

# Essential Financial Figures Key Information and Financial Data for 2018

#### **Important Dates & Deadlines**

| Date     | Importance   |
|----------|--|
| Jan 16   | Due date for 4th installment of last year's taxes.                       |
| Jan 29   | Date IRS will begin accepting returns.                                   |
| April 17 | 2017 contribution deadline for Health Savings Accounts (HSAs).           |
| April 17 | Deadline to correct excess contributions to IRA and/or qualified plans.  |
| April 17 | 2017 contribution deadline for Roth IRA, Traditional IRA.                |
| April 17 | 2017 contribution deadline for Keogh, SEP.                               |
| April 17 | "Tax Day" - Deadline to file or to request extension.                    |
| April 18 | First installment of estimated taxes due for 2018.                       |
| June 15  | Second installment of estimated taxes due for 2018.                      |
| Sept 17  | Third installment of estimated taxes due for 2018.                       |
| Oct 15   | Deadline to file taxes for those to requested extension.                 |
| Oct 15   | Deadline to re-characterize a 2017 Roth conversion or IRA contribution.  |
| Dec 31   | 2018 employee contribution deadline for employer-sponsored 401(k) plans. |
| Dec 31   | Deadline for itemized deduction expense payments.                        |
| Dec 31   | Deadline to complete capital loss or gain transaction.                   |
| Dec 31   | Deadline to establish/fund a 2018 Solo 401(k).                           |
| Dec 31   | Deadline to establish a 2018 Keogh plan.                                 |

### **Alternative Minimum Tax Exemptions**

| Filing Status             | Exemption<br>Amount | Exemption Amount<br>Phases Out At | 28% Tax Rate Applies<br>For Income Over |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Single                    | \$70,300            | \$500,000                         | \$191,500                               |
| Married Filing Jointly    | \$109,400           | \$1,000,000                       | \$191,500                               |
| Married Filing Separately | \$54,700            | N.A.                              | \$95,750                                |
| Qualifying Widow(er)s     | \$109,400           | \$1,000,000                       | \$191,500                               |
| Trusts, Estates           | \$24,600            | \$82,050                          | \$191,500                               |

#### **Education Deductions, Credits**

## Estimated Income Tax Brackets and Rates

| Rate | Single                 | Married Joint          | Head of Household      |
|------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 10%  | \$0 to \$9,525         | \$0 to \$19,050        | \$0 to \$13,600        |
| 12%  | \$9,525 to \$38,700    | \$19,050 to \$77,400   | \$13,600 to \$51,800   |
| 22%  | \$38,700 to \$82,500   | \$77,400 to \$165,000  | \$51,800 to \$82,500   |
| 24%  | \$82,500 to \$157,500  | \$165,000 to \$315,000 | \$82,500 to \$157,500  |
| 32%  | \$157,500 to \$200,000 | \$315,000 to \$400,000 | \$157,500 to \$200,000 |
| 35%  | \$200,000 to \$500,000 | \$400,000 to \$600,000 | \$200,000 to \$500,000 |
| 37%  | \$500,000+             | \$600,000+             | \$500,000+             |

## Standard Deductions

| Filing Status          | Standard Deduction |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Single                 | \$12,000           |
| Head of Household      | \$18,000           |
| Married Filing Jointly | \$24,000           |

ADDITIONAL DEDUCTIONS: If you are over age 65 or blind, you can claim an additional \$1,600 deduction if single, \$1,300 if married.

Note: Personal exemptions eliminated 2018 through 2025 as part of the Tax Cuts & Jobs Act (TCJA)

#### Qualified Dividends and Long-Term Capital Gains

**Taxable Income** 

| Gains | Income Tax (NIIT) |           |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|
| Rate  | Filing<br>Status  | Thr<br>An |
|       |                   |           |

3.8% Net Investment

| 10% Tax Bracket       | n/a | Single                    | \$200,000 |
|-----------------------|-----|---------------------------|-----------|
| 15% Tax Bracket       | n/a | Head of Household         | \$200,000 |
| 25% Tax Bracket       | 15% | Married Filing Jointly    | \$250,000 |
| 28% - 35% Tax Bracket | 15% | Married Filing Separately | \$125,000 |
| 39.6% Tax Bracket     | 20% | Qualifying Widow(er) **   | \$250,000 |

\* With Qualifying Person \*\* With Dependent Child

|                                 | Benefit   | Income Phase-Outs Begin at  |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
| Education Savings Bond Program  | Cash in bonds tax-free (limited to amount of qualified expenses)                          | \$78,150 MAGI <sup></sup> (or \$117,250 MAGI if married filing jointly) |
| American Opportunity Tax Credit | Credit of \$2,500 (max) per eligible student  | \$80,000 MAGI (or \$160,000 MAGI if married filing jointly)             |
| Lifetime Learning Credit        | Credit of up to \$2,000 **  | \$65,000 MAGI (or \$131,000 MAGI if married filing jointly)****         |
| Coverdell Savings Account       | Tax-Free earnings for qualified education expenses<br>(contribute up to \$2,000 annually) | \$110,000 MAGI (or \$220,000 MAGI if married filing jointly)            |

\* If credit brings tax you owe to \$0, you can have 40% of remaining amount of the credit (up to \$1,000) refunded.

\*\* The amount of the credit is 20 percent of the first \$10,000 of qualified education expenses. \*\*\* Modified Adjusted Gross Income \*\*\*\* If MAGI is between \$55-65K (\$111-131K, MFJ) your credit is reduced.

#### **Estate Tax Rates**

| Amount of<br>Taxable Estate | Estate Tax<br>Amount | Plus This % on Amount in<br>Excess of Lower Limit |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|---|
| \$0 - \$10,000              | \$0                  | 18%   |
| \$10,000 - \$20,000         | \$1,800              | 20%   |
| \$20,000 - \$40,000         | \$3,800              | 22%   |
| \$40,000 - \$60,000         | \$8,200              | 24%   |
| \$60,000 - \$80,000         | \$13,000             | 26%   |
| \$80,000 - \$100,000        | \$18,200             | 28%   |
| \$100,000 - \$150,000       | \$23,800             | 30%   |
| \$150,000 - \$250,000       | \$38,800             | 32%   |
| \$250,000 - \$500,000       | \$70,800             | 34%   |
| \$500,000 - \$750,000       | \$155,800            | 37%   |
| \$750,000 - \$1,000,000     | \$248,300            | 39%   |
| \$1,000,000 +               | \$345,800            | 40%   |

## Estate and Gift Tax Exclusions, Exemptions

|  | Amount       |
|--|--------------|
| Unified Estate and Gift Tax Exclusion            | \$11,200,000 |
| Generation-Skipping Transfer (GST) Tax Exemption | \$11,200,000 |
| Annual Exclusion Amount (AEA) for Gifts          | \$15,000     |
| AEA for Gifts to non-U.S. Citizen Spouse         | \$152,000    |

## Social Security

| Maximum Possible Monthly Benefit (Est.)                                    | \$2,788  |  |
|--|--|--|
| Full Retirement Age (Depending on Year Born)                               | 65-67  |  |
| Retirement Earnings Exempt Amounts<br>Based on Normal Retirement Age (NRA) | \$17,040/yr under NRA<br>\$45,360/yr NRA reached |  |
| Based on Normal Retirement Age (NRA)                                       | No limit after NRA                               |  |

# Social Security Taxable Benefits

| Provisional<br>Income | S.S. Amount<br>Subject to Tax   |
|-----------------------|---|
| \$0 - \$25,000        | \$0   |
| \$25,000 - \$34,000   | Up to 50%   |
| \$34,000 +            | Up to 85%   |
| \$0 - \$32,000        | \$0   |
| \$32,000 - \$44,000   | Up to 50%   |
| \$44,000 +            | Up to 85%   |
| \$0 +                 | Up to 85%   |
|                       | Income*<br>\$0 - \$25,000<br>\$25,000 - \$34,000<br>\$34,000 +<br>\$0 - \$32,000<br>\$32,000 - \$44,000<br>\$44,000 + |

\* Provisional income is derived by adding the individual's Adjusted Gross Income, tax-free interest, fifty percent of Social Security benefits, and any other tax-free benefits. \*\* Also married filing separately and living apart from spouse.

#### Data collected as available by January 8, 2018

## Retirement Plan Contribution Limits

|                             |                  | Contribution<br>Limit | Catch-Up<br>Contribution <sup>®</sup> Limit       |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 401(k), 403(b), 457, Thrift | Savings Plan*    | \$18,500              | \$6,000   |
| IRA and Roth IRA            | contributions    | \$5,500               | \$1,000   |
|                             | SIMPLE IRA       | \$12,500              | \$3,000   |
|                             | Solo 401(k)      | \$55,000              | \$6,000   |
| Simplified Emp              | loyee Pension    | \$55,000              | \$6,000   |
| Income Limits               |                  |                       | g employer contributions.<br>or workers 55+.      |
| Limit or Ph<br>for Individu |                  |                       | Limit or Phase-Outs for<br>Married (Joint) Filers |
| Traditional IRA             | \$63,000 - 3     | \$73,000              | \$101,000 - \$121,000                             |
| Roth IRA                    | \$120,000 - 3    | \$135,000             | \$189,000 - \$199,000                             |
| Retirement Savers Credit"   | \$31,500 (\$47,2 | 250 if HOH)           | \$63,000  |

\* If one spouse has a workplace retirement account and the other doesn't, the other can claim the full deduction on their IRA contribution until couple's income exceeds \$189,000.

\*\* If the contributing spouse has access to a workplace retirement plan.

\*\*\*Per IRS, "The amount of the credit is 50%, 20% or 10% of your retirement plan or IRA contributions up to \$2,000 (\$4,000 if married filing jointly), depending on your adjusted gross income."

| Medicare Costs  |                       | Deductibles and Coinsurance   |          |  |
|---|-----------------------|---|----------|--|
|   | Premium               |   | Amount   |  |
| Part A  | \$422/month           | Part A Deductible (per benefit period)  | \$1,340  |  |
| Part B  | \$134/month"          | Coinsurance, Days 1-60  | \$0      |  |
| Part C  | Varies by plan        | Coinsurance, Days 61-90   | \$335'   |  |
| Part D  | Varies by plan/income | Coinsurance, Days 91+   | \$670"   |  |
| <sup>4</sup> If applicable.<br>You usually don't pay a premium for<br>Part A coverage if you or your spouse |                       | Part B Deductible (per year)  | \$183*** |  |
|   |                       | * Per day of each benefit period.   ** Per each "lifetime reserve<br>day" after day 90 for each benefit period (up to 60 days over your |          |  |

paid Medicare taxes while working. \*\* Or higher, determined by income \* Per day of each benefit period. | \*\* Per each "lifetime reserve day" after day 90 for each benefit period (up to 60 days over your lifetime). | \*\*\* After deductible is met, you typically pay 20% of the Medicare-approved amount for most doctor services.

#### Health Savings Accounts, High Deductible Health Plans

|   |                            | Individual              | Family  | Catch-Up<br>Contribution   |  |  |
|---|----------------------------|-------------------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|
| HSA Co  | ntribution Limit           | \$3,450                 | \$6,900   | \$1,000                    |  |  |
| HDHP Minim  | \$1,350                    | \$2,700                 | n/a   |                            |  |  |
| HDHP Max. Out-of-                                     | \$6.650                    | \$13,300                | n/a   |                            |  |  |
| ACA Out-of-Pocket L                                   | \$7,350                    | \$14,700                | n/a   |                            |  |  |
| Long-Term Care Deductibility Limits * Age 55 or older |                            |                         |   |                            |  |  |
| Age (Reached prior to close of tax year)              | Max. deduction<br>for year | Age (Read<br>to close o | ched prior<br>f tax year)   | Max. deduction<br>for year |  |  |
| Up to 40  | \$420                      | 60 -                    | 70  | \$4,160                    |  |  |
| 40 - 50   | \$780                      | 70                      | +   | \$5,200                    |  |  |
| 50 - 60   | \$1,560                    |                         | *Premiums for "qualified" LTC policies are tax<br>deductible to the extent that they along with |                            |  |  |

other unreimbursed medical expenses (including Medicare premiums), exceed 7.5% of the insured's adjusted gross income. (This applies retroactively to 2017.)

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