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Source: Survey of Personal Incomes.

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Footnotes for tables 2.1

(a) Figures for 2008-09 tax year are not currently available.

(1) Taxpayers with total taxable income below the lower rate limit and some taxpayers whose savings and dividend income took them above the lower rate limit. From 1993-94 until 1998-99 a number of taxpayers with taxable income in excess of the lower rate limit only paid tax at the lower rate. This was because it was only their dividend income and (from 1996-97) their savings income which took their taxable income above the lower rate limit, and such income was chargeable to tax at the lower rate and not the basic rate.

(2) In 1999-2000 the starting rate replaced the lower rate. Between 1999-2000 and 2007-08 taxpayers with total taxable income below the starting rate limit. From 2008-09 taxpayers with no taxable earnings and total taxable income from savings below the starting rate limit. From 2018-18 the starting rate of tax for savings income has been reduced from 10% to 0%, and the starting rate limit has been increased to £5,000.

(3) Before 2016-17 taxpayers with no taxable earnings and total taxable income from savings between the starting/lower rate limit and the basic rate limit and/or dividends at the 10p ordinary rate. From 2016-17 taxpayers with no taxable earnings and total taxable income from savings charged at 20% and/or dividends at 7.5%. Before 1999-2000 these taxpayers would have been classified as lower rate taxpayers.

(4) Between 1999-2000 and 2007-08 taxpayers whose total taxable income is between the starting rate limit and basic rate limit and includes income from earnings or income taxed as earnings. From 2008-09 taxpayers whose income includes earnings or other income taxed as earnings and with total taxable income below the basic rate limit.

(5) Before 2010-11 taxpayers with total taxable income above the basic rate limit. From 2010-11 taxpayers with total taxable income between the basic rate limit and the higher rate limit.

(6) Taxpayers with total taxable income above the higher rate limit.

(7) Taxpayers aged 65 years or older for men and 60 years or older for women in 2009-10. The female State Pension Age was increased gradually from April 2010 to be equalised with the male State Pension Age by November 2018. The female State Pension Age for the purposes of this table is 60.5 years in 2010-11, 61 years in 2011-12, 61.5 years in 2012-13, 62 years in 2013-14, 62.5 years in 2014-15, 63 years in 2015-16, 63.75 years in 2016-17 and 64.5 years in 2017-18. The male and female State Pension Age in 2018-19 is 65.25 and 65.75 in 2019-20.

(8) Projected estimates based upon the 2016-17 Survey of Personal Incomes using economic assumptions consistent with the OBR’s March 2019 economic and fiscal outlook.

(9) From 2017-18, individuals who are classified as resident in Scotland and have total taxable income above the Scottish basic rate limit (BRL) but below the UK government’s BRL have their marginal rate classified based on their income within this notional band. For these taxpayers, non-savings non-dividend (NSND) income within this band is taxed at the higher rate, whereas savings and dividends income is taxed at the basic rate. A Scottish taxpayer with any taxable NSND income within this band (but no total taxable income above the UK BRL) is classified as a higher rate taxpayer, as this is the top rate they are paying. A Scottish taxpayer with only savings and/or dividend income within this band (and no total taxable income above the UK BRL) is classified as a basic rate taxpayer.

(10) From 2018-19, individuals who are classified as resident in Scotland and have total taxable income in the Scottish starter rate or Scottish intermediate rate have their marginal rate classified based on their income within this notional band. For these taxpayers, non-savings non-dividend (NSND) income within these band is taxed at a 19% or 21% rate respectively, whereas savings and dividends income is taxed at the basic rate. A Scottish taxpayer with any taxable NSND income within these bands (but no total taxable income above the UK BRL) is classified as a basic rate taxpayer, as this is the top rate they are paying. A Scottish taxpayer with only savings and/or dividend income within this band (and no total taxable income above the UK BRL) is classified as a basic rate taxpayer.

The following is a link to the income tax liabilities national statistics homepage, which includes a bulletin providing a detailed analysis of income taxpayer numbers and tax liabilities:

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