



INCOME TAX TAX CREDITS

Single person or separated spouse	€1,830	
Married person – jointly assessed	€3,660	
Widowed person – with dependent children	€1,830	
Widowed person – without dependent children	€2,430	
One parent family allowance		
* (i) Widowed person	€1,830	
* (ii) Other persons	€1,830	
Age allowance – 65 years or more		
Single/widowed	€325	
Married	€650	
Incapacitated Child Credit	€3,660	
PAYE Credit	€1,830	
** Home Carer's Credit (max)	€900	
Dependant Relative Credit	€80	
Rent Relief		
Single	Under 55	Over 55
Married/widowed	€400	€800
Blind allowances – one/both spouse(s) blind	€800	€1,600
* additional child allowances available for five years after year of bereavement.	€1,830/€3,660	
	€2,000 - €4,000	

** if maximum credit is to be obtained, the income of the home-carer must **not** exceed €5,080 in the year. A reduced credit applies if the income of the home carer is between €5,080 and €6,880.

RATES

Single/widowed	Married (one spouse working)	Married (both spouses working)
At 20%** First €36,400	First €45,400	*** First €45,400
At 20%	-	Plus €27,400
At 41% Balance	Balance	Balance

** the standard rate band will be widened to €40,400 for a single or widowed person with dependent children and who qualifies for the one-parent family tax credit.

*** the standard rate band for a married couple both with income is €45,400 subject to an increase of up to €27,400. The increase will be the lower of €27,400 or the amount of income of the spouse with the lower income – this increase is **not** transferable between spouses.

EXEMPTION LIMITS

Age	Single/widowed	Married
65 and over	€20,000	€40,000
Rate for marginal relief 40%		
The exemption limits are increased by €575 for the first and second qualifying child and by €830 for the third and subsequent qualifying child.		

BENEFITS-IN-KIND (BIK)

Employers are obliged to compute the amount of an employee's BIK and deduct PAYE/PRSI payable on all benefits from the employee's salary at each payday. Where an employer provides an employee with a small non-cash benefit not exceeding an amount of €250, the benefit is exempt. Only one such benefit will be exempt each year.

Cars

Where a company car is made available for private use, the employee is chargeable to PAYE/PRSI in respect of that use. The amount chargeable to PAYE/PRSI is "Original Market Value" (OMV) multiplied by the following percentages.

Annual business mileage

Threshold (km)	Cash equivalent (% of OMV)
24,000 or less	30%
24,001 to 32,000	24%
32,001 to 40,000	18%
40,001 to 48,000	12%
48,001 and over	6%

Preferential loans

Specified rate for home loans	5%
Specified rate for other loans	12.5%

Share options

An income tax liability arises on the BIK arising on the exercise of a share option. The benefit is the difference between the market value of the shares on the date of exercise and the price paid for the shares. The income tax is due 30 days after exercise.

HEALTH EXPENSES

Qualifying expenses are those which are not reimbursed by a medical insurer or the HSE. Other than certain nursing home expenses relief is given at 20%.

PRSI/LEVIES – CONTRIBUTION RATES

Class A (most employees)

Income	Employer*	Employee
Up to €75,036	10.75%	8% (includes 4% health contribution)
Over €100,100	10.75%	5% (health contribution)

*Reduced rate of 8.5% if income is under €356 per week.

The first €127 per week is free of PRSI for employees. Employees earning €352 per week or less will be exempt from PRSI and those earning €500 per week or less will be exempt from the health contribution.

Class S (Self-employed)

Income	Rate
All income up to €75,036	7% (includes 4% health contribution)
Over €75,036	8% (includes 5% health contribution)

Self-employed persons are exempt from health contributions where annual income is €26,000 or less. Minimum contribution otherwise is €253.

Income levy thresholds	Rate
Income up to €75,036	2%
Next €99,944	4%
Excess over €174,980	6%

STAMP DUTY

Aggregate consideration	Residential		Non-residential property	
	First time owner occupier	Others		
€0 - €125,000	Exempt	Exempt	€0 - €10,000	0%
Next €875,000	Exempt	7%	€10,001 - €20,000	1%
Over €1,000,000	Exempt	9%	€20,001 - €30,000	2%
			€30,001 - €40,000	3%
			€40,001 - €70,000	4%
			€70,001 - €80,000	5%
			Over €80,000	6%

CAPITAL GAINS TAX (CGT)

Flat rate	25%
Exemption limits per individual	First €1,270
Retirement Relief exemption limit	€750,000
CGT payment dates are as follows:	
Chargeable gains made on or before 30 November 2010	15 December 2010
Chargeable gains made in the period from 1 December 2010 to 31 December 2010	31 January 2011

CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS TAX (CAT)

Exempt threshold

- €414,799 Child, minor child of a deceased child or inheritance by parent
- €41,481 Lineal ancestor, lineal descendant, brother, sister or a child of brother or sister of the disposer
- €20,740 Any other relationship
- Gifts and inheritances between spouses are exempt from CAT

A single tax rate of 25% applies on the balance over the threshold amount. This applies to gifts and inheritances. There is an exemption from CAT for the transfer of a private residence in certain circumstances. There is a provision to reduce the taxable amount of certain gifts and inheritances where they consist of agricultural property or certain business assets.

CORPORATION TAX

*Manufacturing income	Trading income	**Other income	Residential land profits other capital gains
10%	12.5%	25%	25%

*Includes companies deemed to be manufacturing and operating pre-July 1998. Rate available until 2010 only.

**Additional surcharge of 20% in certain cases.

DIVIDEND WITHHOLDING TAX

A withholding at the standard income tax rate should be deducted from dividends paid by an Irish tax resident company, subject to certain exemptions.

CAPITAL ALLOWANCES

Wear and tear capital allowances

Plant & machinery	Motor vehicles	Industrial buildings
12.5% per annum	12.5% per annum	4% per annum

Maximum allowable capital cost for new and second hand private vehicles is €24,000. From 1 July 2008 any expenditure incurred on new private vehicles used for business purposes will have the capital allowances linked to the CO₂ emission level of the vehicles.

VALUE ADDED TAX (VAT)

Rates	21%	13.5%	5.2%	4.8%	0%
Registration limits	€75,000 (goods) €37,500 (services)				
Limit for cash receipts basis	€1,000,000				
The 4.8% VAT rate for supply of livestock still applies even though the 'flat-rate' farmer addition is 5.2%.					

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