



South Africa

Compact Payroll Guide

2024/2025



Rates for the 2024/2025 tax year:



Annual tax tables for individuals and special trusts

Taxable income (R)	Rate of tax (R)
1 - 237 100	18% of taxable income
237 101 - 370 500	42 678 + 26% of taxable income above 237 100
370 501 - 512 800	77 362 + 31% of taxable income above 370 500
512 801 - 673 000	121 475 + 36% of taxable income above 512 800
673 001 - 857 900	179 147 + 39% of taxable income above 673 000
857 901 - 1 817 000	251 258 + 41% of taxable income above 857 900
1 817 001 and above	644 489 + 45% of taxable income above 1 817 000

The tax thresholds at which individuals become liable for paying normal tax:

Below Age 65	R95 750
Age 65-74	R148 217
Age 75+	R165 689

The tax rebates for calculating normal tax payable by natural persons:

Primary	R17 235
Secondary	R9 444
Tertiary	R3 145



Personal Service Providers (PSP) tax rates

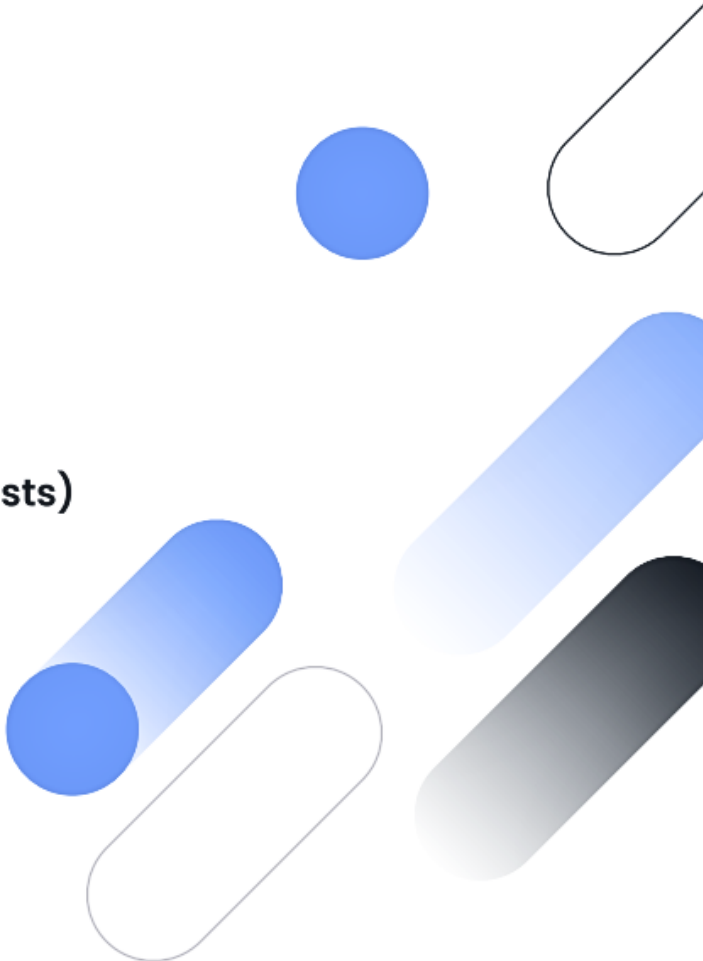
Companies

27%

For companies with years of assessment ending on any date between 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025

Trusts (other than special trusts)

45%





Subsistence allowance

Travel within South Africa

R169 per day or part of a day for incidental costs, and
R548 per day or part of a day for meals and incidental costs.

Travel outside South Africa

Prescribed amount applicable to the relevant country as published in the [Government Gazette](#).



Reimbursement / advance for business travel on day trips

R169

Per day or part of a day

Prescribed rate per kilometre for the reimbursement of business travel

R4.64

Per kilometre (no new rate published at the time of printing)



Table for calculating the actual rate per kilometre or travel allowance

Value of vehicle in Rands (including VAT)	Fixed cost per annum (R)	Fuel cost per KM (R)	Maintenance cost per KM (R)
R0 – R100 000	33 760	1.415	0.438
R100 001 – R200 000	60 329	1.580	0.548
R200 001 – R300 000	86 958	1.717	0.604
R300 001 – R400 000	110 554	1.846	0.659
R400 001 – R500 000	134 150	1.976	0.775
R500 001 – R600 000	158 856	2.266	0.910
R600 001 – R700 000	183 611	2.305	1.021
R700 001 and above	209 685	2.343	1.131

*No new table published at the time of printing



Medical scheme fees tax credits

R364 For each of the first two persons covered by the medical scheme, and

R246 For each additional dependant.

Additional medical expenses tax credits (only for employees 65 years or older)

33.3% Of the medical scheme contributions which exceed 3 times the amount of the medical scheme fees tax credit.

Retirement fund lump sum benefit or severance benefit exemption



Cumulative exemption of

R550 000

once in a lifetime.



Official rate of interest

9.25%

Effective date

July 2023

Please click [here](#) to view changes to the repo rate during the tax year.



Residential accommodation fringe benefit

When the formula is used to calculate the fringe benefit, the value of 'B' in the formula will be

R95 750

Formula: $(A - B) \times C / 100 \times D / 12$



Retirement fund contributions tax deduction limit

The total tax deduction for retirement fund contributions is limited to the lessor of:

27.5%

of remuneration (excluding severance benefits and retirement fund lump sums), or

R350 000

per annum.



Exempt long service award threshold

The first **R5000** of a qualifying long service award is exempt.



Employment Tax Incentive (ETI) table

Monthly ETI remuneration	ETI for the first 12 qualifying months	ETI for the next 12 qualifying months
R0 – R1 999.99	75% of monthly ETI remuneration	37.5% of monthly ETI remuneration
R2 000 – R4 499.99	R1 500	R750
R4 500 – R6 499.99	Formula: R1 500 – (75% X (monthly ETI remuneration – R4 500))	Formula: R750 – (37.5% X (monthly ETI remuneration – R4 500))

Basic Conditions of Employment Act (BCEA) earnings threshold

Employees earning in excess of the BCEA earnings threshold are excluded from sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17(2) and 18(3) of the Basic Conditions of Employment Act (BCEA).

The BCEA earnings threshold is R241 110.59 per annum effective 1 March 2023.



National Minimum Wages

National Minimum Wage rates effective 1 March 2024

R27.58

Per hour

R27.58

Per hour for farm workers

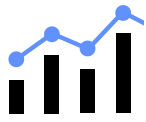
R27.58

Per hour for domestic workers

R15.16

Per hour for workers employed on expanded public works programme

The minimum weekly allowances for workers who have concluded agreements contemplated in section 17 of the Skills Development Act are contained in Schedule 2 of Government Gazette 50073.



Unemployment Insurance Fund (UIF) contributions limit

Both the employee and employer must contribute **1%** UIF remuneration, limited to the UIF contribution limit. The current limit is R17 712 per month effective 1 June 2021.



Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases (OID) limit

The maximum amount of earnings on which an assessment is calculated for 2024/2025 has not been published at the time of printing.



Skills Development Levy (SDL) contribution

The employer must contribute **1%** of the SDL leviable amount.



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