

FINANCIALLY SORTED

Federal Government Budget FY 2023/2024

Webinar: Thursday 18th May 2023 @ 12.30pm



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Discussion Points

- ✓ Superannuation Changes
- ✓ Tax Changes
- ✓ Social Security
- ✓ Other Measures
- ✓ What to do Next
- ✓ Tax Planning Strategies



Budget Announcements are still only proposed at this stage & have not been legislated!





Highlights

- "... strike a considered, methodical balance ... between spending restraint to keep the pressure of inflation, while doing what we can to help people struggling to make ends meet...
- ✓ Budget measures included:
 - 1. Provide cost of living relief
 - 2. Deliver historic investments in Medicare and the care economy
 - 3. Lay the foundations for growth
 - 4. Strengthen the Budget



Superannuation

- \checkmark Minimum pension drawdown will come to an end of 30th June 2023
- ✓ Originally introduced in response to the COVID-19 crisis, the Federal Government granted a temporary 50% reduction in the minimum pension drawdown
- ✓ This pension drawdown relief was extended to 2021/22 and was also extended for another year to 2022/23.





Minimum Pension Drawdowns

Age	2013/14 to 2018/19	2019/20 to 2022/23 (Previous Years)	2023/24 (Future)
Under 65	4.0%	2.0%	4.0%
65-74	5.0%	2.5%	5.0%
75-79	6.0%	3.0%	6.0%
80-84	7.0%	3.5%	7.0%
85-89	9.0%	4.5%	9.0%
90-94	11.0%	5.5%	11.0%
95 or older	14.0%	7.0%	14.0%



GC Updates

✓ The Budget paper did not contain any changes to the legislated Super Guarantee rises in the coming years

Period	SGC Rate	
01.07.2002 to 30.06.2013	9.00%	
01.07.2013 to 30.06.2014	9.25%	
01.07.2014 to 30.06.2021	9.50%	
01.07.2021 to 30.06.2022	10.00%	
01.07.2022 to 30.06.2023	10.50%	
01.07.2023 to 30.06.2024	11.00%	
01.07.2024 to 30.06.2025	11.50%	
01.07.2025 onwards	12.00%	



SGC Changes Are Coming ...

- ✓ Employers &/or Self-Employed Be careful & stay tuned
- ✓ Commencement 1st July 2026
- ✓ Current SGC is required to be paid quarterly
- ✓ Future SGC will be paid at the same time as wages
- ✓ Data matching capture those that are not doing the right thing
- ✓ Software providers to advise of changes, most likely through STP

Problems - employer cashflow & administration requirements!





Superannuation Taxes Are Changing ...

Do you have a Super balance of more than \$3 million
 Commencement - 1st July 2025
 Current Tax - earnings taxed @ 15%
 Future Tax - earnings taxed @ 30%
 Pension Accounts - treated differently



Question – is it worth withdrawing cash?
Question – property or share growth over time?



Personal Tax



✓ Stage 3 Tax Cuts





Personal Tax



Taxable Income	FY2022 & FY2023 & FY2024 (Legislated)	From 1 st July 2024 (Legislated)
\$Nil to \$18,200	0.00%	0.00%
\$18,201 to \$45,000	19.00% over \$18,200	19.00% over \$18,200
\$45,001 to \$120,000	\$5,092 + 32.50% over \$45,000	Not Applicable
\$120,001 to \$180,000	\$29,467 + 37.00% over \$120,000	Not Applicable
\$180,001 upwards	\$51,667 + 45.00% over \$180,000	Not Applicable
\$45,001 to \$200,000	Not Applicable	\$5,092 + 30.00% over \$45,000
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Personal Tax

Omega Medicare Levy Thresholds

✓ Increase has arrived – effective 1st July 2021

Taxpayers (not entitled to seniors & pensioner tax offset)	FY2021/22	FY2022/23
Single	\$23,365	\$24,276
Couple/Sole Parent (Family Income)	\$39,402	\$40,939
Taxpayers (entitled to seniors and pensioners tax offset)		
Single	\$36,925	\$38,365
Couple/Sole Parent (Family Income)	\$51,401	\$53,406
For each dependent child or student, add	\$3,619	\$3,760



Business & Individuals'

PAYG Instalments

✓ Reduction in GDP adjustment factor for PAYG Instalments and GST Instalment

- Currently 12% increase
- Future 6% increase
- Date 1st July 2023









Instant Asset Write Off

✓ From 1st July 2023 – decreased to \$20,000
 ✓ Currently – \$150,000 until 30 June 2023
 ✓ Small Businesses only
 ✓ " ... installed and ready for use ..."
 ✓ Per asset basis



□ Please note – assets costing \$20,000 or more will continue to be placed into a small business depreciation pool under the existing rules.



Social Security

Income Support

✓ Increase of \$40 per fortnight
✓ Date – 20 September 2023

- ✓Who
- JobSeeker Payment
- Youth Allowance
- Parenting Payment (Partnered)
- Austudy
- Couple of Others







JobSeeker Qualification

✓ Current – Age is 60 to qualify
✓ Future – Age will be 55 to qualify

✓ Applies to those who have received the payment for 9 or more continuous months.





Social Security

Parenting Payment (Single)

- ✓ Currently applicable for those with child up to 8 years of age
 ✓ Future will be applicable with child up to 14 years of age.
- ✓ Improved support for single parents will provide wellbeing benefits particularly for single mothers, who are overwhelmingly the recipients of this payment, and their children.
- ✓ This measure recognises that caring responsibilities can act as a barrier to employment while also recognising that connections with the labour force are likely to improve economic outcomes throughout a carer's lifetime.



ATO's Tax Avoidance

□ Previous Years Budget...

- ✓ The Government provided \$325.0 million in FY2023/24 and \$327.6 million in FY2024/25 to the ATO to extend the operation of the Tax Avoidance Taskforce by 2 years to 30 June 2025
- ✓ The Taskforce was established in 2016 to undertake compliance activities targeting multinationals, large public and private groups, trusts and high wealth individuals
- ✓ It also scrutinises specialist tax advisors and intermediaries that promote tax avoidance schemes and strategies
- ✓ This measure was estimated to increase receipts by \$2.1 billion and increase payments by \$652.6 million over the forward estimates period



ATO's Tax Avoidance

This Years Budget...

 ✓ The Personal Income Tax Compliance Program will be extended for 2 years from 1 July 2025 and its scope expanded from 1 July 2023

✓ This extension will enable the ATO to continue to deliver a combination of proactive, preventative and corrective activities in key areas of non-compliance, and to expand the scope of the program to address emerging areas of risk, such as deductions relating to short-term rental properties to ensure they are genuinely available to rent



ATO's Tax Avoidance

□ This Years Budget... (GST Compliance)

- ✓ Funding for GST compliance will be extended for a further 4 years to address emerging risks to GST revenue
- ✓ Nearly \$600 million will be allocated, over an additional 4 years, to GST compliance.
- This is estimated to generate additional GST receipts of \$3.8 billion and the same amount again in other taxes over the 5 years from 2022-23.
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ATO's Tax Avoidance

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Be Aware

ATO Reviews/Audits

✓ Like anything, the Government & the ATO is looking closely

✓ ATO now chasing outstanding amounts and beginning to conducts reviews/audits again

✓ ATO Targets – Airbnb, rental properties & CGT calculations

✓ SRO Targets – Land Tax

✓ These questions/reviews/audits will continue and

will increase

Be Careful, They are Watching!





Other Measures

Victoria

- ✓ Media Suggestion & even the State Government has warned that a horror budget looms as concern mount about Victoria's ability to get on top of its economic situation and debt levels
- Land tax
- Rental tax
- Payroll tax
- Infrastructure projects
- Public sector downgrades
- & the list along with the speculation will continue ...

Stay Tuned – Tuesday 23 May 2023!





Tax Planning

How can I maximise Tax Planning Options Available?

1. Objective – <u>income</u>, to legally minimise 2. Objective – <u>expenses</u>, to legally bring forward





Maximisation

How can I maximise Tax Planning Options Available?

Income

- Objective to *legally* minimise
 - 1. Use salary sacrificing
 - 2. Utilise a Mortgage Offset Account
 - 3. Delay income legally







How can I maximise Tax Planning Options Available? ... Continued

Particulars	Pre-Salary Sacrifice (Currently)	Post- Salary Sacrifice (New)
Taxable Income	\$120,000	\$107,000
Tax – Personally (incl. Medicare levy)	\$34,297	\$29,227
Tax – Superannuation Fund	\$ Nil	\$1,950
Tax - Savings	\$ Nil	\$3,120





How can I maximise Tax Planning Options Available? ... Continued

Income

2. Mortgage Offset Account



A mortgage offset account is a transaction account that is linked to your home loan.

The **account's** balance (or a proportion of that balance) is **'offset'** daily against your **home loan** balance. You are only charged interest on the difference between the total loan balance and the amount **offset**.





How can I maximise Tax Planning Options Available? ... Continued

Particulars	No Offset Facility (Currently)	With Offset Facility (New)
Home Loan PPR \$1,000,000 @ 4%	\$40,000 (Expense) (Non-Deductible)	\$ Nil
Cash Account \$700,000 @ 2%	\$14,000 (Income) (Assessable Income & then Taxed @ MTR)	\$ Nil
Home Loan with Offset Account \$300,000 @ 4%	\$ Nil	\$12,000 (Expense) (Non-Deductible)
Overall Savings	\$ Nil	\$28,000 (plus, tax savings)



Maximisation

How can I maximise Tax Planning Options Available? ... Continued

Income

- 2. Mortgage Offset Account:
 - How do you set this up?
 - We can help stay tuned!







How can I maximise Tax Planning Options Available? ... Continued Income

3. Delay Income (Legally)

Defer Invoicing – If your cashflow can stand it, think about deferring your invoicing until after 30 June.

A one-month delay in billing will mean you pay tax on the income a whole year later. Mind you, your customers might want you to bill pre-June so that they can claim a tax deduction. And a few days delay in billing will usually

mean that you get paid a whole month later.

Be careful with such a strategy!



What type of Tax Planning is important and available?

- 1. Accelerating tax deductions
- 2. Utilising Government offsets/rebates
- 3. Controlling when income is recognised
- 4. Reinvestment back into the business





Why type of Tax Planning is important & available? ... Continued

- a) Bring forward Expenses (a few months)
- b) Prepayment of Expenses (up to 12 months)
- c) Full Expensing of Eligible Assets \$150,000 Covid Relief
- d) Superannuation Strategies & Contributions





Why type of Tax Planning is important & available? ... Continued

- a) Bring forward Expenses (a few months)
 - Bring forward expenditure that will be spent anyway





Why type of Tax Planning is important & available? ... Continued

- b) Prepayment of Expenses (up to 12 months)
 - The "12-month rule" allows for the deduction of a prepaid expense in the current year if the right or benefit paid for does not extend beyond the earlier of:
 - 12 months, or
 - the end of the taxable year following the taxable year in which the payment is made.



Why type of Tax Planning is important & available? ... Continued

Tools of Tax Planning:

- c) Full Expensing of Eligible Assets \$150,000 Covid Relief
 - Business with aggregated annual turnover of up to \$5b can deduct the full cost of <u>eligible</u> depreciable assets of any value in the year they are installed
 - The full expensing period is available from 7:30pm AEDT on 6 October 2020 to 30 June 2023

Government encouraging businesses to spend money on equipment & build for future growth.



Why type of Tax Planning is important & available? ... Continued

Tools of Tax Planning:

Accounting Tip

- Great depreciation claim now, less taxable income which equals less taxes today
- Be careful, future taxable income, financing requirements & possible GST could arise





Why type of Tax Planning is important & available? ... Continued

- d) Superannuation Strategies & Contributions
 - Let's have a look at this one as a separate strategy





Superannuation Strategies

Superannuation Strategies to consider & adopt

- a) SGC Contributions \$27,500 cap
- b) Personal tax-deductible (concessional) super contributions
- c) Personal non-deductible (non-concessional) super contributions
- d) Split your contributions/balances to your spouse
- e) Consolidating spouses' super balances (SMSF's)



Superannuation Strategies

Superannuation Strategies to consider & adopt

SGC Contributions - \$27,500 cap

- For the FY2022 financial year, the general concessional contributions **cap** is **\$27,500** for all individuals regardless of age
- FY2023 the contributions cap no changes at this point

tructions for super fund members

Deduction for personal super contributions

How to complete your Notice of intent to claim or vary a deduction for personal super contributions



Financial Planning

□Financial Planning & Insurances – the importance of it

✓ What effect has Covid-19 had on your superannuation, insurances & investments

✓ Wealth & Financial Planning becomes imperative

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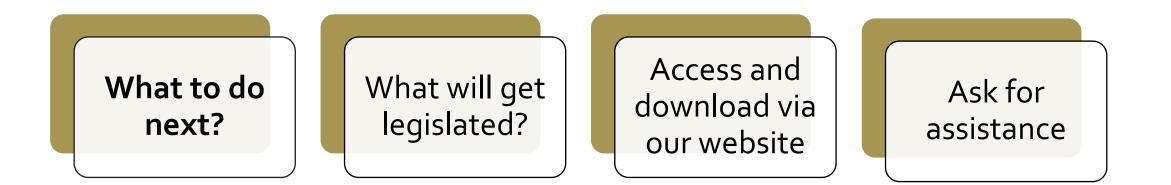
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