

Tax Treaties (*)

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Czech Republic	Malta	Thailand
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France	Morocco	United Kingdom
Gabon	Netherlands	United States
Georgia	New-Zealand	Uruguay
Germany	Norway	Uzbekistan
Ghana	Pakistan	Venezuela
Greece	Philippines	Vietnam

(*) Treaties in force

Social security contributions

Employees (White-collar)	Employer's contributions	25%
	Employee's contributions	13,07%
Self-employed	Max.	€16.268,80
Companies	€347,50	€868,00 if balance sheet total > €700.247,09

Monthly contribution CO₂ on company cars

Vehicles with petrol engine: [(Y x 9) - 768]: 12 x 1,2950
 Vehicles with diesel engine: [(Y x 9) - 768]: 12 x 1,2950
 Minimum monthly contribution: €26,97
 Y = CO₂ emission in gram per km

Tax on placing new cars in circulation

Fiscal horsepower (*)	KW (*)	Amount of tax (€)
0 - 8	0 - 70	61,50
9 - 10	71 - 85	123,00
11	86 - 100	495,00
12 - 14	101 - 110	867,00
15	111 - 120	1.239,00
16 - 17	121 - 155	2.478,00
More than 17	More than 155	4.957,00

(*) Whichever is higher

A special regime applies to second-hand cars.

Walloon Region:

To increase with an Eco-malus if CO₂ > 145g/km.

Flemish Region:

Calculation of the tax on placing new cars in circulation (for non-leased cars) is based on formula taking into account the environmental impact.

Value added tax

- Rates: 0, 6, 12 and 21%
- Quarterly filing of return (optional): annual turnover ≤ €2.500.000,00
- Monthly filing of return: annual turnover > €2.500.000,00 (exceptions)
- Small enterprises: annual turnover threshold = €25.000,00
- Distance selling: annual threshold = €35.000,00
- Non taxable legal entities, wholly exempted businesses, "flat rate" farmers and small businesses: acquisition threshold = €11.200,00
- Deduction of VAT on car costs for business use (maximum 50%)
- Non deductible VAT: tobacco, liquor, hotel and restaurant costs (exceptions), reception costs

Registration duties

Acquisition of real estate:
 - in Flanders: 7 - 10%
 - in Brussels and Walloon Region: 12,5%
 Capital duty: €50,00

Company law

	Average number of employees	Turnover	Balance sheet total
Microscheme (*)	≤ 10	≤ €700.000,00	≤ €350.000,00
Condensed annual accounts (*)	≤ 50	≤ €9.000.000,00	≤ €4.500.000,00
Complete annual accounts (*)	> 50	> €9.000.000,00	> €4.500.000,00
Consolidated annual accounts (*)	> 250 (consolidated)	> €34.000.000,00 (consolidated)	> €17.000.000,00 (consolidated)

(*) Companies meeting at least two of these criteria during two successive accounting periods

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Personal income tax

Rates (income year 2019) (1)

Income (€)	Rate (2)	(1)
0 - 13.250,00	25%	- Zero-bracket amount: €8.860,00 for each taxpayer
13.250,00 - 23.390,00	40%	- Additional tax-free allowance for dependant children:
23.390,00 - 40.480,00	45%	1 child : €1.610,00
more than 40.480,00	50%	2 children: €4.150,00 3 children: €9.290,00 4 children: €15.030,00

(2) + municipal tax

Computation of the tax (income year 2019)

Standard business deduction	
A. Remuneration of employees (€)	30% max. €4.810,00
B. Directors remuneration (€)	3% max. €2.540,00
C. Business profits (€)	30% max. €4.810,00
D. Profits from professions (€)	
0 - 6.120,00	28,7%
6.120,00 - 12.160,00	10%
12.160,00 - 20.240,00	5%
More than 20.240,00	3% max. €4.230,00
Marital quotient	max. €10.940,00

Special social security contribution

Taxable "family" income (2019) (€)	Rates (€)
0 - 18.592,01	0
18.592,02 - 21.070,96	9% in excess of > 18.592,01
21.070,97 - 60.161,85	223,10 + 1,3% in excess of > 21.070,96
60.161,86 - ...	731,28

Benefits in kind

Interest rate on current account

Year of disposal	Reference rate
2016	9,27%
2017	8,78%
2018	8,94%

Personal use of a company car

Catalogue value(*) x [5,5 + 0,1 x (CO₂ emission – 88 (diesel) or 107 (petrol))]/100 x 6/7 = benefit in kind(***)
17% (40% if intervention of the employer in the fuel expenses) of the benefit in kind before deduction of an eventual contribution of the employee for the private use of the car must be recorded in disallowed expenses for corporate income tax purposes (minimum tax base)

(*) Catalogue value = catalogue price of the vehicle in new condition upon sale to a private person, including options and actually paid VAT without taking any discounts, reductions, rebates or refunds into account. (**) Max. 18/min. 4. (***) Minimum €1.340.

Investment deduction Rates (assessment year 2020)

A. Standard rate Individuals and SMEs (art. 15 Company Code)	20%
B. Increased rates	
Energy-saving investments	13,5%
R&D new products/technologies (*)	13,5%
Patents (*)	13,5%
Digital assets	13,5%
Investments in security	20,5%
Investments in ships	30,0%
C. Spread deduction (individuals)	10,5%
D. Increased spread deduction R&D new products/technologies (*)	20,5%
E. Assets used for production of reusable packing	3%

(*) Companies may apply a tax credit for R&D

Use of carry forward (assessment year 2020)

Invest. deduction of prior ass. years	≤ €4.047.610,00	> €4.047.610,00
	≤ €2.023.800,00 (*)	> €2.023.800,00 (*)
Per ass. year	Max. €1.011.900,00	25% of total carry forward
	Max. €505.950,00 (*)	

(*) If taxpayer opted for tax credit for R&D

Prepayments

A. Tax increases in absence of prepayments (companies)

Per quarter	Ass. year	2018	2019	2020(*)
	April 10	3%	9%	9%
	July 10	2,5%	7,5%	7,5%
	Oct. 10	2%	6%	6%
	Dec. 20	1,5%	4,5%	4,5%
	Average	2,25%	6,75%	6,75%

B. Rebates

Per quarter	Ass. year	2018	2019	2020(*)
	April 10	1,5%	1,5%	1,5%
	July 10	1,25%	1,25%	1,25%
	Oct. 10	1%	1%	1%
	Dec. 20	0,75%	0,75%	0,75%
	Average	1,125%	1,125%	1,125%

(*) Dates applicable for payments in 2019 (assessment year 2020) for calendar-year taxpayers

Corporate income tax

Rates (assessment year 2020) (*)

A. Standard rate	B. Reduced rates if applicable	C. Other rates
29,58 %	20,40% for SMEs (first 100.000€)	Capital gains on shares (25,50%), secret commissions tax (102% - 51%)

(*) Incl. 2% crisis contribution

Risk Capital Deduction

Ass. year 2018: 0,237% (small companies: 0,737%)
Ass. year 2019: 0,746% (small companies: 1,246%)
Ass. year 2020: 0,726% (small companies: 1,226%)

Withholding tax on movable income

Dividends	30% (*)	Redemption proceeds	30%
Interest	30%	Liquidation proceeds	30%
Other movable income	30%		

(*) Dividends paid to companies established in Belgium, in the European Union or in a country with which Belgium has a tax treaty benefit from an exemption/reduction of withholding tax, provided certain conditions are met.

