

FTX IRL**TAX REFERENCE MATERIAL – JUNE 2017**

The following rates, credits, formulae and allowances are based on the Finance Act 2015 and are to be used for all questions in this paper.

Income tax rates	
	Tax €
Single/widow(er)/surviving civil partner without qualifying children	
€33,800 at 20%	6,760
Balance at 40%	
Married or in a civil partnership (one income)	
€42,800 at 20%	8,560
Balance at 40%	
Married or in a civil partnership (dual income)	
€42,800 at 20%	8,560
€24,800 at 20%	4,960
Balance at 40%	
Single/widow(er)/surviving civil partner qualifying for single person child carer credit	
€37,800 at 20%	7,560
Balance at 40%	

Tax credits	
	€
Single person's credit	1,650
Married person's/civil partner's credit	3,300
Widowed person/surviving civil partner	
– in year of bereavement	3,300
– without dependent children	2,190
– with dependent children	1,650
Widowed person/surviving civil partner with dependent children	
– first year after bereavement	3,600
– second year after bereavement	3,150
– third year after bereavement	2,700
– fourth year after bereavement	2,250
– fifth year after bereavement	1,800
Home carer credit (maximum)	1,000
Single person child carer credit	1,650
Incapacitated child credit	3,300
Dependent relative credit	70
Age credit – single/widowed/surviving civil partner	245
– married or in a civil partnership	490
Employee/PAYE credit	1,650

Earned income tax credit		550
Rent allowance credit	Rent limit	
	€	€
– single aged under 55	400	80
– married/widowed/in a civil partnership/survivor of a civil partnership aged under 55	800	160
– single aged 55 and over	800	160
– married/widowed/in a civil partnership/survivor of a civil partnership aged 55 and over	1,600	320

Note: The rent allowance credit is only available to individuals who were tenants and eligible for the relief on 7 December 2010.

Third level tuition fees	Upper limit €7,000
Full time qualifying courses	First €3,000 is ignored
Part time qualifying courses	First €1,500 is ignored

Rates of PRSI Self-employed – Class S

Rate	4%
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Where income is above €5,000, the rate is 4% of reckonable earnings or €500, whichever is greater.

No PRSI where income is below €5,000 per annum.

Rates of PRSI Employee – Class A1

Rate	4%
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No PRSI on earning of €352 or less per week.

Employee – Class K

Rate	4%
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Rates of PRSI Employer (for employees – Class A1)

Rate	10.75%
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Universal social charge (USC) for all taxpayers

On the first €12,012	1%
On the next €6,656	3%
On the next €51,376	5.5%
On the balance	8%

For individuals a surcharge of 3% applies in respect of relevant (non-PAYE) income that exceeds €100,000 per annum, regardless of age.

For individuals aged 70 and over, and individuals who hold a medical card regardless of age, if aggregate income for the year is €60,000 or less, the maximum rate is 3%.

Exemptions:

- Individuals whose income does not exceed €13,000 per annum
- All social welfare payments and income subject to DIRT

Retirement annuities

Age	Percentage of net relevant earnings
Up to 30 years	15%
30 years but less than 40 years	20%
40 years but less than 50 years	25%
50 years but less than 55 years	30%
55 years but less than 60 years	35%
60 years and over	40%

Cap on net relevant earnings of €115,000

Corporation tax

Standard rate	12.5%
Higher rate	25%

Value added tax (VAT)

Standard rate	23%
Lower rate	13.5%
Additional lower rate	9%

Capital gains tax (CGT)

Rate	33%
Annual exemption	€1,270

Writing down and wear and tear allowances

Plant and machinery	12.5%
Motor vehicles	12.5%
Industrial buildings	4%

Motor cars – limits on capital costs

Carbon emissions table:

Category A	Category B/C	Category D/E	Category F/G
0–120 g/km	121–155 g/km	156–190 g/km	191 g/km+

Category A/B/C vehicles - capital allowances/leasing charges are based on the specified amount of €24,000 regardless of the cost of the car.

Category D/E vehicles - capital allowances/leasing charges are based on 50% of either €24,000 or the cost of the car, whichever is lower.

Category F/G vehicles do not qualify for capital allowances/leasing charges.

Benefits in kind

Motor cars

Business travel lower limit Kilometres	Business travel upper limit Kilometres	Percentage of original market value of car
0	24,000	30%
24,001	32,000	24%
32,001	40,000	18%
40,001	48,000	12%
48,001	Upwards	6%

Preferential loan rates

Loans used to fund the cost/repair of the employee's principal private residence	4%
All other loans	13.5%

Local property tax

Tax bands for valuation purposes

€

0 - 100,000
100,001 - 150,000
150,001 - 200,000
200,001 - 250,000
250,001 - 300,000
300,001 - 350,000
350,001 - 400,000
400,001 - 450,000
450,001 - 500,000
500,001 - 550,000
550,001 - 600,000
600,001 - 650,000
650,001 - 700,000
700,001 - 750,000
750,001 - 800,000
800,001 - 850,000
850,001 - 900,000
900,001 - 950,000
950,001 - 1,000,000

Properties worth up to and including a value of €1 million will be assessed at a rate of 0.18%.

Properties worth more than €1 million will be assessed on their actual value at 0.18% on the first €1 million and at 0.25% of their actual value on the portion above €1 million.

Indexation factors for capital gains tax

<i>Year expenditure incurred</i>	<i>Multipliers for disposals in the year ending 31 December 2004 et seq</i>
1974-75	7.528
1975-76	6.080
1976-77	5.238
1977-78	4.490
1978-79	4.148
1979-80	3.742
1980-81	3.240
1981-82	2.678
1982-83	2.253
1983-84	2.003
1984-85	1.819
1985-86	1.713
1986-87	1.637
1987-88	1.583
1988-89	1.553
1989-90	1.503
1990-91	1.442
1991-92	1.406
1992-93	1.356
1993-94	1.331
1994-95	1.309
1995-96	1.277
1996-97	1.251
1997-98	1.232
1998-99	1.212
1999-2000	1.193
2000-2001	1.144
2001	1.087
2002	1.049
2003 et seq	1.000