> <li>Tax-free withdrawals for qualified expenses</li> <li>State income tax deduction in some states, including VA</li> </ul> | Maximum contribution<br>is determined by each<br>state's plan <sup>3</sup><br>VA: \$550,000<br>NC: \$540,000                       | <ul> <li>Tuition &amp; mandatory fees</li> <li>Room &amp; board if at least half-time student</li> <li>K-12 tuition, public or private, up to \$10,000 annually</li> <li>Fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for participation in a certified apprenticeship program</li> <li>Principal and interest of a qualified education loan of a designated beneficiary or sibling of beneficiary, not to exceed a lifetime limit of \$10,000</li> </ul> |
| Traditional, Roth,<br>SEP, and SIMPLE<br>IRAs <sup>4</sup> | No 10% premature<br>distribution penalty<br>if used for qualified<br>expenses  | N/A²   | <ul> <li>Tuition &amp; mandatory fees</li> <li>Books, supplies, equipment</li> <li>Room &amp; board if at least half-time student</li> </ul>  |
| Education Savings<br>Bond Program <sup>1</sup>             | Interest used for qualified expenses is not taxed  | N/A  | Tuition & mandatory fees     Payments to 529 Plans &     Coverdell ESAs   |
| Student Loan<br>Interest                                   | Interest is tax<br>deductible  | Maximum deduction is<br>\$2,500 per year   | N/A   |
| American Opportunity Credit/Hope Scholarship Credit        | Credits directly offset<br>the amount of federal<br>tax due  | Maximum credit is<br>\$2,500 per student   | Tuition & mandatory fees Books, supplies, equipment   |
| Lifetime Learning<br>Credit                                | 12A 900  | Maximum credit is<br>\$2,000 per family  | Tuition & mandatory fees  |

<sup>1.</sup> Any non-taxable withdrawal is limited to the amount of qualifying education expenses.

<sup>2.</sup> Income limits apply at the time of contribution. They are not relevant for withdrawals.

<sup>3.</sup> Contributions are subject to federal gift tax rules.

<sup>4.</sup> Normal income tax rules apply on withdrawals.

# **Education Funding** (continued)

| Funding<br>Source/Benefit   | Qualified Education   | Other Conditions  | Income Phase-Out   |  |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| Coverdell<br>Education Savings<br>Accounts <sup>1,4</sup>                 | Curdon IV 12 on doll  | <ul> <li>Can contribute to<br/>Coverdell ESA and 529<br/>Plan in the same year</li> <li>Must withdraw assets by<br/>age 30</li> </ul>   | Single: \$95,000-\$110,000<br>Joint: \$190,000-\$220,000 |  |
| 529 Savings Plans <sup>1</sup>  | Grades K-12 and all<br>undergraduate and<br>graduate                                  | <ul> <li>Distributions are excluded from gross income</li> <li>American Opportunity and Lifetime Learning Credits are permitted in the same year but not for the same expenses</li> </ul> | No Phase-Out   |  |
| Traditional, Roth,<br>SEP, and SIMPLE<br>IRAs <sup>2</sup>                |   | N/A   |  |  |
| Education Savings<br>Bond Program <sup>1</sup>                            | All undergraduate and graduate  | Applies only to qualified<br>series EE bonds and series I<br>bonds issued after 1989  | Single: \$91,850-\$106,850<br>Joint: \$137,800-\$167,800 |  |
| Student Loan<br>Interest  |   | Must have been at least<br>half-time student in a degree<br>program   | Single: \$75,000-\$90,000<br>Joint: \$155,000-\$185,000  |  |
| American<br>Opportunity<br>Credit/Hope<br>Scholarship Credit <sup>4</sup> | First four years of undergraduate   | <ul> <li>Can be claimed only for four years</li> <li>Must be enrolled at least half-time in a degree program</li> </ul>   | Single: \$80,000-\$90,000<br>Joint: \$160,000-\$180,000  |  |
| Lifetime Learning<br>Credit <sup>4</sup>                                  | All post-secondary<br>education when<br>American Opportunity<br>Credit is unavailable | Undergraduate, graduate, and job skills courses   | Single: \$80,000-\$90,000<br>Joint: \$160,000-\$180,000  |  |

<sup>1.</sup> Any non-taxable withdrawal is limited to the amount of qualifying education expenses.

<sup>2.</sup> Normal income tax rules apply on withdrawals.

<sup>3.</sup> Income limits apply at the time of contribution. They are not relevant for withdrawals.

<sup>4.</sup> Phase-out ranges based on latest version of IRS Publication 970 as of January 2023.

### Gift & Estate Taxes

For gifts made in 2023, the annual exclusion amount is \$17,000. For larger "taxable" gifts made during 2023, the credit against the gift tax imposed on U.S. citizens or residents effectively exempts the first \$12,920,000 of cumulative transfers from federal gift and Generation Skipping Transfer (GST) taxes. Assets gifted have a "carry-over" cost basis equal to the lesser of the original owner's basis or the market value on the date of the gift.

The credit (referred to as an exclusion) for estates of individuals dying in 2023 effectively exempts \$12,920,000 from estate and generation skipping transfer taxation. Assets in an estate acquire a cost basis equal to the value on the date of estate valuation, often referred to as a "stepped-up" basis.

Since 2019, the estate and gift tax exclusion has been made "portable," meaning the estate of a deceased spouse can elect to make any unused portion of the deceased spouse's exclusion available to the surviving spouse to be used during his or her lifetime or at death.

### **Annual Gift Tax Exclusion**

The annual gift tax exclusion for 2023 is \$17,000. Direct payments of post-secondary education or medical costs to institutions or providers do not count against the annual gift tax exclusion. Gifts larger than the annual exclusion are subject to taxation or the estate tax exclusion.

There is a special provision that allows a contributor to accelerate five years of gifting when funding a 529 Savings Plan on behalf of a beneficiary. For example, an individual may currently contribute as much as \$85,000 (\$170,000 for a married couple) in a given year to a 529 Plan, instead of waiting to contribute \$17,000 in each of the five years. This uses the individual's annual gifting exclusion to that beneficiary for five years and requires a gift tax filing, although no gift taxes would be due.

### **Kiddie Tax**

The Kiddie Tax rules apply to the unearned income of dependent individuals under age 19 and all dependent, full-time students under age 24. In 2023, a child's unearned income over the exemption of \$2,500 will be subject to tax at the parent's marginal tax rate.

# **Long-Term Care Premium Deduction**

Self-employed individuals - including sole proprietors, partners, and more than 2% shareholders of S corporations - may deduct, as a business expense, up to 100% of eligible premiums paid for qualified longterm care plans. Such payments are not imputed income to the insured. Individual taxpayers who itemize deductions may be able to deduct the lesser of the actual long-term care premiums paid or the eligible long-term care premium amounts listed below as part of total medical expenses. This deduction is subject to age-based limits, which are adjusted annually based on increases in the medical care component of the Consumer Price Index.

| Premium Deduction Limits | 2023   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| 40 or younger            | \$ 480 |
| 41 - 50                  | 890    |
| 51 - 60                  | 1,790  |
| 61 - 70                  | 4,770  |
| 71 and older             | 5,960  |

Generally, a C corporation may deduct, as a business expense, all qualified long-term care premiums paid for employees, their spouses and dependents without application of the above limits. Such payments are not included as imputed income to the insured. These benefits may be offered to select individuals and do not have to be made available to all employees. Benefits paid by the insurance company to an insured are tax-free under all circumstances.

### 2023 Medicare Part B Premium Costs

Medicare participants share a portion of costs through premiums or surcharges paid on Medicare Parts B and D. For 2023, the basic Part B premium cost for most participants will be \$164.90 per month; however, some participants may continue to pay less than \$164.90 per month for Part B premiums due to protections in place for lower income individuals.

Additionally, individuals with 2021 Modified Adjusted Gross Income above certain thresholds may pay premiums in excess of \$164.90 per month. The chart below shows 2023 monthly premium costs for increasing levels of Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI = Adjusted Gross Income plus tax exempt interest, series EE bond interest used for education, less foreign earned income).

| Filing Individually |                   | Filing Jointly |                        | Premium Costs      |                      |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 2021 Modifie        | d AGI was:        | 2021 Modifie   | 2021 Modified AGI was: |                    | Part D               |
| > than              | < than or<br>= to | > than         | < than or<br>= to      | Monthly<br>Premium | Monthly<br>Surcharge |
| \$0                 | \$97,000          | \$0            | \$194,000              | \$164.90           | \$O                  |
| 97,000              | 123,000           | 194,000        | 246,000                | 230.80             | 12.20                |
| 123,000             | 153,000           | 246,000        | 306,000                | 329.70             | 31.50                |
| 153,000             | 183,000           | 306,000        | 366,000                | 428.60             | 50.70                |
| 183,000             | 500,000           | 366,000        | 750,000                | 527.50             | 70.00                |
| 500,000             |                   | 750,000        |                        | 560.50             | 76.40                |

## **Taxable Equivalent Yields**

| Federal    | Tax-Free Yield (%)           |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
|------------|------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Income Tax | 1.00                         | 1.50 | 2.00 | 2.50 | 3.00 | 3.50 | 4.00 | 4.50 | 5.00 | 5.50 | 6.00  |
| Bracket    | Taxable-Equivalent Yield (%) |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| 10%        | 1.11                         | 1.67 | 2.22 | 2.78 | 3.33 | 3.89 | 4.44 | 5.00 | 5.56 | 6.11 | 6.67  |
| 12%        | 1.14                         | 1.70 | 2.27 | 2.84 | 3.41 | 3.98 | 4.55 | 5.11 | 5.68 | 6.25 | 6.82  |
| 22%        | 1.28                         | 1.92 | 2.56 | 3.21 | 3.85 | 4.49 | 5.13 | 5.77 | 6.41 | 7.05 | 7.69  |
| 24%        | 1.32                         | 1.97 | 2.63 | 3.29 | 3.95 | 4.61 | 5.26 | 5.92 | 6.58 | 7.24 | 7.89  |
| 27.8%*     | 1.39                         | 2.08 | 2.77 | 3.46 | 4.16 | 4.85 | 5.54 | 6.23 | 6.93 | 7.62 | 8.31  |
| 32%        | 1.47                         | 2.21 | 2.94 | 3.68 | 4.41 | 5.15 | 5.88 | 6.62 | 7.35 | 8.09 | 8.82  |
| 35.8%*     | 1.56                         | 2.34 | 3.12 | 3.89 | 4.67 | 5.45 | 6.23 | 7.01 | 7.79 | 8.57 | 9.35  |
| 38.8%*     | 1.63                         | 2.45 | 3.27 | 4.08 | 4.90 | 5.72 | 6.54 | 7.35 | 8.17 | 8.99 | 9.80  |
| 40.8%*     | 1.69                         | 2.53 | 3.38 | 4.22 | 5.07 | 5.91 | 6.76 | 7.60 | 8.45 | 9.29 | 10.14 |

<sup>\*</sup>Tax brackets under current legislation are 10%, 12%, 22%, 24%, 32%, 35% and 37%. In addition, there is a 3.8% investment income surtax on single filers who have Modified AGI greater than \$200,000 and married couples filing jointly who have MAGI greater than \$250,000. This leads to potential marginal tax brackets of 27.8%, 35.8%, 38.8% and 40.8%.

An individual in the highest tax bracket would have to purchase a taxable investment yielding more than 5.07% to outperform a 3% tax-free investment.

## Uniform Lifetime Table (Partial)

The Uniform Lifetime Table is used by unmarried owners, married owners whose spouses are not more than 10 years younger, and married owners whose spouses are not the sole beneficiary of the IRAs to calculate Required Minimum Distribution. This table is not used for Inherited or Beneficiary IRAs.

The table below is based on the current draft provided by the IRS. Check with your tax professional for the latest table.

| Age of IRA<br>Owner or Plan<br>Participant<br>(73 to 87) | Life<br>Expectancy<br>(in years) | Age of IRA<br>Owner or Plan<br>Participant<br>(88 to 102) | Life<br>Expectancy<br>(in years) |
|--|----------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 73   | 26.5                             | 88  | 13.7                             |
| 74   | 25.5                             | 89  | 12.9                             |
| 75   | 24.6                             | 90  | 12.2                             |
| 76   | 23.7                             | 91  | 11.5                             |
| 77   | 22.9                             | 92  | 10.8                             |
| 78   | 22.0                             | 93  | 10.1                             |
| 79   | 21.1                             | 94  | 9.5                              |
| 80   | 20.2                             | 95  | 8.9                              |
| 81   | 19.4                             | 96  | 8.4                              |
| 82   | 18.5                             | 97  | 7.8                              |
| 83   | 17.7                             | 98  | 7.3                              |
| 84   | 16.8                             | 99  | 6.8                              |
| 85   | 16.0                             | 100   | 6.4                              |
| 86   | 15.2                             | 101   | 6.0                              |
| 87   | 14.4                             | 102   | 5.6                              |

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