

2026 sunset of certain TCJA provisions

Numerous tax law changes were introduced under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) of 2017 but will sunset at the end of 2025. Here's what you need to know.

Income taxes

Standard deduction

| | Single | Married, filing jointly |
|------|----------|-------------------------|
| 2017 | \$6,350 | \$12,700 |
| 2024 | \$14.600 | \$29,200 |
| 2026 | \$6,350* | \$12,700* |

| | 2024 | 2026 |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| State & local tax (SALT) deduction - cap | \$10,000 | \$0 |
| Mortgage interest deduction - cap | \$750,000 | \$1,000,000 |
| Personal exemption | \$0 | \$4,050 |
| Child tax credit | \$2,000 | \$1,000 |
| Income phaseout for child tax credit | \$200,000 \$400,000 | \$75,000 (single) \$110,000 (MFJ) |

Individual tax brackets and rates

| 2017 Income brackets | | | 2024 Income brackets | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Single | Married, filing joint | Ra | tes | Single | Married, filing joint |
| Up to \$9,325 | Up to \$18,650 | 10% | 10% | Up to \$11,600 | Up to \$23,200 |
| \$9,326 - \$37,950 | \$18,651 - \$75,900 | 15% | 12% | \$11,601 - \$47,150 | \$23,201 - \$94,300 |
| \$37,951 - \$91,900 | \$75,901 - \$153,100 | 25% | 22% | \$47,151 - \$100,525 | \$94,301 - \$201,050 |
| \$91,901 - \$191,650 | \$153,101 - \$233,350 | 28% | 24% | \$100,526 - \$191,950 | \$201,051 - \$383,900 |
| \$191,651 - \$416,700 | \$233,351 - \$416,700 | 33% | 32% | \$191,951 - \$243,725 | \$383,901 - \$487,450 |
| \$416,701 - \$418,400 | \$416,701 - \$470,000 | 35% | 35% | \$243,726 - \$609,350 | \$487,451 - \$731,200 |
| \$418,401 or more | \$470,001 or more | 39.6% | 37% | \$609,351 or more | \$731,201 or more |

Eliminated in years 2018–2025 but returning in 2026

- Miscellaneous 2% (of adjusted gross income AGI) deduction, e.g., union dues, investment fees, tax preparation fees
- Moving expenses (unless taxpayer is military)
- Personal casualty loss

Alternative minimum tax (AMT) exemption

- More favorable exemptions: phaseouts allowed through 2025
- \bullet In 2026, former exemptions and formulas for AMT return

Estate taxes

Lifetime exemption – gifts, estates, generation skipping transfer tax

2024 \$13.610 million

2026 \$5 million*

Adjustments for Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) accounts

- Will sunset in 2026
- Example: increases to gift & beneficiary contribution allowance

Charitable deduction for cash contribution

2024 60% of adjusted gross income

2026 50% of adjusted gross income

Corporate tax

than under traditional CPI.

Qualified business income (QBI) deduction or 199A

- For pass-through business entities, the 20% QBI deduction found in 199A will be eliminated in 2026
- For C Corporations, the business income tax of 21% will not change Increases tied to inflation will now be calculated using chained Consumer Price Indexing (CPI). This means increases will be slower

*Number reflects 2017 law. In 2026, when TCJA section sunset and this comes back, this number will be adjusted for inflation based on chained CPI. Includes updates from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (Pub.L.115-97, H.R.1) enacted December 22, 2017.

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