INCOME TAX RATES

2013/14

2012/13

Band £	Rate %	Band £	Rate %
0-2,790	10*	0-2,710	10*
0-32,010	20**	0-34,370	20**
32,011-150,000	40***	34,371-150,000	40***
Over 150,000	45****	Over 150,000	45****

- * Only applicable to dividends & savings income. 10% rate is not available if taxable non-savings income exceeds £2,790 (£2,170) ** Except dividends (10%)
- *** Except dividends (32.5%)
- **** Except dividends (37.5%) for 2013/14 and 42.5% for 2012/13) Other income taxed first, then savings income and finally dividends.

INCOME TAX RELIEFS

Personal Allowance:

2013/14 2012/13

£2,160 £2,100

- Born after 5 April 1948 / under 65
 Born after 5 April 1938 & before 6 April 1948* /65-74
 £9,440
 £8,105
 £10,500
 £10,500
- Born before 6 April 1938* /75 & over* £10,660 £10,660 Reduce personal allowance by £1 for every £2 of adjusted net income over £100,000 Married Couple's allowance (relief at 10%) £7,915 £7,705 Either partner 75 or over and born before 6 April 1935
 Min. Amount £3,040 £2,960 £26,100 £25,400

*Age allowance income limit £26,100 £25,400

Reduce age allowance by £1 for every £2 of adjusted net income >£26,100 (£25,400)

Blind person's allowance

ISA's

	2013/14	2012/13
Overall annual investment limit	£11,520	£11,280
- cash up to	£5,760	£5,640
- balance in stocks & shares	£11,520	£11,280
- junior ISA & child trust fund	£3,720	£3,600

VAT

Standard rate	20%
Reduced rate	5%
Annual Registration Limit - from 1.4.13	£79,000
(1.4.12 - 31.3.13 £77,000)	
Annual Deregistration Limit - from 1.4.13	£77,000

(1.4.12 - 31.3.13 £75,000)

KEY DATES

31Jul13 2nd payment on account for 12/13

50ct13 Notify HMRC of new sources of income (inc new Child Benefit charge) if no tax return issued for 12/13.

 $\textbf{310ct13} \ \text{Submission of } 12/13 \ \ \text{paper returns.}$

31Jan14 Online tax return for 12/13. 1st payment on account for 13/14. Balancing payments due for 12/13.

CAR, VAN AND FUEL BENEFITS

CO ₂ emissions (gm/km) (round down to nearest 5gm/km)	% of car's list price taxed
up to 94	10
95	11
100	12
105	13
110	14
115	15
120	16
125	17
130	18
135	19
140	20
145	21
150	22
155	23
160	24
165	25
170	26
175	27
180	28
185	29
190	30
195	31
200	32
205	33

210

215+

Company Cars:

- For diesel cars add a 3% supplement but maximum still 35%.
- 0% rate applies to cars which can't emit CO₂, when driven.
- 5% rate applies to cars with emissions not exceeding 75gm/km when driven. Diesel supplement can apply to 75gm/km cars.
- Cars registered before 1 Jan 1998 the charge is based on engine size.
- List price includes accessories and is
- not subject to an upper limit.
- List price reduced for capital contributions made by employee up to £5,000
- Special rules may apply to cars provided for disabled employees.

Car Fuel Benefit 13/14

£21,000 x 'appropriate %'* *Percentage used to calculate

the taxable benefit of the car for which fuel is provided.
Charge does not apply to certain environmentally friendly cars. Charge proportionally reduced if provision of private fuel ceases part way through

year. Fuel benefit reduced to nil only if the employee pays for all private fuel

Van Benefit per Vehicle 13/14 Benefit: Van £3,000, Fuel £564

Charge does not apply to vans which can't emit ${\rm CO_2}$ when driven or if a 'restricted private use condition' is met throughout the year

MILEAGE ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS 2013/14 and 2012/13

Car and vans Rate per mile

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Up to 10,000 miles Over 10,000 miles Bicycles Motorcyles	25p	Maximum tax free mileage allowances for employees using their own vehicles for business.
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Excess is taxable. If the employee receives less than the statutory rate, tax relief can be claimed on the difference,

CORPORATION TAX

Effective rate to Profits	Year to 31/3/14	Year to 31/3/13
£0 - 300,000	20%	20%
£300,001 - 1,500,000	23.75%	25%
£1,500,000+	23%	24%
Standard fraction	3/400	1/100

The profit limits are reduced for accounting periods of less than 12 months and for a company with associated companies.

CAPITAL ALLOWANCES

Plant & machinery Annual Investment Allowance AIA AIA gives 100% write-off on most types of plant and machinery costs, including integral features and long life assets but not cars, of up to £250,000 pa for expenditure incurred on or after 1 January 2013 (£25,000 for expenditure incurred on or after 6 April 2012 (1 April 2012)

Any costs over the AIA fall into the normal capital allowance pools below. The AIA may need to be shared between certain businesses under common ownership.

for companies)). Special rules apply to accounting periods

straddling these dates.

Other plant and machinery allowances: The annual rate of allowance is 18%. An 8% rate applies to expenditure incurred on integral features and on long life assets.

A 100% first year allowance may be available on certain energy efficient plant and cars, including expenditure incurred on new and unused zero emission goods vehicles.

Cars: For expenditure incurred on cars, costs are generally allocated to one of the two plant and machinery pools. For expenditure incurred on or after 6 April 2013 (1 April 2013 for companies) cars with $\rm CO_2$ emissions not exceeding 130gm/km (previously 160gm/km) receive an 18% allowance pa cars with $\rm CO_2$ emissions over 130gm/km (160gm/km) receive an 8% allowance pa.

CAPITAL GAINS TAX

Individuals	2013/14	2012/13
Exemption	£10,900	£10,600
Standard rate	18%	18%
Higher rate (higher & additional rate taxpayers)	28%	28%
Trusts		

INHERITANCE TAX Death Lifetime Chargeable transfers Rate Rate 13/14 & 12/13 % % £'000 Nil 0 - 325* Nil 40 20 Over 325*

* Potentially increased for surviving spouses or civil partners who die on or after 9 October 2007.

Reliefs		Marriage	
Annual exemption	£3,000	- parent	£5,000
Small gifts	£250	 grandparent 	£2,500
		 bride/groom 	£2,500
		- other	£1,000

Reduced charge on gifts within 7 years of death

Years before death 0-3 3-4 4-5 80 % of death charge 100 60 20

STAMP TAXES

Rate payable on full	Stamp duty land tax UK land transactions			
consideration paid	Residential	Non Residential or Mixed use		
Nil	£0 - £125K	£0 - £150K		
1%	£125,001 - £250k	£150,001 - £250k		
3%	£250,001 - £500k	£250,001 - £500k		
4%	£500,001 - £1m	£500,001+		
5%	£1,00,001 - £2m	n/a		
7%	Above £2m	n/a		

Stamp duty and SDRT: Transfer of shares 0.5%, no charge to stamp duty unless amount due exceeds £5.

NATIONAL INSURANCE

2013/14 Class 1 (employed) contracted in rates				
Employee Employer				
Earnings per week	% Earnings per week %			
Up to £149	Nil*	Up to £148	Nil	
£149.01 - £797	12	Over £148	13.8	
Over £797	2			

* Entitlement to contribution-based benefits retained for earnings before £109 and £149 per week.

Class 1 A (employers) Class 1 B (employers) Class 2 (self employed) flat rate per week £2.70

Class 3 (voluntary)

13.8% on employee taxable benefits 13.8% on PAYE Settlement Agreements

small earnings exception £5,725 pa flat rate per week £13.55

Class 4 (self-employed) 9% on profits between £7,755 &£41,450 plus 2% on profits over £41,450

MAIN SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

Weekly benefit		2013/14	2012/13
Basic retirement	 single person 	£110.15	£107.45
pension	- married couple	£176.15	£171.85
Statutory pay rates -	average weekly earn	ings £109 (£	£107) or over
Statutory Sick Pay		£86.70	£85.85
Statutory Maternity F			
First six wee	eks 90%	% of weekl	y earnings
Next 33 wee	eks #	£136.78*	£135.45*
Statutory Paternity P	ay - 2 weeks	£136.78*	£135.45*
Statutory Adoption P	ay - 39 weeks	£136.78*	£135.45*

*Or 90% of weekly earnings if lower.

Additional Paternity Pay and Leave may be available for a child due or adoptions matched on or after 3rd April 2011.

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