Department of the Treasury—Internal Revenue Service

Form 1040EZ
Income Tax Return for Single and Joint Filers With No Dependents 1995

OMB No. 1545-0675

Your social security number

Yes No

Spouse's social security number

Dollars Cents

Presidential Election Campaign
(See page 11.)

Note: Checking “Yes” will not change your tax or reduce your refund.

Do you want $3 to go to this fund?

If a joint return, does your spouse want $3 to go to this fund?

Income

Attach Copy B of Form(s) W-2 here.

Enclose, but do not attach, any payment with your return.

1 Total wages, salaries, and tips. This should be shown in box 1 of your W-2 form(s). Attach your W-2 form(s).

2 Taxable interest income of $400 or less. If the total is over $400, you cannot use Form 1040EZ.

3 Unemployment compensation (see page 14).

4 Add lines 1, 2, and 3. This is your adjusted gross income. If less than $9,230, see page 15 to find out if you can claim the earned income credit on line 8.

5 Can your parents (or someone else) claim you on their return? Yes No

If single, enter 6,400.00. If married, enter 11,550.00. For an explanation of these amounts, see back of form.

6 Subtract line 5 from line 4. If line 5 is larger than line 4, enter 0. This is your taxable income.

Payments and tax

7 Enter your Federal income tax withheld from box 2 of your W-2 form(s).

8 Earned income credit (see page 15). Enter type and amount of nontaxable earned income below.

Type $  

9 Add lines 7 and 8 (don't include nontaxable earned income). These are your total payments.

10 Tax. Use the amount on line 6 to find your tax in the tax table on pages 29-33 of the booklet. Then, enter the tax from the table on this line.

Refund or amount you owe

11 If line 9 is larger than line 10, subtract line 10 from line 9. This is your refund.

12 If line 10 is larger than line 9, subtract line 9 from line 10. This is the amount you owe. See page 22 for details on how to pay and what to write on your payment.

Sign your return

Keep a copy of this form for your records.

Your signature Spouse's signature if joint return

Date Your occupation Date Spouse's occupation

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For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see page 7.
Instructions for Form 1040EZ

Use this form if:

- Your filing status is single or married filing jointly.
- You do not claim any dependents.
- You had only wages, salaries, tips, taxable scholarship or fellowship grants, or unemployment compensation, and your taxable interest income was $400 or less. But if you earned tips, including allocated tips, that are not included in box 5 and box 7 of your W-2, you may not be able to use Form 1040EZ. See page 13.
- You did not receive any advance earned income credit payments.

Caution: If married and either you or your spouse had total wages of over $61,200, you may not be able to use this form. See page 9.

If you are not sure about your filing status, see page 10. If you have questions about dependents, call Tele-Tax (see page 27) and listen to topic 354. If you can't use this form, call Tele-Tax (see page 27) and listen to topic 352.

Filling in your return

Because this form is read by a machine, please print your numbers inside the boxes like this:

\[9876543210\]

Do not type your numbers. Do not use dollar signs.

If you received a scholarship or fellowship grant or tax-exempt interest income, such as on municipal bonds, see the booklet before filling in the form. Also, see the booklet if you received a Form 1099-INT showing income tax withheld.

Remember, you must report all wages, salaries, and tips even if you don't get a W-2 form from your employer. You must also report all your taxable interest income, including interest from banks, savings and loans, credit unions, etc., even if you don't get a Form 1099-INT.

If you paid someone to prepare your return, see page 22.

Use this worksheet to figure the amount to enter on line 5 if someone can claim you (or your spouse if married) as a dependent, even if that person chooses not to do so. To find out if someone can claim you as a dependent, call Tele-Tax (see page 27) and listen to topic 354.

Worksheet for dependents who checked "Yes" on line 5

A. Enter the amount from line 1 on the front.
B. Minimum standard deduction.
C. Enter the LARGER of line A or line B here.
D. Maximum standard deduction. If single, enter 3,900.00; if married, enter 6,550.00.
E. Enter the SMALLER of line C or line D here. This is your standard deduction.
F. Exemption amount.
   - If single, enter 0.
   - If married and both you and your spouse can be claimed as dependents, enter 0.
   - If married and only one of you can be claimed as a dependent, enter 2,500.00.
G. Add lines E and F. Enter the total here and on line 5 on the front.

If you checked "No" on line 5 because no one can claim you (or your spouse if married) as a dependent, enter on line 5 the amount shown below that applies to you.

- Single, enter 6,400.00. This is the total of your standard deduction (3,900.00) and personal exemption (2,500.00).
- Married, enter 11,550.00. This is the total of your standard deduction (6,550.00), exemption for yourself (2,500.00), and exemption for your spouse (2,500.00).

Avoid mistakes

See page 5 of the Form 1040EZ booklet for a list of common mistakes to avoid. Errors will delay your refund.

Mailing your return

Mail your return by April 15, 1996. Use the envelope that came with your booklet. If you don't have that envelope, see page 36 for the address to use.