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## What Are All These Deductions from My Paycheck?

It's exciting to receive your first paycheck. But for many young people, that first rush of excitement soon yields to disappointment. They quickly realize the money they earned is not the same as the money they received. Uncle Sam and a lot of others have taken a bite out of that paycheck.

## GROSS PAY

Gross pay is the total amount of money a worker earns before any deductions are made. For example, many employees are paid at an hourly rate. In the case of an hourly employee, the record of hours worked is multiplied by the employee's hourly rate of pay. This results in the employee's gross pay.

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\begin{aligned}
& 40 \text { hours } x \$ 10 \text { an hour }=\$ 400 \\
& \text { Gross pay }=\$ 400
\end{aligned}
$$

Similar calculations are made to determine the gross pay of employees who receive a bi-weekly, monthly, or an annual salary.

## NET PAY

The amount left after all deductions are taken out of the gross pay is the net pay. This is the actual amount of an employee's paycheck. Net pay is often called take-home pay because it is the amount of money an employee actually receives on payday.

## Gross pay

- Deductions
= Net pay


## REQUIRED (MANDATORY) DEDUCTIONS

Federal income tax, state income tax, local taxes, and FICA are among the required deductions taken from an employee's paycheck. FICA is the abbreviation for the Federal Insurance Contributions Act. FICA provides for a federal system of old-age, survivors, disability, and hospital insurance. The old-age, survivors, and disability portion is paid by the Social Security tax. The hospital insurance portion is paid by the Medicare tax. The actual amount deducted from a paycheck for federal, state, and local income taxes is determined by reference to tax tables provided by the various levels of government.

Employers use the information provided by the tax tables and combine it with information from employees to determine how much to take out of an employee's paycheck. Employees complete the W-4 Form (Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate) when they are hired. This form tells the employer the number of allowances the employee wishes to claim. For example, an employee is able to claim allowances for himself or herself, a spouse, and children under 21 years of age whom the employee supports. The more allowances an employee claims, the less money withheld from the employee's paycheck.

| Mandatory Deductions From Your Paycheck |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Deduction | What do you get? | Who pays? |  |
| Federal income tax | This tax helps pay for services provided by <br> the federal government, such as defense, <br> human services, and the monitoring and reg- <br> ulation of trade. | Employee |  |
| State income tax | This tax helps pay for services provided <br> by state government, such as roads, <br> safety, and health. (Not all states levy an <br> income tax.) | Employee |  |
| Local income tax | This tax helps pay for services provided <br> by the city or other local government, such <br> as schools, police, and fire protection. <br> (Very few local areas levy an income tax.) | Employee |  |
| FICA: Social Security tax | This tax provides for old-age, survivors, and <br> disability insurance. | Employee and <br> employer |  |
| FICA: Medicare tax | This tax provides for hospital insurance <br> for the elderly. | Employee and <br> employer |  |

In addition to required deductions, employers may take money directly out of employees' paychecks to pay for various employee benefits. Benefits vary by industry, by business, and by the status of the employee in the firm. Benefits may include such things as life insurance, disability insurance, medical insurance, dental insurance, retirement savings plans, and profit-sharing.

## Other Deductions

| Deduction | What do you get? | Who pays? |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Life Insurance | Pays a beneficiary in the event that an em- <br> ployee dies. | Employer or employee, or <br> shared |
| Long-term disability <br> insurance | Provides benefits in the event that an <br> employee is completely disabled. | Employer or employee, or <br> shared |
| Medical insurance | Provides employee and family insur- <br> ance coverage for medical care ex- <br> penses including hospitalization, <br> physician services, surgery, and major <br> medical expenses. | Employer or employee, or <br> shared |
| Dental insurance | Provides employee and family insurance <br> coverage for dental care expenses, includ- <br> ing preventive diagnostic, basic, major, <br> and orthodontic services. | Employer or employee, or <br> shared |
| Retirement savings <br> plan | A tax-deferred savings plan for retire- <br> ment. | Employer or employee <br> (Employer may match per- <br> centage.) |
| Charity | A donation to a specific charity. | Employee (Employer may <br> match a percentage of <br> employee contribution.) |

## Questions:

a. What is gross pay?
b. What is net pay?
c. Is the amount of money shown on your paycheck equal to the total of the number of hours worked times the rate of pay?
d. Name at least three mandatory deductions that are taken out of gross pay.
e. Name three other deductions.
$\qquad$ CLASS PERIOD: $\qquad$

## Tax-Saving Strategies

The U.S. income tax is progressive. The more income we earn, the higher the marginal tax rate. There are a number of ways to reduce the tax owed. One way to reduce taxable income is by deducting the cost of benefits such as insurance and retirement savings from gross income, taking advantage of favorable tax treatment the law provides for these benefits. These optional deductions reduce taxable income. With taxable income reduced, fewer taxes are owed. To calculate the tax savings of using pre-tax dollars to pay for benefits, multiply the amount spent times the marginal tax rate.

The table below shows the marginal tax rate for different levels of income. Notice that the entire paycheck is not taxed at the same rate. In fact, some income is not taxed at all!

For example, Tom is a single person who earned $\$ 20,000$ in 2008. He filed Form 1040EZ to report his federal income tax. As a single taxpayer, he is allowed to deduct $\$ 8,950$ of his earnings in calculating his taxable income. After subtracting $\$ 8,950$ from his gross income, his taxable income was $\$ 11,050$. He paid no tax on $\$ 8,950$ of his income, a sum of his personal exemption $(\$ 3,500)$ and the standard deduction $(\$ 5,450)$. He then paid 10 percent on the next $\$ 8,025$ ( $\$ 802.50$ ) and 15 percent tax on the last $\$ 3,025$ ( $\$ 453.75$ ). So, on an income of $\$ 20,000$, Tom owes approximately $\$ 1,256$ in federal income taxes, and his marginal tax rate is 15 percent (this is his highest rate of tax).

| What's Your Bracket? |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| Taxable income range | Marginal tax rate |
| First \$8,025 | $10 \%$ |
| Between \$8,025 and 32,550 | $15 \%$ |
| Between \$32,550 and 78,850 | $25 \%$ |
| Between \$78,850 and \$164,550 | $28 \%$ |
| Between \$164,550 and \$357,700 | $33 \%$ |
| Over \$357,700 | $35 \%$ |

## Mike and Ann's Tax Strategies

## Paying for Benefits with Pre-tax Dollars

It is important to know about tax-saving strategies so that you will be prepared to take advantage of them. Many people are aware of pre-tax retirement savings plans like 401 ks , but they may not be as familiar with other tax strategies. Paying for health insurance, medical care, and dependent care expenses with pre-tax dollars will reduce your gross taxable income and your tax liability. Check with your employer to see if you can have these expenses deducted from your paycheck.

Retirement Savings (401k Plan). Mike and Ann are each employed by FooFoo Gourmet Coffee Shop. FooFoo offers a 401k retirement savings plan. FooFoo will match up to half of the employee's retirement contribution up to 6 percent of the employee's income. Mike contributes \$1,000 and his company matches it with \$500. Because Mike is in the 15 percent marginal tax bracket, this contribution saves Mike $\$ 150$ in income taxes each year ( $\$ 1,000 \times .15=\$ 150$ ). In addition, his savings are allowed to grow tax-free until he takes them out. And another bonus! FooFoo matches his retirement savings with an additional \$500.

Premium Conversion Plans (Cafeteria Plans). Some employers offer a premium conversion plan (PCP) that allows you to pay your health insurance premiums with before-tax dollars. Under a PCP, the amount you pay in health insurance premiums, dependent care, and medical expenses reduces your gross taxable income dollar for dollar. For example: FooFoo Gourmet Coffee Shop offers a PCP; Mike participates, but Ann does not. Mike pays $\$ 150$ per month for health insurance; but because he decided to participate in the PCP, Mike's annual gross taxable income is reduced by the $\$ 1,800$ he pays in premiums.

## Questions:

a. What is Mike's marginal tax rate? What does this mean?
b. How much does Mike save in taxes by paying for his health insurance with pre-tax dollars? Enter this amount into the table below by adding it to the $\$ 150$ already saved from his retirement plan deductions for his Total Tax Savings.
c. What is Mike's taxable income? Enter it in the table below.
d. How much does Mike save in taxes by using pre-tax dollars to save for retirement and pay for his health insurance?
e. What are some things Mike could do with his tax savings?
f. How much tax was owed on the first \$5,000 of gross income?
g. Compare Mike's gross income to Ann's gross income. What do you notice?
h. Compare Mike's taxable income to Ann's taxable income. What do you notice? Explain.

|  | Mike's Taxable Income | Ann's Taxable Income |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Gross income | $\$ 30,000$ | $\$ 30,000$ |
| Less personal exemption | $\$ 3,500$ | $\$ 3,500$ |
| Less standard deduction | $\$ 5,450$ | $\$ 5,450$ |
| Less 401K contribution | $\$ 1,000$ |  |
| Less health insurance pre- <br> mium | $\$ 1,800$ | $\$ 21,050$ |
| Taxable income | $\$ 150+$ | $\$ 0$ |
| Total tax savings |  |  |

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## Is It Better to Get a Tax Refund or to Have Fewer Taxes Withheld? Part 1

According to the IRS, approximately four-fifths of the people who filed taxes in 2008 received a refund. The average refund in 2008 was $\$ 2,429$. While a refund of this amount sounds great to most people, think about the costs and benefits of getting a tax refund. Some taxpayers see their refund as a forced savings plan. They use the money for high-priced purchases or vacations. However, the IRS doesn't pay interest on the money it withholds. So what are you giving up to get a refund?

Instead of getting a refund, what if you had fewer taxes withheld from your paycheck and then saved the extra cash in an interest-earning bank account? The refund sum of $\$ 2,429$ represents about $\$ 200$ a month. With monthly deposits into a money market account earning interest at 3 percent, you could earn about $\$ 40$ in interest on that sum during the course of a year.

If you are considering paying off debt with the amount that is no longer being withheld from your paycheck, it could make a big difference if you were to use the extra $\$ 200$ each month to pay down your credit card debt. Assuming you have a balance of $\$ 5,000$ on a credit card that charges 18 percent interest, and you currently are making monthly payments of $\$ 100$, it will take you almost 8 years and $\$ 4,311$ in interest to pay off your debt. However, if you increase your monthly payments to $\$ 300$, you will pay off your debt in less than two years, and it will cost approximately $\$ 800$ in interest-a savings of about \$3,500 !

Key information from Jack's recent pay stub is found on the next page. His W-2 Wage and Tax Statement is also provided. Use the information from these two sources to answer the following questions.
a. What is the difference between Jack's weekly gross pay and his net pay?
b. How many withholding allowances did Jack claim?

## Jack's Pay Stub

| Pay Check |  | Calculations Based on |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Weekly Gross Pay | \$400.00 | Tax Year | 2008 |
| Federal Withholding | \$36.19 | Gross Pay | \$400.00 |
| Social Security | \$24.80 | Pay Frequency | Weekly |
| Medicare | \$5.80 | Federal Filing Status | Single |
| Missouri Withholding | \$11.00 | \# of Federal Allowances | 0 |
| Net Pay | \$322.21 | Additional Federal W/H | \$0.00 |
|  |  | State | Missouri |
|  |  | Filing Status | Single |

## Jack's W-2



Now use Jack's W-2 statement and the tax table in Illustration 7.1 to complete Form1040EZ for Jack. When you have completed this, answer the following questions:
c. What is Jack's marginal tax rate?
d. Does Jack owe taxes or get a refund?
e. How would you recommend that Jack change his withholding allowances for next year?

## Jack's Form 1040EZ


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## Is It Better to Get a Tax Refund or to Have Fewer Taxes Withheld? Part 2

Instructions: Use Jill's pay stub and Form W-2 to complete her 1040EZ; then answer the questions at the end of the exercise. You will need a copy of Illustration 7.1, Federal Tax Table for Form 1040EZ, to complete this exercise.

## Jill's Pay Stub

| Pay Check |  | Calculations Based on |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| Weekly Gross Pay | $\$ 400.00$ |  | Tax Year |
| Federal Withholding | $\$ 25.66$ | Gross Pay | $\$ 400.00$ |
| Social Security | $\$ 24.80$ | Pay Frequency | Weekly |
| Medicare | $\$ 5.80$ | Federal Filing Status | Single |
| Missouri Withholding | $\$ 9.00$ | \# of Federal Allowances | 1 |
| Net Pay | $\$ 334.74$ | Additional Federal W/H | $\$ 0.00$ |
|  |  | State | Missouri |
|  |  | Filing Status | Single |

Jill's W-2


## Jill's Form 1040EZ



## Questions:

a. What is Jill's weekly gross pay? What is her weekly net pay?
b. Why is Jill's net pay different from Jack's when their gross pay is the same? (Refer to Jack's pay stub on page 41.)
c. Does Jill owe taxes or get a refund?
d. What would you recommend to Jill about adjusting her withholding allowances for next year?

## Federal Tax Table for Form 1040EZ

| If Form 1040EZ, line 6 , is - |  | And you are- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| At least | But less than | Single | Married filing jointly |
|  |  | Your tax is- |  |
| 9,000 |  |  |  |
| 9,000 | 9,050 | 953 | 903 |
| 9,050 | 9,100 | 960 | 908 |
| 9,100 | 9,150 | 968 | 913 |
| 9,150 | 9,200 | 975 | 918 |
| 9,200 | 9,250 | 983 | 923 |
| 9,250 | 9,300 | 990 | 928 |
| 9,300 | 9,350 | 998 | 933 |
| 9,350 | 9,400 | 1,005 | 938 |
| 9,400 | 9,450 | 1,013 | 943 |
| 9,450 | 9,500 | 1,020 | 948 |
| 9,500 | 9,550 | 1,028 | 953 |
| 9,550 | 9,600 | 1,035 | 958 |
| 9,600 | 9,650 | 1,043 | 963 |
| 9,650 | 9,700 | 1,050 | 968 |
| 9,700 | 9,750 | 1,058 | 973 |
| 9,750 | 9,800 | 1,065 | 978 |
| 9,800 | 9,850 | 1,073 | 983 |
| 9,850 | 9,900 | 1,080 | 988 |
| 9,900 | 9,950 | 1,088 | 993 |
| 9,950 | 10,000 | 1,095 | 998 |
| 10,000 |  |  |  |
| 10,000 | 10,050 | 1,103 | 1,003 |
| 10,050 | 10,100 | 1,110 | 1,008 |
| 10,100 | 10,150 | 1,118 | 1,013 |
| 10,150 | 10,200 | 1,125 | 1,018 |
| 10,200 | 10,250 | 1,133 | 1,023 |
| 10,250 | 10,300 | 1,140 | 1,028 |
| 10,300 | 10,350 | 1,148 | 1,033 |
| 10,350 | 10,400 | 1,155 | 1,038 |
| 10,400 | 10,450 | 1,163 | 1,043 |
| 10,450 | 10,500 | 1,170 | 1,048 |
| 10,500 | 10,550 | 1,178 | 1,053 |
| 10,550 | 10,600 | 1,185 | 1,058 |
| 10,600 | 10,650 | 1,193 | 1,063 |
| 10,650 | 10,700 | 1,200 | 1,068 |
| 10,700 | 10,750 | 1,208 | 1,073 |
| 10,750 | 10,800 | 1,215 | 1,078 |
| 10,800 | 10,850 | 1,223 | 1,083 |
| 10,850 | 10,900 | 1,230 | 1,088 |
| 10,900 | 10,950 | 1,238 | 1,093 |
| 10,950 | 11,000 | 1,245 | 1,098 |
| 11,000 |  |  |  |
| 11,000 | 11,050 | 1,253 | 1,103 |
| 11,050 | 11,100 | 1,260 | 1,108 |
| 11,100 | 11,150 | 1,268 | 1,113 |
| 11,150 | 11,200 | 1,275 | 1,118 |
| 11,200 | 11,250 | 1,283 | 1,123 |
| 11,250 | 11,300 | 1,290 | 1,128 |
| 11,300 | 11,350 | 1,298 | 1,133 |
| 11,350 | 11,400 | 1,305 | 1,138 |
| 11,400 | 11,450 | 1,313 | 1,143 |
| 11,450 | 11,500 | 1,320 | 1,148 |
| 11,500 | 11,550 | 1,328 | 1,153 |
| 11,550 | 11,600 | 1,335 | 1,158 |
| 11,600 | 11,650 | 1,343 | 1,163 |
| 11,650 | 11,700 | 1,350 | 1,168 |
| 11,700 | 11,750 | 1,358 | 1,173 |
| 11,750 | 11,800 | 1,365 | 1,178 |
| 11,800 | 11,850 | 1,373 | 1,183 |
| 11,850 | 11,900 | 1,380 | 1,188 |
| 11,900 | 11,950 | 1,388 | 1,193 |
| 11,950 | 12,000 | 1,395 | 1,198 |


| If Form 1040EZ, line 6 , is - |  | And you are- |  | If Form 1040EZ, line 6, is - |  | And you are- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| At least | But less than | Single | Married filing jointly | At least | But less than | Single | Married filing jointly |
|  |  | Your tax is- |  |  |  | Your tax is - |  |
| 12,000 |  |  |  | 15,000 |  |  |  |
| 12,000 | 12,050 | 1,403 | 1,203 | 15,000 | 15,050 | 1,853 | 1,503 |
| 12,050 | 12,100 | 1,410 | 1,208 | 15,050 | 15,100 | 1,860 | 1,508 |
| 12,100 | 12,150 | 1,418 | 1,213 | 15,100 | 15,150 | 1,868 | 1,513 |
| 12,150 | 12,200 | 1,425 | 1,218 | 15,150 | 15,200 | 1,875 | 1,518 |
| 12,200 | 12,250 | 1,433 | 1,223 | 15,200 | 15,250 | 1,883 | 1,523 |
| 12,250 | 12,300 | 1,440 | 1,228 | 15,250 | 15,300 | 1,890 | 1,528 |
| 12,300 | 12,350 | 1,448 | 1,233 | 15,300 | 15,350 | 1,898 | 1,533 |
| 12,350 | 12,400 | 1,455 | 1,238 | 15,350 | 15,400 | 1,905 | 1,538 |
| 12,400 | 12,450 | 1,463 | 1,243 | 15,400 | 15,450 | 1,913 | 1,543 |
| 12,450 | 12,500 | 1,470 | 1,248 | 15,450 | 15,500 | 1,920 | 1,548 |
| 12,500 | 12,550 | 1,478 | 1,253 | 15,500 | 15,550 | 1,928 | 1,553 |
| 12,550 | 12,600 | 1,485 | 1,258 | 15,550 | 15,600 | 1,935 | 1,558 |
| 12,600 | 12,650 | 1,493 | 1,263 | 15,600 | 15,650 | 1,943 | 1,563 |
| 12,650 | 12,700 | 1,500 | 1,268 | 15,650 | 15,700 | 1,950 | 1,568 |
| 12,700 | 12,750 | 1,508 | 1,273 | 15,700 | 15,750 | 1,958 | 1,573 |
| 12,750 | 12,800 | 1,515 | 1,278 | 15,750 | 15,800 | 1,965 | 1,578 |
| 12,800 | 12,850 | 1,523 | 1,283 | 15,800 | 15,850 | 1,973 | 1,583 |
| 12,850 | 12,900 | 1,530 | 1,288 | 15,850 | 15,900 | 1,980 | 1,588 |
| 12,900 | 12,950 | 1,538 | 1,293 | 15,900 | 15,950 | 1,988 | 1,593 |
| 12,950 | 13,000 | 1,545 | 1,298 | 15,950 | 16,000 | 1,995 | 1,598 |
| 13,000 |  |  |  | 16,000 |  |  |  |
| 13,000 | 13,050 | 1,553 | 1,303 | 16,000 | 16,050 | 2,003 | 1,603 |
| 13,050 | 13,100 | 1,560 | 1,308 | 16,050 | 16,100 | 2,010 | 1,609 |
| 13,100 | 13,150 | 1,568 | 1,313 | 16,100 | 16,150 | 2,018 | 1,616 |
| 13,150 | 13,200 | 1,575 | 1,318 | 16,150 | 16,200 | 2,025 | 1,624 |
| 13,200 | 13,250 | 1,583 | 1,323 | 16,200 | 16,250 | 2,033 | 1,631 |
| 13,250 | 13,300 | 1,590 | 1,328 | 16,250 | 16,300 | 2,040 | 1,639 |
| 13,300 | 13,350 | 1,598 | 1,333 | 16,300 | 16,350 | 2,048 | 1,646 |
| 13,350 | 13,400 | 1,605 | 1,338 | 16,350 | 16,400 | 2,055 | 1,654 |
| 13,400 | 13,450 | 1,613 | 1,343 | 16,400 | 16,450 | 2,063 | 1,661 |
| 13,450 | 13,500 | 1,620 | 1,348 | 16,450 | 16,500 | 2,070 | 1,669 |
| 13,500 | 13,550 | 1,628 | 1,353 | 16,500 | 16,550 | 2,078 | 1,676 |
| 13,550 | 13,600 | 1,635 | 1,358 | 16,550 | 16,600 | 2,085 | 1,684 |
| 13,600 | 13,650 | 1,643 | 1,363 | 16,600 | 16,650 | 2,093 | 1,691 |
| 13,650 | 13,700 | 1,650 | 1,368 | 16,650 | 16,700 | 2,100 | 1,699 |
| 13,700 | 13,750 | 1,658 | 1,373 | 16,700 | 16,750 | 2,108 | 1,706 |
| 13,750 | 13,800 | 1,665 | 1,378 | 16,750 | 16,800 | 2,115 | 1,714 |
| 13,800 | 13,850 | 1,673 | 1,383 | 16,800 | 16,850 | 2,123 | 1,721 |
| 13,850 | 13,900 | 1,680 | 1,388 | 16,850 | 16,900 | 2,130 | 1,729 |
| 13,900 | 13,950 | 1,688 | 1,393 | 16,900 | 16,950 | 2,138 | 1,736 |
| 13,950 | 14,000 | 1,695 | 1,398 | 16,950 | 17,000 | 2,145 | 1,744 |
| 14,000 |  |  |  | 17,000 |  |  |  |
| 14,000 | 14,050 | 1,703 | 1,403 | 17,000 | 17,050 | 2,153 | 1,751 |
| 14,050 | 14,100 | 1,710 | 1,408 | 17,050 | 17,100 | 2,160 | 1,759 |
| 14,100 | 14,150 | 1,718 | 1,413 | 17,100 | 17,150 | 2,168 | 1,766 |
| 14,150 | 14,200 | 1,725 | 1,418 | 17,150 | 17,200 | 2,175 | 1,774 |
| 14,200 | 14,250 | 1,733 | 1,423 | 17,200 | 17,250 | 2,183 | 1,781 |
| 14,250 | 14,300 | 1,740 | 1,428 | 17,250 | 17,300 | 2,190 | 1,789 |
| 14,300 | 14,350 | 1,748 | 1,433 | 17,300 | 17,350 | 2,198 | 1,796 |
| 14,350 | 14,400 | 1,755 | 1,438 | 17,350 | 17,400 | 2,205 | 1,804 |
| 14,400 | 14,450 | 1,763 | 1,443 | 17,400 | 17,450 | 2,213 |  |
| 14,450 | 14,500 | 1,770 | 1,448 | 17,450 | 17,500 | 2,220 | 1,819 |
| 14,500 | 14,550 | 1,778 | 1,453 | 17,500 | 17,550 | 2,228 | 1,826 |
| 14,550 | 14,600 | 1,785 | 1,458 | 17,550 | 17,600 | 2,235 | 1,834 |
| 14,600 | 14,650 | 1,793 | 1,463 | 17,600 | 17,650 | 2,243 | 1,841 |
| 14,650 | 14,700 | 1,800 | 1,468 | 17,650 | 17,700 | 2,250 | 1,849 |
| 14,700 | 14,750 | 1,808 | 1,473 | 17,700 | 17,750 | 2,258 | 1,856 |
| 14,750 | 14,800 | 1,815 | 1,478 | 17,750 | 17,800 | 2,265 | 1,864 |
| 14,800 | 14,850 | 1,823 | 1,483 | 17,800 | 17,850 | 2,273 | 1,871 |
| 14,850 | 14,900 | 1,830 | 1,488 | 17,850 | 17,900 | 2,280 | 1,879 |
| 14,900 | 14,950 | 1,838 | 1,493 | 17,900 | 17,950 | 2,288 | 1,886 |
| 14,950 | 15,000 | 1,845 | 1,498 | 17,950 | 18,000 | 2,295 | 1,894 |

2008 Tax Table-Continued

| If Form 1040EZ, line 6 , is - |  | And you are- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| At least | But less than | Single | Married filing jointly |
|  |  | Your tax is- |  |
| 18,000 |  |  |  |
| 18,000 | 18,050 | 2,303 | 1,901 |
| 18,050 | 18,100 | 2,310 | 1,909 |
| 18,100 | 18,150 | 2,318 | 1,916 |
| 18,150 | 18,200 | 2,325 | 1,924 |
| 18,200 | 18,250 | 2,333 | 1,931 |
| 18,250 | 18,300 | 2,340 | 1,939 |
| 18,300 | 18,350 | 2,348 | 1,946 |
| 18,350 | 18,400 | 2,355 | 1,954 |
| 18,400 | 18,450 | 2,363 | 1,961 |
| 18,450 | 18,500 | 2,370 | 1,969 |
| 18,500 | 18,550 | 2,378 | 1,976 |
| 18,550 | 18,600 | 2,385 | 1,984 |
| 18,600 | 18,650 | 2,393 | 1,991 |
| 18,650 | 18,700 | 2,400 | 1,999 |
| 18,700 | 18,750 | 2,408 | 2,006 |
| 18,750 | 18,800 | 2,415 | 2,014 |
| 18,800 | 18,850 | 2,423 | 2,021 |
| 18,850 | 18,900 | 2,430 | 2,029 |
| 18,900 | 18,950 | 2,438 | 2,036 |
| 18,950 | 19,000 | 2,445 | 2,044 |


| 19,000 | 19,050 | 2,453 | 2,051 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 19,050 | 19,100 | 2,460 | 2,059 |
| 19,100 | 19,150 | 2,468 | 2,066 |
| 19,150 | 19,200 | 2,475 | 2,074 |
| 19,200 | 19,250 | 2,483 | 2,081 |
| 19,250 | 19,300 | 2,490 | 2,089 |
| 19,300 | 19,350 | 2,498 | 2,096 |
| 19,350 | 19,400 | 2,505 | 2,104 |
| 19,400 | 19,450 | 2,513 | 2,111 |
| 19,450 | 19,500 | 2,520 | 2,119 |
| 19,500 | 19,550 | 2,528 | 2,126 |
| 19,550 | 19,600 | 2,535 | 2,134 |
| 19,600 | 19,650 | 2,543 | 2,141 |
| 19,650 | 19,700 | 2,550 | 2,149 |
| 19,700 | 19,750 | 2,558 | 2,156 |
| 19,750 | 19,800 | 2,565 | 2,164 |
| 19,800 | 19,850 | 2,573 | 2,171 |
| 19,850 | 19,900 | 2,580 | 2,179 |
| 19,900 | 19,950 | 2,588 | 2,186 |
| 19,950 | 20,000 | 2,595 | 2,194 |


| $\mathbf{2 0 , 0 0 0}$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 0 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 0 5 0}$ | 2,603 | 2,201 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 0 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 1 0 0}$ | 2,610 | 2,209 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 1 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 1 5 0}$ | 2,618 | 2,216 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 1 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 2 0 0}$ | 2,625 | 2,224 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 2 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 2 5 0}$ | 2,633 | 2,231 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 2 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 3 0 0}$ | 2,660 | 2,239 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 3 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 3 5 0}$ | 2,648 | 2,246 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 3 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 4 0 0}$ | 2,655 | 2,254 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 4 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 4 5 0}$ | 2,663 | 2,261 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 4 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 5 0 0}$ | 2,670 | 2,269 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 5 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 5 5 0}$ | 2,678 | 2,276 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 5 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 6 0 0}$ | 2,685 | 2,284 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 6 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 6 5 0}$ | 2,693 | 2,291 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 6 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 7 0 0}$ | 2,700 | 2,299 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 7 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 7 5 0}$ | 2,708 | 2,306 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 7 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 8 0 0}$ | 2,715 | 2,314 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 8 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 8 5 0}$ | 2,723 | 2,321 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 8 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 9 0 0}$ | 2,730 | 2,329 |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 9 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 9 5 0}$ | 2,738 |  |
| $\mathbf{2 0 , 9 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 , 0 0 0}$ | 2,745 | 2,344 |

