



TAX TIPS FOR INDIVIDUALS

- Pay accountant in advance
- Pay Interest on tax deductible loans 12 months in advance (must arrange with bank)
- Salary sacrifice & calculate effect of Fringe Benefit Tax (FBT) for a motor vehicle
- Salary sacrifice to superannuation (up to the concessional contribution cap and subject to financial planner's advice)
- Over 56 years old transition into retirement (make a time with financial planner)
- Move interest earning deposit accounts into an offset account
- Move interest earning deposit accounts into spouse's name if they are in a lower tax bracket.
- Prepay income protection insurance
- Buy iPad/laptop or other work related equipment
- Make donations pre 30 June
- Superannuation contribution – pay personal contribution up to \$25,000 cap (cap includes 9.5% paid by employer)
- Superannuation co-contribution
 - If income is below \$36,813 then contribute \$1,000 to get a \$500 co-contribution
 - Sliding scale applies for income up to \$51,813
- Spouse Superannuation Contributions
 - If your spouse has income below \$37,000 then contribute \$3,000 to get a \$540 rebate
 - Sliding scale applies if your spouse has income up to \$40,000
- Negative Gearing – property investment (longer term but creates wealth with tax benefits)
- Totally ignore tax schemes – olives, emus, trees, films.

END OF FINANCIAL YEAR: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Marginal Tax Rates

2016/2017	Tax Rate
\$0 - \$18,200	0%
\$18,201 - \$37,000	19%
\$37,001 - \$87,000	32.5%
\$87,001 - \$180,000	37%
\$180,001 +	47%

2017/2018	Tax Rate
\$0 - \$18,200	0%
\$18,201 - \$37,000	19%
\$37,001 - \$87,000	32.5%
\$87,001 - \$180,000	37%
\$180,001 +	45%

Excludes Medicare Levy

Private Medical Insurance Rebate

New Rebates	Tier 0	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Income - Single	Below \$90,000	\$90,001 - \$105,000	\$105,001 - \$140,000	\$140,001 +
Income - Family	Below \$180,000	\$180,001 - \$210,000	\$210,001 - \$280,000	\$280,001 +
Rebate for premiums paid, 1 July 2017—31 March 2018				
Less than 65 Years	25.934%	17.289%	8.644%	0%
65 – 69 Years	30.256%	21.612%	12.966%	0%
70 Years +	34.579%	25.934%	17.289%	0%
Medicare Levy Surcharge	Nil	1%	1.25%	1.5%

Low Income Tax Offset

The Low Income Tax Offset is \$445 for income under \$37,000 and reduces by 1.5% per dollar of income over \$37,000 up to \$66,667 unchanged from 2016-2017. For example; if a person has a taxable income of \$45,000, their LITO entitlement will be \$120 less than the maximum, that is \$325.

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