



Wealth Advisors,
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2018 Planning Guide

Tax Brackets for 2018

Married Filing Jointly	
\$0 - \$19,050	10.0%
\$19,050 - \$77,400	12.0%
\$77,400 - \$165,000	22.0%
\$165,000 - \$315,000	24.0%
\$315,000 - \$400,000	32.0%
\$400,000 - \$600,000	35.0%
Over \$600,000	37.0%

Head of Household

\$0 - \$13,600	10.0%
\$13,600 - \$51,800	12.0%
\$51,800 - \$82,500	22.0%
\$82,500 - \$157,500	24.0%
\$157,500 - \$200,000	32.0%
\$200,000 - \$500,000	35.0%
Over \$500,000	37.0%

Single

\$0 - \$9,525	10.0%
\$9,525 - \$38,700	12.0%
\$38,700 - \$82,500	22.0%
\$82,500 - \$157,500	24.0%
\$157,500 - \$200,000	32.0%
\$200,000 - \$500,000	35.0%
Over \$500,000	37.0%

Estates and Trusts

\$0 - \$2,550	10.0%
\$2,550 - \$9,150	24.0%
\$9,150 - \$12,500	35.0%
Over \$12,500	37.0%

Other Tax Related Information

Long-term capital gains & qualified dividends	
Married Filing Jointly	
\$0 - \$77,200	0.0%
\$77,200 - \$479,000	15.0%
Over \$479,000	20.0%

Head of Household	
\$0 - \$51,700	0.0%
\$51,700 - \$452,400	15.0%
Over \$452,400	20.0%

Single	
\$0 - \$38,600	0.0%
\$38,600 - \$425,800	15.0%
Over \$425,800	20.0%

Standard Deduction

Married filing jointly	\$24,000
Head of Household	\$18,000
Single	\$12,000

Additional Medicare tax where income exceeds \$200,000, or \$250,000

Additional tax on excess earned income	0.9%
Additional tax on net investment income	3.8%

Gift and Estate Tax

Gift tax annual exclusion	\$15,000
Top estate/gift tax rate	40.0%
Estate tax exemption	\$11,200,000
Gift tax exemption	\$11,200,000
Generation-skipping tax exemption	\$11,200,000

Retirement

IRA and Roth contributions

Under age 50	\$5,500
Age 50 and over	\$6,500

Phase-out for deducting IRA contributions for qualified plan participants

Married filing jointly	\$101,000 - \$121,000 MAGI
Head of Household or Single	\$63,000 - \$73,000 MAGI
Spousal IRA	\$189,000 - \$199,000 MAGI

Phase-out for Roth IRA contribution eligibility

Married filing jointly	\$189,000 - \$199,000 MAGI
Head of Household or Single	\$120,000 - \$135,000 MAGI

SEP IRA contributions

Up to 25% of compensation	\$55,000
Earnings to participate in SEP IR	\$600

Qualified plan contributions

401(k), 403(b), 457, SARSEP	\$18,500
Age 50 and over	\$24,500
Total contributions from both employee and employer	
Under age 50	\$55,000
Age 50 and over	\$61,000

Simple IRA contributions

Under age 50	\$12,500
Age 50 and over	\$15,500

Health Savings Account contribution limits

Individual	\$3,450
Family	\$6,900
Catch-up for ages 55 and older	\$1,000

Social Security

Taxable wage base and tax rate

Wage base	\$128,400
Tax rate	6.20%

Taxability of Social Security benefits

Married filing jointly	
50% taxable	\$32,000 - \$44,000 MAGI
85% taxable	over \$44,000 MAGI
Head of Household or Single	
50% taxable	\$25,000 - \$34,000 MAGI
85% taxable	over \$34,000 MAGI

Retirement earnings test

Earnings before full retirement age	\$17,040 yr
* \$1 in benefits will be withheld for every \$2 in earnings above the limit	

Medicare

Taxable wage base and tax rate

Wage base	no limit
Tax rate	1.45%

Medicare Part B premiums by income

[Based off MAGI from 2 years ago (2016)]

Married filing jointly	
\$0 - \$170,000	monthly \$134.00
\$170,000 - \$214,000	\$187.50
\$214,000 - \$267,000	\$267.90
\$267,000 - \$320,000	\$348.30
\$320,000 and above	\$428.60
Head of Household or Single	
\$0 - \$85,000	monthly \$134.00
\$85,000 - \$107,000	\$187.50
\$107,000 - \$133,500	\$267.90
\$133,500 - \$160,000	\$348.30
\$160,000 and above	\$428.60

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Uniform Lifetime Table

Required Distributions for Retirement Accounts

Age	Distribution Factor	% of Account Value
70	27.4	3.65%
71	26.5	3.77%
72	25.6	3.91%
73	24.7	4.05%
74	23.8	4.20%
75	22.9	4.37%
76	22.0	4.55%
77	21.2	4.72%
78	20.3	4.93%
79	19.5	5.13%
80	18.7	5.35%
81	17.9	5.59%
82	17.1	5.85%
83	16.3	6.13%
84	15.5	6.45%
85	14.8	6.76%
86	14.1	7.09%
87	13.4	7.46%
88	12.7	7.87%
89	12.0	8.33%
90	11.4	8.77%
91	10.8	9.26%
92	10.2	9.80%
93	9.6	10.42%
94	9.1	10.99%
95	8.6	11.63%
96	8.1	12.35%
97	7.6	13.16%
98	7.1	14.08%
99	6.7	14.93%
100	6.3	15.87%

Current tax year distributions are based off the year-end value from the previous year. For accurate distributions, use the distribution factor. Please make sure the uniform life table is correct table to compute required distributions.

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Social Security Claiming Strategies

	Currently Married		Unmarried Divorced Spouse		Surviving Spouse		Individual
	File & Suspend	Restricted Application	File & Suspend	Restricted Application	File & Suspend	Restricted Application	File & Suspend
Born May 1, 1950 or earlier	No longer available	Still available	Not applicable	Still available, ex-spouse must be 62 or older	Not affected by new rules		No longer available
Born January 1, 1954 or earlier	Not eligible						No lump-sum reinstatements
Born January 2, 1954 or later		Not eligible					No lump-sum reinstatements

File & Suspend: Allows participant to file for their benefit and immediately suspend payments. This allows their spouse to claim a spousal benefit based on participant's record. Participant's benefit will continue to earn delayed retirement credits, and a larger benefit can be taken at a later date.

Restricted Application: Allows participant to restrict their application for benefits to just a spousal benefit. This allows their benefit to earn delayed retirement credits, and a larger benefit can be taken at a later date.

File & Suspend and Restricted Application strategies can only be completed at or after full retirement age except for surviving spouses.

Social Security Full Retirement Age

Year of Birth	Full Retirement Age
1943 - 1954	66
1955	66 & 2 months
1956	66 & 4 months
1957	66 & 6 months
1958	66 & 8 months
1959	66 & 10 months
1960 & later	67

Albion Financial's Learning Center

Albion Financial's Learning Center has a wide array of financial information, including our age-based checklists.

- 20's Checklist
- 30's + 40's Checklist
- 50's Checklist
- 60's Checklist

These lists can help you make a series of good financial decisions at any stage of life.

Utah Educational Savings 529 Plan for Utah Taxpayer

Tax Filing Status	Single	Joint	Joint	Joint
Number of UESP Beneficiaries	1	1	2	3
Contributions to each Account to Maximize State Tax Credit	\$1,960	\$3,920	\$3,920	\$3,920
2018 Tax Credit	\$98	\$196	\$392	\$588