

## Rhode Island Department of Revenue Division of Taxation

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## Interest rates posted for 2024

PROVIDENCE, R.I. – The Rhode Island Division of Taxation today announced the interest rates that will apply in 2024 to overpayments and underpayments. The rates are based on formulas set in statute.

Interest on overpayments for calendar year 2024 shall be at the rate of 8.50% per annum. For calendar year 2023, the rate was 6.25% per annum.

Interest rate on overpayments (refunds)	
Calendar Year 2023	Calendar Year 2024
6.25%	8.50%

For calendar year 2024, the interest rate on delinquent tax payments shall be determined by the tax type. For calendar year 2024, the interest rate on delinquent tax payments of Trust Fund Taxes shall be 18.00% per annum, and the interest rate on delinquent tax payments of other tax types shall be 12.00% per annum.

Interest rate on underpayments (delinquencies)			
	Calendar Year 2023	Calendar Year 2024	
Trust Fund Taxes	18.00%	18.00%	
Other Tax Types	12.00%	12.00%	

For historical data, please see the following pages.

The Rhode Island Division of Taxation, part of the Rhode Island Department of Revenue, is open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. business days. For more information, contact the Division of Taxation at (401) 574-8829 or see <a href="https://tax.ri.gov/about-us/contact-us">https://tax.ri.gov/about-us/contact-us</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Starting with calendar year 2023, the interest rate on "Trust Fund Taxes" underpayments and underpayments for other tax types diverge. Please see <u>Advisory 2022-25 Interest Rate Reduction</u>, the Division's <u>website</u>, and related <u>FAQs</u> for more information.

## **Historical Data**

Overpayments: Under Rhode Island General Laws § 44-1-7.1, the interest rate on overpayments of Rhode Island State tax for a given calendar year is equal to the prime rate which was in effect on October 1 of the preceding year. In the "Selected Interest Rates (H.15)" statistical release issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the "bank prime loan" rate listed as being in effect on October 1, 2023, was 8.50%.<sup>2</sup> Thus, the Division's interest rate on overpayments for calendar year 2023 is 8.50%.

<u>Delinquencies</u>: Under <u>Rhode Island General Laws § 44-1-7</u>, interest on delinquent payments is 2.00% above the prime rate. However, the statute also says that the interest rate on delinquencies cannot exceed 21.00% per annum, nor can it be less than 18.00% per annum for taxes held in trust for the State. For other tax types, the interest rate on delinquencies cannot exceed 21.00% per annum, nor can it be less than 12.00% per annum. Under these guidelines, the Division's interest on delinquencies for calendar year 2024 shall be at the rate of 18.00% percent per annum for "Trust Fund Taxes" and 12.00% for taxes not held in trust for the State.

Interest rate on overpayments (refunds)			
From:	To:	Rate:	
01/01/24	12/31/24	8.50%	
01/01/23	12/31/23	6.25%	
01/01/22	12/31/22	3.25%	
01/01/21	12/31/21	3.25%	
01/01/20	12/31/20	5.00%	
01/01/19	12/31/19	5.25%	
01/01/18	12/31/18	4.25%	
01/01/17	12/31/17	3.50%	
01/01/10	12/31/16	3.25%	
01/01/09	12/31/09	5.00%	
01/01/08	12/31/08	7.75%	
01/01/07	12/31/07	8.25%	
07/01/06	12/31/06	6.75%	
01/01/94	06/30/06	12.00%	
Rhode Island General Laws § 44-1-7.1			

Interest rate on underpayments (delinquent payments - "Trust Fund Taxes")			
From:	To:	Rate:	
01/01/24	12/31/24	18.00%	
01/01/23	12/31/23	18.00%	
01/01/22	12/31/22	18.00%	
01/01/21	12/31/21	18.00%	
01/01/20	12/31/20	18.00%	
01/01/19	12/31/19	18.00%	
01/01/18	12/31/18	18.00%	
01/01/17	12/31/17	18.00%	
01/01/10	12/31/16	18.00%	
01/01/09	12/31/09	18.00%	
01/01/08	12/31/08	18.00%	
01/01/07	12/31/07	18.00%	
10/01/06	12/31/06	18.00%	
01/01/94	09/30/06	12.00%	
Rhode Island General Laws § 44-1-7			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See https://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/h15/.

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Interest rate on underpayments (delinquent payments - other tax types)			
From:	To:	Rate:	
01/01/24	12/31/24	12.00%	
01/01/23	12/31/23	12.00%	
01/01/22	12/31/22	18.00%	
01/01/21	12/31/21	18.00%	
01/01/20	12/31/20	18.00%	
01/01/19	12/31/19	18.00%	
01/01/18	12/31/18	18.00%	
01/01/17	12/31/17	18.00%	
01/01/10	12/31/16	18.00%	
01/01/09	12/31/09	18.00%	
01/01/08	12/31/08	18.00%	
01/01/07	12/31/07	18.00%	
10/01/06	12/31/06	18.00%	
01/01/94	09/30/06	12.00%	
Rhode Island General Laws § 44-1-7			