

2025 TAX PLANNING GUIDE

2025 Personal Tax Rates In BC

Taxable Income	Salary, Interest & Other Income	Capital Gains	Canadian Dividends	
			Eligible Dividends	Small Business Dividends
First \$49,279	20.06%	10.03%	-9.60%	10.43%
Over \$49,279 up to \$57,375	22.70%	11.35%	-5.96%	13.47%
Over \$57,375 up to \$98,560	28.20%	14.10%	1.63%	19.80%
Over \$98,560 up to \$113,158	31.00%	15.50%	5.49%	23.02%
Over \$113,158 up to \$114,750	32.79%	16.40%	7.96%	25.07%
Over \$114,750 up to \$137,407	38.29%	19.15%	15.55%	31.40%
Over \$137,407 up to \$177,882	40.70%	20.35%	18.88%	34.17%
Over \$177,882 up to \$186,306	44.02%	22.01%	23.46%	37.99%
Over \$186,306 up to \$253,414	46.12%	23.06%	26.36%	40.41%
Over \$253,414 up to \$259,829	49.80%	24.90%	31.44%	44.64%
Over \$259,829	53.50%	26.75%	36.54%	48.89%

Marginal tax rate for dividends is a % of actual dividends received (not grossed-up amount).

2025 Corporate Tax Rates in BC

Active business income up to \$500,000	11%
Active business income over \$500,000	27%
Investment Income	50.7%
Investment Income net of refundable tax	20%
Refundable tax refund rate (as a % of dividends paid) - inverse is 2.61	38.3%

RRSP Contribution Limits

Year	Maximum RRSP Contribution
2025	\$32,490
2026	\$33,810

Tax Filing Deadlines

Personal Tax Filing: Employee	April 30
Personal Tax Filing: Self-employed	June 15
RRSP Deadline	March 3
Corporate Tax Filing Deadline	6 months after corporate year-end
Trust Return	90 days after trust year-end

CRA Interest Rates (January 1 to March 31, 2025)

Interest rate charged on overdue taxes	8%
Low interest shareholder/employee loans	4%
Late-filing penalty	5% plus 1% per month (max 12 months)

BC Property Transfer Tax

First \$200,000	1%
\$200,001—\$2,000,000	2%
\$2,000,001—\$3,000,000	3%
Over \$3,000,000*	5%

Newly built homes worth up to \$1,100,000 are exempt from PTT. First time home buyers are exempt if the price is \$835,000 or less and the property is 0.5 hectares (1.24 acres) or smaller.
*Applicable only to residential property worth over \$3,000,000.

BC Probate Fees

Value of Estate	Fees
Less than \$25,000	\$0
\$25,001 to \$50,000	\$200 + \$6 per \$1,000 (0.6%)
\$50,001 or more	\$200 + \$14 per \$1,000 (1.4%)

2025 CPP and EI Rates, Contributions, and Deductions

The CPP rate is 5.95% of pensionable earnings (11.90% for the self-employed). The maximum CPP contribution is \$4,034.10 and the annual maximum pensionable earnings is \$71,300. The basic exemption amount remains at \$3,500. Second additional CPP contributions on earnings between \$71,300 and \$81,200 are 4.00% (8% for the self-employed). The maximum additional contribution is \$396.

The rate of EI premiums is 1.64% of insurable earnings. The annual maximum insurable earnings is \$65,700 this year. The maximum annual premium deduction has increased to \$1,077.48.

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2025 Federal Personal Tax Credits

Credit	Credit (\$)
Basic personal (NI ≤ \$177,882)	16,129.00
Age amount (65 or older)	9,028.00
Pension amount	2,000.00
Disability amount	10,138.00
Spouse/Eligible dependent	16,129.00
Canada Caregiver Credit	8,601.00

RRIF Minimum Annual Withdrawals

Age on Jan 1	%	Age on Jan 1	%
71**	5.28	84	8.08
72	5.40	85	8.51
73	5.53	86	8.99
74	5.67	87	9.55
75	5.82	88	10.21
76	5.98	89	10.99
77	6.17	90	11.92
78	6.36	91	13.06
79	6.58	92	14.49
80	6.82	93	16.34
81	7.08	94	18.79
82	7.38	95+	20.00
83	7.71		

** To calculate minimum annual withdrawals for below age 71, use the formula $1/(90 - \text{age})$

Withholding Taxes on RRIF's, LIF's & RRSF's

Amount withdraw (for RRIF in excess of minimum)	All provinces except Quebec	Quebec
Up to \$5,000	10%	5%
\$5,001 to \$15,000	20%	10%
Over \$15,000	30%	15%

Donations (BC Residents)

Donations to Registered Charities result in tax savings of 20.06% on the first \$200. Donations in excess of \$200 result in tax savings of 45.80% or \$45.80 for each \$100 of donations. If an individual has taxable income in excess of \$259,829, the rate increases to 53.50% (some rules apply to this threshold).

Old Age Security (OAS)

Max Monthly Benefit

\$727.67 for ages 65 to 74
 \$800.44 for ages 75 and over

Max Annual Income (Clawback)

Pensioners with an individual net income above \$93,454 must repay part or all of their OAS amount. Repayment amounts are normally deducted from monthly payments before they are issued. The OAS is completely eliminated when a pensioner's net income is \$151,668¹ for ages 65 to 74, and \$157,490¹ for ages 75 and over. ¹These amounts will change to reflect the quarterly adjustment of OAS benefits for October—December 2025.

Registered Disability Savings Account

- For persons under 60 and eligible for federal Disability Tax Credit
- \$200,000 lifetime limit but no annual limits
- Grant (max \$3,500/year) + bond (max \$1,000/year)
- Tax deferred growth
- Partly taxable withdrawals (grant, bond + growth)
- No impact on eligibility for Federal OAS, GIS, CPP and BC disability benefits

Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP)

Restriction	Details
Lifetime Contribution Maximum	\$50,000 per beneficiary.
Plan Age Limit	RESP must be collapsed before the anniversary date of the 35th year following the year the plan is entered into.
Canada Education Savings Grant (CESG)	20% of the annual contribution to an RESP on the first \$2,500 contributed each year per beneficiary, until the end of the year in which the beneficiary turns 17, up to a lifetime maximum of \$7,200. Note: the CESG is enhanced for low income families.
BC Training and Education Savings Grant (BCTESG)	One time \$1,200 grant for children aged 6-8. No corresponding RESP contribution required. Application process must be completed before the child's 9th birthday.
Education Assistance Payments (EAP)	Generally, \$8,000 maximum payout for full time students within first 13 weeks of qualifying education program. No limits after 13 weeks. \$4,000 maximum payout for part time students provided certain conditions are met.

Tax Free Savings Plans (TFSA's)

Eligibility:

- 18 years of age or older,
- A Canadian resident,
- Valid SIN.

Maximum contribution:

- \$5,000 for the years 2009-2012
- \$5,500 per year for 2013 & 2014, and 2016-2018
- \$10,000 per year for 2015
- \$6,000 for the years 2019-2022
- \$6,500 per year for 2023
- \$7,000 per year for 2024 & 2025
- Unused room is carried forward

Income earned in the TFSA is tax free.

Withdrawals are received tax-free and will create new contribution room the following year.

Transferability:

The plan can be transferred to a spouse upon death, if they are named as the sole successor.