

2024 handy financial planning facts



TFSA¹

Maximum annual contribution limits	\$5,000 each year 2009 – 2012 \$5,500 each year 2013 – 2014 \$10,000 for 2015 \$5,500 for 2016 – 2018 \$6,000 for 2019 – 2022 \$6,500 for 2023 \$7,000 for 2024
Maximum contribution limit since inception	\$95,000 from 2009 – 2024, if born in 1991 or earlier and resident of Canada during those years

1) You automatically accumulate contribution room each year (starting in 2009) if you were a tax resident of Canada at any time during the year and you were at least 18 years of age at any time during the year.

RRSP / RRIF

RRSP maximum annual deduction limit	18% of the prior year's earned income to a maximum of: \$31,560 for 2024 – deadline March 3, 2025 \$30,780 for 2023 – deadline February 29, 2024		
Withholding tax on RRSP withdrawals or payments over the annual minimum for a RRIF	Amount	All provinces except Quebec	Quebec
	\$0 – \$5,000	10%	19%
	\$5,001 – \$15,000	20%	24%
	Over \$15,000	30%	29%

SPOUSAL RRSP / RRIF

Spousal RRSP/RRIF attribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attribution of a withdrawal from a spousal RRSP/RRIF to the plan annuitant's spouse (the "contributor") will apply if the contributor made a contribution in the year of withdrawal or in the two previous tax years. An exception applies to RRIF minimum payments, which are not subject to attribution. The amount attributed is limited to the total amount of the spousal RRSP contributions made by the contributor during the three-year period.
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IMPORTANT PERSONAL TAX DEADLINES²

Personal income tax instalments	March 15, 2024 June 17, 2024 September 16, 2024 December 16, 2024
Personal income tax return filing	April 30, 2024
Self-employed income tax return filing	June 17, 2024
Balance owing for taxes payable	April 30, 2024

2) When the due date falls on a Saturday, a Sunday, or a public holiday recognized by the CRA, your payment or return is considered on time if the CRA receives it or it is postmarked on the next business day.

OTHER DEADLINES

Prescribed rate loan interest payment due by	Jan. 30, 2024 for 2023 interest; Jan. 30, 2025 for 2024 interest
Last trade date for Canadian and U.S. stocks	December 27, 2024, assuming a 2-day settlement

IPP

Employment earnings required to contribute the maximum	\$180,500 for 2024; \$175,333 for 2023
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PENSION AMOUNTS

YMPE – yearly maximum pensionable earnings	\$68,500
YAMPE – yearly additional maximum pensionable earnings	\$73,200
CANSIM rate	3.39%

U.S. THRESHOLDS

Lifetime U.S. estate and gift tax exemption³	US \$13,610,000
Annual U.S. gift tax exemption – non U.S. married spouse	US \$185,000
Annual U.S. gift exemption – children / others	US \$18,000

3) A Canadian resident (non U.S. person) with U.S. situs property > US \$60,000 and a worldwide estate > US \$13.61 million may have exposure to U.S. estate tax. A Canadian resident with U.S. situs property > US \$60,000 must file a U.S. estate tax return.

RESP – per beneficiary:

Maximum contributions	Lifetime limit of \$50,000. No annual limit.			
Maximum lifetime CESG limit	\$7,200			
Contribution deadline	December 31st			
	Income level from 2022	CESG%	Max contribution to attract CESG	Max CESG
Maximum annual basic CESG	Any	20%	\$2,500	\$500
Maximum annual basic CESG if unused carry-fwds	Any	20%	\$5,000	\$1,000
Maximum annual additional CESG	\$55,867 or less	20%	\$500	\$100
	\$55,867 to \$111,733	10%	\$500	\$50

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RDSP – per beneficiary:

Maximum contributions	Lifetime limit of \$200,000. No annual limit.		
Maximum lifetime CDSG and CDSB limit	\$70,000 for CDSG and \$20,000 for CDSB		
Maximum annual CDSG and CDSB if unused carry-fwds	\$10,500 for CDSG and \$11,000 for CDSB		
Contribution deadline	December 31st		
Annual CDSG limit	Income level from 2022	Max contribution to attract CESG	Max CDSG/ CDSB
	\$111,733 or less	\$1,500	\$3,500
Annual CDSB limit	Above \$111,733	\$1,000	\$1,000
	\$36,502 or less	N/A	\$1,000
Annual CDSB limit	Between \$36,502 and \$55,867	N/A	\$1,000 prorated
	Over \$55,867	N/A	\$0

CANADA PENSION PLAN and QUEBEC PENSION PLAN

Maximum amounts:	CPP	QPP
Retirement benefit at age 65	\$1,364.60/mo	\$1,364.60/mo
Post-retirement benefit at age 65	\$44.46	N/A
Retirement pension supplement	N/A	0.66% of the earnings contributed in 2023
Early retirement benefit at age 60 (36% max reduction or 0.6% per month)	\$873.34/mo	\$873.34/mo
Deferred retirement benefit	\$1,937.73/mo at age 70 (42% max increase or 0.7% per month)	\$2,166.98 at age 72 (58.8% max increase)
Disability benefit	\$1,606.78/mo	\$1,606.75/mo
Survivor's benefit – younger than 65	\$739.31/mo	See next chart
Survivor's benefit – 65 and older	\$818.76/mo	\$822.14/mo
Children of disabled CPP/QPP contributors	\$294.12/mo	\$93.39/mo
Children of deceased CPP/QPP contributors	\$294.12/mo	\$294.12/mo
Combined survivor's and retirement benefit at age 65	\$1,375.41/mo	~\$1,364.60/mo
Combined survivor's and disability benefit	\$1,613.54/mo	N/A
Death benefit (one time payment)	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Employee and employer contributions – base	\$3,867.50/yr	\$4,160/yr
Employee and employer contributions – enhanced ⁴	\$188/yr	\$188/yr
Self-employed contributions – base	\$7,735/yr	\$8,320/yr
Self-employed contributions – enhanced ⁴	\$376/yr	\$376/yr

4) Starting in 2024, a separate additional contribution rate applies to earnings above the YMPE up to the YAMPE.

QPP SURVIVOR'S BENEFIT – younger than 65

Age	Situation	QPP
Under 45	Without any dependent children	\$668.91/mo
Under 45	With one or more dependent children	\$1,061.12/mo
Under 45	Disabled, with or without dependent children	\$1,102.80/mo
Between 45 and 64	All situations	\$1,102.80/mo

OLD AGE SECURITY

Maximum benefits as of Q1:	OAS ⁵
Benefit at age 65 to 74	\$713.32/mo
Benefit at age 75 and over	\$784.67/mo
Deferred benefit at age 70 (36% max increase or 0.6% per month)	\$970.12/mo
Clawback rate	\$0.15 for every \$1 of net income above \$90,997. The full OAS is eliminated at a net income of \$148,065 for those under age 75 as of Q1. The upper threshold is \$153,771 for those age 75 and over.

5) Seniors age 75 and over will receive an automatic 10% increase to their OAS pension.

GUARANTEED INCOME SUPPLEMENT as of Q1

For those receiving a full OAS pension:	GIS ⁶	Income cut-off
Single, widowed or divorced	\$1,065.47/mo	\$21,624/yr (individual)
If your spouse receives the full OAS pension	\$641.35/mo	\$28,560/yr (combined)
If your spouse does not receive an OAS pension	\$1,065.47/mo	\$51,840/yr (combined)
If your spouse receives the Allowance ⁷	\$641.35/mo	\$39,984/yr (combined)
Allowance ⁷ : If your spouse receives GIS and the full OAS pension	\$1,354.69/mo	\$39,984/yr (combined)
Allowance for the survivor ⁸ : If you are a surviving spouse	\$1,614.89/mo	\$29,112/yr (individual)

Any reference to a spouse in this section also includes a common-law partner.

6) The GIS is a monthly non-taxable benefit to OAS recipients who have a low income. It is added to OAS.

7) The Allowance is available to low-income individuals aged 60 to 64 who are the spouse of a GIS recipient.

8) The Allowance for the Survivor is available to people aged 60 to 64 who have a low income, and whose spouse has died.

LIFETIME CAPITAL GAINS EXEMPTION (LCGE)

For qualified small business corporation shares	\$1,016,836
For qualified farm or fishing property	\$1,016,836

FEDERAL DIVIDEND TAX RATES

	GROSS-UP
Eligible dividends	38%
Non-eligible dividends	15%

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FEDERAL TAX CREDITS	BASE AMOUNT	TAX CREDIT
Basic personal amount ⁹	\$14,156 to \$15,705	\$2,123 to \$2,356
Spouse or common-law partner amount ⁹	\$14,156 to \$15,705	\$2,123 to \$2,356
Age amount	\$8,790	\$1,319
Net income threshold for age amount	\$0.15 for every \$1 of net income above \$44,325; the full age amount is eliminated at a net income of \$102,925	
Disability amount	\$9,872	\$1,481
Disability supplement amount (for minors)	\$5,758	\$864
Pension income amount	\$2,000	\$300
Medical expense tax credit	Lesser of 3% of net income or \$2,759	

9) The federal basic/spouse/common-law partner amounts range from \$14,156 to \$15,705 for taxpayers with taxable income below \$173,205. The benefit of the increased amounts gradually declines until it is eliminated when taxable income reaches \$246,752.

FEDERAL CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Donation amount	For individuals not taxed at the highest federal rate of 33% ¹⁰	For individuals taxed at the highest federal rate of 33% ¹⁰
First \$200	15%	15%
Excess over \$200	29%	33% or 29% ¹¹

10) Highest federal rate begins when income is over \$246,752.

11) A 33% donation tax credit is available for donations to the extent an individual has income that is subject to the 33% top marginal tax rate. A 29% donation tax credit is available on the remaining amount of the donation.

FEDERAL TAX BRACKETS and RATES	
Taxable income	Tax rate
Up to \$55,867	15%
Over \$55,867 up to \$111,733	20.50%
Over \$111,733 up to \$173,205	26%
Over \$173,205 up to \$246,752	29%
Over \$246,752	33%

MARGINAL vs AVERAGE TAX RATE

Marginal tax rate	Tax rate applicable to the last dollar of income earned. It does not consider deductions and credits.
Average (or effective) tax rate	Actual tax rate paid. It considers deductions, credits and graduated tax brackets.

GOVERNMENT CONTACT INFORMATION

CRA general help line for individuals	EN: 1-800-959-8281; FR: 1-800-959-7383
Phone number for CPP and OAS queries	EN: 1-800-277-9914; FR: 1-800-277-9915
Phone number for QPP queries	1-800-463-5185

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