

Nova Scotia

Combined federal and provincial personal income tax rates – 2011¹

Taxable income		Nova Scotia					
Lower limit	Upper limit	Basic tax ²	Rate on excess	Marginal rate on			
				Eligible dividend income ³	Other dividend income ³	Capital gains ⁴	
\$ -	to \$ 10,527	\$ -	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
10,528	to 11,894	-	15.00	0.00	2.08	7.50	
11,895	to 15,000	205	23.79	0.00	3.45	11.90	
15,001	to 21,000 ⁵	944	28.79	6.97	9.70	14.40	
21,001	to 29,590	2,671	23.79	0.00	3.45	11.90	
29,591	to 41,544	4,715	29.95	8.60	11.15	14.98	
41,545	to 59,180	8,295	36.95	16.45	19.90	18.48	
59,181	to 83,088	14,812	38.67	18.87	22.05	19.34	
83,089	to 93,000	24,057	42.67	24.51	27.05	21.34	
93,001	to 128,800	28,286	43.50	25.68	28.08	21.75	
128,801	to 150,000	43,859	46.50	29.91	31.83	23.25	
150,001	and up	53,717	50.00	34.85	36.21	25.00	

- The tax rates reflect budget proposals and news releases to 15 July 2011. Where the tax is determined under the alternative minimum tax provisions (AMT), the above table is not applicable. AMT may be applicable where the tax otherwise payable is less than the tax determined by applying the relevant AMT rate to the individual's taxable income adjusted for certain preference items.
- The tax determined by the table should be reduced by the applicable federal and provincial tax credits (see chart below), other than the basic personal tax credits, which have been reflected in the calculations.
- The rates apply to the actual amount of taxable dividends received from taxable Canadian corporations. Eligible dividends are those paid by public corporations and private companies out of earnings that have been taxed at the general corporate tax rate (the dividend must be designated by the payor corporation as an eligible dividend).
- The rates apply to the actual amount of the capital gain. The capital gains exemption on qualified farm and fishing property and small business corporation shares may apply to eliminate the tax on those specific properties.
- Individuals resident in Nova Scotia on 31 December 2011 with taxable income up to \$11,894, pay no provincial income tax as a result of a low-income tax reduction. The low-income tax reduction is clawed back for income in excess of \$15,000 until the reduction is eliminated, resulting in an additional 5% of provincial tax on income between \$15,000 and \$21,001.

Federal and provincial personal tax credits – 2011

	Federal credit	Provincial credit
Amount of credits:		
Basic personal credit (see note 2 above)	\$ 1,579	\$ 745
Spousal credit (reduced when spouse's income over \$0 (federal) and \$720 (provincial))	1,579	633
Equivalent-to-spouse credit (reduced when dependant's income over \$0 (federal) and \$720 (provincial))	1,579	633
Infirm dependant aged 18 or over (reduced when dependant's income over \$6,076 (federal) and \$5,683 (provincial))	642	246
Caregiver credit (reduced when particular person's income exceeds \$14,624 (federal) and \$13,677 (provincial))	642	431
Age credit (65 and over) ¹	981	364
Disability credit	1,101	443
Pension income (maximum)	300	103
Education and textbook - per month	70	18
Canada employment credit	160	-
Child tax credit - per child under 18	320	-
Credits as a percentage of:		
Tuition fees	15.00%	8.79%
Public transit passes	15.00%	-
Medical expenses ²	15.00%	8.79%
Charitable donations		
- First \$200	15.00%	8.79%
- Remainder	29.00%	21.00%
CPP contributions ³	15.00%	8.79%
EI premiums	15.00%	8.79%

- The maximum federal age credit of \$981 occurs at \$32,961 of net income and declines to nil as net income rises to \$76,541. The maximum provincial age credit of \$364 occurs at \$30,828 of net income and declines to nil as net income rises to \$58,435.
- The federal credit applies to eligible medical expenses that exceed the lesser of \$2,052 and 3% of net income. The provincial credit applies to eligible medical expenses that exceed the lesser of \$1,637 and 3% of net income.
- One-half of CPP paid by self-employed individuals is deductible in computing taxable income.

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