

The background is a solid yellow color. On the right side, there are several overlapping, abstract geometric shapes and lines. These include solid grey lines forming various polygons and triangles, some of which are nested or intersecting. There are also dashed grey lines and a few solid black lines, including a diagonal one in the upper right and a vertical one in the lower right. The overall effect is a modern, minimalist graphic design.

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TAX RATES
2019/20

INCOME TAX

Rates and bands (other than savings and dividend income)

2019/20		2018/19	
Band £	Rate %	Band £	Rate %
0 - 37,500	20	0 - 34,500	20
37,501 - 150,000	40	34,501 - 150,000	40
Over 150,000	45	Over 150,000	45

Income tax rates in Scotland and Wales on income other than savings and dividend income have been devolved.

Savings income 2019/20 and 2018/19

Savings allowance basic rate	£1,000
Savings allowance higher rate	£500

A starting rate of 0% may be available unless taxable non-savings income exceeds £5,000.

Dividend income 2019/20 and 2018/19

Dividend allowance	£2,000
Dividend ordinary rate	7.5%
Dividend upper rate	32.5%
Dividend additional rate	38.1%

INCOME TAX RELIEFS

	2019/20	2018/19
Personal allowance	£12,500	£11,850
Personal allowance income limit	£100,000	£100,000
Marriage allowance	£1,250	£1,190
Married couple's allowance	£8,915	£8,695
- minimum amount	£3,450	£3,360
- income limit	£29,600	£28,900
Blind person's allowance	£2,450	£2,390

INDIVIDUAL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

	2019/20	2018/19
Overall investment limit	£20,000	£20,000
Junior account investment limit	£4,368	£4,260

DEVOLVED INCOME TAX

Scotland rates and bands

2019/20		2018/19	
Band £	Rate %	Band £	Rate %
0 - 2,049	19	0 - 2,000	19
2,050 - 12,444	20	2,001 - 12,150	20
12,445 - 30,930	21	12,151 - 31,580	21
30,931 - 150,000	41	31,581 - 150,000	41
Over 150,000	46	Over 150,000	46

Wales rates and bands Introduced from 6 April 2019.

2019/20		2018/19	
Band £	Rate %	Band £	Rate %
0 - 37,500	20	0 - 34,500	20
37,501 - 150,000	40	34,501 - 150,000	40
Over 150,000	45	Over 150,000	45

CAPITAL GAINS TAX

Individuals	2019/20	2018/19
Exemption	£12,000	£11,700
Standard rate	10%	10%
Higher/additional rate	20%	20%
Trusts		
Exemption	£6,000	£5,850
Rate	20%	20%

Higher rates (18/28%) may apply to the disposal of certain residential property and carried interest.

Entrepreneurs' Relief and Investors' Relief

The first £10m of qualifying gains are charged at 10%. Gains in excess of the limit are charged at the rates detailed above.

INHERITANCE TAX

Death rate	Lifetime rate	Chargeable transfers 2019/20 and 2018/19
Nil	Nil	0 - £325,000 (nil rate band)
40%	20%	Over £325,000

A further nil rate band of £150,000 (£125,000 for 2018/19) may be available in relation to current or former residences.

CAR, VAN AND FUEL BENEFITS

Company cars 2019/20		For diesel cars generally add a 4% supplement (unless the car is registered on or after 1 September 2017 and meets the Euro 6d emissions standard) but the maximum is still 37%. For emissions over 94g/km if the CO ₂ figure does not end in a 5 or 0 round down to the nearest 5 or 0.
CO ₂ emissions g/km	Percentage of car's list price taxed	
0-50	16	
51-75	19	
76-94	22	
for every additional 5	additional 1%	
165 and above	37% (maximum)	

2019/20

Car fuel benefit	£24,100
Van benefit	£3,430
Van fuel benefit	£655

Cars and vans mileage allowance	Rate per mile
Up to 10,000 miles	45p
Over 10,000 miles	25p

NATIONAL INSURANCE

2019/20 Class 1 (employed) rates

Employee		Employer	
Earnings per week	%	Earnings per week	%
Up to £166	Nil	Up to £166	Nil
£166.01 - £962	12	Over £166	13.8
Over £962	2		

Entitlement to contribution-based benefits for employees retained for earnings between £118 and £166 per week.

The employer rate is 0% for employees under 21 and apprentices under 25 on earnings up to £962 per week.

Class 1A (employers)	13.8% on employee taxable benefits
Class 1B (employers)	13.8% on PAYE Settlement Agreements
Class 2 (self-employed)	flat rate per week £3.00 small profits threshold £6,365 per annum
Class 3 (voluntary)	flat rate per week £15.00
Class 4 (self-employed)	9% on profits between £8,632 and £50,000 plus 2% on profits over £50,000

SELECTED RATES

	2019/20	2018/19
Weekly benefit	£	£
Basic State Pension	129.20	125.95
New State Pension	168.60	164.35
Statutory pay standard rates		
- average weekly earnings £118 (£116) or over		
Sick Pay	94.25	92.05
Maternity/Adoption Pay	148.68	145.18
Shared Parental Pay	148.68	145.18
Paternity Pay	148.68	145.18

National Living Wage and National Minimum Wage

Age	NLW	21-24	18-20	16-17	Apprentices
From 1 April 2019	£8.21	£7.70	£6.15	£4.35	£3.90

*Applies to apprentices under 19, or 19 and over in the first year of apprenticeship.
NLW applies to those aged 25 and over.*

TAX RELIEFS FOR INDIVIDUALS

2019/20 and 2018/19

Enterprise Investment Scheme (EIS)

Relief on investments in certain unquoted trading companies up to £1m per annum (£2m for knowledge intensive companies):

- Income tax relief at 30%
- Capital gains exemption on disposal

Unlimited amounts of capital gains from the disposal of other assets may be able to be deferred by making an EIS investment.

Seed Enterprise Investment Scheme (SEIS)

Relief on investments in certain unquoted trading companies up to £100,000 per annum:

- Income tax relief at 50%
- Capital gains exemption on disposal

Capital gains from the disposal of other assets may be exempt up to £50,000 per annum by making an SEIS investment.

Venture Capital Trusts (VCTs)

Relief on investments in certain quoted companies up to £200,000 per annum:

- Income tax relief at 30%
- Capital gains exemption on disposal

Dividends received from VCTs may be exempt from income tax.

All reliefs subject to detailed conditions being met.

CORPORATION TAX

	Rate %		Rate %
Year to 31.3.20	19	Year to 31.3.19	19

Different rates apply for ring-fenced (broadly oil industry) profit.

CAPITAL ALLOWANCES

First Year Allowance (FYA) on certain energy-efficient **100%** plant, machinery and cars up to 50g/km

Annual Investment Allowance (AIA) from 1 January 2019
£1,000,000 (£200,000)

Excludes cars and expenditure already qualifying for FYA

Writing Down Allowance

Expenditure not qualifying for AIA or FYA:

Long-life assets, integral features of buildings, cars over 110g/km. Rates reduced from April 2019. **6% (8%)**

Other plant and machinery **18%**

Structures and Buildings Allowance **2%**

From 29 October 2018 straight-line basis

PENSIONS

	2019/20	2018/19
Lifetime Allowance limit	£1,055,000	£1,030,000
Annual Allowance limit	£40,000	£40,000
Money Purchase Annual Allowance	£4,000	£4,000

VALUE ADDED TAX

	From 1.4.19	From 1.4.18
Standard rate	20%	20%
Reduced rate	5%	5%
Annual Registration Limit	£85,000	£85,000
Annual Deregistration Limit	£83,000	£83,000

PROPERTY TAXES

Across the whole of the UK, residential rates may be increased by 3% (4% in Scotland) where further residential properties are acquired.

Stamp Duty Land Tax

Land and buildings in England and N. Ireland

Residential Band £	Rate %	Non-residential Band £	Rate %
0 - 125,000	0	0 - 150,000	0
125,001 - 250,000	2	150,001 - 250,000	2
250,001 - 925,000	5	Over 250,000	5
925,001 - 1,500,000	10		
Over 1,500,000	12		

First-Time Buyer relief may apply to residential purchases up to £500,000.

Land and Buildings Transaction Tax

Land and buildings in Scotland

Residential Band £	Rate %	Non-residential Band £	Rate %
0 - 145,000	0	0 - 150,000	0
145,001 - 250,000	2	150,001 - 250,000	1
250,001 - 325,000	5	Over 250,000	5
325,001 - 750,000	10		
Over 750,000	12		

First-Time Buyer relief may apply on the first £175,000 of residential purchases.

Land Transaction Tax

Land and buildings in Wales

Residential Band £	Rate %	Non-residential Band £	Rate %
0 - 180,000	0	0 - 150,000	0
180,001 - 250,000	3.5	150,001 - 250,000	1
250,001 - 400,000	5	250,001 - 1,000,000	5
400,001 - 750,000	7.5	Over 1,000,000	6
750,001 - 1,500,000	10		
Over 1,500,000	12		

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