

Rates for Corporation Tax years starting 1 April

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Rate	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Small profits rate (companies with profits under £300,000)	-	-	-	-	20%
Main rate (companies with profits over £300,000)	-	-	-	-	21%
Main rate (all profits except ring fence profits)	19%	19%	20%	20%	-
Marginal Relief lower limit	-	-	-	-	£300,000
Marginal Relief upper limit	-	-	-	-	£1,500,000
Standard fraction	-	-	-	-	1/400
Special rate for unit trusts and open-ended investment companies	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%

Ring fence companies

There are different Corporation Tax rates for companies that make profits from [oil extraction or oil rights](#) in the UK or UK continental shelf. These are known as 'ring fence' companies.

Ring fence companies can claim Marginal Relief on profits between £300,000 and £1.5 million.

Rate	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Small profits rate (companies with profits under £300,000)	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%
Main rate (companies with profits over £300,000)	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
Ring fence fraction	11/400	11/400	11/400	11/400	11/400

Corporation Tax on chargeable gains

If you sell or dispose of a business asset, you'll need to pay [Corporation Tax on any profits](#) (or 'chargeable gains').

When working out your chargeable gain, you can use [Indexation Allowance Rates](#) to reflect the increase in value of the asset between the time it was acquired and 31 December 2017. From 1 January 2018 Indexation Allowance is frozen. Where assets acquired before 1 January 2018 are disposed of on or after that date, the Indexation Allowance will be calculated using the Retail Prices Index or factor for December 2017, irrespective of the date of disposal of the asset.