# Accumulation and Distribution of Individual Retirement Arrangements, 2008 

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The year-end fair market value of all Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs) fell from \$4.7 trillion in 2007 to $\$ 3.7$ trillion in 2008, a 22.5 percent decrease. While the overwhelming majority of this decrease can be attributed to factors beyond the scope of this article, namely declines in the values of the financial assets held in IRA accounts, a small portion of the decline can be explained by factors apparent from the data presented in this article. First, 2008 showed an increase in withdrawals from IRA plans, from $\$ 167.1$ billion in 2007 to $\$ 227.5$ billion in 2008. The increase in withdrawals was coupled with a 28.1 percent increase in the number of taxpayers taking withdrawals (Figure A).

Second, rollovers from 401(k)-type plans to IRAs decreased, from $\$ 322.3$ billion in 2007 to $\$ 272.1$ billion in 2008. While the number of taxpayers rolling over assets actually increased by a fraction of 1 percent, the average value of the rollovers decreased by 33.5 percent.

Finally, contributions to IRAs decreased marginally from $\$ 58.8$ billion in 2007 to $\$ 55.6$ billion in 2008. Interestingly, however, the number of taxpayers making contributions decreased by 10 percent but the average value of IRA contributions actually increased by 5.1 percent. This increase in the average contribution was due largely to taxpayers taking advantage of more liberal contribution limits for traditional, Roth, and SEP-IRAs (detailed below). While fewer taxpayers contributed to an IRA, those who did contributed more.

The composition of IRA assets by plan type was essentially unchanged from 2007. Traditional IRA plans represented 88.5 percent, or $\$ 3.3$ trillion, of all IRA assets. The remainder was held in Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) plans ( $\$ 201.5$ billion), Roth IRA plans ( $\$ 176.6$ billion), and Savings Incentive Match Plans for Employees (SIMPLE) plans (\$45.6 billion).

While traditional IRA plans still accounted for the vast majority of year-end fair market value in 2008, Roth IRA plans accounted for approximately

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32.7 percent of total IRA contributions. SEP plans followed with just over one-fourth of the total contributions, or 26.4 percent. Traditional IRA plan contributions represented 24.1 percent of total contributions, and SIMPLE plans 16.7 percent (Figure B).

## Types of Plans

## Traditional IRAs

IRAs were created by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) of 1974. These first retirement accounts, termed traditional IRAs, have remained the principle type of individual retirement account held by taxpayers in 2008. In general, contributions to traditional IRAs could be made by individuals who received taxable compensation (e.g., wages, salaries, commissions, and self-employment income). For 2008, the maximum contribution amount to a traditional IRA was the smaller of the individual's taxable compensation or $\$ 5,000$, up from the 2007 limit of $\$ 4,000$. For taxpayers age 50 and older, an additional \$1,000 "catch-up" contribution was allowed. Additional restrictions based on coverage by a retirement plan at work, age, income, and filing status limited the amount that could be contributed in any particular tax year. In general, taxpayers less than $70 \frac{1}{2}$ years of age who were not covered by a retirement plan at work could make a traditional IRA contribution that was deductible from his or her income otherwise subject to income tax. However, this deduction would be limited based on income level, filing status, and whether the taxpayer's spouse was covered by an employer-sponsored retirement plan. For 2008, a single taxpayer, having employer coverage, had his or her deduction limited when modified adjusted gross income levels were $\$ 53,000$ or more and eliminated when modified adjusted gross income levels were $\$ 63,000$ or more. ${ }^{1}$ Married taxpayers filing jointly with each spouse having employer coverage, had their deduction limited when modified adjusted gross income levels exceeded $\$ 85,000$ and those with $\$ 105,000$ or more had their deduction eliminated. Married taxpayers filing jointly with coverage only through their spouse had their deduction limited when modified adjusted gross income levels exceeded $\$ 159,000$ and those with $\$ 169,000$ or more had their deduction elimi-

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## Figure A

All Taxpayers and Taxpayers with Individual Retirement Arrangements, Tax Years 2007 and 2008

| Item | Tax Year 2007 |  |  | Tax Year 2008 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount <br> (\$1,000) | Average (\$1) | Number of taxpayers | Amount <br> (\$1,000) | Average <br> (\$1) |
| Total taxpayers | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
|  | 197,043,837 | N/A | N/A | 196,091,722 | N/A | N/A |
| With pension coverage on W-2 [1] | 70,177,977 | N/A | N/A | 70,795,558 | N/A | N/A |
| Eligible to make IRA contributions [2] | 154,454,421 | N/A | N/A | 152,418,964 | N/A | N/A |
| Contributions | 14,225,681 | 58,760,907 | 4,131 | 12,806,527 | 55,579,677 | 4,340 |
| Withdrawals | 11,829,010 | 167,125,954 | 14,128 | 15,155,888 | 227,508,621 | 15,011 |
| Rollovers | 4,421,849 | 322,336,641 | 72,896 | 5,609,522 | 272,104,973 | 48,508 |
| Roth conversions | 137,237 | 2,248,301 | 16,383 | 182,125 | 3,664,056 | 20,118 |
| End-of-year fair market value | 54,277,203 | 4,747,745,493 87,472 |  | 54,497,581 | 3,681,065,985 | 67,545 |
| Item | Absolute change, 2007 to 2008 |  |  | Percent change, 2007 to 2008 |  |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amount } \\ & (\$ 1,000) \end{aligned}$ | Average (\$1) | Number of taxpayers | Amount $(\$ 1,000)$ | Average <br> (\$1) |
| Total taxpayers | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) |
|  | -952,115 | N/A | N/A | -0.5 | N/A | N/A |
| With pension coverage on W-2 [1] | 617,581 | N/A | N/A | 0.9 | N/A | N/A |
| Eligible to make IRA contributions [2] | -2,035,457 | N/A | N/A | -1.3 | N/A | N/A |
| Contributions | -1,419,154 | -3,181,230 | 209 | -10.0 | -5.4 | 5.1 |
| Withdrawals | 3,326,878 | 60,382,667 | 883 | 28.1 | 36.1 | 6.2 |
| Rollovers | 26,856 | -50,231,668 | -24,389 | 0.6 | -15.6 | -33.5 |
| Roth conversions | 44,888 | 1,415,755 | 3,736 | 32.7 | 63.0 | 22.8 |
| End-of-year fair market value | 220,378 | -1,066,679,508 | -19,927 | 0.4 | -22.5 | -22.8 |

N/A-Not applicable.
[1] Number of taxpayers with pension coverage is determined from Form W-2, box 13 , which indicates participation in a retirement plan.
[2] Those individuals qualifing under Federal Income Tax law to make deductible or non-deductible contributions to a traditional IRA and/or Roth IRA plan.

## Figure B

Taxpayers with IRA Contributions, by Type of Plan, Tax Year 2008

| Type of plan | Total contributions |  |  | End-of-year fair market value |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount $(\$ 1,000)$ | Percent of total | Number of taxpayers | Amount $(\$ 1,000)$ | Percent of total |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
| Total [1] | 12,806,527 | 55,579,677 | 100.0 | 54,497,580 | 3,681,065,985 | 100.0 |
| Traditional IRA plans | 3,863,370 | 13,382,543 | 24.1 | 43,054,097 | 3,257,294,689 | 88.5 |
| SEP plans | 1,358,435 | 14,697,415 | 26.4 | 3,726,835 | 201,497,706 | 5.5 |
| SIMPLE plans | 2,070,574 | 9,299,899 | 16.7 | 2,896,031 | 45,634,790 | 1.2 |
| Roth IRA plans | 6,135,599 | 18,199,820 | 32.7 | 15,951,065 | 176,638,800 | 4.8 |

[1] The total represents the number of taxpayers who have at least one IRA account Taxpayers may have multiple types of IRA plans. Consequently, the sum of the number of taxpayers with the various types of IRA plans will exceed the total shown in the figure.
nated. Married taxpayers filing separately did not get a deduction if their modified adjusted gross income exceeded $\$ 10,000$. Before $591 / 2$ years of age, most withdrawals from traditional IRAs are subject to a 10 percent additional tax. In general, distributions from
the plan are required to begin by April 1 of the year following the year in which the taxpayer reaches age $701 / 2$, and are taxed as ordinary income.

Of the 3.9 million taxpayers in 2008 who contributed to a traditional IRA, 2.3 million, or 59

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percent, were age 50 or older. Nearly 39 percent of these taxpayers took advantage of the entire catch-up contribution allowance of \$6,000 (Table 5). An additional 2.1 percent took advantage of a portion of the total catch-up allowance.

## Simplified Employee Pension IRAs

Employer-sponsored Simplified Employee Pension IRAs (SEP-IRAs), introduced in the Revenue Act of 1978, allowed employers to make contributions for their employees' retirements. Self-employed individuals could also use a SEP-IRA to contribute to their own retirement. For 2008, an employer could contribute up to 20 percent of the first $\$ 230,000$ of an employee's compensation resulting in a maximum contribution of $\$ 46,000$. The corresponding amounts for 2007 were $\$ 225,000$, and $\$ 45,000$. The statistics in this article include the contributions made by employers on behalf of the employees and contributions made by self-employed individuals. In 2008, 1.4 million taxpayers contributed $\$ 14.7$ billion to SEP-IRAs. At year-end, 3.7 million taxpayers held $\$ 201.5$ billion in SEP-IRA accounts.

## Savings Incentive Match Plans for Employees IRAs

Savings Incentive Match Plans for Employees (SIMPLE) IRAs were introduced in the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996. This Act provided a mechanism for employers (including self-employed individuals) to offer a tax-favored retirement plan for their employees. In addition to employee-determined "salary reduction contributions," employers must make either matching contributions or nonelective contributions. For 2008, employee "salary reduction contributions" to a SIMPLE plan were limited to $\$ 10,500$, with up to $\$ 2,500$ more available to employees age 50 and over as a "catch-up contribution." Employer-matching contributions could not be more than 3 percent of an employee's compensation for the year, while nonelective contributions were fixed at 2 percent of an employee's compensation for the year. ${ }^{2}$ Only $\$ 230,000$ of an employee's compensation could be used to determine the nonelective contribution limit. The statistics reported in this article include both the amounts contributed as employee-determined "salary reduction contributions," as well as the employer's matching or nonelective contributions.

For 2008, 2.1 million taxpayers made contributions to a SIMPLE IRA. The amount contributed, by both the taxpayer and employer, totaled $\$ 9.3$ billion. SIMPLE IRA contributions represented the lowest share of all Individual Retirement Account contributions, accounting for 16.7 percent of all contributions.

## Roth IRAs

Roth IRAs, introduced in the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, differ from traditional IRAs in several substantive ways. Contributions to Roth IRAs are never tax-deductible. Conversely, qualified distributions from these plans are tax-free and taxpayers are not required to take qualified distributions from these plans, regardless of age. Similar to other IRAs, investment returns in the plan are not taxed each year and contributions can be made regardless of age. The contribution limits for Roth IRAs are the same as those for traditional IRAs. However, the income limitations are different. For 2008, no Roth IRA contributions were allowed for married taxpayers filing jointly having modified adjusted gross incomes over $\$ 169,000$, or $\$ 10,000$ for those filing separately. For unmarried taxpayers, the corresponding limit was \$116,000.

Of the 6.1 million taxpayers in 2008 who contributed to a Roth IRA, 2.2 million or 35.1 percent were age 50 or older. Over 37 percent of these taxpayers took advantage of the entire catch-up contribution allowance of $\$ 6,000$ (Table 6). An additional 3 percent took advantage of a portion of the catch-up contribution allowance.

## Trends and Highlights

For 2008, 152.4 million taxpayers or 77.7 percent of taxpayers were eligible to contribute to an IRA (Table 4). Since 2004, this percentage has fluctuated between 78.7 percent and 77.7 percent while the percentage of eligible taxpayers making contributions has declined every year since 2005, falling from 10.1 percent to 8.4 in 2008.

As shown in Figure C, and consistent with earlier years, for 2008, the percent of taxpayers making contributions rose with higher levels of income, with the exception of the "No adjusted gross income" category. For example, those making between $\$ 100,000$

## Figure C

Taxpayers with IRA Contributions, by Size of Adjusted Gross Income, Tax Year 2008

| Size of adjusted gross income [1] | IRA contributors |  | IRA contributions |  | End-of-year fair market value |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Percent eligible to make IRA contribution | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amount } \\ & (\$ 1,000) \end{aligned}$ | Average (\$1) | Number of taxpayers | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amount } \\ & (\$ 1,000) \end{aligned}$ | Average (\$1) |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
| All taxpayers, total | 12,806,525 | 8.4 | 55,579,676 | 4,340 | 54,497,581 | 3,681,065,985 | 67,545 |
| Taxpayers on returns reporting: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$1 under \$10,000 | 414,896 | 2.1 | 1,040,165 | 2,507 | 2,387,065 | 80,930,812 | 33,904 |
| \$10,000 under \$20,000 | 567,767 | 2.9 | 1,322,221 | 2,329 | 3,598,668 | 151,668,062 | 42,146 |
| \$20,000 under \$30,000 | 811,201 | 4.7 | 2,082,981 | 2,568 | 3,940,741 | 163,357,022 | 41,453 |
| \$30,000 under \$40,000 | 1,044,573 | 7.2 | 2,877,459 | 2,755 | 4,102,532 | 173,070,687 | 42,186 |
| \$40,000 under \$50,000 | 992,401 | 8.2 | 3,024,057 | 3,047 | 3,998,007 | 185,466,391 | 46,390 |
| \$50,000 under \$75,000 | 2,449,190 | 10.3 | 8,194,589 | 3,346 | 9,752,130 | 519,680,441 | 53,289 |
| \$75,000 under \$100,000 | 2,084,556 | 12.4 | 7,757,671 | 3,721 | 8,077,286 | 513,613,851 | 63,587 |
| \$100,000 under \$200,000 | 3,255,507 | 15.2 | 16,949,222 | 5,206 | 12,654,193 | 1,039,943,385 | 82,182 |
| \$200,000 or more | 1,054,607 | 16.6 | 11,754,534 | 11,146 | 5,197,395 | 804,178,433 | 154,727 |

[1] For joint returns, both taxpayers are placed into the same adjusted gross income class, as determined by the adjusted gross income
and \$200,000 were more than twice as likely to contribute to an IRA as those making \$30,000 to $\$ 40,000$. For taxpayers in the "No adjusted gross income" class, participation rates and average contributions were high given the inclusion of many well-todo individuals who experienced temporary losses in 2008. As shown in Figure D, for 2008, the average IRA contribution also increased with the age of the taxpayer, which is consistent with previous years.

As noted earlier, the number of eligible taxpayers who made a contribution decreased by 10.0 percent from 2007 to 2008, but the average contribution increased by 45.1 percent from 2007 to 2008. In other words, fewer eligible taxpayers contributed to an IRA, but those that did, contributed more to their accounts. This result held for all age groups and all AGI classes with the exception of the "No adjusted gross income" class. It should be noted that contribution limits increased for the traditional and Roth IRAs from 2007 to 2008 and the income limits increased for traditional and Roth IRAs as well for SEP and SIMPLE IRAs.

For 2008, the number of taxpayers who withdrew funds from their IRAs increased by 28.1 percent from 2007 to 15.2 million. The amount of those withdrawals increased from the 2007 level by 36.1 percent to $\$ 227.5$ billion.

## Explanation of Selected Terms

Modified adjusted gross income-Adjusted Gross Income figured without taking into account any IRA deduction or foreign-earned income exclusion or foreign housing exclusion (deduction), any deduction for student loan interest, any qualified bond interest exclusion, and exclusions for certain tax-exempt interest amounts.

Eligible taxpayer-Those who qualified under Federal income tax law to make deductible or nondeductible contributions to a traditional and/or Roth IRA plan. In other words, they include all taxpayers under age $701 / 2$ with earned income for traditional IRAs, as well as older taxpayers with earned income and modified adjusted gross income under the legally specified limits for Roth IRAs.

Fair market value (FMV)—On Form 5498, the trustee holding an IRA account reports to the owner and to the IRS the value of that account as of year's end (i.e. December 31).

Nonelective contribution-A mandatory contribution made by an employer toward his or her eligible employees' SIMPLE IRAs without regard to salary reduction contributions made by the employee.

Rollovers-Rollovers are amounts transferred from one account to another. In most cases, the amounts identified as "rollovers" on Form 5498 represent with-

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## Figure D

Taxpayers with IRA Contributions, by Age of Taxpayer, Tax Year 2008

| Age of taxpayer | IRA contributors |  | IRA contributions |  | End-of-year fair market value |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Percent eligible to make IRA contribution | Amount (\$1,000) | Average <br> (\$1) | Number of taxpayers | Amount (\$1,000) | Average <br> (\$1) |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
| All taxpayers, total | 12,806,528 | 8.4 | 55,579,675 | 4,340 | 54,497,579 | 3,681,065,987 | 67,545 |
| No age information | 25,552 | 4.0 | 79,789 | 3,123 | 106,373 | 4,600,245 | 43,246 |
| Under 30 | 1,547,214 | 4.0 | 3,716,600 | 2,402 | 3,078,053 | 16,659,915 | 5,412 |
| 30 under 40 | 2,457,355 | 7.8 | 8,256,684 | 3,360 | 7,186,496 | 106,237,870 | 14,783 |
| 40 under 50 | 3,154,309 | 9.2 | 13,363,634 | 4,237 | 11,044,786 | 387,905,558 | 35,121 |
| 50 under 60 | 3,617,037 | 12.1 | 18,725,137 | 5,177 | 13,702,079 | 899,306,966 | 65,633 |
| 60 under 70 | 1,848,670 | 13.5 | 10,438,715 | 5,647 | 11,027,836 | 1,301,295,062 | 118,001 |
| 70 and over | 156,391 | 4.3 | 999,116 | 6,389 | 8,351,956 | 965,060,371 | 115,549 |

drawals from employer-sponsored plans that are then invested from one traditional IRA plan to another but only if the taxpayer makes the withdrawal on his or her own and deposits the amount into another IRA account within 60 days. Trustee-to-trustee transfers are not generally considered rollover; however, if a taxpayer made a contribution to one IRA during the current year, and later in the year decided to "recharacterize" it as a contribution to another IRA, the amount recharacterized is also shown as a rollover.

Roth conversions-Owners of traditional IRAs were able to convert them to Roth IRAs as long as they met the income limitations for making Roth IRA contributions. Under certain circumstances, SEP or SIMPLE IRAs could also be converted to Roth IRAs; however, these amounts could not be identified separately for the purpose of these statistics.

## Data Sources and Limitations

The data presented in this article are based on information collected from matched samples of Forms 1040, U.S. Individual Income Tax Returns; Forms 5498, IRA Contribution Information; and Forms 1099-R, Distributions from Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRAs, Insurance Contracts, etc., for Tax Year 2008. Data from individual income tax returns (Form 1040) are based on a stratified weighted sample. ${ }^{3}$

In addition to the limitations of the Form 1040 sample described in the above-referenced report, special limitations apply to the Form 5498 data. As is true of the Form 1040, these data are before audit. In the case of contributions to IRA plans, this means that some Forms 5498 show amounts in excess of the maximum allowable contribution. If these excess amounts are identified by the taxpayer or trustee during the tax year, the excess amounts would be refunded and the amount of the refund documented on Form 1099-R. In these cases, the refund would be included in the "withdrawals" columns of these tables. On the other hand, the excess amounts may also include cases where rollovers or conversions were improperly reported as contributions, and the subsequent corrected Form 5498 was not available at the time the sample used in these statistics was created.

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Table 1. Taxpayers with Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA) Plans, by Type of Plan, Tax Year 2008
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Type of plan | Total contributions [1] |  | Contributions deducted on Form 1040 |  | Rollovers |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
| Total [2] | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
|  | 12,806,527 | 55,579,677 | 4,634,077 | 22,573,649 | 5,609,522 | 272,104,973 |
| Traditional IRA plans | 3,863,370 | 13,382,543 | 3,215,499 | 11,665,532 | 5,609,522 | 272,104,973 |
| SEP plans | 1,358,435 | 14,697,415 | 755,973 | 8,210,956 | N/A | N/A |
| SIMPLE plans | 2,070,574 | 9,299,899 | 733,268 | 2,697,161 | N/A | N/A |
| Roth IRA plans | 6,135,599 | 18,199,820 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Type of plan | Roth conversions [3] |  | Withdrawals [4] |  | End-of-year fair market value |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
| Total [2] | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) |
|  | 0 | 0 | 15,155,888 | 227,508,621 | 54,497,580 | 3,681,065,985 |
| Traditional IRA plans | 182,125 | -3,664,056 | 14,345,732 | 212,343,390 | 43,054,097 | 3,257,294,689 |
| SEP plans | n.a. | n.a. | 604,085 | 11,319,999 | 3,726,835 | 201,497,706 |
| SIMPLE plans | n.a. | n.a. | 78,477 | 161,417 | 2,896,031 | 45,634,790 |
| Roth IRA plans | 182,125 | 3,664,056 | 849,139 | 3,683,815 | 15,951,065 | 176,638,800 |

N/A—Not applicable.
n.a.-Not available.
[1] For Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) and Savings Incentive Match Plans for Employees (SIMPLE) plans, total contributions include contributions made by the taxpayer directly, as well as those made by an employer.
[2] The total represents the number of taxpayers who have at least one IRA account. Taxpayers may have multiple types of IRA plans. Consequently, the sum of the number of taxpayers with the various types of IRA plans will exceed the total shown in the table.
[3] For Tax Year 2008, owners of traditional IRAs were able to convert traditional IRAs to Roth IRAs as long as they met the income limitations for making Roth IRA contributions.
Under certain circumstances, SEP or SIMPLE IRAs could also be converted to Roth IRAs; however, these amounts could not be identified separately for the purpose of these statistics.
[4] Withdrawals are reported on Form 1099-R, Distributions from Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRAs, Insurance Contracts, etc.; does not include withdrawals made for the purpose of rollovers to other IRA accounts if the transfer was made by the trustee; Roth IRA conversions are shown separately.
NOTE: All data are from matched Forms 1040, U.S. Individual Income Tax Returns, and 5498, IRA Contribution Information; details may not add to total due to rounding.

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Table 2. Taxpayers with Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA) Plans, by Size of Adjusted Gross Income, Tax Year 2008
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Size of adjusted gross income [1] |  | All taxpayers |  |  | Taxpayers with IRA accounts reported on Form 5498 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | With pension coverage on Forms W-2 [2] | Eligible to make IRA contributions [3] | Total contributions |  | Contributions deducted on <br> Form 1040 |  |
|  |  | Number of taxpayers |  |  | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
| All taxpayers, total |  |  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
|  |  | 196,091,722 | 70,795,558 | 152,418,964 | 12,806,525 | 55,579,676 | 4,634,077 | 22,573,648 |
| Taxpayers on returns reporting: <br> No adjusted gross income |  | 3,237,912 | 181,955 | 982,219 | 131,827 | 576,777 | 32,934 | 160,419 |
| \$1 under \$5,000 |  | 12,443,554 | 573,224 | 9,266,725 | 188,800 | 473,700 | 43,880 | 121,727 |
| \$5,000 under \$10,000 |  | 13,306,176 | 1,130,506 | 10,466,852 | 226,096 | 566,465 | 63,704 | 141,885 |
| \$10,000 under \$15,000 |  | 13,370,836 | 1,787,976 | 9,911,244 | 253,344 | 650,671 | 102,547 | 262,156 |
| \$15,000 under \$20,000 |  | 13,132,760 | 2,653,383 | 9,653,034 | 314,423 | 671,550 | 145,785 | 321,501 |
| \$20,000 under \$25,000 |  | 12,077,014 | 3,245,267 | 8,947,027 | 376,330 | 908,170 | 190,827 | 493,904 |
| \$25,000 under \$30,000 |  | 10,790,773 | 3,585,807 | 8,181,889 | 434,871 | 1,174,811 | 256,406 | 711,812 |
| \$30,000 under \$40,000 |  | 18,782,818 | 7,144,478 | 14,535,152 | 1,044,573 | 2,877,459 | 554,419 | 1,669,297 |
| \$40,000 under \$50,000 |  | 15,202,512 | 6,528,971 | 12,084,384 | 992,401 | 3,024,057 | 433,515 | 1,557,073 |
| \$50,000 under \$75,000 |  | 29,771,385 | 14,044,054 | 23,811,999 | 2,449,190 | 8,194,589 | 907,319 | 3,610,201 |
| \$75,000 under \$100,000 |  | 20,463,998 | 10,995,016 | 16,829,912 | 2,084,556 | 7,757,671 | 608,190 | 2,603,423 |
| \$100,000 under \$200,000 |  | 25,391,823 | 14,834,964 | 21,402,619 | 3,255,507 | 16,949,222 | 883,736 | 5,842,592 |
| \$200,000 under \$500,000 |  | 6,465,282 | 3,417,266 | 5,171,780 | 834,124 | 8,784,678 | 323,660 | 3,821,257 |
| \$500,000 under \$1,000,000 |  | 1,067,209 | 453,172 | 775,618 | 147,728 | 1,962,250 | 56,771 | 798,320 |
| \$1,000,000 or more |  | 587,670 | 219,519 | 398,510 | 72,755 | 1,007,606 | 30,384 | 458,081 |
| Size of adjusted gross income [1] | Taxpayers with IRA accounts reported on Form 5498-continued |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Rollovers |  | Roth conversions [4] |  | Withdrawals [5] |  | End-of-year fair market value |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
| All taxpayers, total | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) | (13) | (14) | (15) |
|  | 4,448,706 | 307,577,823 | 182,124 | 3,664,056 | 15,155,888 | 227,508,619 | 54,497,581 | 3,681,065,985 |
| Taxpayers on returns reporting: No adjusted gross income | 40,836 | 3,365,683 | 4,154 | 229,820 | 183,577 | 3,294,247 | 789,564 | 49,156,901 |
| \$1 under \$5,000 | 53,895 | 1,585,613 | * 2,848 | * 4,980 | 356,093 | 1,400,316 | 1,010,712 | 30,515,749 |
| \$5,000 under \$10,000 | 95,333 | 2,574,236 | * 6,081 | * 53,664 | 652,778 | 3,429,901 | 1,376,353 | 50,415,063 |
| \$10,000 under \$15,000 | 105,662 | 3,668,878 | 3,167 | 15,525 | 901,273 | 5,281,964 | 1,729,214 | 71,508,855 |
| \$15,000 under \$20,000 | 130,856 | 5,626,251 | 8,438 | 107,322 | 926,810 | 7,353,993 | 1,869,454 | 80,159,207 |
| \$20,000 under \$25,000 | 163,719 | 5,473,945 | 8,795 | 115,184 | 841,347 | 5,721,813 | 1,976,479 | 80,810,678 |
| \$25,000 under \$30,000 | 162,247 | 5,504,914 | * 3,940 | * 22,772 | 750,746 | 5,765,117 | 1,964,262 | 82,546,344 |
| \$30,000 under \$40,000 | 342,433 | 12,977,220 | 14,610 | 239,569 | 1,441,275 | 12,392,879 | 4,102,532 | 173,070,687 |
| \$40,000 under \$50,000 | 333,991 | 11,940,587 | 16,817 | 185,266 | 1,271,626 | 14,075,969 | 3,998,007 | 185,466,391 |
| \$50,000 under \$75,000 | 810,184 | 40,955,990 | 33,051 | 641,317 | 2,723,180 | 36,120,133 | 9,752,130 | 519,680,441 |
| \$75,000 under \$100,000 | 689,806 | 45,368,396 | 43,438 | 731,011 | 1,991,198 | 31,662,044 | 8,077,286 | 513,613,851 |
| \$100,000 under \$200,000 | 1,054,456 | 90,993,167 | 34,749 | 1,061,753 | 2,375,688 | 59,205,569 | 12,654,193 | 1,039,943,385 |
| \$200,000 under \$500,000 | 372,912 | 54,396,849 | 1,476 | 66,654 | 606,728 | 31,169,509 | 4,090,139 | 565,413,659 |
| \$500,000 under \$1,000,000 | 58,869 | 13,791,041 | 481 | 128,916 | 88,252 | 6,332,581 | 717,983 | 137,956,150 |
| \$1,000,000 or more | 33,507 | 9,355,053 | 79 | 60,303 | 45,317 | 4,302,584 | 389,273 | 100,808,624 |

* Estimate should be used with caution due to the small number of sample returns on which it is based.
[1] For joint returns, both taxpayers are placed into the same adjusted gross income class, as determined by adjusted gross income.
[2] Number of taxpayers with pension coverage is determined from Form W-2, box 13, which indicates participation in a retirement plan.
[3] Those individuals qualifying under Federal income tax law to make deductible or non-deductible contributions to a traditional IRA and/or ROTH IRA plan
[4] Owners of traditional IRAs were able to convert them to Roth IRAs as long as they met the income limitations for making Roth IRA contributions. Under certain circumstances, Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) or Savings Incentive Match Plans for Employees (SIMPLE) plans IRAs could also be converted to Roth IRAs; however, these amounts could not be identified separately for the purpose of these statistics.
[5] Withdrawals are reported on Form 1099-R, Distributions from Pensions, Annuities, Retirement on Profit-Sharing Plans, IRAs, Insurance Contracts, etc.; does not include withdrawals for the purpose of rollovers to other IRA accounts if the transfer was made by the trustee; Roth IRA conversions are shown separately
NOTES: All data are from matched Forms 1040, U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, and 5498, IRA Contribution Information. Details may not add to total due to rounding.


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Table 3. Taxpayers with Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA) Plans, by Type of Plan and by Size of Adjusted Gross Income, Tax Year 2008
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars and average amounts are in whole dollars]

| Size of adjusted gross income [1] | Traditional IRA plans |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total contributions |  |  | End-of-year fair market value |  |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount $(\$ 1,000)$ | Average (\$) [2] | Number of taxpayers | Amount $(\$ 1,000)$ | Average (\$) [2] |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
| All taxpayers, total | 3,863,370 | 13,382,543 | 3,464 | 43,054,097 | 3,257,294,692 | 75,656 |
| Taxpayers on returns reporting: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$1 under \$5,000 | 27,724 | 78,792 | 2,842 | 687,989 | 26,837,813 | 39,009 |
| \$5,000 under \$10,000 | 61,821 | 138,570 | 2,241 | 1,069,363 | 45,975,871 | 42,994 |
| \$10,000 under \$15,000 | 78,538 | 187,356 | 2,386 | 1,432,397 | 65,627,907 | 45,817 |
| \$15,000 under \$20,000 | 97,066 | 257,492 | 2,653 | 1,501,607 | 73,603,636 | 49,017 |
| \$20,000 under \$25,000 | 137,807 | 348,280 | 2,527 | 1,562,672 | 74,641,370 | 47,765 |
| \$25,000 under \$30,000 | 153,688 | 418,971 | 2,726 | 1,537,682 | 74,781,890 | 48,633 |
| \$30,000 under \$40,000 | 346,102 | 995,035 | 2,875 | 3,130,559 | 155,909,673 | 49,803 |
| \$40,000 under \$50,000 | 312,246 | 976,347 | 3,127 | 3,068,546 | 167,105,568 | 54,458 |
| \$50,000 under \$75,000 | 751,407 | 2,351,369 | 3,129 | 7,588,321 | 462,459,511 | 60,944 |
| \$75,000 under \$100,000 | 532,513 | 1,769,521 | 3,323 | 6,264,515 | 453,791,235 | 72,438 |
| \$100,000 under \$200,000 | 842,974 | 3,397,726 | 4,031 | 10,074,557 | 910,475,845 | 90,374 |
| \$200,000 under \$500,000 | 372,021 | 1,768,005 | 4,752 | 3,544,388 | 495,259,131 | 139,731 |
| \$500,000 under \$1,000,000 | 72,023 | 366,073 | 5,083 | 641,990 | 121,636,758 | 189,468 |
| \$1,000,000 or more | 41,779 | 215,961 | 5,169 | 357,002 | 88,997,328 | 249,291 |
| Size of adjusted gross income [1] | SEP plans [3] |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total contributions |  |  | End-of-year fair market value |  |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amount } \\ & (\$ 1,000) \end{aligned}$ | Average (\$) [2] | Number of taxpayers | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amount } \\ & (\$ 1,000) \end{aligned}$ | Average (\$) [2] |
|  | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) |
| All taxpayers, total | 1,358,435 | 14,697,415 | 10,819 | 3,726,835 | 201,497,708 | 54,067 |
| Taxpayers on returns reporting: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$1 under \$5,000 | 13,163 | 34,847 | 2,647 | 53,495 | 1,121,950 | 20,973 |
| \$5,000 under \$10,000 | 11,197 | 44,159 | 3,944 | 70,318 | 1,487,047 | 21,147 |
| \$10,000 under \$15,000 | 19,811 | 104,117 | 5,256 | 80,299 | 2,501,038 | 31,147 |
| \$15,000 under \$20,000 | 23,069 | 53,292 | 2,310 | 93,985 | 2,250,944 | 23,950 |
| \$20,000 under \$25,000 | 24,258 | 81,168 | 3,346 | 91,118 | 2,572,963 | 28,238 |
| \$25,000 under \$30,000 | 28,810 | 91,763 | 3,185 | 105,368 | 2,905,995 | 27,579 |
| \$30,000 under \$40,000 | 77,835 | 380,150 | 4,884 | 218,323 | 5,740,067 | 26,292 |
| \$40,000 under \$50,000 | 73,408 | 390,825 | 5,324 | 212,813 | 5,923,019 | 27,832 |
| \$50,000 under \$75,000 | 188,452 | 1,058,967 | 5,619 | 547,144 | 19,581,205 | 35,788 |
| \$75,000 under \$100,000 | 166,310 | 1,091,952 | 6,566 | 495,439 | 20,760,199 | 41,903 |
| \$100,000 under \$200,000 | 400,475 | 4,518,184 | 11,282 | 990,790 | 60,061,472 | 60,620 |
| \$200,000 under \$500,000 | 246,926 | 4,856,409 | 19,667 | 522,378 | 50,734,537 | 97,122 |
| \$500,000 under \$1,000,000 | 48,455 | 1,210,373 | 24,979 | 107,695 | 13,075,274 | 121,410 |
| \$1,000,000 or more | 21,334 | 627,948 | 29,434 | 52,495 | 8,706,042 | 165,845 |

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## Accumulation and Distribution of Individual Retirement Arrangements, 2008

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Table 3. Taxpayers with Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA) Plans, by Type of Plan and by Size of Adjusted Gross Income, Tax Year 2008-Continued
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars and average amounts are in whole dollars]

| Size of adjusted gross income [1] | SIMPLE plans [4] |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total contributions |  |  | End-of-year fair market value |  |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount (\$1,000) | Average (\$) [2] | Number of taxpayers | Amount (\$1,000) | Average (\$) [2] |
| All taxpayers, total | (13) | (14) | (15) | (16) | (17) | (18) |
|  | 2,070,574 | 9,299,899 | 4,491 | 2,896,031 | 45,634,790 | 15,758 |
| Taxpayers on returns reporting: No adjusted gross income | 21,905 | 139,906 | 6,387 | 45,997 | 1,072,760 | 23,322 |
| \$1 under \$5,000 | 8,397 | 26,779 | 3,189 | 13,124 | 91,921 | 7,004 |
| \$5,000 under \$10,000 | 19,179 | 44,442 | 2,317 | 42,446 | 434,519 | 10,237 |
| \$10,000 under \$15,000 | 34,723 | 56,263 | 1,620 | 54,357 | 435,858 | 8,018 |
| \$15,000 under \$20,000 | 56,722 | 67,557 | 1,191 | 89,565 | 550,440 | 6,146 |
| \$20,000 under \$25,000 | 61,000 | 80,164 | 1,314 | 100,554 | 472,189 | 4,696 |
| \$25,000 under \$30,000 | 106,515 | 223,106 | 2,095 | 138,634 | 792,371 | 5,716 |
| \$30,000 under \$40,000 | 233,316 | 471,551 | 2,021 | 281,398 | 1,959,293 | 6,963 |
| \$40,000 under \$50,000 | 166,498 | 429,931 | 2,582 | 238,479 | 2,214,378 | 9,285 |
| \$50,000 under \$75,000 | 421,905 | 1,355,547 | 3,213 | 590,883 | 6,671,616 | 11,291 |
| \$75,000 under \$100,000 | 309,048 | 1,188,876 | 3,847 | 435,453 | 5,608,901 | 12,881 |
| \$100,000 under \$200,000 | 420,079 | 2,813,263 | 6,697 | 587,812 | 13,136,143 | 22,348 |
| \$200,000 under \$500,000 | 170,057 | 1,875,026 | 11,026 | 223,714 | 9,347,064 | 41,781 |
| \$500,000 under \$1,000,000 | 29,903 | 369,146 | 12,345 | 38,494 | 1,926,435 | 50,045 |
| \$1,000,000 or more | 11,327 | 158,342 | 13,979 | 15,121 | 920,902 | 60,902 |
| Size of adjusted gross income [1] | Roth IRA plans |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total contributions |  |  | End-of-year fair market value |  |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amount } \\ & (\$ 1,000) \end{aligned}$ | Average (\$) [2] | Number of taxpayers | Amount $(\$ 1,000)$ | Average (\$) [2] |
| All taxpayers, total | (19) | (20) | (21) | (22) | (23) | (24) |
|  |  | 18,199,820 | 2,966 | 15,951,066 | 176,638,802 | 11,074 |
| Taxpayers on returns reporting: <br> No adjusted gross income | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 6,135,598 } \\ \hline 63,681\end{array}$ | 170,565 | 2,678 | 227,196 | 3,817,030 | 16,801 |
| \$1 under \$5,000 | 143,270 | 333,282 | 2,326 | 363,626 | 2,464,066 | 6,776 |
| \$5,000 under \$10,000 | 138,323 | 339,293 | 2,453 | 352,028 | 2,517,626 | 7,152 |
| \$10,000 under \$15,000 | 131,071 | 302,935 | 2,311 | 342,499 | 2,944,053 | 8,596 |
| \$15,000 under \$20,000 | 147,346 | 293,209 | 1,990 | 401,850 | 3,754,187 | 9,342 |
| \$20,000 under \$25,000 | 166,795 | 398,559 | 2,390 | 422,298 | 3,124,156 | 7,398 |
| \$25,000 under \$30,000 | 167,862 | 440,971 | 2,627 | 449,362 | 4,066,089 | 9,049 |
| \$30,000 under \$40,000 | 429,498 | 1,030,723 | 2,400 | 1,049,690 | 9,461,655 | 9,014 |
| \$40,000 under \$50,000 | 491,894 | 1,226,954 | 2,494 | 1,159,867 | 10,223,427 | 8,814 |
| \$50,000 under \$75,000 | 1,216,804 | 3,428,706 | 2,818 | 2,900,786 | 30,968,109 | 10,676 |
| \$75,000 under \$100,000 | 1,185,165 | 3,707,322 | 3,128 | 2,734,068 | 33,453,516 | 12,236 |
| \$100,000 under \$200,000 | 1,761,267 | 6,220,049 | 3,532 | 4,558,110 | 56,269,925 | 12,345 |
| \$200,000 under \$500,000 | 87,058 | 285,238 | 3,276 | 877,084 | 10,072,927 | 11,485 |
| \$500,000 under \$1,000,000 | 4,071 | 16,659 | 4,092 | 82,985 | 1,317,683 | 15,879 |
| \$1,000,000 or more | 1,493 | 5,355 | 3,587 | 29,617 | 2,184,353 | 73,753 |

[^3][2] The statistics are based on unaudited data and contain some contribution amounts in excess of the legal maximum. For additional explanation, see Data Sources and Limitations section of the article.
[3] For Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) plans, total contributions include contributions made by the taxpayer directly as well as those made by an employer.
[4] For Savings Incentive Match Plans for Employees (SIMPLE) plans, total contributions include contributions made by the taxpayer directly, as well as those made by an employer.
NOTE: Details may not add to total due to rounding.

Table 4. Taxpayers with Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA) Plans, by Age of Taxpayer, Tax Year 2008
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Age of taxpayer |  | All taxpayers |  |  | Taxpayers with IRA accounts reported on Form 5498 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | With pension coverage on Forms W-2 [1] | Eligible to make IRA contributions [2] | Total contributions |  | Contributions deducted on Form 1040 |  |
|  |  | Number of taxpayers |  |  | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
| All taxpayers, total |  |  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
|  |  | 196,091,724 | 70,795,560 | 152,418,963 | 12,806,528 | 55,579,675 | 4,634,077 | 22,573,650 |
| No age information |  | 995,256 | 189,776 | 639,690 | 25,552 | 79,789 | 14,720 | 47,008 |
| Under 15 |  | 410,746 | * 3,353 | 74,680 | * 12,129 | * 38,561 | * 1,005 | * 4,641 |
| 15 under 20 |  | 7,192,672 | 492,356 | 6,624,520 | 70,393 | 179,423 | * 8,593 | * 34,926 |
| 20 under 25 |  | 16,735,039 | 4,207,607 | 15,491,745 | 470,510 | 993,039 | 128,343 | 248,830 |
| 25 under 30 |  | 18,450,423 | 7,182,856 | 16,457,863 | 994,182 | 2,505,577 | 255,220 | 682,877 |
| 30 under 35 |  | 17,601,381 | 7,658,130 | 15,304,002 | 1,158,862 | 3,487,478 | 299,147 | 987,249 |
| 35 under 40 |  | 18,766,482 | 8,651,165 | 16,262,879 | 1,298,493 | 4,769,206 | 339,097 | 1,513,107 |
| 40 under 45 |  | 18,988,298 | 8,944,014 | 16,594,772 | 1,480,128 | 6,216,328 | 440,539 | 2,110,047 |
| 45 under 50 |  | 20,218,546 | 9,803,331 | 17,762,990 | 1,674,181 | 7,147,306 | 595,083 | 2,738,532 |
| 50 under 55 |  | 19,107,565 | 9,374,122 | 16,530,798 | 1,854,488 | 9,452,501 | 713,812 | 3,869,966 |
| 55 under 60 |  | 16,481,841 | 7,442,145 | 13,409,568 | 1,762,549 | 9,272,636 | 752,547 | 4,195,702 |
| 60 under 65 |  | 13,348,571 | 4,538,037 | 9,186,498 | 1,240,857 | 7,061,713 | 658,846 | 3,611,728 |
| 65 under 70 |  | 9,571,866 | 1,572,409 | 4,467,521 | 607,813 | 3,377,002 | 358,524 | 2,044,442 |
| 70 under 75 |  | 6,668,704 | 483,600 | 2,051,778 | 108,763 | 720,913 | 48,440 | 347,262 |
| 75 under 80 |  | 4,951,398 | 185,869 | 983,301 | 35,010 | 200,261 | 15,921 | 94,412 |
| 80 and over |  | 6,602,936 | 66,790 | 576,358 | 12,618 | 77,942 | 4,240 | 42,921 |
| Age of taxpayer | Taxpayers with IRA accounts reported on Form 5498-continued |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Rollovers |  | Roth conversions [3] |  | Withdrawals [4] |  | End-of-year fair market value |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
| All taxpayers, total | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) | (13) | (14) | (15) |
|  | 4,448,705 | 307,577,822 | 182,124 | 3,664,056 | 15,155,887 | 227,508,621 | 54,497,579 | 3,681,065,987 |
| No age information | * 7,774 | * 363,993 | 1,659 | 44,634 | 32,479 | 269,532 | 106,373 | 4,600,245 |
| Under 15 | * 1,003 | * 173 | 0 | 0 | 3,553 | 10,980 | 21,185 | 181,785 |
| 15 under 20 | * 2,308 | * 11,026 | * 545 | * 609 | 10,312 | 61,866 | 133,125 | 1,027,669 |
| 20 under 25 | 53,820 | 125,233 | * 6,285 | * 15,602 | 71,722 | 245,084 | 801,098 | 3,281,866 |
| 25 under 30 | 250,865 | 1,452,568 | 13,346 | 45,795 | 245,751 | 922,792 | 2,122,645 | 12,168,595 |
| 30 under 35 | 315,924 | 4,975,846 | 10,816 | 45,278 | 358,799 | 1,948,431 | 3,103,511 | 32,305,730 |
| 35 under 40 | 332,587 | 9,451,606 | 12,779 | 69,298 | 460,606 | 4,173,111 | 4,082,985 | 73,932,140 |
| 40 under 45 | 405,484 | 14,420,054 | 11,879 | 169,704 | 561,211 | 6,837,855 | 4,904,468 | 140,755,178 |
| 45 under 50 | 457,690 | 22,612,346 | 12,806 | 191,854 | 711,560 | 9,305,751 | 6,140,318 | 247,150,380 |
| 50 under 55 | 506,069 | 36,474,311 | 12,783 | 256,837 | 754,626 | 11,981,913 | 6,893,137 | 374,923,415 |
| 55 under 60 | 591,055 | 53,364,177 | 20,446 | 426,811 | 923,587 | 18,326,341 | 6,808,942 | 524,383,551 |
| 60 under 65 | 674,330 | 78,210,470 | 29,490 | 1,139,499 | 1,482,128 | 41,417,453 | 6,169,559 | 669,540,207 |
| 65 under 70 | 456,779 | 51,315,114 | 22,185 | 459,451 | 1,579,510 | 35,988,725 | 4,858,277 | 631,754,855 |
| 70 under 75 | 216,446 | 20,061,185 | 12,349 | 361,205 | 2,944,386 | 41,399,355 | 3,383,809 | 472,912,028 |
| 75 under 80 | 103,626 | 7,641,005 | 9,291 | 277,511 | 2,457,194 | 28,302,121 | 2,474,485 | 285,762,185 |
| 80 and over | 72,945 | 7,098,715 | 5,465 | 159,968 | 2,558,463 | 26,317,311 | 2,493,662 | 206,386,158 |

* Estimate should be used with cuation due to the small number of sample returns on which it is based.
[1] Number of taxpayers with pension coverage is determined from Form $\mathrm{W}-2$, box 13 , which indicates participation in a retirement plan.
[2] Those individuals qualifing under Federal Income Tax law to make deductible or non-deductible contributions to a traditional IRA and/or Roth IRA plan.
[3] Owners of traditional IRAs were able to convert them to Roth IRAs as long as they met the income limitations for making Roth IRA contributions. Under certain circumstances, Simplified Employee Pensions (SEP) or Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees (SIMPLE) plans IRAs could also be converted to Roth IRAs; however, these amounts could not be identified separately for the purpose of these statistics.
[4] Withdrawals are reported on Form 1099-R, Distributions from Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRAs, Insurance Contracts, etc.; does not include withdrawals for the purpose of rollovers to other IRA accounts if the transfer was made by the trustee; Roth IRA conversions are shown separately.
NOTE: Details may not add to total due to rounding.


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Table 5. Taxpayers with Traditional Individual Retirement Account (IRA) Contributions, by Age of Taxpayer, Tax Year 2008
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Age of taxpayer | Total contributions to traditional IRA plans |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total |  | Under \$2,000 |  | Exactly \$2,000 |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
| All taxpayers, total | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
|  | 3,863,369 | 13,382,542 | 1,172,297 | 887,089 | 214,744 | 429,480 |
| No age information | 5,643 | 13,879 | * 2,299 | * 2,154 | 0 | 0 |
| Under 15 | * 1,218 | * 1,223 | * 674 | * 134 | * 545 | * 1,089 |
| 15 under 20 | 7,974 | 19,915 | * 3,010 | * 2,005 | * 674 | * 1,347 |
| 20 under 25 | 51,012 | 99,546 | 29,382 | 14,410 | * 2,624 | * 5,247 |
| 25 under 30 | 148,210 | 324,787 | 84,601 | 56,246 | * 3,309 | * 6,619 |
| 30 under 35 | 196,725 | 509,836 | 89,522 | 65,801 | * 7,620 | * 15,239 |
| 35 under 40 | 264,360 | 725,990 | 110,222 | 68,636 | 12,504 | 25,008 |
| 40 under 45 | 376,725 | 1,133,136 | 132,683 | 99,175 | 22,789 | 45,578 |
| 45 under 50 | 517,977 | 1,527,723 | 178,860 | 142,882 | 29,566 | 59,131 |
| 50 under 55 | 637,701 | 2,289,309 | 189,621 | 157,707 | 38,703 | 77,405 |
| 55 under 60 | 719,181 | 2,767,407 | 182,895 | 143,404 | 43,849 | 87,697 |
| 60 under 65 | 582,880 | 2,423,841 | 107,498 | 88,960 | 34,643 | 69,285 |
| 65 under 701⁄2 | 353,763 | 1,545,950 | 61,030 | 45,575 | 17,918 | 35,835 |
| Age of taxpayer | Total contributions to traditional IRA plans-continued |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Over \$2,000, under \$3,000 |  | Exactly \$3,000 |  | Over \$3,000, under \$3,500 |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
|  | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) |
| All taxpayers, total | 202,516 | 498,188 | 158,471 | 475,413 | 43,860 | 142,043 |
| No age information | * 1,009 | * 2,058 | * 652 | * 1,956 | 0 | 0 |
| Under 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 under 20 | * 1,654 | * 4,052 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 under 25 | * 1,645 | * 4,113 | * 2,657 | * 11,707 | * 1,682 | * 5,628 |
| 25 under 30 | 7,961 | 20,168 | * 3,902 |  | * 2,007 | * 6,349 |
| 30 under 35 | 15,125 | 36,740 | 5,327 | 15,980 | * 2,988 | * 9,642 |
| 35 under 40 | 11,321 | 27,766 | 9,201 | 27,604 | * 1,767 | * 6,016 |
| 40 under 45 | 19,661 | 48,700 | 13,088 | 39,264 | * 2,715 | * 8,953 |
| 45 under 50 | 34,691 | 84,719 | 30,657 | 91,970 | * 3,992 | * 12,823 |
| 50 under 55 | 27,178 | 65,457 | 39,218 | 117,654 | * 6,891 | * 22,116 |
| 55 under 60 | 34,277 | 86,910 | 27,305 | 81,915 | 7,477 | 24,314 |
| 60 under 65 | 31,282 | 77,106 | 20,255 | 60,765 | 9,592 | 31,071 |
| 65 under 701⁄2 | 16,712 | 40,399 | 6,209 | 18,626 | 4,749 | 15,131 |

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Table 5. Taxpayers with Traditional Individual Retirement Account (IRA) Contributions, by Age of Taxpayer, Tax Year 2008-Continued
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Age of taxpayer | Total contributions to traditional IRA plans-continued |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Exactly \$3,500 |  | Over \$3,500, under \$4,000 |  | Exactly \$4,000 |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
| All taxpayers, total | (13) | (14) | (15) | (16) | (17) | (18) |
|  | 24,867 | 87,041 | 53,898 | 206,130 | 184,901 | 739,610 |
| No age information | 0 | 0 | * 104 | * 416 | * 604 | * 2,417 |
| Under 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 under 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 under 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | * 2,932 | * 11,728 |
| 25 under 30 | 0 | 0 | * 1,659 | * 6,040 | 4,835 | 19,340 |
| 30 under 35 | * 3 | * 11 | 4,409 | 16,968 | 6,134 | 24,538 |
| 35 under 40 | * 1,651 | * 5,780 | 4,582 | 17,023 | 15,920 | 63,681 |
| 40 under 45 | * 2,018 | * 7,063 | 5,535 | 21,519 | 24,040 | 96,160 |
| 45 under 50 | * 1,969 | * 6,893 | 14,040 | 54,393 | 41,363 | 165,452 |
| 50 under 55 | * 2,247 | * 7,864 | 5,875 | 22,733 | 31,935 | 127,741 |
| 55 under 60 | 9,620 | 33,671 | 8,632 | 32,880 | 25,809 | 103,237 |
| 60 under 65 | 5,995 | 20,984 | 5,991 | 22,178 | 18,275 | 73,101 |
| 65 under 70½ | * 1,364 | * 4,775 | * 3,071 | * 11,980 | 13,054 | 52,215 |
| Age of taxpayer | Total contributions to traditional IRA plans-continued |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Over \$4,000, under \$4,500 |  | Exactly \$4,500 |  | Over \$4,500, under \$5,000 |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
| All taxpayers, total | (19) | (20) | (21) | (22) | (23) | (24) |
|  | 33,058 | 140,610 | 17,001 | 76,506 | 49,034 | 236,666 |
| No age information | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | * 8 | * 41 |
| Under 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 under 20 | * 1,002 | * 4,339 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 under 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | * 4,802 |
| 25 under 30 | * 1,339 | * 5,748 | 0 | 0 | * 1,041 |  |
| 30 under 35 | * 3,215 | * 13,491 | * 300 | * 1,351 | * 2,509 | * 12,207 |
| 35 under 40 | * 1,016 | * 4,269 | * 40 | * 178 | 6,194 | 30,319 |
| 40 under 45 | 3,330 | 13,955 | * 1,140 | * 5,132 | 8,132 | 39,671 |
| 45 under 50 | 4,725 | 20,186 | 781 | 3,513 | 6,579 | 31,987 |
| 50 under 55 | 2,813 | 11,839 | 7,107 | 31,980 | 4,706 | 22,488 |
| 55 under 60 | 2,605 | 11,390 | 3,220 | 14,492 | 8,726 | 41,427 |
| 60 under 65 | 9,905 | 41,988 | 3,738 | 16,822 | 7,159 | 34,410 |
|     <br> 65 under $701 / 2$ 3,108   |  |  |  |  |  | 19,314 |

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Table 5. Taxpayers with Traditional Individual Retirement Account (IRA) Contributions, by Age of Taxpayer, Tax Year 2008-Continued
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Age of taxpayer | Total contributions to traditional IRA plans-continued |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Exactly \$5,000 |  | Over \$5,000, under \$6,000 |  | Exactly \$6,000 |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
|  | (25) | (26) | (27) | (28) | (29) | (30) |
| All taxpayers, total | 765,086 | 3,825,429 | 50,124 | 277,263 | 893,513 | 5,361,081 |
| No age information | 967 | 4,836 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Under 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 under 20 | * 1,634 | * 8,172 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 under 25 | 10,090 | 50,448 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 25 under 30 | 37,553 | 187,766 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 30 under 35 | 59,575 | 297,874 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 35 under 40 | 89,942 | 449,711 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 40 under 45 | 141,593 | 707,966 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 45 under 50 | 170,755 | 853,774 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 50 under 55 | 57,041 | 285,205 | 15,174 | 83,961 | 209,193 | 1,255,160 |
| 55 under 60 | 78,217 | 391,084 | 12,085 | 68,206 | 274,463 | 1,646,781 |
| 60 under 65 | 77,302 | 386,510 | 13,857 | 76,333 | 237,388 | 1,424,327 |
| 65 under 701/2 | 40,417 | 202,083 | 9,008 | 48,763 | 172,469 | 1,034,813 |

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

NOTE: Details may not add to total due to rounding.

Table 6. Taxpayers with Roth Individual Retirement Account (IRA) Contributions, by Age of Taxpayer, Tax Year 2008
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Age of taxpayer | Total contributions to Roth IRA plans |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total |  | Under \$2,000 |  | Exactly \$2,000 |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) |
| All taxpayers, total | 6,135,600 | 18,199,822 | 2,558,775 | 2,133,120 | 147,120 | 294,239 |
| No age information | 17,122 | 50,869 | * 6,784 | * 6,816 | 0 | 0 |
| Under 15 | 11,584 | 35,718 | * 2,199 | * 1,668 | * 1,654 | * 3,308 |
| 15 under 20 | 62,418 | 145,471 | 31,353 | 25,671 | * 2,538 | * 5,076 |
| 20 under 25 | 330,776 | 751,619 | 180,540 | 122,726 | 9,967 | 19,933 |
| 25 under 30 | 636,253 | 1,566,014 | 309,345 | 222,641 | 16,481 | 32,962 |
| 30 under 35 | 711,387 | 1,702,505 | 366,753 | 281,764 | 9,644 | 19,287 |
| 35 under 40 | 740,706 | 1,874,742 | 352,723 | 304,342 | 22,921 | 45,842 |
| 40 under 45 | 724,335 | 1,886,373 | 332,231 | 292,283 | 22,846 | 45,691 |
| 45 under 50 | 745,914 | 2,064,809 | 316,040 | 273,153 | 17,961 | 35,922 |
| 50 under 55 | 792,937 | 2,711,784 | 290,138 | 264,155 | 15,614 | 31,229 |
| 55 under 60 | 699,566 | 2,622,356 | 218,796 | 201,297 | 12,022 | 24,045 |
| 60 under 65 | 439,004 | 1,853,221 | 99,573 | 87,056 | 11,370 | 22,740 |
| 65 under 70 | 151,340 | 619,391 | 40,558 | 36,754 | * 2,244 | * 4,489 |
| 70 and over | 72,258 | 314,950 | 11,742 | 12,794 | * 1,858 | * 3,715 |
| Age of taxpayer | Total contributions to Roth IRA plans-continued |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Over \$2,000, under \$3,000 |  | Exactly \$3,000 |  | Over \$3,000, under \$3,500 |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
|  | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) |
| All taxpayers, total | 428,597 | 1,057,839 | 213,839 | 641,516 | 91,435 | 296,294 |
| No age information | * 1,948 | * 4,816 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Under 15 | * 674 | * 1,772 | * 2,004 | * 6,012 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 under 20 | * 5,663 | * 14,359 | * 648 | * 1,945 | * 1,548 | * 5,160 |
| 20 under 25 | 16,606 | 42,363 | 8,161 | 24,484 | * 5,501 | * 17,252 |
| 25 under 30 | 56,976 | 143,382 | 15,056 | 45,167 | 10,721 | 34,057 |
| 30 under 35 | 50,252 | 122,787 | 22,910 | 68,729 | 16,069 | 52,291 |
| 35 under 40 | 57,113 | 141,565 | 27,634 | 82,903 | 10,336 | 34,038 |
| 40 under 45 | 60,017 | 148,063 | 22,905 | 68,714 | 14,607 | 47,063 |
| 45 under 50 | 49,877 | 122,159 | 37,058 | 111,173 | 8,145 | 26,082 |
| 50 under 55 | 55,735 | 135,543 | 31,223 | 93,669 | 6,144 | 19,582 |
| 55 under 60 | 43,480 | 106,086 | 30,138 | 90,414 | 8,067 | 26,712 |
| 60 under 65 | 22,113 | 55,517 | 11,012 | 33,036 | 7,313 | 24,287 |
| 65 under 70 | * 3,310 | * 7,810 | 4,080 | 12,241 | 2,786 | 9,097 |
| 70 and over | * 4,833 | * 11,617 | * 1,010 | * 3,029 | * 198 | * 673 |

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Table 6. Taxpayers with Roth Individual Retirement Account (IRA) Contributions, by Age of Taxpayer, Tax Year 2008-Continued
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Age of taxpayer | Total contributions to Roth IRA plans-continued |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Exactly \$3,500 |  | Over \$3,500, under \$4,000 |  | Exactly \$4,000 |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
|  | (13) | (14) | (15) | (16) | (17) | (18) |
| All taxpayers, total | 17,597 | 61,588 | 219,187 | 840,996 | 182,180 | 728,721 |
| No age information | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | * 2,040 | * 8,160 |
| Under 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | * 2,306 | * 9,225 |
| 15 under 20 | * 1,003 | * 3,511 | * 293 | * 1,171 | * 4,311 | * 17,243 |
| 20 under 25 | * 2,005 | * 7,017 | * 2,627 | * 9,975 | 16,458 | 65,831 |
| 25 under 30 | * 1,295 | * 4,533 | 16,988 | 64,829 | 21,952 | 87,807 |
| 30 under 35 | * 586 | * 2,051 | 35,266 | 135,392 | 23,722 | 94,887 |
| 35 under 40 | * 3,015 | * 10,552 | 41,522 | 161,465 | 25,638 | 102,552 |
| 40 under 45 | * 2,006 | * 7,022 | 35,037 | 134,161 | 18,885 | 75,538 |
| 45 under 50 | * 2,020 | * 7,070 | 36,604 | 142,372 | 31,908 | 127,632 |
| 50 under 55 | * 1,346 | * 4,710 | 24,892 | 94,683 | 14,299 | 57,198 |
| 55 under 60 | * 3,056 | * 10,694 | 9,212 | 34,303 | 7,869 | 31,478 |
| 60 under 65 | * 306 | * 1,073 | 7,597 | 28,461 | 5,774 | 23,096 |
| 65 under 70 | 0 | 0 | 5,604 | 21,082 | * 4,065 | * 16,262 |
| 70 and over | * 959 | * 3,355 | * 3,545 | * 13,102 | * 2,953 | * 11,812 |
| Age of taxpayer | Total contributions to Roth IRA plans-continued |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Over \$4,000, under \$4,500 |  | Exactly \$4,500 |  | Over \$4,500, under \$5,000 |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
| All taxpayers, total | (19) | (20) | (21) | (22) | (23) | (24) |
|  | 59,928 | 253,788 | 26,831 | 120,750 | 169,065 | 825,452 |
| No age information | * 41 | * 172 | * 1,023 | * 4,605 | * 648 | * 3,112 |
| Under 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 under 20 | * 2,656 | * 11,061 | * 1,002 | * 4,510 | * 3,875 | * 18,128 |
| 20 under 25 | * 1,304 | * 5,654 | * 1,002 | * 4,507 | * 6,664 | * 32,162 |
| 25 under 30 | * 4,819 | * 20,458 | 0 | 0 | 28,891 | 141,539 |
| 30 under 35 | * 3,344 | * 14,150 | * 3,687 | * 16,591 | 23,268 | 115,138 |
| 35 under 40 | 6,126 | 25,918 | * 2,305 | * 10,373 | 16,394 | 80,297 |
| 40 under 45 | 7,995 | 33,718 | * 2,634 | * 11,855 | 25,907 | 125,936 |
| 45 under 50 | 13,204 | 55,982 | * 1,235 | * 5,559 | 19,134 | 94,065 |
| 50 under 55 | 6,424 | 27,178 | * 4,668 | * 21,008 | 17,011 | 82,615 |
| 55 under 60 | 7,157 | 30,504 | * 5,270 | * 23,717 | 16,267 | 79,236 |
| 60 under 65 | * 4,699 | * 20,034 | * 2,436 | * 10,963 | 8,299 | 40,395 |
| 65 under 70 | * 1,018 | * 4,176 | * 950 | * 4,275 | * 1,812 | * 8,602 |
| 70 and over | * 1,141 | * 4,783 | * 619 | * 2,787 | * 895 | * 4,227 |

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Table 6. Taxpayers with Roth Individual Retirement Account (IRA) Contributions, by Age of Taxpayer, Tax Year 2008-Continued
[All figures are estimates based on samples-money amounts are in thousands of dollars]

| Age of taxpayer | Total contributions to Roth IRA plans-continued |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Exactly \$5,000 |  | Over \$5,000, under \$6,000 |  | Exactly \$6,000 |  |
|  | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount | Number of taxpayers | Amount |
|  | (25) | (26) | (27) | (28) | (29) | (30) |
| All taxpayers, total | 1,153,164 | 5,765,825 | 65,766 | 366,996 | 802,117 | 4,812,699 |
| No age information | * 4,638 | * 23,189 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Under 15 | * 2,747 | * 13,733 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 under 20 | * 7,527 | * 37,637 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 under 25 | 79,943 | 399,715 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 25 under 30 | 153,728 | 768,640 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 30 under 35 | 155,887 | 779,437 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 35 under 40 | 174,979 | 874,895 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 40 under 45 | 179,265 | 896,327 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 45 under 50 | 212,728 | 1,063,639 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 50 under 55 | 63,441 | 317,207 | 24,894 | 140,363 | 237,108 | 1,422,646 |
| 55 under 60 | 55,491 | 277,456 | 24,416 | 136,467 | 258,324 | 1,549,946 |
| 60 under 65 | 38,107 | 190,536 | 11,760 | 64,159 | 208,645 | 1,251,868 |
| 65 under 70 | 13,358 | 66,790 | * 2,841 | * 15,529 | 68,714 | 412,284 |
| 70 and over | 11,325 | 56,624 | * 1,855 | * 10,478 | 29,326 | 175,955 |

* Estimate should be used with caution due to the small number of sample returns on which it is based

NOTE: Roth IRA refers to an individual retirement plan that is subject to the rules that apply to a traditional IRA with exceptions, as defined by IRS Publication 590 , p. 36 .


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ See Explanation of Selected Terms section for the definition of modified adjusted gross income.

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ For more information on matching and sampling procedures, see Sailer, Peter J.; Michael E. Weber; and Kurt S. Gurka (2002), "Are Taxpayers Increasing the Buildup of Retirement Assets? Preliminary Results from a Matched File of Tax Year 1999 Tax Returns and Information Returns," National Tax Association Proceedings, 95th Annual Conference, pp. 364-369.

[^2]:    Footnotes at end of table

[^3]:    [1] For joint returns, both taxpayers are placed into the same adjusted gross income class, as determined by the combined adjusted gross income.

[^4]:    Footnotes at end of table.

