# **AUTO, TRAVEL, MEALS & ENTERTAINMENT**

FULLY DEDUCTIBLE	2016	2015
Business travel	-	-
Auto standard mileage rate	54¢/mile	57.5¢/mile
Medical travel	19¢/mile	23¢/mile
Moving expense	19¢/mile	23¢/mile
Charitable travel	14¢/mile	14¢/mile

**50% DEDUCTIBLE** • Business entertainment

• Business meals, including taxes, tips

Qualified banquet meetings

- **NOT DEDUCTIBLE** Educational travel
  - Investment seminars
  - Luxury skybox cost in excess of normal ticket cost
  - Club dues

# **CORPORATE INCOME TAX RATES**

TAXABLE INCOME	TAX RATE
\$0 - \$50,000	15%
\$50,001 - \$75,000	25%
\$75,001 - \$100,000	34%
\$100,001 - \$335,000	39%
\$335,001 - \$10,000,000	34%
\$10,000,001 - \$15,000,000	35%
\$15,000,001 - \$18,333,333	38%
\$18,333,334+	35%
Alternative minimum tax rate is 20	1%

Personal service corporations: 35% flat tax rate.

# **SOCIAL SECURITY & MEDICARE TAXES**

WAG	E BASE	TAX RATE	SELF EMPLOYMENT TAX RATE	
2016	2015	IAX KAIE		
\$ 118,500	\$ 118,500	7.65%	15.3%	
\$118,501- unlimited	2.9%			
Adjustment to income allowed for one half (50%) of the self-employment tax.				

INTEREST DEDUCTIONS

2016	2015	EXAMPLES
NONE	NONE	-Auto loans -Credit cards
Up to net investment income	Up to net investment income	-Stocks/bonds -Land
100%	100%	-Principal and second residence (with limitation)
100%	100%	-Asset purchases -Working capital
Net passive income	Net passive income	-Rental activities -Limited partnership interests
Up to \$2,500	Up to \$2,500	-Student loans (with limitations)
	NONE Up to net investment income 100%  100% Net passive income	NONE NONE  Up to net investment income 100%  100%  100%  Net passive income

## **ESTIMATED TAX PAYMENTS**

To avoid possible underpayment penalties, pay in through withholding or estimated tax payments:

For 2016 - lesser of:

- 1. 100% of prior year tax liability (if 2015 AGI < \$150,000 MFJ); otherwise 110% of prior year tax liability
- 2. 90% of current year tax liability

Estimated tax payments for individuals are due by:

- April 15 June 15 September 15 January 15 of subsequent year
- \*State and local payments deductible in year of payment

# RETIREMENT PLAN DEDUCTION LIMITS

	2016	2015
401(k) maximum salary deferral limitation	\$18,000	\$18,000
Simple retirement account	\$12,500	\$12,500
Roth IRA (non-deductible)	\$5,500	\$5,500
Roth IRA - AGI phase-out:		
Married - Joint	\$184-194K	\$183-193K
Single, Head of household	\$117-132K	\$116-131K
Married - Separate	\$0-10K	\$0-10K
Roth IRA Conversion - AGI maximum	N/A*	N/A*
*In 2015 and 2016, the income restrictions are eliminated for Roth IRA		

conversions.

PROFIT SHARING AND PENSION PLANS (DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS)		
Corporate	25% up to \$53,000 for 2016	
Self-employed retirement plan	20%** up to \$53,000 for 2016	
**Of net self-employment income		

## INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS (TAXPAYER OR SPOUSE)

Not a participant in another plan: \$5,500*** maximum
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Active in ano	ther plan:			
MARRIED AGI**** SINGLE AGI		E AGI		
2016	2015	DEDUCTION	2016	2015
\$0-97,999	\$0-97,999	Full	\$0-60,999	\$0-60,999
\$98,000-	\$98,000-	Partial	\$61,000-	\$61,000-
\$118,000	\$118,000	raitiai	\$71,000	\$71,000
>\$118,000	>\$118,000	None	>\$71,000	>\$71,000
\$5,500	\$5,500	Maximum	\$5,500	\$5,500
\$1,000	\$1,000	Catch-up	\$1,000	\$1,000

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Also up to \$5,500 plus catch-up for non-working spouse.

CAPITAL GAINS				
HOLDING PERIOD	2016	2015		
Short-term	12 months or less	12 months or less		
Long-term	More than 12 months	More than 12 months		
MAXIMUM TAX RATES*				
Short-term	Ordinary	Ordinary		
Long-term (\$400,000+ AGI single; \$450,000+ MFJ)	20%	20%		
Long-term	15%	15%		
Long-term (15% bracket taxpayer)	0%	0%		
Collectibles	28%	28%		
Depreciable real estate:				
Depreciation recapture	25%	25%		
Economic profit	15%	15%		
Capital losses	**	**		
SALE OF PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE				
Excludible amount	\$250,000	\$250,000		
Qualified married couples	\$500,000	\$500,000		
*May also be subject to the 3.8% Medicare tax if AGI is above \$250,000 (MFJ) or \$200,000 (single).				

## **EDUCATION INCENTIVES**

In general: a variety of effective dates, gross income phaseouts and definitions are contained in the statute. We strongly recommend that you discuss these rules with your tax advisor in order to use them most effectively.

	2016	2015
PROVISION	Amount	Amount
American Opportunity credit (per student) (now includes the first four years of education)	\$2,500	\$2,500
Lifetime learning credit	\$2,000	\$2,000
Tuition and fees deduction*	\$4,000	\$4,000
Student loan interest deduction	\$2,500	\$2,500
Coverdell education savings account (per child under 18 or "special needs beneficiary")	\$2,000	\$2,000
Qualified state tuition program	**	**
Exclusion for employer-paid assistance	\$5,250	\$5,250

\*Tuition and fees deduction is set to expire in 2017 \*\* As determined by state plan

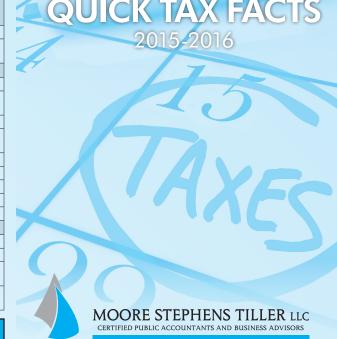
# **ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX**

Base Alternative Minimum Taxable Income****	% on Excess over Base
\$0-186,300	26%
186,300+	28%
****In excess of the exemption amount	

# **SECTION 179 ELECTION TO EXPENSE**

	2016	2015
Maximum amount	\$500,000	\$500,000
Phase-out begins	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

50% bonus depreciation is set to expire in 2020.



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<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>Non-participant spouse can make a full deductible contribution if MAGI is less than \$184,000. For married persons filing separate returns, the range for a partial deduction is \$0-10,000.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Net capital losses can be offset against category of long-term gains with highest tax rate.

## 2016 INDIVIDUAL TAX RATE SCHEDULES\*

#### MARRIED TAXPAYERS JOINT OR SURVIVING SPOUSE

Base Taxable Income	TAX ON BASE	% ON EXCESS OVER BASE
\$0	\$0	10%
\$18,550	\$1,855	15%
\$75,300	\$10,368	25%
\$151,900	\$29,518	28%
\$231,450	\$51,792	33%
\$413,350	\$111,819	35%
\$466,950	\$130,579	39.6%

### MARRIED TAXPAYERS FILING SEPARATELY

Base Taxable Income	TAX ON BASE	% ON EXCESS OVER BASE
\$0	\$0	10%
\$9,275	\$928	15%
\$37,650	\$5,184	25%
\$75,950	\$14,759	28%
\$115,725	\$25,896	33%
\$206,675	\$55,909	35%
\$233,475	\$65,289	39.6%

#### SINGLE TAXPAYERS

Base Taxable Income	TAX ON BASE	% ON EXCESS OVER BASE
\$0	\$0	10%
\$9,275	\$928	15%
\$37,650	\$5,184	25%
\$91,150	\$18,559	28%
\$190,150	\$46,279	33%
\$413,350	\$119,935	35%
\$415,050	\$120,530	39.6%

#### HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

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Base Taxable Income	TAX ON BASE	% ON EXCESS OVER BASE	
\$0	\$0	10%	
\$13,250	\$1,325	15%	
\$50,400	\$6,898	25%	
\$130,150	\$26,835	28%	
\$210,800	\$49,417	33%	
\$413,350	\$116,259	35%	
\$441,000	\$125,936	39.6%	

#### **ESTATES AND TRUSTS**

Base Taxable Income TAX ON BASE		% ON EXCESS OVER BASE
\$0	\$0	15%
\$2,550	\$383	25%
\$5,950	\$1,233	28%
\$9,050	\$2,101	33%
\$12,400	\$3,206	39.6%

\*There is an additional 0.9% Medicare tax on wages and S/E income in excess of \$250,000 (MFJ) or \$200,000 (single). There is also an additional 3.8% Medicare tax on the lesser of net investment income or the excess of AGI over \$250,000 (MFJ) or \$200,000 (single).

## 2015 INDIVIDUAL TAX RATE SCHEDULES\*

### MARRIED TAXPAYERS JOINT OR SURVIVING SPOUSE

Base Taxable Income	TAX ON BASE	% ON EXCESS OVER BASE
\$0	\$0	10%
\$18,450	\$1,845	15%
\$74,900	\$10,313	25%
\$151,200	\$29,388	28%
\$230,450	\$51,578	33%
\$411,500	\$111,324	35%
\$464,850	\$129,997	39.6%

### MARRIED TAXPAYERS FILING SEPARATELY

Base Taxable Income	TAX ON BASE	% ON EXCESS OVER BASE
\$0	\$0	10%
\$9,225	\$923	15%
\$37,450	\$5,156	25%
\$75,600	\$14,694	28%
\$115,225	\$25,789	33%
\$205,750	\$55,662	35%
\$232,425	\$64,998	39.6%

#### SINGLE TAXPAYERS

Base Taxable Income	TAX ON BASE	% ON EXCESS OVER BASE
\$0	\$0	10%
\$9,225	\$923	15%
\$37,450	\$5,156	25%
\$90,750	\$18,481	28%
\$189,300	\$46,075	33%
\$411,500	\$119,401	35%
\$413,200	\$119,996	39.6%

### HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

Base Taxable Income	TAX ON BASE	% ON EXCESS OVER BASE
\$0	\$0	10%
\$13,150	\$1,315	15%
\$50,200	\$6,873	25%
\$129,600	\$26,723	28%
\$209,850	\$49,193	33%
\$411,500	\$115,737	35%
\$439,000	\$125,362	39.6%

### **ESTATES AND TRUSTS**

Base Taxable Income	TAX ON BASE	% ON EXCESS OVER BASE
\$0	\$0	15%
\$2,500	\$375	25%
\$5,900	\$1,225	28%
\$9,050	\$2,107	33%
\$12,300	\$3,180	39.6%

\*There is an additional 0.9% Medicare tax on wages and S/E income in excess of \$250,000 (MFJ) or \$200,000 (single). There is also an additional 3.8% Medicare tax on the lesser of net investment income or the excess of AGI over \$250,000 (MFJ) or \$200,000 (single).

### **INDIVIDUALS**

STANDARD DEDUCTIONS*	2016	2015
Joint return	\$12,600	\$12,600
Married filing separately	\$6,300	\$6,300
Single	\$6,300	\$6,300
Head of household	\$9,300	\$9,250
Additional - blind or elderly		
Single	\$1,550	\$1,550
Married	\$1,250	\$1,250
Dependent (minimum standard deduction)	\$1,050	\$1,050
PERSONAL EXEMPTIONS		
Deduction for each taxpayer, spouse and dependent	\$4,050	\$4,000
Minimum exemption after phase- out	\$0**	\$0**
TAXABLE INCOME		
Child tax credit (qualifying child under age 17)	\$1,000	\$1,000

\*You are allowed to deduct the greater of your standard deduction or your itemized deductions. Taxpayers have the choice of deducting either income taxes or state and local sales taxes.

\*\*In 2015, the exemption is subject to a phase-out that begins with AGI of \$258,250 (\$309,900 MFJ). It phases out completely at \$380,750 (\$432,400 MFJ). Itemized deductions are reduced by 3% of the amount by which AGI exceeds a certain threshold amount (\$258,250 single or \$309,900 MFJ) , with the reduction not to exceed 80% of the otherwise allowable itemized deductions.

\*\*In 2016, the exemption is subject to a phase-out that begins with AGI of \$259,400 (\$311,300 MFJ). It phases out completely at \$381,900 (\$433,800 MFJ). Itemized deductions are reduced by 3% of the amount by which AGI exceeds a certain threshold amount (\$259,400 single or \$311,300 MFJ), with the reduction not to exceed 80% of the otherwise allowable itemized deductions.

## **ESTATE & GIFT TAX RATE SCHEDULES**

### TABLE A

COLUMN A	COLUMN B	COLUMN C	COLUMN D	
TAXABLE AMOUNT OVER	TAXABLE AMOUNT NOT OVER	TAX ON AMOUNT IN COLUMN A	RATE OF TAX ON EXCESS OVER AMOUNT IN COLUMN A	
\$0	\$10,000	\$0	18%	
\$10,000	\$20,000	\$1,800	20%	
\$20,000	\$40,000	\$3,800	22%	
\$40,000	\$60,000	\$8,200	24%	
\$60,000	\$80,000	\$13,000	26%	
\$80,000	\$100,000	\$18,200	28%	
\$100,000	\$150,000	\$23,800	30%	
\$150,000	\$250,000	\$38,800	32%	
\$250,000	\$500,000	\$70,800	34%	
\$500,000	\$750,000	\$155,800	37%	
\$750,000	\$1,000,000	\$248,300	39%	
\$1,000,000		\$345,800	40%	

For decedents dying in 2016, the maximum marginal rate is 40% over \$5.450.000.

### TABLE B UNIFIED CREDIT EQUIVALENT FOR ESTATE & GIFT TAX

For decedents dying in 2015, \$5,430,000. For decedents dying in 2016, \$5,450,000.

### TABLE C GIFT TAX

	2016	2015
Annual exclusion	\$14,000	\$14,000
Maximum gift tax credit	\$2,125,800	\$2,117,800

### TABLE D GENERATION-SKIPPING TAX EXEMPTION

For 2015, the GST exemption is \$5,430,000 with a maximum rate of 40%. For 2016, the GST exemption is \$5,450,000 with a maximum rate of 40%.