

## Navigator

INVESTMENT, TAX AND LIFESTYLE PERSPECTIVES FROM RBC FAMILY OFFICE SERVICES



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### 2025 handy financial planning facts

### TFSA 1

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 – 2025
Maximum contribution limit since inception	\$102,000 from 2009 – 2025, if born in 1991 or earlier and resident of Canada during those years

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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: \$32,490 for 2025 – deadline March 2, 2026 \$31,560 for 2024 – deadline March 3, 2025			
Withholding tax on RRSP withdrawals	Amount All provinces Quebec except Quebec			
or payments over the annual	\$0 - \$5,000 10% 19%			
minimum for a	\$5,001 – \$15,000	20%	24%	
RRIF	Over \$15,000	30%	29%	

### **FHSA**

Maximum annual contribution limit	\$8,000 (starts accruing after account opening)
Maximum carry-forward amount for the following year	\$8,000
Maximum contribution for 2025, including a carry-forward amount	\$16,000 (\$8,000 for 2024 and \$8,000 for 2025)
Maximum lifetime contribution limit	\$40,000

### **IMPORTANT PERSONAL TAX DEADLINES<sup>2</sup>**

Personal income tax instalments	March 17, 2025 June 16, 2025 September 15, 2025 December 15, 2025
Personal income tax return filing	April 30, 2025
Self-employed income tax return filing	June 16, 2025
Balance owing for taxes payable	April 30, 2025

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.

### **U.S. THRESHOLDS**

Lifetime U.S. estate and gift tax exemption <sup>3</sup>	US \$13,990,000
Annual U.S. gift tax exemption – non U.S. married spouse	US \$190,000
Annual U.S. gift exemption – children / others	US \$19,000

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A Canadian resident (non U.S. person) with U.S. situs property > US \$60,000 and a worldwide estate > US \$13.99 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.

### LIFETIME CAPITAL GAINS EXEMPTION (LCGE)

For qualified small business corporation shares	\$1,250,0004
For qualified farm or fishing property	\$1,250,0004

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Proposed.

### CANADIAN ENTREPRENEURS' INCENTIVE (CEI) 5

Reduced capital gains inclusion rate of 33.33% on qualifying dispositions	\$400,000
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Proposed incentive.

### RESP – per beneficiary:

Maximum contributions	Lifetime limit of \$50,000. No annual limit.			
Maximum lifetime CESG limit	\$7,200			
Contribution deadline	December 31st			
Maximum annual basic CESG Maximum annual	Income level from 2023	CESG %	Max contribution to attract CESG	Max CESG
<u>basic</u> CESG if	Any	20%	\$2,500	\$500
unused carry-fwds	Any	20%	\$5,000	\$1,000
Maximum annual	\$57,375 or less	20%	\$500	\$100
<u>additional</u> CESG	\$57,375 to \$114,750	10%	\$500	\$50

RDSP – per beneficiary:				
Maximum contributions	Lifetime limit of \$200,000. No annual limit.			
Maximum lifetime CDSG and CDSB limit	\$70,000 for CDS0	\$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 31 <sup>st</sup>			
Annual CDSG limit	Income level from 2023	Max contribution to attract CESG	Max CDSG/ CDSB	
	\$114,750 or less	\$1,500	\$3,500	
	Above \$114,750	\$1,000	\$1,000	
	\$37,487 or less	N/A	\$1,000	
Annual CDSB limit	Between \$37,487 and \$57,375	N/A	\$1,000 prorated	
	Over \$57,375	N/A	\$0	

OTHER DEADLINES		
Prescribed rate loan interest payment due by	January 30, 2025 for 2024 interest; January 30, 2026 for 2025 interest	
Last trade date for Canadian and U.S. stocks	December 30, 2025, assuming a 1-day settlement	

FEDERAL DIVIDEND TAX RATES	Gross-up
Eligible dividends	38%
Non-eligible dividends	15%

# FEDERAL TAX BRACKETS and RATES Taxable income Tax rate Up to \$57,375 15% Over \$57,375 up to \$114,750 20.50% Over \$114,750 up to \$177,882 26% Over \$177,882 up to \$253,414 29% Over \$253,414 33%

### **FEDERAL TAX CREDITS**

	Base Amount	Tax Credit	
Basic personal amount <sup>6</sup>	\$14,538 to \$16,129	\$2,181 to \$2,419	
Spouse or common-law partner amount <sup>6</sup>	\$14,538 to \$16,129	\$2,181 to \$2,419	
Age amount	\$9,028	\$1,354	
Net income threshold for age amount	\$0.15 for every \$1 of net income above \$45,522; the full age amount is eliminated at a net income of \$105,709		
Disability amount	\$10,138 \$1,521		
Disability supplement amount (for minors)	\$5,914	\$887	
Pension income amount	\$2,000	\$300	
Medical expense tax credit	Lesser of 3% of net income or \$2,834		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The federal basic/spouse/common-law partner amounts range from \$14,538 to \$16,129 for taxpayers with taxable income below \$177,882. The benefit of the increased amounts gradually declines until it is eliminated when taxable income reaches \$253,414.

### FEDERAL CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Donation amount	For individuals not taxed at the highest federal rate of 33% <sup>7</sup>	For individuals taxed at the highest federal rate of 33% <sup>7</sup>
First \$200	15%	15%
Excess over \$200	29%	33% or 29% <sup>8</sup>

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 7}$  Highest federal rate begins when income is over \$253,414.

<sup>8</sup> 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.

IPP	
Employment earnings required to contribute the maximum	\$187,833 for 2025; \$180,500 for 2024

PENSION AMOUNTS	
YBE – yearly basic exemption	\$3,500
YMPE – yearly maximum pensionable earnings	\$71,300
YAMPE – yearly additional maximum pensionable earnings	\$81,200
CANSIM rate	3.26%

### CANADA PENSION PLAN AND QUEBEC PENSION PLAN Maximum benefit amounts: CPP

Maximum benefit amounts:	СРР	QPP
Retirement benefit at age 65	\$1,433.00/mo	\$1,433.00/mo
Post-retirement benefit at age 65	\$49.39	N/A
Retirement pension supplement	N/A	0.66% of the earnings contributed in 2024
Early retirement benefit at age 60 (36% max reduction or 0.6% per month)	\$917.12/mo	\$917.12/mo
Deferred retirement benefit	\$2,034.86/mo at age 70 (42% max increase or 0.7% per month)	\$2,275.60 at age 72 (58.8% max increase)
Disability benefit	\$1,673.24/mo	\$1,672.62/mo for persons aged 18-59 \$598.46/mo, in addition to the QPP retirement benefit, for persons aged 60-65
Survivor's benefit – younger than 65	\$770.88/mo	See next chart
Survivor's benefit – 65 and older	\$859.80/mo	\$844.24/mo
Children of disabled CPP/QPP contributors	\$301.77/mo	\$95.82/mo
Children of deceased CPP/QPP contributors	\$301.77/mo	\$301.77/mo
Combined survivor's and retirement benefit at age 65	\$1,449.53/mo	~\$1,433.00/mo
Combined survivor's and disability benefit	\$1,683.57/mo	N/A
Death benefit (one-time payment)	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Contribution maximum annual amounts:	СРР	QPP
Employee and employer contributions – base	\$4,034.10/yr	\$4,339/уг
Employee and employer contributions – enhanced 9	\$396/уг	\$396/уг
Self-employed contributions – base	\$8,068.20/уг	\$8,678/уг
Self-employed contributions – enhanced 9	\$792/yr	\$792/yr

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 9}$  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	\$689.43/mo
Under 45	With dependent children	\$1,091.84/mo
Under 45	Disabled, with or without dependent children	\$1,134.61/mo
Between 45 and 64	All situations	\$1,134.61/mo

### **OLD AGE SECURITY**

Maximum benefits as of Q1:	OAS <sup>10</sup>
Benefit at age 65 to 74	\$727.67/mo
Benefit at age 75 and over	\$800.44/mo
Deferred benefit at age 70 (36% max increase or 0.6% per month)	\$989.63/mo
Clawback rate	\$0.15 for every \$1 of net income above \$93,454. The full OAS is eliminated at a net income of \$151,668 for those under age 75 as of Q1. The upper threshold is \$157,490 for those age 75 and over.

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  Seniors age 75 and over will receive an automatic 10% increase to their OAS pension.

### **GUARANTEED INCOME SUPPLEMENT AS OF Q1**

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For those receiving a full OAS pension:	GIS <sup>11</sup>
Single, widowed or divorced	\$1,086.88/mo
If your spouse receives the full OAS pension	\$654.23/mo
If your spouse does not receive an OAS pension	\$1,086.88/mo
If your spouse receives the Allowance <sup>12</sup>	\$654.23/mo
Allowance <sup>12</sup> : If your spouse receives GIS and the full OAS pension	\$1,381.90/mo
Allowance for the survivor 13: If you are a surviving spouse	\$1,647.34/mo

 $<sup>^{12}</sup>$  The Allowance is available to low-income individuals aged 60 to 64 who are the spouse of a GIS recipient.

 $<sup>^{13}</sup>$  The Allowance for the Survivor is available to people aged 60 to 64 who have a low income, and whose spouse has died.



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