

Welcome to March when daylight savings time and spring begins!

Dynamic Funds have produced a report which is focused on key retirement trends in Canada. The Dynamic Retirement Income Report reveals a growing concern among Canadians about their ability to adequately fund their retirement. As markets become more volatile, Canadian retirees want more certainty. They want to know that their retirement portfolio can generate a steady level of monthly income – regardless of what's going on in the markets. To help change the retirement conversation, the Dynamic Retirement Income Report provides tools & guidance on how to construct an income generating portfolio that can help provide this peace of mind. Please open the following link to view the

[Dynamic Retirement Income Report](#)

Essential 2024 Income Tax Numbers to Know:

- **Maximum RRSP contribution**: The maximum contribution for 2024 is \$31,560; for 2023, it's \$30,780. The 2025 limit is \$32,490.
- **TFSA limit**: In 2024, the annual limit is \$7,000, for a total of \$95,000 for someone who has never contributed and has been eligible for the TFSA since its introduction in 2009.
- **Maximum pensionable earnings**: For 2024, the maximum pensionable earnings amount is \$68,500 (up from \$66,600 in 2023), and the basic exemption amount remains \$3,500. New for 2024, earnings between \$68,500 and \$73,200 will be subject to a second tranche of CPP contributions.
- **Maximum EI insurable earnings**: The maximum annual insurable earnings (federal) for 2024 is \$63,200, up from \$61,500 in 2023.
- **Prescribed CRA rates**: The prescribed rate on loans to family members will be 6% in Q1 2024, and the interest rate Canadians must pay on overdue tax will be 10%. That's up from 5% and 9%, respectively, in Q4 2023.
- **Lifetime Canadian Controlled Private Corporation capital gains exemption**: The lifetime capital gains exemption is \$1,016,836 in 2024, up from \$971,190 in 2023.
- **Home buyers' amount**: A client who bought a home may be able to claim up to \$10,000 of the purchase cost, and get a non-refundable tax credit of up to \$1,500.
- **Medical expenses threshold**: For the 2024 tax year, the maximum is 3% of net income or \$2,759, whichever is less. For 2023, the max is 3% or \$2,635.
- **Basic personal amount**: The basic personal amount for 2024 is \$15,705 for taxpayers with net income of \$173,205 or less. At income levels above \$173,205, the basic personal amount is gradually clawed back until it reaches \$14,156 for net income of \$246,752. The basic personal amount for 2023 ranges from \$13,520 to \$15,000.
- **Age amount**: Clients can claim this amount if they were aged 65 or older on Dec. 31 of the taxation year. The maximum amount they can claim in 2024 is \$8,790, up from \$8,396 in 2023.
- **OAS recovery threshold**: If your client's net world income exceeds \$90,997 in 2024 or \$86,912 in 2023, they may have to repay part of or the entire OAS pension.
- **Lifetime Advanced Life Deferred Annuity dollar limit**: The limit is \$170,000 for 2024 and \$160,000 for 2023.
- **Canada caregiver credit**: A client with a dependant younger than 18 who's physically or mentally impaired may be able to claim up to an additional \$2,616 in 2024 and \$2,499 in

2023 in calculating certain non-refundable tax credits. For infirm dependants 18 or older, the amount for 2024 is \$8,375 and the 2023 amount is \$7,999.

- **Disability amount:** This non-refundable credit is \$9,872 in 2024 (\$9,428 in 2023), with a supplement up to \$5,758 for those under 18 (\$5,500 in 2023) that is reduced if child care expenses are claimed.
- **Child disability benefit:** The child disability benefit is a tax-free benefit of up to \$3,322 in 2024 (\$3,173 in 2023) for families who care for a child under 18 with a severe and prolonged impairment in physical or mental functions.
- **Canada child benefit:** In 2024, the maximum CCB benefit is \$7,787 per child under six and up to \$6,570 per child aged six through 17. In 2023, those amounts are \$7,437 per child under six and up to \$6,275 per child aged six through 17.

Federal tax brackets

Federal bracket thresholds will be adjusted higher in 2024 by 4.7%.

- The 33.0% tax rate begins at taxable income of over \$246,752, up from \$235,675 in 2023.
- The 29.0% tax rate begins at taxable income of over \$173,205 up from \$165,430 in 2023.
- The 26.0% tax rate begins at taxable income of over \$111,733 up from \$106,717 in 2023.
- The 20.5% tax rate begins at taxable income of over \$55,867, up from \$53,359 in 2023.
- Income up to \$55,867 is taxed at 15.0%.

The 2024 Combined Ontario Marginal Tax Rate table is attached for your reference.

“Bull and bear markets come and go, but great companies – those that can grow across different market environments – stand the test of time.” Will Danoff

William Danoff is a legend and highly successful investor similar to Warren Buffet. As a vice-president and portfolio manager of the U.S. based Fidelity Contrafund, he manages US \$129 billion which is the largest actively managed stock or bond mutual fund run by one person. I had an opportunity to listen to Mr. Danoff on a webcast recently. His investment philosophy and strategy includes emphasis on detailed research to gain better insights which include company visits, discussions with suppliers, competitors, customers and management as well as company facility tours. This results in a deep understanding of each business. Mr. Danoff looks for business's that are innovative and profitable. The view is to invest for the long term always looking at where will the company be in 10 years. He claims he only has one good investment idea every two years. Mr. Danoff is a strong advocate of buy and hold for the long term.

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Have a great day!

Respectfully Yours,

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