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Tax Chronology

1. Basis of the South African tax system

1.1 Introduction

This publication covers the period 1979 to 2024 and provides an overview of the current and historical rates for various taxes, duties and levies collected by the South African Revenue Service (SARS). For the most important types of taxes, the coverage dates back to 1979, but for the less important ones, only a more recent subset is covered. While care has been taken in the preparation of this supplement to ensure that the rates published at the date of publication are correct, minor errors may have occurred. The contents are intended for general information purposes and research only, and are not intended to serve as financial or other advice.

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1.2 Source-based income tax before 2001

This is a tax system where income is taxed in the country where it originates. Its point of departure is that, irrespective of residence, any person who derives income in a country should contribute to the cost of rendering public services in that country. This shift was intended to bring South Africa closer to internationally accepted tax principles and to neutralise tax avoidance schemes.

1.3 Residence-based income tax from 2001 onwards

Residents of a country are taxed on their income irrespective of where in the world that income is earned, and non-residents are only subject to tax on domestic-source income. This dispensation commenced on 1 January 2001.

2. Taxes on income, profits and capital gains

2.1 Persons and individuals*

Table 2.1.1 Marginal tax rates applicable to the top income group

	Top income group starts	Marginal rate (per cent)	
Period	at an annual income of (rand):	Married	Single
1961/62 – 1968/69		50	50
1969/70 – 1970/71		45	45
1971/72 – 1978/79		60	60
1979/80		55	55
1980/81 – 1981/82		50	50
1982/83		50	50
1983/84 – 1986/87		50	50
1987/88 – 1989/90		45	45
1990/91		44	44
1991/92 – 1994/95		43	43
1995/96 – 1999/2000		45	45
2000/01 – 2001/02		42	42
2002/03 – 2014/15		40	40
2015/16	701 301*	41	41
2016/17	701 301*	45	45
2017/18 – 2019/20	1 500 001*	45	45
2020/21	1 577 301*	45	45
2021/22	1 656 601*	45	45
2022/23	1 731 601*	45	45
2023/24 – 2024/25	1 817 001*	45	45

^{*} Annexure AT: Taxable income level at which the maximum marginal rate kicks in (rand per annum)

Table 2.1.2 Personal income tax rate and bracket adjustments

	2023/24	2024/25		
		Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	
R1 – R237 100	18% of each R1	R1-R237 100	18% of each R1	
R237 101 – R370 500	R42 678 plus 26% of the amount above R237 100	R237 101-R370 500	R42 678 plus 26% of the amount above R237 100	
R370 501 – R512 800	R77 362 plus 31% of the amount above R370 500	R370 501-R512 800	R77 362 plus 31% of the amount above R370 500	
R512 801 – R673 000	R121 475 plus 36% of the amount above R512 800	R512 801-R673 000	R121 475 plus 36% of the amount above R512 800	
R673 001 – R857 900	R179 147 plus 39% of the amount above R673 000	R673 001-R857 900	R179 147 plus 39% of the amount above R673 000	
R857 901 – R1 817 000	R251 258 plus 41% of the amount above R857 900	R857 901–R1 817 000	R251 258 plus 41% of the amount above R857 900	
R1 817 001 and above	R644 489 plus 45% of the amount above R1 817 000	R1 817 001 and above	R644 489 plus 45% of the amount above R1 817 000	
Rebates		Rebates		
Primary	R17 235	Primary	R17 235	
Secondary	R9 444	Secondary	R9 444	
Tertiary	R3 145	Tertiary	R3 145	
Tax threshold		Tax threshold		
Below age 65	R95 750	Below age 65	R95 750	
Age 65 and over	R148 217	Age 65 and over	R148 217	
Age 75 and over	R165 689	Age 75 and over	R165 689	

To ensure that the direct personal income tax (PIT) burden on individuals remains reasonable, PIT brackets and rebates are adjusted to take into account inflation or 'bracket creep', and occasionally also to provide limited real tax relief. In addition to the primary and secondary rebates, a third rebate was introduced for taxpayers of 75 years and older from 1 March 2011.

From 1 March 2015, a natural person of any age was exempt from provisional tax if:

- he/she does not carry on any business;
- his/her taxable income was below the tax threshold; or
- his/her taxable income derived from interest, foreign dividends and rental from fixed property does not exceed R30 000.

The 2017 Budget introduced a new top PIT bracket of 45% for taxable incomes above R1.5 million, effective from 1 March 2017.

The 2019 Budget announced that the primary, secondary and tertiary rebates would be increased by 1.1%, providing relief for inflation. However, for the first time since 1990, PIT brackets were not changed.

The 2020 Budget outlined that the main tax proposal would include PIT relief through inflation adjustments in all tax brackets. The PIT brackets as well as the primary, secondary and tertiary rebates were increased by 5.2% for 2020/21, which was above the expected inflation of 4.4%. The change in the primary rebate increased the tax-free threshold from R79 000 to R83 100.

The 2021 Budget proposed an above-inflation increase of 5% in PIT brackets and rebates, while withdrawing the previously announced tax increases of R40 billion over the next four years.

The 2022 Budget proposals included inflationary relief through a 4.5% adjustment in PIT brackets and rebates.

The 2023 Budget announced that the tax brackets and rebates would be adjusted in line with the expected inflation rate of 4.9%.

The 2024 Budget announced that PIT brackets and rebates would not be adjusted for inflation.

COVID-19 provisional tax relief

A qualifying taxpayer could defer 35% of the provisional tax payable in respect of the second provisional tax payment due between 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021. The deferred amount had to be paid as a third payment which would be due on 30 September 2021 for taxpayers with a February year-end or within six months of the year-end for other taxpayers. To be regarded as a qualifying taxpayer, the taxpayer had to conduct a trade during the year of assessment ending on or after 1 April 2020 and before 1 April 2021, with a gross income not exceeding R100 million during that year of assessment. The gross income could not include more than 20% in aggregate of the rental from the letting of fixed property (unless that was the taxpayer's primary trading activity), interest, dividends, foreign dividends, royalties, annuities and remuneration. The taxpayer had to be tax-compliant when making the reduced payment.

2.1.1 Interest and dividend income exemption

Table 2.1.1.1 Interest and dividend income exemption

Fiscal year	Under 65 years	65 years and over
Pre-2000	R2 000	R2 000
Budget Review 2000*	R3 000	R4 000
Budget Review 2001*	R4 000	R5 000
Budget Review 2002*	R6 000	R10 000
Budget Review 2003*	R10 000	R15 000
Budget Review 2004*	R11 000	R16 000
Budget Review 2005*	R15 000	R22 000
Budget Review 2006*	R16 500	R24 500
Budget Review 2007*	R18 000	R26 000
Budget Review 2008*	R19 000	R27 500
Budget Review 2009*	R21 000	R30 000
Budget Review 2010*	R22 300	R32 000
Budget Review 2011* – Budget Review 2013*	R22 800	R33 000
Budget Review 2014* – Budget Review 2024*	R23 800	R34 500

^{*} Effective from 1 March following the Budget announcement

As from 1 March 2010, the exemption applicable to foreign interest and foreign dividend income was increased from R3 500 per annum to R3 700 per annum. From 1 March 2012, this exemption was repealed.

For the first time, tax expenditure estimates were published for the participation exemption for foreign dividends and the sale of equity shares, which had been effective since March 2012 through section 10B of the Income Tax Act 58 of 1962.

Withholding tax on dividends took effect on 1 April 2012, replacing the secondary tax on companies (STC). The introduction of the tax corrected the impression that a tax on dividends was another tax on businesses. Legally and economically, dividend tax is a tax on individuals and non-resident shareholders. (Refer to company tax on pages 10 and 11.)

Table 2.1.1.2 Withholding tax on dividends*

	Rate (per cent)
Budget Reviews 2012–2016	15
Budget Reviews 2017–2024	20

^{*} Effective from 1 March following the Budget announcement

Effective from 1 March 2015, the following applied:

- Taxpayers who were 65 years of age and older were required to pay provisional tax.
- Individuals who were 65 years of age and older were exempt from provisional tax if they were not company directors and only received employment income, interest, rental income or dividends amounting to a taxable income of up to R80 000 per annum. The threshold was then increased to R120 000.

Effective from 1 March 2017, the dividend withholding tax was increased from 15% to 20%.

2.1.2 Discontinuation of the standard income tax on employees system

The standard income tax on employees, (SITE) system was introduced in March 1988 for the tax year 1988/89 to limit the number of PIT returns filed annually, freeing resources to deal with more complicated returns. Government repealed SITE with effect from 1 March 2011, and it was systematically phased out from the 2012 to 2014 tax years. It was totally abolished with effect from 1 March 2013.

2.1.3 Exchange controls

Following an announcement by the Minister of Finance in the 2014 Budget Speech, the SARB streamlined the Exchange Control Rulings and the Exchange Control Manual, which were withdrawn on 1 August 2016 and replaced by the Currency and Exchanges Manual for Authorised dealers as well as the Currency and Exchanges Manual for Authorised

dealers in Foreign Exchange with Limited Authority. These manuals contain the permissions and conditions applicable to transactions in foreign exchange that may be undertaken by authorised dealers and authorised dealers in foreign exchange with limited authority and/or on behalf of their clients in terms of Exchange Control Regulation 2(2) as well as the details of related administrative responsibilities and the reporting requirements for cross-border transactions. The manuals must be read in conjunction with the Exchange Control Regulations.

Foreign investments by private individuals

- From 15 February 2006, the foreign capital allowance for individuals was increased from R750 000 to R2 million per person. From 27 October 2009, the R2 million was increased to R4 million. From 1 April 2015, the R4 million was increased to R10 million per annum. A Tax Compliance Status (TCS) personal identification number (PIN) letter, issued by SARS, must be presented to an authorised dealer (i.e. a commercial bank) prior to authorising the transaction.
- The Financial Surveillance Department of the SARB considers applications by private individuals who wish to invest in different asset classes offshore in excess of the above-mentioned allowance. Private individuals wishing to avail of this dispensation must first approach SARS to obtain a TCS PIN letter, in the prescribed format, which must accompany their application and be submitted by an authorised dealer to the SARB's Financial Surveillance Department for consideration.
- Authorised dealers must also view a TCS PIN letter, issued by SARS, where a resident who is temporarily abroad avails of the R10 million foreign capital allowance dispensation.
- With effect from 23 February 2022, the following reforms were announced:
 - The export of dual-listed domestic securities to a recognised foreign share exchange is permitted but limited to
 the single discretionary allowance and/or foreign capital allowance, provided the SARB Financial Surveillance
 Department is duly notified. All tax and anti-money laundering requirements apply.
 - Resident individuals may use their single discretionary allowance and/or foreign capital allowance to participate in online foreign exchange trading activities but may not use credit or debit cards to do so.
 - South African residents may transfer, for foreign investment purposes, authorised capital in excess of R10 million per year through offshore trusts, subject to the current tax application and the Financial Surveillance Department's reporting requirements.

Individuals

With effect from 23 February 2022, the following reforms were announced:

- Resident individuals may receive and retain gifts from non-residents offshore.
- Resident individuals who became entitled to a foreign inheritance from the estate of a private individual may retain the inheritance abroad, subject to local tax disclosure and compliance.
- All emigration applications must be accompanied by a duly completed Tax Clearance Certificate and, later, a TCS PIN letter, issued by SARS, which must be presented to an authorised dealer.

Emigration

- From 15 February 2006, private individuals emigrating to any country outside of the Common Monetary Area qualified, at the time of emigration, for a foreign capital allowance of R2 million per private individual and R4 million per family unit. This allowance was increased to R4 million and R8 million respectively from 27 October 2009, and from 5 November 2010 the one-off limit was replaced with an annual limit. From 1 April 2015, the limits were increased to R10 million per private individual and R20 million per family unit per calendar year.
- All emigration applications must be accompanied by a duly completed Tax Clearance Certificate, and later, a TCS PIN letter, issued by SARS, which must be presented to an authorised dealer.
- The concept of, emigration; as recognised by the SARB, was phased out with effect from 1 March 2021 and has been replaced by a verification process based on the requirements below:
 - Authorised dealers may, on confirmation that a private individual has cleared his/her tax residency status with SARS, allow the transfer of assets abroad, subject to tax compliance.
 - For transfers of up to R1 million per individual per calendar year, authorised dealers may transfer funds offshore without the requirement to obtain a TCS PIN letter.
 - In addition to the transfers mentioned above, authorised dealers may allow the transfer of up to a total amount of R10 million per calendar year per private individual who ceases to be a resident for tax purposes in South Africa and is 18 years and older, provided that the individual is tax-compliant and submits the applicable TCS PIN for verification.
 - South African non-tax residents who transfer more than R10 million offshore are subject, initially, to a more stringent verification process by SARS as well as a subsequent approval process by the SARB's Financial Surveillance Department. Such transfers trigger a risk management test that will, inter alia, include verification of the tax status and the source of funds and also risk-assess the private individual in terms of the anti-money laundering and combating the financing of terrorism requirements, as prescribed in the Financial Intelligence Centre Please change to Financial Intelligence Centre Act No. 38 of 2001.

- With regard to what is stated above, it is imperative that the application to the Financial Surveillance Department
 is accompanied by, inter alia, a TCS PIN letter that will contain the tax number and TCS PIN to verify the
 taxpayer's tax compliance.
- The previous process of controlling or blocking an emigrant's remaining assets in a special 'blocked funds account' has fallen away and all transfers from these accounts are handled as normal fund transfers in line with any other foreign capital allowance transfer.

With effect from 23 February 2022, authorised dealers may, on a one-off basis, remit abroad the remaining cash balances (of up to R100 000 in total) of people who have ceased to be residents for tax purposes, without reference to SARS.

Companies

- Debt securities are classified as referencing domestic or foreign assets, depending on whether they are linked to domestic or foreign companies. In the 2020 Medium Term Budget Policy Statement, National Treasury announced that it would consider reclassifying all debt securities referencing foreign assets that are inward-listed on local stock exchanges as domestic assets. This consideration was detailed in SARB publication, Exchange Control Circular 15/2020. After public consultation and a review, enactment of the circular was postponed in 2021. Following the review, it has been decided that all debt securities referencing foreign assets listed on South African stock exchanges remain classified as foreign.
- The offshore limit for all insurance, retirement and savings funds is harmonised at 45% inclusive of the 10%
 African allowance. The previous maximum limits were set at 30% or 40% for different funds.
- Institutional investors may open foreign currency accounts with authorised dealers banks that are authorised to trade in foreign exchange – for funding purposes and to accept foreign currency deposits from the disinvestment proceeds of foreign assets, pending the reinvestment of the funds offshore.
- The foreign direct investment limit for companies investing funds offshore will increase from R1 billion to R5 billion, provided the stipulated investment conditions, tax obligations and reporting requirements are met.
- Excess income or profits of offshore branches and offices of South African firms may be retained offshore, subject to annual reporting.
- Authorised dealers may process transfers from the parent company to the domestic treasury management companies up to a maximum of R5 billion (an increase from R3 billion) per calendar year for listed entities and up to R3 billion (an increase from R2 billion) per calendar year for unlisted entities. Funds transferred under this dispensation may be used for new investments, expansions as well as other transactions of a capital nature.

Exchange control amnesty

- South Africa has on three occasions announced a dispensation that allowed South African residents to disclose
 their unauthorised foreign assets held in contravention of the Exchange Control Regulations and certain Tax Acts.
- This dispensation was made available through the 2003 amnesty process, the 2010 Voluntary Disclosure Programme (VDP) and the 2016 Special Voluntary Disclosure Programme (SVDP). The 2016 SVDP came about as a result of a new global common reporting standard for the automatic exchange of tax and financial information on a global level between authorities, which came into effect in late 2017. To encourage compliance, the South African government proposed an SVDP for resident individuals and entities.
- All three opportunities for disclosure involved the regularisation of exchange control (excon) and tax affairs.
- Specific amnesty legislation the (Exchange Control Amnesty and Amendment of Taxation Laws Act 12 of 2003) was enacted to give effect to the 2003 amnesty process. The 2003 amnesty process was a joint exchange control and related tax amnesty, while the 2010 VDP process and 2016 SVDP process were administered separately by the excon authorities and the tax authorities respectively. The 2010 tax VDP and the excon VDP were implemented by way of ministerial approval.

Capital flows management framework¹

National Treasury continues to modernise South Africa's capital flows management framework. In this context, the following reforms were announced by the Minister of Finance during the 2024 Budget Speech:

- Authorised dealers banks that are authorised to trade in foreign exchange will be permitted to process requests by certain unlisted companies to establish an offshore company and/or have their primary listing offshore in order to raise foreign loans and capital for their operations up to a limit of R5 billion, in line with the foreign direct investment policy. Provided that these companies operate in the fields of technology, media, telecommunications, exploration as well as other research and development, they will not require prior approval from the SARB Financial Surveillance Department. Investments exceeding R5 billion per company per calendar year require approval from the Financial Surveillance Department. The transfer of intellectual property offshore as well as the use of the share-swap mechanism will still require prior approval.
- Authorised dealers will be permitted to allow South African private equity funds that are licensed with the Financial Sector Conduct Authority to invest offshore up to a limit of R5 billion, in line with the foreign direct investment policy, without prior approval. Investments exceeding R5 billion per applicant company per calendar year require approval from the Financial Surveillance Department.

¹ The exchange control reforms announced by the Minister of Finance during the 2024 Budget Speech are currently under public review and not yet implemented.

- Settlement of transactions: Authorised dealers will be permitted to process transactions for customer foreign currency accounts for all current account payments.
- Export proceeds: Local agents of exporters of goods from South Africa will now be able to settle export proceeds
 due to the local exporters through the customer foreign currency accounts without prior approval from the
 Financial Surveillance Department.
- Import payments: Authorised dealers may allow resident entities purchasing goods via a local subsidiary of an offshore supplier (that has to import components from abroad) and/or agents to settle only the cost of the imported components in foreign currency through the respective customer foreign currency accounts without prior approval from the Financial Surveillance Department.
- Related party agreements: Authorised dealers will be permitted to process all related part agreements relating to current account payments if applicants provide suitable documentary evidence confirming that the agreements are in accordance with the transfer pricing rules contained in section 31 of the Income Tax Act (1962), in line with the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) guidelines and subject to the normal reporting requirements of the Financial Surveillance Department.

2.1.4 Encouragement to take out medical scheme membership

From 1 March 2006, the following arrangements applied:

- A monthly monetary cap that took into account the number of beneficiaries covered by medical scheme membership replaced the two-thirds tax-free provision.
- The threshold for individual tax-deductible medical expenses increased from 5% to 7.5% of income.
- Taxpayers 65 years of age and older continued to enjoy a full deduction for all medical expenses.

Table 2.1.4.1 Medical deductions

Effective date	For each of the first two beneficiaries	For each additional beneficiary
01/03/2007	R500 to R530	R300 to R320
01/03/2008	R530 to R570	R320 to R345
01/03/2009	R570 to R625	R345 to R380
01/03/2010	R625 to R670	R380 to R410
01/03/2011	R670 to R720	R410 to R440
01/03/2012 (medical tax credit)	R216 to R230	R144 to R154
01/03/2013	R230 to R242	R154 to R162
01/03/2014	R242 to R257	R162 to R172
1/03/2015	R257 to R270	R172 to R181
1/03/2016	R270 to R286	R181 to R192
1/03/2017	R286 to R303	R192 to R204
1/03/2018	R303 to R310	R204 to R209
1/03/2019*	R310	R209
1/03/2020	R310 to R319	R209 to R215
01/03/2021	R319 to R332	R215 to R224
1/03/2022	R332 to R347	R224 to R234
1/03/2023	R347 to R364	R234 to R246
1/03/2024*	R364	R246

 $^{^{\}ast}$ Medical deductions remained unchanged.

Effective from 1 March 2012, the following applied:

- Medical deductions were converted to medical tax credits.
- Income tax deductions for medical scheme contributions for taxpayers below the age of 65 years were converted into tax credits

Effective from 1 March 2015, the following applied:

 All medical expenses for all taxpayers (below the age of 65 years and 65 years or older) were converted into tax credits. Medical credits were introduced in 2012/13 to replace income tax deductions for medical scheme contributions. The 2018 Budget Review announced that medical tax credits would be increased below the rate of inflation over a three-year period to help fund the roll-out of a National Health Insurance programme. There would, however, be no change in the monthly medical tax credit for medical scheme contributions in 2019 as announced in the 2019 Budget Review. The increases in the medical tax credits that were indicated in the 2020 Budget increased the tax credit by 2.8%, in line with the announcement in the 2018 Budget Review. The 2021 Budget Review announced that an inflationary adjustment would apply to the value of medical tax credits.

2.1.5 Motor vehicle allowance

From 1 March 2005, the deemed method for calculating fixed business travel costs was adjusted by introducing a residual value element and by capping the maximum car value at R360 000. The revised tables assumed that vehicles that were five years old commonly had a 30% residual value.

The deemed private kilometres were increased from 14 000 to 16 000 on 1 March 2005, and to 18 000 on 1 March 2006.

From 1 March 2006, the percentage of the monthly motor vehicle allowances subject to tax was increased from 50% to 60%.

From 1 March 2009, this percentage was increased from 60% to 80%.

From 1 March 2010, the deemed business kilometres procedure was scrapped. A logbook was introduced for actual business kilometres travelled to record the beginning and end readings of each trip. From 1 March 2014, the maximum car value was fixed at R560 000. From 1 March 2020, the maximum car value was fixed at R665 000.

Company cars

In order to pre-empt a switch from travel allowance arrangements to company cars over the short to medium term, from 1 March 2006 the deemed value of a company car was increased from 1.8% per month of the car's value to 2.5% per month. The deemed value of a second or additional company car remained at 4% per month.

The deemed maintenance and fuel costs were adjusted to reflect the latest applicable average running cost rates for motor vehicles.

For value-added tax (VAT) purposes, the value for the deemed supply of the right of use of a motor vehicle was determined by applying a percentage to the determined value of the vehicle.

The company car fringe benefit rules were tightened by increasing the deemed monthly taxable values to limit the potential abuse of company car fringe benefits. With effect from 1 March 2011, the vehicle fringe benefit changed to 3.5% for a company car without a maintenance plan and to 3.25% for a company car with a maintenance plan.

The use of a company car by an employee is a taxable fringe benefit based on the market value of the vehicle. To align the treatment of company car fringe benefits for all employees, government introduced a requirement that the actual retail market value be used in all cases.

2.1.6 Employee-related fringe benefits

Employer contributions are deemed to be a fringe benefit in the hands of the employee. Both employee and employer contributions are then deductible, up to a limit, for income tax purposes by the employee.

The employee accommodation threshold was increased from R59 750 to R63 556 per annum with effect from 1 March 2012. The accommodation threshold was further increased as follows:

- From R63 556 to R67 111 on 1 March 2013; and
- From R67 111 to R70 700 on 1 March 2015.

2.1.7 Retrenchment package merger

The R30 000 income tax exemption for retrenchment packages had not been adjusted for many years. From 1 March 2011, the R30 000 exemption was repealed.

The above repealed exemption was merged into the retirement lump-sum tax exemption, resulting in all retirement and retrenchment lump-sum payments being treated equally.

2.1.8 Pre-retirement lump-sum taxation

Pre-retirement lump-sum taxation came into effect on 1 March 2009 and remained the same up until 2014/15, thereafter it remained unchanged as from 2015/16 to 2022/23. From 2023/24, the pre-retirement lump-sum taxation increased and remained unchanged to 2024/25.

Table 2.1.8.1 Pre-retirement lump-sum taxation

2023/24		2024/25		
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rate of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rate of tax	
R1 – R27 500	0% of taxable income	R1 – R27 500	0% of taxable income	
R27 501 - R726 000	18% of taxable income above R27 500	R27 501 - R726 000	18% of taxable income above R27 500	
R726 001 – R1 089 000	R125 730 plus 27% of taxable income above R726 000	R726 001 – R1 089 000	R125 730 plus 27% of taxable income above R726 000	
R1 089 001 and above	R223 740 plus 36% of taxable income above R1 089 000	R1 089 001 and above	R223 740 plus 36% of taxable income above R1 089 000	

2.1.9 Tax on income of retirement funds

Retirement fund tax on interest and rental income of such funds was introduced in 1996 and abolished with effect from 1 March 2007.

Withholding taxes on lump-sum retirement payments to persons with a taxable income of less than R43 000 was abolished with effect from 1 March 2007.

From 1 March 2008, the taxation of other withdrawals from retirement funds was also simplified. From 1 March 2015, retirement fund members were able to defer the drawing of their retirement income until after their retirement date.

Table 2.1.9.1 Retirement funds

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)
01/03/1996 – 28/02/1997	17
01/03/1997 – 28/02/1998	17
01/03/1998 – 28/02/1999	25
01/03/1999 – 29/02/2000	25
01/03/2000 – 28/02/2001	25
01/03/2001 – 28/02/2002	25
01/03/2002 – 28/02/2003	25
01/03/2003 – 29/02/2004	18
01/03/2004 – 28/02/2005	18
01/03/2005 – 28/02/2006	18
01/03/2006 – 28/02/2007	9

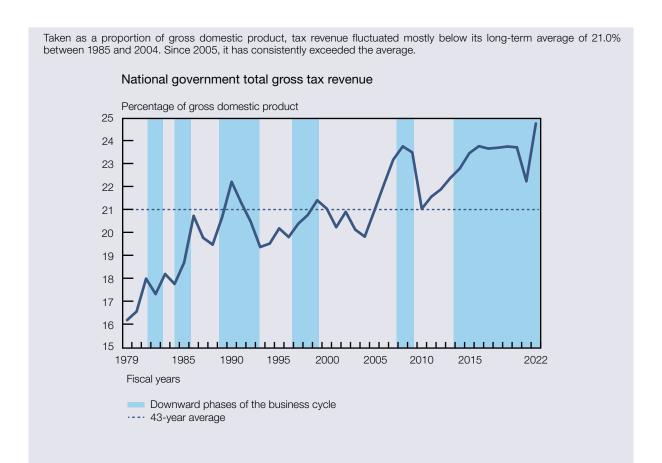
Note

Tax on retirement funds was abolished with effect from 1 March 2007.

Two-pot retirement system

The first phase of legislative amendments to the retirement system took effect on 1 March 2024 as indicated in the 2023 Budget Review. The intent of these amendments is to enable pre-retirement access to a portion of one's retirement assets while preserving the remainder for retirement. Retirement fund contributions will remain deductible up to R350 000 per year or 27.5% of taxable income per year.

According to the 2024 Budget Review, retirement fund contributions will remain deductible up to R350 000 per year or 27.5% of taxable income per year. Parliament recommended that early access to retirement funds be set earlier than 2025, as originally suggested. This reform is proposed to come into effect on 1 September 2024.



2.1.10 Taxation of lump sums upon retirement

From 1 March 2011, government increased the tax-free lump-sum benefit upon retirement from R300 000 to R315 000.

Table 2.1.10.1 Taxation of lump sums upon retirement

Taxable lump sum	Rate of tax (2011/12)		
R0 – R315 000	0% of amount		
R315 001 – R630 000	R0 plus 18% of amount exceeding R315 000		
R630 001 – R945 000	R56 700 plus 27% of amount exceeding R630 000		
R945 001 and above	R141 750 plus 36% of amount exceeding R945 000		
Taxable lump sum	Rate of tax (2024/25)		
Taxable lump sum R1 – R550 000	Rate of tax (2024/25) 0% of amount		
<u> </u>			
R1 – R550 000	0% of amount		

Lump-sum withdrawals upon retirement from pension and retirement annuity funds are restricted to a maximum of one-third of accumulated savings. A uniform approach to retirement fund withdrawals was legislated in 2013, to be effective from 1 March 2016.

Divorce settlement payments made by retirement funds are now taxable in the hands of the non-member spouse.

From 1 March 2012, the clean-break principle applied fully to the overall tax treatment of all retirement benefits paid out as a result of a divorce order.

2.1.11 Tax-free savings accounts

To encourage greater savings among South Africans, the 2012 Budget Review proposed the tax-preferred savings and investment accounts as alternatives to the current tax-free interest-income caps. This would encourage a new generation of savings products. Returns generated within these savings and investment vehicles (including interest, capital gains and dividends) and withdrawals would be tax-exempt. Aggregate annual contributions could be limited to R30 000 per year per taxpayer, with a lifetime limit of R500 000 to ensure that high net-worth individuals do not benefit disproportionately. Where the annual or lifetime limits are exceeded, a penalty of 40% of the excess capital contributed is imposed.

The 2020 Budget Review pronounced that the annual limit on contributions to tax-free savings accounts would increase from R33 000 to R36 000 from 1 March 2020. This has remained unchanged.

2.2 Corporations and other enterprises

Companies include close corporations (Note 1) but exclude companies referred to in 2.2.1 to 2.2.10 for those particular years of assessment.

Table 2.2.1 South African company tax rates

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income	Surcharge	Transitional levy (Note 2)	UPT (Note 3) (per cent)
01/04/1980 – 31/03/1981	40	5	_	331/3
01/04/1981 – 31/03/1982	40	5	_	331/3
01/04/1982 – 31/03/1983	42	10	_	331/3
01/04/1983 – 31/03/1984	42	10	_	331/3
01/04/1984 – 31/03/1985	50	_	_	331/3
01/04/1985 – 31/03/1986	50	_	_	331/3
01/04/1986 – 31/03/1987	50	_	_	331/3
01/04/1987 – 31/03/1988	50	_	_	331/3
01/04/1988 – 31/03/1989	50	_	_	331/3
01/04/1989 – 31/03/1990	50	_	_	331/3
01/04/1990 – 31/03/1991	50	_	_	_
01/04/1991 – 31/03/1992	48	_	_	_
01/04/1992 – 31/03/1993	48	_	_	_
01/04/1993 – 31/03/1994	40	_	_	_
01/04/1994 – 31/03/1995	35	_	5	_
01/04/1995 – 31/03/1996	35	_	_	_
01/04/1996 – 31/03/1997	35	_	_	_
01/04/1997 – 31/03/1998	35	_	_	_
01/04/1998 – 31/03/1999	35	_	_	_
01/04/1999 – 31/03/2000	30	_	_	_
01/04/2000 – 31/03/2001	30	_	_	_
01/04/2001 – 31/03/2002	30	_	_	_
01/04/2002 – 31/03/2003	30	_	_	_
01/04/2003 – 31/03/2004	30	_	_	_
01/04/2004 – 31/03/2005	30	_	_	_
01/04/2005 – 31/03/2006	29	_	_	_
01/04/2006 – 31/03/2007	29	_	_	_
01/04/2007 – 31/03/2008	29	_	_	_
01/04/2008 – 31/03/2009	28	_	_	_
01/04/2009 – 31/03/2010	28	_	_	_
01/04/2010 – 31/03/2011	28	_	_	_
01/04/2011 – 31/03/2012	28	_	_	_
01/04/2012 – 31/03/2013	28	_	_	_
01/04/2013 – 31/03/2014	28	_	_	_
01/04/2014 - 31/03/2015	28	_	_	_
01/04/2015 – 31/03/2016	28	_	_	_
01/04/2016 – 31/03/2017	28	_	_	_
01/04/2017 – 31/03/2018	28	_	_	_
		_	_	_
01/04/2018 – 31/03/2019	28	_	_	_

Table 2.2.1 South African company tax rates (continued)

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income	Surcharge	Transitional levy (Note 2)	UPT (Note 3) (per cent)
01/04/2019 – 31/03/2020	28	_	_	_
01/04/2020 – 31/03/2021	28	_	-	-
01/04/2021 – 30/03/2022	28	_	-	-
01/04/2022 – 30/03/2023	28	_	-	-
01/04/2023 – 31/03/2024	27	_	_	-
01/04/2024 – 31/03/2025	27	-	_	-

Notes:

- (1) Close corporations (CCs): CCs became liable to tax with effect from the 1985 year of assessment.
- (2) Transitional levy: To finance transitional costs incurred during the 1993 and 1994 transitional process to democracy, a one-off transitional levy was charged during the 1995 year of assessment. This levy was calculated as a certain percentage of taxable income in excess of R50 000 before set-off of any balance of assessed loss brought forward.
- (3) Undistributed profits tax (UPT): UPT was payable by companies at a rate of 33.5% on the amount by which the distributable profit of a company exceeded the dividends distributed during the specified period relating to the year of assessment. In light of the exemption of income in the form of dividends in the hands of natural persons and CCs, this tax was no longer warranted as from 1 April 1990.

The 2021 Budget Speech announced that government would be restructuring the corporate income tax (CIT) system in a manner that has no effect on net revenue collections. Effective for tax years ending on or after 31 March 2023, the CIT rate was reduced by 1 percentage point to 27%. Changes to CIT could have an impact on investor behaviour.

Secondary tax on companies

STC was payable by a company net dividends declared during the company's dividend cycle, of which the last cycle ended on 31 March 2012. The STC credits of such a company could be used until 31 March 2015 to ensure that the after-tax profits of a company that were distributed to shareholders, and that were subject to STC, were not also subjected to dividends tax when distributed to shareholders.

Rate at which STC was levied

Period*	Rate of STC	Period*	Rate of STC
17/03/1993 – 21/06/1994	15%	14/03/1996 – 30/09/2007	12.5%
22/06/1994 – 13/03/1996	25%	01/10/2007 - 31/03/2012	10.0%

 $^{^{\}star}\,$ Dividends tax replaced STC from 1 April 2012.

Large multinational groups of companies

According to the 2024 Budget Review, multinational corporations with annual revenue exceeding €750 million would be subject to an effective minimum tax rate of 15% effective from 1 January 2024, regardless of where their profits are generated. Government proposed to introduce two measures to effect the change – an income inclusion rule and a domestic minimum top-up tax – for qualifying multinational corporations from 1 January 2024.

2.2.1 Mining companies

2.2.1.1 Companies mining for gold

These companies are taxed according to one of the 'gold-mining tax formulas' listed below.

Table 2.2.1.1.1 Rate of normal tax on taxable income derived from mining for gold

Year of assessment	Mining company not exempt from STC	Mining company elected to be exempt from STC
01/04/1994 – 31/03/1995	Y = 43 - (215/x)	Y = 58 - (290/x)
01/04/1995 – 31/03/1996	Y = 43 - (215/x)	Y = 58 - (290/x)
01/04/1996 – 31/03/1997	Y = 43 - (215/x)	Y = 51 - (255/x)
01/04/1997 – 31/03/1998	Y = 43 - (215/x)	Y = 51 - (255/x)
01/04/1998 – 31/03/1999	Y = 43 - (215/x)	Y = 51 - (255/x)
01/04/1999 – 31/03/2000	Y = 37 - (185/x)	Y = 46 - (230/x)
01/04/2000 – 31/03/2001	Y = 37 - (185/x)	Y = 46 - (230/x)
01/04/2001 – 31/03/2002	Y = 37 - (185/x)	Y = 46 - (230/x)
01/04/2002 – 31/03/2003	Y = 37 - (185/x)	Y = 46 - (230/x)

Table 2.2.1.1.1 Rate of normal tax on taxable income derived from mining for gold (continued)

Year of assessment	Mining company not exempt from STC	Mining company elected to be exempt from STC
01/04/2003 – 31/03/2004	Y = 37 - (185/x)	Y = 46 - (230/x)
01/04/2004 – 31/03/2005	Y = 37 - (185/x)	Y = 46 - (230/x)
01/04/2005 – 31/03/2006	Y = 35 - (175/x)	Y = 45 - (225/x)
01/04/2006 - 31/03/2007	Y = 35 - (175/x)	Y = 45 - (225/x)
01/04/2007 - 31/03/2008	Y = 35 - (175/x)	Y = 45 - (225/x)
01/04/2008 – 31/03/2009	Y = 34 - (175/x)	Y = 43 - (225/x)
01/04/2009 – 31/03/2010	Y = 34 - (170/x)	Y = 43 - (215/x)
01/04/2010 – 31/03/2011	Y = 34 - (170/x)	Y = 43 - (215/x)
01/04/2011 - 31/03/2012	Y = 34 - (170/x)	Y = 43 - (215/x)

In the formula:

x = the ratio, expressed as a percentage, calculated as follows:

Taxable income from gold mining

Total revenue (turnover) from gold mining

and

y = calculated percentage which represents the rate of tax to be levied

Only one formula (see below) was applied from 1 April 2012, as STC was replaced following the introduction of a dividend tax on that date.

Year of assessment	Formula
01/04/2012 – 31/03/2013	Y = 34 - (170/x)
01/04/2013 – 31/03/2014	Y = 34 - (170/x)
01/04/2014 – 31/03/2015	Y = 34 - (170/x)

Table 2.2.1.1.2 Rate of normal tax on taxable income other than that derived from mining for gold

Year of assessment	Mining company not exempt from STC (per cent)	Mining company that elected to be exempt from STC (per cent)
01/04/1994 – 31/03/1995	35	48
01/04/1995 – 31/03/1996	35	48
01/04/1996 – 31/03/1997	35	42
01/04/1997 – 31/03/1998	35	42
01/04/1998 – 31/03/1999	35	42
01/04/1999 – 31/03/2000	30	38
01/04/2000 – 31/03/2001	30	38
01/04/2001 – 31/03/2002	30	38
01/04/2002 – 31/03/2003	30	38
01/04/2003 – 31/03/2004	30	38
01/04/2004 – 31/03/2005	30	38
01/04/2005 – 31/03/2006	29	37
01/04/2006 – 31/03/2007	29	37
01/04/2007 – 31/03/2008	29	37
01/04/2008 – 31/03/2009	28	35
01/04/2009 – 31/03/2010	28	35
01/04/2010 – 31/03/2011	28	35
01/04/2011 – 31/03/2012	28	35
01/04/2012 – 31/03/2013	28	-
01/04/2013 – 31/03/2014	28	-
01/04/2014 – 31/03/2015	28	_

Only one rate was applied from 1 April 2012, as STC was replaced by the introduction of a dividend tax on that date.



Table 2.2.1.1.3 Companies mining for diamonds

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)	Surcharge (per cent)
01/04/1983 – 31/03/1984	45	15
01/04/1984 – 31/03/1985	45	20
01/04/1985 – 31/03/1986	45	25
01/04/1986 – 31/03/1987	45	25
01/04/1987 – 31/03/1988	45	25
01/04/1988 – 31/03/1989	45	25

Note:

For years of assessment that ended on or after 1 April 1989, see Table 2.2.1.5 below for the tax rate.

Table 2.2.1.1.4 Mining companies (other than companies mining for gold or diamonds)

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)	Surcharge (per cent)
01/04/1983 – 31/03/1984	42	10
01/04/1984 – 31/03/1985	50	
01/04/1985 – 31/03/1986	50	15
01/04/1986 – 31/03/1987	50	15
01/04/1987 – 31/03/1988	50	15
01/04/1988 – 31/03/1989	50	15

Note:

For years of assessment that ended on or after 1 April 1989, see Table 2.2.1 for the tax rate.

Table 2.2.1.1.5 Mining companies (including companies mining for diamonds, but excluding companies mining for gold)

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)	Surcharge (per cent)
01/04/1989 – 31/03/1990	50	12
01/04/1990 – 01/03/1991	50	9
01/04/1991 – 31/03/1992	48	6
01/04/1992 – 31/03/1993	48	3

Note:

For years of assessment that ended on or after 1 April 1993, see Table 2.2.1 for the tax rate.

2.2.2 Oil and gas companies

2.2.2.1 Rate of normal tax on taxable income derived by an oil and gas company

2.2.2.1.1 For the years of assessment that ended on or after 1 January 1992

The same rate of normal tax applicable to companies is applicable to an oil and gas company on taxable income derived from oil and gas, plus an additional normal tax equal to 40% of the amount remaining after the deduction of the normal tax from such taxable income. The normal tax and the additional normal tax may, however, be reduced in terms of section 5(2A)(b) of the Taxation Laws Amendment Act 20 of 2022 (Taxation Laws Amendment Act).

^{...} Not available

2.2.2.1.2 For years of assessment that commenced on or after 2 November 2006

(See paragraph 2 of the Tenth Schedule to the Taxation Laws Amendment Act.)

The rate of tax on taxable income derived from oil and gas by an oil and gas company that:

- is a resident, or an oil and gas company which is not a resident that carries on a trade within the Republic of South
 Africa and which solely derives its income from oil and gas solely by virtue of an OP26 right (as defined in the
 Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002) previously held by such a company, will not exceed
 29%; and
- is not a resident, but carries on a trade within the Republic of South Africa, will not exceed 32% if it solely derives its income from oil and gas by virtue of an OP26 right.

2.2.2.1.3 For years of assessment that ended on or after 1 April 2008

The rate of tax on taxable income derived from oil and gas by an oil and gas company that:

- is a resident, or an oil and gas company which is not a resident that carries on a trade within the Republic of South
 Africa and which derives its income from oil and gas solely by virtue of an OP26 right (as defined in the Mineral and
 Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002) previously held by such a company, will not exceed 28%; and
- is not a resident, but carries on a trade within the Republic of South Africa, will not exceed 31%.

2.2.2.1.4 For years of assessment that ended on or after 1 January 2010

The definition of an 'oil and gas company' was narrowed to limit the benefits available under the Tenth Schedule to the Taxation Laws Amendment Act to 'oil and gas production' as defined in the said Schedule.

2.2.2.1.5 For years of assessment that ended during the 12-month period up to 31 March 2013 and subsequent years of assessment

The rate of tax on taxable income derived from oil and gas by an oil and gas company must not exceed 28%.

2.2.2.1.6 Minimum royalty rate for oil and gas companies

The 2023 Budget announced that the minimum royalty rate would be increased from 0.5% to 2%, with the maximum remaining at 5%.

2.2.2.2 Rate of STC on the net amount of any dividend declared by an oil and gas company

The rate of STC on the net amount of any dividend declared by an oil and gas company will not exceed 5%. STC is not applicable where a company is engaged in refining.

The rate of STC on the net amount of any dividend declared by an oil and gas company derived from the profits of its oil and gas income, if all its oil and gas rights are solely derived (directly or indirectly) from an OP26 right previously held by that company, must not exceed 0%. STC is not applicable where the company is engaged in refining.

Dividends tax replaced STC from 1 April 2012.

2.2.2.3 Rate of dividends tax in respect of dividends paid by an oil and gas company

The rate of dividends tax payable by an oil and gas company will not exceed 5% of the amount of a dividend paid out of amounts attributable to its income from oil and gas.

The rate of dividends tax payable must not exceed 0% of the amount of any dividend paid by an oil and gas company out of the amounts attributable to its income from oil and gas if all its oil and gas rights are solely derived (directly or indirectly) by virtue of an OP26 right previously held by that company.

2.2.2.4 For years of assessment commencing on or after 1 January 2014

The rate of dividends tax that will be payable by an oil and gas company on the amount of any dividend arising from oil and gas income is zero rate.

2.2.3 Insurance companies

2.2.3.1 Long-term insurance companies

For taxation purposes, the business of long-term insurance companies is disaggregated and the various 'funds' are taxed separately. There are four funds: (i) corporate fund (CF); (ii) individual policyholder fund (IPF); (iii) company policyholder fund (CPF); and (iv) untaxed policyholder fund (UPF).

Table 2.2.3.1.1 Rate of normal tax on taxable income derived by the four funds

				UPF		
Year of assessment	CF (per cent)	IPF (per cent)	CPF (per cent)	Administered retirement funds	Other (per cent)	
01/04/1998 – 31/03/1999	35	30	35	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/1999 – 31/03/2000	30	30	30	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2000 – 31/03/2001	30	30	30	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2001 – 31/03/2002	30	30	30	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2002 – 31/03/2003	30	30	30	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2003 – 31/03/2004	30	30	30	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2004 – 31/03/2005	30	30	30	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2005 – 31/03/2006	29	30	29	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2006 – 31/03/2007	29	30	29	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2007 – 31/03/2008	29	30	29	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2008 – 31/03/2009	28	30	28	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2009 – 31/03/2010	28	30	28	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2010 – 31/03/2011	28	30	28	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2011 – 31/03/2012	28	30	28	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2012 – 31/03/2013	28	30	28	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2013 – 31/03/2014	28	30	28	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	
01/04/2014 – 31/03/2015	28	30	28	See Table 2.1.9.1	0	

2.2.3.2 Short-term insurance companies

The rate of normal tax on the taxable income of a company carrying on a short-term insurance business is the same rate that is applicable to companies.

2.2.4 Employment companies

A personal service company is a limited company that typically has a sole director – the contractor – who owns most or all of the shares. The contractor's personal service company generally supplies professional services to end-user clients, either directly or via an agency.

A labour broker is any natural person who conducts or carriers on any business whereby such a person, for a reward, provides the client of such a business with other persons to render a service or perform work for such a client, or procures such other persons for the client, for which services such other persons are remunerated by such a person. The labour broker must apply for an exemption certificate annually. (The certificate is only valid for one tax year.) A fully completed IRP30A application, together with supporting documents, must be submitted to the nearest SARS branch at least two months before the expiry of the current exemption certificate.

Table 2.2.4.1 Employment companies

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)
01/04/2000 – 31/03/2001	35
01/04/2001 – 31/03/2002	35
01/04/2002 – 31/03/2003	35
01/04/2003 – 31/03/2004	35
01/04/2004 – 31/03/2005	35
01/04/2005 – 31/03/2006	34
01/04/2006 – 31/03/2007	34
01/04/2007 – 31/03/2008	34
01/04/2008 – 31/03/2012	33

Note:

For the years of assessment that commenced on or after 1 March 2009, see Table 2.2.1 for the applicable tax rate.

2.2.5 Personal service providers that are companies

Table 2.2.5.1 Personal service providers that are companies

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)
01/03/2009 – 31/03/2010	33
01/04/2010 – 31/03/2011	33
01/04/2011 – 31/03/2012	33

Note:

For years of assessment that commenced on or after 1 March 2013, see Table 2.2.1 for the tax rate.

2.2.6 Companies that are not residents and derive taxable income

Table 2.2.6.1 Companies that are not residents and derive taxable income

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)
01/04/1996 – 31/03/1997	40
01/04/1997 – 31/03/1998	40
01/04/1998 – 31/03/1999	40
01/04/1999 – 31/03/2000	35
01/04/2000 – 31/03/2001	35
01/04/2001 – 31/03/2002	35
01/04/2002 – 31/03/2003	35
01/04/2003 – 31/03/2004	35
01/04/2004 – 31/03/2005	35
01/04/2005 – 31/03/2006	34
01/04/2006 – 31/03/2007	34
01/04/2007 – 31/03/2008	34
01/04/2008 – 31/03/2009	33
01/04/2009 – 31/03/2010	33
01/04/2010 – 31/03/2011	33
01/04/2011 – 31/03/2012	33

Notes:

Companies that are not residents are not subject to STC.

For years of assessment that ended after 31 March 2012, see Table 2.2.1 for the tax rate.

2.2.7 Tax-holiday companies

These are qualifying companies that enjoy 'tax-holiday status' in terms of section 37H of the Taxation Laws Amendment Act. Companies could only qualify under this section in terms of approved qualifying projects applied for up until 30 September 1999.

Table 2.2.7.1 Tax-holiday companies

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)
During the tax-holiday status	0

Note:

Tax-holiday companies are exempt from STC.

This concession was repealed for years of assessment commencing on or after 1 January 2013.

2.2.8 Public benefit organisations or recreational clubs

A public benefit organisation (PBO) that is approved in terms of section 30(3) of the Taxation Laws Amendment Act is taxable on its taxable income as from its first year of assessment if it commenced operations on or after 1 April 2006.

A recreational club that is approved in terms of section 30A(2) of the Taxation Laws Amendment Act is taxable on its taxable income as from its first year of assessment if it commenced operations on or after 1 April 2007.

If a PBO fails to comply with specific requirements for receiving tax-deductible donations, SARS may regard these donations as taxable income for the organisation. If the failure is not addressed within a reasonable period, the receipts issued by the organisation will no longer be valid for claiming tax deductions. The sanctions do not apply to the requirement that an organisation conducting mixed activities, some of which qualify for the issue of receipts and some of which do not, must obtain an audit certificate for the use of the funds for which the receipts have been issued.

Table 2.2.8.1 Public benefit organisation

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)
01/04/2006 – 31/03/2007	29

Table 2.2.8.2 Public benefit organisation or recreational club that is a person other than a company

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)
01/03/2007 – 29/02/2008	29
01/03/2008 – 29/02/2009	28

Table 2.2.8.3 Public benefit organisation or recreational club that is a company

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)
01/04/2007 – 31/03/2008	29
01/04/2008 – 31/03/2009	28
01/04/2009 – 31/03/2010	28
01/04/2010 – 31/03/2011	28
01/04/2011 – 31/03/2012	28
01/04/2012 – 31/03/2013	28
01/04/2013 – 31/03/2014	28

Table 2.2.8.4 Public benefit organisation that is a trust

Year of assessment	Rate of normal tax on taxable income (per cent)
28/02/2010	28
28/02/2011	28
29/02/2012	28
01/03/2012 – 28/02/2013	28
01/03/2013 – 28/02/2014	28
01/03/2014 – 28/02/2015	28

2.2.9 Graduated tax on small business corporations

Tax relief for eligible small business companies came into operation in 2001. The amendments to section 12E of the Income Tax Act 58 of 1962 on small business corporations, whereby they were given an accelerated depreciation regime and where personal service providers could get the benefit (if they employed four or more people), came into effect in 2005. They would benefit from a simplified and enhanced depreciation regime to encourage fixed capital formation.

A depreciation write-off at a 50:30:20 rate over a three-year period for all depreciable assets applied, while manufacturing assets could retain their immediate 100% write-off.

The R20 000 double deduction for start-ups was removed from 1 April 2005.

An immediate 100% depreciation was introduced for individual small items purchased for business purposes. This threshold was increased from R2 000 to R5 000 for assets purchased on or after 1 March 2006. This threshold of R5 000 was further increased to R7 000 for assets purchased on or after 1 March 2009.

Table 2.2.9.1 Graduated tax on small business corporations

Effective date	Turnover of small business corporation	Taxable income	Company tax rate applicable (per cent)
April 2000 and April 2001	Less than R1 million	R1 – R100 000	15% of the amount not exceeding R100 000
		R100 001 and above	15% of the amount not exceeding R100 000 plus 30% of the amount that does exceed R100 000
	Less than R3 million	R1 – R150 000	15% of the amount not exceeding R150 000
		R150 001 and above	15% of the amount not exceeding R150 000 plus 30% of the amount that does exceed R150 000
April 2003 and April 2004	Less than R5 million	R1 – R150 000	15% of the amount not exceeding R150 000
		R150 001 and above	15% of the amount not exceeding R150 000 plus 30% of the amount that does exceed R150 000
April 2005	Less than R6 million	R1 – R35 000	0%
		R35 001 - R250 000	10% of the amount above R35 000
		R250 001 and above	R21 500 plus 29% of the amount above R250 000
April 2006	Less than R14 million	R1 – R40 000	0%
		R40 001 - R300 000	10% of the amount above R40 000
		R300 001 and above	R26 000 plus 29% of the amount above R300 000
April 2007	Less than R14 million	R1 – R43 000	0%
		R43 001 - R300 000 R300 001 and above	10% of the amount above R43 000 R27 500 plus 29% of the amount above R300 000
April 2008	Less than R14 million	R1 – R46 000 R46 001 – R300 000	0% 10% of the amount above R46 000
		R300 001 and above	R25 400 plus 28% of the amount above R300 000
April 2009	Less than R14 million	R1 – R54 200	0%
		R54 201 – R300 000	10% of the amount above R54 200
		R300 001 and above	R24 580 plus 28% of the amount above R300 000
April 2010	Less than R14 million	R1 – R57 000	0%
		R57 001 - R300 000	10% of the amount above R57 000
		R300 001 and above	R24 300 plus 28% of the amount above R300 000
April 2011	Less than R14 million	R1 – R59 750	0%
		R59 751 - R300 000	10% of the amount above R59 750
		R300 001 and above	R24 025 plus 28% of the amount above R300 000

Table 2.2.9.1 Graduated tax on small business corporations (continued)

Effective date	Turnover of small business corporation	Taxable income	Company tax rate applicable (per cent)
April 2012	Less than R14 million	R1 - R63 556	0%
		R63 557 – R350 000	7% of the amount above R63 556
		R350 001 and above	R20 051 plus 28% of the amount above R350 000
I April 2013	Less than R20 million	R1 – R67 111	0%
		R67 112 - R365 000	7% of the amount above R67 111
		R365 001 – R550 000	R20 852 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R59 702 plus 28% of the amount above R550 000
1 April 2014	Less than R20 million	R1 – R70 700	0%
		R70 701 - R365 000	7% of the amount above R70 700
		R365 001 – R550 000	R20 601 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R59 451 plus 28% of the amount above R550 000
1 April 2015	Less than R20 million	R1 – R73 650	0%
		R73 651 - R365 000	7% of the amount above R73 650
		R365 001 – R550 000	R20 395 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R59 245 plus 28% of the amount above R550 000
1 April 2016	Less than R20 million	R1 – R75 000	0%
·		R75 001 - R365 000	7% of the amount above R75 000
		R365 001 – R550 000	R20 300 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R59 150 plus 28% of the amount above R550 000
1 April 2017	Less than R20 million	R1 – R75 750	0%
		R75 751 - R365 000	7% of the amount above R75 750
		R365 001 – R550 000	R20 248 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R59 098 plus 28% of the amount above R550 000
1 April 2018	Less than R20 million	R1 – R78 150	0%
		R78 151 – R365 000	7% of the amount above R78 150
		R365 001 – R550 000	R20 080 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R58 930 plus 28% of the amount above R550 000
1 April 2019	Less than R20 million	R1 – R79 000	0%
		R79 001 - R365 000	7% of the amount above R79 000
		R365 001 – R550 000	R20 020 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R58 870 plus 28% of the amount above R550 000
1 April 2020	Less than R20 million	R1 – R83 100	0%
		R83 101 – R365 000	7% of the amount above R83 100
		R365 001 – R550 000	R19 733 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R58 583 plus 28% of the amount above

Table 2.2.9.1 Graduated tax on small business corporations (continued)

Effective date	Turnover of small business corporation	Taxable income	Company tax rate applicable (per cent)
1 April 2021	Less than R20 million	R1 – R87 300	0%
		R87 301 - R365 000	7% of the amount above R87 300
		R365 001 – 550 000	R19 439 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R58 289 plus 28% of the amount above R550 000
1 April 2022 and	Less than R20 million	R1 – R91 250	0%
1 April 2023		R91 251 - R365 000	7% of the amount above R91 250
		R365 001 – R550 000	R19 163 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R58 013 plus 28% of the amount above R550 000
1 April 2024 and	Less than R20 million	R1 – R95 750	0%
1 April 2025		R95 751 - R365 000	7% of the amount above R95 750
		R365 001 – R550 000	R18 848 plus 21% of the amount above R365 000
		R550 001 and above	R57 698 plus 27% of the amount above R550 000

From 1 March 2012, micro businesses (i.e. those businesses with an annual turnover below R1 million) were given the option of making payments for turnover tax, VAT and employee tax at twice-yearly intervals.

2.2.10 Micro businesses

A person qualifies as a micro business (as defined in the Sixth Schedule to the Taxation Laws Amendment Act) if:

- that person is a natural person (or the deceased or insolvent estate of a natural person that was a registered micro business at the time of death or insolvency); or
- that person is a company; and
- the qualifying turnover of that person for the year of assessment does not exceed an amount of R1 million.

Table 2.2.10.1 Micro business corporations

Year of assessment	Taxable turnover	Rate of tax
01/03/2009 – 28/02/2010	R1 – R100 000	0%
	R100 001 - R300 000	1% of the amount above R100 000
	R300 001 - R500 000	R2 000 plus 3% of the amount above R300 000
	R500 001 - R750 000	R8 000 plus 5% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R20 500 plus 7% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2010 – 28/02/2011	R1 – R100 000	0%
	R100 001 - R300 000	1% of the amount above R100 000
	R300 001 - R500 000	R2 000 plus 3% of the amount above R300 000
	R500 001 - R750 000	R8 000 plus 5% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R20 500 plus 7% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2011 – 29/02/2012	R1 – R150 000	0%
	R150 001 - R300 000	1% of the amount above R150 000
	R300 001 - R500 000	R1 000 plus 2% of the amount above R300 000
	R500 001 - R750 000	R5 500 plus 4% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R15 500 plus 6% of the amount above R750 000

Table 2.2.10.1 Micro business corporations (continued)

Year of assessment	Taxable turnover	Rate of tax
01/03/2012 – 28/02/2013	R1 – R150 000	0%
	R150 001 - R300 000	1% of the amount above R150 000
	R300 001 - R500 000	R1 500 plus 2% of the amount above R300 000
	R500 001 - R750 000	R5 500 plus 4% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R15 500 plus 6% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2013 – 28/02/2014	R1 – R150 000	0%
	R150 001 – R300 000	1% of the amount above R150 000
	R300 001 – R500 000	R1 500 plus 2% of the amount above R300 000
	R500 001 – R750 000	R5 500 plus 4% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 000 and above	R15 500 plus 6% of the amount above R750 000
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01/03/2014 – 28/02/2015	R1 – R150 000	0%
	R150 001 – R300 000	1% of the amount above R150 000
	R300 001 – R500 000	R1 500 plus 2% of the amount above R300 000
	R500 001 – R750 000	R5 500 plus 4% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 000 and above	R15 500 plus 6% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2015 – 29/02/2016	R1 – R335 000	0%
	R335 001 - R500 000	1% of the amount above R335 000
	R500 001 - R750 000	R1 650 plus 2% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R6 650 plus 3% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2016 – 29/02/2017	R1 – R335 000	0%
	R335 001 – R500 000	1% of the amount above R335 000
	R500 001 – R750 000	R1 650 plus 2% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R6 650 plus 3% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2017 – 28/02/2018	R1 – R335 000	0%
01/00/2011 20/02/2010	R335 001 – R500 000	1% of the amount above R335 000
	R500 001 – R750 000	R1 650 plus 2% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R6 650 plus 3% of the amount above R750 000
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01/03/2018 – 28/02/2019	R1 – R335 000	0%
	R335 001 – R500 000	1% of the amount above R335 000
	R500 001 – R750 000	R1 650 plus 2% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R6 650 plus 3% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2019 – 28/02/2020	R1 – R335 000	0%
	R335 001 – R500 000	1% of the amount above R335 000
	R500 001 – R750 000	R1 650 plus 2% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R6 650 plus 3% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2020 – 28/02/2021	R1 – R335 000	0%
	R335 001 – R500 000	1% of the amount above R335 000
	R500 001 – R750 000	R1 650 plus 2% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R6 650 plus 3% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2021 – 28/02/2022	R1 – R335 000	0%
	R335 001 - R500 000	1% of the amount above R335 000
	R500 001 - R750 000	R1 650 plus 2% of the amount above R500 000

Table 2.2.10.1 Micro business corporations (continued)

Year of assessment	Taxable turnover	Rate of tax
01/03/2022 – 28/02/2023	R1 – R335 000	0%
	R335 001 - R500 000	1% of the amount above R335 000
	R500 001 - R750 000	R1 650 plus 2% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R6 650 plus 3% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2023 – 29/02/2024	R1 – R335 000	0%
	R335 001 - R500 000	1% of the amount above R335 000
	R500 001 - R750 000	R1 650 plus 2% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R6 650 plus 3% of the amount above R750 000
01/03/2024 – 28/02/2025	R1 – R335 000	0%
	R335 001 - R500 000	1% of the amount above R335 000
	R500 001 - R750 000	R1 650 plus 2% of the amount above R500 000
	R750 001 and above	R6 650 plus 3% of the amount above R750 000

2.2.11 Regional Services Council levy reform

Regional Services Council (RSC) levies were abolished on 30 June 2006 and replaced with alternative funding arrangements to ensure the continued independence and financial viability of municipalities.

This provided significant direct tax relief to businesses. The administrative burden was significantly lowered as RSC levies required monthly submissions. Since one of the levies was imposed on payroll, its removal effectively lowered the costs of job creation.

2.2.12 Treatment of collective investment scheme distributions

Until 2009, a collective investment scheme (CIS) in shares was treated as a company whose distributions were treated as a special form of dividend.

The 2009 Budget Review proposed that distributions by these schemes should generally follow a flow-through principle from 2010.

If a CIS distributes the dividends received, this should be viewed as dividends in the hands of holders of participatory interests. If it distributes the interest received, this should be viewed as interest in the hands of holders of participatory interests.

2.2.13 Energy-efficiency savings tax credit incentive

The energy-efficiency savings tax credit incentive complements the proposed future carbon tax and will be extended to co-generation projects. It encourages firms to support a greener economy. Businesses can claim deductions based on energy saved.

Table 2.2.13.1 Energy-efficiency savings tax incentive

Effective date*	Rate per kWh
1 November 2013	0.45c
As determined in the Taxation Laws Amendment Act	0.95c

^{*} Effective from 1 April 2023 following the Budget announcement

2.2.14 Environmental fiscal reform

Incentives for cleaner production: energy efficiency

Current legislation provides for a three-year 50:30:20% accelerated depreciation allowance for investments in renewable energy and biofuels production.

It was proposed that investments by companies in energy-efficient equipment should qualify for an additional allowance of up to 15% on condition that there is documentary proof of the resulting energy efficiencies (after a two- or three-year period), certified by the Energy Efficiency Agency.

The 2023 Budget announced an expanded tax incentive of R5 billion for businesses, or 125% of the cost of renewable energy assets used for electricity generation, brought into use during a period of two years from 1 March 2023.

A R4 billion tax rebate to individuals for solar photovoltaic (PV) panels of 25% of the cost for a limited period, subject to certain conditions and capped at R15 000 per individual, was announced in the 2023 Budget.

2.2.15 Emission reduction credits from clean development projects

From 1 March 2009, income derived from the disposal of primary certified emission reductions (CERs) was taxexempt or subject to capital gains tax (CGT) instead of normal income tax. From 1 March 2009, secondary CERs were classified as trading stock and taxed accordingly.

2.2.16 Tax incentives to support industrial policy

An amount of R5 billion was set aside for tax incentives to be used over the three financial years 2012/13 – 2014/15 in support of sectors identified as key to the emerging industrial strategy. This was addressed in the *2012 Budget Review*, under 'Business taxes: special economic zones'.

2.2.17 Bursaries for relatives of employees

To facilitate employer-sponsored education and training of the dependants of low- and middle-income workers, this tax-free fringe benefit was increased from 1 March 2008 to R10 000 per year for employees earning up to R100 000 per year.

With effect from 1 March 2013, this threshold was increased from R10 000 to R30 000 for students attending tertiary education, but remained at R10 000 for certain students at schools for employees earning up to R200 000 per year.

With effect from 1 March 2017, the income eligibility threshold for employees to access the relief was increased from R400 000 to R600 000. The value of qualifying bursaries was increased from R15 000 to R20 000 for National Qualifications Framework (NQF) level 7, and from R40 000 to R60 000 for NQF levels above 7.

A number of employer bursary schemes seek to reclassify ordinary remuneration as a tax-exempt bursary granted to the dependents of an employee. Government proposed to close this loophole, and these amendments were introduced on 1 March 2020.

With effect from 1 March 2018, where the benefit is granted to a relative with a disability, the exemption will apply to the extent that the bursary does not exceed R90 000 per relative for higher education and R30 000 per relative for basic education to Grade 12.

2.3 Capital gains tax

CGT was introduced on 1 October 2001, whereby income tax is levied on a portion of the gains realised from the disposal of certain assets by corporate and individual taxpayers. A capital gain arises when the proceeds of the disposal of an asset exceed the base cost of the asset.

The effective rate applicable to the four funds – CFs, IPFs, CPFs and UPFs – is calculated by multiplying the inclusion rate applicable to each fund by the tax rate of that particular fund.

From 1 March 2008, the annual capital gain or loss exclusion was increased from R15 000 to R16 000.

From 1 March 2009, the following applied:

- The annual exclusion ceiling for capital gains and losses for individuals was increased from R16 000 to R17 500.
- The CGT regime contains several exclusions. One such exclusion is for an individual's primary residence, where a capital gain or loss of up to R1.5 million upon the disposal of such a residence is excluded from taxable capital gains. The exclusion was extended so that an alternative would be available based on the gross sale proceeds of the residence.
- The CGT exclusions fully apply to the primary residence with a gross value of R2 million.
- Thus, people selling their primary residence with a gross value below R2 million are not liable for CGT. For primary residences valued above this threshold, the normal rules apply.

From 1 March 2012, the following applied:

- The annual exclusion increased from R20 000 to R30 000.
- The exclusion amount on death increased from R200 000 to R300 000.
- The exclusion amount on the disposal of a small business for persons over the age of 55 years increased from R900 000 to R1.8 million.
- The maximum market value of assets allowed for a small business disposal for business owners over the age of 55 years increased from R5 million to R10 million.

Table 2.3.1 Capital gains tax

	Inclusion rate (per cent)	Effective rate of tax (per cent)
Budget Review 2001		
Individuals, special trusts and testamentary trusts set up for the benefit of minor children	25	0–10
All other trusts	50	20
Companies and close corporations	50	14.5
ndividual policyholder fund	25	7.5
Company policyholder fund	50	14.5
Corporate fund	50	14.5
Untaxed policyholder fund	0	0
Budget Review 2012		
Individuals, special trusts and testamentary trusts set up for the benefit of minor children	33.3	13.3
All other trusts	66.6	27.3
Companies and close corporations	66.6	18.6
Budget Review 2016		
ndividuals, special trusts and testamentary trusts set up for the benefit of minor children	40.0	16.4
All other trusts	80.0	32.8
Companies and close corporations	80.0	22.4
Budget Review 2017		
Individuals, special trusts and testamentary trusts set up for the benefit of minor children	40.0	18.0
All other trusts	80.0	36.0
Companies and close corporations	80.0	22.4
Budget Review 2022		
ndividuals, special trusts and testamentary trusts set up for the benefit of minor children	40.0	18.0
All other trusts	80.0	36.0
Companies and close corporations	80.0	21.6

3. Taxes on payroll and workforce

3.1 Skills development levy

The levy is meant to provide funding for the training and upgrading of skills levels of the workforce.

Table 3.1.1 Taxes on payroll and workforce: skills development levy

Effective date	Rate: percentage of payroll	Payroll bill
01/04/2000 – 31/03/2001	0.5	More than R250 000
01/04/2001 – 31/07/2005	1.0	More than R250 000
01/08/2005 to date	1.0	More than R500 000

From 1 August 2005, employers paying annual remuneration of less than R500 000 were exempt from the payment of skills development levies.



4. Taxes on property

Table 4.1 Natural person: amount exempt

Effective date	Rebate per year (natural persons)*
16/03/1988 – 29/02/1996	R20 000
01/03/1996 – 28/02/2002	R25 000
01/03/2002 – 28/02/2006	R30 000
01/03/2006 – 28/02/2007	R50 000
01/03/2007 to date	R100 000

^{*} Natural persons are defined as individuals.

4.1 Estate, inheritance and gift taxes

4.1.1 Estate duty

An estate consists of all property, including deemed property (e.g. life insurance policies and payments from pension funds), of a deceased, wherever situated. The dutiable amount of the estate is calculated after the deduction of certain admissible amounts (such as the value of the property that accrues to the surviving spouse) and an exemption amounting to R3.5 million (R2.5 million up to 28 February 2007).

With effect from 1 January 2010, the following became applicable to the estate of a person who died on or after the date:

- If a person was a spouse at the time of death of one or more previously deceased persons, the dutiable amount
 of the estate of that person will be determined by deducting from the net value of that estate an amount equal to:
 - the specified amount multiplied by two (that equals R7 million) less the specified amount already allowed as a deduction from the net value of the estate of any one of the previously deceased persons.
- If a person was one of the spouses at the time of death of a previously deceased person, the dutiable amount of
 the estate of that person will be determined by deducting from the net value of that estate an amount equal to the
 sum of:
 - the current specified amount, which is R3.5 million; and
 - an amount calculated as follows:

the current specified amount, which is R3.5 million, reduced by the specified amount already allowed as a deduction from the net value of the estate of the previously deceased person, divided by the number of spouses of that previously deceased person.

With effect from 1 March 2018, the 2018 Budget Review increased the estate duty for estates worth more than R30 million to 25%.

Table 4.1.1.1 Estate duty

Effective date	Rate (per cent)
16/03/1988 – 13/03/1996	15
14/03/1996 – 30/09/2001	25
01/10/2001 to date	20

4.1.2 Transfer duties

Table 4.1.2.1 Transfer duties for property acquired by natural persons*

Effective date	Property value	Rate
01/03/1980	R0 – R30 000	0%
	R30 001 and above	R300 plus 3% on the value above R30 001
19/03/1992	R0 – R50 000	1%
	R50 001 and above	R300 plus 5% on the value above R50 000
07/04/1993	R0 – R60 000	1%
	R60 001 - R250 000	R600 plus 5% on the value above R60 000
	R250 001 and above	R10 100 plus 8% on the value above R250 000
01/04/1999	R0 – R70 000	1%
	R70 001 - R250 000	R700 plus 5% on the value above R70 000
	R250 001 and above	R9 700 plus 8% on the value above R250 000

Table 4.1.2.1 Transfer duties for property acquired by natural persons* (continued)

Effective date	Property value	Rate
01/03/2002	R0 – R100 000	0%
	R100 001 - R300 000	5% on the value above R100 000
	R300 001 and above	R10 000 plus 8% on the value above R300 000
)1/03/2003	R0 – R140 000	0%
	R140 001 - R320 000	5% on the value above R140 000
	R320 001 and above	R9 000 plus 8% on the value above R320 000
)1/03/2004	R0 – R150 000	0%
	R150 001 - R320 000	5% on the value above R150 000
	R320 001 and above	R8 500 plus 8% on the value above R320 000
)1/03/2005	R0 – R190 000	0%
	R190 001 - R330 000	5% on the value above R190 000
	R330 001 and above	R7 000 plus 8% on the value above R330 000
)1/03/2006	R0 – R500 000	0%
	R500 001 - R1 000 000	5% on the value above R500 000
	R1 000 001 and above	R25 000 plus 8% on the value above R1 000 000
23/02/2011		0%
	R600 001 – R1 000 000	3% on the value above R600 000
	R1 000 001 – R1 500 000	R12 000 plus 5% on the value above R1 500 000
	R1 500 001 and above	R37 000 plus 8% on the value above R1 500 000
01/03/2015		0%
7170072010	R750 001 – R1 250 000	3% on the value above R750 000
	R1 250 001 – R1 750 000	R15 000 plus 6% on the value above R1 250 000
	R1 750 001 – R2 250 000	R45 000 plus 8% on the value above R1 750 000
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1/00/0016	R2 250 001 and above	R85 000 plus 11% on the value above R2 250 000
)1/03/2016		0% of property value
	R750 001 – R1 250 000	3% on the value above R750 000
	R1 250 001 – R1 750 000	R15 000 plus 6% on the value above R1 250 000
	R1 750 001 – R2 250 000	R45 000 plus 8% on the value above R1 750 000
	R10 000 001 and above	R937 500 plus 13% on the value above R10 000 000
)1/03/2017		0% of property value
	R900 001 – R1 250 000	3% on the value above R900 000
	R1 250 001 – R1 750 000	R10 500 plus 6% on the value above R1 250 000
	R1 750 001 – R2 250 000	R40 500 plus 8% on the value above R1 750 000
	R2 250 001 – R10 000 000	R80 500 plus 11% on the value above R2 250 000
	R10 000 001 and above	R933 000 plus 13% on the value above R10 000 000
)1/03/2018	R0 – 900 000	0% of property value
	R900 001 – R1 250 000	3% on the value above R900 000
	R1 250 001 – R1 750 000	R10 500 plus 6% on the value above R1 250 000
	R1 750 001 – R2 250 000	R40 500 plus 8% on the value above R1 750 000
	R2 250 001 - R10 000 000	R80 500 plus 11% on the value above R2 250 000
	R10 000 001 and above	R933 000 plus 13% on the value above R10 000 000
)1/03/2019		0% of property value
	R900 001 – R1 250 000	3% on the value above R900 000
	R1 250 001 – R1 750 000	R10 500 plus 6% on the value above R1 250 000
	R1 750 001 – R2 250 000	R40 500 plus 8% on the value above R1 750 000
	R2 250 001 - R10 000 000	R80 500 plus 11% on the value above R2 250 000
	R10 000 001 and above	R933 000 plus 13% on the value above R10 000 000
)1/03/2020	R0 – 1 000 000	0% of property value
	R1 000 001 - R1 375 000	3% on the value above R1 000 000
	R1 375 001 – R1 925 000	R11 250 plus 6% on the value above R1 375 000
	R1 925 001 – R2 475 000	R44 250 plus 8% on the value above R1 925 000
	R2 475 001 – R11 000 000	R88 250 plus 11% on the value above R2 475 000

Table 4.1.2.1 Transfer duties for property acquired by natural persons* (continued)

Effective date	Property value	Rate
01/03/2021	R0 – 1 000 000	0% of property value
	R1 000 001 – R1 375 000	3% on the value above R1 000 000
	R1 375 001 – R1 925 000	R11 250 plus 6% on the value above R1 375 000
	R1 925 001 – R2 475 000	R44 250 plus 8% on the value above R1 925 000
	R2 475 001 – R11 000 000	R88 250 plus 11% on the value above R2 475 000
	R11 000 001 and above	R1 026 000 plus 13% on the value above R11 000 000
01/03/2022	R0 – 1 000 000	0% of property value
	R1 000 001 – R1 375 000	3% on the value above R1 000 000
	R1 375 001 – R1 925 000	R11 250 plus 6% on the value above R1 375 000
	R1 925 001 – R2 475 000	R44 250 plus 8% on the value above R1 925 000
	R2 475 001 - R11 000 000	R88 250 plus 11% on the value above R2 475 000
	R11 000 001 and above	R1 026 000 plus 13% on the value above R11 000 000
01/03/2023	R0 – 1 000 000	0% of property value
	R1 100 001- R1 512 500	3% on the value above R1 100 000
	R1 512 501- R2 117 500	R12 375 plus 6% on the value above R1 512 500
	R2 117 501- R2 722 500	R48 675 plus 8% on the value above R2 117 500
	R2 722 501- R12 100 000	R97 075 plus 11% on the value above R2 722 500
	R12 100 001 and above	R1 128 600 plus 13% on the value above R12 100 000
01/03/2024	R1 – 1 100 000	0% of property value
	R1 100 001- R1 512 500	3% on the value above R1 100 000
	R1 512 501- R2 117 500	R12 375 plus 6% on the value above R1 512 500
	R2 117 501- R2 722 500	R48 675 plus 8% on the value above R2 117 500
	R2 722 501- R12 100 000	R97 075 plus 11% on the value above R2 722 500
	R12 100 001 and above	R1 128 600 plus 13% on the value above R12 100 000

^{*} Natural persons are defined as individuals.

4.1.3 Donations tax

Effective from 1 March 2007, donations made by individuals to qualifying PBOs up to a maximum of 10% (previously 5%) of these individuals' taxable income during the tax year were deductible.

Effective from 1 March 2008, donations made by taxpayers to qualifying PBOs up to a maximum of 10% (previously 5%) of their taxable income during the tax year were deductible. The same rates that were applicable to estate duty were applicable to donations, except it was not triggered at death.

Effective from 1 March 2018, if a donation or the cumulative value of the donations in that year of assessment at the date of that donation exceeds R30 million, the donation will be taxed at 25%. If a donation does not exceed R30 million, the donation will be taxed at a flat rate of 20%.

Exemptions from donations tax include:

- donations by natural persons up to R100 000 per year (2006: R50 000 per year);
- donations by corporate entities not considered to be public companies up to R10 000 per year;
- donations between spouses;
- bona fide maintenance payments;
- donations to PBOs as well as qualifying traditional councils and communities;
- donations where the donee will not benefit until the death of the donor;
- donations made by companies that are recognised as public companies for tax purposes;
- donations cancelled within six months of the effective date;
- property disposed of under, and in pursuance, of any trust;
- the donation of a property or a right in a property situated outside of South Africa if acquired by the donor:
 - before becoming a resident in South Africa for the first time; or
 - by inheritance or donation from a non-resident; and
- donations between companies forming part of the same group of companies.

4.2 Taxes on financial and capital transactions

4.2.1 Marketable securities tax

Tax payable by stockbrokers on behalf of clients is in respect of purchases of marketable securities at a rate of 0.25% of the consideration. Some securities such as bonds were exempted, but marketable securities tax applied to share transactions. From 1 July 2008, the name was changed to securities transfer tax.

Table 4.2.1.1 Marketable securities tax

Effective date	Rate (per cent)
Prior to 1 April 1996	1.00
01/04/1996 – 31/08/1997	0.50
01/04/1997 – 21/12/2003*	0.25

^{*} The Marketable Securities Tax Act 32 of 1948 was promulgated on 22 December 2003. This was replaced by the Uncertified Securities Tax Act 31 of 1998.

4.2.2 Uncertified securities tax

Before 2007, this was a tax payable in respect of the issue of, and change in, beneficial ownership in any listed securities. From 2007, there was a proposed migration of the tax on unlisted shares to the Uncertified Securities Tax Act 31 of 1998, which was renamed the Securities Transfer Tax Act 25 of 2007. The Securities Transfer Tax Act replaced the Uncertified Securities Tax Act and the Marketable Securities Tax Act.

Table 4.2.2.1 Uncertified securities tax

Effective date	Rate (per cent)
01/06/1999	0.25

5. Taxes on goods and services

Government proposed to raise VAT by one percentage point, from 14% to 15%, effective from 1 April 2018. The increase was deemed necessary to meet new spending commitments and prevent further erosion of public finances.

5.1 Trends in general sales tax and VAT

Table 5.1.1 Trends in general sales tax (GST) and VAT

	Effective date	Rate (per cent)
3ST	03/07/1978	4
GST	01/03/1982	5
GST	01/09/1982	6
GST	01/02/1984	7
ST	01/07/1984	10
ST	25/03/1985	12
9ST	08/05/1989	13
/AT	30/09/1991	10
/AT	07/04/1993	14
/AT	01/04/2018	15

Zero-rated and exempt supplies

Table 5.1.2 Zero-rated and exempt supplies

The following goods and services are zero-rated:	The following goods and services are exempted from VAT:
Exports	Non-fee-related financial services
19 basic food items (Table 5.1.3)	Educational services provided by an approved educational institution
Illuminating paraffin	Residential rental accommodation
Goods which are subject to the fuel levy (petrol and diesel)	Public road and rail transport
International transport services	
Farming inputs	
Sales of going concerns	
Certain grants by government	

Basic food zero-rated in South Africa

Table 5.1.3 Basic food zero-rated in South Africa

Brown bread	Rice				
Maize meal	Vegetables				
Samp	Fruit				
Mealie rice	Vegetable oil				
Dried mealies	Milk				
Dried beans	Cultured milk				
Lentils	Brown wheaten meal				
Pilchards/sardinella in tins	Eggs				
Milk powder	Edible legumes and pulses of leguminous plants				
Dairy powder blend	White bread flour				
Cake flour	Sanitary pads				

Table 5.1.4 Calculation of VAT and duties (domestic) – only an example

	Tariff	Cost (rand)
Cost of goods		100.00
Ad valorem (dependent on the tariff book) for example	3%	3.00
		103.00
VAT (cost of goods and all duties)	15%	15.45
Total		118.45

5.2 VAT voluntary registration threshold

Effective from 1 March 2010, the threshold was increased from R20 000 to R50 000.

To encourage taxpayers to come forward and avoid the future imposition of interest, a Voluntary Disclosure Programme was instituted from 1 November 2010 to 31 October 2011. During this period, taxpayers could disclose their defaults and regularise their tax affairs.

A defaulting taxpayer was granted relief under the programme, provided:

- the disclosure was complete; and
- SARS was not aware of the default.

A penalty or additional tax would have been imposed had SARS discovered the default in the normal course of business. Government proposed to do away with the discretion of SARS to waiver interest charged on unpaid provisional tax.

5.3 False statements on VAT reforms

Any false statement on any VAT form submitted to SARS, not only on returns, is considered an offence.

5.4 VAT and residential property developers

The sale of residential property by developers is subject to VAT at the standard rate, while the leasing is VAT-exempt. The temporary leasing of residential units requires a full claw-back of the VAT input credits for leased units. Options are investigated to determine equitable value and the rate of claw-back for developers.

5.5 Specific excise duties

Table 5.5.1 Specific excise duties

		Fiscal years							
	-	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	
Product	Unit	Rand							
Malt beer									
Average alcohol	ł	53.9700	59.3600	63.8100	68.9200	68.9200	79.2600	86.3900	
Average can	340 ml			1.0850	1.1700	1.2400	1.3500	1.4690	
Traditional beer	l	0.0782	0.0782	0.0782	0.0782	0.0782	0.0782	0.0782	
Traditional beer powder	kg	0.3470	0.3470	0.3470	0.3470	0.3470	0.3470	0.3470	
Unfortified wine	l	2.3200	2.5000	2.7000	2.8700	3.0700	3.3100	3.6100	
Fortified wine	l	4.3300	4.5900	4.8500	5.2100	5.4600	5.8200	6.1700	
Sparkling wine	l	6.9700	7.5300	8.2800	9.1100	9.7500	10.5300	11.4600	
Ciders and alcoholic fruit beverages*	l	2.7100	2.9700	3.1900	3.4500	3.6500	3.9600	4.3200	
Spirits									
Absolute alcohol	l	93.0300	111.6400	122.8000	137.5400	149.2300	161.4700	175.1900	
Average bottle	750 ml			39.6000	44.3600	48.1300	52.0700	56.5000	
Cigarettes	20 pkt	9.7400	10.3200	10.9200	11.6000	12.4200	13.2400	14.3000	
Cigarette tobacco	50 g	10.5300	11.0500	12.1600	13.0300	13.9400	14.8800	16.0700	
Pipe tobacco	25 g	2.9800	3.2200	3.5400	3.6300	3.8900	4.1600	4.5600	
Cigars	23 g	50.5200	53.0500	56.7600	61.8700	64.9600	69.2800	75.8600	

^{...} Not available

Table 5.5.1 Specific excise duties (continued)

		Fiscal years						
		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Product	Unit				Rand			
Malt beer								
Average alcohol	l	95.0300	102.0700	106.5600	115.0800	121.4100	127.4000	135.8900
Average can	340 ml	1.6160	1.7350	1.8120	1.9560	2.0640	2.1658	2.3102
Traditional beer	l	0.0782	0.0782	0.0782	0.0782	0.0782	0.7820	0.7820
Traditional beer powder	kg	0.3470	0.3470	0.3470	0.3470	0.3470	0.3470	0.3470
Unfortified wine	ł	3.9100	4.2000	4.3900	4.7400	4.9600	5.2000	5.5700
Fortified wine	l	6.5400	7.0300	7.3400	7.9200	8.3600	8.7700	9.4000
Sparkling wine	l	12.4300	13.5500	14.3600	15.5100	16.5200	16.6400	17.8300
Ciders and alcoholic fruit beverages*	l	4.7500	5.1000	5.3300	5.7500	6.1000	6.3700	6.7900
Spirits								
Absolute alcohol	ł	190.0800	204.1500	213.1300	230.1800	245.1500	257.2300	274.3900
Average bottle	750 ml	61.3000	65.8400	68.7300	74.2300	79.0600	82.9600	88.4900
Cigarettes	20 pkt	15.5200	15.5200	17.4000	18.7900	19.8200	20.8000	21.7700
Cigarette tobacco	50 g	17.4400	18.7300	19.5500	21.1200	22.2800	23.3800	24.4700
Pipe tobacco	25 g	4.9400	5.3900	5.7900	6.2600	6.6300	6.9600	7.5300
Cigars	23 g	82.3100	89.7200	96.4500	104.1600	110.9300	116.4000	125.9100

^{...} Not available

^{*} Ciders and alcoholic fruit beverages were previously taxed at a volumetric rate, assuming 5% alcohol levels. The tax rate is based on the excise rate applicable to beer. Going forward, it will be taxed at the absolute alcohol rate.

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5.6 Ad valorem excise duties

The list of products subject to ad valorem excise duties is revisited on an ongoing basis. For example, ad valorem excise duties on the following items were abolished in 2004 and 2005:

- from 1 April 2004, computer monitors, based on the assumption that they were used as computer screens; and
- from 1 April 2005, cosmetic sun-protection products with a sun-protection factor of 15 and above.

Digital video cameras with a value in excess of R15 000 were not subjected to ad valorem excise duties from 1 April 2005 as such cameras are used almost exclusively for commercial purposes.

The following ad valorem excise duties were abolished from 1 April 2006:

- aqueous distillates and aqueous solutions of essential oils;
- automatic goods vending machines;
- facsimile machines;
- parts of facsimile transmission apparatus; and
- road tractors.

The following ad valorem excise duties were abolished from 1 April 2007:

- air-conditioning machines installed in motor vehicles;
- domestic dish-washing machines;
- camera lenses;
- sunglasses;
- binoculars;
- telescopes;
- instant print cameras;
- other photographic cameras;
- flashlights and flashbulbs;
- cinematographic cameras;
- cinematographic projectors;
- slide projectors; and
- image projectors.

The following ad valorem excise duties were abolished from 1 April 2008:

- sound-recording or reproducing apparatus operated by coins, banknotes, bank cards, tokens or other means of payment;
- turntables (record decks);
- sound-recording or reproducing apparatus using magnetic media;
- magnetic tapes; and
- video games with a self-contained screen and games of skill or chance with an electronic display, including parts

Passenger cars and light commercial vehicles are subject to a 'luxury' excise tax that increases with the price of the vehicle. The *2011 Budget Review* proposed that the maximum nominal ad valorem excise tax rate on these vehicles be increased from 20% to 25%.

With effect from 1 April 2018, the ad valorem excise duties on motor vehicles were increased from 25% to 30%. In addition, the ad valorem excise duties on 'smart phones' were also increased from 7% to 9%. Furthermore, government also consulted on a proposal to replace the flat rate for cellphones with a progressive rate structure based on the value of the cellphone.

5.7 General fuel levy

The equalisation fund levy was abolished from 1 March 2000.

Table 5.7.1 Total combined fuel levy on leaded petrol and diesel

	2003/04		2004/05		2005/06		2006/07	
Cents/litre	93 octane petrol	Diesel						
General fuel levy	101.0	85.0	111.0	85.0	116.0	100.0	116.0	100.0
Road Accident Fund (RAF) levy	21.5	21.5	26.5	26.5	31.5	31.5	36.5	36.5
Customs and excise levy	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Illuminating paraffin marker	_	0.2	_	0.2	_	0.0	_	0.0
Total	126.5	110.7	141.5	125.7	151.5	135.5	156.5	135.5
Pump price: Gauteng (as in February)*	392.0	355.1	408.0	347.5	420.0	384.5	550.0	504.9
Taxes as a percentage of pump price	32.3	31.2	34.7	36.2	36.1	35.2	28.5	35.2

 $^{^{\}star}$ Diesel (0.05% sulphur) wholesale price (retail price not regulated)

Table 5.7.1 Total combined fuel levy on leaded petrol and diesel (continued)

	2007/08		2008/09		2008/09		2009/10	
Cents/litre	93 octane petrol	Diesel						
General fuel levy	121.0	105.0	127.0	111.0	127.0	111.0	127.0	111.0
Road Accident Fund (RAF) levy	41.5	41.5	46.5	46.5	46.5	46.5	46.5	46.5
Customs and excise levy	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Illuminating paraffin marker	-	0.0	_	0.0	_	0.0	_	0.0
Total	166.5	150.5	177.5	161.5	177.5	161.5	177.5	161.5
Pump price: Gauteng (as in February)*		542.1	750.0	732.3	750.0	732.3	750.0	732.3
Taxes as a percentage of pump price	29.7	27.8	23.7	22.1	23.7	22.1	23.7	22.1

^{*} Diesel (0.05% sulphur) wholesale price (retail price not regulated)

Table 5.7.1 Total combined fuel levy on leaded petrol and diesel (continued)

	2010/11		2011/12		2012/13		2013/14	
Cents/litre	93 octane petrol	Diesel	93 octane petrol	Diesel	93 octane petrol	Diesel	93 octane petrol	Diesel
General fuel levy	167.5	152.5	177.5	162.5	197.5	182.5	212.5	197.5
Road Accident Fund (RAF) levy	72.0	72.0	80.0	80.0	88.0	88.0	96.0	96.0
Customs and excise levy	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Illuminating paraffin marker	_	0.0	_	0.0	_	0.0	_	0.0
Total	243.5	228.5	261.5	246.5	289.5	274.5	312.5	297.5
Pump price: Gauteng (as in February)*	785.0	699.5	884.0	814.1	1 077.0	1 026.7	1 206.0	1 129.2
Taxes as a percentage of pump price	31.0	32.6	29.6	30.3	26.9	26.7	29.0	29.0

^{*} Diesel (0.05% sulphur) wholesale price (retail price not regulated)

⁻ A value equal to nil

⁰ A value between nil and half of the measuring unit

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Table 5.7.1 Total combined fuel levy on leaded petrol and diesel (continued)

	2013	/14	2014	/15	2015	/16	2016	/17
Cents/litre	93 octane petrol	Diesel	93 octane petrol	Diesel	93 octane petrol	Diesel	93 octane petrol	Diesel
General fuel levy	212.5	197.5	224.5	209.5	255.0	240.0	285.0	270.0
Road Accident Fund (RAF) levy	96.0	96.0	104.0	104.0	154.0	154.0	154.0	154.0
Customs and excise levy	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Illuminating paraffin marker	_	0.0	_	0.0	_	0.0	_	0.0
Total	312.5	297.5	332.5	317.5	413.0	398.0	443.0	428.1
Pump price: Gauteng (as in February)*	1 206.0	1 129.2	1 375. 0	1 311.4	1 009.0	926.1	1 215.0	943.2
Taxes as a percentage of pump price	29.0	29.0	27.6	28.1	40.9	43.0	36.5	45.4

 $^{^{\}star}$ Diesel (0.05% sulphur) wholesale price (retail price not regulated)

Table 5.7.1 Total combined fuel levy on leaded petrol and diesel (continued)

	2017	2017/18		2018/19		2019/20		/21
Cents/litre	93 octane petrol	Diesel						
General fuel levy	315.0	300.0	337.0	322.0	354.0	339.0	370.0	355.0
Road Accident Fund (RAF) levy	163.0	163.0	193.0	193.0	198.0	198.0	207.0	207.0
Customs and excise levy	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Illuminating paraffin marker	-	-	_	-	7.0	8.0	7.0	8.0
Total	482.0	467.1	534.0	519.0	563.0	549.0	588.0	574.0
Pump price: Gauteng (as in February)*	1 338.0	1 162.8	1 390.0	1 256.6	1 588.0	1 464.0	1 444.0	1 275.0
Taxes as a percentage of pump price	35.6	39.0	34.9	36.5	35.5	37.5	40.7	45.0

^{*} Diesel (0.05% sulphur) wholesale price (retail price not regulated)

Table 5.7.1 Total combined fuel levy on leaded petrol and diesel (continued)

	2021/22		2022/23		2023/24		2024/25	
Cents/litre	93 octane petrol	Diesel						
General fuel levy	385.0	370.0	385.0	370.0	385.0	370.0	385.0	370.0
Road Accident Fund (RAF) levy	218.0	218.0	218.0	218.0	218.0	218.0	218.0	218.0
Customs and excise levy	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Illuminating paraffin marker	8.0	9.0	9.0	10.0	10.0	11.0	11.0	14.0
Total	615.0	601.0	616.0	602.0	617.0	603.0	618.0	606.0
Pump price: Gauteng (as in February)*	1 829.0	1 602.0	1 989.0	1 805.0	2 138.0	2 132.0	2 292.0	2 136.0
Taxes as a percentage of pump price	33.6	37.5	31.0	33.4	28.9	28.3	27.0	28.4

 $^{^{\}ast}$ Diesel (0.05% sulphur) wholesale price (retail price not regulated)

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Table 5.7.2 General fuel levy

Date	Petrol: unleaded*	Petrol: leaded	Distillate fuels (diesel)				
	Rate (cents)						
D1/07/1987 – 31/03/1988	_	23.5	24.7				
01/04/1988 – 31/08/1988	_	22.5	18.0				
01/09/1988 – 15/01/1989	_	22.9	19.9				
16/01/1989 – 14/04/1989	_	31.9	28.9				
15/04/1989 – 24/03/1991	_	31.9	31.4				
25/03/1991 – 22/08/1991	_	36.9	33.4				
23/08/1991 – 20/03/1992	_	46.9	41.4				
21/03/1992 – 01/04/1993	_	54.9	47.4				
02/04/1993 – 04/04/1995	_	60.9	53.4				
05/04/1995 – 02/05/1995	_	61.9	54.4				
03/05/1995 – 31/03/1996	_	62.9	55.4				
01/02/1996 – 31/03/1996	56.7	62.9	55.4				
01/04/1996 – 02/04/1996	59.9	66.1	58.6				
3/04/1996 – 02/07/1996	62.9	69.1	61.6				
03/07/1996 – 06/08/1996	63.9	70.1	62.6				
07/08/1996 – 04/02/1997	65.4	71.6	62.6				
5/02/1997 – 01/04/1997	66.4	72.6	63.6				
02/04/1997 – 31/03/1998	70.4	76.6	66.1				
1/04/1998 – 31/03/1999	80.4	86.6	76.1				
11/04/1999 – 04/04/2000	84.4	90.6	76.1				
5/04/2000 – 03/04/2001	89.4	95.6	79.1				
04/04/2001 – 01/04/2003	91.8	98.0	81.0				
02/04/2003 – 06/04/2004	101.0	101.0	85.0				
07/04/2004 – 05/04/2005	111.0	111.0	85.0				
06/04/2006 – 03/04/2007	116.0	116.0	100.0				
14/04/2007 – 01/04/2008	121.0	121.0	105.0				
02/04/2008 – 31/03/2009	127.0	127.0	111.0				
01/04/2009 – 31/03/2010	150.0	150.0	135.0				
1/04/2010 – 31/03/2011	167.5	167.5	152.5				
1/04/2011 – 31/03/2012	177.5	177.5	162.5				
01/04/2012 – 31/03/2013	197.5	197.5	182.5				
01/04/2013 – 31/03/2014	212.5	212.5	197.5				
01/04/2014 – 31/03/2015	224.5	224.5	209.5				
1/04/2015 – 31/03/2016	255.0	255.0	240.0				
1/04/2016 – 31/03/2017	285.0	285.0	270.0				
1/04/2017 – 31/03/2018	315.0	315.0	300.0				
1/04/2018 – 02/04/2019	337.0	337.0	322.0				
3/04/2019 – 31/03/2020	354.0	354.0	339.0				
11/04/2020 – 31/03/2021	370.0	370.0	355.0				
1/04/2021 – 31/03/2025	385.0	385.0	370.0				

^{*} Unleaded petrol has been available to South African motorists since 1996.
- A value equal to nil

Diesel fuel rebate

This rebate started on 1 June 2000 and was afterwards extended to other industries. It applied to all coastal industries along with the fishing, agricultural, mining, forestry, farming and rail freight industries.

The general fuel levy and RAF levy are partially refunded. Refunds are administered through the VAT system. From 6 April 2005, the biodiesel fuel concession refund percentage to producers in agriculture, mining and forestry increased from 38.8% to 40.0% of the general fuel levy. The actual concession increased from 36.86 cents per litre to 40.00 cents per litre. From 2008, the biodiesel fuel tax concession increased from 40% to 50%.

From 7 April 2010, an increase of 7.5 cents per litre on both petrol and diesel was implemented to help fund the new multi-product petroleum pipeline between Durban and Johannesburg.

Table 5.7.3 Road Accident Fund levy

Date	93 octane petrol	Diesel
	Rate ((cents)
05/04/2000 - 03/04/2001*	-	-
04/04/2001 - 01/04/2003	21.5	21.5
02/04/2003 - 06/04/2004	26.5	26.5
07/04/2004 – 05/04/2005	31.5	31.5
06/04/2005 - 03/04/2007	36.5	31.5
04/04/2007 - 01/04/2008	41.5	41.5
02/04/2008 – 31/03/2009	46.5	46.5
01/04/2009 – 31/03/2010	64.0	64.0
01/04/2010 – 31/03/2011	72.0	72.0
01/04/2011 – 31/03/2012	80.0	80.0
01/04/2012 – 31/03/2013	88.0	88.0
01/04/2013 – 31/03/2014	96.0	96.0
01/04/2014 – 31/03/2015	104.0	104.0
01/04/2015 – 31/03/2017	154.0	154.0
01/04/2017 – 31/03/2018	163.0	163.0
01/04/2018 – 31/03/2019	193.0	193.0
01/04/2019 – 31/03/2020	198.0	198.0
01/04/2020 – 31/03/2021	207.0	207.0
01/04/2021 – 31/03/2024	218.0	218.0
01/04/2024 – 31/03/2025	218.0	218.0

^{*} The levy was introduced from 1 June 2000 according to a phased-in approach.

Customs and excise levy

The customs and excise levy remained at 4 cents per litre for 2012/13.

Diesel power plants with a capacity of more than 200 megawatts can receive a full refund of the general fuel and RAF levies.

Effective from 3 April 2019, the following applied:

- an increase in the general fuel levy of 15 cents per litre; and
- an increase in the RAF levy of 5 cents per litre.

Effective from 1 April 2020, the following applied:

- an increase in the general fuel levy of 16 cents per litre; and
- an increase in the RAF levy of 9 cents per litre.

Effective from 7 April 2021, the following applied:

- an increase in the general fuel levy of 15 cents per litre; and
- an increase in the RAF levy of 11 cents per litre.

The 2022 Budget provided R5.2 billion in tax relief to support households and the economy by not adjusting the general fuel levy and the RAF levy. The 2023 Budget proposed to keep the general fuel levy and the RAF levy unchanged, leading to revenue foregone of R4 billion. The 2024 Budget kept the general fuel levy and the RAF levy unchanged.

Carbon tax

Effective from 5 June 2019, the following applied:

- a carbon tax on the general fuel levy of 9 cents per litre on petrol; and
- a carbon tax on the general fuel levy of 10 cents per litre on diesel.

Effective from 1 April 2020, the following applied:

- an increase in the carbon tax rate of 5.6% for the 2020 calendar year (this increase included an annual inflation rate of 3.6% plus two percentage points in line with the Carbon Tax Act 15 of 2019); and
- accordingly, an increase in the carbon tax rate from R120 per tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent to R127 per tonne
 of carbon dioxide.

Effective from 1 January 2021, the following applied:

- an increase in the carbon tax rate of 5.2% from R127 per tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent to R134 per tonne of carbon dioxide; and
- an increase in the levy for 2021 by 1 cent to 8 cents/litre for petrol and 9 cents/litre for diesel from 7 April 2021.
- To support South Africa's climate change commitments under the Paris Agreement, the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries considered enhancing the carbon budgeting system to regulate greenhouse gas emissions by imposing caps on companies for a five-year period. Once legislation on carbon budgets is enacted, government will phase out the carbon budget allowance of 5% provided under the carbon tax.

Effective from 1 January 2022, the following applied:

- an increase in the carbon tax rate, from R134 per tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent to R144 per tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent;
- an increase in the levy for 2022 by 1 cent to 9 cents/litre for petrol and 10 cents/litre for diesel from 6 April 2022; and
- an increase in the carbon tax cost recovery quantum for the liquid fuels refinery sector from 0.56 cents/ litre to 0.63 cents/litre.

Effective from 1 January 2023, the following applied:

- an increase in the carbon tax rate, from R144 per tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent to R159 per tonne of carbon dioxide equivalent;
- an increase in the carbon fuel levy for 2023/24 by 1 cent to 10 cents/litre for petrol and 11 cents/litre for diesel from 5 April 2023; and
- an increase in the carbon tax cost recovery quantum for the liquid fuels refinery sector from 0.63 cents/litre to 0.66 cents/litre.

5.8 Mineral and petroleum royalties

The Mineral and Petroleum Resources Royalty Act 28 of 2008 was scheduled to be implemented on 1 May 2009. Mineral royalties are classified as a resource rent and therefore fall into the non-tax revenue category. The introduction of mining royalties was postponed for a year due to the recession and was levied on minerals disposed of or exported from 1 March 2010.

5.9 Base oils for lubrication

The excise duty on base oils for lubrication was abolished from 1 April 2005. The duty was 20 cents per litre for many years.

5.10 Plastic bag levy (environmental levy)

The levy on plastic shopping bags, which had been at 4 cents per bag since 2009, was increased to 6 cents per bag from 1 April 2013. From 1 April 2016, this levy was increased to 8 cents per bag. From 1 April 2018, this levy was increased to 12 cents per bag.

Plastic pollution remains a significant domestic environment problem, particularly for marine life. Government therefore proposed to raise the plastic bag levy from 12 cents to 25 cents per bag, effective from 1 April 2020.

To support the shift to a greener economy, the 2021 Budget Review announced that government would differentiate levies on fossil-based and bio-based plastic bags. Plastic bags are currently taxed at 25 cents per bag. A reduced levy of 12.5 cents per bag will apply to bio-based plastic bags. The implementation date and technical specifications will be included in the Taxation Laws Amendment Bill.

To further discourage consumers from buying plastic bags, and to support reuse and recycling, the 2022 Budget Review proposed that the plastic bag levy be increased from 25 cents per bag to 28 cents per bag from 1 April 2022.

The 2024 Budget Review increased the plastic bag levy from 28 cents per bag to 32 cents per bag from 1 April 2024.

5.11 Electricity tax/levy

From 1 April 2009, government introduced a 2c/kWh tax on the sale of electricity generated from non-renewable sources, to be collected at source by the producers or generators of electricity.

From 1 April 2011, the levy applied to electricity generated from renewable and nuclear energy sources increased by 0.5c/kWh to 2.5c/kWh. The increase had no impact on electricity tariffs because it had already been taken into account in the National Energy Regulator of South Africa tariff structure.

From 1 April 2012, the electricity levy was increased by 1c/kWh to 3.5c/kWh. This would be used to fund energy-efficiency initiatives such as the solar water-heater programme.

Table 5.11.1 Electricity tax/levy

Effective date*	Rate per kWh
Budget Review 2009	2.0c
Budget Review 2011	2.5c
Budget Review 2012	3.5c

^{*} Effective from 1 April following the Budget announcement

5.12 Taxation of incandescent (filament) light bulbs

An environmental levy on incandescent light bulbs to promote energy efficiency and reduce electricity demand was proposed in the 2009 Budget Review. An environmental levy of about R3 per bulb (between 1 cent and 3 cents per watt) was levied on incandescent light bulbs at the manufacturing level and on imports from 1 November 2009. From 1 April 2013, the levy on incandescent light bulbs increased to R4 per bulb. From 1 April 2016, this levy increased to Authorised dealers R6 per bulb. With effect from 1 April 2018, the environmental levy on incandescent light bulbs was increased from R6 to R8 per bulb. The 2024 Budget Review proposed to raise the incandescent light bulb levy from R15 to R20 per light bulb from 1 April 2024.

5.13 Carbon dioxide vehicle emissions tax

The carbon dioxide (CO_2) vehicle emissions tax was implemented on 1 September 2010 as a specific tax instead of the previously proposed ad valorem tax. New passenger vehicles were taxed based on their certified CO_2 emissions at R75 per gram per kilometre (g/km) for each g/km above 120 g/km. This emissions tax was in addition to the current ad valorem luxury tax on new vehicles. With effect from 1 April 2016, passenger vehicles tax was increased from R75 to R100 for every gram of emissions/km above 120 g CO_2 /km and, for double cabs, from R125 to R140 for every gram of emissions/km in excess of 175 g CO_2 /km. From 1 April 2018, passenger vehicles tax was increased from R100 to R110 for every gram of emissions/km above 120 g CO_2 /km and, for double cabs, from R140 to R150 for every gram of emissions/km in excess of 175 g CO_2 /km.

The 2022 Budget Review increased the vehicle emissions tax rate on passenger cars from R120/g CO2/km to R132/g CO $_2$ /km and increased the tax on double cabs from R160/g CO $_2$ /km to R176/g CO $_2$ /km from 1 April 2022.

Table 5.13.1 CO₂ vehicle emissions tax, example of tax per vehicle and tax incidence: passenger cars

				CO ₂ emissions above	1		Avorago
CO ₂ emissions g/km	Average CO ₂ emissions g/km	Number of vehicles: 12 months	Percentage of vehicles: 12 months	threshold: g/km > 120g/km*	Tax at R100 per g/km (rand)*	Average price (rand)	Average tax rate (per cent)
Below 120	110	342	0.20	_	_	177 000	0.0
	120	493	0.20	_	_	170 000	0.0
	130	10 904	4.90	10	1 000	121 000	0.8
	140	15 856	7.20	20	2 000	164 000	1.2
	150	20 794	9.40	30	3 000	169 000	1.7
	160	21 694	9.80	40	4 000	181 000	2.2
	170	33 552	15.20	50	5 000	166 000	3.0
	180	46 664	21.10	60	6 000	164 000	3.6
	190	24 224	11.00	70	7 000	244 000	2.8
	200	10 183	4.60	80	8 000	293 000	3.0
	220	22 928	10.40	100	10 000	391 000	2.5
	280	8 083	3.70	160	16 000	552 000	2.8
	320	4 161	1.90	200	20 000	551 000	3.6
	370	778	0.40	250	25 000	947 000	2.6
Above 400	410	25	0.01	290	29 000	606 000	4.7
Average/Total	178	220 681	100.00	58	10 462	227 000	2.7

^{*} The CO₂ emissions threshold for passenger vehicles (as identified in terms of the Customs and Excise Act 91 of 1964) remains at 120 g/km. The tax rate changed from R75 g/km to R100 g/km above the threshold in April 2016.

5.14 Environmental levy on tyres

This levy was implemented at a rate of R2.30/kg of tyres, effective from 1 October 2016.

5.15 Health promotion levy

The health promotion levy, which taxes sugar beverages, was implemented on 1 April 2018. It applies to beverages with more than 4 grams of sugar content per 100 ml. A tax of 2.1 cents per gram is applied for every gram of sugar beyond the first 4 grams, which are levy-free. To avoid erosion in the value of the tax due to inflation, from 1 April 2019 the levy rate increased to 2.21 cents per gram in excess of 4 grams of sugar per 100 ml.

From 1 April 2022, the health promotion levy for beverages with more than 4 grams of sugar content per 100 ml increased from 2.21 cents per gram to 2.31 cents per gram. Consultations will also be initiated to consider lowering the 4 grams threshold and extending the levy to fruit juices.

5.16 Taxes on use of goods and permission to use goods or to perform activities

Table 5.16.1 Air departure tax

Effective date	Rate
01/11/2000	R50 per fee-paying passenger travelling to SACU countries* R100 per fee-paying passenger travelling to all other international destinations
01/07/2003	R55 per fee-paying passenger travelling to SACU countries* R110 per fee-paying passenger travelling to all other international destinations
01/08/2005	R60 per fee-paying passenger travelling to SACU countries* R120 per fee-paying passenger travelling to all other international destinations
01/10/2009	R80 per fee-paying passenger travelling to SACU countries* R150 per fee-paying passenger travelling to all other international destinations
01/10/2011	R100 per fee-paying passenger travelling to SACU countries* R190 per fee-paying passenger travelling to all other international destinations

^{*} Southern African Customs Union (SACU) countries: Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa and Swaziland

5.17 Mining leases and ownership

Mining leases and ownership were reclassified as non-tax revenue. The historical years from 2000/01 were adjusted for comparative purposes.

5.18 Electrical and hydrogen – powered vehicle tax incentive

The 2024 Budget Review introduced vehicle tax incentive for manufacturers in 2026 to encourage the production of electric vehicles. Producers of electric vehicles in South Africa will be able to claim 150% of qualifying investment spending as an incentive to aid the transition to the new energy vehicles.

Taxes on international trade and transactions

Table 6.1 Calculation of taxes on international trade and transactions – only an example

Calculation of VAT and duties (imports)	Tariff	Cost (rand)
Goods are imported free on board (fob) for R100		
Import value (fob)		100.00
Adjustment	10%	10.00
The reason for the 10% adjustment relates to the import value (R100 and above) based on the fob cost		
Adjusted value for VAT purposes		110.00
Customs duty (dependent on the tariff book), for example	2%	
Ad valorem (dependent on the tariff book), for example	3%	
Total cost for importer		
Purchase price		100.00
Customs duty on R100 (based on import value)	2%	2.00
Ad valorem on R100 (based on import value)	3%	3.00
Adjustment		10.00
		115.00
VAT (based on adjusted value plus all duties)	15%	17.25
Total		132.25

6.1 Surcharge on imports

Table 6.1.1 Surcharge

Fiscal year	Announcement	Implementation date	Rate (per cent)	Important provisions	Amount collected fiscal year ending 31 March (R millions)
1978/79	Budget Speech on 1978/03/29	1978/03/30	12.5	Provisions remain unchanged.	359.4
1979/80	Budget Speech on 1979/03/28	1979/03/29	7.5	Provisions remain unchanged.	250.6
1980/81	Budget Speech on 1980/03/26	1980/03/27	Abolished	Surcharge on all goods is abolished. This abolishment is also applicable to all goods at customs and excise offices which have not yet been cleared for domestic consumption.	-2.9
1981/82	Partial appropriation draft Act on 1982/02/10	1982/02/11	10.0	Surcharge is reinstated on all imported goods, with the exception of goods for government stock.	100.3
1982/83	Special government notice on 1982/11/26	1982/11/26	7.5	The 2.5% reduction applies to comply with the IMF's agreement to phase out the surcharge completely by the end of 1983.	598.2
	Special government notice on 1983/11/25	1983/11/25	5.0		
1983/84	Special government notice on 1983/11/29	1983/11/29	Abolished		226.0
985/86	Special government notice on 1985/09/23	1985/09/23	10	Surcharge is reinstated on all imported goods, with the exception of goods for government stock. Goods are subject to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).	498.6
986/87	Budget Speech on 1986/03/17	1986/03/18	10	Surcharge on all books is abolished.	837.8
	Special government notice	1986/06	10	Surcharge on certain imported natural resources and goods used in the production processes (as specified in the annexures to the Customs and Excise Act) is abolished.	
987/88	Budget Speech on 1987/06/03	1987/06/04	10	All natural resources and intermediate products that are subject to the customs duties and which are used in the production processes are exempted from the surcharge.	742.6
988/89	Special government notice on 1988/08/12	1988/08/15	0–60	As above and essential food imports are exempted from the surcharge. Certain discounts on natural resources and intermediate products are implemented.	1 875.6
989/90	Special government notice on 1989/05/05	1989/05/05	0–60	Discounts in respect of intermediate goods are abolished but taxed at a lower rate of 15% (previously 30%).	2 625.4
990/91	Budget Speech on 1990/03/14	1990/03/14	0–40	Reduction in differentiated rates: Luxury goods - from 60% to 40% White goods - from 20% to 15% Capital goods - from 15% to 10% Intermediate goods - from 10% to 7.5%	2 075.3
991/92	Budget Speech on 1991/03/20	1991/03/20	0–40	Change in differentiated rates: Luxury goods - to 40% White goods - to 15% Capital goods - to 5% Intermediate goods - to 5%	1 455.5

Table 6.1.1 Surcharge (continued)

Fiscal year	Announcement	Implementation date	Rate (per cent)	Important provisions	Amount collected: fiscal year ending 31 March (R millions)
1992/93		Unchanged			1 520.8
1993/94		Unchanged			1 756.1
1994/95	Budget Review 1994	1994/06/23	0–40	Surcharge on capital and intermediate goods is abolished.	1 170.8
	Government Gazette on 1994/09/02	1994/09/02		Surcharge on vehicles is abolished.	
1995/96	Budget Review 1995	1995/10/01		Remaining surcharge on luxury and white goods is abolished.	

7. Other taxes

7.1 Stamp duty

A duty was imposed on debit entries by banks, instalment credit agreements, lease agreements of fixed property, and unlisted marketable securities, and previously on the issue of official documents such as passports, contracts, deeds for the transfer of ownership and cheques.

Stamp duties applied as follows:

- Share transactions were reduced from 1% to 0.5% from 1 April 1996.
- Share transactions were reduced from 0.5% to 0.25% from 1 April 1997.
- Antenuptial and postnuptial contracts, duplicate originals, partnership agreements and powers of attorney were abolished from 1 April 1999.
- Bills of exchange, bills of entry, securities and suretyships were abolished from 1 April 2001.
- The cession of mortgages and the cession of insurance policies were abolished from 1 April 2002.
- Insurance policies against accident, bodily injury, incapacity or sickness were abolished from 1 April 2002.
- Insurance policies and fixed deposits were abolished from 1 April 2003.
- Mortgages were abolished from 1 March 2004.
- Negotiable certificates of deposits (NCDs) were abolished from 1 April 2004.
- All debit entries were eliminated from 1 March 2005.
- The issue of shares was eliminated from 1 January 2006.

The threshold exemption for stamp duties on leases was increased from R200 to R500 per agreement from 1 March 2006.

From 1 March 2007, stamp duties on short-term leases (less than five years) were abolished.

Stamp duties were abolished with effect from 1 April 2009 when the Stamp Duties Act 77 of 1968 (Stamp Duties Act) was repealed. The scrapping of the Stamp Duties Act allowed the reduction in the scope of stamp duties over the preceding few years so that prior to the abolition only property leases concluded for a period of more than five years required such duties to be paid. However, a stamp duty is still applicable on lease agreements, or other dutiable instruments, if they were executed before 1 April 2009 and were not duly stamped at the time.

7.2 Implementing the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act 6 of 2004

The Local Government Municipal Property Rates Act 6 of 2004 (Municipal Property Rates Act) regulates municipalities' powers to impose rates on properties. The Municipal Property Rates Act took effect on 2 July 2005 and provides for:

- the exclusion of certain properties from rates in the national interest;
- a transparent and fair system of granting relief measures;
- fair and equitable valuation methods; and
- objections and appeals processes.

Municipalities that historically have not charged rates on the market value of the land and buildings combined are expected to reduce the rate charged (percentage or cents per rand) to ensure that there is a broad continuity in revenue collected from the expanded tax base.

7.3 Closure of sophisticated tax loopholes

Certain schemes were identified for closure and details were provided in the 2010 Budget Review, specifically Annexure C, for:

- cross-border mismatches;
- interest cost allocation for finance operations;
- 'protected cell' companies;
- cross-border insurance payments;
- participation preferences and guaranteed shares;
- cross-border interest exemptions; and
- transfer pricing.

7.4 Tax expenditure statements

The 2011 Budget Review included, for the first time, a tax expenditure statement. The statement is a summary of tax revenues that were foregone as a result of various tax incentives to help achieve government's social and economic objectives. Government is committed to transparency in the Budget process. The publication of the tax expenditure statement promotes that objective.

Table 7.1 Details of the tax expenditure statements

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^{*} Page number as per the respective Budget Review

National government tax revenue 8.

National government tax revenue (R millions) Table 8.1

Fiscal year*	Taxes on income, profits and capital gains	Of which: personal income tax (including interest)	Of which: corporate income tax (including interest)	Taxes on payroll and work- force	Taxes on property	Taxes on goods and services	Taxes on international trade and transactions	Other taxes	Total gross tax revenue
1979	4 645				116	1 994	772	95	7 622
1980	5 662				173	2 671	757	124	9 38
1981	8 107	2 297	5 499		251	3 802	805	139	13 10
1982	8 669	3 506	4 822		264	4 293	1 258	146	14 63
1983	10 273	4 821	5 185		317	5 233	1 590	150	17 56
1984	11 531	6 063	5 186		448	6 192	1 419	213	19 80
1985	13 904	7 861	5 759		421	8 215	1 449	244	24 23
1986	17 404	9 097	7 920		467	10 654	1 832	273	30 63
1987	19 638	10 453	8 738		581	11 719	2 364	321	34 62
1988	22 092	12 586	9 059		824	13 924	2 657	439	39 93
1989	26 665	14 958	11 308		823	18 698	4 518	469	51 17
1990	34 419	20 210	13 782		1 034	24 044	5 104	685	65 28
1991	39 245	24 249	14 577		1 098	25 984	4 882	657	71 86
1992	44 618	30 070	14 213		1 128	28 428	4 347	712	79 23
1993	47 514	33 935	13 306		1 187	29 552	4 640	760	83 65
1994	50 911	38 320	11 714		1 501	38 957	5 242	847	97 45
1995	60 834	45 559	13 972		2074	44 074	5 629	944	113 55
1996	68 885	51 323	16 300		2 234	48 867	6 170	1 025	127 18
997	82 876	59 912	19 060		2 359	53 621	6993	1 202	147 05
998	95 004	68 864	21 464		2 618	60 600	5 620	1 484	165 32
1999	108 381	78 032	23 308		2 831	65 948	6 052	1 490	184 70
2000	116 149	86 390	21 279		3 808	72 258	6 778	1 619	200 61
2001	126 145	86 939	29 956	1 257	3979	79 073	8 227	1 562	220 24
2002	147 310	90 977	42 980	2 717	4 628	86 853	8 680	1 767	251 95
2003	164 566	94 924	56 327	3 352	5 085	97 552	9 620	2 005	282 18
2004	171 963	99 220	61 712	3 896	6 707	110 147	8 414	1 353	302 48
2005	195 219	111 697	71 629	4 443	9 013	131 379	13 287	1 037	354 37
2006	230 804	126 416	87 326	4 872	11 138	150 636	18 202	957	416 60
2007	279 991	141 397	120 111	5 597	10 332	174 486	24 002	955	495 36
2008	332 058	169 553	141 622	6331	11 884	194 565	27 082	769	572 68
2009	383 483	196 068	167 202	7 327	9 477	201 209	22 852	544	624 89
2010	359 045	206 484	136 978	7 805	8 826	203 442	19 319	44	598 48
2011	379 941	228 089	134 642	8 652	9 102	249 235	26 977	20	673 92
2012	426 584	251 339	153272	10 173	7 817	263 875	34 121	6	742 57
2013	457 314	276 679	160896	11 378	8645	296 766	39 549	18	813 67
2014	507 759	310 929	179 520	12 476	10 487	324 421	44 732	13	899 88
2015	561 790	353 927	186 612	14 032	12 472	356 378	41 463	-16	986 11
2016	606 821	389 280	193 385	15 220	15 044	385 757	46 942	0	1 069 78
2017	664 526	425 924	207 027	15 315	15 661	402 189	46 102	12	1 143 80
2018	711 703	462 903	220 239	16 012	16 585	422 928	51 162	-24	1 218 36
2019	738 741	493 829	214 388	17 439	15 252	461 131	56 778	-9	1 289 33
2020	772 681	529 170	214 984	18 486	15 980	492 078	56 322	10	1 355 55
20202	718 180	488 446	204 399	12 250	15 947	455 574	47 687	12	1 249 65
20212	912 870	555 507	323 465	19 336	22 033	549 358	59 913	-10	1 563 50
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^{*} Ending on 31 March of each fiscal year ... Not available



Annexures: A-AT

9. Annexures: Personal income tax rate and bracket adjustments

Annexure A Budget Review 1979			
		1979/80	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–1 000	7	0
	1 001–2 000	8	70
	2 001–3 000	9	150
	3 001–4 000	10	240
	4 001–5 000	11	340
	5 001–6 000	12	450
	6 001–7 000	14	570
	7 001–8 000	16	710
	8 001–9 000	18	870
	9 001–10 000	20	1 050
	10 001–11 000	22	1 250
	11 001–12 000	24	1 470
	12 001–13 000	26	1 710
	13 001–14 000	28	1 970
	14 001–15 000	30	2 250
	15 001–16 000	33	2 550
	16 001–18 000	36	2 880
	18 001–20 000	39	3 600
	20 001–22 000	42	4 380
	22 001–24 000	45	5 220
	24 001–26 000	48	6 120
	26 001–28 000	51	7 080
	28 001–30 000	54	8 100
	30 001–	55	9 180
Single	1–1 000	10	0
	1 001–2 000	11	100
	2 001–3 000	12	210
	3 001–4 000	13	330
	4 001–5 000	14	460
	5 001–6 000	16	600

Annexure A Budget Review 1979 (continued)					
		1979/80			
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)		
	6 001–7 000	18	760		
	7 001–8 000	20	940		
	8 001–9 000	22	1 140		
	9 001–10 000	24	1 360		
	10 001–11 000	27	1 600		
	11 001–12 000	30	1 870		
	12 001–13 000	33	2 170		
	13 001–14 000	36	2 500		
	14 001–15 000	39	2 860		
	15 001–16 000	42	3 250		
	16 001–18 000	45	3 670		
	18 001–20 000	48	4 570		
	20 001–22 000	52	5 530		
	22 001-	55	6 570		
Rebates					
Married	R1 500				
Single	R1 000				
Dependants	R200 if maintenance is	R200	R350 if maintenance is R350		
Child	R600 for first two children	R200 for each child thereafter			
Age over 65	R1 000				
Medical and insurance (married)	R1 200				
Medical and insurance (single)	R950				

Loan levy

If the normal tax calculated at these rates amounts to R150 or more, a loan levy at the following rate is added thereto:

- If the taxpayer falls in the age group '60 and older' and his/her taxable income does not exceed R5 000, no levy is added.
 In all other cases, the loan levy amounts to 10%; in calculating the loan levy, fractions of the rand are discarded.

Annexure B Budget Review 1980			
		1980/81	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–6 000	8	0
	6 001–7 000	10	480
	7 001–8 000	12	580
	8 001–9 000	14	700
	9 001–10 000	16	840
	10 001–11 000	18	1 000
	11 001–12 000	20	1 180
	12 001–13 000	22	1 380
	13 001–14 000	24	1 600
	14 001–15 000	26	1 840
	15 001–16 000	28	2 100
	16 001–18 000	30	2 380
	18 001–20 000	32	2 980
	20 001–22 000	34	3 620
	22 001–24 000	36	4 300
	24 001–26 000	38	5 020
	26 001–28 000	40	5 780
	28 001–30 000	42	6 580
	30 001–32 000	44	7 420
	32 001–34 000	46	8 300
	34 001–36 000	47	9 220
	36 001–38 000	48	10 160
	38 001–40 000	49	11 120
	40 001–	50	12 100
Single	1–6 000	8	0
	6 001–7 000	10	480
	7 001–8 000	12	580
	8 001–9 000	14	700
	9 001–10 000	16	840
	10 001–11 000	18	1 000
	11 001–12 000	20	1 180

Annexure B Budget Review 1980	(continued)		
		1980/81	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
	12 001–13 000	22	1 380
	13 001–14 000	24	1 600
	14 001–15 000	26	1 840
	15 001–16 000	28	2 100
	16 001–18 000	30	2 380
	18 001–20 000	32	2 980
	20 001–22 000	34	3 620
	22 001–24 000	36	4 300
	24 001–26 000	38	5 020
	26 001–28 000	40	5 780
	28 001–30 000	42	6 580
	30 001–32 000	44	7 420
	32 001–34 000	46	8 300
	34 001–36 000	47	9 220
	36 001–38 000	48	10 160
	38 001–40 000	49	11 120
	40 001–	50	12 100
Rebates			
Married	R200		
Single	R120		
Dependants	R350	R30 if maintenance is > R200	R50 if maintenance is > R350
Child	R100	Extra R50 in excess of five children	
Age over 60	R120		
Medical and insurance	10% (max. R75)		



Annexure C Budget Review 1981			
		1981/82	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–6 000	8	0
	6 001–7 000	10	480
	7 001–8 000	12	580
	8 001–9 000	14	700
	9 001–10 000	16	840
	10 001–11 000	18	1 000
	11 001–12 000	20	1 180
	12 001–13 000	22	1 380
	13 001–14 000	24	1 600
	14 001–15 000	26	1 840
	15 001–16 000	28	2 100
	16 001–18 000	30	2 380
	18 001–20 000	32	2 980
	20 001–22 000	34	3 620
	22 001–24 000	36	4 300
	24 001–26 000	38	5 020
	26 001–28 000	40	5 780
	28 001–30 000	42	6 580
	30 001–32 000	44	7 420
	32 001–34 000	46	8 300
	34 001–36 000	47	9 220
	36 001–38 000	48	10 160
	38 001–40 000	49	11 120
	40 001-	50	12 100
Single	1–6 000	8	0
	6 001–7 000	10	480
	7 001–8 000	12	580
	8 001–9 000	14	700
	9 001–10 000	16	840

Annexure C Budget Review 1981	(continued)		
		1981/82	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
	10 001–11 000	18	1 000
	11 001–12 000	20	1 180
	12 001–13 000	22	1 380
	13 001–14 000	24	1 600
	14 001–15 000	26	1 840
	15 001–16 000	28	2 100
	16 001–18 000	30	2 380
	18 001–20 000	32	2 980
	20 001–22 000	34	3 620
	22 001–24 000	36	4 300
	24 001–26 000	38	5 020
	26 001–28 000	40	5 780
	28 001–30 000	42	6 580
	30 001–32 000	44	7 420
	32 001–34 000	46	8 300
	34 001–36 000	47	9 220
	36 001–38 000	48	10 160
	38 001–40 000	49	11 120
	40 001–	50	12 100
Rebates			
Married	R200		
Single	R120		
Dependants		R30 if maintenance is > R200	R50 if maintenance is > R350
Child	R100	Extra R50 in excess of five children	
Age 60–70	R120	Age 70 and over	R80
Medical and insurance	10% (max. R75)		



Annexure D Budget Review 1982			
		1982/83	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–7 000	10	0
	7 001–8 000	12	700
	8 001–9 000	14	820
	9 001–10 000	16	960
	10 001–11 000	18	1 120
	11 001–12 000	20	1 300
	12 001–13 000	22	1 500
	13 001–14 000	24	1 720
	14 001–15 000	26	1 960
	15 001–16 000	28	2 220
	16 001–18 000	30	2 500
	18 001–20 000	32	3 100
	20 001–22 000	34	3 740
	22 001–24 000	36	4 420
	24 001–26 000	38	5 140
	26 001–28 000	40	5 900
	28 001–30 000	42	6 700
	30 001–32 000	44	7 540
	32 001–34 000	46	8 420
	34 001–36 000	47	9 340
	36 001–38 000	48	10 280
	38 001–40 000	49	11 240
Single	1–7 000	10	0
	7 001–8 000	12	700
	8 001–9 000	14	820
	9 001–10 000	16	960
	10 001–11 000	18	1 120
	11 001–12 000	20	1 300
	12 001–13 000	22	1 500
	13 001–14 000	24	1 720

Annexure D Budget Review 1982	(continued)		
		1982/83	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
	14 001–15 000	26	1 960
	15 001–16 000	28	2 220
	16 001–18 000	30	2 500
	18 001–20 000	32	3 100
	20 001–22 000	34	3 740
	22 001–24 000	36	4 420
	24 001–26 000	38	5 140
	26 001–28 000	40	5 900
	28 001–30 000	42	6 700
	30 001–32 000	44	7 540
	32 001–34 000	46	8 420
	34 001–36 000	47	9 340
	36 001–38 000	48	10 280
	38 001–40 000	49	11 240
	40 001-	50	12 220
Rebates			
Married	R320		
Single	R240		
Dependants		R30 if maintenance is > R200	R50 if maintenance is > R350
Child	R100	Extra R50 in excess of five children	
Age 60–70	R120	Age 70 and over	R80
Medical and insurance	10% (max. R75)	Single (min. R20)	

Where the taxable income does not exceed R28 000, a surcharge is added equal to 20% of the tax so calculated, after deducting an amount equal to the rebates. Where the taxable income of such a person exceeds R28 000, the tax payable is the amount of tax calculated as aforesaid on the taxable income of R28 000, plus 50% of the amount by which the taxable income exceeds R28 000.

Loan levy

A 5% loan levy must be added to normal tax calculated according to the above-mentioned rates of tax.

A loan levy is not payable:

- where the taxable income does not exceed R7 000;
- where the basic normal tax is less than R150; and
- by a person over the age of 70 whose taxable income does not exceed R15 000.

In calculating the loan levy, fractions of the rand are discarded.

Annexure E Budget Review 1983			
	1983/84		
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–7 000	10	0
	7 001–8 000	12	700
	8 001–9 000	14	820
	9 001–10 000	16	960
	10 001–11 000	18	1 120
	11 001–12 000	20	1 300
	12 001–13 000	22	1 500
	13 001–14 000	24	1 720
	14 001–15 000	26	1 960
	15 001–16 000	28	2 220
	16 001–18 000	30	2 500
	18 001–20 000	32	3 100
	20 001–22 000	34	3 740
	22 001–24 000	36	4 420
	24 001–26 000	38	5 140
	26 001–28 000	40	5 900
	28 001–30 000	42	6 700
	30 001–32 000	44	7 540
	32 001–34 000	46	8 420
	34 001–36 000	47	9 340
	36 001–38 000	48	10 280
	38 001–40 000	49	11 240
	40 001-	50	12 220
Single	1–7 000	10	0
	7 001–8 000	12	700
	8 001–9 000	14	820
	9 001–10 000	16	960
	10 001–11 000	18	1 120
	11 001–12 000	20	1 300
	12 001–13 000	22	1 500
	13 001–14 000	24	1 720

Annexure E Budget Review 1983	(continued)			
	1983/84			
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)	
	14 001–15 000	26	1 960	
	15 001–16 000	28	2 220	
	16 001–18 000	30	2 500	
	18 001–20 000	32	3 100	
	20 001–22 000	34	3 740	
	22 001–24 000	36	4 420	
	24 001–26 000	38	5 140	
	26 001–28 000	40	5 900	
	28 001–30 000	42	6 700	
	30 001–32 000	44	7 540	
	32 001–34 000	46	8 420	
	34 001–36 000	47	9 340	
	36 001–38 000	48	10 280	
	38 001–40 000	49	11 240	
	40 001–	50	12 220	
Rebates				
Married	R460			
Single	R380			
Dependants		R30 if maintenance is > R200	R50 if maintenance is > R350	
Child	R100	Extra R50 in excess of five children		
Age 60–70	R120	Age 70 and over	R300	
Medical and insurance	10% (max. R75) (min. R30)	Single (min. R20)		



	1984/85	
Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
1–8 000	12	0
8 001–9 000	14	960
9 001–10 000	16	1 100
10 001–11 000	18	1 260
11 001–12 000	20	1 440
12 001–13 000	22	1 640
13 001–14 000	24	1 860
14 001–15 000	26	2 100
15 001–16 000	28	2 360
16 001–18 000	30	2 640
18 001–20 000	32	3 240
20 001–22 000	34	3 880
22 001–24 000	36	4 560
24 001–26 000	38	5 280
26 001–28 000	40	6 040
28 001–30 000	42	6 840
30 001–32 000	44	7 680
32 001–34 000	46	8 560
34 001–36 000	47	9 480
36 001–38 000	48	10 420
38 001–40 000	49	11 380
40 001–	50	12 360
1–8 000	12	0
8 001–9 000	14	960
9 001–10 000	16	1 100
10 001–11 000	18	1 260
11 001–12 000	20	1 440
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Annexure F	Budget Review 1984	(continued)		
			1984/85	
		Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
		12 001–13 000	22	1 640
		13 001–14 000	24	1 860
		14 001–15 000	26	2 100
		15 001–16 000	28	2 360
		16 001–18 000	30	2 640
		18 001–20 000	32	3 240
		20 001–22 000	34	3 880
		22 001–24 000	36	4 560
		24 001–26 000	38	5 280
		26 001–28 000	40	6 040
		28 001–30 000	42	6 840
		30 001–32 000	44	7 680
		32 001–34 000	46	8 560
		34 001–36 000	47	9 480
		36 001–38 000	48	10 420
		38 001–40 000	49	11 380
		40 001–	50	12 360
Rebates				
Married		R460		
Single		R380		
Dependants			R30 if maintenance is > R200	R50 if maintenance is > R350
Child		R100	Extra R50 in excess of five children	
Age 60–70		R120	Age 70 and over	R300
Medical and insura	nce	10% (max. R75) (min. R30)	Single (min. R20)	



Annexure G Budget Review 1985			
		1985/86	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–12 000	16	0
	12 001–13 000	18	1 920
	13 001–14 000	20	2 100
	14 001–15 000	22	2 300
	15 001–16 000	24	2 520
	16 001–18 000	26	2 760
	18 001–20 000	28	3 280
	20 001–22 000	30	3 840
	22 001–24 000	32	4 440
	24 001–26 000	34	5 080
	26 001–28 000	36	5 760
	28 001–30 000	38	6 480
	30 001–32 000	40	7 240
	32 001–34 000	42	8 040
	34 001–36 000	43	8 880
	36 001–38 000	44	9 740
	38 001–40 000	45	10 620
	40 001–50 000	46	11 520
	50 001–60 000	48	16 120
	60 001–	50	20 920
Single	1–10 000	16	0
	10 001–11 000	18	1 600
	11 001–12 000	20	1 780
	12 001–13 000	22	1 980
	13 001–14 000	24	2 200

Annexure G Budget Review 1985	(continued)			
	1985/86			
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)	
	14 001–15 000	26	2 440	
	15 001–16 000	28	2 700	
	16 001–18 000	30	2 980	
	18 001–20 000	32	3 580	
	20 001–22 000	34	4 220	
	22 001–24 000	36	4 900	
	24 001–26 000	38	5 620	
	26 001–28 000	40	6 380	
	28 001–30 000	42	7 180	
	30 001–32 000	44	8 020	
	32 001–34 000	45	8 900	
	34 001–36 000	46	9 800	
	36 001–38 000	47	10 720	
	38 001–40 000	48	11 660	
	40 001–42 000	49	12 620	
	42 001–	50	13 600	
Rebates				
Married	R880			
Single	R620			
Dependants		R30 if maintenance is > R200	R50 if maintenance is > R350	
Child	R100	Extra R50 in excess of five children		
Age 60–64	R120	Age 65 and over	R500	
Medical and insurance	10% (max. R75) (min. R30)	Single (min. R20)		

Surcharge on normal tax payable

A surcharge is added to the tax calculated in accordance with the rates above. The surcharge is calculated at the rate of 7% on the tax (after deduction of the rebates) if it exceeds R750. The surcharge is payable by all married and unmarried persons, regardless of their ages.



Annexure H Budget Review 1986			
		1986/87	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–12 000	16	0
	12 001–13 000	18	1 920
	13 001–14 000	20	2 100
	14 001–15 000	22	2 300
	15 001–16 000	24	2 520
	16 001–18 000	26	2 760
	18 001–20 000	28	3 280
	20 001–22 000	30	3 840
	22 001–24 000	32	4 440
	24 001–26 000	34	5 080
	26 001–28 000	36	5 760
	28 001–30 000	38	6 480
	30 001–32 000	40	7 240
	32 001–34 000	42	8 040
	34 001–36 000	43	8 880
	36 001–38 000	44	9 740
	38 001–40 000	45	10 620
	40 001–50 000	46	11 520
	50 001–60 000	48	16 120
	60 001–	50	20 920
Single	1–10 000	16	0
	10 001–11 000	18	1 600
	11 001–12 000	20	1 780
	12 001–13 000	22	1 980
	13 001–14 000	24	2 200
	14 001–15 000	26	2 440
	15 001–16 000	28	2 700

Annexure H Budg	get Review 1986 (continued)		
		1986/87		
		Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
		16 001–18 000	30	2 980
		18 001–20 000	32	3 580
		20 001–22 000	34	4 220
		22 001–24 000	36	4 900
		24 001–26 000	38	5 620
		26 001–28 000	40	6 380
		28 001–30 000	42	7 180
		30 001–32 000	44	8 020
		32 001–34 000	45	8 900
		34 001–36 000	46	9 800
		36 001–38 000	47	10 720
		38 001–40 000	48	11 660
		40 001–42 000	49	12 620
		42 001–	50	13 600
Rebates				
Married		R880		
Single		R620		
Dependants			R30 if maintenance is > R200	R50 if maintenance is > R350
Child		R100	Extra R50 in excess of five children	
Age 60–64		R120	Age 65 and over	R500
Medical and insurance		10% (max. R75)	Single (min. R20)	

According to the above tax rates, after rebates, a discount of 5% is given.

Annexure I Budget Review 1987			
		1987/88	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–12 000	15	0
	12 001–13 000	16	1 800
	13 001–14 000	18	1 960
	14 001–15 000	20	2 140
	15 001–16 000	22	2 340
	16 001–18 000	24	2 560
	18 001–20 000	26	3 040
	20 001–22 000	28	3 560
	22 001– 24 000	30	4 120
	24 001–26 000	32	4 720
	26 001–28 000	34	5 360
	28 001–30 000	36	6 040
	30 001–35 000	38	6 760
	35 001–40 000	40	8 660
	40 001–45 000	42	10 660
	45 001–50 000	43	12 760
	50 001–60 000	44	14 910
	60 001-	45	19 310
Single	1–10 000	15	0
	10 001–11 000	16	1 500
	11 001–12 000	18	1 660

Annexure I Budget Review 1987 (continued)		
		1987/88	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
	12 001–13 000	20	1 840
	13 001–14 000	22	2 040
	14 001–15 000	24	2 260
	15 001–16 000	26	2 500
	16 001–18 000	28	2 760
	18 001–20 000	30	3 320
	20 001–22 000	32	3 920
	22 001– 24 000	34	4 560
	24 001–26 000	36	5 240
	26 001–28 000	38	5 960
	28 001–30 000	40	6 720
	30 001–34 000	42	7 520
	34 001–38 000	43	9 200
	38 001–42 000	44	10 920
	42 001–	45	12 680
Rebates			
Married	R920		
Single	R650		
Dependants		R30 if maintenance is > R200	R50 if maintenance is > R350
Child	R100	Extra R50 in excess of five children	
Age 60–70	R120	Age 70 and over	R500
Medical and insurance	10% (max. R75) (min. R30)	Single (min. R20)	

Annexure J Budget Review 1988			
		1988/89	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–12 000	14	0
	12 001–13 000	15	1 680
	13 001–14 000	17	1 830
	14 001–15 000	19	2 000
	15 001–16 000	21	2 190
	16 001–18 000	23	2 400
	18 001–20 000	25	2 860
	20 001–22 000	27	3 360
	22 001–24 000	29	3 900
	24 001–26 000	31	4 480
	26 001–28 000	33	5 100
	28 001–30 000	35	5 760
	30 001–35 000	37	6 460
	35 001–40 000	39	8 310
	40 001–50 000	41	10 260
	50 001–60 000	42	14 360
	60 001–70 000	43	18 560
	70 001–80 000	44	22 860
	80 001-	45	27 260
Single	1–10 000	14	0
	10 001–11 000	15	1 400

Annexure J	Budget Review 1988 ((continued)		
			1988/89	
		Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
		11 001–12 000	17	1 550
		12 001–13 000	19	1 720
		13 001–14 000	21	1 910
		14 001–15 000	23	2 120
		15 001–16 000	25	2 350
		16 001–18 000	27	2 600
		18 001–20 000	29	3 140
		20 001–22 000	31	3 720
		22 001–24 000	33	4 340
		24 001–26 000	35	5 000
		26 001–28 000	37	5 700
		28 001–30 000	39	6 440
		30 001–36 000	41	7 220
		36 001–42 000	42	9 680
		42 001–48 000	43	12 200
		48 001–54 000	44	14 780
		54 001–	45	17 420
Rebates				
Married		R1 100		
Single		R750		
Child		R100	Extra R50 in excess of five children	
Age 60–64		R120	Age 65 and over	R500



Annexure K Budget Review 1	989		
		1989/90	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–12 000	14	0
	12 001–13 000	15	1 680
	13 001–14 000	17	1 830
	14 001–15 000	19	2 000
	15 001–16 000	21	2 190
	16 001–18 000	23	2 400
	18 001–20 000	25	2 860
	20 001–22 000	27	3 360
	22 001–24 000	29	3 900
	24 001–26 000	31	4 480
	26 001–28 000	33	5 100
	28 001–30 000	35	5 760
	30 001–35 000	37	6 460
	35 001–40 000	39	8 310
	40 001–50 000	41	10 260
	50 001–60 000	42	14 360
	60 001–70 000	43	18 560
	70 001–80 000	44	22 860
	80 001–	45	27 260
Single	1–10 000	14	0
	10 001–11 000	15	1 400
	11 001–12 000	17	1 550
	12 001–13 000	19	1 720
	13 001–14 000	21	1 910
	14 001–15 000	23	2 120

		1989/90		
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)	
	15 001–16 000	25	2 350	
	16 001–18 000	27	2 600	
	18 001–20 000	29	3 140	
	20 001–22 000	31	3 720	
	22 001–24 000	33	4 340	
	24 001–26 000	35	5 000	
	26 001–28 000	37	5 700	
	28 001–30 000	39	6 440	
	30 001–36 000	41	7 220	
	36 001–42 000	42	9 680	
	42 001–48 000	43	12 200	
	48 001–54 000	44	14 780	
	54 001-	45	17 420	
Married women	1–20 000	25	0	
	20 001–24 000	28	5 000	
	24 001–28 000	30	6 120	
	28 001–32 000	32	7 320	
	32 001–36 000	34	8 600	
	36 001–40 000	36	9 960	
Dohata	40 000	38	11 400	
Rebates				
Married	R1 250			
Single	R850			
Married women	R1 075			
Child	R100			
Age 1	R120			
Age 2	R1 450			



Annexure L Budget Review 1990			
		1990/91	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–5 000	16	0
	5 001–10 000	18	800
	10 001–15 000	20	1 700
	15 001–20 000	22	2 700
	20 001–25 000	24	3 800
	25 001–30 000	27	5 000
	30 001–35 000	30	6 350
	35 001–40 000	33	7 850
	40 001–45 000	36	9 500
	45 001–50 000	39	11 300
	50 001–55 000	40	13 250
	55 001–60 000	41	15 250
	60 001–70 000	42	17 300
	70 001–80 000	43	21 500
	80 001–	44	25 800
Single	1–4 000	15	0
	4 001–8 000	18	600
	8 001–12 000	21	1 320
	12 001–16 000	24	2 160
	16 001–20 000	27	3 120
	20 001–24 000	30	4 200
	24 001–28 000	33	5 400
	28 001–32 000	36	6 720
	32 001–36 000	39	8 160
	36 001–40 000	40	9 720
	40 001–44 000	41	11 320
	44 001–48 000	42	12 960
	48 001–56 000	43	14 640
	56 001-	44	18 080

Annexure L Budget Review 1990 (continued)			
	1990/91		
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married women	1–4 000	15	0
	4 001–8 000	18	600
	8 001–12 000	21	1 320
	12 001–16 000	24	2 160
	16 001–20 000	27	3 120
	20 001–24 000	30	4 200
	24 001–28 000	32	5 400
	28 001–32 000	34	6 680
	32 001–36 000	36	8 040
	36 001–40 000	37	9 480
	40 001–	38	10 960
Rebates			
Married	R2 100		
Single	R1 800		
Married women	R700		
Child	R100		
Age 1	R120		
Age 2	R2 100		



Annexure M Budget Review 1991			
		1991/92	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–5 000	15	0
	5 001–10 000	17	750
	10 001–15 000	19	1 600
	15 001–20 000	21	2 550
	20 001–25 000	23	3 600
	25 001–30 000	26	4 750
	30 001–35 000	29	6 050
	35 001–40 000	32	7 500
	40 001–45 000	35	9 100
	45 001–50 000	38	10 850
	50 001–55 000	39	12 750
	55 001–60 000	40	14 700
	60 001–70 000	41	16 700
	70 001–80 000	42	20 800
	80 001–	43	25 000
Single	1–5 000	14	0
	5 001–10 000	17	700
	10 001–15 000	21	1 550
	15 001–20 000	25	2 600
	20 001–25 000	29	3 850
	25 001–30 000	33	5 300
	30 001–35 000	36	6 950
	35 001–40 000	39	8 750
	40 001–45 000	40	10 700
	45 001–50 000	41	12 700
	50 001–56 000	42	14 750
	56 001–	43	17 270

Annexure M Budget Review 1991 (continued)				
	1991/92			
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)	
Married women	1–4 000	15	0	
	4 001–8 000	18	600	
	8 001–12 000	21	1 320	
	12 001–16 000	24	2 160	
	16 001–20 000	27	3 120	
	20 001–24 000	30	4 200	
	24 001–28 000	32	5 400	
	28 001–32 000	34	6 680	
	32 001–36 000	36	8 040	
	36 001–40 000	37	9 480	
	40 001–	38	10 960	
Rebates				
Married	R2 000			
Single	R1 625			
Married women	R800			
Child	R100			
Age 1	R120			
Age 2	R2 100			

		1992/93	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–5 000	17	0
	5 001–10 000	18	850
	10 001–15 000	19	1 750
	15 001–20 000	20	2 700
	20 001–30 000	21	3 700
	30 001–40 000	28	5 800
	40 001–50 000	36	8 600
	50 001–60 000	41	12 200
	60 001–80 000	42	16 300
	80 001-	43	24 700
Single	1–5 000	17	0
	5 001–10 000	19	850
	10 001–15 000	21	1 800
	15 001–20 000	24	2 850
	20 001–30 000	28	4 050
	30 001–40 000	36	6 850
	40 001–50 000	41	10 450
	50 001–56 000	42	14 550
	56 001-	43	17 070
Married women	1–5 000	17	0
	5 001–10 000	19	850
	10 001–15 000	21	1 800
	15 001–20 000	24	2 850
	20 001–30 000	28	4 050
	30 001–40 000 40 001–50 000	36	6 850 10 450
	50 001-	40	14 250
Rebates			
Married	R2 225		
Single	R1 950		
Married women	R900		
Child	R100		
Age 1	R120		
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	1993/94		
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–5 000	17	0
	5 001–10 000	18	850
	10 001–15 000	19	1 750
	15 001–20 000	20	2 700
	20 001–30 000	21	3 700
	30 001–40 000	28	5 800
	40 001–50 000	36	8 600
	50 001–60 000	41	12 200
	60 001–80 000	42	16 300
	80 001-	43	24 700
Single	1–5 000	17	0
	5 001–10 000	19	850
	10 001–15 000	21	1 800
	15 001–20 000	24	2 850
	20 001–30 000	28	4 050
	30 001–40 000	36	6 850
	40 001–50 000	41	10 450
	50 001–56 000	42	14 550
	56 001–	43	17 070
Married women	1–5 000	17	0
	5 001–10 000	19	850
	10 001–15 000	21	1 800
	15 001–20 000	24	2 850
	20 001–30 000	28	4 050
	30 001–40 000	36	6 850
	40 001–50 000	38	10 450
	50 001–	40	14 250
Rebates			
Married	R2 225		
single	R1 950		
Married women	R900		
Child	R100		
ge 1	R120		
Age 2	R2 500		

Annexure P Budget Review 199)4		
		1994/95	
	Income (rand per annum)	Rate (per cent)	Tax scale (rand)
Married	1–5 000	17	0
	5 001–10 000	18	850
	10 001–15 000	19	1 750
	15 001–20 000	20	2 700
	20 001–30 000	21	3 700
	30 001–40 000	28	5 800
	40 001–50 000	36	8 600
	50 001–60 000	41	12 200
	60 001–80 000	42	16 300
	80 001–	43	24 700
Single	1–5 000	17	0
Single	5 001–10 000	19	850
	10 001–15 000	21	1 800
	15 001–13 000	24	2 850
	20 001–30 000	28	4 050
	30 001–40 000	36	6 850
	40 001–50 000	41	10 450
	50 001–56 000	42	14 550
	56 001-	43	17 070
	30 001-	40	17 070
Married women	1–5 000	17	0
	5 001–10 000	19	850
	10 001–15 000	21	1 800
	15 001–20 000	24	2 850
	20 001–30 000	28	4 050
	30 001–40 000	36	6 850
	40 001–50 000	38	10 450
	50 001-	40	14 250
Rebates			
Married	R2 225		
Single	R1 950		
Married women	R900		
Child	R100		
Age 1	R120		
Age 2	R2 500		

Notes:

The transitional levy is applicable and calculated as follows:

- 1. Married and unmarried persons:
 - 3.33% of taxable income exceeding R50 000 (taxable income excludes certain retirement benefits).
- 2. Married women:
 - 3.33% of taxable income exceeding R175 000 (taxable income excludes certain retirement benefits).
- 3. Companies (including close corporations): 5% of taxable income exceeding R50 000.
- 4. Trusts and estates (taxable as unmarried persons): 3.33% of taxable income exceeding R50 000.



Personal income tax relief

PIT provides the foundation for an equitable and progressive tax system. PIT brackets and rebates are partially adjusted for 'fiscal drag' to take inflation into account. To compensate for the effects of inflation, which pushes some individuals into higher tax brackets and reduces their purchasing power, the PIT and rebates were adjusted, providing individuals with PIT relief, as shown in the Annexure below.

Annexure P Budget Review 1994 (continued)

Impact on tax proposals

Proposals after fiscal drag (R billions)

	Fiscal relief	Rate increase in income tax
2015/16	-8 500	9 420
2014/15	-9 250	
2013/14	-7 032	
2012/13	-9 500	
2011/12	-8 100	
2010/11	-6 500	
2009/10	-13 000	
2008/09	-7 700	
2007/08	-8 400	
2006/07	-12 125	
2005/06	-6 800	
2004/05	-4 000	
1994/95 to 2003/04	-62 763	

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Annexure Q Budget Review 199	95
	1995/96
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–5 000	17% of each R1
5 001–10 000	R850 + 18% of the amount above R5 000
10 001–15 000	R1 750 + 19% of the amount above R10 000
15 001–20 000	R2 700 + 20% of the amount above R15 000
20 001–30 000	R3 700 + 21% of the amount above R20 000
30 001–40 000	R5 830 + 31% of the amount above R30 000
40 001–50 000	R8 900 + 42% of the amount above R40 000
50 001–70 000	R13 100 + 43% of the amount above R50 000
70 001–80 000	R21 700 + 44% of the amount above R70 000
80 001 and above	R26 100 + 45% of the amount above R80 000
Rebates	
Primary	R2 625
Age 65 and over (additional to primary rebate)	R2 500
Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R14 600
Age 65 and over	R26 785

Note: In addition, a transitional levy of 1.67% of taxable income exceeding R50 000 is applicable to all persons, including trusts and estates.

Annexure R Budget Review 1996			
1996/97			
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax		
1–15 000	17% of each R1		
15 001–20 000	R2 550 + 19% of the amount above R15 000		
20 001–30 000	R3 500 + 21% of the amount above R20 000		
30 001–40 000	R5 600 + 30% of the amount above R30 000		
40 001–60 000	R8 600 + 41% of the amount above R40 000		
60 001–80 000	R16 800 + 43% of the amount above R60 000		
80 001–100 000	R25 400 + 44% of the amount above R80 000		
100 001 and above	R34 200 + 45% of the amount above R100 000		
Rebates			
Primary	R2 660		
Age 65 and over (additional to primary rebate)	R2 500		
Tax threshold			
Below age 65	R15 800		
Age 65 and over	R27 905		

Annexure S Budget Review 1997	7		
1997/98			
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax		
1–30 000	19% of each R1		
30 001–35 000	R5 700 + 30% of the amount above R30 000		
35 001–45 000	R7 200 + 32% of the amount above R35 000		
45 001–60 000	R10 400 + 41% of the amount above R45 000		
60 001–70 000	R16 550 + 43% of the amount above R60 000		
70 001–100 000	R20 850 + 44% of the amount above R70 000		
100 001 and above	R34 050 + 45% of the amount above R100 000		
Rebates			
Primary	R3 215		
Age 65 and over (additional to primary rebate)	R2 500		
Tax threshold			
Below age 65	R16 921		
Age 65 and over	R30 050		

Annexure T Budget Review 1998	3
	1998/99
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–31 000	19% of each R1
31 001–46 000	R5 890 + 30% of the amount above R31 000
46 001–60 000	R10 390 + 39% of the amount above R46 000
60 001–70 000	R15 850 + 43% of the amount above R60 000
70 001–120 000	R20 150 + 44% of the amount above R70 000
120 001 and above	R42 150 + 45% of the amount above R120 000
Rebates	
Primary	R3 515
Age 65 and over (additional to primary rebate)	R2 660
Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R18 500
Age 65 and over	R31 950

Annexure U Budget Review 1999			
	1999/2000		
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax		
1–33 000	19% of each R1		
33 001–50 000	R6 270 + 30% of the amount above R33 000		
50 001–60 000	R11 370 + 35% of the amount above R50 000		
60 001–70 000	R14 870 + 40% of the amount above R60 000		
70 001–120 000	R18 870 + 44% of the amount above R70 000		
120 001 and above	R40 870 + 45% of the amount above R120 000		
Rebates			
Primary	R3 710		
Age 65 and over (additional to primary rebate)	R2 775		
Tax threshold			
Below age 65	R19 526		
Age 65 and over	R33 717		

Annexure V Budg	et Review 2000		
1	999/2000		2000/01
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–33 000	19% of each R1	1–35 000	18% of each R1
33 001–50 000	R6 270 + 30% of the amount above R33 000	35 001–45 000	R6 300 + 26% of the amount above R35 000
50 001–60 000	R11 370 + 35% of the amount above R50 000	45 001–60 000	R8 900 + 32% of the amount above R45 000
60 001–70 000	R14 870 + 40% of the amount above R60 000	60 001–70 000	R13 700 + 37% of the amount above R60 000
70 001–120 000	R18 870 + 44% of the amount above R70 000	70 001–200 000	R17 400 + 40% of the amount above R70 000
120 001 and above	R40 870 + 45% of the amount above R120 000	200 001 and above	R69 400 + 42% of the amount above R200 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R3 710	Primary	R3 800
Age 65 and over (additional to primary rebate)	R2 775	Age 65 and over (additional to primary rebate)	R2 900
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R19 526	Below age 65	R21 111
Age 65 and over	R33 717	Age 65 and over	R36 538

Annexure W Budget Review 2001			
2000/01		2001/02	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–35 000	18% of each R1	1–38 000	18% of each R1
35 001–45 000	R6 300 + 26% of the amount above R35 000	38 001–55 000	R6 840 + 26% of the amount above R38 000
45 001–60 000	R8 900 + 32% of the amount above R45 000	55 001–80 000	R11 260 + 32% of the amount above R55 000
60 001–70 000	R13 700 + 37% of the amount above R60 000	80 001–100 000	R19 260 + 37% of the amount above R80 000
70 001–200 000	R17 400 + 40% of the amount above R70 000	100 001–215 000	R26 660 + 40% of the amount above R100 000
200 001 and above	R69 400 + 42% of the amount above R200 000	215 001 and above	R72 660 + 42% of the amount above R215 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R3 800	Primary	R4 140
Secondary	R2 900	Secondary	R3 000
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R21 111	Below age 65	R23 000
Age 65 and over	R36 538	Age 65 and over	R39 154

Annexure X Budget Review 2002			
2001/02		2002/03	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–38 000	18% of each R1	1–40 000	18% of each R1
38 001–55 000	R6 840 + 26% of the amount above R38 000	40 001–80 000	R7 200 + 25% of the amount above R40 000
55 001–80 000	R11 260 + 32% of the amount above R55 000	80 001–110 000	R17 200 + 30% of the amount above R80 000
80 001–100 000	R19 260 + 37% of the amount above R80 000	110 001–170 000	R26 200 + 35% of the amount above R110 000
100 001–215 000	R26 660 + 40% of the amount above R100 000	170 001–240 000	R47 200 + 38% of the amount above R170 000
215 001 and above	R72 660 + 42% of the amount above R215 000	240 001 and above	R73 800 + 40% of the amount above R240 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R4 140	Primary	R4 860
Secondary	R3 000	Secondary	R3 000
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R23 000	Below age 65	R27 000
Age 65 and over	R39 154	Age 65 and over	R42 640

Annexure Y Buc	lget Review 2003			
	2002/03		2003/04	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	
1–40 000	18% of each R1	1–70 000	18% of each R1	
40 001–80 000	R7 200 + 25% of the amount above R40 000	70 001–110 000	R12 600 + 25% of the amount above R70 000	
80 001–110 000	R17 200 + 30% of the amount above R80 000	110 001–140 000	R22 600 + 30% of the amount above R110 000	
110 001–170 000	R26 200 + 35% of the amount above R110 000	140 001–180 000	R31 600 + 35% of the amount above R140 000	
170 001–240 000	R47 200 + 38% of the amount above R170 000	180 001–255 000	R45 600 + 38% of the amount above R180 000	
240 001 and above	R73 800 + 40% of the amount above R240 000	255 001 and above	R74 100 + 40% of the amount above R255 000	
Rebates		Rebates		
Primary	R4 860	Primary	R5 400	
Secondary	R3 000	Secondary	R3 100	
Tax threshold		Tax threshold		
Below age 65	R27 000	Below age 65	R30 000	
Age 65 and over	R42 640	Age 65 and over	R47 222	

Annexure Z Budget Review 2004			
2003/04		2004/05	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–70 000	18% of each R1	1–74 000	18% of each R1
70 001–110 000	R12 600 + 25% of the amount above R70 000	74 001–115 000	R13 320 + 25% of the amount above R74 000
110 001–140 000	R22 600 + 30% of the amount above R110 000	115 001–155 000	R23 570 + 30% of the amount above R115 000
140 001–180 000	R31 600 + 35% of the amount above R140 000	155 001–195 000	R35 570 + 35% of the amount above R155 000
180 001–255 000	R45 600 + 38% of the amount above R180 000	195 001–270 000	R49 570 + 38% of the amount above R195 000
255 001 and above	R74 100 + 40% of the amount above R255 000	270 001 and above	R78 070 + 40% of the amount above R270 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R5 400	Primary	R5 800
Secondary	R3 100	Secondary	R3 200
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R30 000	Below age 65	R32 222
Age 65 and over	R47 222	Age 65 and over	R50 000

Annexure AA Budget Review 2005			
2004/05		2005/06	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–74 000	18% of each R1	1–80 000	18% of each R1
74 001–115 000	R13 320 + 25% of the amount above R74 000	80 001–130 000	R14 400 + 25% of the amount above R80 000
115 001–155 000	R23 570 + 30% of the amount above R115 000	130 001–180 000	R26 900 + 30% of the amount above R130 000
155 001–195 000	R35 570 + 35% of the amount above R155 000	180 001–230 000	R41 900 + 35% of the amount above R180 000
195 001–270 000	R49 570 + 38% of the amount above R195 000	230 001–300 000	R59 400 + 38% of the amount above R230 000
270 001 and above	R78 070 + 40% of the amount above R270 000	300 001 and above	R86 000 + 40% of the amount above R300 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R5 800	Primary	R6 300
Secondary	R3 200	Secondary	R4 500
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R32 222	Below age 65	R35 000
Age 65 and over	R50 000	Age 65 and over	R60 000

Annexure AB Budget Review 2006			
2005/06		2	2006/07
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–80 000	18% of each R1	1–100 000	18% of each R1
80 001–130 000	R14 400 + 25% of the amount above R80 000	100 001–160 000	R18 000 + 25% of the amount above R100 000
130 001–180 000	R26 900 + 30% of the amount above R130 000	160 001–220 000	R33 000 + 30% of the amount above R160 000
180 001–230 000	R41 900 + 35% of the amount above R180 000	220 001–300 000	R51 000 + 35% of the amount above R220 000
230 001–300 000	R59 400 + 38% of the amount above R230 000	300 001–400 000	R79 000 + 38% of the amount above R300 000
300 001 and above	R86 000 + 40% of the amount above R300 000	400 001 and above	R117 000 + 40% of the amount above R400 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R6 300	Primary	R7 200
Secondary	R4 500	Secondary	R4 500
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R35 000	Below age 65	R40 000
Age 65 and over	R60 000	Age 65 and over	R65 000

Annexure AC Bud	lget Review 2007		
	2006/07	2007/08	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–100 000	18% of each R1	1–112 500	18% of each R1
100 001–160 000	R18 000 + 25% of the amount above R100 000	112 501–180 000	R20 250 + 25% of the amount above R112 500
160 001–220 000	R33 000 + 30% of the amount above R160 000	180 001–250 000	R37 125 + 30% of the amount above R180 000
220 001–300 000	R51 000 + 35% of the amount above R220 000	250 001–350 000	R58 125 + 35% of the amount above R250 000
300 001–400 000	R79 000 + 38% of the amount above R300 000	350 001–450 000	R93 125 + 38% of the amount above R350 000
400 001 and above	R117 000 + 40% of the amount above R400 000	450 001 and above	R131 125 + 40% of the amount above R450 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R7 200	Primary	R7 740
Secondary	R4 500	Secondary	R4 680
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R40 000	Below age 65	R43 000
Age 65 and over	R65 000	Age 65 and over	R69 000

Annexure AD Budget Review 2008			
	2007/08	:	2008/09
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–112 500	18% of each R1	1–122 000	18% of each R1
112 501–180 000	R20 250 + 25% of the amount above R112 500	122 001–195 000	R21 960 + 25% of the amount above R122 000
180 001–250 000	R37 125 + 30% of the amount above R180 000	195 001–270 000	R40 210 + 30% of the amount above R195 000
250 001–350 000	R58 125 + 35% of the amount above R250 000	270 001–380 000	R62 710 + 35% of the amount above R270 000
350 001–450 000	R93 125 + 38% of the amount above R350 000	380 001–490 000	R101 210 + 38% of the amount above R380 000
450 001 and above	R131 125 + 40% of the amount above R450 000	490 001 and above	R143 010 + 40% of the amount above R490 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R7 740	Primary	R8 280
Secondary	R4 680	Secondary	R5 040
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R43 000	Below age 65	R46 000
Age 65 and over	R69 000	Age 65 and over	R74 000

Annexure AE Budget Review 2009			
2008/09		2009/10	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–122 000	18% of each R1	1–132 000	18% of each R1
122 001–195 000	R21 960 + 25% of the amount above R122 000	132 001–210 000	R23 760 + 25% of the amount above R132 000
195 001–270 000	R40 210 + 30% of the amount above R195 000	210 001–290 000	R43 260 + 30% of the amount above R210 000
270 001–380 000	R62 710 + 35% of the amount above R270 000	290 001–410 000	R67 260 + 35% of the amount above R290 000
380 001–490 000	R101 210 + 38% of the amount above R380 000	410 001–525 000	R109 260 + 38% of the amount above R410 000
490 001 and above	R143 010 + 40% of the amount above R490 000	525 001 and above	R152 960 + 40% of the amount above R525 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R8 280	Primary	R9 756
Secondary	R5 040	Secondary	R5 400
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R46 000	Below age 65	R54 200
Age 65 and over	R74 000	Age 65 and over	R84 200

Annexure AF Budget Review 2010			
2009/10		2010/11	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–132 000	18% of each R1	1–140 000	18% of each R1
132 001–210 000	R23 760 + 25% of the amount above R132 000	140 001–221 000	R25 200 + 25% of the amount above R140 000
210 001–290 000	R43 260 + 30% of the amount above R210 000	221 001–305 000	R45 450 + 30% of the amount above R221 000
290 001–410 000	R67 260 + 35% of the amount above R290 000	305 001–431 000	R70 650 + 35% of the amount above R305 000
410 001–525 000	R109 260 + 38% of the amount above R410 000	431 001–552 000	R114 750 + 38% of the amount above R431 000
525 001 and above	R152 960 + 40% of the amount above R525 000	552 001 and above	R160 730 + 40% of the amount above R552 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R9 756	Primary	R10 260
Secondary	R5 400	Secondary	R5 675
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R54 200	Below age 65	R57 000
Age 65 and over	R84 200	Age 65 and over	R88 528

Annexure AG Bud	get Review 2011		
	2010/11	2	2011/12
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–140 000	18% of each R1	1–150 000	18% of each R1
140 001–221 000	R25 200 + 25% of the amount above R140 000	150 001–235 000	R27 000 + 25% of the amount above R150 000
221 001–305 000	R45 450 + 30% of the amount above R221 000	235 001–325 000	R48 250 + 30% of the amount above R235 000
305 001–431 000	R70 650 + 35% of the amount above R305 000	325 001–455 000	R75 250 + 35% of the amount above R325 000
431 001–552 000	R114 750 + 38% of the amount above R431 000	455 001–580 000	R120 750 + 38% of the amount above R455 000
552 001 and above	R160 730 + 40% of the amount above R552 000	580 001 and above	R168 250 + 40% of the amount above R580 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R10 260	Primary	R10 755
Secondary	R5 675	Secondary	R6 012
		Tertiary	R2 000
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R57 000	Below age 65	R59 750
Age 65 and over	R88 528	Age 65 and over	R93 150
		Age 75 and over	R104 261

Annexure AH Budget Review 2012			
	2011/12	2012/13	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–150 000	18% of each R1	1–160 000	18% of each R1
150 001–235 000	R27 000 + 25% of the amount above R150 000	160 001–250 000	R28 800 + 25% of the amount above R160 000
235 001–325 000	R48 250 + 30% of the amount above R235 000	250 001–346 000	R51 300 + 30% of the amount above R200 000
325 001–455 000	R75 250 + 35% of the amount above R325 000	346 001–484 000	R80 100 + 35% of the amount above R346 000
455 001–580 000	R120 750 + 38% of the amount above R455 000	484 001–617 000	R128 400 + 38% of the amount above R484 000
580 001 and above	R168 250 + 40% of the amount above R580 000	617 001 and above	R178 940 + 40% of the amount above R617 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R10 755	Primary	R11 440
Secondary	R6 012	Secondary	R6 390
Tertiary	R2 000	Tertiary	R2 130
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R59 750	Below age 65	R63 556
Age 65 and over	R93 150	Age 65 and over	R99 056
Age 75 and over	R104 261	Age 75 and over	R110 889

Annexure Al Buo	get Review 2013		
2012/13		2013/14	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–160 000	18% of each R1	1–165 600	18% of each R1
160 001–250 000	R28 800 + 25% of the amount above R160 000	165 601–258 750	R29 808 + 25% of the amount above R165 600
250 001–346 000	R51 300 + 30% of the amount above R230 000	258 751–358 110	R53 096 + 30% of the amount above R258 750
346 001–484 000	R80 100 + 35% of the amount above R346 000	358 111–500 940	R82 904 + 35% of the amount above R358 110
484 001–617 000	R128 400 + 38% of the amount above R484 000	500 941–638 600	R132 894 + 38% of the amount above R500 940
617 001 and above	R178 940 + 40% of the amount above R617 000	638 601 and above	R185 205 + 40% of the amount above R638 600
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R11 440	Primary	R12 080
Secondary	R6 930	Secondary	R6 750
Tertiary	R2 130	Tertiary	R2 250
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R63 556	Below age 65	R67 111
Age 65 and over	R99 056	Age 65 and over	R104 611
Age 75 and over	R110 889	Age 75 and over	R117 111

Annexure AJ Budget Review 2014			
2013/14		2014/15	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–165 600	18% of each R1	1–174 550	18% of each R1
165 601–258 750	R29 808 + 25% of the amount above R165 600	174 551–272 700	R31 419 + 25% of the amount above R174 550
258 751–358 110	R53 096 + 30% of the amount above R258 750	272 701–377 450	R55 957 + 30% of the amount above R272 700
358 111–500 940	R82 904 + 35% of the amount above R358 110	377 451–528 000	R87 382 + 35% of the amount above R377 450
500 941–638 600	R132 894 + 38% of the amount above R500 940	528 001–673 100	R140 074 + 38% of the amount above R528 000
638 601 and above	R185 204 + 40% of the amount above R638 600	673 101 and above	R195 212 + 40% of the amount above R673 100
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R12 080	Primary	R12 726
Secondary	R6 750	Secondary	R7 110
Tertiary	R2 250	Tertiary	R2 367
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R67 111	Below age 65	R70 700
Age 65 and over	R104 611	Age 65 and over	R110 200
Age 75 and over	R117 111	Age 75 and over	R123 350

Annexure AK Bud	lget Review 2015		
2014/15		2015/16	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–174 550	18% of each R1	1–181 900	18% of each R1
174 551–272 700	R31 419 + 25% of the amount above R174 550	181 901–284 100	R32 742 + 26% of the amount above R181 900
272 701–377 450	R55 957 + 30% of the amount above R272 700	284 101–393 200	R59 314 + 31% of the amount above R284 100
377 451–528 000	R87 382 + 35% of the amount above R377 450	393 201–550 100	R93 135 + 36% of the amount above R393 200
528 001–673 100	R140 074 + 38% of the amount above R528 000	550 101–701 300	R149 619 + 39% of the amount above R550 100
673 101 and above	R195 212 + 40% of the amount above R673 100	701 301 and above	R208 587 + 41% of the amount above R701 300
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R12 726	Primary	R13 257
Secondary	R7 110	Secondary	R7 407
Tertiary	R2 367	Tertiary	R2 466
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R70 700	Below age 65	R73 650
Age 65 and over	R110 200	Age 65 and over	R114 800
Age 75 and over	R123 350	Age 75 and over	R128 500

Annexure AL Budget Review 2016			
2015/16		2016/17	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–181 900	18% of each R1	1–188 000	18% of each R1
181 901–284 100	R32 742 + 26% of the amount above R181 900	188 001–293 600	R33 840 + 26% of the amount above R188 000
284 101–393 200	R59 314 + 31% of the amount above R284 100	293 601–406 400	R61 296 + 31% of the amount above R293 600
393 201–550 100	R93 135 + 36% of the amount above R393 200	406 401–550 100	R96 264 + 36% of the amount above R406 400
550 101–701 100	R149 619 + 39% of the amount above R550 100	550 101–701 300	R147 996 + 39% of the amount above R550 100
701 301 and above	R208 587 + 41% of the amount above R701 300	701 301 and above	R206 964 + 41% of the amount above R701 300
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R13 257	Primary	R13 500
Secondary	R7 407	Secondary	R7 407
Tertiary	R2 466	Tertiary	R2 466
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R73 650	Below age 65	R75 000
Age 65 and over	R114 800	Age 65 and over	R116 150
Age 75 and over	R128 500	Age 75 and over	R129 850

Annexure AM Budg	get Review 2017		
2	2016/17		2017/18
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–181 900	18% of taxable income	1–189 880	18% of taxable income
181 001–293 600	R33 840 + 26% of the amount above R188 000	188 881–296 540	R34 178 + 26% of the amount above R189 880
293 601–406 400	R61 298 + 31% of the amount above R293 600	296 541–410 460	R61 910 + 31% of the amount above R296 540
406 401–550 100	R96 264 + 36% of the amount above R406 400	410 461–550 600	R97 225 + 36% of the amount above R410 460
550 101–701 300	R149 996 + 39% of the amount above R550 100	550 601–708 310	R149 475 + 39% of the amount above R555 600
701 301 and above	R206 964 + 41% of the amount above R701 300	708 311–1 500 000	R209 032 + 41% of the amount above R708 310
		1 500 001 and above	R533 625 + 45% of the amount above R1 500 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R13 500	Primary	R13 635
Secondary	R7 407	Secondary	R7 479
Tertiary	R2 466	Tertiary	R2 493
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R75 000	Below age 65	R75 750
Age 65 and over	R116 150	Age 65 and over	R117 300
Age 75 and over	R129 850	Age 75 and over	R131 150

Annexure AN Budg	get Review 2018		
2017/18		2018/19	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–189 880	18% of taxable income	1–195 850	18% of taxable income
189 881–296 540	R34 178 + 26% of the amount above R189 880	195 851–305 850	R35 253 + 26% of the amount above R195 850
296 541–410 460	R61 910 + 31% of the amount above R296 540	305 851–423 300	R63 853 + 31% of the amount above R305 850
410 461–555 600	R97 225 + 36% of the amount above R410 460	423 301–555 600	R100 263 + 36% of the amount above R423 300
555 601–708 310	R149 475 + 39% of the amount above R550 600	555 601–708 310	R147 891 + 39% of the amount above R555 600
708 311–1500 000	R209 032 + 41% of the amount above R708 310	708 311–1 500 000	R207 448 + 41% of the amount above R708 310
1 500 001 and above	R533 625 + 45% of the amount above R1 500 000	1 500 001 and above	R532 041 + 45% of the amount above R1 500 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R13 635	Primary	R14 067
Secondary	R7 479	Secondary	R7 713
Tertiary	R2 493	Tertiary	R2 574
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R75 750	Below age 65	R78 150
Age 65 and over	R117 300	Age 65 and over	R121 000
Age 75 and over	R131 150	Age 75 and over	R135 300

Annexure AO Budo	get Review 2019		
	2018/19		2019/20
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–189 850	18% of taxable income	1–195 850	18% of taxable income
195 851–305 850	R35 253 + 26% of the amount above R195 850	195 851–305 850	R35 253 + 26% of the amount above R195 850
305 851–423 300	R63 853 + 31% of the amount above R305 850	305 851–423 300	R63 853 + 31% of the amount above R305 850
423 301–555 600	R100 263 + 36% of the amount above R423 300	423 301–555 600	R100 263 + 36% of the amount above R423 300
555 601–708 310	R147 891 + 39% of the amount above R555 600	555 601–708 310	R147 891 + 39% of the amount above R555 600
708 311–1500 000	R207 448 + 41% of the amount above R708 310	708 311–1 500 000	R207 448 + 41% of the amount above R708 310
1 500 001 and above	R532 041 + 45% of the amount above R1 500 000	1 500 001 and above	R532 041 + 45% of the amount above R1 500 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R14 067	Primary	R14 220
Secondary	R7 713	Secondary	R7 794
Tertiary	R2 574	Tertiary	R2 601
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R78 150	Below age 65	R79 000
Age 65 and over	R121 000	Age 65 and over	R122 300
Age 75 and over	R135 300	Age 75 and over	R136 750

Annexure AP Budg	get Review 2020		
:	2019/20		2020/21
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–195 850	18% of taxable income	1–205 900	18% of taxable income
195 851–305 850	R35 253 + 26% of the amount above R195 850	205 901–321 600	R37 062 + 26% of the amount above R205 900
305 851–423 300	R63 853 + 31% of the amount above R305 850	321 601–445 100	R67 144 + 31% of the amount above R321 600
423 301–555 600	R100 263 + 36% of the amount above R423 300	445 101–584 200	R105 429 + 36% of the amount above R445 100
555 601–708 310	R147 891 + 39% of the amount above R555 600	584 201–744 800	R155 505 + 39% of the amount above R584 200
708 311–1500 000	R207 448 + 41% of the amount above R708 310	744 801–1 577 300	R218 139 + 41% of the amount above R744 800
1 500 001 and above	R532 041 + 45% of the amount above R1 500 000	1 577 301 and above	R559 464 + 45% of the amount above R1 577 300
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R14 220	Primary	R14 958
Secondary	R7 794	Secondary	R8 199
Tertiary	R2 601	Tertiary	R2 736
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R79 000	Below age 65	R83 100
Age 65 and over	R122 300	Age 65 and over	R128 650
Age 75 and over	R136 750	Age 75 and over	R143 850

Annexure AQ Budg	get Review 2021		
2	2020/21		2021/22
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–205 900	18% of taxable income	1–216 200	18% of taxable income
205 901–321 600	R37 062 + 26% of the amount above R205 900	216 201–337 800	R38 916 + 26% of the amount above R216 200
321 601–445 100	R67 144 + 31% of the amount above R321 600	337 801–467 500	R70 523 + 31% of the amount above R337 800
445 101–584 200	R105 429 + 36% of the amount above R445 100	467 501–613 600	R110 739 + 36% of the amount above R467 500
584 201–744 800	R155 505 + 39% of the amount above R584 200	613 601–782 200	R163 335 + 39% of the amount above R613 600
744 801–1 577 300	R218 139 + 41% of the amount above R744 800	782 201–1 656 600	R229 089 + 41% of the amount above R782 200
1 577 301 and above	R559 464 + 45% of the amount above R1 577 300	1 656 601 and above	R587 593 + 45% of the amount above R1 656 600
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R14 958	Primary	R15 714
Secondary	R8 199	Secondary	R8 613
Tertiary	R2 736	Tertiary	R2 871
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R83 100	Below age 65	R87 300
Age 65 and over	R128 650	Age 65 and over	R135 150
Age 75 and over	R143 850	Age 75 and over	R151 100

Annexure AR Budg	get Review 2022		
2021/22		2022/23	
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–216 200	18% of each R1	1–226 000	18% of each R1
216 201–337 800	R38 916 + 26% of the amount above R216 200	226 001–353 100	R40 680 + 26% of the amount above R226 000
337 801–467 500	R70 523 + 31% of the amount above R337 800	353 101–488 700	R73 726 + 31% of the amount above R353 100
467 501–613 600	R110 739 + 36% of the amount above R467 500	488 701–641 400	R115 762 + 36% of the amount above R488 700
613 601–782 200	R163 335 + 39% of the amount above R613 600	641 401–817 600	R170 734 + 39% of the amount above R641 400
782 201–1 656 600	R229 089 + 41% of the amount above R782 200	817 601–1 731 600	R239 452 + 41% of the amount above R817 600
1 656 601 and above	R587 593 + 45% of the amount above R1 656 600	1 731 601 and above	R614 192 + 45% of the amount above R1 731 600
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R15 714	Primary	R16 425
Secondary	R8 613	Secondary	R9 000
Tertiary	R2 871	Tertiary	R2 997
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R87 300	Below age 65	R91 250
Age 65 and over	R135 150	Age 65 and over	R141 250
Age 75 and over	R151 100	Age 75 and over	R157 900

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2022/23			2023/24
Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax	Taxable income (rand per annum)	Rates of tax
1–226 000	18% of each R1	1–237 100	18% of each R1
226 001–353 100	R40 680 + 26% of the amount above R226 000	237 101–370 500	R42 678 + 26% of the amount above R237 100
353 101–488 700	R73 726 + 31% of the amount above R353 100	370 501–512 800	R77 362 + 31% of the amount above R370 500
488 701–641 400	R115 762 + 36% of the amount above R488 700	512 801–673 000	R121 475 + 36% of the amount above R512 800
641 401–817 600	R170 734 + 39% of the amount above R641 400	673 001–857 900	R179 147 + 39% of the amount above R673 000
817 601–1 731 600	R239 452 + 41% of the amount above R817 600	857 901–1 817 000	R251 258 + 41% of the amount above R857 900
1 731 601 and above	R614 192 + 45% of the amount above R1 731 600	1 817 001 and above	R644 489 + 45% of the amount above R1 817 000
Rebates		Rebates	
Primary	R16 425	Primary	R17 235
Secondary	R9 000	Secondary	R9 444
Tertiary	R2 997	Tertiary	R3 145
Tax threshold		Tax threshold	
Below age 65	R91 250	Below age 65	R95 750
Age 65 and over	R141 250	Age 65 and over	R148 217
Age 75 and over	R157 900	Age 75 and over	R165 689

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Taxable income levels at which the maximum marginal rate kicks in*

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Abbreviations

CC close corporation

CER certified emission reduction

CF corporate fund CGT capital gains tax

CIS collective investment scheme

CIT corporate income tax

CO₂ carbon dioxide

CPF company policyholder fund
ESD Economic Statistics Department

Excon Exchange Control

FIC Financial Intelligence Centre

FinSurv Financial Surveillance Department [of the South African Reserve Bank]

fob free on board

GATT General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

GST general sales tax

IMF International Monetary Fund
IPF individual policyholder fund
NCD negotiable certificate of deposit
NQF National Qualifications Framework

OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

PBO public benefit organisation
PIN personal identification number

PIT personal income tax

PV photovoltaic

RAF Road Accident Fund
RSC Regional Services Council

SACU Southern African Customs Union

SARB South African Reserve Bank
SARS South African Revenue Service
SITE standard income tax on employees

STC secondary tax on companies

SVDP Special Voluntary Disclosure Programme

TCS Tax Compliance Status

UPF untaxed policyholder fund

UPT undistributed profits tax

VAT value-added tax

VDP Voluntary Disclosure Programme

