2017 Instructions for Schedule A (Form 1040)

Itemized Deductions

Use Schedule A (Form 1040) to figure your itemized deductions. In most cases, your federal income tax will be less if you take the larger of your itemized deductions or your standard deduction.

If you itemize, you can deduct a part of your medical and dental expenses and unreimbursed employee business expenses, and amounts you paid for certain taxes, interest, contributions, and miscellaneous expenses. You can also deduct certain casualty and theft losses.

If you and your spouse paid expenses jointly and are filing separate returns for 2017, see Pub. 504 to figure the portion of joint expenses that you can claim as itemized deductions.

Don't include on Schedule A items deducted elsewhere, such as on Form 1040 or Schedule C, C-EZ, E, or F.

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future Developments. For the latest information about developments related to Schedule A (Form 1040) and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to IRS.gov/ScheduleA.

What's New

Disaster tax relief. Disaster tax relief was enacted for those impacted by certain Presidential declared disasters. The tax benefits provided by this relief include the following.

- An increased standard deduction based on your qualified disaster losses.
- Qualified charitable contributions that aren't subject to the overall limit on itemized deductions or the 50% AGI limit.
- Qualified disaster losses that aren't subject to the 10% of AGI limit.

To see if you were impacted by one of the Presidential declared disasters eligible for this relief or to get more information about disaster tax relief, see Pub. 976.

Expire deduction for mortgage insurance premiums. At the time these instructions went to print, the deduction for mortgage insurance premiums formerly claimed on line 13 had expired. You can't claim a deduction on line 13 for amounts paid or accrued after 2016. Line 13 is now shown as "Reserved for future use" in case Congress extends the deduction for 2017. To find out if legislation extended the deduction so you can claim it on your 2017 return, go to IRS.gov/Extenders.

Prepaid 2018 real estate and personal property taxes. If your 2018 state and local real estate or personal property taxes were assessed and paid in 2017, you may be able to include the prepaid amount on Line 6 or Line 7 of your 2017 Schedule A. See IR-2017-210 at IRS.gov/Newsroom/irs-advisory-prepaid-real-property-taxes-may-be-deductible-in-2017-if-assessed-and-paid-in-2017 for more information.

Medical expense deduction. The 7.5% adjusted gross income (AGI) threshold for deducting medical and dental expenses has been extended through 2018 for all taxpayers.

Limit on itemized deductions. You may not be able to deduct all of your itemized deductions if your adjusted gross income is more than $156,900 if married filing separately; $261,500 if single; $287,650 if head of household; or $313,800 if married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er). See Line 29, later.

Standard mileage rates. The standard mileage rate allowed for operating expenses for a car when you use it for medical reasons is reduced to 17 cents a mile. The business standard mileage rate is reduced to 53.5 cents a mile. The 2017 rate for use of your vehicle to do volunteer work for certain charitable organizations remains at 14 cents a mile.

Medical and Dental Expenses

You can deduct only the part of your medical and dental expenses that exceed 7.5% of the amount of your adjusted gross income on Form 1040, line 38.

If you received a distribution from a health savings account or a medical savings account in 2017, see Pub. 969 to figure your deduction.

Deceased taxpayer. Certain medical expenses paid out of a deceased taxpayer's estate can be claimed on the deceased taxpayer's final return. See Pub. 502 for details.

More information. Pub. 502 discusses the types of expenses you can and cannot deduct. It also explains when you can deduct capital expenses and special care expenses for disabled persons.
Examples of Medical and Dental Payments You Can Deduct

To the extent you weren't reimbursed, you can deduct what you paid for:

- Insurance premiums for medical and dental care, including premiums for qualified long-term care insurance contracts as defined in Pub. 502. But see *Limit on long-term care premiums you can deduct*, later. Reduce the insurance premiums by any self-employed health insurance deduction you claimed on Form 1040, line 29. You can't deduct insurance premiums paid with pretax dollars because the premiums aren't included in box 1 of your Form(s) W-2. If you are a retired public safety officer, you can't deduct any premiums you paid to the extent they were paid for with a tax-free distribution from your retirement plan.

! **CAUTION**

*If, during 2017, you were an eligible trade adjustment assistance (TAA) recipient, an alternative TAA (ATAA) recipient, reemployment TAA (RTAA) recipient, or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) payee, you must reduce your insurance premiums by any amounts used to figure the health coverage tax credit. See Line 1, later.*

- Prescription medicines or insulin.
- Acupuncturists, chiropractors, dentists, eye doctors, medical doctors, occupational therapists, osteopathic doctors, physical therapists, podiatrists, psychiatrists, psychoanalysts (medical care only), and psychologists.
- Medical examinations, X-ray and laboratory services, insulin treatment, and whirlpool baths your doctor ordered.
- Diagnostic tests, such as a full-body scan, pregnancy test, or blood sugar test kit.
- Nursing help (including your share of the employment taxes paid). If you paid someone to do both nursing and housework, you can deduct only the cost of the nursing help.
- Hospital care (including meals and lodging), clinic costs, and lab fees.
- Qualified long-term care services (see Pub. 502).
- The supplemental part of Medicare insurance (Medicare B).
- The premiums you pay for Medicare Part D insurance.
- A program to stop smoking and for prescription medicines to alleviate nicotine withdrawal.
- A weight-loss program as treatment for a specific disease (including obesity) diagnosed by a doctor.
- Medical treatment at a center for drug or alcohol addiction.
- Medical aids such as eyeglasses, contact lenses, hearing aids, braces, crutches, wheelchairs, and guide dogs, including the cost of maintaining them.
- Surgery to improve defective vision, such as laser eye surgery or radial keratotomy.
- Lodging expenses (but not meals) while away from home to receive medical care provided by a physician in a hospital or a medical care facility related to a hospital, provided there was no significant element of personal pleasure, recreation, or vacation in the travel. Don't deduct more than $50 a night for each person who meets the requirements in Pub. 502 under *Lodging*.
- Ambulance service and other travel costs to get medical care. If you used your own car, you can claim what you spent for gas and oil to go to and from the place you received the care; or you can claim 17 cents a mile. Add parking and tolls to the amount you claim under either method.
- Cost of breast pumps and supplies that assist lactation.

**Limit on long-term care premiums you can deduct.** The amount you can deduct for qualified long-term care insurance contracts (as defined in Pub. 502) depends on the age, at the end of 2017, of the person for whom the premiums were paid. See the following chart for details.

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Examples of Medical and Dental Payments You Can’t Deduct

- The cost of diet food.
- Cosmetic surgery unless it was necessary to improve a deformity related to a congenital abnormality, an injury from an accident or trauma, or a disfiguring disease.
- Life insurance or income protection policies.
- The Medicare tax on your wages and tips or the Medicare tax paid as part of the self-employment tax or household employment taxes.

**TIP**

If you were age 65 or older but not entitled to social security benefits, you can deduct premiums you voluntarily paid for Medicare Part D insurance.

- Nursing care for a healthy baby. But you may be able to take a credit for the amount you paid. See the Instructions for Form 2441.
- Illegal operations or drugs.
- Imported drugs not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). This includes foreign-made versions of U.S.-approved drugs manufactured without FDA approval.
- Nonprescription medicines, other than insulin (including nicotine gum and certain nicotine patches).
- Travel your doctor told you to take for rest or a change.
- Funeral, burial, or cremation costs.

**Line 1**

**Medical and Dental Expenses**

Enter the total of your medical and dental expenses, after you reduce these expenses by any payments received from insurance or other sources. See *Reimbursements*, later.

If advance payments of the premium tax credit were made, or you think you may be eligible to claim a premium tax credit, fill out Form 8962 before filling out Schedule A, line 1. See Pub. 502 for how to figure your medical and dental expenses deduction.

**TIP**

Don't forget to include insurance premiums you paid for medical and dental care. However, if you claimed the self-employed health insurance deduction on Form 1040, line 29, reduce the premiums by the amount on line 29.
If, during 2017, you were an eligible trade adjustment assistance (TAA) recipient, an alternative TAA (ATAA) recipient, reemployment TAA (RTAA) recipient, or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) payee, you must complete Form 8885 before completing Schedule A, line 1. When figuring the amount of insurance premiums you can deduct on Schedule A, don't include any of the following.

- Any amounts you included on Form 8885, line 4 or on Form 14095 (The Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC) Reimbursement Request Form).
- Any qualified health insurance coverage premiums you paid to "U.S. Treasury—HCTC" for eligible coverage months for which you received the benefit of the advance monthly payment program.
- Any advance monthly payments your health plan administrator received from the IRS, as shown on Form 1099-H (Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC) Advance Payments).

Whose medical and dental expenses can you include? You can include medical and dental bills you paid in 2017 for anyone who was one of the following either when the services were provided or when you paid for them.

- Yourself and your spouse.
- All dependents you claim on your return.
- Your child whom you don't claim as a dependent because of the rules for children of divorced or separated parents. See Child of divorced or separated parents in Pub. 502 for more information.
- Any person you could have claimed as a dependent on your return except that person received $4,050 or more of gross income or filed a joint return.
- Any person you could have claimed as a dependent except that you, or your spouse if filing jointly, can be claimed as a dependent on someone else's 2017 return.

Example. You provided over half of your mother's support but can't claim her as a dependent because she received wages of $4,050 in 2017. You can include on line 1 any medical and dental expenses you paid in 2017 for your mother.

Insurance premiums for certain nondependents. You may have a medical or dental insurance policy that also covers an individual who isn't your depend-ent (for example, a nondependent child under age 27). You can't deduct any premiums attributable to this individual, unless he or she is a person described under Whose medical and dental expenses can you include, earlier. However, if you had family coverage when you added this individual to your policy and your premiums didn't increase, you can enter on line 1 the full amount of your medical and dental insurance premiums. See Pub. 502 for more information.

Reimbursements. If your insurance company paid the provider directly for part of your expenses, and you paid only the amount that remained, include on line 1 only the amount you paid. If you received a reimbursement in 2017 for medical or dental expenses you paid in 2017, reduce your 2017 expenses by this amount. If you received a reimbursement in 2017 for prior year medical or dental expenses, don't reduce your 2017 expenses by this amount. However, if you deducted the expenses in the earlier year and the deduction reduced your tax, you must include the reimbursement in income on Form 1040, line 21. See Pub. 502 for details on how to figure the amount to include.

Cafeteria plans. You can't deduct amounts that have already been excluded from your income; so, don't include on line 1 insurance premiums paid by an employer-sponsored health insurance plan (cafeteria plan) unless the premiums are included in box 1 of your Form(s) W-2. Also, don't include any medical and dental expenses paid by the plan unless the amount paid is included in box 1 of your Form(s) W-2.

Taxes You Paid
Taxes You Can't Deduct

- Federal income and most excise taxes.
- Social security, Medicare, federal unemployment (FUTA), and railroad retirement (RRTA) taxes.
- Customs duties.
- Federal estate and gift taxes. However, see Line 28, later, if you had income in respect of a decedent.
- Certain state and local taxes, including tax on gasoline, car inspection fees, assessments for sidewalks or other improvements to your property, tax you paid for someone else, and license fees (for example, marriage, driver's, and pet).

Line 5
You can elect to deduct state and local general sales taxes instead of state and local income taxes. You can't deduct both.

State and Local Income Taxes
If you elect to deduct state and local income taxes, you must check box a on line 5. Include on this line the state and local income taxes listed next.

- State and local income taxes withheld from your salary during 2017. Your Form(s) W-2 will show these amounts. Forms W-2G, 1099-G, 1099-R, and 1099-MISC may also show state and local income taxes withheld.
- State and local income taxes paid in 2017 for a prior year, such as taxes paid with your 2016 state or local income tax return. Don't include penalties or interest.
- State and local estimated tax payments made during 2017, including any part of a prior year refund that you chose to have credited to your 2017 state or local income taxes.
- Mandatory contributions you made to the California, New Jersey, or New York Nonoccupational Disability Benefit Fund, Rhode Island Temporary Disability Benefit Fund, or Washington State Supplemental Workmen's Compensation Fund.
- Mandatory contributions to the Alaska, California, New Jersey, or Pennsylvania state unemployment fund.
- Mandatory contributions to state family leave programs, such as the New Jersey Family Leave Insurance (FLI) program and the California Paid Family Leave program.

Don't reduce your deduction by any:
- State or local income tax refund or credit you expect to receive for 2017, or
- Refund of, or credit for, prior year state and local income taxes you actually received in 2017. Instead, see the instructions for Form 1040, line 10.

State and Local General Sales Taxes
If you elect to deduct state and local general sales taxes, you must check box b on line 5. To figure your deduction,
you can use either your actual expenses or the optional sales tax tables.

Actual Expenses
Generally, you can deduct the actual state and local general sales taxes (including compensating use taxes) you paid in 2017 if the tax rate was the same as the general sales tax rate.

Food, clothing, and medical supplies. Sales taxes on food, clothing, and medical supplies are deductible as a general sales tax even if the tax rate was less than the general sales tax rate.

Motor vehicles. Sales taxes on motor vehicles are deductible as a general sales tax even if the tax rate was different than the general sales tax rate. However, if you paid sales tax on a motor vehicle at a rate higher than the general sales tax, you can deduct only the amount of the tax that you would have paid at the general sales tax rate on that vehicle. Include any state and local general sales taxes paid for a leased motor vehicle.

Motor vehicles include cars, motorcycles, motor homes, recreational vehicles, sport utility vehicles, trucks, vans, and off-road vehicles.

You must keep your actual receipts showing general sales taxes paid to use this method.

Trade or business items. Don't include sales taxes paid on items used in your trade or business. Instead, go to the instructions for the form you are using to report business income and expenses to see if you can deduct these taxes.

Refund of general sales taxes. If you received a refund of state or local general sales taxes in 2017 for amounts paid in 2017, reduce your actual 2017 state and local general sales taxes by this amount. If you received a refund of state or local general sales taxes in 2017 for prior year purchases, don't reduce your 2017 state and local general sales taxes by this amount. However, if you deducted your actual state and local general sales taxes in the earlier year and the deduction reduced your tax, you may have to include the refund in income on Form 1040, line 21. See Recoveries in Pub. 525 for details.

Optional Sales Tax Tables
Instead of using your actual expenses, you can use the 2017 Optional State Sales Tax Table and the 2017 Optional Local Sales Tax Tables at the end of these instructions to figure your state and local general sales tax deduction. You may also be able to add the state and local general sales taxes paid on certain specified items.

To figure your state and local general sales tax deduction using the tables, complete the State and Local General Sales Tax Deduction Worksheet or use the Sales Tax Deduction Calculator at IRS.gov/SalesTax.

If your filing status is married filing separately, both you and your spouse elect to deduct sales taxes, and your spouse elects to use the optional sales tax tables, you also must use the tables to figure your state and local general sales tax deduction.

Instructions for the State and Local General Sales Tax Deduction Worksheet

Line 1. If you lived in the same state for all of 2017, enter the applicable amount, based on your 2017 income and exemptions, from the 2017 Optional State Sales Tax Table for your state. Read down the “At least–But less than” columns for your state and find the line that includes your 2017 income. If married filing separately, don’t include your spouse’s income.

Note. The exemptions column refers to the number of exemptions claimed on Form 1040, line 6d.

Income. Your 2017 income is the amount shown on your Form 1040, line 38, plus any nontaxable items, such as the following.

- Tax-exempt interest.
- Veterans’ benefits.
- Nontaxable combat pay.
- Workers’ compensation.
- Nontaxable part of social security and railroad retirement benefits.
- Nontaxable part of IRA, pension, or annuity distributions. Don’t include rollovers.
- Public assistance payments.

What if you lived in more than one state? If you lived in more than one state during 2017, use the following steps to figure the amount to put on line 1 of the worksheet.

1. Look up the table amount for each state using the rules stated earlier. (If there is no table for a state, the table amount for that state is considered to be zero.)
2. Multiply the table amount of each state by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days you lived in the state during 2017 and the denominator of which is the total number of days in the year (365).
3. If you also lived in a locality during 2017 that imposed a local general sales tax, complete a separate worksheet for each state you lived in using the prorated amount from step (2) for that state on line 1 of its worksheet. Otherwise, combine the prorated table amounts from step (2) and enter the total on line 1 of a single worksheet.

Example. You lived in State A from January 1 through August 31, 2017 (243 days), and in State B from September 1 through December 31, 2017 (122 days). The table amount for State A is $500. The table amount for State B is $400. You would figure your state general sales tax as follows.

State A: $500 x 243/365 = $333
State B: $400 x 122/365 = 134
Total = $467

If none of the localities in which you lived during 2017 imposed a local general sales tax, enter $467 on line 1 of your worksheet. Otherwise, complete a separate worksheet for State A and State B. Enter $333 on line 1 of the State A worksheet and $134 on line 1 of the State B worksheet.

Line 2. If you checked the “No” box, enter -0- on line 2, and go to line 3. If you checked the “Yes” box and lived in the same locality for all of 2017, enter the applicable amount, based on your 2017 income and exemptions, from the 2017 Optional Local Sales Tax Tables for your locality. Read down the “At least–But less than” columns for your locality and find the line that includes your 2017 income. See the instructions for line 1 of the worksheet to figure your 2017 income. The exemptions column refers to the number of exemptions claimed on Form 1040, line 6d.

What if you lived in more than one locality? If you lived in more than one
### State and Local General Sales Tax Deduction Worksheet—Line 5b

**Before you begin:** See the instructions for line 1 of the worksheet if you:
- Lived in more than one state during 2017, or
- Had any **nontaxable** income in 2017.

1. Enter your **state** general sales taxes from the 2017 Optional State Sales Tax Table

   **Next.** If, for all of 2017, you lived only in Connecticut, the District of Columbia, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, or Rhode Island, skip lines 2 through 5, enter -0- on line 6, and go to line 7. Otherwise, go to line 2.

2. Did you live in Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, or Virginia in 2017?
   - **No.** Enter -0-.
   - **Yes.** Enter your base **local** general sales taxes from the 2017 Optional Local Sales Tax Tables.

3. Did your locality impose a **local** general sales tax in 2017? Residents of California and Nevada, see the instructions for line 3 of the worksheet.
   - **No.** Skip lines 3 through 5, enter -0- on line 6, and go to line 7.
   - **Yes.** Enter your **local** general sales tax rate, but omit the percentage sign. For example, if your local general sales tax rate was 2.5%, enter 2.5. If your local general sales tax rate changed or you lived in more than one locality in the same state during 2017, see the instructions for line 3 of the worksheet.

4. Did you enter -0- on line 2?
   - **No.** Skip lines 4 and 5 and go to line 6.
   - **Yes.** Enter your **state** general sales tax rate (shown in the table heading for your state), but omit the percentage sign. For example, if your state general sales tax rate is 6%, enter 6.0

5. Divide line 3 by line 4. Enter the result as a decimal (rounded to at least three places)

6. Did you enter -0- on line 2?
   - **No.** Multiply line 2 by line 3.
   - **Yes.** Multiply line 1 by line 5. If you lived in more than one locality in the same state during 2017, see the instructions for line 6 of the worksheet.

7. Enter your state and local general sales taxes paid on specified items, if any. See the instructions for line 7 of the worksheet

8. **Deduction for general sales taxes.** Add lines 1, 6, and 7. Enter the result here and the total from all your state and local general sales tax deduction worksheets, if you completed more than one, on Schedule A, line 5. Be sure to check **box b** on that line.
locality during 2017, look up the table amount for each locality using the rules stated earlier. If there is no table for your locality, the table amount is considered to be zero. Multiply the table amount for each locality you lived in by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the number of days you lived in the locality during 2017 and the denominator is the total number of days in the year (365). If you lived in more than one locality in the same state and the local general sales tax rate was the same for each locality, enter the total of the prorated table amounts for each locality in that state on line 2. Otherwise, complete a separate worksheet for lines 2 through 6 for each locality and enter each prorated table amount on line 2 of the applicable worksheet.

**Example.** You lived in Locality 1 from January 1 through August 31, 2017 (243 days), and in Locality 2 from September 1 through December 31, 2017 (122 days). The table amount for Locality 1 is $100. The table amount for Locality 2 is $150. You would figure the amount to enter on line 2 as follows. Note that this amount may not equal your local sales tax deduction, which is figured on line 6 of the worksheet.

| Locality 1 | $100 x 243/365 = | $67 |
| Locality 2 | $150 x 122/365 = | 50 |
| Total | = | $117 |

**Line 3.** If you lived in California, check the “No” box if your combined state and local general sales tax rate is 7.2500%. Otherwise, check the “Yes” box and include on line 3 only the part of the combined rate that is more than 7.2500%.

If you lived in Nevada, check the “No” box if your combined state and local general sales tax rate is 6.8500%. Otherwise, check the “Yes” box and include on line 3 only the part of the combined rate that is more than 6.8500%.

**What if your local general sales tax rate changed during 2017?** If you checked the “Yes” box and your local general sales tax rate changed during 2017, figure the rate to enter on line 3 as follows. Multiply each tax rate for the period it was in effect by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the number of days the rate was in effect during 2017 and the denominator is the total number of days in the year (365). Enter the total of the prorated tax rates on line 3.

**Example.** Locality 1 imposed a 1% local general sales tax from January 1 through September 30, 2017 (273 days). The rate increased to 1.75% for the period from October 1 through December 31, 2017 (92 days). You would enter “1.189” on line 3, figured as follows.

| January 1 – September 30: | 1.00 x 273/365 = | 0.748 |
| October 1 – December 31: | 1.75 x 92/365 = | 0.441 |
| **Total** | = | **1.189** |

**What if you lived in more than one locality in the same state during 2017?** Complete a separate worksheet for lines 2 through 6 for each locality in your state if you lived in more than one locality in the same state during 2017 and each locality didn’t have the same local general sales tax rate.

To figure the amount to enter on line 3 of the worksheet for each locality in which you lived (except a locality for which you used the 2017 Optional Local Sales Tax Tables to figure your local general sales tax deduction), multiply the local general sales tax rate by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the number of days you lived in the locality during 2017 and the denominator is the total number of days in the year (365).

**Example.** You lived in Locality 1 from January 1 through August 31, 2017 (243 days), and in Locality 2 from September 1 through December 31, 2017 (122 days). The local general sales tax rate for Locality 1 is 1%. The rate for Locality 2 is 1.75%. You would enter “0.666” on line 3 for the Locality 1 worksheet and “0.585” for the Locality 2 worksheet, figured as follows.

| Locality 1: | 1.00 x 243/365 = | 0.666 |
| Locality 2: | 1.75 x 122/365 = | 0.585 |

**Line 6.** If you lived in more than one locality in the same state during 2017, you should have completed line 1 only on the first worksheet for that state and separate worksheets for lines 2 through 6 for any other locality within that state in which you lived during 2017. If you checked the “Yes” box on line 6 of any of those worksheets, multiply line 5 of that worksheet by the amount that you entered on line 1 for that state on the first worksheet.

**Line 7.** Enter on line 7 any state and local general sales taxes paid on the following specified items. If you are completing more than one worksheet, include the total for line 7 on only one of the worksheets.

1. A motor vehicle (including a car, motorcycle, motor home, recreational vehicle, sport utility vehicle, truck, van, and off-road vehicle). Also include any state and local general sales taxes paid for a leased motor vehicle. If the state sales tax rate on these items is higher than the general sales tax rate, only include the amount of tax you would have paid at the general sales tax rate.

2. An aircraft or boat, but only if the tax rate was the same as the general sales tax rate.

3. A home (including a mobile home or prefabricated home) or substantial addition to or major renovation of a home, but only if the tax rate was the same as the general sales tax rate and any of the following applies.
   a. Your state or locality imposes a general sales tax directly on the sale of a home or on the cost of a substantial addition or major renovation.
   b. You purchased the materials to build a home or substantial addition or to perform a major renovation and paid the sales tax directly.
   c. Under your state law, your contractor is considered your agent in the construction of the home or substantial addition or the performance of a major renovation. The contract must state that the contractor is authorized to act in your name and must follow your directions on construction decisions. In this case, you will be considered to have purchased any items subject to a sales tax and to have paid the sales tax directly.

Don’t include sales taxes paid on items used in your trade or business. If you received a refund of state or local general sales taxes in 2017, see [Refund of general sales taxes](#), earlier.
Line 6
Real Estate Taxes

If you are a homeowner who received assistance under a State Housing Finance Agency Hardest Hit Fund program or an Emergency Homeowners’ Loan program, see Pub. 530 for the amount you can deduct on line 6.

Include taxes (state, local, or foreign) you paid on real estate you own that wasn’t used for business, but only if the taxes are assessed uniformly at a like rate on all real property throughout the community, and the proceeds are used for general community or governmental purposes. Pub. 530 explains the deductions homeowners can take.

Don’t include the following amounts on line 6.
- Itemized charges for services to specific property or persons (for example, a $20 monthly charge per house for trash collection, a $5 charge for every 1,000 gallons of water consumed, or a flat charge for mowing a lawn that had grown higher than permitted under a local ordinance).
- Charges for improvements that tend to increase the value of your property (for example, an assessment to build a new sidewalk). The cost of a property improvement is added to the basis of the property. However, a charge is deductible if it is used only to maintain an existing public facility in service (for example, a charge to repair an existing sidewalk, and any interest included in that charge).

If your mortgage payments include your real estate taxes, you can deduct only the amount the mortgage company actually paid to the taxing authority in 2017.

If you sold your home in 2017, any real estate tax charged to the buyer should be shown on your settlement statement and in box 6 of any Form 1099-S you received. This amount is considered a refund of real estate taxes. See Refunds and rebates later. Any real estate taxes you paid at closing should be shown on your settlement statement.

You must look at your real estate tax bill to decide if any nondeductible itemized charges, such as those listed earlier, are included in the bill. If your taxing authority (or lender) doesn’t furnish you a copy of your real estate tax bill, ask for it.

Prepayment of next year’s property taxes. Only taxes assessed and paid in 2017 can be deducted for 2017. State or local law determines whether and when a property tax is assessed, which is generally when the taxpayer becomes liable for the property tax imposed.

Refunds and rebates. If you received a refund or rebate in 2017 of real estate taxes you paid in 2017, reduce your deduction by the amount of the refund or rebate. If you received a refund or rebate in 2017 of real estate taxes you paid in an earlier year, don't reduce your deduction by this amount. Instead, you must include the refund or rebate in income on Form 1040, line 21, if you deducted the real estate taxes in the earlier year and the deduction reduced your tax. See Recoveries in Pub. 525 for details on how to figure the amount to include in income.

Line 7
Personal Property Taxes

Enter the state and local personal property taxes you paid, but only if the taxes were based on value alone and were imposed on a yearly basis.

Example. You paid a yearly fee for the registration of your car. Part of the fee was based on the car’s value and part was based on its weight. You can deduct only the part of the fee that was based on the car’s value.

Prepayment of next year’s property taxes. Only taxes assessed and paid in 2017 can be deducted for 2017. State or local law determines whether and when a property tax is assessed, which is generally when the taxpayer becomes liable for the property tax imposed.

Line 8
Other Taxes

If you had any deductible tax not listed on line 5, 6, or 7, list the type and amount of tax. Enter only one total on line 8. Include on this line income tax you paid to a foreign country or U.S. possession.

You may want to take a credit for the foreign tax instead of a deduction. See the instructions for Form 1040, line 48, for details.

Interest You Paid

The rules for deducting interest vary, depending on whether the loan proceeds are used for business, personal, or investment activities. See Pub. 535 for more information about deducting business interest expenses. See Pub. 550 for more information about deducting investment interest expenses. You can’t deduct personal interest. However, you can deduct qualified home mortgage interest (on your Schedule A) and interest on certain student loans (on line 33 of your Form 1040), as explained in Pub. 936 and Pub. 970.

If you use the proceeds of a loan for more than one purpose (for example, personal and business), you must allocate the interest on the loan to each use. However, you don’t have to allocate home mortgage interest if it is fully deductible, regardless of how the funds are used.

You allocate interest (other than fully deductible home mortgage interest) on a loan in the same way as the loan is allocated. You do this by tracing disbursements of the debt proceeds to specific uses. For more information on allocating interest, see Pub. 535.

In general, if you paid interest in 2017 that applies to any period after 2017, you can deduct only amounts that apply for 2017.

Use Schedule A to deduct qualified home mortgage interest and investment interest.

Lines 10 and 11
Home Mortgage Interest

If you are a homeowner who received assistance under a State Housing Finance Agency Hardest Hit Fund program or an Emergency Homeowners’ Loan program, see Pub. 530 for the amount you can deduct on line 10 or 11.
A home mortgage is any loan that is secured by your main home or second home. It includes first and second mortgages, home equity loans, and refinanced mortgages.

A home can be a house, condominium, cooperative, mobile home, boat, or similar property. It must provide basic living accommodations including sleeping space, toilet, and cooking facilities.

**Limit on home mortgage interest.** If you took out any mortgages after October 13, 1987, your deduction may be limited. Any additional amounts borrowed after October 13, 1987, on a line-of-credit mortgage you had on that date are treated as a mortgage taken out after October 13, 1987. If you refinanced a mortgage you had on October 13, 1987, treat the new mortgage as taken out on or before October 13, 1987. However, if you refinanced for more than the balance of the old mortgage, treat the excess as a mortgage taken out after October 13, 1987.

See Pub. 936 to figure your deduction if either (1) or (2) next applies. If you had more than one home at the same time, the dollar amounts in (1) and (2) apply to the total mortgages on both homes.

1. You, or your spouse if filing jointly, took out any mortgages after October 13, 1987, and used the proceeds for purposes other than to buy, build, or improve your home, and all of these mortgages totaled over $100,000 at any time during 2017. The limit is $50,000 if married filing separately. An example of this type of mortgage is a home equity loan used to pay off credit card bills, buy a car, or pay tuition.

2. You, or your spouse if filing jointly, took out any mortgages after October 13, 1987, and used the proceeds to buy, build, or improve your home, and these mortgages plus any mortgages you took out on or before October 13, 1987, totaled over $1 million at any time during 2017. The limit is $500,000 if married filing separately.

**Home mortgage interest limited.** If your home mortgage interest deduction is limited, only enter on line 10 the deductible mortgage interest and points that were reported to you on Form 1098. See Limit on home mortgage interest, earlier, for more information about when your deduction is limited.

**Refund of overpaid interest.** If your Form 1098 shows any refund of overpaid interest, don't reduce your deduction by the refund. Instead, see the instructions for Form 1040, line 21.

**Interest reported on someone else's Form 1098.** If you and at least one other person (other than your spouse if filing jointly) were liable for and paid interest on the mortgage, and the interest was reported on the other person's Form 1098, report your share of the interest on line 11 (as explained in Line 11, later).

**Form 1098 doesn't show all interest paid.** If you paid more interest to the recipient than is shown on Form 1098, show the larger deductible amount on line 10 and explain the difference. If you are filing a paper return, explain the difference by attaching a statement to your paper return and printing “See attached” to the right of line 10.

If you are claiming the mortgage interest credit (for holders of qualified mortgage credit certificates issued by state or local governmental units or agencies), subtract the amount shown on Form 8396, line 3, from the total deductible interest you paid on your home mortgage. Enter the result on line 10.

**Line 11**

If you paid home mortgage interest to a recipient who didn’t provide you a Form 1098, report your deductible mortgage interest on line 11.

**Seller financed mortgage.** If you paid home mortgage interest to the person from whom you bought the home and that person did not provide you a Form 1098, write that person’s name, identifying number, and address on the dotted lines next to line 11. If the recipient of your home mortgage payment(s) is an individual, the identifying number is his or her social security number (SSN). Otherwise, it is the employer identification number (EIN). You must also let the recipient know your SSN.

**Line 12**

Points Not Reported on Form 1098

Points are shown on your settlement statement. Points you paid only to borrow money are generally deductible over the life of the loan. See Pub. 936 to figure the amount you can deduct. Points paid for other purposes, such as for a lender’s services, aren’t deductible.

**Refinancing.** Generally, you must deduct points you paid to refinance a mortgage over the life of the loan. This is true even if the new mortgage is secured by your main home.

If you used part of the proceeds to improve your main home, you may be able to deduct the part of the points related to the improvement in the year paid. See Pub. 936 for details.

If you paid off a mortgage early, deduct any remaining points in the year you paid off the mortgage. However, if you refinanced your mortgage with the same lender, see Mortgage ending early in Pub. 936 for an exception.

**Line 13**

At the time these instructions went to print, the deduction for mortgage insurance premiums formerly claimed on line 13 had expired. You can’t claim a deduction on line 13 for amounts paid or accrued after 2016. Line 13 is now shown as “Reserved for future use” in case Congress extends the deduction for 2017. To find out if legis-
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For details.

...organization is eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions. See Pub 78 for more examples.

- Churches, mosques, synagogues, temples, and other religious organizations.
- Boy Scouts, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, CARE, Girl Scouts, Goodwill Industries, Red Cross, Salvation Army, and United Way.
- Fraternal orders, if the gifts will be used for the purposes listed under Gifts to Charity, earlier.
- Veterans’ and certain cultural groups.
- Nonprofit hospitals and medical research organizations.
- Most nonprofit educational organizations, such as colleges, but only if your contribution isn't a substitute for tuition or other enrollment fees.
- Federal, state, and local governments if the gifts are solely for public purposes.

**Amounts You Can Deduct**

Contributions can be in cash, property, or out-of-pocket expenses you paid to do volunteer work for the kinds of organizations described earlier. If you drove to and from the volunteer work, you can take the actual cost of gas and oil or 14 cents a mile. Add parking and tolls to the amount you claim under either method. But don't deduct any amounts that were repaid to you.

**Gifts from which you benefit.** If you made a gift and received a benefit in return, such as food, entertainment, or merchandise, you can generally only deduct the amount that is more than the value of the benefit. But this rule doesn't apply to certain membership benefits provided in return for an annual payment of $75 or less or to certain items or benefits of token value. For details, see Pub. 526.

**Example.** You paid $70 to a charitable organization to attend a fund-raising dinner and the value of the dinner was $40. You can deduct only $30.

**Gifts of $250 or more.** You can deduct a gift of $250 or more only if you have a statement from the charitable organization showing the information in (1) and (2) next.
these expenses on line 28. See Line 28, later, for more information on gambling losses.

- Value of your time or services.
- Value of blood given to a blood bank.
- The transfer of a future interest in tangible personal property. Generally, no deduction is allowed until the entire interest has been transferred.
- Gifts to individuals and groups that are operated for personal profit.
- Gifts to foreign organizations. However, you may be able to deduct gifts to certain U.S. organizations that transfer funds to foreign charities and certain Canadian, Israeli, and Mexican charities. See Pub. 526 for details.
- Gifts to organizations engaged in certain political activities that are of direct financial interest to your trade or business. See section 170(f)(9).
- Gifts to groups whose purpose is to lobby for changes in the laws.
- Gifts to civic leagues, social and sports clubs, labor unions, and chambers of commerce.
- Value of benefits received in connection with a contribution to a charitable organization. See Pub. 526 for exceptions.
- Cost of tuition. However, you may be able to deduct this as a job education expense on line 21 or take an education credit (see Form 8863).

### Line 16

**Gifts by Cash or Check**

Enter on line 16 the total value of gifts you made in cash or by check (including out-of-pocket expenses).

**Recordkeeping.** For any contribution made in cash, regardless of the amount, you must maintain as a record of the contribution a bank record (such as a canceled check or credit card statement) or a written record from the charity. The written record must include the name of the charity, date, and amount of the contribution. If you made contributions through payroll deduction, see Pub. 526 for information on the records you must keep. Don't attach the record to your tax return. Instead, keep it with your other tax records.

**Qualified Contributions**

In general, you can elect to treat gifts by cash or check as qualified contributions if:

- The gift was paid after August 22, 2017, to certain qualified charitable organizations,
- The gift was made for relief efforts in the disaster area of a Presidentially declared disaster eligible for this tax relief, and
- You obtained, from the qualified charitable organization, a written statement that the contribution was used (or is to be used) for relief efforts in those areas.

For details, including the types of charitable organizations that qualify and the descriptions of the disaster areas eligible for this tax relief, see Pub. 976.

Qualified contributions are not subject to the adjusted gross income limitation or the overall limitation on itemized deductions; however, certain limits may apply if your qualified contributions are more than the amount on Form 1040, line 38, minus all other allowable contributions. For details, see Pub. 526.

Include any contributions that you elect to treat as qualified contributions in the total amount reported on line 16. Indicate the election by also entering the amount of your qualified contributions on the dotted line next to the line 16 entry space.

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### Line 17

**Other Than by Cash or Check**

Enter on line 17 the total value of your contributions of property other than by cash or check. If you gave used items, such as clothing or furniture, deduct their fair market value at the time you gave them. Fair market value is what a willing buyer would pay a willing seller when neither has to buy or sell and both are aware of the conditions of the sale. For more details on determining the value of donated property, see Pub. 561.

**Deduction more than $500.** If the amount of your deduction is more than $500, you must complete and attach Form 8283. For this purpose, the “amount of your deduction” means your deduction before applying any income limits that could result in a carryover of contributions.

**Contribution of motor vehicle, boat, or airplane.** If you deduct more than $500 for a contribution of a motor vehicle, boat, or airplane, you must also attach a statement from the charitable organization to your paper return. The organization may use Form 1098-C to provide the required information. If your total deduction is over $5,000 ($500 for certain contributions of clothing and household items (discussed next)), you may also have to get appraisals of the values of the donated property. See Form 8283 and its instructions for details.

**Contributions of clothing and household items.** A deduction for these contributions will be allowed only if the items are in good used condition or better. However, this rule doesn't apply to a contribution of any single item for which a deduction of more than $500 is claimed and for which you include a qualified appraisal and Form 8283 with your tax return.

**Recordkeeping.** If you gave property, you should keep a receipt or written statement from the organization you gave the property to, or a reliable written record, that shows the organization’s name and address, the date and location of the gift, and a description of the property. For each gift of property, you should also keep reliable written records that include:

- How you figured the property's value at the time you gave it. If the value was determined by an appraisal, keep a signed copy of the appraisal.
- The cost or other basis of the property if you must reduce it by any ordinary income or capital gain that would have resulted if the property had been sold at its fair market value.
- How you figured your deduction if you chose to reduce your deduction for gifts of capital gain property.
- Any conditions attached to the gift.

**CAUTION**

If your total deduction for gifts of property is over $500, you gave less than your entire interest in the property, or you made a qualified conservation contribution, your records should contain additional information. See Pub. 526 for details.

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### Line 18

**Carryover From Prior Year**

You may have contributions that you couldn't deduct in an earlier year because they exceeded the limits on the amount you could deduct. In most cases, you have 5 years to use contributions
that were limited in an earlier year. The same limits apply this year to your carryover amounts as applied to those amounts in the earlier year. After applying those limits, enter the amount of your carryover that you are allowed to deduct this year. See Pub. 526 for details.

Casualty and Theft Losses

Line 20
Complete and attach Form 4684 to figure the amount of your loss. Only enter the amount from Form 4684, line 18, on line 20.

Don't enter a net qualified disaster loss from Form 4684, line 15, on line 20. Instead, enter that amount, if any, on line 28. See Line 28, later, for information about reporting a net qualified disaster loss.

You may be able to deduct part or all of each loss caused by theft, vandalism, fire, storm, or similar causes; car, boat, and other accidents; and corrosive drywall. You may also be able to deduct money you had in a financial institution but lost because of the insolvency or bankruptcy of the institution.

You can deduct personal casualty or theft losses only to the extent that:

1. The amount of each separate casualty or theft loss is more than $100, and
2. The total amount of all losses during the year (reduced by the $100 limit discussed in (1)) is more than 10% of the amount on Form 1040, line 38.

Corrosive drywall losses. If you paid for repairs to your personal residence or household appliances because of corrosive drywall, you may be able to deduct on line 20 those amounts paid. See Pub. 547 for details.

Use Schedule A, line 23, to deduct the costs of proving that you had a property loss. Examples of these costs are appraisal fees and photographs used to establish the amount of your loss.

Job Expenses and Certain Miscellaneous Deductions

You can deduct only the part of these expenses that exceeds 2% of the amount on Form 1040, line 38.

Pub. 529 discusses the types of expenses that can and cannot be deducted.

Examples of Expenses You Can't Deduct

- Political contributions.
- Legal expenses for personal matters that don't produce taxable income.
- Lost or misplaced cash or property.
- Expenses for meals during regular or extra work hours.
- The cost of entertaining friends.
- Commuting expenses. See Pub. 529 for the definition of commuting.
- Travel expenses for employment away from home if that period of employment exceeds 1 year. See Pub. 529 for an exception for certain federal employees.
- Travel as a form of education.
- Expenses of attending a seminar, convention, or similar meeting unless it is related to your employment.
- Club dues.
- Expenses of adopting a child. But you may be able to take a credit for adoption expenses. See Form 8839 and its instructions for details.
- Fines and penalties.
- Expenses of producing tax-exempt income.

Line 21
Unreimbursed Employee Expenses

Enter the total ordinary and necessary job expenses you paid for which you weren't reimbursed. (Amounts your employer included in box 1 of your Form W-2 aren't considered reimbursements.)

An ordinary expense is one that is common and accepted in your field of trade, business, or profession. A necessary expense is one that is helpful and appropriate for your business. An expense doesn't have to be required to be considered necessary.

You must fill in and attach Form 2106 if either (1) or (2), next, applies.

1. You claim any travel, transportation, meal, or entertainment expenses for your job.
2. Your employer reimbursed you for any of your job expenses that you would otherwise report on line 21.

If you used your own vehicle, are using the standard mileage rate, and (2), earlier, doesn't apply, you may be able to file Form 2106-EZ instead.

Examples of other expenses to include on line 21 are:

- Safety equipment, small tools, and supplies needed for your job.
- Uniforms required by your employer that aren't suitable for ordinary wear.
- Protective clothing required in your work, such as hard hats, safety shoes, and glasses.
- Physical examinations required by your employer.
- Dues to professional organizations and chambers of commerce.
- Subscriptions to professional journals.
- Fees to employment agencies and other costs to look for a new job in your present occupation, even if you don't get a new job.
- Certain business use of part of your home. For details, including limits that apply, use TaxTopic 509 (see the Instructions for Form 1040) or see Pub. 587.
- Certain educational expenses. For details, use TaxTopic 513 (see the Instructions for Form 1040) or see Pub. 970.
CAUTION
You may be able to take a credit for your educational expenses instead of a deduction. See Form 8863 for details.

Line 22
Tax Preparation Fees
Enter the fees you paid for preparation of your tax return, including fees paid for filing your return electronically. If you paid your tax by credit or debit card, include the convenience fee you were charged on line 23 instead of this line.

Line 23
Other Expenses
Enter the total amount you paid to produce or collect taxable income and manage or protect property held for earning income.

Don’t include any personal, living, or family expenses on line 23.

List the type and amount of each expense next to line 23 and enter the total of these expenses on line 23. If you are filing a paper return and you can't fit all your expenses on the dotted lines next to line 23, attach a statement instead showing the type and amount of each expense.

Examples of expenses to include on line 23 are:
- Certain legal and accounting fees.
- Clerical help and office rent.
- Custodial (for example, trust account) fees.
- Your share of the investment expenses of a regulated investment company.
- Certain losses on nonfederally insured deposits in an insolvent or bankrupt financial institution. For details, including limits that apply, see Pub. 529.
- Casualty and theft losses of property used in performing services as an employee from Form 4684, lines 32 and 38b, or Form 4797, line 18a.
- Deduction for repayment of amounts under a claim of right if $3,000 or less.
- Convenience fee charged by the card processor for paying your income tax (including estimated tax payments) by credit or debit card. The deduction is claimed for the year in which the fee was charged to your card.

Other Miscellaneous Deductions

Line 28
Increased Standard Deduction Reporting
If you have a net qualified disaster loss on Form 4684, line 15, and you are not itemizing your deductions, you can claim an increased standard deduction using Schedule A by doing the following.

1. List the amount from Form 4684, line 15, on the dotted line next to line 28 as "Net Qualified Disaster Loss," and attach Form 4684.
2. List your standard deduction amount on the dotted line next to line 28 as "Standard Deduction Claimed With Qualified Disaster Loss."
3. Combine the two amounts on line 28 and enter on Form 1040, line 40.

Do not enter an amount on any other line of Schedule A. For more information on how to determine your increased standard deduction, see Pub. 976.

Net Qualified Disaster Loss Reporting
If you have a net qualified disaster loss on Form 4684, line 15, and you are itemizing your deductions, list the amount from Form 4684, line 15, on the dotted line next to line 28 as "Net Qualified Disaster Loss" and include with your other miscellaneous deductions on line 28. Also be sure to attach Form 4684.

Don’t include your net qualified disaster loss on line 20.

Other Misc. Deductions
List the type and amount of each expense from the following list next to line 28 and enter the total of these expenses on line 28. If you are filing a paper return and you can't fit all your expenses on the dotted lines next to line 28, attach a statement instead showing the type and amount of each expense.

Gambling losses (gambling losses include, but aren't limited to, the cost of non-winning bingo, lottery, and raffle tickets), but only to the extent of gambling winnings reported on Form 1040, line 21.
- Casualty and theft losses of income-producing property from Form 4684, lines 32 and 38b, or Form 4797, line 18a.
- Loss from other activities from Schedule K-1 (Form 1065-B), box 2.
- Federal estate tax on income in respect of a decedent.
- A deduction for amortizable bond premium (for example, a deduction allowed for a bond premium carryforward or a deduction for amortizable bond premium on bonds acquired before October 23, 1986).
- An ordinary loss attributable to a contingent payment debt instrument or an inflation-indexed debt instrument (for example, a Treasury Inflation-Protected Security).
- Deduction for repayment of amounts under a claim of right if over $3,000. See Pub. 525 for details.
- Certain unrecovered investment in a pension.
- Impairment-related work expenses of a disabled person.

Total Itemized Deductions

Line 29
Use the Itemized Deductions Worksheet, to figure the amount to enter on line 29 if the amount on Form 1040, line 38, is over $313,800 if married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er); $287,650 if head of household; $261,500 if single; or $156,900 if married filing separately.
**Itemized Deductions Worksheet—Line 29**  
Keep for Your Records  

1. Enter the total of the amounts from Schedule A, lines 4, 9, 15, 19, 20, 27, and 28 ............................... 1. 
2. Enter the total of the amount from Schedule A, lines 4, 14, and 20, plus any gambling and casualty or theft losses included on line 28 and any qualified contributions included on line 16 ............................... 2.  

Be sure your total gambling and casualty or theft losses are clearly identified on the dotted lines next to line 28. Also, be sure the amount of any qualified contributions included on line 16 are identified on the dotted line next to line 16.  

3. Is the amount on line 2 less than the amount on line 1?  
   - **No.** Your deduction isn't limited. Enter the amount from line 1 of this worksheet on Schedule A, line 29. **Don't** complete the rest of this worksheet.  
   - **Yes.** Subtract line 2 from line 1 ............................... 3. 
4. Multiply line 3 by 80% (0.80) ............................... 4. 
5. Enter the amount from Form 1040, line 38 ............................... 5. 
6. Enter $313,800 if married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er); $287,650 if head of household; $261,500 if single; or $156,900 if married filing separately ............................... 6. 
7. Is the amount on line 6 less than the amount on line 5?  
   - **No.** Your deduction isn't limited. Enter the amount from line 1 of this worksheet on Schedule A, line 29. **Don't** complete the rest of this worksheet.  
   - **Yes.** Subtract line 6 from line 5 ............................... 7. 
8. Multiply line 7 by 3% (0.03) ............................... 8. 
9. Enter the smaller of line 4 or line 8 ............................... 9. 
10. **Total itemized deductions.** Subtract line 9 from line 1. Enter the result here and on Schedule A, line 29 ............................... 10. 

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**Line 30**  
If you elect to itemize for state tax or other purposes even though your itemized deductions are less than your standard deduction, check the box on line 30.
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Note: Residents of Alaska do not have a state sales tax, but should follow the instructions on the next page to determine their local sales tax amount.

1 Use the Ratio Method to determine your local sales tax deduction, then add that to the appropriate amount in the state table. Your state sales tax rate is provided next to the state name.
2 Follow the instructions on the next page to determine your local sales tax deduction, then add that to the appropriate amount in the state table.
3 The California table includes the 1.25% uniform local sales tax rate in addition to the 6.00% state sales tax rate for a total of 7.25%. Some California localities impose a larger local sales tax. Taxpayers who reside in jurisdictions where the local sales tax is higher than the uniform local sales tax rate, should use the appropriate method in the state table. The denominator of the correct ratio is 7.25%, and the numerator is the total sales tax rate minus 7.25%.
4 This state does not have a state or local sales tax, so the amount in the state table is the only amount to be deducted.
5 The Nevada table includes the 2.25% uniform local sales tax rate in addition to the 4.6000% state sales tax rate for a total of 6.85%. Some Nevada localities impose a larger local sales tax. Taxpayers who reside in jurisdictions where the local sales tax is higher than the uniform local sales tax rate, should use the appropriate method in the state table. The denominator of the correct ratio is 6.85%, and the numerator is the total sales tax rate minus 6.85%.
6 The 4.9% rate for Hawaii is actually an excise tax but is treated as a sales tax for the purposes of this deduction.
Which Optional Local Sales Tax Table Should I Use?

IF you live in the state of…  AND you live in…  THEN use Local Table…

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