A snapshot of the current tax landscape





Income Tax

You pay income tax on earnings from employment and profits from self-employment during the tax year, which runs from 6 April to 5 April the following year.





Income tax personal allowance has been frozen until April 2028 at £12,570.



National Insurance

You pay National Insurance contributions to qualify for certain benefits and the State Pension.

This is not paid on the first £12,571 you earn in a year.

It is then charged at 12% on earnings up to £50,271, and 2% on any money made above that. The main National Insurance thresholds will also remain frozen until April 2028.



Capital Gains Tax

Capital Gains Tax is a tax on the profit when you sell something that's increased in value.

The Capital Gains Tax allowance from April 2023 is £6,000 and the government plans to reduce the allowance again in April 2024.



Remember, it's the gain you make that's taxed, not the amount of money you receive.



Inheritance Tax

Inheritance Tax is a tax on the estate (the property, money and possessions) of someone who's died.

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The standard Inheritance Tax rate is 40% but's only charged on the part of your estate that's above a threshold of £350,000 You also don't pay tax if you leave everything above this threshold to your spouse, civil partner, a charity or an amateur sports club.



Gifts

When it comes to gifting (in other words giving some of your estate as a gift to someone else) there are tax exemptions.

- Annual Exemption
- Small Gifts Exemption
- Regular Gifts out of Income Exemption
- Gifts on occasion of marriage/civil partnership
- Gifts to UK/EEA charities
- Gifts to spouse/civil partner
- Expenditure on family maintenance



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