# SELECTED DATA RELATED TO THE FEDERAL TAX SYSTEM 

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## INTRODUCTION

This document, ${ }^{1}$ prepared by the staff of the Joint Committee on Taxation, provides general background data related to the Federal tax system.

The current Federal tax system has four main elements: (1) an income tax on individuals and corporations (which consist of both a "regular" income tax and an alternative minimum tax); (2) employment taxes on wages (and corresponding taxes on self-employment income); (3) estate, gift, and generation skipping taxes, and (4) excise taxes on selected goods and services. This document provides general data related to each of these elements. ${ }^{2}$

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## A. Federal Tax System at a Glance

Tables 1 through 3 below show data from 1950 to 2006 on the aggregate receipts collected from the individual income tax, the corporate income tax, payroll taxes, excise taxes, the estate and gift taxes, and other receipts. Table 1 shows the aggregate revenues collected by source, in millions of dollars.

Table 2 shows the same aggregate revenues by source, but as a percentage of GDP. As a share of GDP, the individual income tax has generally oscillated around its average value of 8.1 percent over this period of time. By contrast, corporate income taxes and excise taxes have generally declined as a share of GDP during this period, while payroll taxes have risen substantially as a share of GDP over this period. In 2006, total taxes averaged 18.4 percent of GDP, just over the average of the 1950-2005 period of 17.9 percent.

Table 3 shows Federal receipts by source as a percentage of all Federal receipts. Reflecting the same facts as above, the individual income tax has oscillated around its average share over this period of 44.9 percent, the corporate and excise taxes have declined as a percentage of all revenues, and payroll taxes have risen substantially from around 10 percent of the total in the early 1950s to levels varying between 35 and 40 percent in recent years.

Figure 1 is a pie chart showing the distribution of Federal tax receipts by source for 2005.

Figure 1.-Aggregate Federal Receipts by Source, 2005


Table 1.-Aggregate Federal Receipts by Source, 1950-2006 [millions of dollars]

| Fiscal Year | Individual Income Tax | Corporate Income Tax | Employment[1] Taxes | Excise Taxes | Estate and Gift Taxes | Other[2] <br> Receipts | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1950 | 15,755 | 10,449 | 4,338 | 7,550 | 698 | 653 | 39,443 |
| 1951 | 21,616 | 14,101 | 5,674 | 8,648 | 708 | 870 | 51,616 |
| 1952 | 27,934 | 21,226 | 6,445 | 8,852 | 818 | 892 | 66,167 |
| 1953 | 29,816 | 21,238 | 6,820 | 9,877 | 881 | 976 | 69,608 |
| 1954 | 29,542 | 21,101 | 7,208 | 9,945 | 934 | 971 | 69,701 |
| 1955 | 28,747 | 17,861 | 7,862 | 9,131 | 924 | 926 | 65,451 |
| 1956 | 32,188 | 20,880 | 9,320 | 9,929 | 1,161 | 1,109 | 74,587 |
| 1957 | 35,620 | 21,167 | 9,997 | 10,534 | 1,365 | 1,307 | 79,990 |
| 1958 | 34,724 | 20,074 | 11,239 | 10,638 | 1,393 | 1,568 | 79,636 |
| 1959 | 36,719 | 17,309 | 11,722 | 10,578 | 1,333 | 1,588 | 79,249 |
| 1960 | 40,715 | 21,494 | 14,683 | 11,676 | 1,606 | 2,317 | 92,492 |
| 1961 | 41,338 | 20,954 | 16,439 | 11,860 | 1,896 | 1,900 | 94,388 |
| 1962 | 45,571 | 20,523 | 17,046 | 12,534 | 2,016 | 1,985 | 99,676 |
| 1963 | 47,588 | 21,579 | 19,804 | 13,194 | 2,167 | 2,228 | 106,560 |
| 1964 | 48,697 | 23,493 | 21,963 | 13,731 | 2,394 | 2,337 | 112,613 |
| 1965 | 48,792 | 25,461 | 22,242 | 14,570 | 2,716 | 3,037 | 116,817 |
| 1966 | 55,446 | 30,073 | 25,546 | 13,062 | 3,066 | 3,642 | 130,835 |
| 1967 | 61,526 | 33,971 | 32,619 | 13,719 | 2,978 | 4,009 | 148,822 |
| 1968 | 68,726 | 28,665 | 33,923 | 14,079 | 3,051 | 4,529 | 152,973 |
| 1969 | 87,249 | 36,678 | 39,015 | 15,222 | 3,491 | 5,227 | 186,882 |
| 1970 | 90,412 | 32,829 | 44,362 | 15,705 | 3,644 | 5,855 | 192,807 |
| 1971 | 86,230 | 26,785 | 47,325 | 16,614 | 3,735 | 6,450 | 187,139 |
| 1972 | 94,737 | 32,166 | 52,574 | 15,477 | 5,436 | 6,919 | 207,309 |
| 1973 | 103,246 | 36,153 | 63,115 | 16,260 | 4,917 | 7,109 | 230,799 |
| 1974 | 118,952 | 38,650 | 75,071 | 16,844 | 5,035 | 8,702 | 263,224 |
| 1975 | 122,386 | 40,621 | 84,534 | 16,551 | 4,611 | 10,387 | 279,090 |
| 1976 | 131,603 | 41,409 | 90,769 | 16,963 | 5,216 | 12,101 | 298,060 |
| 1977 | 157,626 | 54,892 | 106,485 | 17,548 | 7,327 | 11,681 | 355,559 |
| 1978 | 180,988 | 59,952 | 120,967 | 18,376 | 5,285 | 13,993 | 399,561 |
| 1979 | 217,841 | 65,677 | 138,939 | 18,745 | 5,411 | 16,690 | 463,302 |
| 1980 | 244,069 | 64,600 | 157,803 | 24,329 | 6,389 | 19,922 | 517,112 |
| 1981 | 285,917 | 61,137 | 182,720 | 40,839 | 6,787 | 21,872 | 599,272 |
| 1982 | 297,744 | 49,207 | 201,498 | 36,311 | 7,991 | 25,015 | 617,766 |
| 1983 | 288,938 | 37,022 | 208,994 | 35,300 | 6,053 | 24,256 | 600,562 |
| 1984 | 298,415 | 56,893 | 239,376 | 37,361 | 6,010 | 28,430 | 666,486 |
| 1985 | 334,531 | 61,331 | 265,163 | 35,992 | 6,422 | 30,650 | 734,088 |
| 1986 | 348,959 | 63,143 | 283,901 | 32,919 | 6,958 | 33,334 | 769,215 |
| 1987 | 392,557 | 83,926 | 303,318 | 32,457 | 7,493 | 34,602 | 854,353 |
| 1988 | 401,181 | 94,508 | 334,335 | 35,227 | 7,594 | 36,457 | 909,303 |
| 1989 | 445,690 | 103,291 | 359,416 | 34,386 | 8,745 | 39,662 | 991,190 |
| 1990 | 466,884 | 93,507 | 380,047 | 35,345 | 11,500 | 44,686 | 1,031,969 |
| 1991 | 467,827 | 98,086 | 396,016 | 42,402 | 11,138 | 39,572 | 1,055,041 |
| 1992 | 475,964 | 100,270 | 413,689 | 45,569 | 11,143 | 44,644 | 1,091,279 |
| 1993 | 509,680 | 117,520 | 428,300 | 48,057 | 12,577 | 38,267 | 1,154,401 |
| 1994 | 543,055 | 140,385 | 461,475 | 55,225 | 15,225 | 43,262 | 1,258,627 |
| 1995 | 590,244 | 157,004 | 484,473 | 57,484 | 14,763 | 47,862 | 1,351,830 |
| 1996 | 656,417 | 171,824 | 509,414 | 54,014 | 17,189 | 44,204 | 1,453,062 |
| 1997 | 737,466 | 182,293 | 539,371 | 56,924 | 19,845 | 43,393 | 1,579,292 |
| 1998 | 828,586 | 188,677 | 571,831 | 57,673 | 24,076 | 50,955 | 1,721,798 |
| 1999 | 879,480 | 184,680 | 611,833 | 70,414 | 27,782 | 53,265 | 1,827,454 |
| 2000 | 1,004,462 | 207,289 | 652,852 | 68,865 | 29,010 | 62,740 | 2,025,218 |
| 2001 | 994,339 | 151,075 | 693,967 | 66,232 | 28,400 | 57,181 | 1,991,194 |
| 2002 | 858,345 | 148,044 | 700,760 | 66,989 | 26,507 | 52,528 | 1,853,173 |
| 2003 | 793,699 | 131,778 | 712,978 | 67,524 | 21,959 | 54,404 | 1,782,342 |
| 2004 | 808,959 | 189,371 | 733,407 | 69,855 | 24,831 | 53,856 | 1,880,279 |
| 2005 | 927,222 | 278,282 | 794,125 | 73,094 | 24,764 | 56,372 | 2,153,859 |
| 2006 | 1,043,908 | 353,915 | 837,821 | 73,961 | 27,877 | 69,772 | 2,407,254 |

[1] Employment taxes comprise old-age and survivors insurance, disability insurance, hospital insurance, railroad retirement, railroad social security equivalent account, employment insurance, employee share of Federal employees retirement, and certain non-Federal employees retirement.
[2] Other receipts are primarily composed of [1] customs duties and fees, and [2] deposits of earnings by the Federal Reserve system.
Source: Office of Management and Budget, Historical Tables, Budget of the U.S. Government, Fiscal Year 2007, and JCT Calculations.

Table 2.-Federal Receipts by Source, As a Percentage of GDP, 1950-2006

| Fiscal Year | Individual Income Tax | Corporate Tax | Employment[1] Taxes | Excise <br> Taxes | Estate and Gift Taxes | Other[2] <br> Receipts | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1950 | 5.8 | 3.8 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 14.4\% |
| 1951 | 6.7 | 4.4 | 1.8 | 2.7 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 16.1\% |
| 1952 | 8.0 | 6.1 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 19.0\% |
| 1953 | 8.0 | 5.7 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 18.7\% |
| 1954 | 7.8 | 5.6 | 1.9 | 2.6 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 18.5\% |
| 1955 | 7.3 | 4.5 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 16.6\% |
| 1956 | 7.5 | 4.9 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 17.5\% |
| 1957 | 7.9 | 4.7 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 17.8\% |
| 1958 | 7.5 | 4.4 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 17.3\% |
| 1959 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 16.1\% |
| 1960 | 7.9 | 4.2 | 2.8 | 2.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 17.9\% |
| 1961 | 7.8 | 3.9 | 3.1 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 17.8\% |
| 1962 | 8.0 | 3.6 | 3.0 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 17.6\% |
| 1963 | 7.9 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 17.8\% |
| 1964 | 7.6 | 3.7 | 3.4 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 17.6\% |
| 1965 | 7.1 | 3.7 | 3.2 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 17.0\% |
| 1966 | 7.4 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 17.4\% |
| 1967 | 7.6 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 18.3\% |
| 1968 | 7.9 | 3.3 | 3.9 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 17.7\% |
| 1969 | 9.2 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 19.7\% |
| 1970 | 8.9 | 3.2 | 4.4 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 19.0\% |
| 1971 | 8.0 | 2.5 | 4.4 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 17.3\% |
| 1972 | 8.0 | 2.7 | 4.5 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 17.6\% |
| 1973 | 7.9 | 2.8 | 4.8 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 17.7\% |
| 1974 | 8.3 | 2.7 | 5.2 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 18.3\% |
| 1975 | 7.8 | 2.6 | 5.4 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 17.9\% |
| 1976 | 7.6 | 2.4 | 5.2 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 17.2\% |
| 1977 | 8.0 | 2.8 | 5.4 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 18.0\% |
| 1978 | 8.2 | 2.7 | 5.5 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 18.0\% |
| 1979 | 8.7 | 2.6 | 5.6 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 18.5\% |
| 1980 | 9.0 | 2.4 | 5.8 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 19.0\% |
| 1981 | 9.4 | 2.0 | 6.0 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 19.6\% |
| 1982 | 9.2 | 1.5 | 6.2 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 19.1\% |
| 1983 | 8.4 | 1.1 | 6.1 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 17.5\% |
| 1984 | 7.8 | 1.5 | 6.2 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 17.4\% |
| 1985 | 8.1 | 1.5 | 6.4 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 17.7\% |
| 1986 | 7.9 | 1.4 | 6.4 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 17.4\% |
| 1987 | 8.4 | 1.8 | 6.5 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 18.4\% |
| 1988 | 8.0 | 1.9 | 6.7 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 18.2\% |
| 1989 | 8.3 | 1.9 | 6.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 18.4\% |
| 1990 | 8.1 | 1.6 | 6.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 18.0\% |
| 1991 | 7.9 | 1.7 | 6.7 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 17.8\% |
| 1992 | 7.6 | 1.6 | 6.6 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 17.5\% |
| 1993 | 7.8 | 1.8 | 6.5 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 17.6\% |
| 1994 | 7.8 | 2.0 | 6.6 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 18.1\% |
| 1995 | 8.1 | 2.1 | 6.6 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 18.5\% |
| 1996 | 8.5 | 2.2 | 6.6 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 18.9\% |
| 1997 | 9.0 | 2.2 | 6.6 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 19.3\% |
| 1998 | 9.6 | 2.2 | 6.6 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 20.0\% |
| 1999 | 9.6 | 2.0 | 6.7 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 20.0\% |
| 2000 | 10.3 | 2.1 | 6.7 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 20.9\% |
| 2001 | 9.9 | 1.5 | 6.9 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 19.8\% |
| 2002 | 8.3 | 1.4 | 6.8 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 17.9\% |
| 2003 | 7.3 | 1.2 | 6.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 16.5\% |
| 2004 | 7.0 | 1.6 | 6.4 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 16.3\% |
| 2005 | 7.6 | 2.3 | 6.5 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 17.5\% |
| 2006 | 8.0 | 2.7 | 6.4 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 18.4\% |
| 1950-2006 Avg. | 8.1 | 2.8 | 4.9 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 18.0\% |

[1] Employment taxes comprise old-age and survivors insurance, disability insurance, hospital insurance, railroad retirement, railroad Social Security equivalent account, employment insurance, employee share of Federal employees retirement, and certain non-Federal employees retirement.
[2] Other receipts are primarily composed of (1) customs duties and fees, and (2) deposits of earnings by the Federal Reserve system.
Source: Office of Management and Budget, Historical Tables, Budget of the U.S. Government, Fiscal Year 2007;
Economic Report of the President, 2007, Table B-78 for fiscal year GDP Figures.

Table 3.-Federal Receipts by Source, As a Percentage of Total Revenues, 1950-2006

| Fiscal Year | Individual Income Tax | $\begin{gathered} \text { Corporate } \\ \operatorname{Tax} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Employment[1] <br> Taxes | Excise <br> Taxes | Estate and Gift Taxes | Other[2] <br> Receipts |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1950 | 39.9 | 26.5 | 11.0 | 19.1 | 1.8 | 1.7 |
| 1951 | 41.9 | 27.3 | 11.0 | 16.8 | 1.4 | 1.7 |
| 1952 | 42.2 | 32.1 | 9.7 | 13.4 | 1.2 | 1.3 |
| 1953 | 42.8 | 30.5 | 9.8 | 14.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 |
| 1954 | 42.4 | 30.3 | 10.3 | 14.3 | 1.3 | 1.4 |
| 1955 | 43.9 | 27.3 | 12.0 | 14.0 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| 1956 | 43.2 | 28.0 | 12.5 | 13.3 | 1.6 | 1.5 |
| 1957 | 44.5 | 26.5 | 12.5 | 13.2 | 1.7 | 1.6 |
| 1958 | 43.6 | 25.2 | 14.1 | 13.4 | 1.7 | 2.0 |
| 1959 | 46.3 | 21.8 | 14.8 | 13.3 | 1.7 | 2.0 |
| 1960 | 44.0 | 23.2 | 15.9 | 12.6 | 1.7 | 2.5 |
| 1961 | 43.8 | 22.2 | 17.4 | 12.6 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| 1962 | 45.7 | 20.6 | 17.1 | 12.6 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| 1963 | 44.7 | 20.3 | 18.6 | 12.4 | 2.0 | 2.1 |
| 1964 | 43.2 | 20.9 | 19.5 | 12.2 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| 1965 | 41.8 | 21.8 | 19.0 | 12.5 | 2.3 | 2.6 |
| 1966 | 42.4 | 23.0 | 19.5 | 10.0 | 2.3 | 2.8 |
| 1967 | 41.3 | 22.8 | 21.9 | 9.2 | 2.0 | 2.7 |
| 1968 | 44.9 | 18.7 | 22.2 | 9.2 | 2.0 | 3.0 |
| 1969 | 46.7 | 19.6 | 20.9 | 8.1 | 1.9 | 2.8 |
| 1970 | 46.9 | 17.0 | 23.0 | 8.1 | 1.9 | 3.0 |
| 1971 | 46.1 | 14.3 | 25.3 | 8.9 | 2.0 | 3.4 |
| 1972 | 45.7 | 15.5 | 25.4 | 7.5 | 2.6 | 3.3 |
| 1973 | 44.7 | 15.7 | 27.3 | 7.0 | 2.1 | 3.1 |
| 1974 | 45.2 | 14.7 | 28.5 | 6.4 | 1.9 | 3.3 |
| 1975 | 43.9 | 14.6 | 30.3 | 5.9 | 1.7 | 3.7 |
| 1976 | 44.2 | 13.9 | 30.5 | 5.7 | 1.7 | 4.1 |
| 1977 | 44.3 | 15.4 | 29.9 | 4.9 | 2.1 | 3.3 |
| 1978 | 45.3 | 15.0 | 30.3 | 4.6 | 1.3 | 3.5 |
| 1979 | 47.0 | 14.2 | 30.0 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 3.6 |
| 1980 | 47.2 | 12.5 | 30.5 | 4.7 | 1.2 | 3.9 |
| 1981 | 47.7 | 10.2 | 30.5 | 6.8 | 1.1 | 3.6 |
| 1982 | 48.2 | 8.0 | 32.6 | 5.9 | 1.3 | 4.0 |
| 1983 | 48.1 | 6.2 | 34.8 | 5.9 | 1.0 | 4.0 |
| 1984 | 44.8 | 8.5 | 35.9 | 5.6 | 0.9 | 4.3 |
| 1985 | 45.6 | 8.4 | 36.1 | 4.9 | 0.9 | 4.2 |
| 1986 | 45.4 | 8.2 | 36.9 | 4.3 | 0.9 | 4.3 |
| 1987 | 45.9 | 9.8 | 35.5 | 3.8 | 0.9 | 4.1 |
| 1988 | 44.1 | 10.4 | 36.8 | 3.9 | 0.8 | 4.0 |
| 1989 | 45.0 | 10.4 | 36.3 | 3.5 | 0.9 | 4.0 |
| 1990 | 45.2 | 9.1 | 36.8 | 3.4 | 1.1 | 4.3 |
| 1991 | 44.3 | 9.3 | 37.5 | 4.0 | 1.1 | 3.8 |
| 1992 | 43.6 | 9.2 | 37.9 | 4.2 | 1.0 | 4.1 |
| 1993 | 44.2 | 10.2 | 37.1 | 4.2 | 1.1 | 3.3 |
| 1994 | 43.1 | 11.2 | 36.7 | 4.4 | 1.2 | 3.4 |
| 1995 | 43.7 | 11.6 | 35.8 | 4.3 | 1.1 | 3.5 |
| 1996 | 45.2 | 11.8 | 35.1 | 3.7 | 1.2 | 3.0 |
| 1997 | 46.7 | 11.5 | 34.2 | 3.6 | 1.3 | 2.7 |
| 1998 | 48.1 | 11.0 | 33.2 | 3.3 | 1.4 | 3.0 |
| 1999 | 48.1 | 10.1 | 33.5 | 3.9 | 1.5 | 2.9 |
| 2000 | 49.6 | 10.2 | 32.2 | 3.4 | 1.4 | 3.1 |
| 2001 | 49.9 | 7.6 | 34.9 | 3.3 | 1.4 | 2.9 |
| 2002 | 46.3 | 8.0 | 37.8 | 3.6 | 1.4 | 2.8 |
| 2003 | 44.5 | 7.4 | 40.0 | 3.8 | 1.2 | 3.1 |
| 2004 | 43.0 | 10.1 | 39.0 | 3.7 | 1.3 | 2.9 |
| 2005 | 43.0 | 12.9 | 36.9 | 3.4 | 1.1 | 2.6 |
| 2006 | 43.4 | 14.7 | 34.8 | 3,1 | 1.2 | 2.9 |
| 1950-2006 Avg. | 44.9 | 15.8 | 27.3 | 7.5 | 1.5 | 3.0 |

[1] Employment taxes comprise old-age and survivors insurance, disability insurance, hospital insurance, railroad retirement, railroad Social Security equivalent account, employment insurance, employee share of Federal employees retirement, and certain non-Federal employees retirement.
[2] Other receipts are primarily composed of (1) customs duties and fees, and (2) deposits of earnings by the Federal Reserve system.
Source: Office of Management and Budget, Historical Tables, Budget of the U.S. Government, Fiscal Year 2007.

## B. Selected Data Related to Individuals

## Income of individuals

Figure 2 shows the 2005 distribution of gross income by source for all individual taxpayers (includes data from taxable returns and those with no tax liability). The largest category by far is wage and salary income ( 70.9 percent of gross income) followed by Social Security, pension and IRA distributions ( 9.3 percent) and business, farm and schedule E income (8.6 percent).

Table 4 shows the distribution by income class of the individual income tax, payroll taxes, and total Federal taxes (excluding corporate and estate and gift taxes) for 2006.

Figure 2.-Sources of Gross Income for All Individual Taxpayers 2005


Table 4.-Distribution of Individual Income Tax, FICA and SECA Tax, and Total Federal Taxes 2006 Projection

| Income Category[1] | Individual Income Tax |  | FICA and SECA Tax |  | Total Federal Taxes[2] |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dollars in } \\ & \text { billions } \end{aligned}$ | Percent | Dollars in Billions | Percent | $\qquad$ billions | Percent |
| Below \$10,000 .................................... | -6 | -0.6\% | 8 | 1.0\% | 6 | 0.3\% |
| \$10,000 to \$20,000 .............................. | -15 | -1.6\% | 25 | 3.1\% | 15 | 0.8\% |
| \$20,000 to \$30,000 .............................. | -6 | -0.6\% | 39 | 4.9\% | 39 | 2.2\% |
| \$30,000 to \$40,000 .............................. | 7 | 0.8\% | 50 | 6.3\% | 64 | 3.5\% |
| \$40,000 to \$50,000 .............................. | 21 | 2.2\% | 57 | 7.1\% | 84 | 4.6\% |
| \$50,000 to \$75,000 .............................. | 80 | 8.4\% | 139 | 17.4\% | 233 | 12.7\% |
| \$75,000 to \$100,000 ............................ | 92 | 9.6\% | 126 | 15.8\% | 229 | 12.5\% |
| \$100,000 to \$200,000 ........................... | 271 | 28.3\% | 251 | 31.5\% | 538 | 29.4\% |
| \$200,000 and over ............................... | 514 | 53.7\% | 103 | 12.9\% | 623 | 34.0\% |
| Total .............................................. | 959 | 100.0\% | 797 | 100.0\% | 1,831 | 100.0\% |

[1] The income concept used to place tax returns into income categories is adjusted gross income (AGI) plus: (1) tax exempt interest, (2) employer contributions for health plans and life insurance, (3) employer share of FICA tax, (4) workers compensation, (5) nontaxable social security benefits, (6) insurance value of medicare benefits, (7) alternative minimum tax preference items, and (8) excluded income of U.S. citizens living abroad.
[2] Federal taxes are equal to individual income tax (including the outlay portion of the EITC), employment tax (attributed to employees), and excise taxes (attributed to consumers). Corporate income tax and estate and gift taxes are not included due to uncertainty concerning the incidence of these taxes.
Note: Details may not add to totals due to rounding.
Source: Joint Committee on Taxation.

## Exclusions and deductions of individuals

Not all of a taxpayer's income is subject to tax. Certain items are excluded from the determination of a taxpayer's gross income ${ }^{3}$, such as pension contributions. Other items are deductible from a taxpayer's gross income to determine taxable income, such as mortgage interest payments. Such exclusions and deductions are termed "tax expenditures." ${ }^{4}$ Table 5 provides estimates of some of the larger tax expenditures applicable to individual taxpayers for the years 2006 to 2010. Table 6 provides data on the distribution of tax returns that claim the standard deduction versus those claiming itemized deductions. More than two-thirds of filers claim the standard deduction. In general, the higher one's income the more likely one will have itemized deductions that exceed the standard deduction. Table 6 shows that taxpayers claiming itemized deductions exceed those claiming the standard deduction for income brackets above

[^1]$\$ 75,000$. Table 7 shows the distribution of taxpayers claiming the major itemized deductions, which are defined here as those for charitable contributions, mortgage interest, and State and local taxes. Table 8 shows the distribution of claimants of selected tax expenditure items and the estimate of the amount of the tax expenditure. This table includes separate estimates for the mortgage interest deduction, the State and local taxes deduction, the child credit, education credits, the student loan interest deduction, and the charitable contributions deduction.

Table 5.-Selected Tax Expenditure Estimates, for Individuals Fiscal Years 2006-2010 [Billions of Dollars]

|  | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2006-10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net exclusion of pension contributions and earnings (employer plans, individual retirement accounts, and Keogh plans) | 124.7 | 134.5 | 141.5 | 149.0 | 156.7 | 706.4 |
| Exclusion of employer contributions for health care, health insurance premiums, and long-term care insurance premiums [1] | 90.6 | 99.7 | 107.0 | 114.5 | 122.2 | 534.0 |
| Reduced rates of tax on dividends and long-term capital gains | 92.1 | 94.0 | 97.7 | 99.9 | 95.8 | 479.6 |
| Deduction for mortgage interest on owner-occupied residences | 69.4 | 75.6 | 80.7 | 85.9 | 91.1 | 402.7 |
| Exclusion of capital gains at death | 50.9 | 51.9 | 53.2 | 69.7 | 64.5 | 290.2 |
| Tax credit for children under age 17 [2] | 46.0 | 45.9 | 46.1 | 46.0 | 46.0 | 230.0 |
| Earned income credit (EIC)[2] | 42.1 | 42.8 | 43.5 | 44.5 | 45.4 | 218.3 |
| Deduction for charitable contributions, other than for education and health | 29.1 | 31.9 | 34.2 | 36.8 | 38.4 | 170.4 |
| Exclusion of benefits provided under cafeteria plans [3] | 27.9 | 30.6 | 33.4 | 36.6 | 40.0 | 168.5 |
| Deduction of nonbusiness State and local government income, sales taxes and personal property taxes [4] | 40.4 | 38.6 | 29.2 | 28.3 | 28.6 | 165.1 |

[^2][^3]Table 6.-Tax Returns that Claim the Standard Deduction and Tax Returns that Itemize 2005 Projections

| Income Category ${ }^{[1]}$ | Standard Deduction |  | Itemized Deduction |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of Tax Returns (thousands) | Dollars (millions) | Number of Tax Returns (thousands) | Dollars (millions) |
| Below \$10,000 ............................. | 30,170 | 167,189 | 903 | 17,166 |
| \$10,000 to \$20,000 ....................... | 20,427 | 131,685 | 1,274 | 14,612 |
| \$20,000 to \$30,000 ....................... | 15,664 | 111,569 | 2,313 | 28,495 |
| \$30,000 to \$40,000 ........................ | 12,206 | 90,867 | 3,379 | 43,231 |
| \$40,000 to \$50,000 ....................... | 8,830 | 67,572 | 4,314 | 58,350 |
| \$50,000 to \$75,000 ....................... | 12,230 | 105,974 | 10,247 | 157,857 |
| \$75,000 to \$100,000 ..................... | 5,001 | 48,445 | 8,696 | 153,625 |
| \$100,000 to \$200,000 .................... | 2,879 | 28,538 | 13,449 | 306,416 |
| \$200,000 and over.......................... | 322 | 3,078 | 3,909 | 234,461 |
| Total .......................................... | 107,728 | 754,918 | 48,483 | 1,014,214 |

[1] The income concept used to place tax returns into income categories is adjusted gross income (AGI) plus:
(1) tax exempt interest, (2) employer contributions for health plans and life insurance, (3) employer share of FICA tax, (4) workers compensation, (5) nontaxable social security benefits, (6) insurance value of medicare benefits, (7) alternative minimum tax preference items, and (8) excluded income of U.S. citizens living abroad. Note: Details may not add to totals due to rounding.
Source: Joint Committee on Taxation.

Table 7.-Returns Claiming Major Itemized Deductions 2005 Projections
[thousands]

|  | Returns with itemized deductions | Returns with all major itemized deductions | Returns with any major itemized deductions | Returns with only major itemized deductions |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Below \$10,000 ............................. | 903 | 175 | 894 | 281 |
| \$10,000 to \$20,000 ....................... | 1,274 | 506 | 1,265 | 394 |
| \$20,000 to \$30,000 ....................... | 2,313 | 1,091 | 2,309 | 754 |
| \$30,000 to \$40,000 ....................... | 3,379 | 1,794 | 3,375 | 1,294 |
| \$40,000 to \$50,000 ....................... | 4,314 | 2,594 | 4,311 | 1,874 |
| \$50,000 to \$75,000 ....................... | 10,247 | 7,052 | 10,233 | 5,115 |
| \$75,000 to \$100,000 ..................... | 8,696 | 6,697 | 8,687 | 5,236 |
| \$100,000 to \$200,000 .................... | 13,449 | 11,098 | 13,448 | 9,361 |
| \$200,000 and over......................... | 3,909 | 3,207 | 3,909 | 3,098 |
| Total .......................................... | 48,483 | 34,215 | 48,430 | 27,407 |

Major itemized deductions are defined as: charitable contributions, mortgage interest, and State and local taxes.
[1] The income concept used to place tax returns into income categories is adjusted gross income (AGI) plus: (1) tax exempt interest, (2) employer contributions for health plans and life insurance, (3) employer share of FICA tax, (4) workers compensation, (5) nontaxable social security benefits, (6) insurance value of medicare benefits, (7) alternative minimum tax preference items, and (8) excluded income of U.S. citizens living abroad.

Table 8.-Distribution by Income Class of selected Individual Tax Expenditures Items, at 2005 Rates and 2005 Income Levels[1]

| Income Class[2] | Mortgage interest deduction |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Returns in thousands | Tax Expenditure Amount (dollars in millions) |
| Below \$10,000 | 342 | \$4 |
| \$10,000 to \$20,000 | 754 | 83 |
| \$20,000 to \$30,000 | 1,459 | 426 |
| \$30,000 to \$40,000 | 2,262 | 982 |
| \$40,000 to \$50,000 | 3,112 | 1,914 |
| \$50,000 to \$75,000 | 8,073 | 7,545 |
| \$75,000 to \$100,000 | 7,326 | 8,587 |
| \$100,000 to \$200,000 | 11,656 | 25,081 |
| \$200,000 and over .... | 3,188 | 17,475 |
| Total ....................................................................... | 38,171 | \$62,097 |
|  | State and local income, sales, and personal property tax deduction |  |
| Income Class[2] | Returns in thousands | Tax Expenditure Amount (dollars in millions) |
| Below \$10,000 ............................................................. | 20 | \$1 |
| \$10,000 to \$20,000 ....................................................... | 447 | 25 |
| \$20,000 to \$30,000 | 1,479 | 141 |
| \$30,000 to \$40,000 | 2,696 | 378 |
| \$40,000 to \$50,000 | 3,885 | 777 |
| \$50,000 to \$75,000 | 10,113 | 3,300 |
| \$75,000 to \$100,000 | 8,946 | 4,081 |
| \$100,000 to \$200,000 | 13,401 | 13,387 |
| \$200,000 and over ...................................................... | 3,192 | 17,881 |
| Total ...................................................................... | 44,178 | \$39,969 |

Footnotes appear at the end of the table.

Table 8.-Distribution by Income Class of selected Individual Tax Expenditures Items, at 2005 Rates and 2005 Income Levels--Cont'd

| Income Class[2] |  | Child Tax Credit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |

Footnotes appear at the end of the table.

Table 8.-Distribution by Income Class of selected Individual Tax Expenditures Items, at 2005 Rates and 2005 Income Levels--Cont'd


Footnotes appear at the end of the table.

# Table 8.-Distribution by Income Class of selected Individual Tax Expenditures Items, at 2005 Rates and 2005 Income Levels--Cont'd 

| Income Class[2] | Real estate tax deduction |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Returns in thousands | Tax Expenditure <br> Amount <br> (dollars in milions) |
| Below \$10,000 | 372 | [3] |
| \$10,000 to \$20,000 | 864 | \$30 |
| \$20,000 to \$30,000 | 1,618 | 162 |
| \$30,000 to \$40,000 | 2,414 | 350 |
| \$40,000 to \$50,000 | 3,340 | 732 |
| \$50,000 to \$75,000 | 8,534 | 2,929 |
| \$75,000 to \$100,000 | 7,689 | 3,478 |
| \$100,000 to \$200,000 | 12,356 | 9,646 |
| \$200,000 and over ... | 3,679 | 4,630 |
| Total | 40,866 | \$21,957 |

[1] Excludes individuals who are dependents of other taxpayers and taxpayers with negative income.
[2] The income concept used to place tax returns into classes is adjusted gross income (AGI) plus:
[1] tax-exempt interest, [2] employer contributions for health plans and life insurance, [3] employer share of FICA tax, [4] workers' compensation, [5] nontaxable Social Security benefits, [6] insurance value of Medicare benefits, [7] alternative minimum tax preference items, and [8] excluded income of U.S. citizens living abroad.
[3] Less than \$500,000.
[4] Less than 500 returns.

## Additional data related to marginal tax rates, the earned income credit, retirement savings and the alternative minimum tax

Figures 3 and 4 show the distribution of taxpayers and total taxable income by marginal Federal income tax bracket. Figure 3 shows that taxpayers with a 15 percent marginal income tax bracket are the largest group ( 46.9 million taxpayers), and Figure 4 shows that they report the most taxable income at their marginal rate ( $\$ 727.3$ billion). However, Figure 4 also shows that most taxable income overall (that is, including taxable income that falls in brackets below the taxpayer's marginal rate bracket) is reported by taxpayers with a marginal rate of 25 percent (\$1,502.1 billion).

Figure 3.-Number of Taxpayers By Marginal
Federal Income Tax Rate 2005


Figure 4.-Total Taxable Income of Taxpayers in Each Marginal Rate Bracket 2005


A refundable earned income tax credit ("EIC") is available to low-income workers who satisfy certain requirements. The amount of the EIC varies depending upon the taxpayer's earned income and whether the taxpayer has one, more than one, or no qualifying children. In 2005, over 22 million taxpayers claimed over $\$ 40$ billion in credits. Table 9 shows the distribution of EIC claimants and dollars claimed by type of household. Figure 5 shows the distribution by income class of the number of EIC claimants and the dollar amounts claimed. The greatest number of claimants and dollars claimed falls in the $\$ 10,000$ to $\$ 20,000$ income category. Figure 6 shows the portion of the aggregate amount of credits claimed that were used to offset tax liability, versus amounts that were refunded to taxpayers. Over 90 percent of earned income credits are paid as refundable amounts.

Table 9.- Earned Income Credit by Type of Households 2005

| Type of Household | Number of <br> households <br> (thousands) | EIC <br> (dollars <br> in millions) | Percentage <br> of total <br> EIC dollars |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No Qualifying Children | 4,516 | 1,007 | 2.5 |
| One Qualifying Child | 8,460 | 14,577 | 35.6 |
| Two or More Qualifying Children | 9,461 | 25,332 | 61.9 |
| All Households | 22,437 | 40,916 | 100 |

Source: Joint Committee on Taxation.

Figure 5.-Distribution of the Earned Income Credit 2005

[1] The income concept used to place tax returns into income categories is adjusted gross income (AGI) plus: (1) tax exempt interest, (2) employer contributions for health plans and life insurance, (3) employer share of FICA tax, (4) workers compensation, (5) nontaxable social security benefits, (6) insurance value of medicare benefits, (7) alternative minimum tax preference items, and (8) excluded income of U.S. citizens living abroad.


Certain provisions in the Internal Revenue Code exist to encourage taxpayers to save for their retirement by providing favorable tax treatment for contributions to individual retirement arrangements (IRAs) and for elective deferrals to employer-based or self-employed retirement plans. Table 10 shows the distribution of contributions to such accounts for 2003. Additionally, Table 11 shows historical claims of deductible contributions to IRAs. Such contributions peaked during the 1982-1986 period when no limits related to participation in other plans, or adjusted gross income, prevailed.

Table 10.-Distribution of Retirement Plan Contributions

| Income Categories | Deductible IRA Contributions |  | Roth IRA Contributions |  | Elective Deferrals to Employer Plans and Self-Employed Retirement Contributions |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of tax returns (thousands) | Millions of dollars | Number of tax returns (thousands) | Millions of dollars | Number of tax returns (thousands) | Millions of dollars |
| Below \$10,000 ....... | 76 | 171 | 230 | 414 | 407 | 431 |
| \$10,000 to \$20,000 ....... | 190 | 386 | 344 | 479 | 1,473 | 1,072 |
| \$20,000 to \$30,000. | 354 | 797 | 497 | 761 | 3,308 | 3,860 |
| \$30,000 to \$40,000 ....... | 433 | 1,098 | 608 | 1,023 | 4,084 | 7,076 |
| \$40,000 to \$50,000 ... | 477 | 1,313 | 558 | 1,130 | 3,897 | 9,254 |
| \$50,000 to \$75,000 | 812 | 2,334 | 1,111 | 2,800 | 8,460 | 28,236 |
| \$75,000 to \$100,000 ..... | 412 | 1,348 | 881 | 2,737 | 6,346 | 31,136 |
| \$100,000 to \$200,000 ...... | 536 | 1,918 | 953 | 3,685 | 7,186 | 60,099 |
| \$200,000 and over ........... | 113 | 591 | 2 | 7 | 1,805 | 28,415 |
| Total ..................... | 3,405 | 9,956 | 5,184 | 13,037 | 36,965 | 169,579 |

[1] The income concept used to place tax returns into income categories is adjusted gross income (AGI) plus: (1) tax exempt interest,
(2) employer contributions for health plans and life insurance, (3) employer share of FICA tax, (4) workers compensation,
(5) nontaxable social security benefits, (6) insurance value of medicare benefits, (7) alternative minimum tax preference items, and
(8) excluded income of U.S. citizens living abroad.

Source: Joint Committee on Taxation.

Table 11.-IRA Participation, 1975-2004

| Year | Returns Claiming IRA Deduction (thousands) | Percentage of all Returns | Deductions Claimed (millions) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1975 | 1,212 | 1.5 | 1,436 |
| 1976 | 1,641 | 1.9 | 1,968 |
| 1977 | 2,003 | 2.3 | 2,458 |
| 1978 | 2,383 | 2.7 | 2,970 |
| 1979 | 2,452 | 2.6 | 3,199 |
| 1980 | 2,564 | 2.7 | 3,431 |
| 1981 | 3,415 | 3.6 | 4,750 |
| 1982 | 12,010 | 12.6 | 28,274 |
| 1983 | 13,613 | 14.1 | 32,061 |
| 1984 | 15,233 | 15.3 | 35,374 |
| 1985 | 16,206 | 15.9 | 38,212 |
| 1986 | 15,548 | 15.0 | 37,786 |
| 1987 | 7,319 | 6.8 | 14,066 |
| 1988 | 6,361 | 5.8 | 11,882 |
| 1989 | 5,825 | 5.2 | 10,829 |
| 1990 | 5,224 | 4.6 | 9,858 |
| 1991 | 4,666 | 4.1 | 9,030 |
| 1992 | 4,478 | 3.9 | 8,696 |
| 1993 | 4,385 | 3.8 | 8,527 |
| 1994 | 4,319 | 3.7 | 8,389 |
| 1995 | 4,301 | 3.6 | 8,339 |
| 1996 | 4,375 | 3.6 | 8,628 |
| 1997 | 4,069 | 3.3 | 8,663 |
| 1998 | 3,868 | 3.1 | 8,188 |
| 1999 | 3,687 | 2.9 | 7,883 |
| 2000 | 3,552 | 2.7 | 7,605 |
| 2001 | 3,448 | 2.6 | 7,407 |
| 2002 | 3,278 | 2.5 | 9,462 |
| 2003 | 3,418 | 2.6 | 10,007 |
| 2004 | 3,331 | 2.6 | 10,029 |

Source: Joint Committee on Taxation.

In addition to their regular tax liability, taxpayers may be subject to the alternative minimum tax. The alternative minimum tax is a separate calculation of tax liability relying on a different tax base, a different rate structure, and more restricted use of tax credits. The taxpayer is liable for the regular tax plus any liability as determined under the minimum tax. ${ }^{5}$ Table 12 shows the distribution of alternative minimum tax liability for 2006.

Table 12.-Distribution of the Alternative Minimum Tax, 2006

| Income Class ${ }^{\text {[2] }}$ | Alternative Minimum Tax and Lost Credits |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Returns (thousands) | Amount (millions) |
| Below \$10,000 ............................. | 1 | \$12 |
| \$10,000 to \$20,000 ....................... | 2 | 4 |
| \$20,000 to \$30,000 ....................... | * | 1 |
| \$30,000 to \$40,000 ....................... | * | 6 |
| \$40,000 to \$50,000 ....................... | 3 | 4 |
| \$50,000 to \$75,000 ....................... | 57 | 80 |
| \$75,000 to \$100,000 ...................... | 120 | 150 |
| \$100,000 to \$200,000 .................... | 1,010 | 2,237 |
| \$200,000 and over........................ | 3,026 | 22,157 |
| Total .......................................... | 4,220 | \$24,651 |
| Note: * indicates less than 500 returns. |  |  |
| Source: Joint Committee on Taxation. |  |  |

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## C. Selected Data Related to Corporations and Other Businesses

Table 13 shows the distribution of C corporation income tax returns by corporation asset size and by industry. The table also shows the amount of income tax paid (after credits) and the percentage distribution of such income tax paid by asset size and industry.

Tables 14 and 15 show similar data for S-corporations and for partnerships. Because such entities are pass-through entities, generally no entity-level income tax is owed.

Table 16 shows the distribution of sole proprietorships by industry; asset size data is not available.

For these tables, net income has been defined in a way that is consistent with data that are published in reports by the Statistics of Income Division of the Internal Revenue Service. Thus, the definition of net income differs between entity types. For instance, C corporation net income includes dividends, interest, rents, royalties, and capital gains. For an S corporation, none of these items is included. For a sole proprietorship, only interest income is included. For a partnership, net income includes rental real estate income, other net rental income, interest, dividends, and royalties; but most capital gains are excluded.

Table 13.- Distribution of C Corporations by Asset Size and Industry, 2004
[Returns in thousands, dollars in millions]

| By total Asset Size | Returns |  | Income Tax After Credits |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Firms with without Net Income | Firms with Net Income | Amount | Percentage of Total |
| 0........................................................... | 252 | 94 | 2,713 | 1 |
| \$1 - \$499,999 .......................................... | 1,377 | 659 | 1,534 | 1 |
| \$500,000 - 999,999 .................................. | 158 | 100 | 944 | 0 |
| \$1,000,000 - 4,999,999 ............................. | 171 | 112 | 3,493 | 2 |
| \$5,000,000 - 9,999,999 ............................. | 28 | 18 | 2,404 | 1 |
| \$10,000,000 - 24,999,999 .......................... | 19 | 12 | 3,441 | 2 |
| \$25,000,000 - 49,999,999 .......................... | 9 | 6 | 3,212 | 1 |
| \$50,000,000 - 99,999,999 .......................... | 7 | 5 | 3,832 | 2 |
| \$100,000,000 - 249,999,999 ...................... | 7 | 5 | 7,377 | 3 |
| \$250,000,000 - 499,999,999 ...................... | 4 | 3 | 7,585 | 3 |
| \$500,000,000 - 2,499,999,999 .................... | 5 | 4 | 29,322 | 13 |
| \$2,500,000,000 and more ........................... | 2 | 2 | 156,869 | 70 |
| Total, all returns ..................................... | 2,040 | 1,019 | 2,22723 | 100 |
| By Industry |  |  |  |  |
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, \& Hunting | 62 | 36 | 783 | 0 |
| Mining | 14 | 7 | 3,381 | 2 |
| Utilities | 5 | 2 | 4,007 | 2 |
| Construction | 232 | 117 | 6,350 | 3 |
| Manufacturing | 131 | 64 | 58,122 | 26 |
| Wholesale Trade | 173 | 99 | 17,128 | 8 |
| Retail Trade | 228 | 114 | 21,541 | 10 |
| Wholesale \& Retail Trade Not Allocable | 1 | * | 1 | * |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 76 | 35 | 4,375 | 2 |
| Information | 53 | 22 | 14,040 | 6 |
| Finance \& Insurance | 97 | 62 | 47,554 | 21 |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 209 | 106 | 2,670 | 1 |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 242 | 114 | 3,889 | 2 |
| Management of Companies (Holding Cos.) | 25 | 13 | 21,310 | 14 |
| Administrative, Support, Waste Management, and Remediation Services | 77 | 36 | 1,452 | 1 |
| Educational Services | 16 | 8 | 460 | 0 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 145 | 67 | 2,474 | 1 |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation | 36 | 14 | 329 | 0 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 89 | 40 | 2,333 | 1 |
| Other Services | 129 | 64 | 522 | * |
| Not Allocable | 1 | * | 1 | * |
| Total, all returns | 2,040 | 1,019 | 222,723 | 100 |

Note: * indicates less than 500 returns.

Table 14.-Distribution of S Corporations by Assets, 2004 By Asset Size and Industry [Returns in thousands]

| By total Asset Size | Returns |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Firms with and without Net Income | Firms with Net Income |
| 0 ........................................................... | 450 | 211 |
| \$1 - \$499,999.......................................... | 2,590 | 1,598 |
| \$500,000 - 999,999................................ | 198 | 118 |
| \$1,000,000-4,999,999.............................. | 215 | 125 |
| \$5,000,000-9,999,999.............................. | 33 | 23 |
| \$10,000,000 - 24,999,999........................... | 21 | 14 |
| \$25,000,000 - 49,999,999.......................... | 6 | 4 |
| \$50,000,000 - 99,999,999.......................... | 3 | 2 |
| \$100,000,000 - 249,999,999........................ | 2 | 1 |
| \$250,000,000 - 499,999,999....................... | * | * |
| \$500,000,000 - 2,499,999,999..................... | * | * |
| \$2,500,000,000 and more............................ | * | * |
| Total, all returns...................................... | 3,518 | 2,097 |
| By Industry |  |  |
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, \& Hunting | 80 | 64 |
| Mining | 17 | 10 |
| Utilities | 2 | 18 |
| Construction | 489 | 2 |
| Manufacturing | 151 | 87 |
| Wholesale Trade | 203 | 19 |
| Retail Trade | 393 | 21 |
| Wholesale \& Retail Trade Not Allocable | 3 | 62 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 107 | 17 |
| Information | 71 | 14 |
| Finance \& Insurance | 142 | 192 |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 395 | 661 |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 538 | 100 |
| Management of Companies (Holding Cos.) | 25 | 14 |
| Administrative, Support, Waste Management, and Remediation Services | 168 | 30 |
| Educational Services | 28 | 5 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 226 | 36 |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation | 83 | 19 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 192 | 46 |
| Other Services | 204 | 35 |
| Not Allocable | 2 | * |
| Total, all returns | 3,518 | 1,441 |

Note: * indicates less than 500 returns.

Table 15.-Distribution of Partnerships by Asset Size and Industry, 2004 [Returns in thousands]

| By total Asset Size | Returns |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Firms with and without Net Income | Firms with Net Income |
| 0 ........................................................... | 696 | 362 |
| \$1 - \$499,999.......................................... | 1,056 | 607 |
| \$500,000 - 999,999................................... | 250 | 144 |
| \$1,000,000-4,999,999.............................. | 388 | 233 |
| \$5,000,000-9,999,999.............................. | 75 | 43 |
| \$10,000,000-24,999,999........................... | 46 | 28 |
| \$25,000,000 - 49,999,999.......................... | 16 | 10 |
| \$50,000,000 - 99,999,999.......................... | 9 | 6 |
| \$100,000,000-249,999,999........................ | 6 | 4 |
| \$250,000,000 - 499,999,999....................... | 2 | 2 |
| \$500,000,000 - 2,499,999,999..................... | 2 | 2 |
| \$2,500,000,000 and more............................ | * | * |
| Total, all returns...................................... | 2,547 | 1,441 |
| By Industry |  |  |
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, \& Hunting | 120 | 64 |
| Mining | 26 | 18 |
| Utilities | 4 | 2 |
| Construction | 155 | 87 |
| Manufacturing | 43 | 19 |
| Wholesale Trade | 43 | 21 |
| Retail Trade | 136 | 62 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 34 | 17 |
| Information | 35 | 14 |
| Finance \& Insurance | 269 | 192 |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 1,180 | 661 |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 164 | 100 |
| Management of Companies (Holding Cos.) | 24 | 14 |
| Administrative, Support, Waste Management, and Remediation Services | 52 | 30 |
| Educational Services | 8 | 5 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 57 | 36 |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation | 45 | 19 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 91 | 46 |
| Other Services | 58 | 35 |
| Not Allocable | 3 | * |
| Total, all returns | 2,547 | 1,441 |

Note: * indicates less than 500 returns.

Table 16.-Distribution of Sole Proprietorships by Industry, 2004 [Returns in thousands]

| By Industry | Returns |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | Firms with and without <br> Net Income | Firms with <br> Net Income |
| Mining | 282 | 169 |
| Utilities | 126 | 99 |
| Construction | 12 | 9 |
| Manufacturing | 2,587 | 2,127 |
| Wholesale Trade | 351 | 224 |
| Retail Trade | 351 | 236 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 2,399 | 1,201 |
| Information | 983 | 802 |
| Finance \& Insurance | 295 | 195 |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 673 | 470 |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical | 1,179 | 840 |
| $\quad$ Services | 2,951 | 2,182 |
| Management of Companies (Holding Cos.) | 0 | 0 |
| Administrative, Support, Waste | 1,995 | 1,644 |
| $\quad$ Management, and Remediation Services | 474 | 380 |
| Educational Services | 1,778 | 1,484 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 1,132 | 676 |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation | 384 | 246 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 2,355 | 1,834 |
| Other Services | 284 | 232 |
| Not Allocable | 20,591 | 054 |
| Total, all returns |  |  |

Table 17, which is similar to Table 5 for individuals, shows the largest tax expenditure items for C-corporations (S-corporation, partnership, and sole proprietorship income is taxed at the individual level, and tax expenditures with respect to such entities would appear on individual tax returns).

Table 17.-Selected Corporate Tax Expenditure Estimates Fiscal Years 2006-2010 [Billions of Dollars]

|  | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | $2006-10$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Deferral of active income of controlled foreign <br> corps | 3.4 | 5.8 | 6.4 | 7.0 | 7.5 | 30.1 |
| Inventory property sales source rule exception | 6.2 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 33.0 |
| Expensing of research and experimentation | 2.0 | 3.7 | 5.5 | 6.0 | 5.8 | 23.0 |
| Tax credit for electricity produced from renewables | 2.0 | 3.7 | 5.5 | 6.0 | 5.8 | 23.0 |
| Deduction of unpaid property loss reserves for <br> $\quad$ Property and Casualty Insurance | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 17.5 |
| Tax credit of low income housing | 3.4 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 19.3 |
| Depreciation of excess of ADR <br> Reduced rates on first \$10 million of corporate <br> income | 4.3 | 11.0 | 17.7 | 23.4 | 27.7 | 85.5 |
| Production activity deduction | 2.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 21.5 |  |
| Exclusion of interest on State and local bonds | 7.3 | 7.8 | 8.2 | 8.6 | 9.0 | 40.9 |
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Source: Joint Committee on Taxation.

## D. Selected Data Related to the Estate Tax

Table 18 shows the distribution by gross value of the estate of all estate tax returns filed in 2005. The threshold size for filing an estate tax return for decedents dying in 2005 was $\$ 1.5$ million. However, returns filed in 2005 include returns for decedents dying in 2004, when the filing threshold was also $\$ 1.5$ million, and for decedents dying in 2003, when the filing threshold was $\$ 1$ million. Table 19 shows the same distribution for taxable estates.

Table 18.-All Estate Tax Returns Filed in 2005
[Dollars in Millions]

| Total Gross Estate | Total Gross Estate |  | Bequests to Spouse |  | Bequests to Charity |  | Estate Tax |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Millions | Number | Millions | Number | Millions | Number | Millions |
| Under \$2,000,000... | 19,544 | 30,663 | 7,777 | 5,159 | 3,040 | 1,102 | 7,057 | 767 |
| \$2,000,000-\$3,500,000.. | 14,842 | 38,162 | 7,133 | 9,666 | 2,814 | 1,703 | 7,311 | 3,043 |
| \$3,500,000-\$5,000,000.. | 4,445 | 18,386 | 2,239 | 5,830 | 1,037 | 1,099 | 2,282 | 2,283 |
| \$5,000,000-\$10,000,000.. | 4,122 | 28,001 | 2,036 | 9,545 | 1,107 | 2,031 | 2,280 | 4,477 |
| \$10,000,000-\$20,000,000......................... | 1,358 | 18,650 | 686 | 7,144 | 455 | 1,645 | 822 | 3,276 |
| \$20,000,000 or more................................... | 760 | 50,833 | 413 | 17,490 | 328 | 12,835 | 498 | 7,823 |
| Total.................................................. | 45,071 | 184,695 | 20,284 | 54,834 | 8,781 | 20,415 | 20,250 | 21,669 |

Source: JCT tabulations of JCT estate tax file.

Table 19.-Taxable Estate Tax Returns Filed in 2005
[Dollars in Millions]

| Total Gross Estate | Total Gross Estate |  | Bequests to Spouse |  | Bequests to Charity |  | Estate Tax |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Millions | Number | Millions | Number | Millions | Number | Millions |
| Under \$2,000,000... | 7,057 | 11,501 | 215 | 59 | 932 | 63 | 7,057 | 767 |
| \$2,000,000-\$3,500,000............................. | 7,311 | 18,939 | 490 | 307 | 1,634 | 336 | 7,311 | 3,043 |
| \$3,500,000-\$5,000,000.. | 2,282 | 9,433 | 298 | 412 | 657 | 316 | 2,282 | 2,283 |
| \$5,000,000-\$10,000,000... | 2,280 | 15,590 | 376 | 935 | 734 | 846 | 2,280 | 4,477 |
| \$10,000,000-\$20,000,000.......... | 822 | 11,252 | 199 | 1325 | 348 | 963 | 822 | 3,276 |
| \$20,000,000 or more................................. | 498 | 37,300 | 176 | 5891 | 260 | 11,638 | 498 | 7,823 |
| Total.... | 20,250 | 104,015 | 1,754 | 8,929 | 4,565 | 14,162 | 20,250 | 21,669 |

Source: JCT tabulations of JCT estate tax file.

## E. Selected Data Related to Excise Taxes

Table 20 shows the largest Federal excise taxes by revenue raised for fiscal year 2005, as well as the rate of tax imposed. The gasoline motor fuel excise tax and the diesel motor fuel excise tax are the two largest excise taxes by revenue raised, and collectively account for 44 percent of the total excise taxes.

Table 20.-Largest Excise Taxes by Fiscal Year, 2005
[Collections in Billions] ${ }^{(\text {a) }}$

| Excise Tax | ${\text { Rate of Tax }{ }^{(\mathbf{b})}}^{c \mid}$Fiscal Year 2005 <br> Collections |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Gasoline Motor fuel | 18.4 cents per gallon ${ }^{(\mathbf{c})}$ | 23.7 |
| Diesel motor fuel | 24.4 cents per gallon ${ }^{(\mathbf{c})}$ | 9.4 |
| Domestic cigarettes | $\$ 19.50$ to $\$ 40.95$ per thousand $^{(\text {e })}$ | 7.2 |
| Transportation by air | 7.5 percent of ticket price plus <br> $\$ 3.10$ per flight segment | 7.0 |
| Telephone and teletypewriter services | 3 percent | 5.9 |
| Distilled spirits (domestic and imported) | $\$ 13.50$ per proof gallon | 4.5 |
| Beer (domestic and imported) | $\$ 7$ or $\$ 18$ per barrel ${ }^{(\mathrm{d})}$ | 3.6 |
| Other (non-specified) | N/A | 13.9 |
| Total | N/A | 75.2 |

Source: From http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-soi/histab21.xls
(a) Collections or liabilities reported by the IRS, Customs Services, and the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau.
(b) Tax rates in effect October 1, 2004.
(c) Includes 0.1 cents per gallon for the Leaking Underground Storage Tank trust fund.
(d) Beer brewed, produced, and removed for consumption or sale in the United States, or imported, is taxed at a rate of $\$ 18.00$ per barrel ( 31 gallons). The tax rate is $\$ 7$ per barrel (approximately 22.6 cents per gallon) on the first 60,000 barrels of beer removed each year by domestic brewers producing less than two million barrels of beer during the calendar year. The $\$ 18.00$ per barrel tax translates to approximately 33 cents per 6-pack of beer.
(e) Small cigarettes (weighing no more than three pounds per thousand) are taxed at $\$ 19.50$ per thousand. Large cigarettes (weighing more than three pounds per thousand) generally are taxed at $\$ 40.95$ per thousand. These rates equal 39 cents and 81 cents respectively for a pack of 20 cigarettes.


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ This document may be cited as follows: Joint Committee on Taxation, Selected Data Related to the Federal Tax System (JCX-11-07), March 14, 2007. Available at http://www.house.gov/jct.
    ${ }^{2}$ Joint Committee on Taxation, Overview of the Federal Tax System as in Effect for 2007 (JCX-2-07), January 12, 2007, provides a description of these four elements.

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ Under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, gross income means "income from whatever source derived" except for certain items specifically exempt or excluded by statute.

    4 "Tax expenditures" are defined under the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (Pub. L. No. 93-344, sec. 3(3)), as "revenue losses attributable to provisions of the Federal tax laws which allow a special exclusion, exemption, or deduction from gross income or which provide a special credit, a preferential rate of tax, or a deferral of tax liability." For a complete discussion of tax expenditures and how they are estimated, see Joint Committee on Taxation, Estimates of Federal Tax Expenditures for Fiscal Years 2006-2010 (JCS-2-06), April 25, 2006.

[^2]:    [1] Estimate includes employer-provided health insurance purchased through cafeteria plans.
    [2] Tax expenditure estimate includes refundable amounts, amounts used to offset income taxes, and amounts used to offset other taxes. tax credit and earned income tax credit used to offset other than income tax or paid out as refund is: $\$ 50.1$ billion in 2006 , $\$ 51.6$ billion in 200 $\$ 51.4$ billion in 2008, \$52.2 billion in 2009, and $\$ 53.2$ in 2010.
    [3] Estimate includes amounts of employer-provided health insurance purchased through cafeteria plans, health care purchased through health flexible spending arrangements, and dependent care purchased through dependent care flexible spending arrangements. The health insurance and health care flexible spending arrangement amounts are also included in the tax expenditure on the second line of this table.
    [4] Deduction for State and local sales taxes expires after December 31, 2007.

[^3]:    Source: Joint Committee on Taxation.

[^4]:    ${ }^{5}$ For a complete discussion of the alternative minimum tax, see Joint Committee on Taxation, Present Law and Background Relating to the Individual Alternative Minimum Tax (JCX-10-07), March 5, 2007.

