

# FASTTAXFACTS2009

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Welcome to our annual at-a-glance compilation of federal and state tax information. User-friendly tax rate schedules, facts, figures and assorted data make this time-saving section a handy companion. Keep it within arm's reach as you enter the upcoming busy season.

## 2009 TAX DATA SCHEDULE

	2009 Federal	2009 California		2009 Federal	2009 California
<b>Standard Deductions</b>			Single or Married Filing Separately if AGI is below \$34,412		60
Single	\$ 5,700	\$3,637	<b>IRC Section 179 Deduction</b>	\$250,000	\$25,000
Married Filing Jointly, Surviving Spouse	11,400	7,274	<b>Beginning of Personal Exemption Phaseout Range—Based on Federal AGI</b>		
Married Filing Separately	5,700	3,637	Single	\$166,800	\$160,739
Head of Household	8,350	7,274	Married Filing Jointly, Surviving Spouse	250,200	321,483
Additional for Age 65 and Older or Blind—Married	1,100		Married Filing Separately	125,100	160,739
Additional for Age 65 and Older or Blind—Unmarried (per individual for each situation, age or blind)	1,400		Head of Household	208,500	241,113
Additional Real Property Tax Standard Deduction—Married (2009 Only)	1,000		<b>Beginning of Itemized Deduction Phaseout Range—Based on Federal AGI</b>		
Additional Real Property Tax Standard Deduction—Unmarried (2009 Only)	500		Single	\$166,800	\$160,739
Taxpayer Claimed as a Dependent	950	800	Married Filing Jointly, Surviving Spouse	166,800	321,483
<b>Personal or Dependent Exemption</b> (Social Security Number required)	3,650		Married Filing Separately	83,400	160,739
<b>California Exemption Credits</b>			Head of Household	166,800	241,113
Single, Married Filing Separately, Head of Household		\$ 98	Rate Reduced over federal AGI limits	3%	6%
Married Filing Jointly, Surviving Spouse		196	<b>Schedule A Medical Deduction</b>		
Dependent		98	Based on federal AGI	7.5%	7.5%
Blind or Age 65 and Older		98	<b>Schedule A Miscellaneous Deduction</b>		
<b>Senior Head of Household Credit</b>			Based on federal AGI	2%	2%
2% of California taxable income, maximum California AGI of \$62,874 with maximum credit of		\$1,185	<b>Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) Rate</b>		
<b>Joint Custody Head of Household Credit and Dependent Parent Credit</b>			AMTI Less Exemption up to \$175,000	26%	
Each is 30% of net tax with maximum credit of		\$387	AMTI Less Exemption over \$175,000 (\$87,500 if Married Filing Separately)	28%	
<b>Child and Dependent Care Credit</b>			AMTI Less Exemption		7%
Percentage of federal credit for California AGI limits			<b>AMT Exemption Amounts</b>		
\$0–40,000		50%	Married Filing Jointly, Surviving Spouse	\$70,950	\$78,817
40,001–70,000		43%	Single, Head of Household	46,700	59,114
70,001–100,000		34%	Married Filing Separately	35,475	39,407
100,001 or more		0%	Estate or Trust	22,500	39,407
<b>California Renter's Credit</b>			<b>AMT Exemption Phaseout Amounts</b>		
Married Filing Jointly, Head of Household, Surviving Spouse if AGI is below \$68,824		\$120	Married Filing Jointly, Surviving Spouse	\$150,000	\$295,564
			Single, Head of Household	112,500	221,674
			Married Filing Separately, Estate or Trust	75,000	147,781
			<b>Self-Employed Health Insurance Premiums</b>		
			Adjustment for AGI, percentage of total qualifying health insurance premiums	100%	100%

## 2009 TAX DATA SCHEDULE

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### Auto Standard Mileage Allowances

Business	.55	.55
Charity work—general	.14	.14
Medical or moving	.24	.24

### U.S. Savings Bond Interest Exclusion Phaseout Based on Modified AGI

Joint Return, Surviving Spouse	\$104,900–134,900
All Other	69,950–84,950

### California SDI

Federal tax deduction*	
Annual wage limit	\$90,669
Rate	1.10%
Tax	997.36

\*Amounts paid to a voluntary program in lieu of the state programs are not deductible, but may be a credit on California return.

## 2009 FEDERAL TAX RATE SCHEDULE

Taxable Income Is Over	But Not Over	Pay	+	Of The Amount Over
<b>Single</b>				
\$0	\$8,350	\$0	10%	\$0
8,350	33,950	835.00	15%	8,350
33,950	82,250	4,675.00	25%	33,950
82,250	171,550	16,750.00	28%	82,250
171,550	372,950	41,754.00	33%	171,550
372,950	and more	108,216.00	35%	372,950

### Head of Household

\$0	\$11,950	\$0	10%	\$0
11,950	45,550	1,195.00	15%	11,950
45,550	117,450	6,227.50	25%	45,550
117,450	190,200	24,215.00	28%	117,450
190,200	372,950	44,585.00	33%	190,200
372,950	and more	104,892.50	35%	372,950

### Married Filing Jointly or Qualifying widow(er)

\$0	\$16,700	\$0	10%	\$0
16,700	67,900	1,670.00	15%	16,700
67,900	137,050	9,350.00	25%	67,900
137,050	208,850	26,637.50	28%	137,050
208,850	372,950	46,741.50	33%	208,850
372,950	and more	100,894.50	35%	372,950

### Married Filing Separately

\$0	\$8,350	\$0	10%	\$0
8,350	33,950	835.00	15%	8,350
33,950	68,525	4,675.00	25%	33,950
68,525	104,425	13,318.75	28%	68,525
104,425	186,475	23,370.75	33%	104,425
186,475	and more	50,447.25	35%	186,475

### Estate or Nongrantor Trust

\$0	\$2,300	\$0	15%	\$0
2,300	5,350	345.00	25%	2,300
5,350	8,200	1,107.50	28%	5,350
8,200	11,150	1,905.50	33%	8,200
11,150	and more	2,879.00	35%	11,150

## 2009 STATE TAX RATE SCHEDULE

### Single, Married Filing Separately, Fiduciary Return

\$0	\$7,060	\$0	1.25%	\$0
7,060	16,739	88.25	2.25%	7,060
16,739	26,419	306.03	4.25%	16,739
26,419	36,675	717.43	6.25%	26,419
36,675	46,349	1,358.43	8.25%	36,675
46,349	and more	2,156.54	9.55%	46,349

An additional 1% surcharge applies to taxable income in excess of \$1 million.

### Married Filing Jointly or Qualifying Widow(er)

\$0	\$14,120	\$0	1.25%	\$0
14,120	33,478	176.50	2.25%	14,120
33,478	52,838	612.06	4.25%	33,478
52,838	73,350	1,434.86	6.25%	52,838
73,350	92,698	2,716.86	8.25%	73,350
92,698	and more	4,313.07	9.55%	92,698

An additional 1% surcharge applies to taxable income in excess of \$1 million.

### Head of Household

\$0	\$14,130	\$0	1.25%	\$0
14,130	33,479	176.63	2.25%	14,130
33,479	43,157	611.98	4.25%	33,479
43,157	53,412	1,023.30	6.25%	43,157
53,412	63,089	1,664.24	8.25%	53,412
63,089	and more	2,462.59	9.55%	63,089

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## LUXURY AUTO LIMIT

Taxpayer leasing so-called "luxury" autos needs to add back an amount to income to offset the full deduction of the lease payments.

Year	First	Second	Third	Thereafter
2008 & 2009				
(Without 50% Bonus)	2,960	4,800	2,850	1,775
2008 & 2009				
(With 50% Bonus)	10,960	4,800	2,850	1,775

## SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE TAXES

	2008	2009
<b>Social Security Tax</b>		
Maximum wage base	\$102,000	\$106,800
Social Security rate—employee	6.2%	6.2%
Social Security rate—self-employed	12.4%	12.4%
<b>Medicare Tax</b>		
Maximum wage base	Unlimited	Unlimited
Medicare rate—employee	1.45%	1.45%
Medicare rate—self-employed	2.9%	2.9%

### Earned Income Ceilings for Social Security Benefits

Under full retirement age	\$13,560	\$14,160
Full retirement age	Unlimited	Unlimited
Monthly Medicare Part B Premium	\$96.40	\$96.40

**RETIREMENT PLAN LIMITATIONS**

	2008	2009
Maximum 401(k) or 403(b) Deferral	\$15,500	\$16,500
Maximum Defined Contribution Plan Contribution	46,000	49,000
Maximum Annual Benefit for Defined Benefit Plans	185,000	195,000
Annual Compensation Limit for Computing Plan Benefits	230,000	245,000
Annual Compensation Limit for the Definition of Highly Compensated Employee IRC Section 414(q)	105,000	110,000
Compensation Minimum for SEP plan	500	550
Maximum Contribution for SIMPLE plan	10,500	11,500
Catch-up Contribution for 401(k) or 403(b) for taxpayers age 50 and older	5,000	5,500
Catch-up Contribution for SIMPLE for taxpayers age 50 and older	2,500	2,500
<b>Key Employee for Top Heavy Purposes:</b>		
• Officers Earning Over	\$150,000	\$160,000
• A 5-percent Owner or a 1-percent Owner Earning Over	150,000	150,000

**TRADITIONAL AND ROTH IRAs**

	2008	2009
Contribution Limit	\$5,000	\$5,000
Catch-up Contribution age 50 and older	1,000	1,000

**IRA Deduction Phaseout for Active Participants**

Single	\$55,000–65,000
Married Filing Jointly	89,000–109,000
Married Filing Separately	0–10,000

**IRA Deduction Phaseout for Spousal Contributions**

Married Filing Jointly	166,000–176,000
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**Roth IRA Contribution Phaseout**

Single	\$105,000–120,000
Married Filing Jointly	166,000–176,000
Married Filing Separately	0–10,000

**Roth IRA Conversion Phaseout**

Single	\$100,000
Married Filing Jointly	100,000
Married Filing Separately	Ineligible

**IRA & PENSION CREDIT**

**Tax Credit Rate applied to maximum contribution of \$2,000 Based on AGI for various pension/IRA plans**

Joint Filers	Heads of Household	All Other Filers	Credit Rate
\$0–33,000	\$0–24,750	\$0–16,500	50%
33,001–36,000	24,751–27,000	16,501–18,000	20%
36,001–55,500	27,001–41,625	18,001–27,750	10%
Over 55,500	Over 41,625	Over 27,750	0%

**ESTATE AND GIFT TAX**

**Phaseout and Repeal of Estate and Generation-Skipping Transfer Taxes**

Calendar Year	Estate/GST tax transfer exemption	Highest estate and gift tax rate
2009	3.5 million	45%
2010	Not applicable, taxes repealed	35%
2011	1 million	39.6%

Gift tax:  
Annual Gift Limitation of \$13,000 for 2009.  
Lifetime Exemption of \$1 million after Dec. 31, 2001.

**EDUCATION-RELATED TAX BENEFITS**

**Coverdell Educational Savings Accounts**

Annual Contribution Limit	\$2,000
Contribution Phaseout based on modified AGI	
Single	\$95,000–110,000
Married Filing Jointly	190,000–220,000

**Student Loan Interest Deduction**

Maximum interest deduction	\$2,500
Deduction phaseout based on modified AGI	
Single	\$60,000–75,000
Married Filing Jointly	120,000–150,000

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

**Tax Practitioner Hotlines**

IRS Priority Service: (866) 860-4259  
FTB: (916) 845-7057  
FTB Fax: (916) 845-6377  
EDD: (888) 745-3886  
BOE: (800) 401-3661

**Application for Taxpayer ID Number**

Federal Form SS-4: (800) 829-4933  
Federal Form SS-4 Fax: (859) 669-5760  
Federal Online: [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)  
EDD Form DE 1: (916) 654-8706  
EDD Form DE 1: Fax (916) 654-9211

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