

BUDGET 2025

What a £26bn tax increase means for you

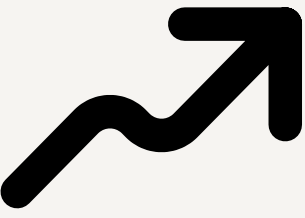


CHANGES TO MINIMUM WAGE



Personal allowance and thresholds frozen until 2030/31

Minimum wages will go up from April 2026 with 18 to 20-year-olds getting the biggest pay rise.

4.1% 

INCREASE FOR OVER 21'S

From **April 2026**, changes to minimum wage:

Rates per hour	From	To	Increase
Apprentice	£7.55	£8.00	6.0%
Under 18	£7.55	£8.00	6.0%
18 to 20	£10.00	£10.85	8.5%
21 and over	£12.21	£12.71	4.1%

CHANGES TO DIVIDEND TAX



Personal allowance and thresholds frozen until 2030/31

Dividend income of less than £500 is tax free but does need to be reported to HMRC. All dividends received on assets held within an Individual Savings Accounts (ISA) are entirely tax free. Dividends received within a Self-Invested Personal Pension (often called a SIPP) or by registered pension schemes are also tax free.



INCREASE FOR BASIC & HIGHER RATES

From **April 2026**, changes to tax rates of incomes:

Basic Rate		
	From	To
Dividends	8.75%	10.75
Higher Rate		
	From	To
Dividends	33.75%	35.75%
Additional Rate		
	From	To
Dividends	39.35% – No Change	

CHANGES TO SAVINGS TAX



All interest received on assets held within ISAs is entirely tax free.

Basic Rate taxpayers can receive £1,000 of interest without paying tax, and Higher Rate taxpayers can receive £500 without paying tax.



INCREASE FOR ALL RATES

From **April 2027**, changes to tax rates of savings interest:

Basic Rate		
	From	To
Savings	20%	22%
Higher Rate		
	From	To
Savings	40%	42%
Additional Rate		
	From	To
Savings	45%	47%

INTRODUCING THE NEW PROPERTY INCOME TAX



Property income will be separatley taxed, a bit like dividends, which will result in a 2% tax increase for basic & higher rate payers



From **April 2027**, changes to tax rates of incomes:

INCREASE FOR BASIC & HIGHER RATES

Basic Rate		
	From	To
Property	20%	22%
Higher Rate		
	From	To
Property	40%	42%
Additional Rate		
	From	To
Property	45% - No Change	

Property income of less than £1,000 does not need to be reported to HMRC and is tax free.

CHANGES TO BUSINESS RATES



Retail, hospitality and leisure (RHL) sector only

Although the business rate multiplier has fallen, the 40% discount will come to an end

From **April 2026**, changes to multipliers:

Basic Rate	2025/26	2026/27	Rateable Value
Small business RHL multiplier		38.2p	RHL <£51,000
Standard RHL multiplier		43p	RHL £51,000 – £499,999
National small business multiplier	49.9p	43.2p	NON-RHL <£51,000
National standard multiplier	55.5p	48p	NON-RHL £51,000 – £499,999
High-value multiplier		50.8p	>£500,000

CHANGES TO **PENSIONS**



Up coming pension changes:

From April 2029

Salary sacrifice contributions limited to £2,000 which are exempt from NICs

Employer and Employee NIC will be due on amounts above £2,000

Ordinary pension contributions remain unchanged

CHANGES TO ISA'S



Up coming ISA changes:

From April 2027

Total £20k allowance, but this will be split between
£12k cash & £8k stocks and shares

Current and historic contributions remain unaffected,
changes made to new contributions only

No changes to over 65s

CHANGES TO OTHER TAXES



A few more up coming changes:

**From April
2026**

Writing Down Allowances to be lowered from 18% to 14% for main pool

**From April
2028**

An introduction of a 3 pence per mile Electric Vehicle Excise Duty. Along with a lower rate of 1.5 pence per mile for hybrids.

**From April
2028**

A new High value council tax surcharge will apply on properties valued above £2 million, which will be from £2,500 to £7,500 (for properties valued above £5 million).



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