

Individual Income Tax Returns, Preliminary Data, 2010

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For Tax Year 2010, taxpayers filed 142.9 million U.S. individual income tax returns, an increase of 1.7 percent from the 140.5 million returns filed for 2009. In contrast with Tax Year 2009, adjusted gross income (AGI) and several other notable items showed an increase for Tax Year 2010. AGI increased by 5.2 percent from 2009 to \$8.0 trillion for 2010. Taxable income increased 6.9 percent to \$5.5 trillion; total income tax increased by 8.8 percent to \$0.9 trillion; and total tax liability increased by 8.4 percent to \$1 trillion. Along with the rise in income and other taxes, the alternative minimum tax resumed its positive annual trend and increased 20.3 percent to \$24.3 billion for 2010.

Figure A shows some of the key components that contributed to the growth in AGI between 2009 and 2010. The largest component of AGI, salaries and wages, increased 2.1 percent from \$5,797.1 billion in 2009 to \$5,920.2 billion in 2010. Notably, net capital gains increased 33.1 percent from \$240.5 billion in 2009 to \$320.1 billion in 2010. The second largest component of AGI, taxable pensions and annuities, increased 6.9 percent from \$531.1 billion for Tax Year 2009 to \$567.7 billion for 2010. Other items related to retirement, taxable Social Security benefits and taxable individual retirement arrangement (IRA) distributions rose by 9.4 percent and 44.8 percent, respectively. The large increase in IRAs was mainly due to the \$100,000 modified-AGI limit on rollovers and conversions to Roth IRAs being eliminated for 2010 (see Changes in Law section). Increases in net income less losses associated with businesses were reported for Tax Year 2010 by partnerships and S corporations (20.0 percent) and businesses or professions (6.6 percent). Other key components of AGI that increased between 2009 and 2010 were ordinary dividends, which increased 5.6 percent to \$155.5 billion, and taxable unemployment compensation, up 44 percent from 2009. The latter increase was associated with the expiration in 2010 of taxpayers' ability to omit the first \$2,400 of unemployment compensation from income. For 2010, 15.1 million returns (a 32.2-percent increase from 2009) reported a total of \$121.1 billion in taxable unemployment compensa-

tion. One major component of income that decreased was taxable interest, which decreased by 20.5 percent to \$117.9 billion in 2010.

Statutory adjustments to total income increased 5.7 percent to \$115.2 billion for Tax Year 2010. The largest statutory adjustment was the deduction for one-half of self-employment tax, representing almost 20 percent of the total. This adjustment to income increased 1.3 percent to \$22.5 billion despite a larger increase in self-employment income. This was partially due to a change in the law for 2010 that allowed a taxpayer to reduce his or her net self-employment income on Schedule SE by the amount of self-employed health insurance deduction entered on line 29 of Form 1040. The self-employment health insurance deduction increased 6.1 percent to \$21.2 billion. Payments to self-employed retirement (Keogh) plans fell 1.7 percent to \$17.2 billion, while payments to IRAs increased 1.9 percent to \$11.7 billion. Other adjustments that increased from 2009 levels were the deductions for interest on student loans and domestic production activities. The deduction for student loan interest increased 10.7 percent to \$9.3 billion, while the domestic production activities deduction increased by 43 percent to \$8.2 billion. The latter increase was attributable to a 50-percent increase in the percentage of income that could be deducted (see Changes in Law section). The aggregate amount deducted for exemptions increased by 2 percent from \$1,032.9 billion for 2009 to \$1,053.7 billion for 2010.

Total deductions, the sum of standard deductions and total itemized deductions, decreased 0.4 percent from Tax Year 2009 to \$1,911.5 billion in Tax Year 2010. The number of returns claiming the standard deduction increased 1.6 percent, accounting for 65.8 percent of all returns filed and 38.9 percent of the total deductions amount. The 2008 law that allowed a taxpayer to increase his or her standard deduction for certain State and local real estate taxes was not continued for Tax Year 2010. With the removal of real estate taxes from the standard deduction, the average standard deduction (comprised of the basic, additional standard deductions for age and blindness, and increased standard deduction for motor vehicle taxes and net disaster losses) decreased 2.7 percent from \$8,132 for 2009 to \$7,911 for 2010. Itemized deductions were claimed on 32.6 percent of all returns filed for 2010 and represented 61.1 percent of the total

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Figure A

Individual Income Tax Returns, Preliminary Data: Selected Income and Tax Items, Tax Years 2009 and 2010

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| Item | Number of returns | | | Amount | | |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| | 2009 | 2010 | Percentage change | 2009 | 2010 | Percentage change |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
| Number of returns, total | 140,532,115 | 142,856,282 | 1.7 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Form 1040 returns | 83,829,478 | 83,754,981 | -0.1 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Form 1040A returns | 39,872,098 | 41,093,748 | 3.1 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Form 1040EZ returns | 16,830,540 | 18,007,553 | 7.0 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Electronically-filed returns [1] | 99,809,571 | 101,709,829 | 1.9 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Adjusted gross income (less deficit) | 140,532,115 | 142,856,282 | 1.7 | 7,648,676,270 | 8,045,020,527 | 5.2 |
| Salaries and wages | 117,253,027 | 118,240,428 | 0.8 | 5,797,103,468 | 5,920,186,109 | 2.1 |
| Taxable interest | 57,980,811 | 55,350,527 | -4.5 | 148,292,561 | 117,869,310 | -20.5 |
| Tax-exempt interest [2] | 6,245,826 | 6,091,192 | -2.5 | 68,382,089 | 69,221,407 | 1.2 |
| Ordinary dividends | 29,239,484 | 27,951,339 | -4.4 | 147,144,977 | 155,453,034 | 5.6 |
| Qualified dividends | 25,397,334 | 25,005,581 | -1.5 | 112,590,344 | 115,605,831 | 2.7 |
| State income tax refunds | 23,711,859 | 22,059,302 | -7.0 | 28,528,315 | 25,244,094 | -11.5 |
| Alimony received | 431,210 | 441,462 | 2.4 | 8,356,158 | 8,587,978 | 2.8 |
| Business or profession net income | 16,466,708 | 16,978,538 | 3.1 | 295,277,183 | 307,490,422 | 4.1 |
| Business or profession net loss | 5,602,356 | 5,450,300 | -2.7 | 55,736,863 | 52,254,773 | -6.2 |
| Business or profession net income less loss | 22,069,063 | 22,428,838 | 1.6 | 239,540,320 | 255,235,649 | 6.6 |
| Net capital gain [3] | 6,578,169 | 7,200,065 | 9.5 | 240,530,591 | 320,126,367 | 33.1 |
| Capital gain distributions [3] | 4,170,541 | 6,574,859 | 57.7 | 2,263,502 | 5,842,520 | 158.1 |
| Net capital loss | 13,523,710 | 12,758,052 | -5.7 | 31,919,981 | 29,732,934 | -6.9 |
| Sales of property other than capital assets, net gain | 640,855 | 746,053 | 16.4 | 8,083,053 | 10,646,805 | 31.7 |
| Sales of property other than capital assets, net loss | 1,023,768 | 1,068,430 | 4.4 | 25,263,769 | 28,616,716 | 13.3 |
| Sales of property other than capital assets net gain less loss | 1,664,623 | 1,814,483 | 9.0 | -17,180,716 | -17,969,911 | 4.6 |
| Taxable Individual Retirement Arrangement distributions | 9,676,851 | 12,587,711 | 30.1 | 132,979,694 | 192,590,593 | 44.8 |
| Taxable pensions and annuities | 26,342,262 | 26,971,722 | 2.4 | 531,132,961 | 567,746,880 | 6.9 |
| Rent and royalty net income | 5,972,666 | 6,103,530 | 2.2 | 82,400,420 | 86,770,707 | 5.3 |
| Rent and royalty net loss | 5,596,584 | 5,610,628 | 0.3 | 62,929,530 | 60,131,011 | -4.4 |
| Rent and royalty net income less loss | 9,960,334 | 11,714,158 | 17.6 | 19,470,890 | 26,639,696 | 36.8 |
| Partnership and S corporation net income | 4,527,501 | 4,602,111 | 1.6 | 427,916,480 | 450,637,636 | 5.3 |
| Partnership and S corporation net loss | 2,747,604 | 2,576,367 | -6.2 | 124,855,093 | 87,015,077 | -30.3 |
| Partnership and S corporation net income less loss | 7,275,104 | 7,178,478 | -1.3 | 303,061,388 | 363,622,559 | 20.0 |
| Estate and trust net income | 559,126 | 544,160 | -2.7 | 18,798,329 | 19,943,526 | 6.1 |
| Estate and trust net loss | 43,984 | 38,990 | -11.4 | 2,029,490 | 1,451,225 | -28.5 |
| Estate and trust net income less loss | 603,110 | 583,150 | -3.3 | 16,768,839 | 18,492,301 | 10.3 |
| Farm net income | 535,257 | 601,736 | 12.4 | 12,869,592 | 13,575,330 | 5.5 |
| Farm net loss | 1,395,882 | 1,303,456 | -6.6 | 25,591,776 | 23,302,471 | -8.9 |
| Unemployment compensation [4] | 11,420,821 | 15,093,157 | 32.2 | 84,092,522 | 121,101,218 | 44.0 |
| Taxable Social Security benefits | 15,436,014 | 16,360,942 | 6.0 | 176,122,458 | 192,700,608 | 9.4 |
| Total statutory adjustments | 34,628,460 | 35,231,929 | 1.7 | 109,015,422 | 115,232,950 | 5.7 |
| Educator expenses | 3,893,414 | 3,660,548 | -6.0 | 983,216 | 927,901 | -5.6 |
| Certain business expenses of reservists, performing artists, and fee-basis government officials | 144,058 | 132,271 | -8.2 | 576,694 | 490,260 | -15.0 |
| Payments to an Individual Retirement Arrangement | 2,637,211 | 2,632,705 | -0.2 | 11,493,415 | 11,713,234 | 1.9 |
| Student loan interest deduction | 9,800,217 | 10,288,629 | 5.0 | 8,397,082 | 9,298,678 | 10.7 |
| Tuition and fees deduction | 2,425,639 | 2,003,930 | -17.4 | 5,439,714 | 4,383,982 | -19.4 |
| Health savings account deduction | 925,786 | 968,282 | 4.6 | 2,492,032 | 2,772,307 | 11.2 |
| Moving expenses adjustment | 859,324 | 1,005,822 | 17.0 | 2,074,641 | 2,636,778 | 27.1 |
| Self-employment tax deduction | 17,236,650 | 17,475,401 | 1.4 | 22,217,200 | 22,515,749 | 1.3 |
| Self-employed health insurance deduction | 3,409,010 | 3,577,367 | 4.9 | 19,963,550 | 21,180,593 | 6.1 |
| Payments to a self-employed retirement (Keogh) plan | 884,799 | 869,869 | -1.7 | 17,501,797 | 17,201,923 | -1.7 |
| Penalty on early withdrawal of savings | 1,192,925 | 1,206,181 | 1.1 | 1,495,136 | 2,141,056 | 43.2 |
| Alimony paid | 559,753 | 593,112 | 6.0 | 9,249,622 | 10,054,212 | 8.7 |
| Domestic production activities deduction | 463,430 | 582,531 | 25.7 | 5,714,609 | 8,171,498 | 43.0 |
| Other adjustments [5] | 160,749 | 138,137 | -14.1 | 1,248,821 | 1,656,941 | 32.7 |

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| Item | Number of returns | | | Amount | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| | 2009 | 2010 | Percentage change | 2009 | 2010 | Percentage change |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
| Total exemptions [6] | 285,222,318 | 288,871,701 | 1.3 | 1,032,899,119 | 1,053,677,881 | 2.0 |
| Total deductions | 138,159,474 | 140,462,104 | 1.7 | 1,918,264,196 | 1,911,465,276 | -0.4 |
| Total standard deduction | 92,518,891 | 93,956,574 | 1.6 | 752,398,173 | 743,284,578 | -1.2 |
| Basic standard deduction | 92,518,891 | 93,956,574 | 1.6 | 713,501,506 | 721,558,846 | 1.1 |
| Additional standard deduction [7] | 26,019,896 | 13,149,538 | -49.5 | 38,896,667 | 21,725,732 | -44.1 |
| Total itemized deductions (after limitation) | 45,640,583 | 46,505,531 | 1.9 | 1,165,866,022 | 1,168,180,698 | 0.2 |
| Itemized deductions in excess of limitation | 5,743,008 | 136,957 | -97.6 | 12,127,117 | 654,307 | -94.6 |
| Medical and dental expenses deduction | 10,016,840 | 10,352,527 | 3.4 | 78,489,285 | 82,903,037 | 5.6 |
| Taxes paid deduction | 45,381,987 | 46,191,963 | 1.8 | 421,930,827 | 432,611,536 | 2.5 |
| State and local income taxes [8] | 43,998,291 | 44,777,788 | 1.8 | 244,564,731 | 253,982,187 | 3.9 |
| Income taxes | 33,963,074 | 33,661,696 | -0.9 | 229,290,638 | 238,019,649 | 3.8 |
| General sales taxes | 10,035,217 | 11,116,092 | 10.8 | 15,274,093 | 15,962,538 | 4.5 |
| Interest paid deduction | 36,919,968 | 37,348,715 | 1.2 | 432,757,674 | 402,049,295 | -7.1 |
| Total home mortgage interest | 36,501,715 | 36,878,908 | 1.0 | 417,074,207 | 387,104,437 | -7.2 |
| Charitable contributions deduction | 37,305,909 | 38,166,791 | 2.3 | 148,594,527 | 158,187,787 | 6.5 |
| Taxable income | 104,354,180 | 107,420,757 | 2.9 | 5,107,861,921 | 5,458,994,693 | 6.9 |
| Alternative minimum tax | 3,877,580 | 4,020,556 | 3.7 | 20,204,674 | 24,309,578 | 20.3 |
| Income tax before credits | 103,719,284 | 106,771,394 | 2.9 | 978,255,840 | 1,056,272,937 | 8.0 |
| Total tax credits [9] | 87,931,109 | 91,088,638 | 3.6 | 110,207,348 | 111,767,702 | 1.4 |
| Child care credit | 6,335,953 | 6,434,860 | 1.6 | 3,346,081 | 3,452,202 | 3.2 |
| Credit for the elderly or disabled | 62,019 | 92,219 | 48.7 | 8,023 | 14,051 | 75.1 |
| Child tax credit | 23,692,091 | 23,727,736 | 0.2 | 28,584,022 | 28,692,548 | 0.4 |
| Education tax credits | 10,739,306 | 12,018,996 | 11.9 | 10,981,087 | 12,459,021 | 13.5 |
| Retirement savings contributions credit | 6,351,030 | 6,230,031 | -1.9 | 1,058,651 | 1,049,749 | -0.8 |
| Residential energy credits | 6,869,229 | 7,331,493 | 6.7 | 5,943,126 | 6,301,094 | 6.0 |
| Foreign tax credit | 6,356,367 | 6,668,226 | 4.9 | 12,938,622 | 13,097,303 | 1.2 |
| General business credit | 248,672 | 406,707 | 63.6 | 1,237,780 | 1,663,038 | 34.4 |
| Prior year minimum tax credit | 298,910 | 240,536 | -19.5 | 730,408 | 638,835 | -12.5 |
| Total Making work pay credit | 101,758,158 | 106,426,882 | 4.6 | 51,099,849 | 54,718,281 | 7.1 |
| Making work pay credit used to offset income tax before credits | 68,995,598 | 72,116,514 | 4.5 | 34,674,354 | 37,317,086 | 7.6 |
| Making work pay credit used to offset other taxes | 8,852,516 | 9,643,871 | 8.9 | 3,446,159 | 3,822,387 | 10.9 |
| Making work pay credit refundable portion | 32,494,288 | 33,988,609 | 4.6 | 12,979,336 | 13,578,808 | 4.6 |
| Total earned income credit (EIC) | 27,388,200 | 27,776,521 | 1.4 | 60,426,876 | 60,931,712 | 0.8 |
| EIC used to offset income tax before credits | 1,494,322 | 1,429,504 | -4.3 | 492,308 | 460,585 | -6.4 |
| EIC used to offset other taxes | 5,188,174 | 5,519,451 | 6.4 | 4,816,120 | 4,946,755 | 2.7 |
| EIC refundable portion | 25,345,868 | 25,662,481 | 1.2 | 55,118,448 | 55,524,372 | 0.7 |
| Total additional child tax credit | 21,539,362 | 21,285,710 | -1.2 | 27,744,075 | 28,113,542 | 1.3 |
| Additional child tax credit used to offset other taxes | N/A | 909,965 | [10] | N/A | 918,366 | [10] |
| Excess additional child tax credit refundable portion | N/A | 20,733,949 | [10] | N/A | 27,195,176 | [10] |
| Total American opportunity credit | 8,951,615 | 12,122,252 | 35.4 | 7,711,336 | 10,748,301 | 39.4 |
| American opportunity credit used to offset income tax before credits | 4,448,852 | 5,432,589 | 22.1 | 3,549,154 | 4,323,011 | 21.8 |
| American opportunity credit used to offset other taxes | 385,926 | 650,484 | 68.6 | 221,967 | 346,260 | 56.0 |
| American opportunity credit refundable portion | 4,924,465 | 7,281,054 | 47.9 | 3,940,214 | 6,079,030 | 54.3 |
| Total first-time homebuyer credit | 1,371,959 | 335,581 | -75.5 | 9,715,356 | 2,294,470 | -76.4 |
| First-time homebuyer credit used to offset income tax before credits | 1,085,512 | 267,215 | -75.4 | 4,837,874 | 1,285,311 | -73.4 |
| First-time homebuyer credit used to offset other taxes | 169,320 | 30,836 | -81.8 | 217,777 | 40,033 | -81.6 |
| First-time homebuyer credit refundable portion | 996,425 | 216,443 | -78.3 | 4,659,706 | 969,127 | -79.2 |

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| Item | Number of returns | | | Amount | | |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | 2009 | 2010 | Percentage change | 2009 | 2010 | Percentage change |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
| Total adoption credit | 81,430 | 96,949 | 19.1 | 280,603 | 1,216,411 | 333.5 |
| Adoption credit used to offset income tax before credits | 81,430 | 46,698 | -42.7 | 280,603 | 193,144 | -31.2 |
| Adoption credit used to offset other taxes | N/A | 15,884 | [10] | N/A | 34,536 | [10] |
| Excess adoption credit refundable portion | N/A | 76,521 | [10] | N/A | 988,731 | [10] |
| Total refundable prior year minimum tax credit | 226,506 | 240,863 | 6.3 | 2,211,594 | 765,882 | -65.4 |
| Refundable prior year minimum tax credit used to offset income tax before credits | 186,257 | 201,041 | 7.9 | 865,920 | 508,072 | -41.3 |
| Refundable prior year minimum tax credit used to offset other taxes | 9,751 | 7,722 | -20.8 | 23,668 | 23,249 | -1.8 |
| Refundable prior year minimum tax credit refundable portion | 44,868 | 41,251 | -8.1 | 1,322,006 | 234,561 | -82.3 |
| Self-employment tax | 17,236,650 | 17,475,401 | 1.4 | 44,425,902 | 45,022,813 | 1.3 |
| Total income tax | 81,939,015 | 84,465,993 | 3.1 | 868,049,646 | 944,505,236 | 8.8 |
| Total tax liability | 86,138,122 | 88,401,489 | 2.6 | 910,001,338 | 986,772,646 | 8.4 |

N/A--Not applicable.

[1] Included in data for Forms 1040, 1040A, and 1040EZ.

[2] Not included in adjusted gross income.

[3] Includes capital gain distributions reported on Form 1040 and Schedule D.

[4] For Tax Year 2009, taxpayers did not have to pay taxes on unemployment compensation up to \$2,400. Amounts of unemployment compensation over \$2,400 were taxable and are the amounts shown for TY 2009. For Tax Year 2010, generally all unemployment compensation was taxable.

[5] Other adjustments does not include the foreign housing deduction or the medical savings account deduction.

[6] Data shown in columns 1 and 2 are the number of exemptions claimed on returns, rather than the number of returns with exemptions.

[7] For Tax Years 2009 and 2010, the additional standard deduction included the increases for age and blindness, new motor vehicle taxes, or net disaster loss. Tax Year 2009 also included the increase in standard deduction for real estate taxes.

[8] State and local income taxes is the total of both income taxes and general sales taxes.

[9] Includes Making work pay credit, American opportunity credit, EIC, first-time homebuyer credit, adoption credit, and refundable prior year minimum tax credit used to offset income tax before credits, shown separately in this figure.

[10] Percentage not computed.

NOTE: Detail may not add to totals because of rounding.

deductions amount.¹ The average total for itemized deductions was \$25,119, a 1.7-percent decrease from the 2009 average of \$25,545. This decrease occurred despite the change in law that eliminated AGI limitations on itemized deductions for certain high-income taxpayers for Tax Year 2010 (see Changes in Law section). Thus, while 5.7 million higher-income taxpayers were unable to deduct \$12.1 billion in itemized deductions in 2009, there were no such limitations in 2010. Overall, 46.5 million taxpayers (1.9 percent more than in 2009) claimed total itemized deductions of \$1,168.2 billion. This represented only 0.2 percent more than what was reported in 2009. The total taxes paid deduction was the largest

deduction, accounting for 37 percent of all itemized deductions. For 2010, it increased 2.5 percent to \$432.6 billion. The second largest deduction was the interest paid deduction, comprising 34.4 percent of total itemized deductions. For 2010, it decreased 7.1 percent to \$402 billion. Of the \$30.7 billion decrease in the interest paid deduction, 97.6 percent was attributable to the mortgage interest deduction. This large decrease in the mortgage interest deduction could be partially attributed to the lower average prevailing interest rates throughout 2010.² Other factors that could have affected the mortgage interest deduction included the decrease in home ownership and decrease in home prices. Other itemized deductions

¹ The remaining 1.7 percent of the returns did not need to claim either a standard deduction or itemized deductions because no AGI was reported.

² The average mortgage interest rate for 2010 was 4.69 percent compared with 5.04 percent for 2009. See source: Primary Mortgage Market Survey®.

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included the deduction for medical and dental expenses, which increased 5.6 percent to \$82.9 billion, and the charitable contributions deduction, which increased 6.5 percent to \$158.2 billion in 2010.

Total tax credits (excluding the “refundable” portions, as well as any amount of these credits used to offset any other taxes) increased 1.4 percent in 2010 to \$111.8 billion. The making work pay credit, which equaled 6.2 percent of a taxpayer’s earned income up to \$400 (\$800 if married filing jointly), used to offset income tax before credits was claimed by 72.1 million taxpayers for \$37.3 billion. This represented a 7.6-percent increase from 2009 levels, despite the fact that the government retiree credit portion of this credit expired in 2010 (see Changes in Law section for further details). The portion of the making work pay credit used to offset other taxes and refundable portion increased 5.9 percent to \$17.4 billion. The adoption credit became refundable for the first time in 2010. The total adoption credit increased more than three-fold to \$1.2 billion in 2010, with almost \$1 billion being the refundable portion. The adoption credit used to offset income tax before credit decreased from \$0.3 billion in 2009 to \$0.2 billion in 2010. Also, the maximum credit increased from \$12,150 to \$13,170 (see Changes in Law section for further details).

For Tax Year 2010, a taxpayer could have claimed the first-time homebuyer credit if he or she bought a home after 2008 and before October 1, 2010 (if the taxpayer entered a written binding contract before May 1, 2010) and did not own a home during the prior 3 years. The first-time homebuyer credit was claimed by 0.3 million taxpayers, a decrease of 75.5 percent from 2009. The credit totaled \$2.3 billion for 2010, down 76.4 percent from \$9.7 billion in 2009. The noteworthy drop is attributable to the credit being available for only a portion of the tax year. The data in this release for the first-time homebuyer credit do not include data from amended returns or any adjustment made to this credit by the Internal Revenue Service. Other credit amounts with noticeable change included the credit for elderly and disabled (up 75.1 percent) and the general business credit (up 34.4 percent).

For 2010, the earned income credit (EIC) increased by 0.8 percent to \$60.9 billion. The EIC eligibility limits on the amounts of earned income and investment income increased slightly in 2010 (see

Changes in Law section). The portion of the EIC used to offset income tax before credits decreased 6.4 percent to \$0.5 billion, and the portion of the EIC used to offset other taxes (such as the self-employment tax) rose 2.7 percent to \$4.9 billion. The largest part of the EIC, the refundable portion, was paid directly to taxpayers who had no tax liability against which to apply the credit. The refundable portion of the EIC increased 0.7 percent to \$55.5 billion for 2010. Taxpayers received a total of \$104.6 billion of refundable credits for 2010, not far off the \$111.8 billion in total tax credits used against income tax. Other credits besides the previously mentioned making work pay credit, adoption credit, and EIC that could be used to offset other taxes and could also be refundable included the additional child tax credit, American opportunity (education) credit, first-time homebuyer credit, and (refundable) prior-year minimum tax credit. The largest of these credits, after the making work pay credit and EIC was the additional child tax credit, which was claimed by 21.3 million returns for a total of \$28.1 billion. Of this, 20.7 million returns claimed a refundable amount of \$27.2 billion. The American opportunity credit was claimed on 12.1 million returns for a total of \$10.7 billion, of which 7.3 million returns claimed a refundable amount totaling \$6.1 billion, an increase of 54.3 percent from 2009.

The comparisons of data for Tax Years 2009 and 2010 in this article are based on preliminary estimates. Even though final estimates for Tax Year 2009 are available, comparing preliminary estimates for Tax Year 2010 to final estimates may yield misleading results, because preliminary estimates tend to be underestimated for certain items. Comparisons based entirely on preliminary estimates reduce the likelihood of misinterpretation of the data and afford a more accurate representation of year-to-year changes. Final statistics for Tax Year 2009 are available in the fall 2011 issue of the *SOI Bulletin* and *Statistics of Income—2009, Individual Income Tax Returns*.

Changes in Law

In general, the definitions used in this article are the same as those in *Statistics of Income—2009, Individual Income Tax Returns*. The following is a partial list of tax law and Internal Revenue Service administrative changes that had a major bearing on the Tax Year 2010 preliminary data presented in this article.

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Adoption credit—For Tax Year 2010, the adoption credit was refundable and the maximum credit amount increased from \$12,150 to \$13,170. The credit began to phase out if a taxpayer had modified adjusted gross income in excess of \$182,520 and completely phased out for modified adjusted gross income of \$222,520 or more.

Alternative minimum tax (AMT)—For Tax Year 2010, the minimum exemption increased from \$70,950 to \$72,450 for a married couple filing a joint return and from \$46,700 to \$47,450 for singles and heads of household, and from \$35,475 to \$36,225 for a married person filing separately.

Credit for small employer health insurance premiums—Eligible small employers could have claimed this credit for health insurance premiums after 2009. The credit was generally 35 percent of premiums paid and could have been taken against both regular and alternative minimum tax. The credit could be claimed as part of the general business credit on Form 3800, *General Business Credit*.

Domestic production activities deduction—For 2010, taxpayers could have deducted up to 9 percent of their qualified production activities income. For 2009, this deduction was limited to 6 percent.

Earned income credit—The maximum amount of the earned income credit increased, as did the amounts of earned income and investment income an individual could have and still claim the credit. For 2010, the EIC increased for taxpayers with three or more children. The maximum credit for taxpayers with three or more qualifying children increased from \$5,657 to \$5,666. For these taxpayers, earned income and AGI had to be less than \$43,352 (\$48,362 if married filing jointly) to be eligible for the EIC. The maximum credit for taxpayers with no qualifying children remained \$457. For these taxpayers, earned income and AGI had to be less than \$13,460 (\$18,470 if married filing jointly) to be eligible for the EIC. For taxpayers with one qualifying child, the maximum credit increased from \$3,043 to \$3,050 and, for taxpayers with two qualifying children, the maximum credit increased from \$5,028 to \$5,036. To be eligible for the credit, a taxpayer's earned income and AGI had to be less than \$35,535 (\$40,545 for married filing jointly) for one qualifying child, or less than \$40,363 (\$45,373 for married filing jointly) for two qualifying children. The

maximum amount of investment income (interest, dividends, and capital gain income) a taxpayer could have and still claim the credit remained \$3,100.

Exemption amount—For 2010, high-income taxpayers no longer lost part of their deduction for personal exemptions as part of a phaseout, regardless of the amount of their AGI. For 2008 and 2009, certain high-income taxpayers could lose no more than one-third of the dollar amount of each exemption, meaning that the amount of each exemption could not be reduced to less than \$2,433.

First time homebuyer credit—For Tax Years 2009 and 2010, a taxpayer may have claimed this credit (up to \$8,000 or \$4,000 if married filing separately) if he or she bought a home after 2008 and before October 1, 2010 (if the taxpayer entered a written binding contract before May 1, 2010) and did not own a main home during the prior 3 years. Taxpayers were only allowed to claim this credit in Tax Year 2009 if their modified AGI was below \$95,000 (\$170,000 if married filing jointly), and they purchased the home before November 7, 2009. If the home was purchased after November 6, 2009, this income limit was increased to \$145,000 (\$245,000 if married filing jointly). For homes purchased in 2009 or 2010, taxpayers had to repay the credit only if the home ceases to be their main home within a 36-month period beginning on the purchase date.

Individual retirement arrangement deduction—The phase-out range for IRA deductions for those covered by a retirement plan began at an AGI of \$89,000 if married filing jointly or a qualifying widow(er). The phase-out was \$56,000 for a single person or head of household, up from \$55,000 in 2009 and at \$0 for a married person filing a separate return. Starting in 2010, the \$100,000 modified AGI limit on rollovers and conversions from eligible retirement plans to Roth IRAs was eliminated. Also, married taxpayers filing separately were allowed to roll over or convert amounts to a Roth IRA. Half of the income realized from the rollover or conversion in 2010 could have been included in income in 2011 and the other half in 2012. The taxpayer could also have elected to have all of the income included in 2010.

Limit on itemized deductions increased—For 2010, high-income taxpayers no longer lost part of their itemized deductions as part of a phaseout, regardless of their AGI. For Tax Years 2008 and 2009,

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the amount by which the deduction was reduced was only one-third of the amount of the reduction that would have otherwise applied.

Personal casualty and theft loss limit—The limit on personal casualty or theft loss was reduced for Tax Year 2010. Each loss is now limited to the excess of the loss over \$100 instead of the \$500 limit that applied for 2009.

Self-employed health insurance deduction—For 2010, a taxpayer could have reduced his or her net self-employment income on Schedule SE, *Self-Employment Tax*, by the amount of self-employed health insurance deduction entered on line 29 of Form 1040. Effective March 30, 2010, if a taxpayer was self-employed and paid for health insurance, he or she was able to include in deduction on line 29 any premiums he or she paid to cover their child who was under age 27 at the end of 2010, even if the child was not their dependent.

Standard deduction amount increased—For 2010, the standard deduction increased to \$8,400 for heads of households. For 2009, the deduction for heads of households was \$8,350. The 2008 law that allowed a taxpayer to increase his or her standard deduction for certain State and local real estate taxes, or a net disaster loss after 2009, was not continued for Tax Year 2010.

Unemployment compensation—For 2010, all unemployment compensation received was generally taxable. The exclusion of the first \$2,400 of unemployment compensation received from taxable income expired.

Data Sources and Limitations

The preliminary statistics in this data release are based on a sample of individual income tax returns (Forms

1040, 1040A, and 1040EZ, including electronically filed returns) filed during Calendar Year 2010. Returns in the sample were stratified based on: (1) the larger of positive income or negative income; (2) the size of business and farm receipts; (3) the presence or absence of specific forms or schedules; and (4) the usefulness of returns for Treasury Department tax modeling purposes.³ Returns were then selected at rates ranging from 0.1 percent to 100 percent. The preliminary Tax Year 2010 data are based on a sample of 237,403 returns and an estimated final population of 142,961,416 returns. The corresponding sample and population for the preliminary 2009 data were 230,520 returns and 140,599,263 returns, respectively.

Since the data presented here are estimates based on a sample of returns filed, they are subject to sampling error. To properly use the statistical data provided, the magnitude of the potential sampling error must be known; coefficients of variation (CVs) are used to measure that magnitude. The reliability of estimates based on samples, and the use of coefficients of variation for evaluating the precision of estimates based on samples, are discussed in SOI Sampling Methodology and Data Limitations, later in this issue of the *SOI Bulletin*.

While the preliminary estimates are intended to represent a full year of taxpayer reporting, they are actually based on returns processed for tax administration purposes, in the case of 2009 returns, between January and late September of 2010. In general, returns processed during the remainder of each year tend to have somewhat different characteristics compared to returns processed earlier. These characteristics include, for example, disproportionately large amounts of investment income, passive losses, and alternative minimum tax.

³ Returns in the sample were stratified based on the presence or absence of one or more of the following forms or schedules: Form 2555, *Foreign Earned Income*; Form 1116, *Foreign Tax Credit (Individual, Fiduciary, or Nonresident Alien Individual)*; Schedule C, *Profit or Loss from Business (Sole Proprietorship)*; and Schedule F, *Profit or Loss from Farming*.

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Table 1. Individual Income Tax Returns, Tax Year 2010 Preliminary Data: Selected Income and Tax Items, by Size of Adjusted Gross Income

[All figures are estimates based on samples —money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Item | All returns | Size of adjusted gross income | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| | | Under \$15,000 [1] | \$15,000 under \$30,000 | \$30,000 under \$50,000 | \$50,000 under \$100,000 | \$100,000 under \$200,000 | \$200,000 under \$250,000 | \$250,000 or more |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| Number of returns, total | 142,856,282 | 37,422,453 | 30,895,052 | 25,624,771 | 30,628,738 | 14,008,915 | 1,537,306 | 2,739,048 |
| Form 1040 returns | 83,754,981 | 14,644,189 | 12,029,108 | 14,499,956 | 24,631,130 | 13,674,244 | 1,537,306 | 2,739,048 |
| Form 1040A returns | 41,093,748 | 12,597,193 | 14,699,733 | 8,520,045 | 4,971,114 | 305,663 | 0 | 0 |
| Form 1040EZ returns | 18,007,553 | 10,181,070 | 4,166,210 | 2,604,770 | 1,026,493 | 29,009 | 0 | 0 |
| Electronically-filed returns [2] | 101,709,829 | 28,246,647 | 24,942,038 | 20,493,702 | 24,503,901 | 120,820 | 1,208,976 | 2,193,745 |
| Adjusted gross income (less deficit) | 8,045,020,527 | 126,609,449 | 679,250,402 | 1,000,721,222 | 2,179,050,685 | 1,872,056,039 | 341,470,887 | 1,845,861,843 |
| Salaries and wages: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 118,240,428 | 26,429,993 | 25,659,099 | 22,469,660 | 27,051,731 | 12,793,003 | 1,401,593 | 2,435,348 |
| Amount | 5,920,186,109 | 220,621,492 | 522,400,593 | 803,860,138 | 1,684,980,862 | 1,454,682,235 | 251,279,279 | 982,361,511 |
| Taxable interest: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 55,350,527 | 8,342,405 | 7,208,829 | 8,761,615 | 16,710,684 | 10,483,007 | 1,310,039 | 2,533,947 |
| Amount | 117,869,310 | 11,743,204 | 9,954,780 | 12,223,609 | 22,985,283 | 19,866,397 | 4,660,262 | 36,435,775 |
| Tax-exempt interest: [3] | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 6,091,192 | 609,776 | 488,170 | 672,338 | 1,676,340 | 1,413,080 | 285,121 | 946,368 |
| Amount | 69,221,407 | 3,385,799 | 2,789,275 | 4,313,241 | 11,497,444 | 13,002,934 | 3,457,711 | 30,775,002 |
| Ordinary dividends: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 27,951,339 | 4,080,631 | 3,005,096 | 3,620,294 | 8,091,928 | 6,132,658 | 957,111 | 2,063,622 |
| Amount | 155,453,034 | 7,453,594 | 6,394,822 | 8,410,292 | 25,595,249 | 26,414,835 | 7,167,458 | 74,016,782 |
| Qualified dividends: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 25,005,581 | 3,563,174 | 2,615,644 | 3,191,318 | 7,179,814 | 5,597,040 | 894,715 | 1,963,876 |
| Amount | 115,605,831 | 4,236,812 | 3,692,376 | 5,113,906 | 16,674,018 | 19,020,067 | 5,378,204 | 61,490,449 |
| State income tax refunds: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 22,059,302 | 544,653 | 1,228,972 | 3,266,169 | 9,034,171 | 6,455,098 | 650,090 | 880,149 |
| Amount | 25,244,094 | 606,370 | 697,359 | 2,124,398 | 7,522,157 | 7,627,993 | 1,298,936 | 5,366,880 |
| Alimony received: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 441,462 | 72,469 | 95,158 | 130,477 | 113,874 | 23,815 | 2,552 | 3,118 |
| Amount | 8,587,978 | 571,397 | 976,873 | 1,746,519 | 2,888,082 | 1,533,892 | 310,827 | 560,387 |
| Business or profession net income: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 16,978,538 | 5,722,257 | 2,935,666 | 2,251,832 | 3,346,717 | 1,928,621 | 264,521 | 528,924 |
| Amount | 307,490,422 | 42,896,180 | 35,591,889 | 31,872,104 | 55,427,134 | 57,682,586 | 17,043,893 | 66,976,636 |
| Business or profession net loss: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 5,450,300 | 970,057 | 921,577 | 1,001,741 | 1,482,855 | 811,560 | 97,018 | 165,492 |
| Amount | 52,254,773 | 18,489,392 | 6,976,922 | 7,184,149 | 8,909,445 | 5,499,842 | 1,089,466 | 4,105,558 |
| Net capital gain: [4] | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 7,200,065 | 823,527 | 676,489 | 876,440 | 2,036,572 | 1,725,970 | 308,996 | 752,070 |
| Amount | 320,126,367 | 12,905,011 | 2,754,128 | 4,395,483 | 16,381,058 | 24,551,209 | 8,882,591 | 250,256,886 |
| Capital gain distributions: [4] | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 6,574,859 | 825,893 | 542,163 | 737,082 | 1,770,448 | 1,543,044 | 290,641 | 865,587 |
| Amount | 5,842,520 | 346,840 | 276,132 | 397,030 | 1,141,598 | 1,355,118 | 307,595 | 2,018,207 |
| Net capital loss: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 12,758,052 | 2,337,110 | 1,265,342 | 1,481,469 | 3,320,637 | 2,724,467 | 488,426 | 1,140,600 |
| Amount | 29,732,934 | 5,511,516 | 2,869,883 | 3,325,951 | 7,528,381 | 6,286,134 | 1,187,491 | 3,023,579 |
| Sales of property other than capital assets, net gain: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 746,053 | 129,448 | 67,209 | 85,203 | 201,021 | 126,093 | 31,689 | 105,390 |
| Amount | 10,646,805 | 1,815,289 | 376,630 | 479,397 | 1,595,202 | 1,451,024 | 502,516 | 4,426,746 |
| Sales of property other than capital assets, net loss: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 1,068,430 | 222,915 | 98,337 | 116,753 | 222,477 | 192,895 | 35,294 | 179,760 |
| Amount | 28,616,716 | 18,562,092 | 1,084,385 | 1,632,177 | 2,296,856 | 1,820,522 | 415,100 | 2,805,585 |
| Taxable Individual Retirement Arrangement distributions: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 12,587,711 | 1,856,646 | 2,030,671 | 2,141,805 | 3,916,756 | 2,003,467 | 243,945 | 394,421 |
| Amount | 192,590,593 | 9,491,611 | 14,556,303 | 20,797,479 | 57,161,861 | 51,535,477 | 9,727,304 | 29,320,558 |

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Table 1. Individual Income Tax Returns, Tax Year 2010 Preliminary Data: Selected Income and Tax Items, by Size of Adjusted Gross Income—Continued

[All figures are estimates based on samples—money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Item | All returns | Size of adjusted gross income | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | | Under \$15,000 [1] | \$15,000 under \$30,000 | \$30,000 under \$50,000 | \$50,000 under \$100,000 | \$100,000 under \$200,000 | \$200,000 under \$250,000 | \$250,000 or more |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| Taxable pensions and annuities: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 26,971,722 | 4,122,458 | 4,851,083 | 4,921,760 | 8,128,300 | 3,974,751 | 394,002 | 579,369 |
| Amount | 567,746,880 | 27,570,139 | 58,365,100 | 84,392,635 | 200,197,401 | 147,004,851 | 18,885,478 | 31,331,274 |
| Rent and royalty net income: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 6,103,530 | 911,484 | 760,139 | 826,150 | 1,713,297 | 1,231,362 | 180,351 | 480,747 |
| Amount | 86,770,707 | 6,865,264 | 5,055,932 | 6,040,865 | 15,575,897 | 18,714,312 | 4,339,768 | 30,178,670 |
| Rent and royalty net loss: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 5,610,628 | 828,983 | 665,326 | 853,920 | 1,822,015 | 1,073,965 | 104,821 | 261,598 |
| Amount | 60,131,011 | 14,207,972 | 5,393,531 | 7,686,433 | 15,861,983 | 9,482,442 | 1,457,651 | 6,041,000 |
| Partnership and S corporation net income: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 4,602,111 | 339,146 | 340,043 | 444,827 | 1,159,041 | 1,161,506 | 264,890 | 892,658 |
| Amount | 450,637,636 | 5,352,477 | 3,275,875 | 6,388,707 | 24,689,207 | 45,490,790 | 19,176,966 | 346,263,615 |
| Partnership and S corporation net loss: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 2,576,367 | 523,314 | 219,719 | 284,252 | 675,447 | 532,408 | 97,156 | 244,071 |
| Amount | 87,015,077 | 48,537,289 | 2,464,297 | 3,319,769 | 7,774,972 | 6,870,249 | 1,742,272 | 16,306,230 |
| Estate and trust net income: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 544,160 | 65,791 | * 46,602 | 50,878 | 176,783 | 114,688 | 28,200 | 61,218 |
| Amount | 19,943,526 | 441,103 | * 251,828 | 294,121 | 2,027,975 | 2,667,017 | 1,016,878 | 13,244,604 |
| Estate and trust net loss: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 38,990 | 5,323 | 2,035 | 2,230 | 11,826 | 7,398 | 2,617 | 7,562 |
| Amount | 1,451,225 | 877,995 | 2,695 | 27,317 | 60,960 | 52,790 | 32,693 | 396,776 |
| Farm net income: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 601,736 | 124,777 | 65,094 | 108,204 | 182,874 | 90,456 | 9,000 | 21,330 |
| Amount | 13,575,330 | 1,169,797 | 838,520 | 1,433,957 | 3,688,917 | 3,514,305 | 669,617 | 2,260,217 |
| Farm net loss: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 1,303,456 | 258,388 | 176,001 | 218,857 | 373,665 | 204,545 | 22,998 | 49,001 |
| Amount | 23,302,471 | 6,462,537 | 2,343,073 | 2,780,363 | 5,284,846 | 3,373,857 | 620,615 | 2,437,180 |
| Unemployment compensation: [5] | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 15,093,157 | 3,095,530 | 4,511,576 | 2,872,924 | 3,380,761 | 1,066,670 | 73,641 | 92,056 |
| Amount | 121,101,218 | 17,647,545 | 40,095,084 | 24,334,326 | 28,144,820 | 9,289,433 | 701,171 | 888,839 |
| Taxable Social Security benefits: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 16,360,942 | 130,571 | 3,162,471 | 3,964,037 | 6,059,368 | 2,370,909 | 244,848 | 428,738 |
| Amount | 192,700,608 | 481,528 | 6,906,641 | 28,083,810 | 93,954,763 | 47,656,081 | 5,550,203 | 10,067,582 |
| Total statutory adjustments: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 35,231,929 | 7,334,439 | 5,595,043 | 5,988,404 | 9,317,769 | 5,285,093 | 515,231 | 1,195,950 |
| Amount | 115,232,950 | 10,088,874 | 9,836,031 | 12,823,888 | 24,023,064 | 23,103,217 | 5,597,248 | 29,760,628 |
| Educator expenses: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 3,660,548 | 85,572 | 240,639 | 643,113 | 1,506,185 | 1,043,333 | 75,896 | 65,811 |
| Amount | 927,901 | 18,147 | 55,353 | 153,606 | 376,286 | 288,704 | 19,627 | 16,179 |
| Certain business expenses of reservists, performing artists, and fee-basis government officials: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 132,271 | 20,024 | 26,589 | 16,765 | 33,044 | 29,896 | 2,813 | 3,140 |
| Amount | 490,260 | 131,308 | 103,770 | 65,003 | 85,892 | 74,231 | 12,216 | 17,839 |
| Payments to an Individual Retirement Arrangement: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 2,632,705 | 112,155 | 319,063 | 571,502 | 970,342 | 547,497 | 34,876 | 77,270 |
| Amount | 11,713,234 | 322,762 | 1,056,047 | 2,223,054 | 4,198,575 | 2,915,125 | 289,251 | 708,420 |
| Student loan interest deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 10,288,629 | 935,346 | 1,866,426 | 2,471,145 | 3,552,248 | 1,463,465 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 9,298,678 | 737,936 | 1,675,846 | 2,338,344 | 3,252,337 | 1,294,215 | 0 | 0 |
| Tuition and fees deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 2,003,930 | 536,699 | 200,296 | 220,478 | 450,573 | 595,883 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 4,383,982 | 1,521,633 | 435,295 | 440,977 | 847,030 | 1,139,047 | 0 | 0 |

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[All figures are estimates based on samples—money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Item | All returns | Size of adjusted gross income | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| | | Under \$15,000 [1] | \$15,000 under \$30,000 | \$30,000 under \$50,000 | \$50,000 under \$100,000 | \$100,000 under \$200,000 | \$200,000 under \$250,000 | \$250,000 or more |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| Health savings account deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 968,282 | 42,027 | 80,249 | 142,336 | 295,933 | 249,611 | 34,369 | 123,755 |
| Amount | 2,772,307 | 87,286 | 122,602 | 270,739 | 772,278 | 791,248 | 139,833 | 588,321 |
| Moving expenses adjustment: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 1,005,822 | 91,018 | 191,317 | 244,362 | 283,549 | 151,744 | 19,106 | 24,726 |
| Amount | 2,636,778 | 236,134 | 394,435 | 499,193 | 719,044 | 507,387 | 115,653 | 164,933 |
| Self-employment tax deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 17,475,401 | 5,515,684 | 2,944,943 | 2,282,387 | 3,495,493 | 2,111,172 | 331,386 | 794,337 |
| Amount | 22,515,749 | 3,031,831 | 2,626,899 | 2,516,289 | 4,614,847 | 4,443,291 | 1,111,260 | 4,171,334 |
| Self-employed health insurance deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 3,577,367 | 561,610 | 478,014 | 522,358 | 827,808 | 635,284 | 132,459 | 419,834 |
| Amount | 21,180,593 | 2,169,329 | 1,896,092 | 2,384,463 | 4,413,982 | 4,622,252 | 1,100,619 | 4,593,856 |
| Payments to a self-employed retirement (Keogh) plan: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 869,869 | 14,662 | 26,965 | 55,196 | 147,614 | 264,947 | 86,852 | 273,634 |
| Amount | 17,201,923 | 135,524 | 139,927 | 305,508 | 1,493,684 | 3,813,617 | 2,018,673 | 9,294,989 |
| Penalty on early withdrawal of savings: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 1,206,181 | 273,590 | 214,230 | 250,290 | 270,688 | 147,780 | 18,263 | 31,341 |
| Amount | 2,141,056 | 621,688 | 577,334 | 856,008 | 49,745 | 21,482 | 3,145 | 11,654 |
| Alimony paid: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 593,112 | 37,956 | 50,392 | 78,730 | 210,836 | 128,606 | 26,926 | 59,667 |
| Amount | 10,054,212 | 613,155 | 492,587 | 520,081 | 2,322,124 | 2,292,614 | 583,442 | 3,230,209 |
| Domestic production activities deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 582,531 | 40,918 | 32,313 | 51,849 | 159,603 | 138,722 | 26,569 | 132,557 |
| Amount | 8,171,498 | 382,575 | 47,985 | 111,532 | 488,818 | 652,929 | 190,258 | 6,297,402 |
| Other adjustments: [6] | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 138,137 | 10,041 | 28,324 | 29,397 | 47,664 | 16,166 | 1,743 | 4,802 |
| Amount | 1,656,941 | 75,371 | 210,644 | 130,361 | 364,110 | 244,867 | 12,758 | 618,829 |
| Total exemptions: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of exemptions | 288,871,701 | 49,985,940 | 60,511,517 | 52,580,978 | 73,694,061 | 39,530,192 | 4,442,693 | 8,126,319 |
| Amount | 1,053,677,881 | 182,295,119 | 220,706,682 | 191,820,646 | 268,912,428 | 144,258,143 | 16,207,380 | 29,477,484 |
| Total deductions: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 140,462,104 | 35,036,910 | 30,890,795 | 25,621,630 | 30,627,721 | 14,008,889 | 1,537,297 | 2,738,863 |
| Amount | 1,911,465,276 | 248,789,460 | 270,187,744 | 271,288,814 | 469,204,169 | 350,450,176 | 59,470,129 | 242,074,784 |
| Total standard deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 93,956,574 | 33,164,061 | 27,014,946 | 18,120,770 | 13,355,609 | 2,127,474 | 85,606 | 88,109 |
| Amount | 743,284,578 | 219,288,525 | 212,001,055 | 151,996,804 | 134,267,590 | 23,845,726 | 945,728 | 939,149 |
| Basic standard deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 93,956,574 | 33,164,061 | 27,014,946 | 18,120,770 | 13,355,609 | 2,127,474 | 85,606 | 88,109 |
| Amount | 721,558,846 | 212,471,983 | 206,509,136 | 148,167,402 | 129,821,334 | 22,809,445 | 890,675 | 888,871 |
| Additional standard deduction: [7] | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 13,149,538 | 4,305,353 | 3,304,016 | 2,300,637 | 2,601,124 | 579,405 | 30,466 | 28,538 |
| Amount | 21,725,732 | 6,816,543 | 5,491,919 | 3,829,401 | 4,446,256 | 1,036,281 | 55,053 | 50,278 |
| Total itemized deductions (after limitation): | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 46,505,531 | 1,872,849 | 3,875,849 | 7,500,859 | 17,272,112 | 11,881,416 | 1,451,691 | 2,650,754 |
| Amount | 1,168,180,698 | 29,500,934 | 58,186,689 | 119,292,010 | 334,936,579 | 326,604,450 | 58,524,401 | 241,135,635 |
| Itemized deductions in excess of limitation: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 136,957 | 0 | 0 | 0 | * 4,349 | 38,605 | 32,725 | 61,278 |
| Amount | 654,307 | 0 | 0 | 0 | * 274 | 6,789 | 19,212 | 628,032 |

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Table 1. Individual Income Tax Returns, Tax Year 2010 Preliminary Data: Selected Income and Tax Items, by Size of Adjusted Gross Income—Continued

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| Item | All returns | Size of adjusted gross income | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| | | Under \$15,000 [1] | \$15,000 under \$30,000 | \$30,000 under \$50,000 | \$50,000 under \$100,000 | \$100,000 under \$200,000 | \$200,000 under \$250,000 | \$250,000 or more |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| Medical and dental expenses deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 10,352,527 | 1,323,820 | 1,976,004 | 2,393,631 | 3,518,890 | 1,033,385 | 54,427 | 52,371 |
| Amount | 82,903,037 | 12,023,959 | 14,998,071 | 17,213,723 | 25,731,100 | 10,263,285 | 1,080,402 | 1,592,497 |
| Taxes paid deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 46,191,963 | 1,783,269 | 3,800,831 | 7,417,000 | 17,224,006 | 11,867,569 | 1,451,103 | 2,648,186 |
| Amount | 432,611,536 | 5,570,997 | 12,431,010 | 29,300,169 | 105,262,240 | 128,876,749 | 26,233,639 | 124,936,733 |
| State and local income taxes: [8] | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 44,777,788 | 1,571,101 | 3,544,805 | 7,140,376 | 16,790,613 | 11,673,619 | 1,434,163 | 2,623,112 |
| Amount | 253,982,187 | 1,148,569 | 3,528,708 | 11,570,587 | 51,862,661 | 72,986,757 | 16,361,955 | 96,522,949 |
| Income taxes: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 33,661,696 | 473,953 | 1,768,843 | 4,911,573 | 13,242,402 | 9,817,855 | 1,224,257 | 2,222,813 |
| Amount | 238,019,649 | 547,961 | 2,122,707 | 9,251,465 | 46,573,857 | 68,997,232 | 15,693,188 | 94,833,239 |
| General sales taxes: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 11,116,092 | 1,097,148 | 1,775,962 | 2,228,803 | 3,548,211 | 1,855,763 | 209,906 | 400,298 |
| Amount | 15,962,538 | 600,609 | 1,406,001 | 2,319,122 | 5,288,805 | 3,989,524 | 668,767 | 1,689,709 |
| Interest paid deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 37,348,715 | 1,083,054 | 2,506,737 | 5,650,011 | 14,356,524 | 10,372,375 | 1,227,326 | 2,152,688 |
| Amount | 402,049,295 | 8,567,758 | 19,074,492 | 45,061,693 | 133,796,574 | 125,430,033 | 20,189,198 | 49,929,547 |
| Total home mortgage interest: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 36,362,426 | 1,036,535 | 2,409,435 | 5,511,974 | 14,025,505 | 10,157,415 | 1,193,764 | 2,027,798 |
| Amount | 380,676,165 | 8,229,943 | 18,121,315 | 42,626,632 | 127,173,272 | 122,119,547 | 19,521,612 | 42,883,844 |
| Charitable contributions deduction: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 38,166,791 | 1,136,914 | 2,698,889 | 5,547,298 | 14,227,137 | 10,709,872 | 1,349,520 | 2,497,163 |
| Amount | 158,187,787 | 1,674,016 | 5,553,188 | 12,674,126 | 40,042,401 | 41,313,238 | 7,859,050 | 49,071,769 |
| Taxable income: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 107,420,757 | 9,649,481 | 24,081,184 | 24,957,037 | 30,473,187 | 13,988,316 | 1,535,731 | 2,735,820 |
| Amount | 5,458,994,693 | 26,770,237 | 225,318,018 | 543,874,308 | 1,443,559,314 | 1,378,141,139 | 265,932,250 | 1,575,399,427 |
| Alternative minimum tax: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 4,020,556 | 10,396 | 5,161 | 5,284 | 151,239 | 811,897 | 882,958 | 2,153,621 |
| Amount | 24,309,578 | 227,369 | 13,791 | 21,875 | 184,784 | 1,648,811 | 2,586,466 | 19,626,482 |
| Income tax before credits: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 106,771,394 | 9,399,571 | 23,880,028 | 24,863,895 | 30,386,422 | 13,970,468 | 1,534,947 | 2,736,063 |
| Amount | 1,056,272,937 | 2,877,080 | 25,267,634 | 68,335,485 | 210,156,072 | 246,274,217 | 58,819,080 | 444,543,369 |
| Total tax credits: [9] | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 91,088,638 | 5,389,760 | 20,993,931 | 22,765,769 | 27,936,607 | 11,767,598 | 697,566 | 1,537,407 |
| Amount | 111,767,702 | 1,321,395 | 11,184,156 | 20,813,829 | 42,850,537 | 21,128,828 | 1,067,227 | 13,401,731 |
| Child care credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 6,434,860 | 17,465 | 944,093 | 1,346,925 | 2,240,810 | 1,521,047 | 155,246 | 209,272 |
| Amount | 3,452,202 | 2,082 | 428,504 | 773,422 | 1,213,105 | 845,874 | 79,556 | 109,658 |
| Credit for the elderly or disabled: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 92,219 | 54,177 | 38,042 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 14,051 | 10,145 | 3,906 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Child tax credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 23,727,736 | 105,404 | 4,376,589 | 6,448,031 | 9,490,216 | 3,306,063 | * 1,428 | * 4 |
| Amount | 28,692,548 | 11,875 | 2,032,816 | 6,602,038 | 15,461,904 | 4,582,742 | * 1,169 | * 3 |
| Education tax credits: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 12,018,996 | 923,577 | 2,949,458 | 2,741,255 | 3,671,084 | 1,733,622 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 12,459,021 | 229,427 | 2,277,752 | 2,841,165 | 4,590,235 | 2,520,443 | 0 | 0 |
| Retirement savings contributions credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 6,230,031 | 255,767 | 2,805,782 | 2,472,343 | 696,139 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 1,049,749 | 40,034 | 465,779 | 429,773 | 114,164 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Residential energy credits: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 7,331,493 | 66,459 | 543,571 | 1,293,200 | 2,984,510 | 1,907,719 | 212,536 | 323,497 |
| Amount | 6,301,094 | 12,728 | 274,722 | 888,654 | 2,464,049 | 1,875,796 | 246,886 | 538,258 |

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Table 1. Individual Income Tax Returns, Tax Year 2010 Preliminary Data: Selected Income and Tax Items, by Size of Adjusted Gross Income—Continued

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| Item | All returns | Size of adjusted gross income | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | | Under \$15,000 [1] | \$15,000 under \$30,000 | \$30,000 under \$50,000 | \$50,000 under \$100,000 | \$100,000 under \$200,000 | \$200,000 under \$250,000 | \$250,000 or more |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| Foreign tax credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 6,668,226 | 125,696 | 417,774 | 739,164 | 2,026,357 | 1,869,003 | 379,742 | 1,110,491 |
| Amount | 13,097,303 | 5,250 | 34,181 | 120,305 | 472,025 | 1,105,693 | 509,210 | 10,850,639 |
| General business credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 406,707 | 3,671 | 14,731 | 25,239 | 97,168 | 116,764 | 30,276 | 118,858 |
| Amount | 1,663,038 | 3,738 | 6,884 | 29,287 | 146,385 | 286,835 | 78,800 | 1,111,110 |
| Prior year minimum tax credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 240,536 | * 3,413 | 1,223 | 6,690 | 37,353 | 116,003 | 24,114 | 51,741 |
| Amount | 638,835 | * 864 | 254 | 5,249 | 46,684 | 153,522 | 40,259 | 392,002 |
| Total Making work pay credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 106,426,882 | 21,998,040 | 24,818,108 | 22,161,294 | 26,837,091 | 10,612,343 | * 6 | 0 |
| Amount | 54,718,281 | 7,883,653 | 11,345,443 | 11,287,444 | 16,719,696 | 7,482,042 | * 1 | 0 |
| Making work pay credit used to offset income tax before credits: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 72,116,514 | 4,163,436 | 13,917,175 | 17,806,051 | 25,644,691 | 10,585,154 | * 6 | 0 |
| Amount | 37,317,086 | 988,607 | 5,210,909 | 8,051,161 | 15,608,869 | 7,457,538 | * 1 | 0 |
| Making work pay credit used to offset other taxes: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 9,643,871 | 5,190,604 | 2,567,415 | 1,324,378 | 544,762 | 16,712 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 3,822,387 | 1,798,566 | 1,135,622 | 623,394 | 255,281 | 9,524 | 0 | 0 |
| Making work pay credit refundable portion: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 33,988,609 | 16,379,400 | 11,254,730 | 4,821,531 | 1,504,191 | 28,757 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 13,578,808 | 5,096,480 | 4,998,912 | 2,612,889 | 855,547 | 14,980 | 0 | 0 |
| Total earned income credit (EIC): | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 27,776,521 | 13,913,752 | 9,518,457 | 4,344,312 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 60,931,712 | 25,803,441 | 29,727,850 | 5,400,421 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| EIC used to offset income tax before credits: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 1,429,504 | 101,264 | 511,888 | 816,351 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 460,585 | 3,810 | 197,227 | 259,548 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| EIC used to offset other taxes: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 5,519,451 | 3,671,412 | 1,358,496 | 489,543 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 4,946,755 | 2,631,672 | 1,869,046 | 446,036 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| EIC refundable portion: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 25,662,481 | 12,728,878 | 9,299,049 | 3,634,554 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 55,524,372 | 23,167,960 | 27,661,576 | 4,694,837 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total additional child tax credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 21,285,710 | 6,716,801 | 9,228,917 | 4,269,599 | 1,058,389 | 11,995 | ** 9 | ** |
| Amount | 28,113,542 | 6,554,237 | 13,570,518 | 6,531,645 | 1,443,161 | 13,972 | ** 9 | ** |
| Additional child tax credit used to offset other taxes: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 909,965 | 139,623 | 248,390 | 363,518 | 155,216 | 3,213 | ** 6 | ** |
| Amount | 918,366 | 122,667 | 227,335 | 401,118 | 164,964 | 2,280 | ** 2 | ** |
| Additional child tax credit refundable portion: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 20,733,949 | 6,618,114 | 9,098,490 | 4,059,533 | 948,444 | 9,364 | ** 5 | ** |
| Amount | 27,195,176 | 6,431,569 | 13,343,183 | 6,130,528 | 1,278,197 | 11,692 | ** 7 | ** |
| Total American opportunity credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 12,122,252 | 2,896,471 | 2,763,568 | 2,032,941 | 2,789,841 | 1,639,431 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 10,748,301 | 2,456,775 | 2,314,981 | 1,762,750 | 2,590,271 | 1,623,524 | 0 | 0 |
| American opportunity credit used to offset income tax before credits: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 5,432,589 | 7,519 | 553,949 | 927,735 | 2,311,996 | 1,631,390 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 4,323,011 | 1,084 | 188,034 | 605,901 | 1,923,072 | 1,604,920 | 0 | 0 |

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| Item | All returns | Size of adjusted gross income | | | | | | |
|--|------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| | | Under \$15,000 [1] | \$15,000 under \$30,000 | \$30,000 under \$50,000 | \$50,000 under \$100,000 | \$100,000 under \$200,000 | \$200,000 under \$250,000 | \$250,000 or more |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| American opportunity credit used to offset other taxes: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 650,484 | 210,645 | 143,828 | 157,505 | 130,822 | 7,684 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 346,260 | 100,832 | 62,689 | 83,949 | 92,055 | 6,735 | 0 | 0 |
| American opportunity credit refundable portion: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 7,281,054 | 2,861,189 | 2,503,215 | 1,262,088 | 638,737 | 15,826 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 6,079,030 | 2,354,859 | 2,064,258 | 1,072,901 | 575,143 | 11,869 | 0 | 0 |
| Total first-time homebuyer credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 335,581 | 22,527 | 40,099 | 63,780 | 132,430 | 68,200 | 8,546 | 0 |
| Amount | 2,294,470 | 126,374 | 272,040 | 437,022 | 935,236 | 470,491 | 53,308 | 0 |
| First-time homebuyer credit used to offset income tax before credits: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 267,215 | * 1,019 | 19,160 | 47,948 | 122,547 | 68,000 | 8,540 | 0 |
| Amount | 1,285,311 | * 380 | 22,218 | 121,869 | 629,602 | 457,973 | 53,268 | 0 |
| First-time homebuyer credit used to offset other taxes: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 30,836 | * 1,582 | * 6,727 | 9,290 | 13,036 | * 198 | * 3 | 0 |
| Amount | 40,033 | * 2,362 | * 9,355 | 6,043 | 21,000 | * 1,264 | * 10 | 0 |
| First-time homebuyer credit refundable portion: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 216,443 | 22,521 | 39,036 | 60,729 | 85,798 | 8,355 | * 5 | 0 |
| Amount | 969,127 | 123,632 | 240,466 | 309,111 | 284,634 | 11,254 | * 29 | 0 |
| Total adoption credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 96,949 | 11,477 | * 7,327 | 27,686 | 30,339 | 19,468 | * 599 | * 53 |
| Amount | 1,216,411 | 181,560 | * 158,305 | 272,725 | 388,034 | 213,652 | * 1,600 | * 535 |
| Adoption credit used to offset income tax before credits: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 46,698 | 0 | 0 | * 7,377 | 19,564 | 19,107 | * 599 | * 51 |
| Amount | 193,144 | 0 | 0 | * 8,053 | 64,304 | 118,669 | * 1,600 | * 517 |
| Adoption credit used to offset other taxes: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 15,884 | * 2,787 | 0 | * 4,374 | * 6,241 | * 2,482 | 0 | 0 |
| Amount | 34,536 | * 660 | 0 | * 15,426 | * 11,351 | * 7,099 | 0 | 0 |
| Adoption credit refundable portion: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 76,521 | 11,477 | * 7,326 | 22,298 | 26,890 | ** 8,530 | 0 | ** |
| Amount | 988,731 | 180,900 | * 158,305 | 249,246 | 312,379 | ** 87,903 | 0 | ** |
| Total refundable prior year minimum tax credit: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 240,863 | 19,050 | 3,732 | 5,195 | 9,366 | 44,217 | 32,550 | 126,754 |
| Amount | 765,882 | 82,358 | 4,093 | 5,395 | 23,932 | 147,901 | 54,868 | 447,334 |
| Refundable prior year minimum tax credit used to offset income tax before credits: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 201,041 | 437 | * 48 | * 17 | 1,785 | 40,313 | 32,213 | 126,227 |
| Amount | 508,072 | 4,430 | * 12 | * 64 | 1,029 | 74,692 | 52,473 | 375,372 |
| Refundable prior year minimum tax credit used to offset other taxes: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 7,722 | 3,291 | * 64 | 713 | 2,135 | 1,002 | 113 | 403 |
| Amount | 23,249 | 4,014 | * 110 | 485 | 2,866 | 6,031 | 156 | 9,586 |
| Refundable prior year minimum tax credit refundable portion: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 41,251 | 16,982 | 3,680 | 4,887 | 7,498 | 6,054 | 272 | 1,878 |
| Amount | 234,561 | 73,915 | 3,971 | 4,845 | 20,037 | 67,178 | 2,239 | 62,376 |

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| Item | All returns | Size of adjusted gross income | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| | | Under \$15,000 [1] | \$15,000 under \$30,000 | \$30,000 under \$50,000 | \$50,000 under \$100,000 | \$100,000 under \$200,000 | \$200,000 under \$250,000 | \$250,000 or more |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| Self-employment tax: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 17,475,401 | 5,515,684 | 2,944,943 | 2,282,387 | 3,495,493 | 2,111,172 | 331,386 | 794,337 |
| Amount | 45,022,813 | 6,060,884 | 5,252,358 | 5,031,449 | 9,227,983 | 8,885,508 | 2,222,361 | 8,342,270 |
| Total income tax: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 84,465,993 | 5,267,685 | 14,212,513 | 18,573,591 | 28,258,918 | 13,894,638 | 1,531,659 | 2,726,990 |
| Amount | 944,505,236 | 1,555,686 | 14,083,478 | 47,521,656 | 167,305,536 | 225,145,390 | 57,751,853 | 431,141,638 |
| Total tax liability: | | | | | | | | |
| Number of returns | 88,401,489 | 7,668,951 | 14,903,207 | 19,080,396 | 28,574,427 | 13,912,902 | 1,532,840 | 2,728,766 |
| Amount | 986,772,646 | 3,259,653 | 16,493,259 | 51,808,353 | 177,971,387 | 235,995,318 | 60,316,101 | 440,928,576 |

* Estimate should be used with caution because of the small number of returns on which it is based.

** Data combined to prevent disclosure of specific taxpayer information.

[1] Includes returns with adjusted gross deficit.

[2] Included in data for Forms 1040, 1040A, and 1040EZ.

[3] Not included in adjusted gross income.

[4] Includes capital gain distributions reported on Form 1040 and Schedule D.

[5] For Tax Year 2010, generally all unemployment compensation was taxable. For Tax Year 2009, taxpayers did not have to pay taxes on unemployment compensation up to \$2,400.

[6] Other adjustments does not include the foreign housing deduction or the medical savings account deduction.

[7] For Tax Year 2010 the increases in standard deduction were taken as:

Age and blindness: Number of returns - 12,833,550

Amount (in thousands of dollars) - 21,283,156

New motor vehicle taxes: Number of returns - 259,623

Amount (in thousands of dollars) - 330,828

Net disaster loss: Number of returns - 3,163

Amount (in thousands of dollars) - 14,272

[8] State and local income taxes is the total of both income taxes and general sales taxes.

[9] Includes Making work pay credit, EIC, American opportunity credit, first time homebuyer credit, adoption credit, and refundable prior year minimum tax credit used to offset income tax before credits, shown separately later in this table.

NOTE: Detail may not add to totals because of rounding.