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# **RETIREMENT FACTS**

State Pension [From 26th March 2018] State Pension (Contributory)(under age 80) €248.30 per week [€12,956 p.a.] Personal + Adult dependant (66 and over) €470.80 per week [€24,566 p.a.] Personal + Adult dependant (under 66) €413.70 per week [€21,587 p.a.]

# Monthly cost of Annual Single Life Pension equivalent to €10,000 in today's terms.

		Retirement Age 60			Retirement Age 65	j	
If You Start Funding At Age	Initial Monthly Premium		hly Premium	- Pension @ 65 -	Initial Mont	Initial Monthly Premium	
I unuling At Age	Pension @ 60	Gross	Net of 40%		Gross	Net of 40%	
30	€20,976	€723	€434	€23,732	€519	€312	
35	€18,539	€887	€532	€20,976	€619	€371	
40	€16,386	€1,132	€679	€18,539	€759	€455	
45	€14,483	€1,540	€924	€16,386	€969	€581	
50	€12,801	€2,357	€1,414	€14,483	€1,318	€791	
55	€11,314	€4,806	€2,884	€12,801	€2,017	€1,210	

# Assuming salary inflation at 2.5% pa and contributions increase at 2.5% pa

Figures assume premiums invested in a PRSA with an annual fund management charge of 1% pa and a premium contribution charge of 5%. Investment fund growth is assumed to be 5% pa pre retirement, which is not guaranteed as funds may fall as well as rise. Pension based on annuity rates available for an individual single life pension, guaranteed 5 years, increasing at 1.5% pa in retirement, assuming 2% pa interest rate.

# **Compulsory Purchase Gender Neutral\* Annuity Rates** (guide June 2018)

٨٩٩	S	Single		Joint Life	
Age	Level	<b>↑</b> @ 1.5% pa	Level	<b>↑</b> @ 1.5% pa	
60	3.63%	2.86%	3.26%	2.52%	
65	4.21%	3.44%	3.74%	3.00%	

Standard annuities and guaranteed 5 years assumed in all cases.

Joint life rates assume annuity reduces to 2/3rd and joint life is same age. Source: Irish Life.

## \*not applicable to Defined Benefit pension scheme funds

€100,000 lump sum, 2% commission ......

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# Funding Occupational Pensions Maximum Ordinary Annual % x remuneration, for maximum approvable retirement benefits

Current	NRA 60		NRA 60 NRA 65	
Age	Female	Male	Female	Male
30	67%	72%	49%	54%
35	80%	86%	58%	63%
40	100%	108%	69%	76%
45	133%	144%	86%	95%
50	200%	216%	115%	126%
55	400%	432%	173%	189%

Based on Revenue Practice guidelines (July 2008) for calculating the maximum ordinary annual contribution (employer + employee) payable in respect of a scheme member under all occupational pension schemes related to the same employment.

Assuming member has no retained benefits or other retirement benefits related to the same employment, and will have completed at least 10 years service by NRA. , .....

# **ARF Requirements\***

Guaranteed income: (in payment for life)	€12,700
or	
Invest in AMRF or Annuity	€63,500

\*assuming eligibility conditions satisfied.

\*\*note that those on the maximum contributory state pension will now exceed the minimum income requirement. Note also that Christmas bonus payments can also be included in the minimum income calculation.

# ARF Funds - Tax Treatment on Death\*

Funds to	Income Tax	Inheritance Tax
Spouse's / Civil Partner's ARF	No. Subsequent withdrawals subject to PAYE	<b>No.</b> (Spouse / Civil Partner exemption)
Child under 21	No.	<b>Yes.</b> Taxable Inheritance
Child over 21	Yes. Subject to 30% income tax	No. Exempt
Other (Incl. to spouse/ civil partner directly)	Yes. Treated as income of deceased in year of death. By default QFM deducts higher rate income tax at source under PAYE.	<b>Yes.</b> Taxable Inheritance (spouse/civil partner exempt)

\*The above applies to gross ARF funds i.e. set up after April 2000.

### Pension Fund Taxation

- Imputed distribution on ARFs is 4%, if attained age 61 or over in the tax year, increasing to 5%, if attained age 71 or over in the tax year, it is calculated on the value of the fund as at 30th November.
- The imputed distribution rises to 6% (if attained age 61 or over in the tax year) in respect of ARFs with asset values in excess of €2 million as at 30th November (or, where an individual owns more than one ARF, where the aggregate value of the assets in those ARFs exceeds €2 million).
- Imputed Distribution on a similar basis applies to the non ring-fenced amount in all vested PRSAs and from age 75 also for all non vested PRSAs.
- AMRF holders can opt to take one withdrawal in a year up to a maximum of 4% of the value of the AMRF at the time of withdrawal (regardless of the level of accumulated gains or losses); any withdrawal is subject to PAYE and USC.
- The rate of tax on a chargeable excess is 40%, the higher rate of income tax. This is reduced by a tax credit for any standard rate income tax deducted from pension lump sums taken since 1st January 2011.

# Revenue Uplifted Scales for Occupational Pension Schemes

Years of service completed by NRA	"Uplifted Pension"*	Years of service completed by NRA	"Uplifted Lump sum"*
1	1/10 <sup>th</sup> x 2/3rds	1-8	3/80ths for each year of service
2	2/10 <sup>th</sup> x 2/3rds	9	30/80ths
3	3/10 <sup>th</sup> x 2/3rds	10	36/80ths
4	4/10 <sup>th</sup> x 2/3rds	11	42/80ths
5	5/10 <sup>th</sup> x 2/3rds	12	48/80ths
6	6/10 <sup>th</sup> x 2/3rds	13	54/80ths
7	7/10 <sup>th</sup> x 2/3rds	14	63/80ths
8	8/10 <sup>th</sup> x 2/3rds	15	72/80ths
9	9/10 <sup>th</sup> x 2/3rds	16	81/80ths
10	2/3rds	17	90/80ths
•••••••		18	99/80ths
•••••••		19	108/80ths
		20	120/80ths

\* As a fraction of final remuneration

### Fund Thresholds

- Standard Fund Threshold is €2m from 1/1/2014.
- For Defined Benefit entitlements an age related factor will be used to calculate an individual's Personal Fund Threshold for all benefits accruing after 1/1/2014(a valuation multiple of 20 is used for all benefits accrued before 1/1/2014.)

# **Tax relief on Personal Contributions**

Age attained In tax year	Personal Pensions/PRSA's (Employee & AVC)
Under 30	15% of NRE (Earnings)
30 - 39	20% of NRE (Earnings)
40 - 49	25% of NRE (Earnings)
50 - 54	30% of NRE (Earnings)*
55 - 59	35% of NRE (Earnings)
60 and over	40% of NRE (Earnings)

Maximum net relevant earnings on which relief allowed in 2017 is €115,000. This limit will also apply to contributions paid in 2017 which are to be backdated to the 2016 tax year.

Employee contributions to pension arrangements are subject to employee PRSI and the Universal Social Charge.

\*30% limit applies to certain professional sportspeople, under age 50, in relation to their sports income.

Lump Sum	Income Tax
First €200,000	Exempt
Next €300,000	Standard rate income tax
Balance	Marginal rate income tax + USC

Tax-free retirement lump sums taken on or after 7<sup>th</sup> December 2005 will count towards "using up" the tax free amount so that if an individual has already taken tax free retirement lump sums of €200,000 or more since 7<sup>th</sup> December 2005, any further retirement lump sums paid to the individual will be liable to income tax at either standard rate, or at marginal rate where the aggregate retirement lump sums exceed €500,000.

# **INVESTMENTS**

# **Interest Rates**

Bank Deposits (sample "b	est" October 2018)*
Demand Deposit	0.25% AER (gross)
Notice Account (31 Day)	0.15% AER (gross)
Term (14 month fixed)	0.50% AER (gross)
State Savings	Schemes
Savings Bonds (3 years)	0.33% AER (tax free)
National Solidarity Bond (4 years)	0.50% AER (tax free)
Saving Certificates (5 years)	0.98% AER (tax free)
*conditions apply.	

Source: Competition and Consumer Protection Commission

# **Compound Interest Effect**

After –	Future Value of €1,000		
Allel	<b>↑</b> at 2% pa	<b>↑</b> at 5% pa	
1 year	€1,020	€1,050	
2 years	€1,040	€1,103	
3 years	€1,061	€1,158	
4 years	€1,082	€1,216	
5 years	€1,104	€1,276	
10 years	€1,219	€1,629	
15 years	€1,346	€2,079	
20 years	€1,486	€2,653	

# **Inflation Effect**

After	Future Value of €1,000		
Alter	Inflation @ 2% pa	Inflation @ 5% pa	
1 year	€980	€952	
2 years	€961	€907	
3 years	€942	€864	
4 years	€924	€823	
5 years	€906	€784	
10 years	€820	€614	
15 years	€743	€481	
20 years €673		€377	

# Life Expectancies\*

Can be used to highlight potential long term income needs for an individual (single life) or in the case of a couple the joint life last survivor table shows the expected average period until the death of two people (male and female) both the same age now.

Current	Sing	le Life	Joint Life Last Survivor
Age	Males (yrs)	Females <i>(yrs)</i>	Male/Female ( <i>yrs)</i>
50	38.7	40.7	46.4
55	33.7	35.5	40.9
60	28.6	30.4	35.4
65	23.8	25.3	30.0
70	19.0	20.4	24.6
75	14.7	15.8	19.6
80	10.6	11.6	14.8

\*Source: Irish Life Assurance plc. Based on annuitant mortality experience

# TAX FACTS

Income Tax	2018	2019
Standard Rate	20%	20%
Higher Rate	40%	40%
Standard Rate Band		
Single/Widowed	•••••••	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••
- No dependant children	€34,550	€35,300
<ul> <li>With dependant children</li> </ul>	€38,550	€39,300
Married/Civil Partners - one income	€43,550	€44,300
Married/Civil Partners - two incomes	€43,550	€44,300
*Increase is lower of €25,550	+	+
and income of lower earning spouse.	€25,550*	€26,300
Tax Credits		
Single Person	€1,650	€1,650
Married/Civil Partners	€3,300	€3,300
Widowed/Surviving Civil Partners	€2,190	€2,190
(no dependant children)	£2,170	£2,170
Additional Credit for One Parent Family, Widowed & Other	€1,650	€1,650
Employee Credit	€1,650 max	€1,650 max
Earned Income Credit	€1,150 max	€1,350 max
Blind Tax Credit	€1,650 max	€1,650 max
Dependant Relative	€70	€70
Age Tax Credit -65 & over	€245	€245
Home Carer's Tax Credit	€1,200	€1,500

# **Exemption Limits**

	Single/Widowed Surviving Civil Partner	Married/Civil Partner*
Aged 65 or over, with no child dependants	€18,000	€36,000

## \*At least one aged 65 or over

Universal Social Charge			
Income 2018	2018 rates	Income 2019	2019 rates
First €12,012	0.5%	First €12,012	0.5%
Next €7,360	2%	Next €7,862	2%
Next €50,672	4.75%*	Next €50,170	4.5%*
Balance	8%	Balance	8%

Individuals who have income from self-employment that exceeds €100,000 in a tax year are subject to a 3% surcharge. A USC rate of 11% therefore applies to any income in excess of €100,000. USC does not apply where total income does not exceed €13,000 or income that is already subject to DIRT. USC is not payable on state pensions.

\*rate reduced to 2% if over 70 and income, subject to USC, is below €60,000, or if full medical card holder at any age.

Important Tax Dates for 2018		
Income Tax	C	
31/10/2018	Return Filing date and Payment of Balance of Income Tax for 2017.	
	Preliminary Income Tax due for 2018.	
14/11/2018	Deadline for Online Returns.	
Capital Gains Tax		
15/12/2018 Payment of CGT on disposals made in the period 1st		
	January 2018 to 30th November 2018.	
31/01/2019	Payment of CGT on disposals made in December 2018.	

# Capital Gains Tax 2018

Rate 33%\*

- Annual Exemption for Individuals €1,270

- Retirement Relief €750,000 (limit)

Tax Year expenditure incurred	Indexation Factor where asset is disposed of in 2003 or later tax years
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
1999/00	1.193
2000/01	1.144
2001	1.087
2002	1.049

Indexation only applies for periods of ownership up to 31/12/2002.

\*Reduced to 20% for post 1/1/2016 (reduced further to 10% for post 1/1/2017) gains on disposal of business assets up to €1m.

Corporation Tax Rates 2018		
Trading Income	12.5%	
Knowledge Development Box Profits	6.25%	
Non-Trading Income	25%	

# Capital Acquisitions Tax 2019ThresholdRelationship $€320,000^{**}$ Child, or, minor child of a deceased child.€32,500Brother, sister, child of a brother or sister, lineal ancestor or descendant.€16,250OtherTax Rate33%

\*All benefits received since 5/12/1991 taken into a/c for threshold. \*\* With effect from 10th October 2018

# Tax on Investment Products 2019

# DIRT Rate: 35%

The following are among those who can claim exemption from reclaim DIRT:

- First time buyers who purchase their first home between 14/10/2014 and 31/12/2017 can claim a refund of DIRT incurred in the previous 48 months on savings up to 20% of the purchase price.
- Those individuals who are over age 65 and below the income exemption limits.

Exit Tax		
Collective Investments	41%	
Corporate Investors	25%	
Personal Portfolio/Wrappers	60%	

# Estimated Monthly repayment per €1,000 borrowed

Interest	Mortgage Term				
Rate Assumed	10 yrs	15 yrs	20 yrs	25 yrs	30 yrs
4%	€10.11	€7.38	€6.04	€5.26	€4.76
5%	€10.58	€7.88	€6.57	€5.82	€5.34
6%	€11.06	€8.40	€7.12	€6.40	€5.95

# Mortgage Interest Relief 2018

Maximum allowance				
	1st time buyer of principal private residence between	1st time buyer with qualifying home loan between		Non 1st time buyer with qualifying home loan between
	01/01/2004	01/01/2009	01/01/2011	01/01/2004
	and	and	and	and
	31/12/2008	31/12/2010	31/12/2012	31/12/2012
Single	€2,250	€2,250	€7,500	€2,250
Married/	•••••	••••••	••••••	••••••
Widowed/ Civil	€4,500	€4,500	€15,000	€4,500
Partners				
	Rate at which relief is granted			
	30%	15%	20%	15%

Qualifying mortgage percentage that qualifies 75%

For 2019, the above maxima are reduced by one third, as is also the qualifying percentage, i.e. to 50%.

For 2019 the rate at which relief is granted remains the same except for 2012 first time buyer loans, where the rate reduces from 20% to 15%.

For mortgages started before 01/01/2004, entitlement to relief expired in 2009.

No relief is allowed for mortgages taken out after 31 December 2012. A Help to Buy (HTB) incentive is available for first-time buyers in respect of principal private residences. It applies only to new houses and self builds. The relief takes the form of a rebate of an amount equal to income tax (including DIRT, but not USC or PRSI)) paid over the previous four tax years. The maximum rebate available is 5% of the purchase price of a new home valued at up to €400,000. Where a new home is valued between €400,000 and €500,000, the maximum rebate (i.e. €20,000) continues to be available. No rebate is available for new purchases costing over €500,000. The relief is linked to a mortgage being taken out for a minimum of 70% of the purchase price. Relief is provided at deposit stage (signing of contract).

For Buy to Let residential properties, from 1st January 2019, 100% of mortgage interest.

BIK – Preferential Loans – Specified rates 2018			
Qualifying Home Loan 4%			
Other	Other 13.5%		
Stamp Duty Rates	First €1m	Balance	
Residential	1%	2%	
Commercial	6%	6%	

# **Capital Gains Tax**

For properties bought after 6/12/2011 and up to 31/12/2014, where the property is held for more than four years, the gains accrued in that fouryear period will not attract CGT.

# Local Property Tax

The standard yearly rate is 0.18% of the market value up to  $\notin$ 1m and 0.25% on excess above  $\notin$ 1m. Local authorities can increase or decrease these rates by a maximum of 15%.

# **PROTECTION FACTS**

# **Entitlement to Social Insurance Benefits**

Benefit Entitlement	Class A Employees	Class S Self Employed & Company Directors
Jobseekers Benefit	Yes	Yes (from November 2019)
Illness Benefit	Yes	No
Invalidity Pension	Yes	Yes
State Pension (Contributory)	Yes	Yes
Widow(er)'s/Civil partner's Contributory Pension	Yes	Yes

# **PRSI Rates and Benefits for 2018**

	A1	S1
Employee	*4.0% on all income	4.0% on all income
Employer	<b>10.95%</b> ** (incl. 0.9%Training levy)	Nil

\* Employees earning less than €352 pw are exempt from PRSI. Tapered PRSI relief if weekly earnings are between €352 and €424, with no PRSI relief if weekly earnings are over €424.

\*\* Employer PRSI is 8.70% if weekly earnings are €386 or less. PRSI is payable on rental income, dividends and interest on deposits and savings (if the total of such income exceeds €5,000 pa) (self employed already liable with no threshold).

## **Weekly Benefits**

	From March 2019
State Pension (Contributory)	
Personal Rate (under age 80)	€248.30
Personal + Adult dependant 66 and over	€470.80
Personal + Adult dependant under 66	€413.70
Widow's/Widower's/Surviving Civil Partner's Contributory Pension (under 66)	€208.50
Invalidity Pension	
Personal Rate	€208.50
Person + Adult dependant under 66	€357.40
Illness/Jobseekers Benefit	
Personal Rate (over age 25)	€203.00
Person + Adult dependant	€337.70
Increases for each Dependant Child	€34
Child Benefit	€140 per month per child (€1,680 pa per child)

