The Inheritance Tax nil rate band and interest rates are subject to change.

For the most up-to-date information:

- go to **www.gov.uk/inheritance-tax**
- phone our helpline on **0300 123 1072**
  – if calling from outside the UK, phone **+44 300 123 1072**

Inheritance Tax nil rate bands

For transfers on death, the value of an estate above the nil rate band is taxed at the rate of 40%.

For lifetime transfers the rate is 20%.

From	To	Nil rate band
18 March 1986	16 March 1987	£71,000
17 March 1987	14 March 1988	£90,000
15 March 1988	5 April 1989	£110,000
6 April 1989	5 April 1990	£118,000
6 April 1990	5 April 1991	£128,000
6 April 1991	9 March 1992	£140,000
10 March 1992	5 April 1995	£150,000
6 April 1995	5 April 1996	£154,000
6 April 1996	5 April 1997	£200,000
6 April 1997	5 April 1998	£215,000
6 April 1998	5 April 1999	£223,000

From	To	Nil rate band
6 April 1999	5 April 2000	£231,000
6 April 2000	5 April 2001	£234,000
6 April 2001	5 April 2002	£242,000
6 April 2002	5 April 2003	£250,000
6 April 2003	5 April 2004	£255,000
6 April 2004	5 April 2005	£263,000
6 April 2005	5 April 2006	£275,000
6 April 2006	5 April 2007	£285,000
6 April 2007	5 April 2008	£300,000
6 April 2008	5 April 2009	£312,000
6 April 2009	onwards	£325,000

Excepted estate limits

From	To	£
1 April 1983	30 March 1987	£40,000
1 April 1987	31 March 1989	£70,000
1 April 1989	31 March 1990	£100,000
1 April 1990	31 March 1991	£115,000
1 April 1991	5 April 1995	£125,000
6 April 1995	5 April 1996	£145,000
6 April 1996	5 April 1998	£180,000
6 April 1998	5 April 2000	£200,000
6 April 2000	5 April 2002	£210,000
6 April 2002	5 April 2003	£220,000
6 April 2003	5 April 2004	£240,000
6 April 2004	onwards	*Inheritance Tax nil rate band

*Note

If the death is after 5 April but before 6 August in any one year and the grant of representation is applied for before 6 August of that year, the nil rate band from the previous tax year should be used to decide whether or not the estate is an excepted estate.

If the death is between 6 August and 5 April, the nil rate band to use for an excepted estate is the one that applies at the date of death.

Example

A Joan Brown died on 9 May 2006 and the grant was taken out on 21 July 2006. The correct nil rate band to use is £275,000.

B Dave Smith died on 7 June 2006 and the grant was taken out on 21 August 2006. The correct nil rate band to use is £285,000.

Date Inheritance Tax is due

Month person died	Tax is due date	Interest is charged from
January	31 July	1 August
February	31 August	1 September
March	30 September	1 October
April	31 October	1 November
May	30 November	1 December
June	31 December	1 January

Month person died	Tax is due date	Interest is charged from
July	31 January	1 February
August	28/29 February	1 March
September	31 March	1 April
October	30 April	1 May
November	31 May	1 June
December	30 June	1 July

Interest rates on Inheritance Tax calculations on death

Go to **www.gov.uk/inheritance-tax** for earlier dates.

Interest period

From	To	Days	Interest rate on payments of tax	Interest rate on repayments of tax
6 February 2000	5 May 2001	455	5%	5%
6 May 2001	5 November 2001	184	4%	4%
6 November 2001	5 August 2003	638	3%	3%
6 August 2003	5 December 2003	122	2%	2%
6 December 2003	5 September 2004	275	3%	3%
6 September 2004	5 September 2005	365	4%	4%
6 September 2005	5 September 2006	365	3%	3%
6 September 2006	5 August 2007	334	4%	4%
6 August 2007	5 January 2008	153	5%	5%
6 January 2008	5 November 2008	305	4%	4%
6 November 2008	5 January 2009	61	3%	3%
6 January 2009	26 January 2009	21	2%	2%
27 January 2009	23 March 2009	56	1%	1%
24 March 2009	28 September 2009	189	0%	0%
29 September 2009	22 August 2016	2520	3%	0.5%
23 August 2016	onwards	–	2.75%	0.5%

From 29 September 2009 interest rates changed with the Bank of England base rate.
Go to **www.gov.uk/inheritance-tax** for the latest rate.