



**Individuals**

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	1996-2002
<b>Timber, agriculture, minerals</b>	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.7	\$ 0.9	\$ 4.1
Expensing of multiperiod timber growing costs	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	1.2
Cash accounting for agriculture	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.1
Expensing of multiperiod agriculture costs	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	1.0
Percentage depletion, nonfuel minerals	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Expensing of soil & water conservation costs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Loans forgiven solvent farmers as if bankrupt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Credit and 7-year amortization for reforestation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Exclusion of cost-sharing payments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Expensing of exploration costs, nonfuel minerals	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Special rules for mining reclamation reserves	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Installment sales</b>	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.6	\$ 3.9
<b>Empowerment zones</b>	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.5	\$ 2.3
<b>R&amp;D tax breaks</b>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.3
Expensing of research & experimentation costs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
Credit for increasing research activities	0.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.0
<b>Other business &amp; investment</b>	\$ 1.8	\$ 1.7	\$ 1.8	\$ 1.9	\$ 1.9	\$ 2.0	\$ 2.1	\$ 13.1
Deferral of interest on savings bonds	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7	10.4
Exceptions to imputed interest rules	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.3
Cash accounting other than agriculture	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.6
Credit for fixing up structures (non-historic)	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
Expensing of magazine circulation costs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Credit for disabled access expenditures	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Cancellation of indebtedness	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0	0.1
Targeted jobs credit	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	—	—	—	0.1
<b>Subtotal, Business &amp; Investment</b>	\$ 69.0	\$ 75.3	\$ 82.8	\$ 90.8	\$ 97.8	\$ 101.9	\$ 106.4	\$ 623.9
<b>Pensions, Keoghs, IRAs</b>	\$ 74.2	\$ 75.4	\$ 77.8	\$ 80.1	\$ 82.4	\$ 84.9	\$ 87.4	\$ 562.2
Employer pension plans	62.5	63.1	64.9	66.7	68.5	70.5	72.4	468.6
Individual Retirement Accounts	8.3	8.6	9.1	9.4	9.7	10.0	10.4	65.4
Keogh self-employed plans	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.1	4.2	4.4	4.6	28.3
<b>Total, Business, Investment &amp; Savings</b>	\$ 143.3	\$ 150.7	\$ 160.5	\$ 170.9	\$ 180.2	\$ 186.8	\$ 193.8	\$ 1,186.1

**Individual Tax Expenditures for Personal Activities**

<b>Itemized Deductions</b>	\$ 72.0	\$ 75.7	\$ 79.6	\$ 83.7	\$ 88.1	\$ 92.7	\$ 97.7	\$ 589.5
Mortgage interest	43.0	45.1	47.4	49.8	52.4	55.2	58.1	351.0
State & local taxes (except home property)	28.3	29.8	31.3	32.9	34.7	36.5	38.4	232.0
Property taxes (homes)	15.2	16.0	16.8	17.6	18.5	19.4	20.4	124.0
Charitable contributions	18.1	19.0	19.9	20.8	21.8	22.8	23.9	146.4
Medical expenses	3.6	4.0	4.3	4.7	5.1	5.6	6.1	33.4
Casualty losses	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	2.1
Standard deduction offset	-36.6	-38.5	-40.4	-42.5	-44.7	-47.1	-49.6	-299.4
<b>Employer-paid health insurance</b>	\$ 56.7	\$ 61.5	\$ 65.8	\$ 70.6	\$ 75.6	\$ 80.9	\$ 86.6	\$ 497.8
<b>Earned-income tax credit</b>	\$ 24.3	\$ 26.7	\$ 27.7	\$ 29.0	\$ 30.3	\$ 31.6	\$ 33.0	\$ 202.7
Earned-income tax credit, refundable part	18.7	20.5	21.3	22.2	23.2	24.1	25.1	154.9
Earned income credit, non-refundable part	5.7	6.3	6.5	6.8	7.1	7.5	7.9	47.8

## Individuals

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	1996-2002
<b>Social Security benefits (exclusion)</b>	\$ 23.0	\$ 24.2	\$ 25.3	\$ 26.5	\$ 27.6	\$ 28.9	\$ 30.3	\$ 185.8
<b>Capital gains on homes</b>	\$ 20.1	\$ 20.7	\$ 21.4	\$ 22.0	\$ 22.8	\$ 23.4	\$ 23.9	\$ 154.3
Deferral of capital gains on home sales	15.0	15.5	15.9	16.5	17.0	17.6	18.2	115.6
Capital gains exclusion on home sales, over 55	5.1	5.2	5.5	5.5	5.8	5.8	5.8	38.7
<b>Other fringe benefit exclusions</b>	\$ 12.7	\$ 13.4	\$ 14.2	\$ 15.2	\$ 16.1	\$ 17.1	\$ 18.2	\$ 106.8
Miscellaneous fringe benefits	5.2	5.5	5.8	6.2	6.5	6.9	7.3	43.2
Group term life insurance	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.3	19.9
Employer-paid transportation benefits	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.2	13.5
Cafeteria plan fringe benefits (non-health)	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	11.4
Employer provided child care	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.4	7.3
Employee meals & lodging (non-military)	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	4.6
Parsonage allowances	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	2.3
Voluntary employee benefits assn. benefits	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	2.1
Accident and disability insurance	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.3
Employee awards	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.9
Employer provided death benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
<b>Workmen's compensation., etc.</b>	\$ 5.0	\$ 5.2	\$ 5.4	\$ 5.6	\$ 5.9	\$ 6.2	\$ 6.5	\$ 39.9
Workmen's compensation benefits	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.9	5.1	5.3	5.6	34.4
Public assistance benefits	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	4.9
Special benefits for disabled coal miners	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.7
<b>Soldiers &amp; veterans exclusions</b>	\$ 4.6	\$ 4.7	\$ 4.9	\$ 5.0	\$ 5.2	\$ 5.4	\$ 5.6	\$ 35.4
Benefits and allowances to soldiers	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.3	15.0
Veterans disability compensation	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8	2.9	18.2
Military disability benefits	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.8
GI bill benefits	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.8
Veterans' pensions	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.6
<b>Child &amp; dependent care credit</b>	\$ 2.8	\$ 2.9	\$ 3.0	\$ 3.1	\$ 3.2	\$ 3.4	\$ 3.5	\$ 21.9
<b>Elderly &amp; blind</b>	\$ 1.6	\$ 1.7	\$ 1.7	\$ 1.8	\$ 1.9	\$ 2.0	\$ 2.1	\$ 12.8
Increased std. deduction for blind & elderly	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.9	2.0	2.1	12.5
Tax credit for low-income elderly & disabled	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
<b>Other personal</b>	\$ 2.2	\$ 2.3	\$ 2.4	\$ 2.5	\$ 2.6	\$ 2.7	\$ 2.8	\$ 17.4
Exclusion of scholarships & fellowships	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	6.4
Parental personal exemption for students age 19-	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	6.2
Deduction for self-employed health insurance	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	4.5
Exclusion of certain foster care payments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Exclusion of savings bond interest for education	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
<b>Total, Personal Activities</b>	<b>\$ 224.9</b>	<b>\$ 239.0</b>	<b>\$ 251.4</b>	<b>\$ 265.0</b>	<b>\$ 279.4</b>	<b>\$ 294.3</b>	<b>\$ 310.2</b>	<b>\$ 1,864.2</b>

Sources: Joint Committee on Taxation, Estimates of Federal Tax Expenditures for Fiscal Years 1996-2000, Sept 1, 1995. Office of Management and Budget, Budget of the United State Government, Fiscal Year 1997, Analytical Perspectives, "Tax Expenditures" (1996). Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy Microsimulation Tax Model (April 1996). Figures are generally averages from the first two sources, except where an item was listed in only one source or one source was based on more current information (or otherwise appeared to be more accurate). Tax-exempt interest benefits were recalculated and reallocated to take account of lower interest rates received by bondholders, benefits to borrowers and other factors. A few items, such as business meals and entertainment, are not on either list, and were calculated by Citizens for Tax Justice (1996). All figures are for fiscal years.