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2011 Supplement to the Minnesota Tax Handbook

This supplement to the 2010 Edition of the Minnesota Tax Handbook contains the major tax law changes enacted in 2011. The page references are to the 2010 Edition. Also included are the current rates for the major state taxes, the property tax class rates for taxes payable in 2012, and state tax collections for fiscal year 2011.

The 2010 Edition of the Minnesota Tax Handbook can be found on the Department of Revenue web site at http://www.taxes.state.mn.us/reports/reports.html

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History of Major Changes

STATE TAXES

Individual Income Tax, Page 8

- 2011 Federal provisions adopted except, for tax years
 2011 and 2012, the increased standard deduction for married filers and the repeal of the limit on itemized deductions and phaseout of personal exemptions.
 - Repealed credit for new participants in a Section 125 employer health insurance plan.

Estate Tax, Page 15

2011 – Enacted deduction for up to \$4 million of qualified farm or small business property.

General Sales and Use Tax, Page 20

- 2011 Exemption enacted for all purchases by townships.
 - Exemption enacted for qualifying equipment and electricity for new and expanded data centers.

LOCAL TAXES

General Property Tax, Page 58

2011 – Homestead market value credit repealed; homestead market value exclusion enacted.

Rates of Major State Taxes As of January 1, 2012

Individual Income Tax: Tax Year 2012
Rates and Taxable Income Brackets

	5.35% up to	7.05%	7.85% over
Married Joint	\$34,590	\$34,591 - \$137,430	\$137,430
Married Sep.	\$17,300	\$17,301 - \$68,720	\$68,720
Single	\$23,670	\$23,671 - \$77,730	\$77,730
Head of Hshld	. \$29,130	\$29,131 - \$117,060	\$117,060

Corporate Franchise Tax: 9.8%

General Sales and Use Tax: 6.875%

Liquor Gross Receipts Tax: 2.5%

Motor Vehicle Sales Tax: 6.5%

Motor Fuels Excise Taxes

Highway gasoline and diesel:

FY 2012 28ϕ per gallon FY 2013 28.5ϕ per gallon Aviation fuels: $0.5\phi - 5\phi$ per gallon

Alcoholic Beverage Taxes

Distilled spirits: \$5.03 per gallon

Beer: more than 3.2% alcohol \$4.60 per barrel

3.2% or less: \$2.40 per barrel

Wine: \$.30 - \$3.52 per gallon

Cigarette Tax and Fee: \$1.23 per pack of 20 cigarettes

Tobacco Products Tax and Fee: 70% of wholesale price

Mortgage Registry Tax: 0.23% of principal debt

Deed Transfer Tax: 0.33% of consideration

MinnesotaCare Taxes: 2% of gross revenues for health care providers, hospitals, surgical centers, and wholesale drug

distributors.

Motor Vehicle Registration Tax: \$10 plus 1.25% of base value based on age for passenger cars, pickup trucks, and vans. Trucks, tractors, and buses based on type, weight, and age of the vehicle.

State General Property Tax: for taxes payable in 2012, 51.1% of the net tax capacity of commercial and industrial property; 20.75% for seasonal recreational property.

Class Rates for Major Classes of Property for 2012

Clas	ss and Type of Property	Net Class Rate
1a	Residential homestead	
	First \$500,000 market value (MV)	1.0%
	Over \$500,000 MV	1.25%
1b	Homestead of blind or disabled	
	First \$50,000 MV	0.45%
	Excess is Class 1a or 2a	
1c	Homestead resorts	
	First \$600,000 MV	0.5%
	Next \$1,700,000 MV	1.0%
	Over \$2,300,000 MV	1.25% ^b
1d	Seasonal farm worker housing - same as Cl	ass 1a
2a	Agricultural homestead	
	House, garage, and one acre - same as C	lass 1a
	Remaining land and buildings	
	First \$1,210,000 MV	0.5% ^a
	Over \$1,210,000 MV	1.0% ^a
	Nonhomestead agricultural land	1.0% ^a
2b	Rural vacant land	1.0%
2c	Managed forest land	0.65% ^a
2d	Private airport	1.0% ^a
2e	Unmined commercial aggregate deposit lan	
3a	Commercial and industrial, utility real prop	erty
	First \$150,000 MV	1.5% ^b
	Over \$150,000 MV	2.0% ^b
	Public utility machinery	2.0% ^b
3b	Employment property – same as Class 3a ^b	
4a	Apartments, 4 or more units; private hospit	
4b	Residential or farm nonhomestead, 2-3 unit	
	manufactured homes	1.25%
4bb	Residential or farm nonhomestead, 1 unit –	same
	as Class 1a	
4c	Commercial seasonal recreational residentia	al – same
	as Class 1a ^b	
	Nonprofit community service organization	1.5%
	Post-secondary student housing	1.0% ^a
	Manufactured home parks	1.25%
	Noncommercial seasonal recreational residence	ential
	– Same as Class 1a ^{a, b}	
	Qualifying marinas – same as Class 1a	
	Qualifying golf courses	1.25%
	Nonprofit fitness and recreational facilities	
	in the metro area	1.25%
4d	Low-income rental housing	0.75%
5	Unmined iron ore and low-grade iron ore	2.0% ^b
	All other property	2.0%
Exe	empt from school district referendum levies.	1

^bSubject to state general property tax, except for electric generating public utility machinery.

Minnesota State Tax Collections Fiscal Year 2011 All Funds - Net After Refunds

	FY 2011 Collections	
		% of
	Amount	Total
	(000's)	
Individual Income Tax	\$7,529,204	42.05%
Income Tax Reciprocity	59,719	0.33
Corporate Franchise Tax	924,613	5.16
Estate Tax	161,202	0.90
General Sales & Use Tax	4,583,049	25.60
Liquor Gross Receipts Tax	70,117	0.39
Motor Vehicle Rental Tax	14,051	0.08
Motor Vehicle Rental Fee	2,085	0.01
Motor Vehicle Sales Tax	503,413	2.81
Motor Fuels Excise Taxes	849,581	4.75
Alcoholic Beverage Taxes	78,422	0.44
Cigarette Taxes and Fees	377,488	2.11
Tobacco Products Taxes and Fees	49,155	0.28
Mortgage Registry Tax	98,877	0.55
Deed Transfer Tax	54,526	0.31
Lawful Gambling Taxes	36,980	0.21
Pari-mutuel Tax	580	*
Insurance Premiums Taxes	369,751	2.07
Health Care Surcharges	245,249	1.37
MinnesotaCare Taxes	476,068	2.66
Mining Occupation Taxes	12,850	0.07
State Property Tax	766,926	4.28
Contamination Tax	307	*
Motor Vehicle Registration Tax	557,175	3.11
Airflight Property Tax	7,806	0.04
Aircraft Registration Tax	5,920	0.03
Rural Electric Co-ops	49	*
Solid Waste Management Taxes	65,527	0.37
Metropolitan Landfill Fee	3,726	0.02
Total	\$17,904,416	100.00%

^{*} Less than .005%