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# 1 BASIC INFORMATION

## 1.1 Basic information about the tax-benefit system

- The tax-benefit system is evolving towards a decentralized system. Most taxes are partly claimed by regions (Comunidades Autónomas) and partly claimed by the national government (Estado). The main exception is corporate tax (Impuesto de Sociedades) which is still a national government tax. No separate capital gains tax exists, capital gains are included in taxable income.<sup>1</sup> The regions may levy a net wealth tax. Companies are subject to corporate income tax, local business tax and other taxes related to the municipality. Spain comprises mainland Spain, the Balearic Islands and the Canary Islands, as well as the cities of Ceuta and Melilla in Northern Africa. The Basque Country and Navarra have their own tax systems. Benefits are more centralized than taxes and are generally claimed by national authorities. The main exception to this rule is the Guarantee Minimum Income Benefit or Rentas Mínimas de Inserción (the last link to welfare) which is handled by regional governments. Benefit eligibility conditions, benefit amount and benefit duration differ among regions.
- The taxable period for personal income tax in Spain is the calendar year (1<sup>st</sup> of January to the 31<sup>st</sup> of December). Regarding companies, as a general rule, the tax year is usually from 25<sup>th</sup> of July to the next 25<sup>th</sup> of July, but companies may file their returns with reference to their financial year. The tax year may not exceed 12 months. Corporate income tax must be computed and paid by the taxpayers under the self-assessment method. Main benefit changes may be implemented at any moment of the year.
- Spain has a minimum wage. Daily and monthly rates (in euro) for 2011 to 2015 are in the table below.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Minimum Wage					
- Daily	21.38	21.38	21.51	21.51	21.62
- Monthly	641.4	641.4	645.3	645.3	648.6

- There is also an index used for the calculation of most social benefit: IPREM. Daily, monthly and annual rates (in euro) for 2011 to 2015 are in the table below.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
IPREM					
- Daily	17.75	17.75	17.75	17.75	17.75
- Monthly	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51
- Annual (12 payments)	6,390.13	6,390.13	6,390.13	6,390.13	6,390.13
- Annual (14 payments)	7,455.14	7,455.14	7,455.14	7,455.14	7,455.14

- State retirement age all along the 2011-2012 was 65 for both women and men. Since 2012 the state retirement age is 67 or 65 if 38 years and 6 months of Social Security contributions. The minimum number of years of contributions to be eligible for a state pension is 15 of which at least 2 years must have been during the 15 years immediately preceding the date of retirement.

<sup>1</sup> Although a special treatment is applied

<sup>2</sup> Ley 27/2011, de 1 agosto, sobre actualización, adecuación y modernización del sistema de Seguridad Social. This Ley took effect in 1 January of 2013.

The maximum pension is reached after 35 years of Social Security contributions in period 2010- 2012.

The increase of the retirement age from 65 to 67 and the extension of the social contributions period from 35 years to 38 years and 6 months will be made progressively from 2013 to 2027. The schedule will be the following:

Years	Periods of social security contributions	Age required
2013	35 years and 3 months or more	65 years
	Less than 35 years and 3 months	65 years and 1 month
2014	35 years and 6 months or over	65 years
	Less than 35 years and 6 months	65 years and 2 months
2015	35 years and 9 months or over	65 years
	Less than 35 years and 9 months	65 years and 3 months
2016	36 years or over	65 years
	Less than 36 years	65 years and 4 months
2017	36 years and 3 months or more	65 years
	Less than 36 years and 3 months	65 years and 5 months
2018	36 years and 6 months or over	65 years
	Less than 36 years and 6 months	65 years and 6 months
2019	36 years and 9 months or over	65 years
	Less than 36 years and 9 months	65 years and 8 months
2020	37 years or over	65 years
	Less than 37 years	65 years and 10 months
2021	37 years and 3 months or over	65 years
	Less than 37 years and 3 months	66 years
2022	37 year and 6 months or over	65 years
	Less than 37 years and 6 months	66 years and 2 months
2023	37 years and 9 months or over	65 years
	Less than 37 years and 9 months	66 years and 4 months
2024	38 years or over	65 years
	Less than 38 years	66 years and 6 months
2025	38 years and 3 months or over	65 years
	Less than 38 years and 3 months	66 years and 8 months
2026	38 years and 3 months or over	65 years
	Less than 38 years and 3 months	66 years and 10 months
From 2027	38 years and 6 months or over	65 years
	Less than 38 years and 6 months	67 years

- Minimum school leaving age is 16; dependent children in general are defined as aged under 18 or disabled regardless of age. In the case of legally separated spouses or *de facto* unions, dependent children belong to the family unit of the parent they live with. Dependent children for tax purposes are defined as individuals aged below 25 years (if disabled there is no age limit), single and with yearly income below 8,000 euro (*Real Decreto Legislativo 3/2004*).

- For benefit purposes “Large Families” (*Familias numerosas*) are defined as a one or two-parent cohabiting family with three or more dependent children (or two if a parent or one of the children is disabled). A further distinction is made within them, those with 5 or more dependent children are identified as “special large families” (*Familias numerosas de categoría especial*). Dependent children in this case are individuals who economically depend on adults’ incomes (their income is below the IPREM indicator) are under 21 years of age (or under 26 if in full-time education). There is no age limit for disabled children. (*Ley 40/2003*).
- For income tax purposes “lone parents” (*Familias monoparentales*) are families of one adult with children under the age of 18 (or over that age if disabled).
- The Spanish income tax is an individual system. However, taxpayers may choose to file either a single or a joint tax return. The family unit is the nuclear family: the married couple or single person plus any dependent children. Joint tax returns do not allow for income splitting. The rules and amounts of most elements of the Spanish income tax are the same under individual and joint taxation.
- Income tax withholdings are collected on a cumulative basis, i.e., the system tries to ensure withholding the exact amount due in the financial year. Income from employment, self-employment, investment and capital gains derived by resident individuals in the Spanish territory may be subject to withholding of income tax. The tax withheld is generally treated as an advance payment and credited against the taxpayer’s final tax liability. As a general rule, self-assessment of the tax is mandatory by the end of the financial year. In 2015 individuals who are only taxed on income from work and who earn less than 22,000 euro<sup>3</sup> and do not have more than one employer do not need to fill in a tax return. If individual earnings come from more than one employer this limit drops to 12,000 euro. Tax payers who need to file a tax return should do it between the 1<sup>st</sup> of May and 30<sup>th</sup> of June of the year following the receipt of the income. If the sum of the amounts withheld and any prepayments exceed the taxpayer’s final liability for the current year, the excess is refunded.
- There is no statutory indexing regime for taxes. Since 2004 most benefits are indexed using the IPREM and not the minimum wage as it was usual in previous years.
- In the Catalonia region there is another indexing indicator: the IRSC (Indicador de Renda de Suficiencia de Catalunya). Its value in 2011-2015 is 7,967.73 euro a year, corresponding to 569.12 euro a month.
- The means-tested benefit system assesses entitlement according to family income unit. The family unit is, in general, the nuclear family. However, note that some non-contributory benefits, such as non-contributory old-age pensions, consider other cohabiting individuals within the family unit.
- Social contributions, benefits and pensions are usually assessed and delivered on a monthly basis. Income tax liability is based on annual income and allowances and thresholds are generally referred to in annual terms.
- Different levels of disability are defined in the Law. (*Ley General de la Seguridad Social, aprobado por el Real Decreto Legislativo 1/1994, de 20 de junio, artículo 148*).

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<sup>3</sup> When income comes from other sources but work, income threshold is reduced. For further information see “*LEY 35/2006, de 28 de noviembre, del Impuesto sobre la Renta de las Personas Físicas y Real Decreto Legislativo 5/2004, de 5 de marzo, y otras normas tributarias*”.

## 1.2 Social Benefits

Social benefits can be divided into two main groups: (1) Contributory Benefits (CB) for which eligibility depends on having met certain conditions regarding social insurance contributions and certain contingencies such as old-age, widowhood, disability or unemployment. The amounts received depend on contributions and, in some cases, on a range of personal circumstances. (2) Non-contributory benefits (NCB) for which eligibility depends on certain contingencies such as old-age, widowhood, disability or unemployment and, generally, on an income test. Eligibility in this case does not require a minimum amount of contributions and most non-contributory benefits are income-tested. The income test is usually related to a range of personal and family circumstances and to total individual or family income.

Some contributory benefits may depend on the social security regime the individual is contributing to. However, significantly more than half of total benefits are paid within the social security General Regime.

### 1.2.1 Contributory Benefits

**Sickness cash benefit** (*Incapacidad temporal*): Compulsory social insurance scheme payable through employers that covers workers who are temporarily unable to work due to common or professional illnesses or accidents. Incapacity for work must be certified by a doctor and the worker must have paid the required contributions. Since 2012 the system changed and the first 3 days only 50% of salary is paid, 75% from the fourth day to 20<sup>th</sup> and 100% since 21<sup>st</sup> onwards.

**Maternity/Paternity leave benefit** (*Prestación por maternidad*): Compulsory social insurance scheme payable through employers that covers the following situations: maternity, adoption and permanent or simple fosterage (according to the Civil Code or to the Autonomous Communities that regulate it), provided that in this last case, the duration is not below a year. The benefits amount to 100% of the worker's contributory base for maternity leave.

**Risk during pregnancy benefit** (*Prestación por riesgo durante el embarazo*): paid to expectant working mothers who are unable to continue with their normal task during their pregnancy. The benefit is payable through employers. In order to be entitled to receive the benefit the worker must have a minimum period of paid contributions. Benefits are subject to taxation and while receiving it social security contributions must be paid.

**Disability pension** (*Pensión contributiva por incapacidad permanente*): Compulsory social insurance scheme for employees with contribution-related benefits in case of permanent incapacity (*incapacidad permanente*). The degrees of disability are the following: permanent and partial disability for the usual profession (*incapacidad permanente parcial para la profesión habitual*), permanent and complete disability for the usual profession (*incapacidad permanente total para la profesión habitual*), permanent and total disability for any type of working activity (*incapacidad permanente absoluta*) and severe disability (*gran invalidez*). In order to be entitled to receive the benefits the worker must have paid the required contributions. The amount of the benefit depends both on the degree of disability and on the contributory base. Benefits from permanent disability (either partial or total) for the usual occupation are taxable. Absolute permanent incapacity and severe incapacity benefits are not taxable.

**Old-age pension** (*Pensión contributiva por jubilación total o por jubilación parcial*): Compulsory social insurance scheme for employees that have either completely stopped working and are entitled to receive old-age benefits or workers that have decided to reduce their working hours and to combine partial old-age benefits with salaries from work. The legal retirement age in Spain in 2015 is 67 years or 65 years if the employee has 38 years and 6 months periods of social security contributions. In order to be entitled to receive the benefits the worker must have paid the required contributions. The retirement pension benefit amount is determined by the amount and number of social contributions (with a minimum of 15 years). Taxable.

**Survivor's pension** (*Pensión de viudedad u orfandad a favor de familiares*): Compulsory social insurance scheme for employees. Benefits are paid in case of death of the contributing worker to widows or widowers (*pensión de viudedad*), orphans (*pensión de orfandad*) or relatives (*pensión en favor de familiares*) depending on the total contributions of the deceased person. The deceased person should be affiliated to social security scheme, must be an active contributor or have equivalent status or must have complied with the required period of paid contributions. Widows, widowers, orphans and relatives must fulfil some further requirements in order to receive the benefits. The amount of the benefit depends on the contributions paid by the deceased person and on personal circumstances of the beneficiaries (for example, it may depend on number of dependants in family unit and on the fact that orphanhood is complete).

**Unemployment insurance** (*Prestación por desempleo contributiva*): Compulsory social insurance scheme for employees able and available for work who have lost their job. In order to be entitled to the benefits workers must have contributed to social insurance covering unemployment and must have paid the required period of contributions. A new “Special protection system for the self-employed” was introduced on November 6<sup>th</sup> 2010. Unemployment insurance scheme is available to self-employed people who reach a minimum time of contribution to the Social Security system and who have stopped the activity and finished their activities due to economic reasons.

**Statutory Insurance for old age and disability** (*Pensión del seguro obligatorio de vejez e Invalidez, SOVI*): This is a particularly old social scheme that covers workers who have paid 1800 days of contributions to the SOVI between 1940 and 1966 or were registered prior to 1940. These benefits are to disappear soon.

**Contributory paternity leave benefit** (*Permiso por paternidad*): Since 2007 the compulsory social insurance scheme payable through employers that covers paternity, adoption and permanent or simple fosterage, increased its duration (available for fathers and compatible with that of mothers) up to 15 days (2 of the previously existing ‘*permiso retribuido*’ and 13 of the new paternity leave benefit). Additional 2 days may be added for each extra child in case of multiple births. In case of large families the duration increases up to 20 days. The benefit amount is 100% of the worker's contributory base for maternity leave. Minimum period of social security contributions: 180 days in last 7 years or 360 days in all working life (with a few exceptions).

## 1.2.2 Non-contributory Benefits

**Unemployment assistance** (*Subsidio por desempleo*): If the worker is not entitled to receive contributory benefits a non-contributory benefit is available. This is a means-tested benefit.

**Income guarantee benefit** (*Renta activa de inserción*): If the worker is neither entitled to contributory unemployment benefit nor to unemployment assistance the worker may claim this benefit. The benefit is income-tested, family unit income must be below 75% of the minimum salary (*salario mínimo interprofesional, SMI*). Other requirements are: being over 45 and long term unemployed (over 12 months). The duration of the benefit is 11 months maximum and the amount of benefit is 80% of the IPREM indicator.

**Non-contributory old-age pension** (*Prestación no contributiva por jubilación*): Social insurance scheme for people over 65 years of age, who find themselves in a state of need and lack the necessary means for subsistence. This is a family unit income-tested benefit. The amount of the benefit depends on the number of beneficiaries within the family unit. The family unit here consists of any cohabiting individuals who can be married to the beneficiary or to be his/her parent, son or daughter or brother or sister. There are some complementary benefits to these pensions for individuals living in rented housing and who do not have a house of their own elsewhere. Further, there are some regional complementary benefits to non-contributory pensions since 1998.

**Non-contributory disability pension** (*Prestación no contributiva por invalidez*): Social insurance scheme for people who suffer from physical or mental deficiencies, likely to be of a permanent

nature, either physical or mental, whether or not they may be congenital, which nullify or modify their capacity and lack sufficient income. This is a family unit income-tested benefit. The amount of the benefit is fixed but increases by 50 per cent, when the degree of disability is equal to or higher than 75 per cent and the assistance of another person is required to carry out the most essential life actions. Taxable.

**LISMI** (*Social Integration of the disabled*): Disability benefit from an old system that is applied to some people (residual).

**Assistance Pensions** (*Pensiones Asistenciales*): Assistance benefit from an old system that is applied to some people (residual).

**Non-contributory complements to survivors pensions:** There are state non-contributory complements to survival pensions that do not reach (following the contributory rules) the minimum level specified by law.

**Pension complement benefit** (*Complemento de mínimos*): Pensions are automatically updated every year, generally at a rate equal to the Consumer Price Index, CPI, (*IPC, Índice de Precios al Consumo*). However pension benefits, cannot exceed a maximum, neither can they be below a minimum. Subject to an income test, pensions that are below the official minimum pension are increased up to the minimum by this non-contributory benefit. Taxable.

**Non-contributory child benefit** (*Prestación por hijo a cargo no contributiva*): Tax financed scheme for families with children under 18 years of age or any age if disabled. It is a non-contributory, income-tested benefit (not income-tested in the case of disability). The amount depends on the degree of the disability and the age of the children. Not taxable. In Catalonia there is a supplementary universal child benefit since 2003. The benefit is taxable in this case.

**Birth and adoption benefit for multiple births:** This is a lump-sum payment at birth or adoption of third, fourth or higher order child. Not taxable.

**Non-contributory maternity leave benefit** (*Prestación por maternidad no contributiva*): This benefit is aimed at covering the maternity of those females who do not reach the minimum contributions to Social Security to receive a contributory maternity leave benefit. The benefit amount is the value of the daily IPREM for that year during 42 days. Benefit duration will be extended by 14 days more if a baby is born in a large family or lone-parent family, in case of multiple births or if a mother or a child are disabled. Not means-tested.

**Complementary benefit to non-contributory pensions** (*Complemento por alquiler*): for pensioners living in rented housing who do not own other housing elsewhere and are not family related to the house owner.

**Long Term Care Protection System** (*Sistema para la Autonomía y Atención a la Dependencia, SAAD*): Since 2007 a new system for the protection of disabilities was created in Spain. The system will provide in-kind and monetary benefits for handicapped individuals. Benefits are paid in order to cover the cost of services, for providing care within the family and towards the cost of external personal assistance help. The evaluation of the person in need is undertaken by regional governments using the limits imposed by the central government.

**Minimum Income Benefit** (*Ingreso mínimo de inserción o Rentas mínimas de inserción*): this is a non-contributory benefit to combat poverty by means of cash benefits. The benefit is income-tested. All Autonomous Communities in Spain provide this benefit.

**Means-tested lump-sum child benefits for large families, lone parents and disabled mothers** (*Prestaciones por nacimiento o adopción de hijos en los supuestos de familia numerosa, monoparentales o madres discapacitadas*). New benefit in 2008, substitutes the previous benefit when it disappeared -Means-tested lump-sum child benefits payable at birth of third or further children (*Prestación económica por nacimiento o adopción del tercer hijo o sucesivos*).

**Requalification program for people that have exhausted their unemployment benefits** (*Programa de recualificación personal de las personas que agoten su protección por desempleo, PREPARA*). This program substitutes the former one, *Programa Temporal de Protección por Desempleo e Inserción, PRODI*. In order to protect vulnerable people the Spanish government set up this new non-contributory unemployment protection for workers that have exhausted their contributory benefit and are not eligible for the unemployment non-contributory benefit.

**New self-employed unemployment insurance benefit** (*Prestación económica cese de actividad de trabajadores autónomos*): Unemployment insurance scheme is available to self-employed people who reach a minimum time of contribution to the Social Security system and who have stopped the activity and finished their activities due to economic reasons. This “Special protection system for the self-employed” for business interruption took effect in November 6<sup>th</sup> 2010, the rules of the benefit were described in “*Real Decreto 1541/2011, de 31 de octubre, por el que se desarrolla la Ley 32/2010, de 5 de agosto, por la que se establece un sistema específico de protección por cese de actividad de los trabajadores autónomos*”.

**Education allowances:** There is a system of education allowances. These benefits are distributed within a group of students that comply with the requisites of income and academic performances. This system is nationally managed in general, only Basque Country has its own completely independent system, but there are similar conditions to receive the benefit, income and academic performance.

**Housing benefits:** Some regions have their own housing benefit systems and help households with the cost of the rent of the house.

### 1.2.3 Reforms in social benefits in 2011-2015

1. **Sickness cash benefit** (*Incapacidad temporal*). Since 2012 the system changed and the first 3 days only 50% of salary is paid, 75% from the fourth day to the 20<sup>th</sup> and 100% since 21st onwards.
2. **PREPARA. Program of professional requalification for people that have exhausted their rights to other unemployment benefits** (*Programa de recualificación profesional de la personas que agoten su protección por Desempleo, PREPARA*). This benefit was introduced in 2011 to substitute the former PRODI.
3. **Unemployment: benefit, assistance and income guarantee benefit:** In 2012 some conditions of unemployment benefit and unemployment assistance changed. In unemployment benefit should be highlighted the change in the percentage of the average daily contributory base to be received after 180 benefit days, it was 60% before 14<sup>th</sup> July 2012, and now it is 50%.

In unemployment assistance the most important changes are the following: the increase of the age threshold to 55 years of the age for receiving assistance “for workers over 52 years of age” and the elimination of the special assistance for long-term unemployed over 45 years of age, who have exhausted a contributory benefit received for 720 days.

4. **Regional child benefits:** There are several changes in the regional child benefits. In general the trend these years has been to reduce benefits. Many universal benefits of the old system were eliminated or reformed to become means-tested.

## 1.3 Social contributions

Social insurance contributions (*cotizaciones a la Seguridad Social*) finance pensions and other contributory benefits in Spain. Conditions regarding contributions made in the past determine

eligibility and amount of contributory benefits. There are different types of contributions for employees in the private sector, self-employed and civil servants.

The main social insurance contributions system in Spain is the so-called General Regime. In 2015<sup>4</sup>, around 66% of total contributions in Spain were made by workers under this regime. Another 17% of contributions were made under the self-employed regime, 4% for the agrarian regime, 2% for housemaid regime, 6% for unemployed workers and a further 5% of contributions were made by civil servants.

**General Regime** (*Régimen General*): most Spanish employees make their social insurance contributions under this regime. There are special rules for particular groups such as part-time workers, trainees, artists, football players, etc.

Within this regime there are special systems that should be taken into account, among which the following are included:

Agrarian employees<sup>5</sup> (*Sistema especial para trabajadores por cuenta ajena agrarios*): since 2012 all employees that work in the agrarian sector have contributed to this system. Before 2012, they contributed to the Agrarian Regime.

Housemaids system<sup>6</sup> (*Sistema Especial para los Empleados de Hogar*): since 2012 all domestic workers have had contributed to this system, general regime. Before 2012, they contributed to the Housemaids Regime. There are two different ways of contributing to this regime depending on the number of hours of work for the same employer:

- Permanent Domestic Employees, working more than 20 hours a week for the same employer: the contribution is divided in two, a contribution made by the employer (responsibility of the head of the household) and a contribution made by the employee.
- Intermittent Domestic Employees, working less than 20 hours a week for the same employer: the contribution is only made by the employee.

**Self-employed Regime** (*Régimen Especial de los Trabajadores Autónomos*): The social insurance contribution for self-employed workers has some degree of flexibility. The worker can choose between two different contributory rates (either including or not including temporary sickness or invalidity benefits). The contributory base is also flexible. The worker can choose his/her particular amount of contribution within a limited range, never below a certain minimum and never over a certain maximum.

There are some special systems within this regime, the following are worth mentioning;

Agrarian self-employed special system (*Sistema especial Trabajadores Cuenta Propia Agrarios*): All self-employed people that work in the agricultural sector contribute to this regime.

**Unemployed workers** (*Desempleados*): Those unemployed receiving unemployment insurance must pay a social security contribution. The contributory base is the individual's previous earnings just before the unemployment spell. The rate of contribution is flat. The social security system complements the individual's contribution to the social insurance system during the period of unemployment insurance payments.

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<sup>4</sup> Coal mining regime included

<sup>5</sup> At the beginning of 2012 the agrarian regime has been removed and its workers are considered under the General Regime.

<sup>6</sup> At the beginning of 2012 the housemaid regime has been removed and its workers are considered under the General Regime.

**Civil servants Regime:** Civil Servants have a particular contributory regime divided into three, a main civil servants regime (MUFACE) and some special regimes for military forces and judges. However we should note that public sector employees holding private contracts and many regional civil servants contribute to the General Regime.

#### **Other regimes:**

**Coal-mining Regime** (*Régimen Especial para la Minería del Carbón*): All employees working in coal mining activities must contribute to this regime.

**Sea workers Regime** (*Régimen Especial de los Trabajadores del Mar*): All employees and self-employed working in sea activities must contribute to this regime.

The special regimes for employees and self-employed who work in the agricultural sector disappeared in 2012. These workers will be included in the General Regime or the Self-employed regime with special treatment, Special Systems Integrated into the General or Self-Employed Regime (*Sistema especial cuenta ajena agrarios, Régimen General and Sistema especial para trabajadores por cuenta propia agrarios, Régimen Especial Trabajadores autónomos*). The same happened with the Housemaids Regime, which disappeared to become a special system within the General Regime, Special System for housemaids (*Sistema Especial para Empleados de hogar, Régimen General*).

## **1.4 Taxes**

The Spanish tax system is divided into similar shares between direct and indirect taxes.

**Personal Income Tax** (*Impuesto sobre la renta de las personas físicas, IRPF*): progressive tax levied on the worldwide income of resident individuals. The base of the income tax is relatively broad. The main exceptions are social security pensions for disabled individuals (*gran incapacidad, incapacidad permanente and incapacidad absoluta*), child benefit and child support (the parent who pays the support must pay income tax for it). It is levied on behalf of the State and the autonomous regions. It is generally charged at the individual level, but family units (single parents or couples and children under 18) can choose to be taxed jointly.

**Personal Income Tax for Non-Residents** (*Impuesto sobre la renta de las personas físicas de no residentes, IRPNR*): progressive tax levied on the income gained in Spanish territories by non-resident individuals.

**Corporate Income Tax** (*Impuesto de Sociedades, IS*): fixed rate tax levied on the worldwide benefits of corporations whose main business is obtained in Spanish territories or whose headquarters are located in Spain.

**Net Wealth Tax** (*Impuesto sobre el patrimonio, IP*): this tax is levied on the worldwide assets of resident individuals and charged through a progressive tax schedule. The taxable base (net wealth) is calculated by aggregating all his/her assets and deducting the appropriate liabilities. The aggregate burden of income tax and net wealth tax due by a resident taxpayer cannot exceed 60% of his/her total taxable income for income tax purposes. Net wealth below a certain limit is exempt; this limit is larger if asset is main residence.

**Inheritance tax** (*Impuesto sobre sucesiones y donaciones, ISD*): this tax is levied on behalf of the 17 autonomous regions on property passing to individuals by way of gift or on death. It is charged using a progressive tax schedule. There are many exemptions and tax-credits related to the type of relationship the individual has/had with the previous owner and the nature of the donation or bequest.

**Value Added Tax** (*Impuesto sobre el valor añadido, IVA*): Spanish value added tax (IVA) taxes supplies of goods and services in mainland Spain and the Balears Islands, thus excluding the

Canary Islands and the Spanish cities in Northern Africa: Ceuta and Melilla, as well as the import of goods into any of these territories. There are basically, three different rates: 4% for basic necessities; 7% (8% since 1-Jul-2010 and 10% since 1-Sept-2012) for food, dwellings, transport, tourism, etc.; and the 16% standard rate (18% since 1-Jul-2010 and 21% since 1-Sept-2012) for other goods and services<sup>7</sup>. The Canary Islands levy a different value added tax (IGIC) on taxable supplies of goods and services within the Canary Islands.

**Excise duties (*Impuestos especiales, IE*):** These are charged on alcohol, tobacco, fuel, gas, and electrical energy. Excise duties are detailed in Law 38/1992 of 28 December 1992 and comprise: (common) excises on manufacture (*Impuestos Especiales de Fabricación, IEF*) and an excise on certain means of transport (*Impuesto Especial sobre determinados Medios de Transporte, IEMT*).

-IEFs are levied at lump-sum rates. In general on a single stage with respect to the manufacture in, and importation to, Spain of alcoholic drinks and products; hydrocarbons and manufactured tobacco products (combined for cigarettes with ad valorem rates).

-IEMT is levied at ad valorem rates (in addition to VAT) on a single stage with respect to the first final registration in Spain of (new or used) means of transport, domestically manufactured or imported.

#### Other Direct Taxes:

**Real Estate Tax (*Impuesto sobre bienes inmuebles, IBI*):** this tax is levied on an annual basis by local authorities on the possession of property in the local territory. The taxable base is the cadastral value, which is usually well below properties' market price even if its value is usually adjusted every 8 years. The general tax rates are 0.4% for urban property and 0.3% for rural property.

**Urban Real Estate Value Tax (*Impuesto sobre el incremento del valor de los terrenos de naturaleza urbana, IVTNU*):** this tax is levied by local authorities on the increase in the value of urban properties in the local territory when transaction of the property is made between individuals or firms.

**Local Business Tax (*Impuesto sobre actividades económicas, IAE*):** this tax is levied on a quarterly basis by local authorities on all individuals that have a business activity in the local territory.

**Vehicles Tax (*Impuesto sobre vehículos de tracción mecánica, IVTM*):** this tax is levied on an annual basis by local authorities on the possession of vehicles.

#### Other Indirect Taxes:

**Property Transaction Tax (*Impuesto sobre Transmisiones Patrimoniales y Actos Jurídicos Documentados, ITPAJD*):** this tax is levied by regional authorities (*Comunidades Autónomas*) on the transaction of properties between individuals or firms and also on any juridical act.

**Constructions, Instalments and Reforms Tax (*Impuesto sobre Construcciones, Instalaciones y Obras, ICIO*):** this tax is levied by local authorities on any construction, reform or work undertaken within the local territory.

**Custom duties (*Rentas de Aduanas*):** this tax is levied upon goods and merchandise imported or exported to and from the Spanish territories.

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<sup>7</sup> However some particular goods and services have been replaced without the mainstream, e.g. movie tickets have experienced an increase of 13 points (from 8% to 21%)

## 2 SIMULATION OF TAXES AND BENEFITS IN EUROMOD

### 2.1 Scope of simulation

The table 2.1 shows the treatment of benefits in the simulation. Complete simulation is possible in the case of benefits for children without disability, birth and adoption benefits, other child benefits. Complements to non-contributory old-age pensions and widow's pension, unemployment insurance, unemployment assistance, income guarantee benefit, non-contributory old-age pensions, complements to pensions, child benefits for children with disabilities and the Minimum Income Guarantee are partially simulated. The Minimum Income Guarantee is switched off in the baseline.

Table 2.1 Simulation of benefits in EUROMOD

	Variable name(s)	Treatment in EUROMOD				Why not fully simulated (EU_SILC variable)?	
		2011	2012	2013	2015	2015	2015
<b><i>Sickness benefits</i></b>							
Sickness benefits	bhl	I	I	I	I	I	Due to lack of data on contribution history and sickness. EU-SILC variable PY120.
<b><i>Education benefits</i></b>							
Education allowance	bed	I	I	I	I	I	Minor benefits. EU-SILC variable PY140.
<b><i>Old-age benefits</i></b>							
Old-age pension	poa00	I	I	I	I	I	Due to lack of data on contribution history. EU-SILC variable PY100.
NC Old-age pension	poanc_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	Eligibility taken from data due to (apparently) non take up.
NC complement to old-age pensions	poacm_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	Eligibility taken from data.
<b><i>Disability benefits</i></b>							
Disability pension	pdi	I	I	I	I	I	Due to lack of data on contribution history. EU-SILC variable PY130.
NC Disability benefit	pdi	I	I	I	I	I	EU-SILC data doesn't allow us to distinguish between contributory and non-contributory disability benefits. EU-SILC variable PY130.
<b><i>Survivor's benefits</i></b>							
Widow's pension	psuwd00	I	I	I	I	I	Due to lack of data on contribution history. Taken as part EU-SILC variable PY110.
Orphan's pension	psuwd00	I	I	I	I	I	Due to lack of data on contribution history. Taken as part EU-SILC variable PY110.
Relative's pension	psuwd00	I	I	I	I	I	Due to lack of data on contribution history. Taken as part EU-SILC variable PY110.
NC complement to widow's pension	psuwcm_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	Eligibility taken from data.
NC Orphan's pension	psuot	I	I	I	I	I	EU-SILC variable PY110.
NC Relative's pension	psuot	I	I	I	I	I	EU-SILC variable PY110.

<i>Unemployment benefits</i>							
Unemployment insurance	bunct_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	Eligibility taken from data due to lack of data on contribution history and unemployment spell.
Unemployment assistance	bunnc_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	Eligibility taken from data due to lack of data on contribution history and unemployment spell.
Income guarantee benefit	bunnc_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	Due to lack of data on contribution history and unemployment spell. EU-SILC data doesn't distinguish this benefit from other unemployment benefits. Since the benefit amount is the same, the simulation assumes that recipients receive unemployment assistance instead.
Temporary unemployment protection program	bunnc_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	Due to lack of data on contribution history and unemployment spell. EU-SILC data doesn't distinguish this benefit from other unemployment benefits. Since the benefit amount is similar, the simulation assumes that recipients receive unemployment assistance instead.
Self-employed unemployment insurance benefit	bunct02_s	(S)	(S)	(S)	(S)	(S)	Switched off in the baseline. Can be used for simulating unemployment benefits for new unemployed only.
Other unemployment benefits	bunot	I	I	I	I	I	Minor benefits that can't be simulated. Taken as part of EU-SILC variable PY090.
<i>Family and child benefits</i>							
Maternity benefit	bma	I	I	I	I	I	Due to lack of data on contribution history and maternity. Taken as part of EU-SILC variable HY050.
Paternity benefit	bma	I	I	I	I	I	Due to lack of data on contribution history and maternity and other kind of information. Taken as part of EU-SILC variable HY050.
Child benefit							
Without disability	bch00_s	S	S	S	S	S	
With disability	bchdi_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	There is no information on disability for individuals below 16 years of age in the data.
Multiple birth/adoption benefit	bchbaucna02_s	S	S	S	S	S	
Means-tested birth/adoption benefit	bchbamtna_s	S	S	S	S	S	
Regional child benefits	bch*rg_s	S	S	S	S	S	
Other child benefits (including risk during pregnancy benefit)	bchot	I	I	I	I	I	Due to lack of data on contribution history and maternity. Taken as part EU-SILC variable HY050.
<i>Social assistance</i>							
Minimum Income Guarantee	bsa_s	(PS)	(PS)	(PS)	(PS)	(PS)	Policies are implemented but "switched off" as the simulated number of recipients is much higher (almost 7 times as high the number effectively reported in official statistics).

<b>Housing allowance</b>							
Housing benefit	bho	I	I	I	I	I	Can't be simulated due to difficult rules. Taken as part of EU-SILC variable HY070.
<b>Phasing out benefits</b>							
Statutory Insurance for old age and disability	pdi, poaot	I	I	I	I	I	Due to lack of data on contribution history. EU-SILC variable included in old age and disability benefits.
Old assistance benefits	pdi, poaot	I	I	I	I	I	Included as part of old-age or disability pensions.
LISMI	pdi, poaot	I	I	I	I	I	Included as part of old-age or disability pensions.

Notes: “-”: policy did not exist in that year; “E”: *excluded* from the model as it is neither included in the micro-data nor simulated; “I”: *included* in the micro-data but not simulated; “PS” *partially simulated* as some of its relevant rules are not simulated; “S” *simulated* although some minor or very specific rules may not be simulated.

Table 2.2 shows the treatment of taxes and social contributions variables. Complete simulation, with some little exemptions is possible in the case of the social contributions for employees included in the general system. It is possible to simulate partially the social contributions of employees of other systems. The personal income tax is almost fully simulated, but we do not simulate small differences of the Basque Country and Navarra tax systems. We do not have data to simulate other taxes.

Table 2.2 Simulation of taxes and social contributions in EUROMOD

	Variable name(s)	Treatment in EUROMOD				Why not fully simulated (EU_SILC variable)?	
		2011	2012	2013	2015	2015	2015
<b>Social Contributions</b>							
General Regime (employee)	tscee_s	S	S	S	S	S	Part-time specific contributions are taken into account.
General Regime (employer)	tscer_s	S	S	S	S	S	Part-time specific contributions are taken into account.
Coal-miner regime, sea worker regime, housemaid regime (employee)	tscee_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	Due to lack of data this regime is taken as part of the general regime.
Coal-miner regime, sea worker regime, housemaid regime (employer)	tscer_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	Due to lack of data this regime is taken as part of the general regime.
Agrarian regime (employee)	tscee_s	S	S	S	S	S	
Self-employed	tscse_s	S	S	S	S	S	
Unemployed workers	tscunee_s	S	S	S	S	S	
Student's regime		E	E	E	E	E	No information available.
Civil servants, military forces and judges regime	tscee_s	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	Civil servants may have a contract contributing to the General Regime. Due to lack of data this regime is taken as part of the general regime.
<b>Direct Taxes</b>							
Personal Income Tax	tinit_s/tinjt_s	S	S	S	S	S	Some exemptions, small allowances and special treatment of some capital and self-employment incomes are ignored. Income rules of Basque country and Navarra are assumed to be the same as in the other regions.
Corporate Income Tax		E	E	E	E	E	No information available.
Net Wealth Tax		E	E	E	E	E	No information available.
Inheritance Tax		E	E	E	E	E	No information available.
Other direct taxes		E	E	E	E	E	No information available.
<b>Indirect Taxes</b>							
Value Added Tax		E	E	E	E	E	No information available.
Excise Duties		E	E	E	E	E	No information available.
Other Indirect Taxes		E	E	E	E	E	No information available.

Notes: “-” policy did not exist in that year; “E” policy is *excluded* from the model’s scope as it is neither included in the microdata nor simulated by EUROMOD; “PS” policy is *partially simulated* as some of its relevant rules are not simulated; “S” policy is *simulated* although some minor or very specific rules may not be simulated.

## 2.2 Order of simulation and interdependencies

The following table shows the order in which the main elements of the Spanish system in 2011-2015 are simulated. There were no changes in the order of simulation in this period, however, some new policies were introduced (e.g. large family tax credit).

We first simulate employee, self-employed and employer social contributions. Then we simulate the unemployment benefits and social insurance contributions on these benefits. After that we simulate non-contributory old-age pensions, pension complements, and child benefits (except the regional child benefits). Finally we simulate the income tax. Individual and joint taxation are simulated, and the more favourable for the individual is chosen. In the simulation we include many regional differences in tax credits. However, Basque Country and Navarra are simulated as the rest of the State. The last two policies are the regional child benefit and the last social safety net, the Autonomous Communities Minimum Income Guarantee. The latter policy is switched off in the baseline.

The following table shows the order in which the main elements of the Spanish system are simulated.

Table 2.3 Order of simulation

Policy	ES_2011	ES_2012	ES_2013	ES_2014	ES_2015	Comment
Setdefault_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	Def: Set default values
UAA_es	SWITCH	SWITCH	SWITCH	SWITCH	SWITCH	SWITCH: Uprating Average Adjustment
uprate_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	DEF: UPRATING FACTORS
uprate_bands_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	DEF: uprating in bands
ildef_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	DEF: INCOME CONCEPTS
ConstDef_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	DEF: CONSTANTS
tundef_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	DEF: ASSESSMENT UNITS
yem_es	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	DEF: Minimum wage
neg_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	DEF: recode negative self-employment income to zero
prelim_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	DEF: Preliminary definitions
tscft_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	SIC: General regime: full-time workers
tscpt_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	SIC: General regime: part-time workers
tscag_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	SIC: Agrarian regime
tscse_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	SIC: Self-employment social insurance contributions
tscseag_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	SIC: Agrarian self-employment social insurance contributions
bunct_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	BEN: Unemployment insurance
bunct02_es	TOGGLE	TOGGLE	TOGGLE	TOGGLE	TOGGLE	BEN: Unemployment insurance for self-employed (Simulated only for new unemployed)
bunnc_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	BEN: Unemployment assistant benefit

bunmt_es*	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	BEN: Temporary unemployment Protection Program
tscun_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	SIC: Unemployed persons social insurance contributions
poanc_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	BEN: Non-contributory old-age pension
poacm_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	BEN: Old-age pension complement
psuwdc_m_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	BEN: Widow-widower's pension complement
bch00_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	BEN: Child benefit
bchbamtna_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	BEN: Means-tested birth/adoption benefit
bchbaucna02_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	BEN: Universal multiple birth benefit
tin_cons_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	TAX: Income Tax - constants
tinit_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	TAX: Income Tax - Individual taxation
tintcrgit_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	TAX: Regional Income Tax Credits, individual taxation
tinjt_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	TAX: Income Tax - joint taxation
tintcrgit_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	TAX: Regional Income Tax Credits, joint taxation
tinopt_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	TAX: Income Tax - optimisation
tinoptrg_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	TAX: Regional Income Tax - optimisation
tintrch_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	TAX: Working mother refundable tax credit
tintrchLF_es	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	ON	TAX: Large families tax credit
tintrchLP_es	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	ON	TAX: Lone parents tax credit
bchrg_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	BEN: Regional Child Benefits
bsarg_es	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	BEN: Regional Minimum Income
output_std_es	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	Def: Standard Output Individual Level
output_std_hh_es	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	Def: Standard Output Household Level

Notes: \* Policy bunmt\_s is not active if run with the input data based on SILC 2010 or any later datasets. In such case Temporary unemployment Protection Program is simulated as part of Unemployment assistant benefit (bunnc\_es).

### 2.3 Policy switches

The Spanish model has one policy switch. It is Uprating Average Adjustment (UAA\_es). This switch can be controlled through the run dialog box (go to: Run EUROMOD → View/Filter/Add-ons → View Policy Switches). The UAA switch is OFF by default. In this case the main contributory pensions are uprated using indexation rules. The changes in the level of pensions are due to changes in the policy rules. If UAA switch is ON, then the main contributory pensions are uprated according to average pension amounts. Uprating by average also takes into account

changes in the characteristics of pensioners (e.g. an inflow of new retirees with higher average pensions). This type of uprating may be used in EUROMOD applications where it is important to take into account not only policy but also compositional changes (e.g. nowcasting).

Apart from policy switches, the Spanish model also has three policies that are switched OFF in the baseline, but can be used for specific purposes: (1) Minimum Income Guarantee, (2) Unemployment benefit for the self-employed, and (3) Minimum wage.

The Minimum Income Guarantee is switched off because all the rules can't be simulated, discretionary power of municipalities and non-take up can't be taken into account. Therefore, the policy substantially overestimates the number of recipients and the benefit amounts. The policy can be used as an 'upper bound' of the simulated benefit.

The Unemployment benefit for self-employed can't be used in the baseline because we do not have information on the previous activity of currently unemployed. This policy can be used for simulating unemployment benefits for new unemployed (e.g. in nowcasting) or for estimating replacement rates for self-employed who lose their jobs.

Finally, the minimum wage policy substitutes all income below the minimum wage by the statutory minimum wage (taken into account the number of month and hours in work). In the baseline this policy is not used because there are reasons to believe that wages below the minimum are valid observations. Such low wages may be undeclared wages earned in the grey sector or they may result from misreporting number of hours/months in work. The policy may be used for estimating the effect of minimum wages on income distribution.

## 2.4 Social benefits

### 2.4.1 Unemployment benefits

#### 2.4.1.1 Unemployment insurance benefit (Prestación por desempleo)

Unemployment insurance scheme is available to all employees who have lost their job and reached a minimum time of contribution to the Social Security system.

- **Definitions**

**Dependent children:** cohabiting children below 26 years of age (or older if disabled) whose incomes are below the minimum wage (*Salario Mínimo Interprofesional, SMI*) considering 12 monthly payments. In 2015: (12 x 648.60 euro per month) = 7,783.20 euro a year.

**Eligibility conditions:**

In order to be entitled to receive the benefits the individuals must be over 16 years of age and below 65 and registered at the employment office as actively seeking employment. The minimum period of contributions to be eligible for the benefit is 360 days during the 6 years immediately before unemployment.

- **Income assessment**

There is no income assessment.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit amount will depend on the average daily contributory base (*base reguladora, contingencias comunes*), strongly related to the individual wage level. The average is calculated on contributions made during the 180 days that precede the legal situation of unemployment. All payments for overtime work are excluded. The amount to be received will be:

During the first 180 days, 70% of the average daily contributory base.

As from the 181<sup>st</sup> day onwards, 60% of the average daily contributory base, until 2012.<sup>8</sup> From 2013 onwards the percentage from 181<sup>st</sup> day is 50%.

The benefit cannot be below a minimum:

- If the worker has no dependent children, the minimum benefit is 80% of the monthly IPREM, increased by 1/6. In 2015  $(1+1/6) \times (0.8 \times 532.51 \text{ euro}) = 497.01 \text{ euro}$  per month.
- If the worker has at least one dependent child, the minimum benefit is 107% of monthly IPREM, increased by 1/6. In 2015:  $(1+1/6) \times (1.07 \times 532.51 \text{ euro}) = 664.75 \text{ euro}$  per month.

The benefit cannot be over a maximum:

- If the worker has no dependent children, the maximum benefit is 175% of the monthly IPREM, increased by 1/6. In 2015:  $(1+1/6) \times (1.75 \times 532.51 \text{ euro}) = 1,087.21 \text{ euro}$  per month.
- If the worker has dependent children:
  - One child, the maximum benefit is 200% of monthly IPREM, increased by 1/6. In 2015:  $(1+1/6) \times (2 \times 532.51 \text{ euro}) = 1,242.52 \text{ euro}$  per month.
  - Two or more children, the maximum benefit is 225% of the monthly IPREM, increased by 1/6. In 2015:  $(1+1/6) \times (2.25 \times 532.51 \text{ euro}) = 1,397.84 \text{ euro}$  per month.

In the case of becoming unemployed while at a part time job, the maximum and minimum limits of the benefit will be calculated as a proportion of the full-time working day.

Benefit duration depends on the total contribution period over the preceding 6 years:

Period of work for which contributions have been made during the last 6 years	Duration of the benefit being paid
Between 360 days and 539 days	120 days
Between 540 days and 719 days	180 days
Between 720 days and 899 days	240 days
Between 900 days and 1,079 days	300 days
Between 1,080 days and 1,259 days	360 days
Between 1,260 days and 1,439 days	420 days
Between 1,440 days and 1,619 days	480 days
Between 1,620 days and 1,799 days	540 days
Between 1,800 days and 1,979 days	600 days
Between 1,980 days and 2,159 days	660 days
2,160 days or more	720 days

• **Compatibilities**

Benefits are not compatible with any full-time employment except some particular cases. However, they are compatible with carrying out a part-time activity as an employee.

Accumulation with social security pensions or cash benefits is not possible unless these had been compatible with the professional activity from which the unemployment benefit derived. Accumulation is possible with pensions which are compatible with work.

• **Taxation and income testing**

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<sup>8</sup>The percentage to calculate the benefit amount depends on when begins the right to receive the benefit (from 14<sup>th</sup> July 2012, 50%, before that date 60%). In the model we apply the new rule in 2013.

Taxable. Benefits are included in the income test of other social benefits.

**2.4.1.2 Self-employed unemployment insurance benefit (Prestación económica cese de actividad de trabajadores autónomos):**

Unemployment insurance scheme is available to self-employed people who reached a minimum time of contribution to the Social Security system and terminated their self-employment activity due to economic reasons.

Special protection system for the self-employed for business interruption took effect on November 6<sup>th</sup> 2010. In the model it is implemented from 2011.

- Definitions**

**Dependent children:** cohabiting children below 26 years of age (or older if disabled) whose incomes are below the minimum wage (*Salario Mínimo Interprofesional, SMI*) considering 12 monthly payments. In 2015: (12 x 648.60 euro per month) = 7,783.2 euro a year.

- Eligibility conditions**

In order to be entitled to receive the benefits the individuals must be over 16 years of age and below 65 and registered at the employment office as actively seeking employment. The minimum period of contributions to be eligible for the benefit is 12 months during the 2 years immediately before unemployment.

- Income assessment**

There is no income assessment.

- Benefit amount**

The benefit amount will depend on the average contributory base (*base reguladora, contingencias comunes*). The average is calculated on contributions made during the 12 months that precede the legal situation of unemployment.

The amount to be received will be 70% of the average contributory base.

The minimum amount will be 107% of IPREM if the self-employed had at least one dependent child or 80% if the self-employed had no dependent children.

The maximum amount will be 200% of IPREM if the self-employed had at least one dependent child, 225% of IPREM if more than one dependent child or 175% if the self-employed had no dependent children.

Benefit duration depends on the total contribution period over the preceding 2 years:

Period of work for which contributions have been made during the last 2 years	Duration of the benefit being paid (< 60 years old)	Duration of the benefit being paid (> 60 years old)
Between 12 and 17 months	2 months	2 months
Between 18 and 23 months	3 months	4 months
Between 24 and 29 months	4 months	6 months
Between 30 and 35 months	5 months	8 months
Between 36 and 42 months	6 months	10 months
Between 43 and 47 months	8 months	12 months
48 months	12 months	12 months

**2.4.1.3 Unemployment assistance benefit (Subsidio por desempleo)**

This is a means-tested benefit which is generally available to workers whose unemployment insurance has expired.

- **Definitions**

**Dependent individual:** spouse of any age or child under twenty-six years of age (older if disabled) whose personal income does not exceed 75 per cent of the minimum wage considering 12 monthly payments. In 2015:  $0.75 \times (12 \times 648.6 \text{ euro per month}) = 7,783.2 \text{ euro a year}$ .

- **Eligibility conditions**

Unemployed individuals are eligible if having exhausted their contributory unemployment benefit, family unit income is below the income test and they are over 45 years old or have dependants or have contributed six or more months. Workers with dependants who were not entitled to contributory unemployment benefit due to shortage of contributions but have, at least, 3 months of contributions to the Social Security system are also eligible. Further, workers without dependants who were not entitled to contributory unemployment benefit due to shortage of contributions but have, at least, 6 months of contributions are also eligible.

- **Income assessment**

Family level: Per capita household income from all sources<sup>9</sup> must be below 75% of the minimum wage (*Salario Mínimo Interprofesional, SMI*) considering 12 monthly payments In 2015:  $0.75 \times (12 \times 648.6 \text{ euro per month}) = 7,783.2 \text{ euro per capita a year}$ .

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit amount is 80% of the IPREM. In year 2015=  $(0.8 \times 532.51 \text{ euro} = 426.01 \text{ euro per month})$ .

The duration of the benefit is normally 6 months with the possibility of extension up to a maximum of 18 months for individuals with dependent spouse or child and less than 55 years old and who have exhausted the contributory benefit.

The benefit may be extended until retirement age for workers over 55 years of age under certain conditions. The age limit before 2012 was 52 years of age, the *Real Decreto ley 20/2012* changed it to 55.

In 2011 long-term unemployed over 45 years of age, who have exhausted a contributory benefit received for 720 days and had a special 6-months allowance according to the number of dependant family members: with no dependants or just one: 80% IPREM, in 2012: 426 euro; with two dependants: 107% IPREM, 569.79 euro; with three or more dependants: 133% IPREM, 708.2 euro. This benefit disappeared in 2012.

- **Compatibilities**

Benefits are not compatible with any full-time employment except some particular cases.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Taxable. Benefits included in the income test of other social benefits.

#### 2.4.1.4 Income Guarantee benefit (*Renta Activa de Inserción*)

This means-tested benefit aims to cover unemployed individuals with dependants and particularly large difficulties to find a job. The worker must follow a “back to work” scheme aimed at improving his/her possibilities of finding a job.

- **Definitions**

**Dependent individual:** The same definition as in previous benefits (see unemployment insurance and unemployment assistance).

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<sup>9</sup>There are a few exemptions, including child benefit and refundable working mother tax credit (*deducción por maternidad*).

### Eligibility conditions

Unemployed individuals over 45 years of age with dependants who are not eligible or have exhausted contributory and non-contributory unemployment benefit while family unit income is below the income test.

- **Income assessment**

Per capita household income from all sources<sup>10</sup> must be below 75% of the minimum wage (Salario Mínimo Interprofesional, SMI) considering 12 monthly payments. SMI is 648.60 euro per month in 2015, so the actual limit is 486.5 euro per capita a month (5,837.4 euro a year) in 2015.

- **Benefit amount**

Benefits amount is 80% of the IPREM (0.8 x 532.5 euro = 426.01 euro per month). The duration of the benefit is 11 months.

- **Compatibilities**

Benefits are compatible with full-time employment if individuals qualify for the program. In this case the benefit will only be 1/4 of that which would be obtained if not in full-time work. Duration in this case will drop to 6 months.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Taxable. Benefits included in the income test of other social benefits.

#### 2.4.1.5 Program of professional requalification for people that have exhausted their rights to other unemployment benefits

This program (*Programa de recualificación personal de las personas que agoten su protección por desempleo, PREPARA*) substitutes the former program PRODI (*Programa Temporal de Protección por Desempleo e Inserción*). In order to protect vulnerable people the Spanish government sets up this new non-contributory unemployment protection for workers that have exhausted their contributory benefit and are not eligible for the unemployment non-contributory benefit. The program consists in a benefit paid to the unemployed of 75% of IPREM (532.51 euro/month) = 399.38 euro/month during 6 months (*Real Decreto-ley 1/2011, de 11 de febrero, de medidas urgentes para promover la transición al empleo estable y la recualificación profesional de las personas desempleadas*). Eligibility is restricted to individuals:

- a) Who are unemployed and are registered as demanding employment in the Public Service for Employment (INEM);
- b) Who do not have the right to receive any unemployment benefit: contributory insurance benefit, assistance, or income guarantee benefit;
- c) Who have not received PRODI or PREPARA before;
- d) Whose per capita household income is below 75% of Minimum wage (645.3 euro/month) = 483.98 euro/month;
- e) Whose per capita family income is below 483.98 euro/month;
- f) Who are long-term unemployed or have dependants.

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<sup>10</sup>There are a few exemptions, including child benefit and refundable working mother tax credit (*deducción por maternidad*).

## 2.4.2 Pension benefits

### 2.4.2.1 Non-contributory old-age pension (*Prestaciones no contributivas por jubilación total o por jubilación parcial*)

This means-tested old-age benefit is aimed at all Spanish citizens and nationals from other countries, with legal residence in Spain, over 65 years of age, who find themselves in a state of need and lack the necessary means for subsistence, even when they have never contributed to the Social Security scheme.

- **Definitions**

Family unit: spouse and up to second-degree relatives (i.e., grandparents, siblings, grandchildren).

- **Eligibility conditions**

All individuals over 65 years of age legally resident in Spain are eligible in 2011 and 2012. After 2013 the age required will increase progressively until reaching 67 in 2027. The schedule in 2013 and 2014 is the following:

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Years of age	65	65	65 + 1 month	65 + 2 months	65 + 3 months
	Or 35 years of S.C.	Or 35 years of S.C.	Or 65 years of age if 35 years and 3 months of S.C.	Or 65 years of age if 35 years and 6 months of S.C.	Or 65 years of age if 35 years and 9 months of S.C.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit total yearly income, except child benefits, must be below the following amounts:

One member family unit:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	4,866.40	5,007.80	5,108.60	5,122.60	5,136.60

More than one member family unit:

- No children or parents of the recipient: the annual amount of the benefit plus 70 percent more for each additional member. Thus the limit is  $(1 + (0.7 \times (\text{number of members}-1))) \times 5,136.60$  euro in 2015.

Two members:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	8,272.88	8,513.26	8,684.62	8,708.42	8,732.22

Three members:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	11,679.36	12,018.72	12,260.64	12,294.24	12,327.84

- Some are children or parents of the recipient: the previous limit is multiplied by 2.5:  $2.5 \times ((1 + (0.7 \times (\text{number of members}-1))) \times 5,122.60$  euro in 2015.

Two members:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	20,682.20	21,283.15	21,711.55	21,771.05	21,830.55

Three members:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	29,198.40	30,046.80	30,651.60	30,735.60	30,819.60

- Benefit amount**

The annual amount for the year 2015 is **5,136.60 euro**. The total amount will be divided into 14 payments corresponding to each month of the year and two extra payments in the months of June and November.

In case more than one person in the economic unit is entitled to the benefit, the amount increases by 70 percent for each additional beneficiary and the resulting amount is equally shared across claimants.

In case the pensioner earns other incomes that are over 25 percent of the total annual pension (in 2015 this amounts to  $0.25 \times 5,136.60 \text{ euro} = 1,284.15 \text{ euro}$ ), the non-contributory pension will be reduced in the amount over which other incomes exceed this limit. The table below shows the annual amount of the non-contributory old-age pension for the former years:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Benefit amount (euro per year):	4,866.40	5,007.80	5,108.60	5,122.60	5,136.60

- Taxation and income testing**

Taxable. Benefits included in the income test of other social benefits.

- Regional complementary benefits**

Most regions increase non-contributory old-age pension benefits with a further complementary benefit. Details by regions:

Region	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Andalucía	109.22 euro/year	111.40 euro/year	113.62 euro/year	115.89 euro/year	118.20 euro/year
Aragón	92 euro/year	NA	NA	NA	NA
Asturias: Difference between Non-contributory old-age pension and Basic Social Income in Asturias (SSBA).	SSBA= 442.96 euro/month	SSBA= 442.96 euro/month	SSBA= 442.96 euro/month	SSBA= 442.96 euro/month	SSBA= 442.96 euro/month
Illes Balears	210 euro/year	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cantabria	319 euro/year	NA	NA	NA	NA
Castilla-La Mancha	15% annual non-contributory pension amount  706.293 euro/year  2 payments a year (353.15 euro each payment)	120 euro/year only old-age pension	NA	NA	NA

Catalonia	25% annual non-contributory pension amount  101.38 euro/month  12 payments a year	25% annual non-contributory pension amount  104.33 euro/month  12 payments a year	25% annual non-contributory pension amount  104.33 euro/month  12 payments a year	25% annual non-contributory pension amount  106.72 euro/month  12 payments a year	25% annual non-contributory pension amount  106.72 euro/month  12 payments a year
Extremadura	NA	NA	NA	NA	225 euro/year
Galicia	(1+3%)*206	NA	206 euro paid this year from 2012 budget  Paid in 2013	206 euro paid this year from 2013 budget  Paid in 2014	206 euro paid this year from 2014 budget  Paid in 2015
Navarra  Increasing non-contributory pensions' income up to a percentage of the Minimum Wage (SMI).	1 person: 90%  2 persons: 110%	1 person: 90%  2 persons: 110%	NA	NA	NA
País Vasco:  Álava	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
País Vasco <sup>11</sup> :  Vizcaya  Guipúzcoa	NA	NA	NA	NA	The difference between family income and 80% SMI (100% SMI, two persons; 115% SMI, three persons and 120% SMI, four persons)

**2.4.2.2 Old-age pension complement (*Complemento de mínimos por jubilación*):**

This means-tested benefit is a complementary benefit paid to all contributory pensions that are below the official minimum pension (*pension mínima*) yearly fixed by the government.

- Definitions**

**Dependent spouse (*cónyuge a cargo*):** the pensioner has a dependent spouse if cohabiting with an adult individual who does not receive any pension and the total net earnings of both for the previous year are below 8,280.40 euro in 2015 (see table below for following years);

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	8,076.80	8,157.57	8,239.15	8,259.75	8,280.40

- Eligibility conditions**

All contributory pension benefits receivers must pass the income test.

<sup>11</sup>As in the Basque country we can't distinguish between provinces we do not simulate this complement, it seems there is no complement in Vizcaya and Alava, two of three provinces.

- **Income assessment**

Total individual net earnings for the previous year must be below the amount of the contributory pension benefit plus **7,098.43 euro** in 2015 (see table below for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	6,923.90	6,993.14	7,063.07	7,080.73	7,098.43

- **Benefit amount**

If the beneficiary only receives one pension, the amount of the non-contributory complement will be the difference between the amount of the pension officially acknowledged and the minimum pension that year. In 2015 the minimum pension was:

Without a dependant spouse:

If 65 years of age or over: In 2015 **8,883.00 euro/year** (see table below for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	8,419.60	8,664.60	8,838.20	8,860.60	8,883.00

If below 65 years of age: In 2015: **8,309.00 euro/year** (see table below for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	7,875.00	8,106.60	8,267.00	8,288.20	8,309.00

With a spouse (non-dependant):

If 65 years of age or over: In 2015: **8,426.00 euro/year** (see table below for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	7,883.40	8,218.00	8,383.20	8,404.20	8,426.00

If below 65 years of age: In 2015: **7,851.20 euro/year** (see table below for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	7,875.00	7,658.00	7,812.00	7,831.60	7,851.20

With a dependant spouse:

If 65 years of age or over: In 2015: **10,960.60 euro/year** (see table below for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	10,388.00	10,690.40	10,904.60	10,932.60	10,960.60

If below 65 years of age: In 2015: **10,273.20 euro/year** (see table below for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	9,735.60	10,018.40	10,220.00	10,246.60	10,273.20

If the beneficiary has more than one pension, the amount of the non-contributory complement to make up the minimum will only be acknowledged if the sum of all pensions is below the highest minimum pension, according to the annual computation.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Taxable. Benefits included in the income test of other social benefits.

**2.4.2.3 Complementary benefit to non-contributory pensions due to housing rent (*Complemento por alquiler*):**

All pensioners living in rented housing who do not own other housing elsewhere and are not family related to the house owner will receive a complementary benefit if they pay housing rent. The annual quantity of this benefit is 525 euro/year.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	525	525	525	525	525

See for detailed reference:

*Real Decreto 1107/2014, 26 de diciembre, sobre revalorización de las pensiones del sistema de la Seguridad Social y de otras prestaciones sociales públicas para el ejercicio 2015*

*Real Decreto-ley 20/2011, de 30 de diciembre, de medidas urgentes en materia presupuestaria, tributaria y financiera para la corrección del déficit público.*

*Real Decreto 1371/2009, de 13 de agosto, por el que se modifica el Real Decreto 1400/2007, de 29 de octubre, por el que se establecen normas para el reconocimiento del complemento a los titulares de pensión de jubilación e invalidez de la Seguridad Social, en su modalidad no contributiva, que residan en una vivienda alquilada, prorrogando su vigencia para el año 2009.*

*REAL DECRETO 1400/2007, de 29 de octubre, por el que se establecen normas para el reconocimiento del complemento a los titulares de pensión de jubilación e invalidez de la Seguridad Social, en su modalidad no contributiva, que residan en una vivienda alquilada.*

**2.4.2.4 Widow-widower’s pension complement (*Complemento de mínimos por viudedad*):**

This means-tested benefit is paid to widows or widowers receiving a contributory pension from deceased partner that are below the official minimum pension (*pension de viudedad mínima*) yearly fixed by the government.

- Definitions**

**Dependant relatives (*cargas familiares*):** individuals under 26 years of age (or older if disabled) are considered dependant relatives if per capita household income does not exceed 75 per cent of the minimum wage considering 12 monthly payments. In 2015:  $0.75 \times (12 \times 648.60\text{euro per month}) = 5,837.4$  euro a year (see table below for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	5,772.60	5,772.60	5,807.70	5,807.70	5,837.40

- Eligibility conditions**

All contributory pension benefits receivers who comply the income test.

- Income assessment**

Total individual yearly earnings for the previous year must be below the amount of the contributory pension benefit plus 7,098.43 euro in 2015 (see table below for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	6,923.90	6,993.14	7,063.07	7,080.73	7,098.43

- Benefit amount**

If the beneficiary only receives one pension, the amount of the non-contributory complement will be the difference between the amount of the pension officially acknowledged and the following amounts:

In 2011:

Year:	2011
With dependant relatives	9,735.60
With disability (65% or more)	8,419.60
65 or over	8,419.60
Between 60-64	7,875.00
Below 60	6,374.20

In 2012:

Year:	2012
With dependant relatives	10,018.40
With disability (65% or more)	8,664.60
65 or over	8,664.60
Between 60-64	8,104.60
Below 60	6,559.00

In 2013:

Year:	2013
With dependant relatives	10,220.00
With disability (65% or more)	8,838.20
65 or over	8,838.20
Between 60-64	8,267.00
Below 60	6,690.60

In 2014:

Year:	2014
With dependant relatives	10,246.60
With disability (65% or more)	8,860.60
65 or over	8,860.60
Between 60-64	8,288.00
Below 60	6,707.40

In 2015:

Year:	2015
With dependant relatives	10,273.20
With disability (65% or more)	8,883.00
65 or over	8,883.60
Between 60-64	8,309.00
Below 60	6,724.20

- **Taxation and income testing**

Taxable. Benefits included in the income test of other social benefits.

### 2.4.3 Child and family benefits: National level

These benefits aim either for the general maintenance of families welfare or, in some cases, for the alleviation of the poverty situation of households with children.

#### 2.4.3.1 Child benefit (Prestación no contributiva por hijo a cargo):

- **Definitions**

**Dependent child:** individual under 18 (or older if affected by a disability of a degree equal to or higher than 65 percent). In Spain individuals may work if between 16 and 18 years of age, they continue to qualify as dependent children if their annual earnings are below the minimum wage (*salario mínimo*). Thus the child's annual earnings must be below:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	7,696.8	7,696.8	7,743.6	7,743.6	7,783.2

- **Eligibility conditions**

The benefit is received by an adult individual cohabiting with the dependent child. In case of nullity, legal separation or divorce of the parents the beneficiary should be the parent that is in charge of the child. All benefit receivers must pass the income test.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit yearly income must be below **11,547.96 euro** in 2015, see table below for following years:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	11,264.01	11,376.66	11,490.43	11,519.16	11,547.96

This amount is increased by 15% for each extra dependent child.

In the case of belonging to a large family with three dependent children the income test is **17,380.39 euro** in 2015, see table below for following years:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	16,953.05	17,122.59	17,293.82	17,337.05	17,380.39

This amount will increase for other large families by **2,815.14 euro** in 2015 (for each dependent child from the fourth onwards).

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	2,745.93	2,773.39	2,801.12	2,808.12	2,815.14

The benefit is not income tested when children are disabled.

- **Benefit amount**

For children under 18 without disabilities:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):					
<5	291	291	291	291	291
5-18	291	291	291	291	291

For children under 18 with a degree of disability of 33% or more: **1000 euro** per year in 2015(see below table for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000

For children over 18 with a degree of disability of 65% or more: 4,402.80 euro per year in 2015 (see below table for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	4,171.20	4,292.40	4,378.80	4,390.80	4,402.80

For children over 18 with a degree of disability of 75% or more: 6,604.80 euro in 2015 (see below table for following years):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	6,256.80	6,439.20	6,568.80	6,586.80	6,604.80

- **Compatibilities**

This benefit is compatible with national or regional lump-sum child benefits.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Not taxable and not included in the income test of other benefits.

### 2.4.3.2 National lump-sum Child benefits

#### 2.4.3.2.1 Lump-sum Child benefits for multiple birth or adoption (*Prestación por parto o adopción múltiple*)

These benefits are payable once at multiple birth or adoption.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit amount is different according to the number of children born and is a number of times the minimum salary:

Year:		2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
2 Children	4 times SMI	2,565.60	2,565.60	2,581.20	2,581.20	2,594.40
3 Children	8 times SMI	5,131.20	5,131.20	5,162.40	5,162.40	5,188.80
4 Children or more	12 times SMI	7,696.80	7,696.80	7,743.60	7,743.60	7,783.20

- **Compatibilities**

No taxable. This benefit is compatible with any other child benefits. It is not compatible with other universal lump-sum benefits under the same conditions of other public regimes (regional universal lump-sum benefits for multiple birth or adoption).

#### 2.4.3.2.2 Means-tested lump-sum child benefit for large families, lone parents and disabled mothers (*Prestación por nacimiento o adopción de hijos en los casos de familia numerosa, monoparentales o madres discapacitadas igual o más del 65%*)

The benefit (since 2008) is payable to some household types (large households, lone-parents and disabled mothers) at a child's birth if net household income is below the income test.

- **Eligibility conditions**

The benefit is received by a cohabiting parent of these household types at child's birth.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit yearly income must be below **11,547.96 euro** in 2015 in case of one child. In case of multiple children the minimum is calculated in the following way: **11,547.96 + (number of children) x 15% of 11,547.96 euro**. The maximum is the result of adding **1,000 euro** to the minimum and subtracting **24.25 euro** per child. In case of being lone parent or disabled parent the income test is **11,547.96 euro** in 2015:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):				11,519.16	11,547.96

**Lone parents and disabled parents**

	2014 (Minimum)	2014 (Maximum)	2015 (Minimum)	2015 (Maximum)
Year:				
One child	11,519.16	12,494.91	11,547.96	12,523.71
Two children	13,247.03	14,198.53	13,280.15	14,231.65

In case of belonging to a large family with three dependent children the income test is **17,380.39 euro** in 2015:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	16,953.05	17,122.59	17,293.82	17,337.05	17,380.39

**Large families:**

	2014 (Minimum)	2014 (Maximum)	2015 (Minimum)	2015 (Maximum)
Year:				
Three children	17,337.05	18,264.30	17,380.39	18,307.64
Four children	20,145.17	21,048.17	20,195.53	21,098.53
Five children	22,953.29	23,832.04	23,010.67	23,889.42
Six children	25,761.41	26,615.91	25,825.81	26,680.31
Seven children	28,569.53	29,399.78	28,640.95	29,471.20
Eight children	31,377.65	32,183.65	31,456.10	32,262.10
Nine children	34,185.77	34,967.52	34,271.24	35,052.99
Ten children	36,993.89	37,751.39	37,086.38	37,843.88

This amount will increase for other large families in **2,815.14 euro** in 2015 (for each dependent child from the fourth onwards).

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	2,745.93	2,773.39	2,801.12	2,808.12	2,815.14

• **Benefit amount**

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(lump-sum payment in euro):	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000

If household income is above the corresponding limit but below the maximum limit, the benefit will be the difference between the maximum value that year and yearly household income.

• **Compatibilities**

This benefit is not compatible with any other regional or local benefits of the same type.

• **Taxation and income testing**

Not taxable and not included in the income test of other benefits.

## 2.4.4 Child and family benefits: Regional level

These benefits aim either for the general maintenance of families welfare or, in some cases, for the alleviation of the poverty situation of households with children. In general regions aim to cover what is missing at a national level or complement national level policies.

### 2.4.4.1 Andalucía

**Means-tested child benefit for families when a third child is born they accumulate two children under 3** (*Ayuda económica por tercer hijo y parto múltiple*). This benefit is available since 2002. Payable until third birthday per child under 3 (given that two children are under three and household has three or more children). The income assessment is that net yearly family income is below the following:

Number of members in the family unit	Number of minimum wages
1 member	3
2 members	4.8
3 members	6
4 members	7
5 members	8
Add 1 minimum salary per member	...

Annual amount:

Year:	2011	2012
Child under 3	600	600

Lump-sum payment at birth in case of multiple birth:

Number of new-borns	Amount
2 children	1,200
3 children	2,400
4 children	3,600
5 children	4,800

Legal reference: *BOJA 11 de mayo de 2002, ORDEN de 6 de mayo de 2002, por la que se regulan ayudas económicas por menores y partos múltiples.*

**Means-tested child benefit for families when a third child is born they accumulate two children under 3** (*Ayuda económica por tercer hijo*). From 2013. Payable until third birthday per child under 3 (given that two children are under three and household has three or more children). The income assessment is that net yearly family income is below the following:

Income	Benefit
< IPREM	120% * annual amount
Between 1 and 2 IPREM	110% * annual amount
Between 2 and 4 IPREM	100% * annual amount
Between 4 and 6 IPREM	50% * annual amount
> 6 IPREM	0

Annual amount:

Year:	2013	2014	2015
Child under 3	600	600	600

**Means-tested child benefit for multiple birth** (*Ayuda económica por parto múltiple*). From 2013. Payable until third birthday in case of multiple birth. The income assessment is that net yearly family income is below the following:

Income	Benefit
< IPREM	120% * annual amount
Between 1 and 2 IPREM	110% * annual amount
Between 2 and 4 IPREM	100% * annual amount
Between 4 and 6 IPREM	50% * annual amount
> 6 IPREM	0

Lump-sum payment at birth in case of multiple birth:

	2013-2015
Number of new-borns	Amount
2 children	1,200
3 children	2,400
4 children	3,600
5 children	4,800

Legal reference:

*BOJA 3 de Mayo de 2013, Decreto-Ley 7/2013, de 30 de abril, de medidas extraordinarias y urgentes para la lucha contra la exclusión social en Andalucía, que modifica los tramos de renta a aplicar para tener derecho a las Ayudas económicas por hijos/as menores de tres años y por partos múltiples, reguladas por la Orden de 6 de mayo de 2002, por la que se regulan ayudas económicas por menores y partos múltiples.*

*BOJA 11 de mayo de 2002, ORDEN de 6 de mayo de 2002, por la que se regulan ayudas económicas por menores y partos múltiples.*

#### 2.4.4.2 Aragon

**Means-tested child benefit for multiple birth** (*Ayuda económica por parto múltiple*). This benefit is available since 2010. Payable until twelve birthday in case of multiple birth.

Income	Benefit
	2011-2012
< 4,570 euros	100% * 1200 annual amount
From 4,570.01 to 6,280.00 euros	85% * 1200 annual amount
From 6,280.01 to 7,425.00 euros	70% * 1200 annual amount
From 7,425.01 to 9,140.00 euros	55% * 1200 annual amount
From 9,140.01 to 10.280,00 euros	40% * 1200 annual amount
From 10,280.00 to 12.000,00 euros	25% * 1200 annual amount
From 12,000,00 euros onwards	0

Income	Benefit
	2013-2015
< 4,570 euros	100% * 1200 annual amount
From 4,570.01 to 6,280.00 euros	85% * 1200 annual amount
From 6,280.01 to 7,425.00 euros	70% * 1200 annual amount
From 7,425.01 to 9,140.00 euros	55% * 1200 annual amount
From 9,140,01 to 10.280,00 euros	40% * 1200 annual amount
From 10,280.00 to 11,400,00 euros	25% * 1200 annual amount
From 11,401,00 euros onwards	0

Number of new-borns	Amount
2 children	2 * annual amount
3 children	3 * annual amount
4 children	4 * annual amount + 0.15 * 4 * annual amount
5 children	5 * annual amount + 0.3 * 5 * annual amount
6 children or more	6 * annual amount + 0.65 * 5 * annual amount

Legal reference:

*BOA 6 de marzo, ORDEN de 7 de febrero de 2015, del Consejero de Sanidad, Bienestar Social y Familia, por la que se convocan ayudas para familias con hijos e hijas nacidos de partos múltiples o procedentes de adopción múltiple, para el año 2015.*

*BOA 7 de febrero, ORDEN de 7 de febrero de 2014 del Consejero de Sanidad, Bienestar Social y Familia, por la que se convocan ayudas para familias con hijos e hijas nacidos de partos múltiples o procedentes de adopción múltiple para el año 2014.*

*BOA 12 de abril ORDEN de 2 de abril de 2013, del Consejero de Sanidad, Bienestar Social y Familia, por la que se convocan ayudas para familias con hijos e hijas nacidos de partos múltiples o procedentes de adopción múltiple, para el año 2013.*

*BOA 11 de abril de 2012, ORDEN de 1 de marzo de 2012, del Consejero de Sanidad, Bienestar Social y Familia, por la que se convocan ayudas para familias con hijos e hijas nacidos de partos múltiples o procedentes de adopción múltiple, para el año 2012.*

#### 2.4.4.3 Asturias:

No benefit

#### 2.4.4.4 Illes Balears

No benefit

#### 2.4.4.5 Canarias

**Means-tested child benefit for multiple birth** (*Ayuda económica por parto múltiple*). This benefit is available for 2010 and 2011. Payable until tenth birthday in case of multiple birth.

	2011
Income	Benefit
< 2,404.04 euros	100% * 1,202.02 annual amount
From 2,404.04 to 3,606.07 euros	85% * 1,202.02 annual amount
From 3,606.07 to 4,808.09 euros	70% * 1,202.02 annual amount
From 4,808.09 to 6,010.12 euros	55% * 1,200.02 annual amount
From 6,010.12 to 8,414.16 euros	25% * 1,200.02 annual amount
From 8,414.16 euros onwards	0

This benefit disappeared in 2012.

BOC 5 de enero de 2011, *Dirección General de Protección del Menor y la Familia.- Resolución de 27 de diciembre de 2010, por la que se efectúa convocatoria para el año 2011, de concesión de ayudas destinadas a familias en las que se produzcan partos múltiples de dos o más hijos.*

#### 2.4.4.6 Cantabria

**Means-tested child benefit for children under 3 years of age or 6 years of age if in large families** (*Subvención para las madres con hijos/as menores de 3 años o menores de 6 si en familia numerosa*).

There is a required minimum period of residence in Cantabria of twelve months since 2008. The benefit amount is 100 euro/month per child. If three or more children in the household qualify for the benefit the quantity increases to 200 euro/month per child. The income assessment is that both parents general tax base is below 18,000 euro (both individual and joint scheme). This benefit does not admit any new aid applications from 2013.

Monthly amount:

Year:	2011	2012	2013 <sup>12</sup>	2014
Child under 3 or 6 if large family	100	100	100	100
Child under 3 or 6 if large family if more than 3 children qualify	200	200	200	200

*\*This benefits is received in 2015 for some families but only for people that have the right in 2013. Impossible to know.*

Legal references:

*BOC de 28 de Diciembre 2012, Decreto 77/2012, de 21 de diciembre, por el que se modifica el Decreto 153/2007 de 22 de noviembre, por el que se establece y regula la concesión de subvenciones para el Fomento de la Natalidad. Derogated by Decreto 23/2015, de 23 de abril, por el que se establece y regula la concesión de subvenciones para el fomento de la natalidad mediante el apoyo a la maternidad por hijos nacidos o adoptados en Cantabria desde el 1 de enero de 2015.*

*BOC de 30 de Abril 2012, Decreto 23/2012, de 26 de abril, por el que se modifica el Decreto 153/2007 de 22 de noviembre, por el que se establece y regula la concesión de subvenciones para el Fomento de la Natalidad.*

**Means-tested child benefit for mothers in large families for birth or adoption second or successive child** (*Subvención para las madres integrantes de familia numerosa por nacimiento o adopción de segundo o sucesivo hijo*)

In 2015 the benefit amount is 1,500 euro for birth or adoption. The income assessment is that both parents general tax base is below 42,000 euro (both individual and joint scheme).

**Means-tested child benefit for multiple birth or adoption** (*Subvención por nacimiento o adopción múltiple*)

In 2015 the benefit amount is 2000 euro per double birth or adoption and 3,000 euro in the case of triple birth or adoption. The income assessment is that both parents general tax base is below 42,000 euro (both individual and joint scheme).

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Issue	There is no information in 2013 and 2014 about who had the benefit in 2012
Assumption	All people that theoretically has the right to receive the benefit will receive it
Impact	Unknown.

Legal references:

*Decreto 23/2015, de 23 de abril, BOC 4 de mayo de 2015, por el que se establece y regula la concesión de subvenciones para el fomento de la natalidad mediante el apoyo a la maternidad por hijos nacidos o adoptados en Cantabria desde el 1 de enero de 2015.*

#### 2.4.4.7 Castilla-La Mancha

**Means-tested child benefit for children under 18 in large-families** (*Ayuda económica a familias numerosas con hijos menores de edad y partos múltiples*). Available since 2007 until 2011. This benefit is for large-families.

The income assessment is that both gross yearly family income (tax base minus personal and family allowance) and wealth are below the following limits:<sup>13</sup>

	2011	
	Net income	Wealth
	Times the	Times the
	IPREM	IPREM
1 or 2 children	5	20
3 children (or 2 if 1 disabled) <sup>14</sup>	6	25
4 children (or 3 if 1 disabled)	7	30
5 children (or 4 if 1 disabled)	8	35
6 children (or 5 if 1 disabled)	9	40
7 children (or 6 if 1 disabled)	10	45
8 children (or 7 if 1 disabled)	11	50

Benefit amount per month until 2011:

Year:	2011
Child under 18	35

In general this benefit is paid two years.

Legal references:

*DOCM de 9 de enero de 2008, Orden de 28 de diciembre de 2007 de la Consejería de Bienestar Social, de actualización de cuantías de las ayudas económicas a familias numerosas reguladas por el Decreto 126/06, de 26 de diciembre y a personas en estado de viudedad, reguladas por el Decreto 128/2006, de 26 de diciembre.*

**Means-tested child benefit for children under 18 in large-families** (*Ayuda económica a familias numerosas con hijos menores de edad y partos múltiples*). Since 2011 this benefit is for large-families.

The income assessment is that both gross yearly family income (tax base minus personal and family allowance) and wealth are below the following limits:<sup>15</sup>

<sup>13</sup> Wealth test is not applied in simulation due to lack of data on assets.

<sup>14</sup> Disabled children cannot be identified in the data.

<sup>15</sup> Wealth test is not applied in simulation due to lack of data on assets.

2012-2015*	Net income Times the IPREM
1 or 2 children under 8	3
3 children under 18 (or 2 if 1 disabled)	4
4 children under <18 (or 3 if 1 disabled)	5
5 children under <18 (or 4 if 1 disabled)	6
6 children under <18 (or 5 if 1 disabled)	7
>6 children under (or 6 if 1 disabled)	8

Benefit amount per month until 2015\*:

Year:	2012	2013	2014	2015
3 children under 18	41.22	41.22	41.22	41.22
4 children under 18	54.96	54.96	54.96	54.96
5 children under 18	68.70	68.70	68.70	68.70
6 children under 18	82.44	82.44	82.44	82.44
7 children under 18	96.18	96.18	96.18	96.18
8 children under 18	109.92	109.92	109.92	109.92
9 children under 18	123.66	123.66	123.66	123.66
10 children under 18	137.40	137.40	137.40	137.40

\* Not available the data for 2015 (assumed as 2014)

In general this benefit is paid for two years. The annual benefit (monthly benefit \* 12) will be paid in two installments, in June and December, 50% per installments.

If the large-family condition has been acquired by multiple birth then the quantities will be incremented by 10% during two years in case of three children birth or 3 years in case of four children birth.

Legal references:

*Decreto 108/2014, de 23/10/2014, por el que se modifica el Decreto 80/2012, de 26 de abril, por el que se regulan ayudas económicas a familias numerosas y familias acogedoras de Castilla-La Mancha.*

*Decreto 80/2012, de 26/04/2012, por el que se regulan ayudas económicas a familias numerosas y familias acogedoras de Castilla-La Mancha.*

**Universal child benefit in case of multiple birth** (*Ayuda económica en el caso de parto o adopción múltiple*). This benefit is received quarterly for the same number of years as the number of children that entitles for receiving the benefit. Available since 2007 to 2011.

N. of children	2011	
	Amount (per quarter)	Number of years
2 children	285	2
3 children	570	3
4 children <sup>16</sup>	960	4
5 or more children	960 + 190 * extra child	5 + number of extra children

This benefit disappears in 2012.

<sup>16</sup> Due to the fact that this policy is targeted to cases that are unlikely to be accurately represented in the data, only cases of multiple birth up to 3 children were implemented in the model.

Legal reference:

*Decreto 132/06, de 26/12/2006, por el que se regulan las ayudas económicas a las familias por el nacimiento de dos o más hijos o adopción múltiple*

#### 2.4.4.8 Castilla y León

**Means-tested lump-sum benefit at birth.** (*Subvención para padres y/o madres por nacimiento o adopción*)

This benefit disappeared in 2011 to become a tax credit (see PIT).

Legal references:

*ORDEN FAM/2399/2009, de 21 de diciembre, por la que se modifica la Orden FAM/112/2009, de 20 de enero, por la que se aprueban las bases reguladoras que han de regir las convocatorias de subvenciones a efectuar por la Consejería de Familia e Igualdad de Oportunidades.*

#### 2.4.4.9 Catalonia

**Universal lump-sum child benefit in case of multiple birth** (*Prestació econòmica de caràcter universal per part, adopció o acolliment múltiple*). This benefit is received at child's birth.

Year/Quantities per family:	2011	2012	2013
Double birth	663	663	663
Three births	1,020	1,020	1,020
Four or more births	1,224	1,224	1,224

No benefit since 2014.

Legal references:

*LEY 1/2015, de 27 de enero, de presupuestos de la Generalidad de Cataluña para 2015, en su disposición adicional vigesimosexta "Prestaciones y ayudas para las familias con hijos a cargo" establece quedurante el ejercicio 2015 se dejan sin efecto las prestaciones económicas por niño a cargo y por parto, adopción o acogida preadoptiva de dos, tres o más hijos, de carácter universal, establecidas por los artículos 9.1.a y b, 10 y 11 de la Ley 18/2003, de 4 de julio, de apoyo a las familias. En este período no pueden devengarse derechos derivados de esta prestación*

*LEY 1/2012, de 22 de febrero, de presupuestos de la Generalidad de Catalonia para 2012. Disposición adicional decimotercera, sobre prestaciones y ayudas para las familias con hijos a cargo*

**Means-tested lump-sum benefit at birth** (*Ayuda económica para familias en que se haya producido un nacimiento, adopción, tutela o acogida, sometido al nivel de ingresos de la unidad familiar/ Ajut a famílies per naixement, adopció, tutela o acolliment, sotmès al nivell d'ingressos de la unitat familiar*). This is a means-tested benefit for vulnerable households in case of birth or adoption. Eligibility is defined using total annual household income. The income limit will be calculated by multiplying the amounts showed in the table by the correspondent coefficient:

Limit amount	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	12,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000

2011-2015	
	Coefficient
3 members	1
4 members	1.3
5 members	1.6
6 members	1.9
7 members	2.2
8 members	2.5
9 members	2.8
10 members	3.1

Each additional member will increase the coefficient by 0.03

Amount per year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Basic amount	650	650	650	650	650
Lone parent families	750	750	750	750	750

*Legal references:*

*ORDEN BSF/382/2014, de 15 de diciembre, por la que se aprueban las bases para la concesión de la ayuda económica para familias en las que se haya producido un nacimiento, adopción, tutelas o acogida sometida al nivel de ingresos de la unidad familiar y se abre convocatoria para el periodo comprendido entre el 1 de enero y el 31 de diciembre de 2014 y entre el 1 de enero y el 30 de junio de 2015.*

*ORDEN BSF/62/2014, de 7 de marzo, por la que se aprueban las bases para la concesión de la ayuda económica para familias en las que haya tenido lugar un nacimiento, adopción, tutela o acogimiento sometida al nivel de ingresos de la unidad familiar, y se abre convocatoria para el periodo comprendido entre el 1 de enero y el 31 de agosto de 2014.*

*LEY 1/2012, de 22 de febrero, de presupuestos de la Generalidad de Cataluña para 2012. Disposición adicional décima sobre el Indicador de Renta de Suficiencia. Disposición adicional decimotercera, sobre prestaciones y ayudas para las familias con hijos a cargo.*

*Ley 6/2011, de 27 de julio, de presupuestos de la Generalidad de Cataluña para 2011: Disposición adicional décima sobre el Indicador de Renta de Suficiencia. Disposición adicional decimotercera, sobre prestaciones y ayudas para las familias con hijos a cargo.*

#### 2.4.4.10 Extremadura

**New Means-tested lump-sum benefit at birth** (*Ayudas económicas a las familias residentes en Extremadura como medida de conciliación de la vida familiar y laboral, por nacimiento, adopción o acogimiento*)

The income assessment is that total household income (the sum of both parents' gross income) must be below the following limits in IPREM 12 month payments:

Families up to:	IPREM
2 children	< 3.5 times
3 children	< 4 times
4 children	< 4.5 times
5 children	< 5 times

The benefit quantity is 1,200 euro in two annual payments:

Year:	2011	2012
First year	600	600
Second year	600	600

This benefit changed in 2012.

Legal references:

*D.O.E. 116, de 18 de junio de 2010, DECRETO 130/2010, de 11 de junio, por el que se regulan ayudas a las familias residentes en Extremadura, como medida de conciliación de la vida familiar y laboral*

**New Means-tested lump-sum benefit at birth** (*Ayudas económicas a las familias residentes en Extremadura como medida de conciliación de la vida familiar y laboral, por nacimiento, adopción o acogimiento*). In 2012 the means-tested benefit in Extremadura is reformed.

The income assessment is that total household income (the sum of both parents' gross income) must be below the following limits in IPREM 12 month payments:

Income limit:

2013	
Families up to:	IPREM
2 children	< 3 times
3 children	< 3.5 times
4 children	< 4 times
5 children	< 4.5 times

Amount of the benefit: In case of multiple birth the benefit quantity change to:

Year:	2013	Year:	2013
1 <sup>st</sup> or 2 <sup>nd</sup> child	500	2 children	1000
3 <sup>rd</sup> child	1000	3 children or more	1500

Legal references:

*D.O.E. 99, de 24 de mayo de 2012 DECRETO 86/2012, de 18 de mayo, por el que se establecen las bases reguladoras de las subvenciones a otorgar por la Consejería de Salud y Política Social, en materia de política social y familia.*

This benefit change in 2014 to the next one.

**New Means-tested lump-sum benefit at birth** (*Ayudas económicas a las familias residentes en Extremadura como medida para el fomento de la natalidad*).

The income assessment is that total household income (the sum of both parents' gross income) must be below the following limits in IPREM 12 month payments:

Families up to:	IPREM
2 children	<3 times
3 children	< 3.5 times
4 children	< 4 times
5 children	< 4.5 times

Amount of the benefit:

Year <sup>17</sup> :	2014	2015
Population < 3,000 inhabitants.		
1 <sup>st</sup> child and other children	1,400	1,400
Population >= 3,000 inhabitants.		
1 <sup>st</sup> or 2 <sup>nd</sup> child	500	500
3 <sup>rd</sup> child	1,000	1,000

In case of multiple birth the benefit quantity per child change to:

Year:	2014	2015
2 children	1,000	1,000
3 children or more	1,500	1,000

Legal references:

*D.O.E. 249, 29 de diciembre 2014, DECRETO 277/2014, de 22 de diciembre, por el que se establecen las bases reguladoras de las subvenciones a las familias residentes en la Comunidad Autónoma de Extremadura para el fomento de la natalidad y se aprueba la convocatoria para 2015*

*D.O.E. 52, 17 de marzo 2014, DECRETO 35/2014, de 11 de marzo, por el que se establecen las bases reguladoras de las subvenciones a otorgar por la Consejería de Salud y Política Social, a las familias residentes en la Comunidad Autónoma de Extremadura para el fomento de la natalidad, y se aprueba la convocatoria para 2014*

#### 2.4.4.11 Galicia

**Means-tested lump-sum benefit for children under 3 years (new-borns).** (*Prestación económica de pago único por fillas e fillos menores de tres anos*). The income assessment is that gross family income before family allowances is below the amount that determines compulsory declaration of annual income tax two years earlier<sup>18</sup>, thus in 2011 the income reference is 2009.

Annual limits are:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
(euro per year):	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000

Benefit amounts are:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
first child < 3	360	360	360	360	360
second child < 3	-	-	-	-	1,200
third child < 3	-	-	-	-	2,600

<sup>17</sup>

Issue	Partially simulated. There is no detailed information about population size
Assumption	We consider every population >=3000 hab.
Impact	Unknown

<sup>18</sup> As income from two years before the child's birth is not observable in the data, the income test is applied on "current" (observed) income.

Legal references:

*DOGA de 2 de febrero de 2015, ORDEN de 30 de diciembre de 2014 por la que se establecen las bases por las que se regirá la concesión de la prestación económica de pago único por hijas e hijos menores de tres años para el año 2015.*

*DOGA de 17 de marzo de 2014, ORDEN de 11 de marzo de 2014 por la que se establecen las bases por las que se regirá la concesión de la prestación económica de pago único por hijas e hijos menores de tres años para el año 2014.*

*DOGA de 1 de abril de 2013, ORDEN de 26 de marzo de 2013 por la que se establecen las bases que regirán la concesión de la prestación económica de pago único por hijas e hijos menores de tres años para el año 2013.*

*DOGA 15 de febrero de 2011, Orden de 30 de diciembre de 2010 por la que se establecen las bases que regirán la concesión de la prestación económica de pago único por hijas e hijos menores de tres años para el año 2011.*

#### 2.4.4.12 La Rioja

No benefit

#### 2.4.4.13 Madrid

No benefit

#### 2.4.4.14 Murcia

No benefit

#### 2.4.4.15 Navarra

**Universal lump-sum benefit at birth of third child 2010-2011.** (*Ayudas a familias por el nacimiento del tercer hijo o sucesivos*). All families living in Navarra for more than two years will receive a lump-sum benefit of **2,503.67 euro** in 2011 when third child (or more) is born (or second if some child disabled in more than a 25%). Quantities have been actualized using the increase in the General Consumer Price Index until 2008 when quantities were frozen. Not taxable. This benefit is not compatible with the universal child benefit if parent asks for work leave but is compatible with any Social Security or State benefit of the same kind.

Benefit amounts:

Year:	2011
Lump-sum payment	<u>2,503.67</u>

Legal reference:

*ORDEN FORAL 49/2011, de 15 de febrero, de la Consejera de Asuntos Sociales, Familia, Juventud y Deporte, por la que se fijan las cuantías, para el año 2011, de las ayudas económicas previstas en el Decreto Foral 242/2000, de 27 de junio, por el que se regulan ayudas económicas directas, como medida complementaria para conciliar la vida laboral y familiar de las personas trabajadoras y fomentar la natalidad*

*ORDEN FORAL 64/2010, de 2 de marzo, de la Consejera de Asuntos Sociales, Familia, Juventud y Deporte, por la que se fijan las cuantías, para el año 2010, de las ayudas económicas previstas en el Decreto Foral 242/2000, de 27*

*de junio, por el que se regulan ayudas económicas directas, como medida complementaria para conciliar la vida laboral y familiar de las personas trabajadoras y fomentar la natalidad*

*ORDEN FORAL 99/2009, de 11 de marzo, de la Consejera de Asuntos Sociales, Familia, Juventud y Deporte, por la que se fijan las cuantías, para el año 2009, de las ayudas económicas previstas en el Decreto Foral 242/2000, de 27 de junio, por el que se regulan ayudas económicas directas, como medida complementaria para conciliar la vida laboral y familiar de las personas trabajadoras y fomentar la natalidad.*

In 2012: This benefit changed.

**Universal lump-sum benefit at birth of third child 2012.** (*Ayudas a familias por el nacimiento del tercer hijo o sucesivos*). All families living in Navarra for more than two years with receive a lump-sum benefit of **1,030 euro** in 2013 when third child (or more) is born (or second if some child disabled in more than a 25%).

Benefit amounts:

Year:	2012
Lump-sum payment	1,030

Legal reference:

*ORDEN FORAL 240/2012, de 24 de mayo, de la Consejera de Política Social, Igualdad, Deporte y Juventud, por la que se aprueba la convocatoria de ayudas económicas directas de pago único por la incorporación a las familias, durante el año 2011 y hasta el 22 de marzo de 2012, de un menor, siempre que se trate del tercero o sucesivos, con motivo de nacimiento, adopción o acogimiento, como medida encaminada al fomento de la natalidad*

In 2013: This benefit disappeared.

**Universal multiple birth lump-sum benefit.** (*Ayudas a familias por parto múltiple*). This benefit is payed to residents for at least two years in Navarra if multiple birth occurs.

Year:	2011	2012
(Monthly payments)		
Twins	91.03	91.03
Three children <sup>19</sup>	227.60	227.60
Four children	303.47	303.47
Five or more	303 + 75.86 per child	303 + 75.86 per child

In the case of twins payments are received until the age of one year. In the case of three or more children the benefit is payed until the age of three.

This benefit is compatible with any other benefits of the kind from the Social Security or the Central Government. Not taxable.

Legal reference:

*ORDEN FORAL 235/2012, de 22 mayo, de la Consejera de Política Social, Igualdad, Deporte y Juventud, por la que se aprueban las bases de la convocatoria de ayudas económicas de pago periódico por parto, adopción o acogimiento múltiples ocurridos en los años 2011 y 2012.*

<sup>19</sup>Due to the fact that this policy is targeted to cases that are unlikely to be accurately represented in the data, only cases of multiple birth up to 2 children were implemented in the model.

*ORDEN FORAL 36/2011, de 3 de febrero, de la Consejera de Asuntos Sociales, Familia, Juventud y Deporte, por la que se fijan las cuantías, para el año 2011, de las ayudas económicas previstas en el Decreto Foral 241/2000, de 27 de junio, por el que se regulan ayudas económicas a familias por el nacimiento de dos o más hijos en el mismo parto.*

In 2013: this benefit disappeared.

**Means-tested child benefit for children under 3 and working mothers** (*Ayudas a mujeres trabajadoras con hijos menores de tres años*). These benefits are paid to mothers who in the previous year paid Social Security contributions at least during five days per month (5x12 days a year)<sup>20</sup>. The income assessment from 2006 onwards is that gross yearly family (family is both cohabiting parents and all cohabiting children) income (ordinary tax base plus all capital gains) the previous tax year is below **40,000 euro**. The amount of the benefit is paid per child and it depends on income level too.

Limits per year:

Year:	2011	2012
1 <sup>st</sup> group	0 - 17,999 euro	0 - 17,999 euro
2 <sup>nd</sup> group	18,000 - 28,000 euro	18,000 - 28,000 euro

Benefit amount:

Year:	2011	2012
Amount per month		
1 <sup>st</sup> group	150	150
2 <sup>nd</sup> group	100	100

In 2013: this benefit disappeared.

Legal reference.

*BON 1 de abril de 2009, ORDEN FORAL 100/2009, de 11 de marzo, de la Consejera de Asuntos Sociales, Familia, Juventud y Deporte, por la que se aprueba la convocatoria para la concesión de ayudas a mujeres trabajadoras con hijos menores de tres años para el año 2009*

*BON 9 de febrero de 2007, ORDEN FORAL 25/2007, de 26 enero, de la Consejera de Bienestar Social, Deporte y Juventud, por la que se aprueba la convocatoria para la concesión de ayudas a mujeres trabajadoras con hijos menores de tres años para el año 2007.*In 2013:

At the moment there is no benefit of this type.

**Means-tested child benefit for children under 18 years of age for large families with four or more children** (*Ayudas a familias con cuatro o más hijos*). This benefit is available since 2003. These benefits are paid to large families with four or more children whose income total tax base after personal and family allowances the previous tax year is below the limit.

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<sup>20</sup> Due to lack of data on the number of contributions in previous year, the simulation is based on the number of months in employment in the current year.

Annual income limits:

	Times minimum salary
1 or 2 children	5
3 children	6
4 children	7
5 children	8
6 children	9
7 children or more	10

Benefit amount:

Year:	2011	2012
Amount per year		
4 <sup>th</sup> child	413.89	413.89
5 <sup>th</sup> or more children	620.83	620.83

Not taxable.

In 2013: this benefit disappeared.

*ORDEN FORAL 239/2012, de 24 mayo, de la Consejera de Política Social, Igualdad, Deporte y Juventud, por la que se aprueban las bases de la convocatoria por la que se regulan ayudas económicas a familias por cuarto y sucesivos hijos en los años 2011 y 2012.*

*ORDEN FORAL 83/2011, de 8 de marzo, de la Consejera de Asuntos Sociales, Familia, Juventud y Deporte, por la que se aprueba la convocatoria para la concesión de ayudas a familias con cuatro o más hijos.*

*ORDEN FORAL 39/2010, de 2 de febrero, de la Consejera de Asuntos Sociales, Familia, Juventud y Deporte, por la que se aprueba la convocatoria para la concesión de ayudas a familias con cuatro o más hijos.*

*ORDEN FORAL 79/2009, de 2 de marzo, de la Consejera de Asuntos Sociales, Familia, Juventud y Deporte, por la que se aprueba la convocatoria para la concesión de ayudas a familias con cuatro o más hijos.*

#### 2.4.4.16 Valencia

No benefit

#### 2.4.4.17 País Vasco

**Means-tested lump-sum benefit at birth of first child** (*Ayudas a familias con hijos e hijas nacidos, adoptados o en acogimiento preadoptivo*). The benefit is available since 2006. The benefit amount depends on the family income level (ordinary tax base before family allowances) two years earlier.

Benefit amounts by income level:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014
Income limits:				
Below 4 times SMI	900	900	900	900
Between 4-6 times SMI	500	500	500	500
Over 6 times SMI	400	400	400	400

In 2015 income limits have changed.

Benefit amounts by income level:

Year:	2015
Income limits:	
<= 20,000 €	900
Between 20,000 and 30,000 €	500
Over 30,000 €	400

Income is calculated as ordinary tax base before family allowances divided by equivalence scale.

The scale is as follows: 1 point for the recipient (in a two parent household) or 1.3 if lone-parent; 0.5 points for the partner or spouse; 0.3 points for each child. If any of the household's members suffers from a disability then 0.3 extra points are added to the total sum.

*Legal reference:*

*BOPV 30 de marzo de 2015, DECRETO 30/2015, de 30 de marzo, de las ayudas económicas de apoyo a las familias con hijos e hijas a cargo.*

*BOPV 30 de marzo de 2015, DECRETO 32/2015, de 17 de marzo, de modificación del Decreto sobre el sistema de estandarización de la renta familiar en el marco de las políticas de familia.*

*BOPV 27 de diciembre de 2006, DECRETO 255/2006, de 19 de diciembre, por el que se regulan las ayudas económicas a las familias con hijos e hijas. Derogado por DECRETO 30/2015, de 30 de marzo.*

*BOPV 7 de junio de 2006, DECRETO 109/2006, de 30 de mayo, por el que se regulan las ayudas económicas a las familias con hijos e hijas.*

**Universal child benefit for second (and more) children** (*Ayuda por segundo o sucesivo hijo y/o segunda o sucesiva hija*). The benefit amount depends on the family income level (ordinary tax base before family allowances), two years earlier.<sup>21</sup>

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Issue	Partially simulated. There is no detailed information about years other than the previous.
Assumption	We consider previous year's income.
Impact	Unknown

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> child</b>				
- lump sum	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
- amount	400	400	400	400
- duration (age span)	0 to 1	0 to 1	0 to 1	0 to 1
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> and following children</b>				
- amount	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
- duration (age span)	0 to 4	0 to 4	0 to 4	0 to 4
- amount	400	400	400	400
- duration (age span)	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6

In 2015 income limits have changed.

Benefit amounts by income level:

Year:	2015
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> child</b>	
- Amount:	
<= 20,000 €	900
Between 20,000 and 30,000 €	500
over 30,000 €	400
-Duration (age span)	2 <sup>22</sup>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> and following children</b>	
- Amount:	
<= 20,000 €	900
Between 20,000 and 30,000 €	500
Over 30,000 €	400
Duration (age span)	3 a 7 <sup>23</sup>

Legal references:

*BOPV 30 de marzo de 2015, DECRETO 30/2015, de 30 de marzo, de las ayudas económicas de apoyo a las familias con hijos e hijas a cargo.*

*BOPV 30 de marzo de 2015, DECRETO 32/2015, de 17 de marzo, de modificación del Decreto sobre el sistema de estandarización de la renta familiar en el marco de las políticas de familia.*

*BOPV 27 de diciembre de 2006, DECRETO 255/2006, de 19 de diciembre, por el que se regulan las ayudas económicas a las familias con hijos e hijas. Derogado por DECRETO 30/2015, de 30 de marzo.*

**Means-tested lump-sum payment at birth in case of multiple birth** (*Ayudas por parto o adopción nacional múltiple y adopción internacional*).<sup>24</sup>

<sup>22</sup> Two lump sums, one at birth and another one the second year.

<sup>23</sup> One payment at birth, and one each year until the child is 6 years old

<sup>24</sup>

Benefit amounts by income level (*ncb*: number of children born):

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014
Income limits:				
Below 3 times SMI	4,000* <i>ncb</i>	4,000* <i>ncb</i>	4,000* <i>ncb</i>	4,000* <i>ncb</i>
Below 3-4 times SMI	3,200* <i>ncb</i>	3,200* <i>ncb</i>	3,200* <i>ncb</i>	3,200* <i>ncb</i>
Below 4-5 times SMI	2,800* <i>ncb</i>	2,800* <i>ncb</i>	2,800* <i>ncb</i>	2,800* <i>ncb</i>
Between 5-6 times SMI	2,400* <i>ncb</i>	2,400* <i>ncb</i>	2,400* <i>ncb</i>	2,400* <i>ncb</i>
Over 6 times SMI	2,000* <i>ncb</i>	2,000* <i>ncb</i>	2,000* <i>ncb</i>	2,000* <i>ncb</i>

Benefit amounts are by number of children and income level.  
In 2015 income limits have changed.

Year:	2015
Income limits:	
<= 20,000 €	2,000 * <i>ncb</i> * 2
Between 20,000 and 30,000 €	2,000 * <i>ncb</i> * 1.5
Over 30,000 €	2,000 * <i>ncb</i> * 1

*Legal reference:*

*BOPV 30 de marzo de 2015, DECRETO 30/2015, de 30 de marzo, de las ayudas económicas de apoyo a las familias con hijos e hijas a cargo.*

*BOPV 30 de marzo de 2015, DECRETO 32/2015, de 17 de marzo, de modificación del Decreto sobre el sistema de estandarización de la renta familiar en el marco de las políticas de familia.*

*BOPV 27 de diciembre de 2006, DECRETO 255/2006, de 19 de diciembre, por el que se regulan las ayudas económicas a las familias con hijos e hijas. Derogado por DECRETO 30/2015, de 30 de marzo.*

## 2.4.5 Minimum Income Guarantee

Minimum Income Guarantee (*Ingreso mínimo de inserción o Renta mínima*)<sup>25</sup> is a non-contributory means-tested benefit to combat poverty. There are different schemes in the 17 Spanish Autonomous Communities (*Comunidades Autónomas*).

### 2.4.5.1 Andalusian Minimum Income Guarantee (*Ingreso Mínimo de Solidaridad*)

This is the Andalusian version of minimum income guarantee. It was launched in 1999.

- **Definitions**

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Issue	Partially simulated. There is no detailed information about adoptions, only multiple birth
Assumption	We consider all similar situations multiple birth
Impact	Unknown

<sup>25</sup> At the time of writing this report there is no information on 2015 rules available, the amounts are fixed as in 2014.

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age and has had her residence in Andalucía for, at least, a year. Eligible individuals must have total family unit income below the income test.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit amount is 62% of the minimum wage plus 8% of minimum wage for each additional member. The maximum amount is the minimum wage.

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members in the family unit. The amount of the benefit for six members or more is the maximum amount, corresponding to the national minimum salary in the corresponding year. See below table for following years:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	397.67	397.67	400.09	400.09	400.09
Two members	448.98	448.98	451.71	451.71	451.71
Three members	500.29	500.29	503.33	503.33	503.33
Four members	551.60	551.60	554.96	554.96	554.96
Five members	602.92	602.92	606.58	606.58	606.58
Six members or more	641.40	641.40	645.30	645.30	645.30

Max benefit	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
SMI	641.40	641.40	645.30	645.30	645.30

Benefit amounts in euro per month.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Decreto-Ley 7/2013, de 30 de abril*, de medidas extraordinarias y urgentes para la lucha contra la exclusión social. (Disposición final segunda).

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales.* Information for Andalucía in particular comes from: Decreto 2/1999, de 12 de enero por el que se regula el Programa de Solidaridad de los Andaluces, para la Erradicación de la Marginación y la Desigualdad en Andalucía.

#### 2.4.5.2 Aragon Minimum Income Guarantee (*Ingreso Aragonés de Inserción*)

This benefit is the Aragon's version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 18 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in Aragon, at least for a year.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	441.00	441.00	441.00	441.00	441.00
Two members	573.30	573.30	573.30	573.30	573.30
Three members	661.50	661.50	661.50	661.50	661.50
Four members	749.70	749.70	749.70	749.70	749.70
Five members	793.80	793.80	793.80	793.80	793.80
Six members & more	837.90	837.90	837.90	837.90	837.90

Benefit in euro per month.

The maximum amount is 621.26 €(117% IPREM).

Max benefit	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	621.26 €	621.26 €	621.26 €	621.26 €	621.26 €

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Ley 1/2015, de 23 de enero, de Presupuestos de la Comunidad Autónoma de Aragón para el ejercicio 2015.*

*LEY 9/2012, de 27 de diciembre, de Presupuestos de la Comunidad Autónoma de Aragón para el ejercicio 2013, en su disposición adicional decimo segunda, establece la cuantía del Ingreso Aragonés de Inserción.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales. Information for Aragon in particular comes from: Ley 1/1993, de 19 de febrero, de Medidas Básicas de Inserción y Normalización Social. Decreto 57/1994, de 23 de marzo, por el que se regula el Ingreso Aragonés de Inserción en desarrollo de la Ley 1/1993. Decreto 179/1994, de 8 de agosto, por el que se modifican determinados artículos del Decreto 57/1994.*

### 2.4.5.3 Asturias Minimum Income Guarantee (*Salario Social Básico Asturiano*)

This benefit is the Asturias version of a minimum income guarantee benefit. In 2005 the Ingreso Mínimo de Inserción (IMI) was changed to the Salario Social Básico (SSB). The IMI continued to be paid to those that claimed the benefit before November 2005 for 6 months. The difference between the IMI and SSB is that the latter included those over 65 as benefit recipients.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together, and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and has had her legal residence in Asturias, at least for two years. Eligible individuals must have total family unit income below the income test.

- **Income assessment**

In both benefits family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

Salario Social Básico: The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	442.96	442.96	442.96	442.96
Two members	540.41	540.41	540.41	540.41
Three members	611.28	611.28	611.28	611.28
Four members	682.14	682.14	682.14	682.14
Five members	713.16	713.16	713.16	713.16
Six members or more	730.88	730.88	730.88	730.88
Minimum benefit	44.30	44.30	44.30	44.30

Benefit amounts in euro per month.

When two family units cohabit the SSB is 1.75 times that for one of them.

The maximum amount is 730.88 €per month.

Max benefit	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	730.88	730.88	730.88	730.88	730.88

Quantities will be increased by 5 percent in case if any family member between 25 and 64 years of age has more than 45% disability (*Ley 39/2006, de 14 de diciembre, de Promoción de la Autonomía Personal y Atención a las Personas en Situación de Dependencia*).

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Presupuestos Generales del Principado de Asturias para 2015.* (Se prorrogaron los de 2013).

*Ley del Principado de Asturias 3/2012, de 28 de diciembre, de Presupuestos Generales para 2013, Título II, art. 9 establece salario social básico.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales. Information for Asturias in particular comes from: Until 23 /11/2005: Ley 6/1991, de 5 de abril, de Ingreso Mínimo de Inserción. Reglamento general de aplicación de la anterior, aprobado por el Decreto 158/1991, de 2 de diciembre. From 24/11/2005: Ley 4/2005, de 28 de diciembre de Salario Social Básico. La normativa IMI se mantiene vigente para expedientes iniciados antes de 23/11/2005 hasta su extinción (6 meses).*

*Decreto 29/2011, de 13 de abril, por el que se aprueba el Reglamento General de la Ley del Principado de Asturias 4/2005, de 28 de octubre, de Salario Social Básico.*

*La Ley de Presupuestos Generales del Principado de Asturias establecerá anualmente la cuantía del módulo básico y de los siguientes módulos complementarios*

#### 2.4.5.4 Illes Balears Minimum Income Guarantee (*Renta Mínima de Inserción*)

This benefit is the Illes Balears version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 years of age and has had her legal residence in Illes Balears, at least for six months.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit amount of the Minimum Income Guarantee must be updated as other non-contributory pensions.

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit (extra 30% for the first additional member, 20% for the second one and 10% for the rest of family members).

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	405.52	417.30	425.70	426.87	426.87
Two members	527.18	542.49	553.41	554.93	554.93
Three members	608.28	625.95	638.55	640.30	640.30
Four members	648.83	667.68	681.12	682.98	682.98
Five members	689.38	709.41	723.69	725.67	725.67
Six members	729.94	751.14	734.00	768.36	768.36
Seven members	770.49	776.57	776.57	776.57	776.57
Eight members	776.57	776.57	776.57	776.57	776.57

Benefit amounts in euro per month

Minimum benefit	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	na	na	107.00	107.00	107.00

The benefit will be never over 125% the minimum wage. The maximum amount in 2011-2015 is **776.57 euro** per month.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales.* Information for Illes Balears in particular comes from: *Decreto 117/2001, de 28 de septiembre, por el que se regula la renta mínima de inserción (BOCAIB nº.120 de 06/10/2001).*

#### 2.4.5.5 Canarias Minimum Income Guarantee (*Ayuda Económica Básica o Prestación Canaria de Inserción*)

This benefit is the Canarias' version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in Canarias, at least for three years.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	472.16	472.16	472.16	472.16	472.16
Two members	534.29	534.29	534.29	534.29	534.29
Three members	583.29	583.29	583.29	583.29	583.29
Four	615.05	615.05	615.05	615.05	615.05
Five	639.90	639.90	639.90	639.90	639.90
Six members or more	658.54	658.54	658.54	658.54	658.54

Benefit amounts in euro per month.

The minimum benefit 2011-2015 is 125.83 € monthly and maximum amount 2011-2015 is 658.54 €

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*LEY 10/2012, de 29 de diciembre, de Presupuestos Generales de la Comunidad Autónoma de Canarias para 2013, establece en su disposición adicional duodécima el importe de la cuantía mensual y del complemento mensual variable de la ayuda económica básica para el año 2013.*

*La Ley de Presupuestos Generales de la Comunidad Autónoma de Canarias establecerá anualmente la cuantía básica mensual y el complemento mensual variable.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales. Information for Canarias in particular comes from: Decreto 13/1998 de 5 de febrero. Decreto 202/2002 de 20 de diciembre de 2002. Decreto 136/2007, de 24 de mayo, por la que se aprueba el Reglamento de la Ley 1/2007, de 17 de enero, por la que se regula la Prestación Canaria de Inserción.*

#### 2.4.5.6 Cantabria Minimum Income Guarantee (*Renta Social Básica*)

This benefit is the Cantabria's version of a minimum income guarantee benefit. In Cantabria there are two benefits: The *Ingreso Mínimo de Inserción* (IMI) until 2006 and the *Renta Social Básica* (RSB) since 2007.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 23 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in Cantabria, at least for a year.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

Renta Social Básica: The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members in the family unit. The benefit quantity is received in full if household has no income, otherwise the benefit complements household disposable income up to the following quantities:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	426.01	426.01	426.01	426.01	426.01
Two members	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51
Three members	585.76	585.76	585.76	585.76	585.76
Four members	644.34	644.34	644.34	644.34	644.34
Fiver members or more	665.64	665.64	665.64	665.64	665.64

	2012	2013	2014	2015
Max benefit				
125% IPREM	665.54	665.54	665.54	665.54

Benefit amounts in euro per month. The benefit will never be below 25% of the IPREM.

The quantity of the benefit will be updated by the *Ley de Presupuestos Generales de la Comunidad Autónoma de Cantabria*. This updating will be, at least, as high as the CPI index.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Ley de Cantabria 10/2013, de 2 de diciembre, de Medidas Fiscales y Administrativas (BOC Extraordinario nº 62, DE 30/12/2013). El artículo 29 de dicha norma modifica diversos artículos de la Ley de Cantabria 2/2007, de 27 de marzo, de derechos y servicios sociales.*

*Ley de Cantabria 2/2012, de 30 mayo de Medidas administrativas económicas y financieras para la ejecución del Plan de sostenibilidad de los Servicios Públicos de la Comunidad (BOC extraordinario nº 20 de 1/6/12) Título III “Medidas en el ámbito de los servicios Sociales”, en su artículo 18, modifica diversos artículos de la Ley de Cantabria 2/2007, de 27 de marzo, de Derechos y Servicios Sociales*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales. Information for Cantabria in particular comes from: Decreto 75/1996, de 7 de agosto, por el que se establece el Plan Cántabro de Ingresos Mínimos de Inserción. Decreto 21/2004 de 11 de marzo, por el que se modifica el Decreto 75/1995, de 7 de agosto (BOC nº 55 de 19/03/04. LEY DE CANTABRIA 2/2007, de 27 de marzo, de Derechos y Servicios Sociales, que establece en el capítulo IV, sección 2º, la Renta Social Básica y la Prestación económica de emergencia social.*

#### 2.4.5.7 Castilla-La Mancha Minimum Income Guarantee (*Ingreso Mínimo de Solidaridad*)

This benefit is the Castilla-La Mancha version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 18 years of age and with legal residence in *Castilla-La Mancha* at least for the two previous years. The family unit must have been established at least during one year before claiming the benefit.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit. Family unit gross yearly income includes the value of owned assets (excluded owner-occupied housing) valued at fiscal value (*valor catastral*) minus debts on valued assets and minus a 35 percent of the monthly minimum salary if housing is rented or owned but still paying a mortgage on it. This last quantity is also deducted if some household member has non-shared dependants (children below 18 years of age).

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	372.76	372.76	372.76	372.76	372.76
Two members	413.76	413.76	413.76	413.76	413.76
Three members	454.76	454.76	454.76	454.76	454.76
Four members	495.77	495.77	495.77	495.77	495.77
Five members or more	536.77	536.77	536.77	536.77	536.77

Benefit amounts in euro per month.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Orden de 29/12/2009, por el que se desarrolla el Decreto 179/2002, en lo referente al Ingreso Mínimo de Solidaridad en Castilla-La Mancha.*(Esta orden se convoca anualmente).

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales.* Information for Castilla-La Mancha in particular comes from: *Ley 5/1995, de 23 de marzo, de Solidaridad. Decreto 179/02, de 17 de diciembre de 2002, de desarrollo del Ingreso Mínimo de Solidaridad. Orden de 29 de diciembre de 2009 referente al IMS.*

#### 2.4.5.8 Castilla y León Minimum Income Guarantee (*Ingreso Mínimo de Inserción*)

This benefit is the Castilla y Leon version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in Castilla y León region at least for a year.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	426.01	426.01	426.01	426.01	426.01
Two members	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51
Three members	596.41	596.41	596.41	596.41	596.41
Four members	639.01	639.01	639.01	639.01	639.01
Five members	681.61	681.61	681.61	681.61	681.61
Six members or more members	692.26	692.26	692.26	692.26	692.26

Benefit amounts in euro per month.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Decreto Legislativo 1/2015, de 27 de febrero, por el que se aprueba el texto refundido de las normas legales vigentes en materia de condiciones de acceso y disfrute de la prestación esencial de la renta garantizada de ciudadanía de Castilla y León*

*LEY 7/2010, de 30 de agosto, por la que se regula la renta garantizada de ciudadanía de Castilla y León.*

*Decreto 126/2004, de 30 de diciembre, por el que se aprueba el Reglamento de la prestación de Ingresos Mínimos de Inserción de la Comunidad de Castilla y León.*

#### 2.4.5.9 Cataluña Minimum Income Guarantee (*Renda Mínima d’Inserció*)

This benefit is the Catalan version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together, and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in *Cataluña*, at least for a year. Eligible individuals must have total family unit income below the income test.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit is the difference between the following amounts (depending on the number of members of the family unit) and household monthly income:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Basic amount (1 member)	423.70	423.70	423.70	423.70	423.70
	+55.29	+55.29	+55.29	+55.29	+55.29
Two members	478.99	478.99	478.99	478.99	478.99
	+55.29	+55.29	+55.29	+55.29	+55.29
Three members	534.28	534.28	534.28	534.28	534.28
	+55.29	+55.29	+55.29	+55.29	+55.29
Four members	589.57	589.57	589.57	589.57	589.57
	+35.59	+35.39	+35.39	+35.39	+35.39
Five members (or more)	625.16	625.16	625.16	625.16	625.16
	+16.34	+20.14	+20.14	+20.14	+20.14
Six members or more	641.40	645.30	645.30	645.30	645.30

Max benefit	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	641.40	645.30	645.30	645.30	645.30

Additional quantities:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Minimum benefit	105,93	105,93	105,93	105,93	105,93
Maximum benefit	641.40	645.30	645.30	645.30	645.30
Lone-parenthood	82.94	82.94	82.94	82.94	82.94
Below 16 years of age	41.47	41.47	41.47	41.47	41.47
Disabled	82.94	82.94	82.94	82.94	82.94
Individuals living alone	35.31	35.31	35.31	35.31	35.31
In hospital per day:	14.12	14.12	14.12	14.12	14.12

The maximum benefit is 190% of the basic benefit and the minimum is 25% of the basic benefit. Benefit amounts in euro per month.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*EMO/496/2011, de 21 de enero, por la que se fija el importe de la prestación económica básica de la renta mínima de inserción para el año 2011, así como el de los complementos por miembro adicional de la unidad familiar y el de las ayudas complementarias.*

*TRE/419/2010, de 21 de enero, por la que se fija el importe de la prestación económica básica de la renta mínima de inserción para el año 2010, así como el de los complementos por miembro adicional de la unidad familiar y el de las ayudas complementarias.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales. Information for Cataluña in particular comes from: Ley 10/97 Decretos: 306/1998, 118/2001, 316/2001, Orden Empresas de Inserción: 25/9/2001; Diario de la Generalitat 3487 de 5-10-01.*

#### 2.4.5.10 Extremadura Minimum Income Guarantee (*Renta Mínima*)

This benefit is the Extremadura's version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together, and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 18 years of age and has had her legal residence in Extremadura, at least for a year. The family unit must be established at least six months before claiming the benefit.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

A. “Ayudas para la integración en situaciones de emergencia social”

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2011	2012
One member	399.38	399.38
Two members	441.98	441.98
Three members	484.58	484.58
Four members	527.18	527.18
Five members or more	532.51	532.51
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Max benefit	2011	2012
	532.51	532.51

B. “Renta básica de inserción”

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2013	2014	2015
One member	399.38	426.00	426.00
Two members	479.26	532.51	532.51
Three members	532.51	585.76	585.76
Four members	585.76	639.01	639.01
Five members or more	612.39	665.64	665.64
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Max benefit	2013	2014	2015
	665.64	718.89	718.89

Benefit amounts in euro per month.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*DOE n° 98 de 23 de mayo 2013, LEY 3/2013, de 21 de mayo, de renta básica extremeña de inserción.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales. Information for Extremadura in particular comes from: Ley 5/1987, de 23 de abril, de Servicios Sociales. Decreto de 23 de febrero n° 28/ 1999 de la Consejería de Bienestar Social. Por el que se regulan las ayudas para la integración en situaciones de emergencia social (A.I.S.E.S.).*

*Note in the web: Consejería de Igualdad y Empleo on the Decreto de 23 de febrero n° 28/ 1999 de la Consejería de Bienestar Social, por el que se regulan las ayudas para la integración en situaciones de emergencia social (A.I.S.E.S.)*

where quantities are referenced to IPREM, when the first regulation (Decreto nº 28/1999) initially referenced them to the SMI.

#### 2.4.5.11 Galicia Minimum Income Guarantee (Renda de Integración Social de Galicia, RISGA)

This benefit is the Galician’s version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in *Galicia*, at least for a year. Eligible individuals must have total family unit income below the income test.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit is the difference between the following amounts (depending on the number of members of the family unit) and household monthly income:

One member: 75% IPREM (basic benefit)

Two members: basic benefit +12% IPREM

Three members: basic benefit +10% IPREM

From four members onwards: +8% IPREM for each additional member

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	399.38	399.38	399.38	399.38	399.38
Two members	463.28	463.28	463.28	473.93	473.93
Three members	516.53	516.53	516.53	537.83	537.83
Four members	559.13	559.13	559.13	591.08	591.08
Five members	601.73	602.15	602.15	639.01	639.01
Six members	601.73	644.75	644.75	639.01	639.01

Benefit amounts in euro per month.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits are subject to taxation. These benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Ley 10/2013, de 27 de noviembre, de inclusión social. DOG nº 249.*

*Ley 16/2004, de 29 de diciembre, por la que se modifica la Ley 9/1991. DOG nº 254.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales.* Information for Galicia in particular comes from: *Ley 9/1991, de 2 de octubre, gallega de medidas básicas para la inserción social (DOG nº 191, de 3 de Octubre de 1991), parcialmente modificada por la Ley 1/1999, de 5 de febrero (DOG nº 36, de 22 de Febrero de 1999), y por la Ley 16/2004, de 29 de Diciembre (DOG nº 254, de 31 de Diciembre de 2004).*

#### 2.4.5.12 La Rioja Minimum Income Guarantee (*Ingreso Mínimo de Inserción*)

This benefit is La Rioja’s version of a minimum income guarantee benefit. In La Rioja there are two different benefits, Ingreso Mínimo de Inserción (I.M.I.) and Ayudas de Inclusión Social (A.I.S.). The second benefit includes all individuals over 25 years of age while the first is limited to individuals below 65 years of age.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

- A) I.M.I.: An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in La Rioja, at least for a year. The benefit is linked to an activity compromise in order to try to favour the individual’s transition to employment.
- B) A.I.S.: An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 years of age and has had her legal residence in La Rioja, at least for a year and is not eligible for the I.M.I.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the 70% IPREM.

- **Benefit amount**

- A) I.M.I: The benefit does not depend on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	372.76	372.76	372.76	399.38	399.38

Benefit amounts in euro per month.

- B) AIS: The amount is that of the non-contributory pension in 2015: 364.90 euro + and 10% for each additional member; maximum benefit in 2015: 372.76 euro per month.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	347.60	357.70	364.90	364.90	364.90
Max benefit	372.76	372.76	372.76	372.76	372.76

- **Taxation**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Decreto 16/2012, de 11 de mayo, que se modifica el Decreto 24/2001, de 20 de abril, por el que se regulan las prestaciones de inserción social.*

*Decreto 31/2011, de 29 de abril, por el que se aprueba la Cartera de Servicios y Prestaciones del Sistema Público de Servicios Sociales.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales.* Information for La Rioja in particular comes from: *Decreto 24/2001, de 20 de abril. Decreto 3/2005, de 28 de enero.*

#### 2.4.5.13 Madrid Minimum Income Guarantee (*Renta Mínima de Inserción*)

This benefit was Madrid’s version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together, and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in the *Comunidad de Madrid*, at least for a year. Eligible individuals must have total family unit income below the income test. There are some exceptions to this due to dependants, orphans, etc.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	375.55	375.55	375.55	375.55	375.55
Two members	488.22	488.22	488.22	488.22	488.22
Three members or more	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51

The monthly quantity of the benefit is the result of adding to the basic quantity for one member household the complements for additional members. These quantities will be fixed annually by the *Ley de Presupuestos Generales de la Comunidad de Madrid*.

The maximum quantity of the benefit is the SMI (see *Decreto 147/2002, art.21, 2.*).

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Ley 5/2013, de 23 de diciembre, de Presupuestos Generales de la Comunidad de Madrid para el año 2015.*

*Ley de Presupuestos Generales de la Comunidad de Madrid 2013.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales.* Information for Comunidad de Madrid in particular comes from: *Ley 15/2001 de 27 de diciembre de Renta Mínima de Inserción. BOCM de 31 de diciembre, Decreto 147/2002, de 1 de agosto, por el que se aprueba el Reglamento de la Renta Mínima de Inserción, Ley 4/04, de 28 de Diciembre, de Presupuestos, Artículo 60.*

#### 2.4.5.14 Región de Murcia Minimum Income Guarantee (*Ingreso Mínimo de Inserción*)

This benefit is the Murcia's version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in Murcia, at least for a year. The recipient should not receive any other benefits such as unemployment benefits, pensions or the like.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Two members	386.00	386.00	386.00	386.00	386.00
Three members	422.00	442.00	442.00	442.00	442.00
Four members	498.00	498.00	498.00	498.00	498.00
Five members	544.00	544.00	544.00	544.00	544.00
Six members	590.00	590.00	590.00	590.00	590.00
Seven members e	636.00	636.00	636.00	636.00	636.00
Eight members or more	682.00	682.00	682.00	682.00	682.00

Benefit amounts in euro per month. The minimum benefit is 70 € and the maximum 682 € during 2011-2015.

The increase by member is only added if corresponding member is below 18 years of age. For households with dependants over that age the amount added is half of that.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales.* Information for Murcia in particular comes from: *Orden de 16 de septiembre de 1994, sobre Ingreso Mínimo de Inserción. Decreto nº 65/1998, de 5 de noviembre por el que se regulan las ayudas, prestaciones y medidas de inserción y protección social. Orden de 20 de octubre del año 2006, sobre actualización del importe de la prestación del Ingreso Mínimo de Inserción. Ley 3/2007, de 16 de marzo, de Renta Básica de Inserción.*

#### 2.4.5.15 Navarra Minimum Income Guarantee (*Renta de Inclusión Social*)

This benefit is the Navarra's version of a minimum income guarantee benefit.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in Navarra, at least for two years.

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit has a different amount depending on the number of members of the family unit.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	641.40	641.40	548.51	548.51	548.51
Two members	769.68	769.68	769.68	769.68	769.68
Three members	833.82	833.82	832.82	832.82	832.82
Four members	897.96	897.96	897.96	897.96	897.96
Five members or more	962.10	962.10	962.10	962.10	962.10

Benefit amounts in euro per month. The minimum benefit is 64.14 € in 2011-2012 and 64.86 € in 2013-2015; the maximum is 962.10 € during 2011-2015.

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*ORDEN FORAL 193/2013, de 22 de febrero, del Consejero de Políticas Sociales, por la que se modifica la Orden Foral 58/2012, de 9 de febrero, de la Consejera de Política Social, Igualdad, Deporte y Juventud, por la que se regulan los supuestos excepcionales y de renovación extraordinaria de la renta de inclusión social.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales. Information for Navarra in particular comes from: Ley 9/1999, de 6 de abril, para una Carta de Derechos Sociales. Decreto Foral 120/ 1999, de 19 de abril, por el que se regula la Renta Básica. Ley Foral 8/03, de 24 de febrero. Art.4ª elevacion cuantías de RB. RD Ley 3/2004, de 25 de junio: Implantación IPREM. Orden Foral 9/2006, de 13 de marzo, de actualización de cuantías para 2006. Orden Foral 18/2007, de 26 de enero, de actualización de cuantías para 2007 (BON 36 de 14/03/07). Ley Foral 13/2008, de 2 de julio, de modificación de la Ley Foral 9/1999, de 6 de abril, para una Carta de Derechos Sociales. Decreto Foral 69/2008, de 17 de junio, por el que se aprueba la Cartera de Servicios Sociales de Ámbito General.*

#### 2.4.5.16 Comunidad Valenciana Minimum Income Guarantee (*Renta Garantizada de la Ciudadanía*)

This benefit is the Comunidad Valenciana's version of a minimum income guarantee benefit. In Comunidad Valenciana there are two different benefits, until 31/03/2008 the *Prestaciones Económicas Regladas* (PER) and from 1/04/2008 the *Renta Garantizada de la Ciudadanía* (RGC).

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

PER: An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age and has had her legal residence in *Comunidad Valenciana*, at least for the previous year.

RGC: An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 25 and below 65 years of age, and has had her legal residence in *Comunidad Valenciana* at least for the two previous years (new in 2008).

- **Income assessment**

Family unit gross yearly income net of social contributions must be below the amount of the corresponding benefit.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit is the difference between the following amounts (depending on the number of members of the family unit) and household monthly income:

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	385.18	385.18	385.18	385.18	385.18
Two members	416.24	416.24	416.24	416.24	416.24
Three members	434.88	434.88	434.88	434.88	434.88
Four members	453.52	453.52	453.52	453.52	453.52
Five members	472.16	472.16	472.16	472.16	472.16
Six members	490.80	490.80	490.80	490.80	490.80
Seven members	509.43	509.43	509.43	509.43	509.43
Eight members	528.07	528.07	528.07	528.07	528.07

Maximum benefit= 116.67% IPREM.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Maximum benefit	621.28	621.28	621.26	621.28	621.28
Minimum benefit	385.18	385.18	385.18	385.18	385.18

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Orden 7/2012, de 20 de febrero, de la Conselleria de Justicia y Bienestar Social, por la que se modifica la Orden de 31 de julio de 2008, de la Conselleria de Bienestar Social, por la que se regulan las bases de la convocatoria de la prestación Renta Garantizada de Ciudadanía.*

*Orden de 13 de julio de 2008, por la que se regulan las bases de la prestación Renta Garantizada de Ciudadanía.*

*Decreto 93/2008, de 4 de julio, por el que se desarrolla la Ley de Renta Garantizada de Ciudadanía.*

*Ley 9/2007, de 12 de marzo, de Renta Garantizada de Ciudadanía.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales. Information for Comunidad Valenciana in particular comes from: Decreto 132/1990, de 23 de julio, por el que se aprueba el Plan de Medidas de Inserción Social. Orden anual de la convocatoria de las ayudas (en 2007).*

#### 2.4.5.17 País Vasco Minimum Income Guarantee (*Renta Básica o de Garantía de Ingresos*)

This benefit was the first to appear in Spain (in 1989) with the aim of covering the needs of the extreme poor households living in the Basque country.

- **Definitions**

**Family unit:** individuals living together, at least for months, and related by marriage or an analogous relationship, adoption, blood relationship (between the 2nd and 4th degree).

**Benefit recipient:** an adult living in the family unit which is the official recipient of the benefit.

- **Eligibility conditions**

An individual (benefit recipient) is eligible for the benefit if over 23 years of age and has had her residence in the País Vasco for, at least, a year. This minimum age limit is not applicable to orphans or adults with dependent children or those married to someone over that age for, at least, 6 months. There is no maximum age limit to receive the benefit, i.e. individuals over 65 may receive this benefit instead of a non-contributory pension. Eligible individuals must have family unit incomes below the income test.

- **Income assessment**

Income test is a family unit level of income (gross yearly income net of social contributions) below “basic needs”. Basic needs are identified as the annual amount of the benefit for the corresponding household type.

- **Benefit amount**

The benefit amount depends on the number of members of the family unit and, in general, its quantity is revised every year.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
One member	658.50	612.41	662.51	665.90	665.90
Two members	845.58	786.39	850.72	855.07	855.07
Three members	935.38	869.90	941.06	945.88	945.88

Benefit amounts in euro per month.

For *Renta Básica* receivers within lone-parent households the benefit will be complemented by a 6.4% of minimum wage (households with one adult and children).

- **Taxation and income testing**

Minimum income benefits are not included in the means-test of other social benefits (benefits of last resort). These benefits do not generate contributions to the Social Security scheme.

- **Source**

*Ley 4/2011, de 24 de noviembre, de modificación de la Ley para la Garantía de Ingresos y para la Inclusión Social.*

*Ministerio de Trabajo y Asuntos Sociales.* Information for the Vasque country in particular comes from: *Ley 10/2000, de 27 de diciembre, de Carta de Derechos Sociales. Ley 12/1998, de 22 de mayo, Contra la Exclusión Social (Modificada en la Ley 4/2003, de 25 de junio). Decreto 198/1999, de 20 de abril, por el que se regula el Ingreso Mínimo de Inserción. Decreto 199/1999, de 20 de abril, por el que se regulan las Ayudas de Emergencia Social (AES). Orden de 14 de febrero de 2001, por la que se establecen los estímulos al empleo de los titulares de la Renta Básica y de los beneficiarios de las Ayudas de Emergencia Social. Ley 9/2006, de 28 de diciembre por la que se aprueban los presupuestos generales del País Vasco. Ley 18/2008, de 23 de diciembre, para la Garantía de Ingresos y para la Inclusión Social. Decreto 147/2010, de 25 de mayo, de la Renta de Garantía de Ingresos.*

## 2.5 Social contributions

Social Security revenue is made up of all workers and employers contributions in various regimes. As elsewhere in Europe, membership of a social insurance organisation is compulsory.

The amounts paid as contributions depend on the workers' wage and also on the workers' employment status, industry and occupation.

Contributions are calculated by multiplying the contributory base by a contributory rate<sup>26</sup>. There are different types of contributions depending on workers being employees or self-employed.

### 2.5.1 Employee social contributions

- **General liability to social contributions:**

Employees should contribute to the Social Security during all the time the activity takes place (sickness, maternity, unemployment and other special situations).

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<sup>26</sup>A great part of that rate is paid by the employer and the rest is the employee's liability, although withheld by their employer.

Unemployed people contribute to Common contingencies (illness, old-age pensions, etc.) but do not contribute for unemployment and occupational training.

### 2.5.1.1 The Social Security General Scheme:

To this Scheme should contribute employees that work in industry and services and people that could be assimilated in this Scheme.

- *Liability to contributions*

Employees contribute to the Social Security Scheme for common illnesses and old-age pensions, unemployment and occupational training through their contributions to common contingencies (*contingencias comunes*) at a rate of 4.7 percent of the contributory base (2.0 percent if for compulsory extra time of work). Also the worker contributes 1.55 percent for unemployment contingencies and 0.1 percent of the contributory base for covering occupational training.

- *Income base used to calculate contributions*

The contributory bases have a minimum and a maximum depending on the workers occupation's classification.

The table below shows contribution bases for the general scheme each corresponding year:

<b>CONTRIBUTION BASES FOR THE GENERAL SCHEME EMPLOYEES*</b>					
Contributory Groups	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Minimum base</b>					
1 (€per month)	1,045.2	1,045.2	1,051.50	1,051.50	1,056.90
2 (€per month)	867.0	867.0	872.10	872.10	876.60
3 (€per month)	754.2	754.2	758.70	758.70	762.60
4 to 7 (€per month)	748.2	748.2	753.00	753.00	756.60
8 to 11 (€per day)	24.94	24.94	25.10	25.10	25.22
<b>Maximum Base</b>					
1 to 7 (€per month)	3,230.1	3,262.50	3,425.70	3,597.00	3,606.00
8 to 11 (€per day)	107.7	108.75	114.19	119.90	120.20
Maximum LIMIT (€per month)	3,230.1	3,262.50	3,425.70	3,597.00	3,606.00

Minimum contributory bases for part-time workers:

Contributory Group	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1 (€per hour)	6.30	6.30	6.33	6.33	6.37
2 (€per hour)	5.22	5.22	5.25	5.25	5.28
3 (€per hour)	4.54	4.54	4.57	4.57	4.59
4 to 11 (€per hour)	4.51	4.51	4.54	4.54	4.56

\*Fuente: Guías Laborales 2011 (31.6), 2012 (31.6), 2013(28.6), 2014(28.6) y 2015 (28.6).  
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- *Contribution rates*

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General scheme contribution rates for workers:

**GENERAL SCHEME EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTION RATES\***

	2011	2012	2013	2015	2015
<b>Common Contingencies</b>	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70
Overtime**:					
- Force majeure	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
- Non-force-majeure	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70
<b>Other Contributions:</b>					
Unemployment ***	1.55	1.55	1.55	1.55	1.55
Occupational Training.	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10

\*Fuente: Guías Laborales 2011 (31.6), 2012 (31.6), 2013(28.6) y 2015 (28.6).  
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Notes: \*\*Employer's contributions due to work-related injury and occupational illnesses depend on the firm's activity and the worker's occupation. We have calculated mean contributions for workers in different activities (Agriculture, Industry, Building, Commerce, Transport, Other services, other activities) \*\*\*Employee's and employer's contribution to unemployment depends on the worker's employment contract. The general contribution is 5.50 percent for employers and 1.55 percent for employees. If the worker holds a full-time fixed term contract, employers contribute 6.7 and employees 1.60 percent. If the worker holds a part-time fixed term contract, employers contribute 7.7 and employees 1.60 percent. If the worker holds a fixed term contract using (E.T.T.) employers contribute 7.7 and employees 1.60 percent.

### 2.5.1.2 The Agrarian employees Special System:

- *Liability to contributions*

The Agrarian Regime is for employees and self-employed (employees since 2008) who work in the agricultural sector. This Regime is divided into different groups of contribution, according to the workers' occupation. Since 2012 January, employees are included under a special regime in the General Social Security Regime.

- *Income base used to calculate contributions*

The contributory bases have a minimum and a maximum depending on the workers occupation's classification.

Contribution bases for the general scheme each corresponding year:

**CONTRIBUTION BASES FOR THE AGRARIAN SPECIAL SYSTEM EMPLOYEES\***

Contributory Groups	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Minimum base</b>					
1 (€per month)	1,045.2	1,045.2	1,051.5	1,051.5	1,056.90
2 (€per month)	986.7	867.0	872.1	872.1	876.60
3 (€per month)	986.7	754.2	758.7	758.7	762.60
4 to 11 (€per month)	986.7	748.2	753.0	753.0	756.60
<b>Daily bases</b>					
1 (€daily)	45.44	45.44	45.72	45.72	45.95
2 (€daily)	42.9	37.70	37.92	37.92	38.11
3 (€daily)	42.9	32.79	32.99	32.99	33.16
4 to 11 (€daily)	42.9	32.53	32.74	32.74	32.90
<b>Maximum Base</b>					
1 (€per month)	1,393.80	1,800.00	2,161.50	2,595.60	3,063.30
2 to 11 (€per month)	986.70	1,800.00	2,161.50	2,595.60	3,063.30
<b>Daily bases</b>					
1 (€daily)	60.60	78.26	93.98	112.85	133.19
2 (€daily)	60.60	78.26	93.98	112.85	133.19
3 (€daily)	60.60	78.26	93.98	112.85	133.19
4 to 11 (€daily)	60.60	78.26	93.98	112.85	133.19

\*Fuente: Guías Laborales 2011 (34.1), 2012 (33.7), 2013(30.7) y 2015 (30.7).

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- Contribution rates**

In activity periods, contribution rates are the same as the ones in General Social Security Scheme employees, except occupational training. The contribution rate for employers and for employees is the same for all groups.

**SCHEME FOR AGRARIAN SPECIAL SYSTEM EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTION RATES \***

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Common Contingencies	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70
Other Contributions:					
Unemployment	1.55	1.55	1.55	1.55	1.55
Occupational Training.	-	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03

\*Fuente: Guías Laborales 2011 (34.1), 2012 (33.7), 2013(30.7) y 2015 (30.7).

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- EUROMOD notes**

We can't distinguish between activity and inactivity periods in the data. We assume all periods are activity ones. We do not have information about daily work, therefore monthly bases are used.

## 2.5.2 Employer social contributions

### 2.5.2.1 The Social Security General Scheme:

- *Liability to contributions*

Employers contribute to the Social Security Scheme for common illnesses and old-age pensions, unemployment and occupational training and wage guarantee fund.

- *Contribution rates*

The contributions rates are the same during the period 2011-2015.

General scheme contribution rates for employers:

#### GENERAL SCHEME EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES\*

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Common Contingencies</b>	23.60	23.60	23.60	23.60	23.60
Overtime:					
- Force majeure	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
- Non-force-majeure	23.60	23.60	23.60	23.60	23.60
Work-related Injury and Occupational Illness**					
<b>Other Contributions:</b>					
Unemployment ***	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50
Wage Guarantee Fund (Fogasa)	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20
Occupational Training.	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.60

\*Fuente: Guías Laborales 2011 (31.6), 2012 (31.6), 2013(28.6) y 2015 (28.6).

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Notes: \*\* Employer's contributions due to work-related injury and occupational illnesses depend on the firm's activity and the worker's occupation. We have calculated mean contributions for workers in different activities (Agriculture, Industry, Building, Commerce, Transport, Other services, other activities) \*\*\* Employee's and employer's contribution to unemployment depends on the worker's employment contract. The general contribution is 5.50 percent for employers and 1.55 percent for employees. If the worker holds a full-time fixed term contract, employers contribute 6.7 and employees 1.60 percent. If the worker holds a part-time fixed term contract, employers contribute 7.7 and employees 1.60 percent. If the worker holds a fixed term contract using (E.T.T.) employers contribute 7.7 and employees 1.60 percent.

### 2.5.2.2 The Agrarian Special Scheme:

- *Liability to contributions*

Employers in the Agrarian Scheme contribute to the Agrarian Special Scheme for common illnesses and old-age pensions, unemployment and occupational training and wage guarantee fund.

- *Contribution rates*

**SCHEME FOR AGRARIAN SPECIAL SYSTEM EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES \***

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Common Contingencies**	15.50	15.95	16.40	16.75	17.30
Other Contributions:					
Unemployment	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50
Wage Guarantee Fund (Fogasa)	0.20	0.20	0.10	0.10	0.10
Occupational Training.		0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15

\*Fuente: Guías Laborales 2011 (34.1), 2012 (33.7), 2013(30.7) y 2015 (30.7).  
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\*\*Note: En la base de datos no viene separación por grupos de cotización; por ello, se pone el más general, el pagado por el empleador por los trabajadores encuadrados en los grupos de cotización 2 a 11.

- *EUROMOD notes*

We do not make distinctions between contributory groups in the contributory rates. We assume all workers are second group (2-11).

### 2.5.2.3 The Self-employed Special Regime

- *Liability to contributions*

The social insurance contribution for self-employed workers has some degree of flexibility. The worker can choose between two different contributory rates (either including or not including temporary sickness or invalidity benefits).

- *Income base used to calculate contributions and contribution rates*

The contributory base is also flexible. The worker can choose his/her particular amount of contribution within a limited range, never below a certain minimum and never over a certain maximum.

**CONTRIBUTION BASES FOR THE SELF-EMPLOYED SPECIAL REGIME\* (€per month)**

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Characteristics</b>					
Maximum contributory base	3,230.1	3,262.5	3,425.7	3,597.0	3,606.0
Minimum contributory base	850.2	850.2	858.62	875.2	884.4
<b>If over 48 years old:</b>					
Maximum contributory base	1,682.7	1,870.50	1,888.8	1,926.6	1,945.8
Minimum contributory base	916.5	916.5	925.8	944.4	953.7

Fuente: Guías Laborales 2011 (34.2), 2012 (34.1), 2013(31.1) y 2015 (31.1). Ministerio de Empleo y Seguridad Social.

In former country reports there are errors in the amounts of minimum contributory base for older people (50 years old). In the next table the correct amounts are showed:

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
<b>Characteristics</b>						
Minimum contributory base	770.40	785.6	801.3	817.2	833.49	841.8
<b>If over 50 years old:</b>						
Minimum contributory base	781.9	809.4	837.6	859.5	885.3	907.5

- **Contribution rates**

The contributory rate is 29.8 percent of the contributory base if including temporary sickness or invalidity benefits and 26.5 otherwise. A further rate is paid for work-related injury and occupational illness benefits. The rate depends on the contributory base chosen by the worker.

**THE SELF-EMPLOYED SPECIAL REGIME  
CONTRIBUTION RATES\***

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Contributory rate	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5
Additional contributory rate (sickness)	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Total contributory rate (with sickness)	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8	29.8

Fuente: Guías Laborales 2011 (34.2), 2012 (34.1), 2013(31.1) y 2015 (31.1). Ministerio de Empleo y Seguridad Social.

- **EUROMOD notes**

We assume in the program that the worker always decides to pay the minimum quantity although the worker actually sometimes decides to pay more, but this information is not available. Therefore we use in the model the minimum possible contributory base

#### **2.5.2.4 The Agrarian self-employed Special System:**

- **Liability to contributions**

In 2008 the agricultural self-employed social insurance contribution regime changed and is included within the self-employment regime.

- **Income base used to calculate contributions**

The agricultural self-employed social insurance contribution, in practice, works as a lump-sum contribution, since the rate is flat and the base is fixed.

**CONTRIBUTION BASES FOR THE AGRARIAN SELF-EMPLOYED SPECIAL SYSTEM\* (€per month)**

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Characteristics</b>					
Maximum contributory base	3,230.1	3,262.5	3,425.7	3,597.0	3,606.0
Minimum contributory base	850.2	850.2	858.60	875.2	884.4

\*Fuente: Guías Laborales 2011 (34.2), 2012 (34.1), 2013(31.1) y 2015 (31.1).  
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- **Contribution rates**

Contribution rates depend of contributory base:

**THE AGRARIAN SELF-EMPLOYED SPECIAL SYSTEM CONTRIBUTION RATES\***

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Minimum contributory base	850.0	850.2	858.6	875.7	884.4
<b>If contributory base &gt;</b>	850.20	1,020.30	1,030.20	1,050.90	1,061.40
Contributory rate	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5
<b>If contributory base &lt;</b>		1,020.30	1,030.20	1,050.90	1,061.40
Contributory rate		18,75	18,75	18,75	18,75
Protection due to termination of activity	-	-	-	-	2.20
<b>Additional contributory rate (sickness)</b>					
- Without protection due to the termination of activity	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30	3.30
-With protection due to the termination of activity	-	-	-	-	2.80
Other protection (work accident and professional sickness)	1	1	1	1	1

\*Fuente: Guías Laborales 2011 (34.2), 2012 (34.1), 2013(31.1) y 2015 (31.1).  
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- **EUROMOD notes**

We assume in the program that the worker always decides to pay the minimum quantity although the worker actually sometimes decides to pay more, but this information is not available. Therefore we use in the model the minimum possible contributory base

### 2.5.3 Health insurance contributions

Spanish workers don't pay health insurance contributions because the Health National System is covered with taxes.

#### 2.5.4 Other social contributions

Civil servant's contributions are not simulated and civil servants are supposed to contribute through the General Regime.

### 2.6 Personal income tax

#### 2.6.1 Tax unit

Residents of Spanish territories are liable to income tax on individuals (IRPF) on their worldwide income. Non-residents are liable to income tax on non-residents (IRNR) only on the incomes obtained in Spain.

The Spanish personal income tax is individual but taxpayers who are members of the same family unit have the option to file a joint tax return. A **family unit** consists of both spouses –in the case of legal separation or *de facto* unions, only one of them–, and their children under 18 years of age who cohabit (any age if the child is disabled).

The rules and amounts of most elements of the Spanish income tax are the same under individual and joint taxation. The only major difference between these schemes is the amount of personal and family tax allowances. Under joint taxation the personal tax deduction is greater. Under the individual scheme, each married taxpayer gets half the amount of the family tax allowance.

Various reforms of the Personal income tax have been undertaken along the period 2012-2015.

The main changes are focused on redefining the tax schedules for both general (2012 and 2015) and savings (2012 and 2015) tax bases.

These modifications have been carried out by the State and the regions.

#### 2.6.2 Exemptions

The most important income exemptions are (all amounts are annual):

- indemnities paid for physical or mental damages, a court order or an insurance contract;
- severance payments (new in 2015);
- mandatory compensation received as severance pay or for the termination of employment contracts, up to maximum legal amounts (in 2015 there is a new limit of 180.000 euro for this exemption);
- pensions paid by the social security system to severely disabled taxpayers (*Incapacidad Absoluta o Gran Invalidez*);
- child benefits (including those paid by regional governments) and all orphan's benefits;
- all public benefits due to new-born children, twin new-borns or adoption;
- grants for high level sportsmen and sports women with the limit of 60,100 euro 2011-2015;
- all maternity benefits paid by regional or local governments;
- unemployment benefits obtained as a lump sum with the limit of 5,500 euro from 2011 to 2015;
- public education and research grants;
- court-ordered child support payments;

- literary, art or scientific prizes;
- lottery prizes;
- wages obtained from activities performed in a foreign country with a similar personal income tax to that in Spain up to a limit of 60,100 € in 2011-2015;
- The earnings from long-term savings plans (“Planes de ahorro a Largo Plazo”), if leaving the savings untouched for 5 years;
- Dividends and shares in profits less than 1,500 euro were not taxable (in 2015 they are taxable, no limit).

### 2.6.3 Tax allowances

In the period 2011-2015 the Spanish Personal Income Tax includes three main groups of tax allowances: joint scheme allowance, work related allowances and contributions to pension schemes tax allowances.

#### **Joint scheme allowance** (*Reducción por tributación conjunta*)

##### **2011-2015**

The ordinary tax base and the savings tax base may be reduced if taxpayer chooses a joint scheme:

- For two member family units: 3,400 euro.
- For lone-parent households when not cohabiting with dependants’ other parent: 2,150 euro.

#### **Work-related allowances** (*Reducción por rendimientos del trabajo, prolongación de la actividad laboral y movilidad geográfica y personas con discapacidad que obtengan rendimientos del trabajo como trabajadores activos*)

##### **2011-2015**

The ordinary tax base is further reduced by an employment net income allowance, an income related non-refundable tax allowance for taxpayers who receive “employment income” which are employment earnings or social benefits while “other income” is below a limit. The amount of the allowance diminishes as the level of net employment income increases, varying between 2,652 euro and 4,080 euro.

Tax payers with net employment income equal or below 9,180 euro may reduce the tax base in 4,080 euro. Taxpayers with net income over 13,260 euro or non-employment income over 6,500 euro may only reduce the tax base in 2,652 euro. Tax payers in between will reduce their tax base in 4,080 euro minus the result of multiplying the difference between net income and 9,180 euro by 0.35.

This allowance cannot exceed total net employment income. The allowance is increased by 100% for employees who accept an employment in a different city or who are older than 65.

Further all disabled taxpayers may apply a reduction of 3,264 euro if at work when disable (more than 33% and less than 65% disability). This reduction will increase to 7,242 euro if taxpayer is at work and is disabled with reduced mobility or more than 65% disability.

In the case of joint taxation, and even if both partners have incomes from work, this allowance is only applicable once.

#### **Contributions to mutual insurance societies and private pension schemes allowances**

The ordinary taxable base, as reduced by the personal and family allowances, is further reduced by the following:

- Contributions to a variety of insurances and approved Mutual, Superannuation Funds and Mutual Insured Plans:
- Contributions to insurances covering death, widowhood, orphanhood, retirement, accidents, work related illnesses or disability, or granting benefits for marriage, maternity, birth or death if such contributions are made by:
  - a. Professionals (i.e. lawyers, doctors, engineers, etc.) who did not choose to be covered by the social security regime for self-employed;
  - b. Employees, including their contributions for unemployment benefits; and
  - c. Self-employed individuals, as long as their contributions relate to the above-mentioned contingencies or benefits.

This tax relief includes taxpayer's contributions to private pension schemes. Contributions made by an employer (which are attributed to the taxpayer as employment income) are also to be included. **In 2011-2014**, total allowance due to contributions can only annually reach up to 30% of total work earnings or **10,000 euro** per taxpayer (not per family unit) up to the age of 50. Older individuals or disabled taxpayers may deduct higher amounts, an increase up to 50% of total work earnings or **12,500 euro** if over 50 years of age.

**In 2015** the limits have changed to 30% of work earnings or 8.000 euro, regardless of age.

As a result of the application of reductions of tax base due to social security contributions and due to tax allowances, the tax base (*base liquidable*) may not become negative.

#### 2.6.4 Tax base

The tax base is defined as taxable income minus social insurance contributions and tax allowances.

$$TB = Y - C - A$$

Where, Y is taxable income, C are social insurance contributions and A are tax allowances.

Taxable income includes employment, self-employment, property, capital, and an imputed income from real-estate properties different from owner-occupied first residence. More specifically, the definition of taxable income is as follows:

$$Y = E + P + SE + K + B$$

Where, E is income from dependent employment or pensions, P is property income, K is capital gains income, SE is self-employment income and B is benefit income.

Amounts subtracted from the tax base as allowances include the following variables:

$$A = A_{Per} + A_{Dep} + A_{Fam} + A_{Emp} + A_{Pen}$$

Where,  $A_{Per}$  is personal tax allowance,  $A_{Dep}$  is dependent children allowance,  $A_{Fam}$  is family tax allowances,  $A_{Emp}$  is work-related tax allowance and  $A_{Pen}$  is private pensions tax allowance (listed previously).

Taxable income in the Spanish Personal Income Tax is classified into five categories according to the income source, namely: (a) employment income, which includes income from earnings, employment-related benefits in kind, unemployment and pensions income; (b) property income, which includes income gained from real-estate properties or from any movable assets (such as dividends, interest payments and royalties); (c) self-employment income, which includes income from business and professional activities; (d) capital gains, which are classified as short-term capital gains or long-term capital gains; and (e) imputed income.

As a general rule, income is taxable and related expenses are deductible in the year of accrual of the income and the year in which expenses are incurred, regardless of the time of cash receipt and payment. Income spreading is, in general, not allowed.

If spouses file separate returns, the determination of income and deductible expenses attributable to each taxpayer takes into account the category or source of that income. Accordingly:

- employment income (other than pensions) and related reductions are attributed exclusively to the earner; pensions are generally attributed to the individual beneficiary;
- investment income and capital gains are attributed to the individual owners of the underlying items, according to the type of marital property regime as follows:
  - o if the spouses are married under a community property regime, to both spouses on a 50/50 basis unless another method of apportionment can be substantiated;
  - o if they are married under a separate property regime, entirely to the owner (or registered holder) of the underlying property;
- self-employment income is attributed to the individual who regularly and directly conducts the business or exercises the independent professional or artistic activities in question.

For tax calculation purposes, the taxpayer's income from the various sources is divided into (i) the savings tax base and (ii) the ordinary tax base.

(i) The **savings tax base** (*base imponible del ahorro*) comprises capital gains and losses from assets.

(ii) The **ordinary tax base** (*base imponible general*) comprises the net amount of ordinary income, i.e. the balance resulting from the computation of the positive minus negative amounts of income under the various categories (employment income, investment income, business income, capital gains and imputed income), plus the positive balance of capital gains minus losses on assets. The ordinary tax base is reduced by applicable social security contributions and allowances.

### 2.6.5 Tax schedule

- *Tax schedule 2011*

Income Tax Schedule 2011 for residents in Aragón, Illes Balears, Canarias, Castilla-La Mancha, Castilla-León, Galicia, Ceuta and Melilla

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24%	12.0%	12.0%
33,007.2	28%	14.0%	14.0%
53,407.2	37%	18.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	44%	22.5%	21.5%
over	45%	23.5%	21.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2011 for residents in Comunidad de Madrid and La Rioja

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	23.6%	12.0%	11.6%
33,007.2	27.7%	14.0%	13.7%
53,407.2	36.8%	18.5%	18.3%
120,000.2	42.9%	21.5%	21.4%
175,000.2	43.9%	22.5%	21.4%
over	44.9%	23.5%	21.4%

Income Tax Schedule 2011 for residents in Comunidad Valenciana

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	23.9%	12.0%	11.9%
33,007.2	27.92%	14.0%	13.92%
53,407.2	36.95%	18.5%	18.45%
120,000.2	42.98%	21.5%	21.48%
175,000.2	43.98%	22.5%	21.48%
over	44.98%	23.5%	21.48%

Income Tax Schedule 2011 for residents in Andalucía

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24%	12.0%	12%
33,007.2	28%	14.0%	14%
53,407.2	37%	18.5%	18.5%
80,000.0	43%	21.5%	21.5%
100,000.0	44%	21.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	45%	21.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	47%	22.5%	24.5%
over	48%	23.5%	24.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2011 for residents in Asturias

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24%	12.0%	12%
33,007.2	28%	14.0%	14%
53,407.2	37%	18.5%	18.5%
90,000.0	43%	21.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	46.5%	22.5%	24%
over	48.5%	23.5%	25%

Income Tax Schedule 2011 for residents in Cantabria

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24%	12.0%	12%
33,007.2	28%	14.0%	14%
53,407.2	37%	18.5%	18.5%
67,707.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
80,007.2	43.5%	21.5%	22%
99,407.2	44%	21.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	45%	21.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	47%	22.5%	24.5%
over	48%	23.5%	24.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2011 for residents in Extremadura

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24%	12.0%	12%
33,007.2	28%	14.0%	14%
53,407.2	37%	18.5%	18.5%
60,707.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
80,007.2	43.5%	21.5%	22%
99,407.2	44%	21.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	45%	21.5%	23.5%
120,007.2	46%	22.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	47%	22.5%	24.5%
over	48%	23.5%	24.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2011 for residents in Cataluña

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24%	12.0%	12%
33,007.2	28%	14.0%	14%
53,407.2	37%	18.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	46%	22.5%	23.5%
over	49%	23.5%	25.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2011 for residents in Murcia

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24%	12.0%	12.0%
33,007.2	28%	14.0%	14.0%
53,407.2	37%	18.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	45%	22.5%	22.5%
over	47%	23.5%	23.5%

The **savings tax base** includes income from capital gains that is subject to tax. The rate in 2011 is slightly progressive:

Tax base limit (euro per year)	Total Rate
6,000	19.0%
6,001 or over	21.0%

(Half of this tax payment goes for the State and half for the Autonomous Region of taxpayer residence e.g. in the first case, 9.5% for the State and 9.5% for the Region).

- **Tax schedule 2012**

In this period two regions made changes: Asturias, an increase of rates between 175,000.2 and 300,000.2 and more; Canarias increases of rates from 120,000.2 and more.

Income Tax Schedule 2012 for residents in Aragón, Illes Balears, Castilla-La Mancha, Castilla-León, Galicia, Ceuta and Melilla

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12.0%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14.0%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	49%	27.5%	21.5%
300,000.2	51%	29.5%	21.5%
over	52%	30.5%	21.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2012 for residents in Canarias

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12.0%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14.0%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	48.1%	25.5%	22.6%
175,000.2	50.1%	27.5%	22.6%
300,000.2	52.1%	29.5%	22.6%
over	53.1%	30.5%	22.6%

LEY 4/2012, de 25 de junio, de medidas administrativas y fiscales.

Income Tax Schedule 2012 for residents in Comunidad de Madrid and La Rioja

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.35%	12.75%	11.6%
33,007.2	29.7%	16.0%	13.7%
53,407.2	39.8%	21.5%	18.3%
120,000.2	46.9%	25.5%	21.4%
175,000.2	48.9%	27.5%	21.4%
300,000.2	50.9%	29.5%	21.4%
over	51.9%	30.5%	21.4%

Income Tax Schedule 2012 for residents in Comunidad Valenciana and Region de Murcia

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	50%	27.5%	22.5%
300,000.2	53%	29.5%	23.5%
over	54%	30.5%	23.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2012 for residents in Andalucía

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
60,000.0	43%	21.5%	21.5%
120,000.2	49%	25.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	53%	27.5%	25.5%
300,000.2	55%	29.5%	25.5%
over	56%	30.5%	25.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2012 for residents in Asturias

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
90,000.0	43%	21.5%	21.5%
120000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	51.5%	27.5%	24%
300,000.2	53.5%	29.5%	24%
over	54.5%	30.5%	25%

Income Tax Schedule 2012 for residents in Cantabria

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
67,707.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
80,007.2	43.5%	21.5%	22%
99,407.2	44%	21.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	49%	25.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	52%	27.5%	24.5%
300,000.2	54%	29.5%	24.5%
over	55%	30.5%	24.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2012 for residents in Extremadura

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
60,707.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
80,007.2	43.5%	21.5%	22%
99,407.2	44%	21.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	49%	25.5%	23.5%
120,007.2	51%	27.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	52%	27.5%	24.5%
300,000.2	54%	29.5%	24.5%
over	55%	30.5%	24.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2012 for residents in Cataluña

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	51%	27.5%	23.5%
300,000.2	54%	29.5%	25.5%
over	55%	30.5%	25.5%

The **savings tax base** includes income from capital gains that is subject to tax. In 2012 another bracket was introduced:

Tax base limit (euro per year)	Total Rate
6,000	21.0%
6,001 to 24,000	25.0%
24,000 or over	27.0%

(Half of this tax payment goes for the State and half for the Autonomous Region of taxpayer residence).

- **Tax schedule 2013**

Tree Regions made changes to 2013 schedule: Asturias increases of rates from 90,000.0€ and over; Región de Murcia changes rates increases of rates from 175,000.2€ and over and Extremadura adds two new rates, one between 0.0 - 10,000.1€ and other 10,000.2 – 14,000.2 €

Income Tax Schedule 2013 for residents in Aragón, Illes Balears, Castilla-La Mancha, Castilla-León, Galicia and Ceuta y Melilla

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12.0%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14.0%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	49%	27.5%	21.5%
300,000.2	51%	29.5%	21.5%
over	52%	30.5%	21.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2013 for residents in Canarias

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12.0%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14.0%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	48.1%	25.5%	22.6%
175,000.2	50.1%	27.5%	22.6%
300,000.2	52.1%	29.5%	22.6%
over	53.1%	30.5%	22.6%

Income Tax Schedule 2013 for residents in Comunidad de Madrid and La Rioja

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.35%	12.75%	11.6%
33,007.2	29.7%	16.0%	13.7%
53,407.2	39.8%	21.5%	18.3%
120,000.2	46.9%	25.5%	21.4%
175,000.2	48.9%	27.5%	21.4%
300,000.2	50.9%	29.5%	21.4%
over	51.9%	30.5%	21.4%

Income Tax Schedule 2013 for residents in Comunidad Valenciana

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	50%	27.5%	22.5%
300,000.2	53%	29.5%	23.5%
over	54%	30.5%	23.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2013 for residents in Region de Murcia

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	51%	27.5%	23.5%
300,000.2	54%	29.5%	24.5%
over	55%	30.5%	24.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2013 for residents in Andalucía

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
60,000.0	43%	21.5%	21.5%
120,000.2	49%	25.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	53%	27.5%	25.5%
300,000.2	55%	29.5%	25.5%
over	56%	30.5%	25.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2013 for residents in Asturias

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
70,000.0	43%	21.5%	21.5%
90,000.0	48%	25.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	50.5%	25.5%	25.0%
175,000.2	53.0%	27.5%	25.5%
300,000.2	55.0%	29.5%	25.5%
over	56.0%	30.5%	25.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2013 for residents in Cantabria

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
67,707.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
80,007.2	43.5%	21.5%	22%
99,407.2	44%	21.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	49%	25.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	52%	27.5%	24.5%
300,000.2	54%	29.5%	24.5%
over	55%	30.5%	24.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2013 for residents in Extremadura

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
10,000.2	24.0%	12.75%	11.25%
14,000.2	24.50%	12.75%	11.75%
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
60,707.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
80,007.2	43.5%	21.5%	22%
99,407.2	44%	21.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	49%	25.5%	23.5%
120,007.2	51%	27.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	52%	27.5%	24.5%
300,000.2	54%	29.5%	24.5%
over	55%	30.5%	24.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2013 for residents in Cataluña

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	51%	27.5%	23.5%
300,000.2	54%	29.5%	25.5%
over	55%	30.5%	25.5%

The **savings tax base** includes income from capital gains that is subject to tax. The rate in 2013 is as in 2012, slightly progressive:

Tax base limit (euro per year)	Total Rate
6,000	21.0%
6,001 to 24,000	25.0%
24,000 or over	27.0%

(Half of this tax payment goes for the State and half for the Autonomous Region of taxpayer residence).

- **Tax schedule 2014**

In this period three regions made changes: Madrid, Cantabria y Extremadura.

**Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in Aragón, Illes Balears, Castilla-La Mancha, Castilla-León and Galicia**

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12.0%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14.0%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	49%	27.5%	21.5%
300,000.2	51%	29.5%	21.5%
over	52%	30.5%	21.5%

**Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in Canarias**

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12.0%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14.0%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	48.1%	25.5%	22.6%
175,000.2	50.1%	27.5%	22.6%
300,000.2	52.1%	29.5%	22.6%
over	53.1%	30.5%	22.6%

**Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in Comunidad de Madrid\***

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	23.95%	12.75%	11.2%
33,007.2	29.3%	16.0%	13.3%
53,407.2	39.4%	21.5%	17.9%
120,000.2	46.5%	25.5%	21.0 %
175,000.2	48.5%	27.5%	21.0%
300,000.2	50.5%	29.5%	21.0%
over	51.5%	30.5%	21.0%

\*Artículo 1 redactado por el artículo 1.Uno de la Ley 6/2013, de 23 de diciembre, de Medidas Fiscales y Administrativas (BOCM de 30 de diciembre de 2013), en vigor desde 1 de enero de 2015.

Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in La Rioja

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.35%	12.75%	11.6%
33,007.2	29.7%	16.0%	13.7%
53,407.2	39.8%	21.5%	18.3%
120,000.2	46.9%	25.5%	21.4 %
175,000.2	48.9%	27.5%	21.4 %
300,000.2	50.9%	29.5%	21.4 %
over	51.9%	30.5%	21.4 %

Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in Comunidad Valenciana

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	50%	27.5%	22.5%
300,000.2	53%	29.5%	23.5%
over	54%	30.5%	23.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in Region de Murcia

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	51%	27.5%	23.5%
300,000.2	54%	29.5%	24.5%
over	55%	30.5%	24.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in Andalucía

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
60,000.0	43%	21.5%	21.5%
120,000.2	49%	25.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	53%	27.5%	25.5%
300,000.2	55%	29.5%	25.5%
over	56%	30.5%	25.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in Asturias

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
70,000.0	43%	21.5%	21.5%
90,000.0	48%	25.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	50.5%	25.5%	25.0%
175,000.2	53.0%	27.5%	25.5%
300,000.2	55.0%	29.5%	25.5%
over	56.0%	30.5%	25.5%

Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in Cantabria\*

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	23.75%	12.75%	11%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
67,707.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
80,007.2	43.5%	21.5%	22%
99,407.2	44%	21.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	49.5%	25.5%	24%
175,000.2	52.5%	27.5%	25%
300,000.2	54.5%	29.5%	25%
over	55.5%	30.5%	25%

\*Artículo 2 añadido por el artículo 10.Tres de la Ley 10/2013, de 27 de diciembre, de medidas fiscales y administrativas (BOC de 30 de diciembre de 2013), con efectos desde 1 de enero de 2015.

Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in Extremadura\*

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
10,000.2	24.0%	12.75%	11.25%
14,000.2	24.5%	12.75%	11.75%
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30.55%	16.0%	14.55%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
60,707.2	43%	21.5%	21.5%
80,007.2	43.5%	21.5%	22%
99,407.2	44%	21.5%	22.5%
120,000.2	49%	25.5%	23.5%
120,007.2	51%	27.5%	23.5%
175,000.2	52%	27.5%	24.5%
300,000.2	54%	29.5%	24.5%
over	55%	30.5%	24.5%

\*Artículo 1 modificado por el artículo 1 de la Ley 6/2013, de 13 de diciembre, de medidas tributarias de impulso a la actividad económica en Extremadura (BOE del 14 de enero de 2015), en vigor desde 18 de diciembre de 2013

Income Tax Schedule 2014 for residents in Cataluña

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
17,707.2	24.75%	12.75%	12%
33,007.2	30%	16.0%	14%
53,407.2	40%	21.5%	18.5%
120,000.2	47%	25.5%	21.5%
175,000.2	51%	27.5%	23.5%
300,000.2	54%	29.5%	25.5%
over	55%	30.5%	25.5%

The **savings tax base** includes income from capital gains that is subject to tax. The rate in 2014 is as in 2012, slightly progressive:

Tax base limit (euro per year)	Total Rate
6,000	21.0%
6,001 to 24,000	25.0%
24,000 or over	27.0%

(Half of this tax payment goes for the State and half for the Autonomous Region of taxpayer residence).

- **Tax schedule 2015**

State schedule and the Autonomous Regions schedule change in year 2015.

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Aragón,

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	20.00%	10.00%	10.00%
20,200	25.00%	12.50%	12.50%
34,000	31.00%	15.50%	15.50%
60,000	38.50%	19.50%	19.00%
over	45.00%	23.50%	21.50%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Illes Balears

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
10,000	19.50%	10.00%	9.50%
12,450	21.75%	10.00%	11.75%
18,000	24.25%	12.50%	11.75%
20,200	14.75%	12.50%	14.75%
30,000	14.75%	15.50%	14.75%
34,000	14.75%	15.50%	17.75%
48,000	14.75%	19.50%	17.75%
60,000	14.75%	19.50%	19.25%
75,000	14.75%	23.50%	19.25%
over	14.75%	23.50%	21.50%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Castilla-La Mancha

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	22.00%	10.00%	12.00%
20,200	24.50%	12.50%	12.00%
34,000	30.50%	15.50%	15.00%
35,200	35.00%	19.50%	15.50%
60,000	38.00%	19.50%	18.50%
over	46.00%	23.50%	22.50%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Castilla-León

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	20.00%	10.00%	10.00%
17,707.20	24.50%	12.50%	12.00%
20,200	26.50%	12.50%	14.00%
33,007.20	29.50%	15.50%	14.00%
34,000	34.00%	15.50%	18.50%
53,407.20	38.00%	19.50%	18.50%
60,000	41.00%	19.50%	21.50%
over	45.00%	23.50%	21.50%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Galicia

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	21.50%	10.00%	11.50%
17,707.20	24.00%	12.50%	11.50%
20,200	26.50%	12.50%	14.00%
33,007.20	29.50%	15.50%	14.00%
34,000	34.00%	15.50%	18.50%
53,407.20	38.00%	19.50%	18.50%
60,000	41.00%	19.50%	21.50%
over	45.00%	23.50%	21.50%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Canarias

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450.01	19.50%	10.00%	9.50%
17,707.21	24.50%	12.50%	12.00%
20,200	26.50%	12.50%	14.00%
33,007.21	29.50%	15.50%	14.00%
34,000	34.00%	15.50%	18.50%
53,407.221	38.00%	19.50%	18.50%
60,000	43.00%	19.50%	23.50%
90,000.01	47.00%	23.50%	23.50%
over	47.50%	23.50%	24.00%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Comunidad de Madrid\*

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	22.00%	10.00%	9.50%
17,707.20	24.50%	12.50%	11.20%
20,200	26.50%	12.50%	13.30%
33,007.20	29.50%	15.50%	13.30%
34,000	34.00%	15.50%	17.90%
53,407.20	38.00%	19.50%	17.90%
60,000	41.00%	19.50%	21.00%
over	45.00%	23.50%	21.10%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in La Rioja

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	19.50%	10.00%	9.50%
20,200	25.00%	12.50%	12.50%
34,000	31.00%	15.50%	15.50%
60,000	39.00%	19.50%	19.50%
over	47.00%	23.50%	23.50%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Comunidad Valenciana

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	21.90%	10.00%	11.90%
17,707.20	24.40%	12.50%	11.90%
20,200	26.42%	12.50%	13.92%
33,007.20	29.42%	15.50%	13.92%
34,000	33.95%	15.50%	18.45%
53,407.20	37.95%	19.50%	18.45%
60,000	40.98%	19.50%	21.48%
120,000.20	44.98%	23.50%	21.48%
175,000.20	45.98%	23.50%	22.48%
over	46.98%	23.50%	23.48%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Region de Murcia

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	20.00%	10.00%	10.00%
20,200	25.00%	12.50%	12.50%
34,000	31.00%	15.50%	15.50%
60,000	39.00%	19.50%	19.50%
over	47.00%	23.50%	23.50%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Andalucía

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	22.00%	10.00%	12.00%
17,707.20	24.50%	12.50%	12.00%
20,200	26.50%	12.50%	14.00%
33,007.20	29.50%	15.50%	14.00%
34,000	34.00%	15.50%	18.50%
53,407.20	38.00%	19.50%	18.50%
60,000	41.00%	19.50%	21.50%
120,000.20	47.00%	23.50%	23.50%
over	49.00%	23.50%	25.50%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Asturias

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	20.00%	10.00%	10.00%
17,707.20	24.50%	12.50%	12.00%
20,200	26.50%	12.50%	14.00%
33,007.20	29.50%	15.50%	14.00%
34,000	34.00%	15.50%	18.50%
53,407.20	38.00%	19.50%	18.50%
60,000	41.00%	19.50%	21.50%
70,000.00	45.00%	23.50%	21.50%
90,000.00	46.00%	23.50%	22.50%
175,000.00	48.50%	23.50%	25.00%
over	49.00%	23.50%	25.50%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Cantabria\*

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	19.50%	10.00%	9.50%
20,200	24.50%	12.50%	12.00%
34,000	30.50%	15.50%	15.00%
60,000	38.00%	19.50%	18.50%
over	46.00%	23.50%	22.50%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Extremadura\*

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	20.50%	10.00%	10.50%
20,200	25.00%	12.50%	12.50%
24,200	31.00%	15.50%	15.50%
34,000	32.00%	15.50%	16.50%
35,200	36.00%	19.50%	16.50%
60,000	40.00%	19.50%	20.50%
80,200	47.00%	23.50%	23.50%
99,200	47.50%	23.50%	24.00%
120,200	48.00%	23.50%	24.50%
over	48.50%	23.50%	25.00%

Income Tax Schedule 2015 for residents in Cataluña

Upper Limit (euro per year)	Total Rate	State	Autonomous Com.
12,450	22.00%	10.00%	12.00%
17,707.2	24.50%	12.50%	12.00%
20,200	26.50%	12.50%	14.00%
33,007.2	29.50%	15.50%	14.00%
34,000	34.00%	15.50%	18.50%
53,407.2	38.00%	19.50%	18.50%
60,000	41.00%	19.50%	21.50%
120,000.2	45.00%	23.50%	21.50%
175,000.2	47.00%	23.50%	23.50%
300,000.2	49.00%	23.50%	25.50%
over	49.00%	23.50%	25.50%

The **savings tax base** includes income from capital gains that is subject to tax. The rate in 2015 is:

Tax base limit (euro per year)	Total Rate
6,000	20.0%
6,001 to 50,000	22.0%
50,000 or over	24.0%

(Half of this tax payment goes for the State and half for the Autonomous Region of taxpayer residence).

## 2.6.6 Tax credits

- *Personal and family tax credits*

- Once the ordinary and the savings tax base are calculated, these tax credits are calculated at the corresponding individual tax rate. All taxpayers are eligible to these tax credits.
- The final personal and family related tax credit is calculated as if following quantities were taxed at a zero rate. Thus, one must sum up all the quantities corresponding to each of the applicable amounts and apply the tax rate as in the schedule. The result obtained will be deducted from the result of applying the tax rate to the total ordinary tax base and savings tax base in order to obtain the total tax charge (*cuota íntegra*).

*National Personal minimum and minimum per family*

- *Personal minimum (Mínimocontribuyente)*: In **2015, 5,550 euro** for all adult individuals (**2011-2014, 5,151 euro**), plus **1,150 euro (918 euro)** if over 65 but younger than 75 (In **2015 6,700 euro; 2011-2014 6,069 euro**) or plus **1,400 euro (1,122 euro)** if 75 or more years of age (In **2015 6,950 euro; 2011-2014 6,273 euro**).
- *Dependent children minimum (Mínimo por descendientes)*: In **2015, 2,400 euro** for the first child (**2011-2014 1,836 euro**), **2,700 euro** for the second child (**2011-2014 2,040 euro**), **4,000 euro** for the third child (**2011-2014 3,672 euro**) and **4,500 euro** for any additional child (**2011-2014 4,182 euro**). Additionally if the child is below 3 years of age one will increase the amount in **2,800 euro (2011-2014 2,244 euro)**. Dependent children are defined as less than 25 years, not married, cohabiting with the taxpayer, and whose annual income (excluding not taxable) does not exceed **8,000 euro**.
- *Dependent elderly minimum (Mínimo por ascendientes)*: In **2015, 1,150 euro (2011-2014 918 euro)** if cohabiting ascendants (blood link to the taxpayer) over 65 or any age if disabled in the household (cohabitation is for more than half a year). If the taxpayer is older than 75 years, **1,400 euro (1,122 euro)**. Annual income of the ascendant must not exceed **8,000 euro**.
- *Disability minimum (Mínimo por discapacidad)*: In **2015, 3,000 euro (2011-2014 2,316 euro)** if the taxpayer, dependent child or parent is disabled (more than 33% and less than 65%), **9,000 euro (7,038 euro)** if taxpayer, dependent child or parent is disabled (more 65% disability) and **3,000 euro (2,316 euro)** more if the taxpayer, child or parent is disabled and justifies expenditures on assistance due to reduced mobility or disability over 65%.
- Only cohabiting dependent children are taken into account.
- Under the individual scheme married taxpayers are obliged to divide the amount of the family related minimums by two and then apply the tax rate.

*Regional Personal and family tax credits*

**Baleares personal minimum and minimum per family**

In **2015** Illes Ballears made a change and have fixed the regional minimum as the national ones increased by 10%. In particular the amounts affected are the *Dependent elderly minimum, the dependent children minimum (for the third and following children) and the disability minimum*.

**Cantabria personal minimum and minimum per family**

In **2014** Cantabria changed some of the minimum amounts for the personal and family minimums. The regional amounts are the following:

- *Dependent children minimum (Mínimo por descendientes)*: In **2014, 2,000 euro** for the first child, **2,200 euro** for the second child, **3,900 euro** for the third child and **4,450 euro** for any additional child. Additionally if the child is below 3 years of age one will increase the amount in **2,400 euro**.
- *Dependent elderly minimum (Mínimo por ascendientes)*: In **2014, 970 euro** if cohabiting ascendants (blood link to the taxpayer) over 65 (cohabitation is for more than half a year) and **1,200 euro** more if the ascendant is older than 75 years.
- *Disability minimum (Mínimo por discapacidad)*: In **2014 2,400 euro** if the taxpayer, dependent child or parent is disabled (more than 33% and less than 65%), **7,200 euro** (if taxpayer, dependent child or parent is disabled

(more 65% disability) and 2,400 euro more if the taxpayer, child or parent is disabled and justifies expenditures on assistance due to reduced mobility or disability over 65%.

**In 2015:** minimums are as in the State legislation.

### Comunidad de Madrid

There was a change in **Comunidad de Madrid** where dependent children tax credit is now as national except the following changes:

#### 2012, 2013 & 2014

- *Dependent children tax credit (Mínimo por descendientes)* in **Comunidad de Madrid:** 4,039.20 euro for the third child and 4,600.20 euro for any additional child.

#### 2015

- *Dependent children tax credit (Mínimo por descendientes)* in **Comunidad de Madrid:** 4,400 euro for the third child and 4,950 euro for any additional child.

- *Main Residence Mortgage Tax Credit*

**In 2011-2015**, as a general rule, the taxpayer is allowed to set off against his income tax liability 15% (7.5% national schedule, 7.5% regional schedule, except Cataluña that adopted a special tax rate, 9%) of the costs up to 9,040 euro incurred for the acquisition or renovation of the taxpayer's main residence (which must be continuously used as the main residence for a minimum period of 3 years).

Alternatively, individuals can profit from a tax credit of 15% of all amounts deposited on special bank accounts (up to 9,040 euro) with the purpose of acquiring the first residence. For taking advantage of this credit, taxpayers must acquire first main residence within 4 years since the special bank account was opened.

In general this reduction disappeared. For people who bought the house before December 31th, 2012 there is a transition regime.<sup>27</sup>

- *Main residence rent tax credit (Deducción por alquiler de vivienda habitual):*

#### In 2011 a 2014

In order to foster home rent there is a tax credit for taxpayers with tax base below 24,107.20 euro who live in rented housing. Tax credit base is expenditure on rent. If taxpayer's tax base is 17,707.20 euro or less the tax credit base limit is 9,040 euro. If tax base is between 17,707.21 and 24,107.20 euro the limit is 9,040 euro – 1.4125 \* (tax base - 17,707.20 euro). After calculating the tax base using expenditures on rent and taking limits into account, the tax credit is a 10.05 percent of the tax credit base.

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Issue	Partially simulated in 2013. People who acquired the house after 1st January 2013 can't benefit from this tax credit but we can't distinguish between them with the current database. It will be possible with EU-SILC 2013, not before.
Assumption	All people benefit from the tax credit.
Impact	Unknown

In 2015 this tax credit disappeared. Only taxpayers that have the right to receive this tax credit before January 1st, 2015 would have the right to receive it in the future, there is a temporary regime to eliminate it completely.

- **Maternity Tax Credit**

This is a refundable tax credit for working mothers with one or several children below 3 years of age, 1,200 euro per year and child conditional on having total contributions to the social security system over the total tax credit. Proportional tax credits are possible as long as conditions apply to the particular time period. This credit may be replaced by a tax-free subsidy of 100 euro per month, at the mother’s request.

- **Large- family or persons with disabilities Tax Credit**

In 2015 appears a new refundable tax credit for working taxpayers in large-families, lone-parent families or families with disabled descendants or ascendants conditional on having total contributions to the social security system over the total tax credit. For taxpayers in large families, lone parent families or with disabled descendants that received unemployment income or other pensions from the social protection system (in this case no social contributions limit).

- Elderly and disabled with right to *Dependent elderly tax credit*, 1,200 euro per person and year.
- Children and disabled with right to *Dependent children tax credit*, 1,200 euro per person and year.
- Ascendant in a large-family, 1,200 euro per person and year.
- Ascendant with two or more children in a lone-parent family, 1,200 euro per person and year.

- **Other Tax Credits**

**Reform of the 400 euro annual tax credit (reforma de la deducción de 400 euros anuales):** This tax credit was reformed in 2010 and only taxpayers with tax base (sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible del ahorro*) below 12,000 euro that obtain income from work, unemployment, pensions or self-employment may benefit from this tax credit. The tax credit has two different values depending on the tax base level:

Tax base limit (euro per year)	Tax credit
8,000	400 euro
8,001 - 12,000	400 - 0.1 * (tax base – 8,000)

This tax credit disappears in 2015.

### 2.6.6.1 Others Regional Tax credits

There is a wide variety of tax credits which are related to the Autonomous Community of residence. We here provide a detailed list of tax credits applicable in different years, in the different autonomous communities of residence.

#### 2.6.6.1.1 Andalucía

- a) **Family-related benefits tax credit (*Deducción para los beneficiarios de ayudas familiares*):** In 2011, 50 euro per child at birth if taxpayer eligible for any regional child benefits either for children below 3 years of age or for multiple when the family income is below 11 times the SMI. In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. In 2011: 50 euro more (per child) if multiple births. In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 the rules are the same as in 2011.

- b) **Taxpayer’s disability tax credit** (*Deducción para sujetos pasivos con discapacidad igual o superior al 33%*): **In 2011**, 100 euro for disabled taxpayers (disability over 33%) provided the tax base is below 19,000 euro (individual scheme) and 24,000 euro if joint scheme. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012** the rules are the same as in **2011**.
- c) **Lone-parents and dependent parents over 75 years of age tax credit** (*Deducción para el padre o madre de familia monoparental, y, en su caso, con ascendientes mayores de 75 años*): **In 2011**, 100 euro for lone parents cohabiting with children below 18 years of age (or over 18 years of age if disabled). If the sum of general tax base and savings tax base is below 80,000 euros (individual scheme) and 100,000 euros (joint scheme). This tax credit increases by 100 euro per parent over 75 cohabiting with the family. In case if two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012** the rules are the same as in **2011**.
- d) **Care or assistance to dependent individuals tax credit** (*Deducción por asistencia a personas con discapacidad*): **In 2011**, 100 euro per disabled or dependent individual if the sum of general tax base and savings tax base is below 80,000 euros (individual scheme) and 100,000 euros (joint scheme). In case if two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012** the rules are the same as in **2011**.
- e) **Young taxpayers renting first home tax credit** (*Deducción por cantidades satisfechas por el alquiler de la vivienda habitua por jóvenes menores de 35 años*): **In 2011**, 15% of annual rent for taxpayers below 35 years of age (if joint scheme at least one of them below 35 years of age). Maximum 500 euro per year. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must not exceed 19,000 euro (individual scheme) or 24,000 euro (joint scheme). In case of married couples where both are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them, even if the contract is signed only by one of them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012** the rules are the same as in **2011**.

#### 2.6.6.1.2 Aragón

- a) **Birth of third child or more tax credit (or of the second if disabled)** (*Deducción por nacimiento o adopción de tercer hijo o sucesivos o de segundo hijo discapacitado*): **In 2011**, 500 euro at birth of third child or more (second if disabled) if cohabiting. 600 euro when the sum of the general and special tax base is below 32,500 euro. In case if two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2013** the rules are the same as in **2012 and 2011**. **In 2014 and 2015** the sum of the general and special tax base is below 35,000 euro (individual scheme) or 21,000 euro (joint scheme).
- b) **Disabled or dependent people care tax credit** (*Deducción por el cuidado de ascendientes mayores de 75 años y ascendientes o descendientes con grado de discapacidad igual o superior a 65%*)<sup>28</sup>: **In 2011**, 150 euro per ancestors older than 75 years and per disabled or dependent who lives with the taxpayer at least six months per year and with incomes after subtracting exempt incomes not exceeding 8,000 euro. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) minus personal and family allowances (*mínimo por contribuyente y mínimo por descendientes*) must not exceed 35,000 euro (sum of all members living in household). In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2013 and 2012** the rules are the same as in **2011**. **In 2014 and**

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Issue	There is no information in the data about the disability level
Assumption	All disabled with 33% of disability
Impact	Unknown.

2015 the sum of the general and special tax base is below 35,000 euro (individual scheme) or 21,000 euro (joint scheme).

### 2.6.6.1.3 Principado de Asturias

- a) **Renting first home tax credit** (*Deducción por alquiler de vivienda habitual*): **In 2011**: 10% of annual rent. Maximum 455 euro per year if the tax base before personal and family allowances is below 25,009 euro (individual scheme) or 35,240 euro (joint scheme). **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**
- b) **Multiple Child’s Birth or Adoption tax credit** (*Deducción por partos múltiples o por dos o más adopciones constituidas en la misma fecha*): **In 2011**, 505 euro for child at birth or adoption if cohabiting. In case if two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**
- c) **Large Families tax credit** (*Deducción por familias numerosas*): **In 2011**, 505 euro if cohabiting individuals classify as a large family and 1,010 euro if 5 or more dependent children (special large families). The sum of the general and special (or savings after 2007) tax base must not exceed 25,009 euro (individual scheme) or 35,240 euro (joint scheme). In case if two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**
- d) **Lone parents tax credit** (*Deducción por familias monoparentales*): **In 2011**, 303 euro if not cohabiting with other adults except parents (ascendants). The sum of the general and special (or savings after 2007) tax base plus exempt annual payments for children of non-cohabiting divorced individuals must not exceed 35,240 euro. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**
- f) **Fostering self-employment** (*Deducción para el fomento autoempleo*): **In 2011**, 69 euro for taxpayers who are self-employed in Asturias. This tax credit is incompatible with the previous one. The sum of the general and special tax base must not exceed 25,009 euro (individual scheme) or 35,240 euro (joint scheme). **In 2013 and 2012 as 2011. In 2014 disappeared.**

### 2.6.6.1.4 Illes Balears

- e) **Taxpayers of 65 or more years of age tax credit** (*Deducción por contribuyentes de edad igual o superior a 65 años*): **In 2011**, 50 euro for taxpayers over 65 at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2010. Tax base after personal and family allowances must not exceed 12,500 euro (individual scheme) or 25,000 euro (joint scheme). In case if two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011 .In 2015 disappeared.**
- a) **Disabled tax credit** (*Deducción por cada miembro de la unidad familiar con minusvalía física o psíquica o sensorial*)<sup>29</sup>: **In 2011**, 80 euro for each disabled person in the household (including the taxpayer) and 150 euro for each disabled person in the household (including the taxpayer) if disability is over 65% or if mentally disabled. **In 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011. In 2015 disappeared.**

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Issue	There is no information in the data about disability degree
Assumption	All disabled with 33% of disability, partially simulated
Impact	Unknown.

- b) **Expenditures on books for children’s compulsory education** (*Deducción por gastos de adquisición de libros de texto*)<sup>30</sup>: **In 2011**, 100% of the expenditures on books for children’s compulsory education if taxpayer is eligible for child tax allowance. Limits are related to taxpayer’s general tax base. Individual scheme limits: **100 euro** per child if tax base below **6,500 euro**, **75 euro** per child if tax base between **6,500 and 10,000 euro** and **50 euro** per child if between **10,001 and 12,500 euro**. Joint scheme limits: **200 euro** per child if tax base below **10,000 euro**, **100 euro** if tax base between **10,000 and 20,000 euro** and **75 euro** if between **20,001 and 25,000 euro**. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**
- c) **Young taxpayers renting first home tax credit** (*Deducción por arrendamiento de vivienda habitual por jóvenes, discapacitados o familias numerosas*): **In 2011**, **6.5%** of annual rent for taxpayers below 36 years of age. Maximum **200 euro** per year (individual and joint scheme). Ordinary tax base after personal and family allowances must not exceed **18,000 euro** (individual scheme) or **30,000 euro** (joint scheme). **In 2012 as 2011. In 2013 disappeared.**

#### 2.6.6.1.5 Canarias

- a) **Child’s Birth or Adoption tax credit** (*Deducción por nacimiento o adopción de hijos*): **In 2011**, **200 euro** for the first or second child, **400 euro** for the third child, **600 euro** for the fourth child and **700 euro** for the fifth or any subsequent child. If a child has disability (65% or more), **400 euro** for the first or second child and **800 euro** for the third of any subsequent child with disability. Eligible taxpayers cannot earn incomes over **39,000 euro** (individual scheme) or **52,000** (joint scheme). In case if two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**
- b) **Expenditures on child care tax credit** (*Deducción por gastos de guardería*): **In 2011**, **15%** of the expenditures on child care for children < 3 years of age (in a nursery or day care centre)<sup>31</sup> with a maximum of **400 euro** per child a year. Eligible taxpayers cannot earn incomes over **60,000 euro** (individual scheme) or **72,000 euro** (joint scheme). **In 2012**, **15%** of the expenditures on child care for children <3 years of age (in a nursery or day care centre) with a maximum of **400 euro** per child per year. Eligible taxpayers cannot earn incomes over **39,000 euro** (individual scheme) or **52,000 euro** (joint scheme). In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014 and 2013 as 2012.**
- c) **Disabled taxpayers and taxpayers over 65 tax credit** (*Deducción por contribuyentes minusválidos grado 33% o mas y mayores de 65 años*): **In 2011**, **300 euro** per tax payer with a disability of 33% or more. If taxpayers over 65 years of age, **120 euro**. Eligible taxpayers cannot earn incomes over **39,000 euro** (individual scheme) or **52,000** (joint scheme). **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**
- d) **Large Families tax credit** (*Deducción por familia numerosa*): **In 2011**, **200 euro** if cohabiting individuals classify as a large family. **400 euro** if 5 or more dependent children (special large families). If any member of

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Issue	There is no information in the data about expenditure on books.
Assumption	Given that the amount is relatively small, it is assumed that all households with children are entitled to the maximum amount.
Impact	Unknown.

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Issue	There is no information in the data on child care expenditure
Assumption	Child care amount is imputed
Impact	Unknown.

married couple or cohabiting child is disabled (more than 65%) the quantity is 500 euro or 1000 euro (5 or more dependent children (special large families). In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.

- e) **Renting first home tax credit** (*Deducción por alquiler de vivienda*): In 2011, 15% of annual rent. Maximum 500 euro per year (individual and joint scheme). The ordinary tax base (*base imponible general*) must not exceed 20,000 euro (individual scheme) or 30,000 euro (joint scheme) and the rent paid should be higher than 10% of income received. In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.
- f) **Unemployment tax credit** (*Deducción para contribuyentes desempleados*): In 2011, 100 euro for taxpayers that have been unemployed for, at least, six months during the tax year and receive some income from unemployment benefits. Total income from work must be over 11,200 euro and below 22,000 euro. The rest of income components of the ordinary tax base cannot exceed 1,600 euro. In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.

#### 2.6.6.1.6 Cantabria

- a) **Child, elderly and disability care tax credit** (*Deducción por cuidado de descendientes menores de 3 años, de ascendientes mayores de 70 años o de ascendientes o descendientes minusválidos grado igual o superior al 65%*): In 2011, 100 euro per child below 3 years of age or a parent over 70 years of age, or any household member with a disability. Only for taxpayers obliged to present a tax return. All members generating the tax credit must cohabit more than 183 days with the taxpayer and their incomes cannot exceed 6,000 euro. In case if two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. In 2015, 2014, 2013, and 2012 as 2011.
- b) **Young, elderly and disabled taxpayers renting first home tax credit** (*Deducción por arrendamiento de vivienda habitual por jóvenes, mayores y discapacitados*): In 2011, 10% of annual rent for taxpayers below 35 years of age or over 65 years of age or disabled. Maximum 300 euro per year (individual scheme) or 600 euro (joint scheme). Tax base before personal and family allowances must be below 22,000 euro (individual scheme) and 31,000 euro (joint scheme) and these amount over 10% taxpayer's income. In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.

#### 2.6.6.1.7 Castilla- La Mancha

- a) **Child's birth or adoption tax credit** (*Deducción por nacimiento o adopción de hijos*): In 2011, 100 euro per child born or adopted that year if qualifying for child allowance. The limit is that the sum of the ordinary and the savings tax base must not exceed 27,000 euro (individual scheme) and 36,000 euro (joint scheme). In 2012: 100 euro per child born or adopted, 500 euro if two children multiple birth or adoption and 900 euro if three or more children multiple birth or adoption if qualifying for child allowance. The limit is that the sum of the ordinary and the savings tax base must not exceed 27,000 euro (individual scheme) and 36,000 euro (joint scheme). In 2015, 2014 and 2013 as 2012.
- b) **Parents over 75 years of age care tax credit** (*Deducción por cuidado de ascendientes mayores de 75 años*): In 2011, 100 euro per parent who lives with the taxpayer at least six months per year and does not live the rest of the year in any regional retirement home and who complies with the requisites to be considered dependent parent. The limit is that the sum of the ordinary and the savings tax base must not exceed 36,000 euro. Incompatible with the taxpayer's or parent's disability tax credit. In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. In 2013 as 2012. In 2014 and 2015, 150 euro, and the limit for the tax base before personal and family allowances must be below 27,000 euro (individual scheme) and 36,000 euro (joint scheme).
- c) **Taxpayers 75 or more years of age tax credit** (*Deducción por contribuyentes mayores de 75 años*): In 2011, 100 euro for taxpayers over 75 not living more than six months per year in any regional retirement home. In 2013 as 2012. In 2014 and 2015, 150 euro, the limit tax base before personal and family allowances must be below 27,000 euro (individual scheme) and 36,000 euro (joint scheme).

- d) **Large family tax credit** (*Deducción por familia numerosa*): **In 2011**, no tax credit. **In 2012**, 150 euro if cohabiting individuals classify as a large family and 300 euro if 5 or more dependent children (special large families). The limit is that the sum of the ordinary and the savings tax base must not exceed 36,000 euro. Incompatible with the taxpayer's or parent's disability tax credit. **In 2013 as 2012** but if any member of married couple or cohabiting child is disabled (more than 65%) the amount is 300 euro or 900 euro (special large families, 5 or more dependent children). **In 2014 and 2015**, 200 euro if large family and 400 euro if special large family, being the amounts 300 euro or 900 euro if disability is presented.

#### 2.6.6.1.8 Castilla y León

- a) **Child's birth or adoption tax credit** (*Deducción por nacimiento o adopción*): **In 2011**, 710 € for first child born or adopted<sup>32</sup> that year if qualifying for child allowance. 1,475 € for the second child and 2,351 € for the third onwards. If the tax base before personal and family allowances is below 18,900 euro (individual scheme) or above 31,500 euro (joint scheme) then the amounts of the benefit are the following: 410 € for the first child, 875 € for the second child and 1,449 € for the third onwards. **In 2012**, 710 euro for first child born or adopted that year if qualifying for child allowance, 1,475 euro for the second child and 2,351 euro for the third onwards if the tax base before personal and family allowances is below 18,900 euro (individual scheme) or below 31,500 euro (joint scheme). **In 2015, 2014, 2013 as in 2012.**
- b) **Large families tax credit** (*Deducción por familia numerosa*): In 2011: 246 euro if cohabiting individuals classify as a large family; 492 euro if some disabled parent or child (more than 65% disability<sup>33</sup>); 110 euro more per additional child from fourth onwards. In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. Only if tax base before personal and family allowances is below 18,900 euro (individual scheme) or below 31,500 euro (joint scheme). **In 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012 as in 2011.**
- b) **Child care tax credit** (*Deducción por cuidado de hijos menores*)<sup>34</sup>: **In 2011**, 30% of the expenditures on child care for children below 4 years of age if both parents are at work (homecare, nursery or similar). Limit: 322 euro (both joint and individual scheme). The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) minus personal and family allowances (*mínimo por contribuyente y mínimo por descendientes*) must not exceed 18,900 euro (individual scheme) or 31,500 euro (joint scheme). In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012 as 2011.**

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Issue	There is no information in the data about adoption.
Assumption	This element of the tax credit is not simulated.
Impact	Unknown.

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Issue	There is no information in the data about the disability level.
Assumption	All disabled with 33% of disability, hence this element of the tax credit is not simulated.
Impact	Unknown.

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Issue	There is no information in the data on child care expenditure
Assumption	Child care amount is imputed in sheet s_es
Impact	Unknown.

### 2.6.6.1.9 Cataluña

- a) **Child's birth or adoption tax credit** (*Deducción por el nacimiento o adopción de hijos*): **In 2011, 150 euro** for the first child born or adopted that year if qualifying for child allowance (300 euro, double tax credit, for joint scheme). **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**
- b) **Rent first home tax credit (in some particular circumstances of economic difficulty) tax credit** (*Deducción por alquiler de vivienda habitual*): **In 2011, 10%** of annual rent for taxpayers below 32 years of age or with disability above 65%<sup>35</sup> or being unemployed more than 183 days during the tax period or being 65 years old or more and widow and large families. Maximum 300 euro per year or 600 euro if the sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) minus personal and family allowances (*mínimo por contribuyente y mínimo por descendientes*) must not exceed 20,000 euro or 30,000 euro in large family. **In 2015, 2014, 2013, and 2012 as in 2011.**

### 2.6.6.1.10 Extremadura

- a) **Child's birth multiple birth tax credit** (*Deducción por partos múltiples*): **In 2011, 300 euro** per child born if the sum of the ordinary and the savings tax base does not exceed 19,000 euro (individual scheme) and 24,000 euro (joint scheme). **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as in 2011.**
- b) **Youth, disabled or in a large family renting their first home family tax credit** (*Deducción por alquiler de vivienda habitual para menores de 35 años, familias numerosas y minusválidos*): In 2011, 10% of annual rent for taxpayers below 35 years of age (if joint scheme at least one of them below 35 years of age), belonging to a large family or being disabled (with a disability level equal or higher than 65%)<sup>36</sup>. Maximum 300 euro per year. Tax base (both ordinary and savings tax base) before personal and family allowances must not exceed 19,000 euro (individual scheme) or 24,000 euro (joint scheme). In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. This tax credit disappeared in 2012.
- c) **Dependent work tax credit** (*Deducción por percibir retribuciones de trabajo dependiente*): **In 2011, 100 euro** for each taxpayer that has income from dependent work below 15,000 euro a year when other incomes are below 300 euro (other income includes income from other sources different from work, income imputations and capital and property income), **In 2012 75 euro** for each taxpayer that has income from dependent work below 12,000 euro a year when other incomes are below 300 euro. **In 2015, 2014 and 2013 as 2012.**
- d) **Widowers tax credit** (*Deducción para contribuyentes viudos*): New tax credit **in 2014, 100 euro**. The limit is that the sum of the ordinary and the savings tax base must not exceed 19,000 euro (individual scheme) or 24,000 euro (joint scheme). If there are dependent children or ascendants that allowed to personal and family

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Issue	There is no information in the data about the disability level.
Assumption	All disabled with 33% of disability, hence this tax credit is not simulated.
Impact	Unknown.

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Issue	There is no information in the data about the disability level.
Assumption	All disabled with 33% of disability, hence this tax credit is not simulated.
Impact	Unknown.

tax credits then the tax credit is 200 euro. This tax credit could not be received if dependent work tax credit is received. **In 2015 as in 2014.**

#### 2.6.6.1.11 Galicia

- a) **Child's birth or adoption tax credit** (*Deducción por el nacimiento o adopción de hijos*): **In 2011, 300 euro** per child born or adopted the birth year and the following two, if the sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) minus personal and family allowances is between 22,001 and 31,000 euro. In case of multiple births, 360 euro per child but the sum of the ordinary and the savings tax base must not exceed 22,000 euro. In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012 as in 2011.**
- b) **Child care of children aged 3 or less tax credit** (*Deducción por cuidado de hijos menores*): **In 2011, 30%** of expenditures in the tax period to take care of children below 4 years of age (maximum is 200 euro). Parents must both work and the sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) before personal and family allowances (*mínimo por contribuyente y mínimo por descendientes*) must not exceed is 22,000 euro (individual scheme) or 31,000 euro (joint scheme). In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as in 2011.** But in 2014 and 2015 the limit is 400 euro.
- c) **Large families tax credit** (*Deducción por familia numerosa*): **2011-2015: 250 euro** if cohabiting individuals classify as a large family. 400 euro if 5 or more dependent children (special large families). If any member of married couple or cohabiting child is disabled (more than 65%)<sup>37</sup>: 500 euro if cohabiting individuals classify as a large family. 800 euro if 5 or more dependent children (special large families). In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them.
- d) **Young taxpayers renting first home tax credit** (*Deducción por alquiler de la vivienda habitual*): **In 2011, 10%** of annual rent for taxpayers below 36 years of age. In joint scheme, at least one of them). Maximum: 300 euro per lease (individual and joint scheme). The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must not exceed 22,000 euro (individual and joint scheme). The date of the lease is subsequent to 1st January 2003. **In 2012-2015 as in 2011.**

#### 2.6.6.1.12 Comunidad Autónoma de Madrid

- a) **Child's birth or adoption tax credit** (*Deducción por el nacimiento o adopción de hijos*): **In 2011, 600 euro** for the first child born or adopted, 750 euro for the second and 900 euro for the third or more. In case of multiple births, 600 euro more per child. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible del ahorro*) must not exceed 25,620 euro (individual scheme) or 36,200 euro (joint scheme). In the case that two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**
- b) **Young taxpayers renting first home tax credit** (*Deducción por arrendamiento de la vivienda habitual por menores de 35 años*): **In 2011, 20%** of annual rent for taxpayers below 35 years of age. Maximum: 840 euro per year (individual and joint scheme). Taxpayer below 35 years of age. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must not exceed 25,620 euro (individual scheme) or 36,200 euro (joint scheme). **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**

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Issue	There is no information in the data about the disability level.
Assumption	All disabled with 33% of disability, hence this tax credit is not simulated.
Impact	Unknown.

- c) **For low-income families with two or more children** (*Deducción para familias con dos o más descendientes e ingresos reducidos*): **In 2011**, 10% of the Autonomous Community tax payment (*cuota íntegra autonómica*) after reducing all other regional tax credits. Eligible taxpayers are those who have two or more children qualifying for child allowance and the sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must not exceed **24,000 euro** (sum of two parents tax bases if in individual scheme). **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**

#### 2.6.6.1.13 Región de Murcia

- a) **Child care of children aged 3 or less tax credit** (*Deducción por cuidado de hijos menores*)<sup>38</sup>: **In 2011**, 15% of expenditures in the tax period to take care of children below 3 years of age. Parents must both work and maximum amount is **330 euro** if the ordinary tax base minus personal and family allowances not exceed **19,360 euro** (individual scheme) or **660 euro** if not exceed **33,880 euro** (joint scheme). Also the savings tax base must be below **1,202.02 euro** both for the individual and joint scheme. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**

#### 2.6.6.1.14 La Rioja

- a) **Second or further child's birth or adoption tax credit** (*Deducción por nacimiento y adopción segundo o ulterior hijo*): **In 2011**, **150 euro** for the second and **180 euro** for the third or more. In case of multiple births, **60 euro** more per child. When two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as 2011.**

#### 2.6.6.1.15 Comunidad Valenciana

- a) **Child's birth or adoption tax credit** (*Deducción por el nacimiento o adopción de hijos*): **In 2011**, **270 euro** per child born or adopted that year and two more years, if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) must not exceed **27,790 euro** (individual scheme) or **44,995 euro** (joint scheme). **In 2012 and 2013**: this must not exceed **24,000 euro** (individual scheme) or **38,800 euro** (joint scheme). **In 2015 and 2014**, **25,000 euro** (individual scheme) or **40,000 euro** (joint scheme). **In 2015 and 2014** if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) is between **23,000** and **25,000 euro** (individual scheme) or between **37,000 euro** and **40,000 euro** (joint scheme) the tax credit will be the result of multiplying the usual tax credit by a coefficient calculated in this way:

$$C_{\text{individual}} = 100 * \left(1 - \frac{(BasesSumInd - 23,000)}{2000}\right)$$

$$C_{\text{joint}} = 100 * \left(1 - \frac{(BasesSumJoint - 37,000)}{3000}\right)$$

In case if two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them.

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Issue	There is no information in the data on child care expenditure
Assumption	Child care amount is imputed in sheet s_es
Impact	Unknown.

- b) **Multiple children’s birth or adoption tax credit** (*Deducción por nacimiento o adopción múltiples*): **In 2011**, 224 euro per child born in multiple births if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) does not exceed 27,790 euro (individual scheme) or 44,995 euro (joint scheme). **In 2012 and 2013**: this must not exceed 24,000 euro (individual scheme) or 38,800 euro (joint scheme) and in **2015 and 2014**, 25,000 euro (individual scheme) or 40,000 euro (joint scheme). In **2015 and 2014** if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro (individual scheme) or between 37,000 euro and 40,000 euro (joint scheme) the tax credit will be the result of multiplying the usual tax credit by a coefficient calculated in this way:

$$C\_individual=100 * (1 - \frac{(BasesSumInd-23,000)}{2000})$$

$$C\_joint=100 * (1 - \frac{(BasesSumJoint-37,000)}{3000})$$

In case two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them.

- c) **Large families tax credit** (*Deducción por familia numerosa*): **In 2011**, 204 euro if cohabiting individuals classify as a large family and 464 euro if it is a special large family (5 or more dependent children). **In 2012 as 2011** but only if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) does not exceed 24,000 euro (individual scheme) or 38,800 euro (joint scheme). **In 2013 and 2014**, 300 euro to a large family and 600 euro if it is a special large family. The conditions for the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions and the savings tax base minus reductions are as in 2012. **In 2015 and 2014** the amounts are as in 2013. The sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) must not exceed 25,000 (23,000) euro (individual scheme) or 40,000 (37,000) euro (joint scheme) in large family and 30,000 (26,000) euro (individual scheme) or 50,000 (46,000) euro (joint scheme). In **2015 and 2014** if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro (individual scheme) or between 37,000 euro and 40,000 euro (joint scheme) the tax credit will be the result of multiplying the usual tax credit by a coefficient calculated in this way:

$$C\_individual=100 * (1 - \frac{(BasesSumInd-23,000)}{2000})$$

$$C\_joint=100 * (1 - \frac{(BasesSumJoint-37,000)}{3000})$$

- d) **Disabled taxpayers 65 or more tax credit** (*Deducción por contribuyentes discapacitados de edad igual o superior a 65 años*). 179 euro if disabled (33% or more<sup>39</sup>) taxpayer 65 or more years of age.

Year:	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Amount	179	179	179	179	179
(euro per year):					

**In 2012 and 2013:** The sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) must not exceed 24,000 euro (individual

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Issue	There is no information in the data about the disability level.
Assumption	All disabled with 33% of disability, hence this tax credit is simulated.
Impact	Unknown.

scheme) or 38,800 euro (joint scheme). In 2015 and 2014 if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro (individual scheme) or between 37,000 euro and 40,000 euro (joint scheme) the tax credit will be the result of multiplying the usual tax credit by a coefficient calculated in this way:

$$C_{\text{individual}}=100 * \left(1 - \frac{(BasesSumInd-23,000)}{2000}\right)$$

$$C_{\text{joint}}=100 * \left(1 - \frac{(BasesSumJoint-37,000)}{3000}\right)$$

- e) **Parents over 75 years of age or over 65 and disabled tax credit** (*Deducción por ascendientes mayores de 75 años o mayores de 65 discapacitados*): In 2011: 179 euro per elderly over 75 (or over 65 if disabled more than 33% and if psychological disability)<sup>40</sup> or more than 66% if physical disability) non cohabiting with taxpayer and whose non-exempt incomes are below 8,000 euro. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible del ahorro*) after allowances must not exceed 27,790 euro (individual scheme) or 44,955 euro (joint scheme). In 2012 and 2013: this must not exceed 24,000 euro (individual scheme) or 38,800 euro (joint scheme) and in 2015 and 2014, 25,000 euro (individual scheme) or 40,000 euro (joint scheme). In 2015 and 2014 if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro (individual scheme) or between 37,000 euro and 40,000 euro (joint scheme) the tax credit will be the result of multiplying the usual tax credit by a coefficient calculated in this way:

$$C_{\text{individual}}=100 * \left(1 - \frac{(BasesSumInd-23,000)}{2000}\right)$$

$$C_{\text{joint}}=100 * \left(1 - \frac{(BasesSumJoint-37,000)}{3000}\right)$$

- f) **Housework tax credit** (*Deducción por la realización por uno de los cónyuges de la unidad familiar de labores no remuneradas en el hogar*): In 2011: 153 euro if only one family member receives income from work and there are, at least, two cohabiting children. The taxpayer must be eligible for child tax allowance for each child generating the tax credit (see general conditions for child tax allowance eligibility). The couple cannot be divorced and children cannot work. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must be below 27,790 euro. No family member can obtain more than 357 euro in capital gains<sup>41</sup>. In 2012 and 2013 the same amount as in 2011 if the sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) is below 24,000 euro. In 2015 and 2014 same amount as in 2011 if the sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must be below 23,000 euro. The amount is reduced gradually when it is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro. or between 37,000 euro and 40,000 euro (joint scheme) the tax credit will be the result of multiplying the usual tax credit by a coefficient calculated in this way:

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Issue	There is no information in the data about the level or type (psychic or other) disability.
Assumption	All disabled with 33% of “physic” disability, hence this element of the tax credit is not simulated.
Impact	Unknown.

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Issue	There is no information in the data about capital gains.
Assumption	No one receives capital gains.
Impact	Unknown.

$$C\_individual=100 * (1 - \frac{(BasesSumInd-23,000)}{2000})$$

$$C\_joint=100 * (1 - \frac{(BasesSumJoint-37,000)}{3000})$$

- g) **Child care for children below 3 years of age tax credit** (*Deducción or cantidades destinadas a la custodia en guarderías y centros de primer ciclo de educación infantil de hijos menores de tres años*): **In 2011:** 15% of expenditure in the tax period to take care of children below 3 years of age (maximum is 270 euro for any scheme. Parents must both work and the sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible del ahorro*) must be below 27,790 euro (individual scheme) and 44,955 euro (joint scheme). In case two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them. **In 2012 and 2013:** same amount as in 2011. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must be below 24,000 (individual scheme) and 38,880 euro (joint scheme). **In 2015 and 2014:** same amount as in 2011. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must be below 23,000 euro. The amount is reduced gradually when it is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro. In 2015 and 2014 if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro (individual scheme) or between 37,000 euro and 40,000 euro (joint scheme) the tax credit will be the result of multiplying the usual tax credit by a coefficient calculated in this way:

$$C\_individual=100 * (1 - \frac{(BasesSumInd-23,000)}{2000})$$

$$C\_joint=100 * (1 - \frac{(BasesSumJoint-37,000)}{3000})$$

- h) **Work-life balance tax credit** (*Deducción por conciliación trabajo con la vida familiar*): Working mothers may benefit from 418 euro tax credit per child of 4 years of age (over 3 and below 5 years of age). Taxpayer must be eligible for child tax allowance for each child generating the tax credit. In case two or more taxpayers are eligible for this tax credit, the total amount will be equally shared by them.

**In 2012 and 2013:** The sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable ahorro*) must not exceed 24,000 euro (individual scheme) or 38,800 euro (joint scheme).

**In 2015 and 2014:** same amount as in 2011. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must be below 23,000 euro (individual scheme) or 37,000 euro (joint scheme). The amount is reduced gradually when it is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro (individual scheme) or between 37,000 and 40,000 € (joint scheme).

In 2015 and 2014 if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro (individual scheme) or between 37,000 euro and 40,000 euro (joint scheme) the tax credit will be the result of multiplying the usual tax credit by a coefficient calculated in this way:

$$C\_individual=100 * (1 - \frac{(BasesSumInd-23,000)}{2000})$$

$$C\_joint=100 * (1 - \frac{(BasesSumJoint-37,000)}{3000})$$

- i) **Renting first home tax credit** (*Por arrendamiento de vivienda habitual*): 15% of annual rent. Maximum: 459 euro per year. 20% of annual rent for taxpayers below 35 years of age or disabled (maximum 612 euro). 25% of annual rent for taxpayers below 35 years of age and disabled, maximum 765 euro. If in joint scheme tax

credit will be multiplied by two. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible del ahorro*) minus allowances must not exceed 27,790 euro (individual scheme) or 44,955 euro (joint scheme).

**In 2012 and 2013:** The sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable ahorro*) must not exceed 24,000 euro (individual scheme) or 38,800 euro (joint scheme).

**In 2015 and 2014:** same amount as in 2011. The sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must be below 23,000 euro (individual scheme) or 37,000 euro (joint scheme). The amount is reduced gradually when it is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro. In 2015 and 2014 if the sum of the ordinary tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable general*) and the savings tax base minus reductions (*base liquidable del ahorro*) is between 23,000 and 25,000 euro (individual scheme) or between 37,000 euro and 40,000 euro (joint scheme) the tax credit will be the result of multiplying the usual tax credit by a coefficient calculated in this way:

$$C_{\text{individual}} = 100 * \left(1 - \frac{(BasesSumInd - 23,000)}{2000}\right)$$

$$C_{\text{joint}} = 100 * \left(1 - \frac{(BasesSumJoint - 37,000)}{3000}\right)$$

- j) **For low-income families with two or more children** (*Deducción autonómica por contribuyentes con dos o más descendientes*): **In 2011:** 10% of the Autonomous Community tax payment after reducing all other regional tax credits (*cuota líquida autonómica*). Eligible taxpayers are those who have two or more children qualifying for child allowance and the sum of the ordinary (*base imponible general*) and the savings tax base (*base imponible ahorro*) must not exceed 24,000 euro (sum of two parents tax bases if in individual scheme). **In 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 as in 2011.**

### 3 DATA

#### 3.1 General description

The EUROMOD database is drawn from the Spanish version of the European Statistics on Income and Living Conditions survey (EU-SILC). This is the main European Union reference source for comparative statistics on income distribution and social exclusion at European level. EU-SILC data refer to both cross-sectional and longitudinal dimensions. The cross-sectional data is collected over a certain period of time (annually) with information on household socioeconomic and demographic characteristics, individual income and other important information on living conditions. The longitudinal nature of the survey allows following the same person over a period of time in order to study how their life changes when socioeconomic or demographic conditions change or policies are modified.

The EU-SILC provides information on individuals' income and its components, the evolution of income over time and household financial situation. It also contains information on short-term movements linked to employment such as several types of unemployment (short duration, long duration and part time employment), return to work from occasional unemployment, causes and characteristics of part time employment. Concerning retirement, pensions and socio-economic situation of elderly, there are differences according to retirement regimes for people over 50, the factors determining early retirement, distribution of the main sources of income of elderly, composition of retirement pensions according to socio-economic and socio-demographic characteristics, evolution of retirement pensions over time, by age groups, distribution and evolution of income from pension plans or private insurance, etc. The survey also covers some aspects related to migration, health, intergenerational transmission of poverty and social participation.

Table 3.1 EUROMOD database description

	Year 2012
EUROMOD database	ES_2012
Original name	National-SILC
Provider	Instituto Nacional de Estadística (Spain)
Year of collection	2012
Period of collection	2012
Income reference period	2011
Coverage	Private households
Sample size	households: 12714 individuals: 33573
Response rate	Household non-response rate: 34.95% (all households) and 31.23%(original households) Overall individual non-response rate: 35.51% (all households) 31.86%(original households)

Notes: Information on response rates comes from the Final Quality Report Survey on Income and Living Conditions Spain (Spanish ECV 2012), INE, Madrid, Data adjustment

In order to make compatible 2011 income with 2012 demographic information, EUROMOD variable reporting individual age (dag) is taken from EU-SILC variable “age at the end of the income reference period” (RX020). Children born in 2012 (by definition would be aged -1) were dropped from the sample (c.f. section 3.1 for information about its impact on the sample size).

- *Sample quality and weights*

#### Non-response

Three types of non-response are observed in the EU-SILC in households that have been selected for the survey. There are two types of questionnaires: (1) for the household information (H file) and (2) for every single member considered as an adult i.e. aged 16+ (P file). If the household provides information on the household questionnaire and to at least one of the individual questionnaires, then the household is said to be a collaborating household. However, we may find individuals providing partial information (partial non-response) and those who have some individual questionnaire with no answers at all (individual non-response). When the household does not give any answer to the questionnaires (non-collaborating household), we have a unit non-response.

To correct these three types of non-response the following methods are implemented by the Spanish Statistical Office:

For partial non-response, IVE imputation is used. For individual non response, an inflation factor is defined in order to increase the total household income at micro level. Finally when unit non-response occurs a reweighting method is used.

- IVE imputation Solution for partial non-response: this method uses information on the same individual from the previous wave. If this information is not available or is available but imputed, IVEware is used. IVEware is a SAS callable software application that can perform multiple imputations of missing values using the Sequential Regression Imputation Method described in the article “A multivariate technique for multiply imputing missing values using a sequence of regression models” by Raghunathan, Lepkowski, Van Hoewyk and Solenberger (Survey Methodology, June 2001). This multivariate method can handle relatively complex data structures. It uses random perturbations to create imputations through a sequence of univariate regressions. The type of regression model used depends on the variable being imputed. The imputations are defined as draws from the predictive distribution specified by the regression model. The sequence of imputing missing values could be continued in a cyclic manner, each time overwriting the previously drawn values to build more independence and exploit the correlational structure.

- b) In the case of individual non-response, individuals are imputed using their group mean. Groups are defined using certain variables from R-file, such as sex, age, activity, number of children, household type, etc., and assigning the personal income mean value of the group where the individual belongs to.
- c) Unit non-response: the non-responding households are dropped from the sample and the weights are adjusted to account for this (using reweighting methods).

### Weights

The original sample consists of 12,714 households (28,210 individuals). Of these, no households reported missing adjustment income factor and missing household income. The weights provided by the EU-SILC are household weights aiming to correct for selective non-response and panel attrition. No re-weighting was performed.

Children born in 2012 (72 observations) were excluded from the sample. However the weights were not scaled up to reflect this exclusion. As a result, the sample used in the model is of 12,614 households (33,501 individuals) projecting a population of 46,225,416 individuals. Table 14 presents some basic descriptive statistics for the grossing-up weight.

Table 3.2 Descriptive Statistics of the Grossing-up weight

	ES_2012
Number	33573
Mean	1,379.82
Median	1,150.15
Maximum	21,505.13
Minimum	24.68
Max/Min	871.36
Decile 1	108.97
Decile 9	2,538.59
Dec 9 / Dec1	23.29

### Item non-response and under-reporting

Comparison of the Spanish version of EU-SILC with external sources is rather difficult because most often income definitions do not match. The difficulty generally stems from the definition of the income component itself and from the way an amount is expressed (external sources usually provide gross figures). Further, an increasingly large proportion of social transfers are managed by Autonomous Communities which makes it particularly hard to bring all the available information together. Nevertheless, we would like to provide some hints on the validity of the income data from EU-SILC using other information sources.

If we compare the constructed gross income data from EU-SILC (see Paniagua, M. and Méndez, J. (2008)) with those provided by National Accounts data available at the INE (Instituto Nacional de Estadística) we find that total national cash employee income amounts are pretty similar: 294,321 million euro (year 2005) in EU-SILC and 288,640 million euro (year 2003) for National Accounts.

The general conclusions on income non-response in the EU-SILC 2012 from the yearly Quality Report of the Spanish version indicate that almost every household in the sample declared to have received some income (99.0%) during the year. If we take into account the income components at household level, we can say that the sources with more recipients are net interest, dividends, and profits from capital investment in unincorporated business (18.0%) and repayments/receipts for tax adjustments (68%). The percentage of households with partial information (17.6%) is due to total disposable household income being a sum of several components, where some of them can be imputed, as it also happens for repayments/receipts for tax adjustments (0.9%). For capital income (33.0%) it is mainly due to collecting the information with intervals. This is the explanation for net income from rental of a property or land (5.4%) as well. Now, if we consider the income components at personal level as our main target, we can see that almost half of the individuals providing with individual questionnaires in the sample receive net cash or near cash

employee income (40.3%). Apart from employee income, net old-age (18.4%) and gross monthly earnings for employees (32.4%) are significantly important as income sources for these individuals. And also the percentage of persons with total information is quite high.

However, the weak point is the self-employment income component, where the percentage of missing values is 15.3% (which implies more imputation), and the partial information (50.6%) is large as well due to intervals and the component being split into benefits, losses and reductions.

### 3.2 Imputations and assumptions

#### 3.2.1 Time period

Reference period of income variables (previous year) is different from the socio-demographic, labour and economic characteristics (at time of the interview). The reconciliation of these variables was limited to cases where this inconsistency would undermine the reliability of simulated policies (e.g., the simulation of social contributions may be affected if an individual reporting earnings do not report labour market information due to changes in employment status between income reference period and the time of interview). For details on the number of observations affected and on how these incomes were reconciled see the DRD.

All monetary amounts in the EU-SILC are expressed in annual terms. These are converted into (average) monthly terms dividing them by 12. In the EUROMOD calculations it is implicitly assumed that income is received at the same rate throughout the year. In order to improve the quality of simulation of policies based on monthly income and with duration that may be lower than 12 months in a year (e.g., social contributions and unemployment benefit) variables reporting the number of payments are constructed for key income sources (in particular employment and self-employment income, unemployment benefits and pensions).

#### 3.2.2 Gross incomes

In the EU-SILC 2012, income variables for Spain are available gross of taxes. Such variables were imputed by the Spanish Statistical Institute based on reported net income. For more information on the net to gross imputation see Paniagua and Méndez (2008).

#### 3.2.3 Disaggregation of harmonized variables

##### Unemployment benefits:

A special disaggregation of the unemployment benefits is received from the national Institute of Statistics and used to classify unemployment benefits in three groups: unemployment insurances, unemployment assistance and other unemployment benefits.

##### Old age benefits:

A special disaggregation of the old age benefits is received from the national Institute of Statistics and used to distinguish between old age benefits (contributory and non-contributory in the same category) and other type of old age benefits.

##### Survivor benefits:

A special disaggregation of the survivor benefits is received from the national Institute of Statistics and used to distinguish between survivor benefits (contributory and non-contributory in the same category) and other type of survivor benefits.

##### Family benefits:

A special disaggregation of the family benefits is received from the national Institute of Statistics and used to distinguish between family benefits and classify them in three categories: maternity, not disabled child benefit and other benefits (for more details see the DRD).

Other imputed variables

- Education status and years of education: in the case where information is missing (e.g., children aged under 16) it is imputed according to age and the Spanish education system (for more details see the DRD).
- Incomes reported at the household level: are assigned either to the most appropriate household member or to first member closer to age 45 (for more details see the DRD).

### 3.3 Updating

To account for any time inconsistencies between the input dataset and the simulated policy year, updating factors are used. Each monetary variable (i.e. each income component) is updated so as to account for changes in the non-simulated variables that have taken place between the year of the data and the year of the simulated tax-benefit system. Updating factors are generally based on changes in the average value of an income component between the year of the data and the policy year. For detailed information about the construction of each updating factor as well as the sources that have been used, see Annex 1.

## 4 VALIDATION

### 4.1 Aggregate Validation

EUROMOD results are validated against external benchmarks. Detailed comparisons of the number of people receiving a given income component and total yearly amounts are shown in Annex 2. Both market incomes and non-simulated taxes and benefits in the input dataset as well as simulated taxes and benefits are validated against external official data. The main discrepancies between EUROMOD results and external benchmarks are discussed in the following subsections. Factors that may explain the observed differences are also discussed.

### 4.2 Components of disposable income

In EUROMOD we calculate the disposable income from gross income variables deducting the total personal income tax that should be paid.

Table 4.1 Components of disposable income

	EUROMOD [year]	EU-SILC [year]
	ils_dispy	HY020
Employee cash or near cash income	+	+
Employer's social insurance contribution	0	0
Company car	0	+
Contributions to individual private pension plans	0	0
Cash benefits or losses from self-employment	+	+
Pension from individual private plans	+	0
Unemployment benefits	+	+
Old-age benefits	+	+
Survivor' benefits	+	+
Sickness benefits	+	+
Disability benefits	+	+
Education-related allowances	+	+
Income from rental of a property or land	+	+
Family/children related allowances	+	+
Social exclusion not elsewhere classified	+	+
Housing allowances	+	+
Regular inter-household cash transfer received	+	+
Interests, dividends, etc.	+	+
Income received by people aged under 16	+	+
Regular taxes on wealth	-	-
Regular inter-household cash transfer paid	-	-
Tax on income and social contributions	-	-
Repayments/receipts for tax adjustment	+	+

Notes:

#### 4.2.1 Validation of incomes imputed into the simulation

As can be seen in Table 4.2 in Annex 2 the number of employed people is well represented in EUROMOD (96%), and unemployed people are slightly overrepresented (117%).

There are not available external statistics for the majority of the concepts in Table 4.4 but what we can say is that the number of recipients could be different between EUROMOD and EU-SILC in the case of income sources that are reported in the EU-SILC at the household level and which were assigned to particular individuals in the EUROMOD input data. Some examples of this are investment and property incomes.

As can be seen in tables 4.5 and 4.6, Annex2, in aggregate terms pensions are well represented in EUROMOD. There is a considerable mismatch by type of pension between the data and the official external sources. The main reason for this is that, contrary to official statistics, disability and survivor pensions of people aged 65 or more are classified as old-age pensions in the EU-SILC. As a result, the number of recipients of old age benefits in EUROMOD is about 6% more than external data in number of recipients and 19% in total amount. On the contrary both the number of disability and survivor pensions and its aggregate amounts are slightly underestimated. The number of people receiving disability benefit and survivor's pensions is underestimated but the percentage is acceptable, 77% in 2011 for disabled people and 86% in the case of survivors. Similar percentages of underestimation in total amounts, 68% for disabled and 87% for survivor's pensions.

The number of recipients and the amounts received of sickness benefits in the input data as shown in tables are significantly underestimated (22% in total amounts) compared to external sources. This comes about because external data are constructed using sickness episodes along the year and there are no available external data that allow for the

identification of the number of individuals experiencing various episodes along the year. Further, many individuals in the input data may declare income from sickness benefits as employment income.

Maternity benefits recipients are not well represented, only 33% of the recipients reported in external data, perhaps maternity or paternity benefits are included as employment income or social assistance in the survey. Quite the opposite happens with social assistance, in EUROMOD recipients of social assistance are the triple of the real ones,

Finally, some income sources in the EUROMOD input database were derived from EU-SILC aggregate variables that include more than one income source. For example, severance payments, included in the EU-SILC together with unemployment benefits (variable py090g) were split for EUROMOD use.

Pension complements were derived from the original EU-SILC data using a splitting procedure (see the DRD for more on this). The results suggest that overall the number of pension complements and its aggregate amount are overestimated in the input data. Results are considerably worse when broken down by type of pension (do notice that disability pension complements were not derived).

### 4.2.2 Validation of outputted (simulated) incomes

Pension complements are simulated in the model computing the eligibility as a combination of being reported in the input data (i.e. only those who report pension complement are considered) and the income test (which is fully simulated). Therefore, as can be seen in tables 4.7a and 4.7b the number of recipients in the EUROMOD simulation is very similar to those in the input data. The comparison with external information shows the overestimation for old age pensions complements (127%) and the underestimation for survivors complements (80%). The amount of the complement is also simulated by the model and the estimation is between 157% for old age and 84% for survivors.

Unemployment benefits are simulated following the same approach as pension complements and old-age assistance – eligibility is taken from data but combined with an income test that is simulated by the model, and the amount of the benefit is fully simulated.

Looking at the figures, tables 4.7a and 4.8a what could be highlighted is that in terms of recipients total numbers are a bit overestimated for unemployment insurance recipients (161%). Revising amount data, the situation is the other way round, underestimating total amount (71%). Unemployment benefit data results are not strictly comparable to official statistics. While the former computes the annual number of recipients and aggregate benefit amounts, the latter shows the average number of recipients along the year and the annualized amount of expenditure on any given month during the year. As a result, it is not surprising that data results show a larger number of recipients and a lower average amount.

Old-age non-contributory (assistance) pension was also derived from the EU-SILC aggregate variable py100g and simulated based on it. Old-age assistance is simulated following the same approach as pension complements: eligibility is taken from the data but combined with an income test that is simulated in the model. The amount of the benefit is also simulated. Figures in tables 4.7a and 4.8a suggest that the number and aggregate amount are underestimated. According to results, on aggregate, the number of benefit recipients and aggregate amounts seem to be underestimated in EUROMOD in comparison with external data (56% and 59% respectively).

Child benefits are fully simulated in EUROMOD. Overall the number of recipients and aggregate amounts simulated are above official statistics. By benefits, the national and disability child benefit results are not strictly comparable with official statistics: simulated results are computed per recipient (usually household) while official statistics are per child. As for regional child benefits, although the sample size is not large enough to be representative at the regional level, overall the number and average amounts are seem rather comparable to the sum of regional official statistics (regional details not in tables).

Table 4.7b and 4.8b in Annex 2 shows the number and aggregate amounts of social contributions and income tax in EUROMOD's input database, EU-SILC and official statistics Social contributions are fully simulated in EUROMOD by separating employees in full-time or part time work and using the information in EU-SILC on sector of activity (3 groups), occupation (10 groups) and maximum level of education achieved (6 levels).

According to results, the number of employee and employer contributions simulated by EUROMOD are slightly overestimated (102% and 121% respectively), but this is due to the nature of external data. External data count the number of contributing individuals as a mean of the year. Given that EUROMOD simulates all contributors to the Social Security System along the year, the number simulated by EUROMOD must clearly be significantly larger than that obtained from a mean of a cross-section of contributors along the year. A further source of disagreement in these numbers is the fact that we must approximate the external aggregate value of civil servants contributions given that in EUROMOD civil servants are indistinguishable from private sector workers. Thus, our external aggregates include an approximation of civil servants' employer contributions and also real employee civil servants' contributions as if they were private employees. Further, some effect of black economy in the labour market may also be pushing total aggregate social contributions upwards in EUROMOD in comparison with external statistics.

The number and average amount of self-employed contributions simulated by EUROMOD are lower than official statistics (58%). As for the number of contributions this may be due to some self-employed failing or refusing to report their earnings. The fact that the average contribution is lower in EUROMOD is consistent with the fact that in the simulation it is assumed that all self-employed opt for paying the minimum contribution.

The income tax rules are different for the Basque country and Navarra. Nevertheless, for simplicity, we currently do not account for this. As a result, we apply the income tax rules of the common fiscal territory (i.e., all other Spanish regions) on the whole Spanish sample. The simulation results for the Basque country and Navarra income tax are not comparable with the official statistics. Data available in tables 4.7b and 4.8b.

EUROMOD underestimate the number of taxpayers 68%. The average amount of simulated taxes is lower than reported in official statistics. Model's accuracy predicting the aggregate amount of income tax is around 65%.

A key reason for the underestimation of the amount of income tax is the underreporting of capital income (investment and property income) and self-employment income and the absence of property gains information in the data.

The number and aggregate amount of the main tax allowances (personal, family and employment) in EUROMOD is slightly underestimated, as well as the aggregate tax base. However the "gross" income tax (income tax before tax credits) is a bit overestimated, 105% in 2011.

The mortgage tax credit is also simulated. This tax credit is underestimated in the number of taxpayers (58%) that use it and in the aggregate amount (58%) in comparison with official statistics. Finally, the refundable child tax credit (paid to working mothers with children under 3 years of age) is underestimated in number and in aggregate amount. Further analysis will be carried out to find the cause of such difference.

### 4.3 Income Distribution

All income distribution results presented here are computed for individuals according to their household disposable income (HDI) equivalised by the "modified OECD" equivalence scale. HDI are calculated as the sum of all income sources of all household members net of income tax and social insurance contributions. The weights in the OECD equivalence are: first adult=1; additional people aged 14+ = 0.5; additional people aged under 14 = 0.3.

#### 4.3.1 Income distribution

The following analysis provides the indicators of income distribution: centiles, mean and median equivalised income<sup>42</sup> by gender, income quintile ratio, Gini coefficient and poverty rates. Results are presented for own calculations using EUROMOD baseline output and statistics published by Eurostat based on the EU-SILC data.

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<sup>42</sup>Using the OECD modified equivalence scale.

### 4.3.2 Income inequality and poverty

According to results, the equivalised disposable income in EUROMOD is slightly lower than in the original EU-SILC data. Three reasons may lie beneath this difference: a) inclusion of different sources in the definition of household disposable income, b) changes in the sample and recoding negative income into zero, and c) changes in the amounts of some income sources (particularly taxes and benefits) due to its simulation in EUROMOD.

Results about income distribution and inequality are shown in Table 4.9. The table shows that EUROMOD slightly underestimates disposable income in 2011. As a result, in 2011 the EUROMOD mean and median disposable incomes are a little lower than in the external statistics (85% and 88% respectively).

EUROMOD results suggest smaller figures for the Gini coefficient (94%) and the income quintile ratio (92%).

When focusing at the disposable income, it is particularly interesting to analyse the complete structure of the income distribution in EUROMOD and EU-SILC in order to understand the sources of differences in the evaluation of poverty and inequality. Looking at table 4.9 it seems that comparing with external statistics, EUROMOD overestimates slightly the income of almost every decile (between 101-105%) with the exception of the last two (92% for the tenth decile).

Table 4.10 provides at risk of poverty rates using poverty lines based on 40, 50, 60 and 70% of the median equivalised disposable income<sup>43</sup>. According to results, at risk poverty rates are very similar to official ones. They are slightly overestimated for 40% and 60% of the median (104%). The table also shows the risk of poverty rates (using 60% of the median equivalised disposable income as poverty line) by age groups. The rates are particularly overestimated for older people.

External statistics suggest that at risk of poverty rates have been around 21% over the period 2011-2013 and EUROMOD estimates one point higher poverty rates. The reason is that external poverty data comes from EUROSTAT and from the most updated data that is produced with a methodology different to some extent (administrative data introduction) to the one used in the input data base in EUROMOD (no administrative data).

## 4.4 Summary of “health warnings”

This final section summarises the main findings in terms of particular aspects of the Spanish part of EUROMOD or its database that should be borne in mind when planning appropriate uses of the model and in interpreting results

- The sample becomes relatively small when regions are considered. Since most regional policies are targeted at very specific (and in many cases rather small) population subgroups, EUROMOD results are not statistically significant for such policies. Furthermore, validating regional policies is difficult given that information from regions is scarce. Care should be taken when aiming to interpret results for regional benefits of this kind.
- There is a shortfall in people with higher incomes and self-employment income and investment or capital income. It is likely that one problem is a shortfall of high income people with these sources of income or an under-recording of these sources for high income people. Further, underreporting of self-employment and investment income is generally thought of being a source of differences between survey data and tax agency data in Spain.
- By default, the eligibility of the following policies is partially simulated (i.e. conditional on being reported in the data):
  - Unemployment insurance (bunct)
  - Unemployment assistance (bunnc)

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<sup>43</sup> Using the OECD modified equivalence scale.

- Non-contributory old-age pension benefit (poanc)
- Old-age pension complement (poacm)
- Widow/er pension complement (psuwdcn)
- The number of effective recipients of Regional Minimum Income Benefits is much lower than the number of potential recipients. As a result, EUROMOD simulations predict a much larger number of recipients than reported in official statistics. For this reason, by default, in EUROMOD baseline this policy is not simulated (i.e. it is switched OFF) and the values from the data is used instead.

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### Sources for tax-benefit descriptions/rules

The sources for tax descriptions have been the different laws that were applicable on 30<sup>th</sup> June each calendar year. In particular for the Personal Income tax the applicable laws are:

2009, 2010 and 2011: Ley 35/2006 de reforma del Impuesto sobre la Renta de las Personas Físicas and related reforms.

Further, some of the tax information was obtained from the personal income tax guides of the Spanish Agencia Tributaria available at [www.aeat.es](http://www.aeat.es)

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## **ANNEX 1 - UPDATING FACTORS**

The following tables show the updating factors used in the model, the first table show factors showing the changes with 2005 as base year or level amounts for some indexes.

The second table show the factor used to update pensions in special cases, these indexes reflect the changes from one year to the next.

Table 3.4 Raw indices for deriving EUROMOD uprating factors (changes from 2005)

Index (changes from 2005)	Constant name	Year											Source	Income components
		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015		
Index of consumer prices	\$supr_cpi	100.00	103.52	106.40	110.74	110.42	112.41	116.00	118.84	120.51	120.33	120.34	National Statistics Institute. Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Index Consumer Price; Forecast 2015 Government Macroeconomic Scenario (Private Consumption Deflator). Ministry of the Finance and Public Administrations <a href="http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/es/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&amp;cid=1254736176802&amp;menu=ultiDatos&amp;idp=1254735976607">http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/es/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&amp;cid=1254736176802&amp;menu=ultiDatos&amp;idp=1254735976607</a>	Afc, bed, bho, bfa, kivho, tpr, xhc, xhemomc, xhemomi, xhcot, xhert, xhemo, xmp, xpp, yot, ypp, ypt
Harmonised Index of consumer prices	\$hicp	100.00	103.56	106.51	110.91	110.64	112.90	116.35	119.18	121.00	120.77	120.91	National Statistics Institute. Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Harmonised Index Consumer Price; Forecast 2015 Government Macroeconomic Scenario (Private Consumption Deflator). Ministry of the Finance and Public Administrations <a href="http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/es/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&amp;cid=1254736176802&amp;menu=ultiDatos&amp;idp=1254735976607">http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/es/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&amp;cid=1254736176802&amp;menu=ultiDatos&amp;idp=1254735976607</a>	
Wage Cost	\$supr_wage	1572.0	1647.0	1731.2	1800.0	1858.0	1875.2	1894.8	1883.5	1883.8	1881.1	1896.1	National Statistics Institute. Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Index of wage and salary earnings; 2015 official data for 1st and 2nd quarter and forecasts for 3rd and 4th quarters, averages using last year information	Bhl, bma, bunctpc, yivwg, yem_a, yse, ysv, yem

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													2011-2014 <a href="http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/en/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&amp;cid=1254736045053&amp;menu=ultiDatos&amp;idp=1254735976596">http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/en/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&amp;cid=1254736045053&amp;menu=ultiDatos&amp;idp=1254735976596</a>	
Labour Cost	\$supr_labor	2128.2	2230.1	2320.2	2431.9	2516.8	2527.0	2556.8	2540.3	2544.1	2536.0	2544.8	National Statistics Institute. Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Index of wage and salary earnings; 2015 official data for 1st and 2nd quarter and forecasts for 3rd and 4th quarters, averages using last years information 2011-2014 <a href="http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/en/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&amp;cid=1254736045053&amp;menu=ultiDatos&amp;idp=1254735976596">http://www.ine.es/dyngs/INEbase/en/operacion.htm?c=Estadistica_C&amp;cid=1254736045053&amp;menu=ultiDatos&amp;idp=1254735976596</a>	Kfb, kfbcc
Interest Evolution	\$supr_k	19399	24886	31798	34502	19690	17676	20291	21060	17509	13905	10091	National Statistics Institute. Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Quarterly National Accounting. Quarterly non-financial accounts by Households and Non-profit institutions serving households. 2015 official data for 1st quarter and forecasts for 2nd, 3rd and 4th quarters, averages using last years (2011-2014) information <a href="http://www.ine.es/en/daco/daco42/ctnfsi/b10/dacoinst_10_e_n.h">http://www.ine.es/en/daco/daco42/ctnfsi/b10/dacoinst_10_e_n.h</a>	yy
IPREM (Indicador Público de Renta de Efectos Múltiples)	\$supr_iprem	469.8	479.1	499.2	516.9	527.1	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51	532.51	Ministry of the Finance and Public Administrations. General State Budgets. <a href="http://www.minhap.gob.es/en/-/GB/Areas%20Tematicas/Presupuestos%20Generales%20de%20Estado/Paginas/Presupuestos.aspx">http://www.minhap.gob.es/en/-/GB/Areas%20Tematicas/Presupuestos%20Generales%20de%20Estado/Paginas/Presupuestos.aspx</a>	bunot
Minimum wage	\$supr_mw	513	540.9	540.9	600	624	633.3	641.4	641.4	641.4	645.3	648.6	Ministry of the Finance and Public Administrations. General State Budgets. <a href="http://www.minhap.gob.es/en/-/GB/Areas%20Tematicas/Presupuestos%20Generales%20de%20Estado/Paginas/Presupuestos.aspx">http://www.minhap.gob.es/en/-/GB/Areas%20Tematicas/Presupuestos%20Generales%20de%20Estado/Paginas/Presupuestos.aspx</a>	bchot

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Minimum pension old age	\$supr_mpenold	4043.1	4221.7	4374.2	4598.2	4708.6	4755.8	4866.4	5007.8	5108.6	5122.6	5136.6	<a href="#">stos.aspx</a> Ministry Employment and Social Security. Official Statistics. Contributory Pension; 2015 official data for January- August and forecasts for full year, averages using January- August year before <a href="http://www.empleo.gob.es/">http://www.empleo.gob.es/</a>	poaot	
Minimum Pension Survival	\$supr_mpenw	6141.9	6537.7	6905.1	8619.2	9122.8	9515.8	9735.6	10018.4	10220.0	10246.6	10273.2	Ministry Employment and Social Security. Official Statistics. Contributory Pension; 2015 official data for January- August and forecasts for full year, averages using January- August year before. <a href="http://www.empleo.gob.es/">http://www.empleo.gob.es/</a>	psuot	
Wage Cost. Public Sector	\$supr_wagepub	2364.9	2364.9	2525.3	2585.5	2593.3	2706.1	2542.0	2542.0	2542.0	2542.0	2542.0	Ministry of the Finance and Public Administrations. Official Statistics. Personnel Costs; 2011- 2015 official data. <a href="http://www.sepg.pap.minhap.gob.es/sitios/sepg/en-GB/CostesPersonal/Paginas/CostesPersonalNew.aspx">http://www.sepg.pap.minhap.gob.es/sitios/sepg/en-GB/CostesPersonal/Paginas/CostesPersonalNew.aspx</a>	Yem (for civil servants)	
Old-age Pension benefits	\$supr_poa_av	686.6	722.7	760.0	814.5	854.1	884.1	915.2	946.4	979.5	999.8	1,039.7	Statistics Spain, Contributory Pension; Ministry of Employment and Social Security. 2015 official data for January- August and forecasts for full year, averages using January- August year before	Poa00,	
Survival pension benefits	\$supr_psu_av	455.3	476.7	498.3	529.0	553.9	571.7	586.4	601.6	617.6	624.0	636.5		psuwd00	
Disability benefits	\$supr_pdi_av	586.87	584.48	640.32	81.32	715.07	734.96	756.02	775.78	795.44	803.28	803.28		Pdi	

Table 3.5 Raw indices for deriving EUROMOD uprating factors (changes from one year to the next)

Index (changes from one year to the next)	Constant name	Year											Source	Income components
		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015		
Contributory pensions <1000€	\$supr_pen	100	102.6	104.1	102.4	100.3	102.3	100.0	101.0	102.0	100.25	100.25	National Statistics Institute. Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Index Consumer Price; 2005-2010 November CPI. In 2011-2015 data from General State Budgets. Ministry of the Finance and Public Administrations	Pdi, poa00, psuwd00
Contributory pensions >1000€	\$supr_pen	100	102.6	104.1	102.4	100.3	102.3	100.0	101.0	101.0	100.25	100.25	National Statistics Institute. Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Index Consumer Price; 2005-2010 November CPI. In 2011-2015 data from General State Budgets. Ministry of the Finance and Public Administrations	Pdi, poa00, psuwd00

**ANNEX 2 – VALIDATION TABLES**

Table 4.2-Number of employed and unemployed (in thousands)

	EUROMOD		External				Ratio				
	2011	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Number of employed	17,500	18,271	17,477	17,002	17,211	17458.9	0.96	1.00	1.03	1.02	1.00
Number of unemployed	5,866	5,010	5,805	6,042	5,603	5363.1	1.17	1.01	0.97	1.05	1.09









Table 4.7a-Benefit instruments simulated in EUROMOD -Number of recipients/  
payers (in thousands)

	EUROMOD					SILC	Ratio	External					Ratio				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2011	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Benefits</b>																	
NC old age pension (3) Old age pension complement (5)	143	143	143	143	143	143	1.00	254	252	251	252	N/A	0.56	0.57	0.57	0.57	N/A
Widow's pension complement (5)	624	624	624	624	624	624	1.00	776	781	781	776	N/A	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	N/A
Unemployment insurance (3)	2134	2134	2134	2134	2134	2150	0.99	1328	1381	1311	1060	N/A	1.61	1.54	1.63	2.01	N/A
Unemployment assistance (3)	1071	1073	1073	1076	1076	1457	0.74	1059	1125	1111	1020	N/A	1.01	0.95	0.96	1.05	N/A
Child benefit - without disability (11)	1331	1355	1360	1368	1361	N/A	N/A	1000	1023	1110	1193	N/A	1.33	1.30	1.20	1.12	N/A
Child benefit - with disability (11)	164	163	161	161	161	N/A	N/A	265	274	283	291	N/A	0.62	0.60	0.58	0.56	N/A
Birth and adoption benefits	42	42	42	42	42	N/A	N/A	9	8	8	8	N/A	4.77	4.92	5.09	5.00	N/A
Regional benefits	192	185	159	146	159	N/A	N/A	372	47	44	51	N/A	0.52	4.11	4.40	3.79	N/A

Table 4.7-Tax instruments simulated in EUROMOD -Number of recipients/ payers (in thousands)

	EUROMOD					External					Ratio				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Taxes and Social Insurance contributions</b>															
Income tax	14200	14300	14300	14200	13500	21008	20904	20706	N/A	N/A	0.68	0.68	0.69	N/A	N/A
All regions but P. Vasco and Navarra	13004	13127	13139	13064	12364	19468	19379	19203	N/A	N/A	0.67	0.67	0.68	N/A	N/A
P. Vasco	897	901	905	902	859	1184	1179	1168	N/A	N/A	0.76	0.76	0.77	N/A	N/A
Navarra	267	268	268	266	261	356	346	335	N/A	N/A	0.75	0.77	0.80	N/A	N/A
<b>Taxable income</b>	12954	13074	13085	13010	12309	19302	19125	18652	N/A	N/A	0.67	0.68	0.69	N/A	N/A
Work income	12171	12288	12298	12239	11484	16766	16536	16317	N/A	N/A	0.73	0.74	0.75	N/A	N/A
Investment income	2114	2127	2144	2135	2077	15828	14089	13268	N/A	N/A	0.13	0.15	0.16	N/A	N/A
Property income	781	789	789	783	760	1664	1755	1855	N/A	N/A	0.47	0.45	0.42	N/A	N/A
Self-employment income	975	978	977	962	1004	2988	2979	2998	N/A	N/A	0.33	0.33	0.33	N/A	N/A
<b>Personal and family allowances</b>	13004	13127	13139	13064	12364	19466	19378	19203	N/A	N/A	0.67	0.67	0.68	N/A	N/A
Work allowance	12362	12479	12491	12437	11660	17597	17450	17264	N/A	N/A	0.70	0.71	0.72	N/A	N/A
<b>Tax base</b>	13004	13127	13139	13064	12364	18532	18314	18162	N/A	N/A	0.70	0.71	0.72	N/A	N/A
<b>Gross income tax</b>	13004	13127	13139	13064	12364	13870	13490	13240	N/A	N/A	0.94	0.96	0.98	N/A	N/A
Tax credit Mortgage	3366	3463	3454	3426	3323	5802	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.58	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Working mother tax credit	378	387	387	381	347	857	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.44	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Social Insurance Contributions</b>															
Employees	18000	18000	18000	18000	18000	16473	15985	15474	15413	16252	1.09	1.13	1.16	1.17	1.11
Self-employed regime(1)	2224	2224	2224	2224	2224	3089	3046	3028	3097	3220	0.72	0.73	0.73	0.72	0.69
Employer	17200	17200	17200	17200	17200	16473	15985	15474	15413	N/A	1.04	1.08	1.11	1.12	N/A

Table 4.8a-Benefit instruments simulated in EUROMOD -Annual amounts (Mil.)

	EUROMOD					SILC	Ratio External					Ratio					
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2011	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Benefits</b>																	
NC old age pension (3) Old age pension complement (5)	727	742	758	763	767	662	1.10	1,238	1,260	1,285	1,296	N/A	0.59	0.59	0.59	0.59	N/A
Widow's pension complement (5)	2,226	2,350	2,397	2,403	2,410	2,124	1.05	2,638	2,745	2,738	2,711	N/A	0.84	0.86	0.88	0.89	N/A
Unemployment insurance (3)	11,306	11,249	10,806	10,797	10,864	11,563	0.98	15,841	16,627	15,416	12,009	N/A	0.71	0.68	0.70	0.90	N/A
Unemployment assistance (3)	4,111	3,850	3,849	3,855	3,860	5,288	0.78	7,714	6,362	5,760	6,339	6,273	0.53	0.61	0.67	0.61	0.62
Child benefit - without disability (11)	605	616	623	625	623	N/A	N/A	277	284	309	332	N/A	2.18	2.17	2.02	1.88	N/A
Child benefit - with disability (11)	720	738	744	746	748	N/A	N/A	933	981	1,022	1,046	N/A	0.77	0.75	0.73	0.71	N/A
Birth and adoption benefits	41	41	41	41	41	N/A	N/A	23	22	22	22	N/A	1.79	1.89	1.92	1.87	N/A
Regional benefits	178	174	121	113	131	N/A	N/A	206	52	32	N/A	N/A	0.86	3.37	3.73	N/A	N/A

Table 4.8b-Tax instruments simulated in EUROMOD -Annual amounts (Mil.)

	EUROMOD					External					Ratio				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Taxes and Social Insurance contributions</b>															
Income tax	48,590	51,691	51,795	51,844	48,383	75,221	76,066	75,271	N/A	N/A	0.65	0.68	0.69	N/A	N/A
All regions but P. Vasco and Navarra															
P. Vasco	44,092	46,907	47,004	46,981	43,802	69,803	70,619	69,951	N/A	N/A	0.63	0.66	0.67	N/A	N/A
Navarra	3,454	3,674	3,680	3,741	3,524	4,321	4,329	4,265	N/A	N/A	0.80	0.85	0.86	N/A	N/A
Navarra	1,044	1,110	1,111	1,122	1,057	1,097	1,118	1,055	N/A	N/A	0.95	0.99	1.05	N/A	N/A
<b>Taxable income</b>	305,557	306,723	307,444	306,126	298,797	392,431	373,495	352,245	N/A	N/A	0.78	0.82	0.87	N/A	N/A
Work income	272,428	273,642	274,332	273,364	265,777	322,958	309,091	306,553	N/A	N/A	0.84	0.89	0.89	N/A	N/A
Investment income	3,568	3,739	3,424	3,029	2,614	22,421	18,907	18,093	N/A	N/A	0.16	0.20	0.19	N/A	N/A
Property income	3,977	4,026	4,026	4,004	3,970	7,486	7,138	6,830	N/A	N/A	0.53	0.56	0.59	N/A	N/A
Self-employment income	30,466	30,319	30,313	29,992	30,516	23,104	22,146	22,389	N/A	N/A	1.32	1.37	1.35	N/A	N/A
<b>Personal and family allowances</b>	93,417	94,190	94,386	94,636	97,898	133,235	133,098	132,316	N/A	N/A	0.70	0.71	0.71	N/A	N/A
Work allowance	37,606	38,071	38,206	38,061	28,614	51,540	51,262	50,781	N/A	N/A	0.73	0.74	0.75	N/A	N/A
<b>Tax base</b>	270,575	270,732	271,345	271,601	272,552	343,216	328,609	327,242	N/A	N/A	0.79	0.82	0.83	N/A	N/A
<b>Gross income tax</b>	70,025	73,266	73,415	73,322	67,166	66,978	66,943	66,901	N/A	N/A	1.05	1.09	1.10	N/A	N/A
Tax Credit Mortgage	2,482	2,030	2,052	2,053	1,980	4,245	4,045	3,439	N/A	N/A	0.58	0.50	0.60	N/A	N/A
Working mother tax credit	486	498	498	491	444	865	848	822	N/A	N/A	0.56	0.59	0.61	N/A	N/A
<b>Social Insurance Contributions</b>															
Employees	19,289	19,126	19,194	19,233	19,351	16,379	17,309	15,658	15,129	17,313	1.18	1.10	1.23	1.27	1.12
Self-employed regime(1)	6,220	6,247	6,310	6,434	6,499	10,738	10,827	10,900	10,809	11,803	0.58	0.58	0.58	0.60	0.55
Employer	90,314	89,690	90,025	90,226	90,807	88,373	84,485	84,815	82,998	85,959	1.02	1.06	1.06	1.09	1.06

Table 4.9-Distribution of equivalised disposable income

	EUROMOD					External					Ratio				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
D1	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	N/A	N/A	1.03	1.02	1.07	N/A	N/A
D2	4.5	4.8	4.6	4.6	5.0	4.3	4.4	4.1	N/A	N/A	1.05	1.10	1.11	N/A	N/A
D3	5.8	5.6	5.9	6.0	5.4	5.6	5.7	5.5	N/A	N/A	1.04	0.98	1.07	N/A	N/A
D4	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.1	6.8	6.8	6.7	N/A	N/A	1.04	1.04	1.06	N/A	N/A
D5	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.0	8.0	8.0	N/A	N/A	1.03	1.05	1.05	N/A	N/A
D6	9.6	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.2	9.4	9.3	N/A	N/A	1.05	1.03	1.04	N/A	N/A
D7	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.3	11.3	10.8	10.8	10.9	N/A	N/A	1.04	1.04	1.03	N/A	N/A
D8	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	12.9	12.8	13.0	N/A	N/A	1.01	1.02	1.00	N/A	N/A
D9	15.8	15.7	15.7	15.7	15.7	15.8	15.7	16.0	N/A	N/A	1.00	1.00	0.98	N/A	N/A
D10	22.8	22.6	22.5	22.4	22.5	24.7	24.5	24.7	N/A	N/A	0.92	0.92	0.91	N/A	N/A
Median	12,272	12,248	12,258	12,260	12,451	13,868	13,524	13,269	N/A	N/A	0.88	0.91	0.92	N/A	N/A
Mean	13,738	13,610	13,622	13,597	13,816	16,119	15,635	15,405	N/A	N/A	0.85	0.87	0.88	N/A	N/A
Gini	32.2	31.9	31.8	31.8	31.8	34.2	33.7	34.7	N/A	N/A	0.94	0.95	0.92	N/A	N/A
S80/S20	6.0	5.6	5.9	5.9	5.5	6.5	6.3	6.8	N/A	N/A	0.92	0.90	0.87	N/A	N/A

Table 4.10-Poverty rates by gender and age

	EUROMOD					External					Ratio				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>40% median HDI</b>															
Total	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	9.6	9.3	10.6	N/A	N/A	1.04	1.08	0.95	N/A	N/A
Males	10.2	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	9.6	9.8	10.7	N/A	N/A	1.06	1.06	0.97	N/A	N/A
Females	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.7	8.9	10.6	N/A	N/A	1.00	1.10	0.92	N/A	N/A
<b>50% median HDI</b>															
Total	14.3	14.4	14.3	14.4	14.5	14.4	13.9	15.9	N/A	N/A	0.99	1.04	0.90	N/A	N/A
Males	14.5	14.6	14.5	14.6	14.7	14.4	14.4	16.1	N/A	N/A	1.01	1.02	0.90	N/A	N/A
Females	14.2	14.2	14.1	14.3	14.3	14.3	13.4	15.7	N/A	N/A	0.99	1.06	0.90	N/A	N/A
<b>60% median HDI</b>															
Total	21.7	21.7	21.7	21.8	21.8	20.8	20.4	22.2	N/A	N/A	1.04	1.06	0.98	N/A	N/A
Males	21.6	21.6	21.7	21.8	21.9	20.7	20.9	22.4	N/A	N/A	1.05	1.04	0.97	N/A	N/A
Females	21.8	21.8	21.7	21.8	21.8	20.9	19.9	22.1	N/A	N/A	1.04	1.09	0.98	N/A	N/A
<b>70% median HDI</b>															
Total	29.0	27.9	27.9	27.9	28.1	28.9	28.6	29.7	N/A	N/A	1.00	0.97	0.94	N/A	N/A
Males	28.6	27.9	28.0	28.0	28.1	28.4	28.8	29.1	N/A	N/A	1.01	0.97	0.96	N/A	N/A
Females	29.3	27.8	27.8	27.8	28.0	29.4	28.4	30.3	N/A	N/A	1.00	0.98	0.92	N/A	N/A
<b>60% median HDI</b>															
0-15 years	26.9	26.9	27.0	27.1	26.8	26.9	26.7	30.1	N/A	N/A	1.00	1.01	0.90	N/A	N/A
16-24 years	30.1	30.6	30.8	30.9	30.9	30.1	29.5	30.9	N/A	N/A	1.00	1.04	1.00	N/A	N/A
25-49 years	21.4	21.4	21.5	21.6	21.6	20.7	20.5	23.2	N/A	N/A	1.03	1.04	0.93	N/A	N/A
50-64 years	18.4	18.5	18.7	18.7	18.8	16.7	17.3	19.6	N/A	N/A	1.10	1.07	0.95	N/A	N/A
65+ years	16.6	16.1	15.4	15.4	16.1	14.8	12.7	11.4	N/A	N/A	1.12	1.27	1.35	N/A	N/A

## APPENDIX 3: POLICY EFFECTS

### POLICY EFFECTS IN 2013-2014

A1 shows the effect of policy changes in 2013-2014 on mean equivalised household disposable income by income component and income decile group, as a percentage of mean equivalised household disposable income in 2013. Each policy system has been applied to the same input data, deflating monetary parameters of 2014 policies by Eurostat's Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices (HICP).

The effects of changes in benefits, social contributions and direct taxes from 2013 to 2014 have been very limited. In percentage terms disposable income decreased by 0.13% in the first decile and by 0.10% in the tenth and increased in the others by less than 0.16%.

Looking at the impact of different policies, the changes in social insurance contributions for self-employed (increase in the minimum social contribution base) are the most important, causing a decrease in all deciles, the effect being larger in the first one, 0.24%.

On the contrary, public pensions produced a rise of income in every decile, the indexation of public pensions was on average 0.25%; the increase of disposable income is between 0.06% and 0.13%. The changes in means-tested and non means-tested benefits also contributed to the growth of disposable income all over the distribution, but the effects are minor.

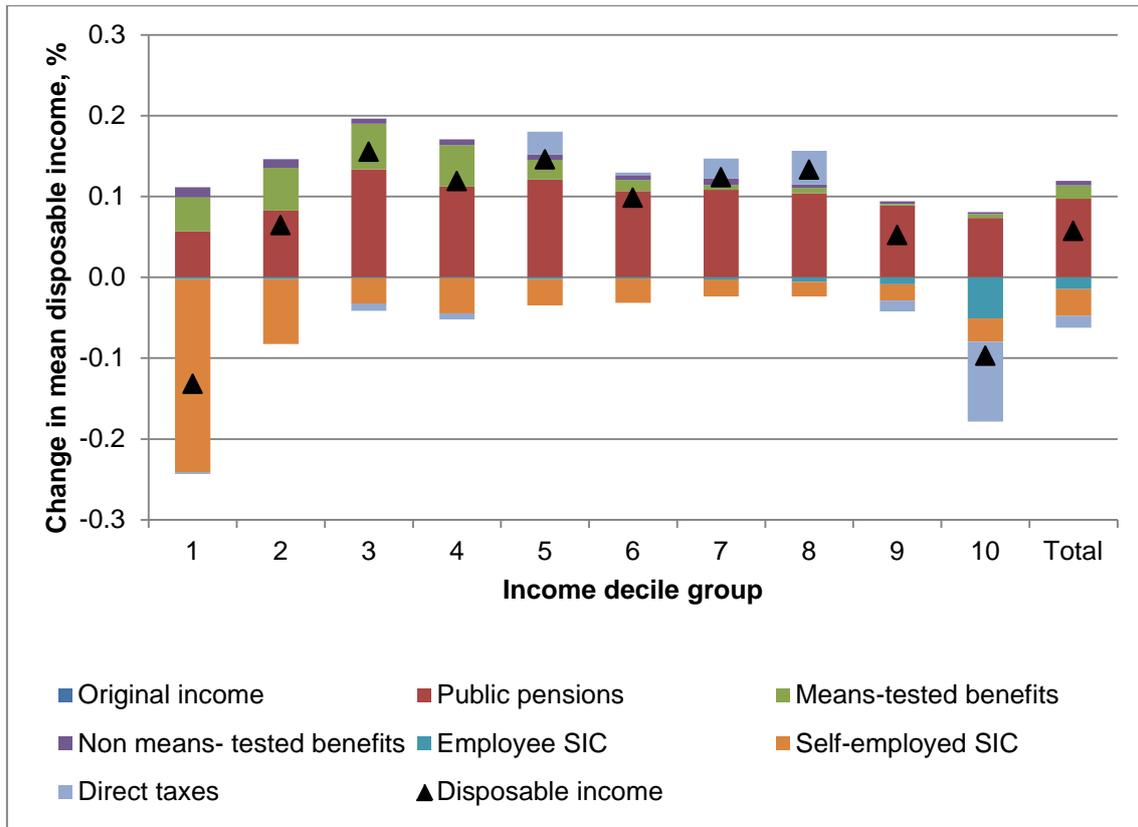
The impact of direct taxes depends on the decile, but the effect is very small, and could be due to changes and elimination of some regional tax credits.

Table A1: Policy effects in 2013-2014, using the CPI-indexation, %

Decile	Original income	Public pensions	Means-tested benefits	Non means-tested benefits	Employee SIC	Self-employed SIC	Direct taxes	Disposable income
1	0.00	0.06	0.04	0.01	0.00	-0.24	0.00	-0.13
2	0.00	0.08	0.05	0.01	0.00	-0.08	0.00	0.06
3	0.00	0.13	0.06	0.01	0.00	-0.03	-0.01	0.16
4	0.00	0.11	0.05	0.01	0.00	-0.04	-0.01	0.12
5	0.00	0.12	0.02	0.01	0.00	-0.03	0.03	0.15
6	0.00	0.11	0.01	0.01	0.00	-0.03	0.00	0.10
7	0.00	0.11	0.01	0.01	0.00	-0.02	0.02	0.12
8	0.00	0.10	0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.02	0.04	0.13
9	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-0.02	-0.01	0.05
10	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-0.03	-0.10	-0.10
Total	0.00	0.10	0.02	0.01	-0.01	-0.03	-0.01	0.06

Notes: shown as a percentage change in mean equivalised household disposable income by income component and income decile group. Income decile groups are based on equivalised household disposable income in 2013, using the modified OECD equivalence scale. Each policy system has been applied to the same input data, deflating monetary parameters of 2014 policies by Eurostat's Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices (HICP).

FigureA1: Policy effects in 2013-2014, using the CPI-indexation, %



## **POLICY EFFECTS IN 2014-2015**

Table A2 and Figure A2 shows the effect of policy changes in 2014-2015 on mean equivalised household disposable income by income component and income decile group, as a percentage of mean equivalised household disposable income in 2015. Each policy system has been applied to the same input data, deflating monetary parameters of 2015 policies by Eurostat's Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices (HICP).

The table shows the policy effects on the disposable income of changes in policies from 2014 to 2015. It is shown that the largest effect over disposable income is due to the changes in Direct taxes (in particular, changes in Personal Income Tax, PIT). There was an extensive PIT reform in 2015 concerning mainly the decrease of national tax rates, the elevation of the personal and family non-taxable minimum and the change of work related income allowances. The reform affects the disposable income increasing it in all the deciles. The effect is stronger in the upper part of the income distribution (1.58% increase in the 10<sup>th</sup> decile and only 0.01% in the 1<sup>st</sup> decile).

Another effect that is worth to highlight is the effect of non means-tested benefits. There are two new benefits managed by the Personal Income Tax as refundable tax credits<sup>1</sup>: tax credit for large families and for lone parents with two or more children. These payments in combination with changes in other non means-tested benefits have produced the increase of disposable income in all deciles. In general the effect in percentage terms is more noticeable in lower deciles: 1.78% in the first decile.

The influence of other policies on disposable income has been weaker. Means-tested benefits have increased disposable income: the percentage increase is higher for lower deciles (0.4% in the bottom and 0.01% in the top decile). The rise of disposable income caused by public pensions is small in all the deciles. On the contrary, the changes in social insurance contributions decreased disposable income, but very slightly.

The combination of all the changes brings out the growth of disposable income across all the income distribution. The effect ranges from 1.21% in the 3rd decile to 2.09% in the 1<sup>st</sup> decile. The 1<sup>st</sup> decile benefits the most because of generous refundable tax credits. The effect of the tax credits decreases for subsequent deciles, but as earnings increase, the effect of tax reduction becomes stronger, not least because reduction in taxes was more generous in higher income brackets.

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<sup>1</sup> These refundable tax credits are similar to benefits by nature, so EUROMOD classifies them as such.

Table A2: Policy effects in 2014-2015, using the CPI-indexation, %

Decile	Original income	Public pensions	Means-tested benefits	Non means-tested benefits	Employee SIC	Self-employed SIC	Direct taxes	Disposable income
1	0.00	0.11	0.40	1.78	-0.02	-0.18	0.01	2.09
2	0.00	0.15	0.16	1.13	-0.02	-0.06	0.14	1.50
3	0.00	0.24	0.18	0.60	-0.01	-0.02	0.22	1.21
4	0.00	0.21	0.09	0.50	-0.01	-0.03	0.53	1.29
5	0.00	0.22	0.07	0.38	-0.01	-0.02	0.73	1.36
6	0.00	0.20	0.03	0.38	-0.01	-0.02	1.00	1.59
7	0.00	0.20	0.02	0.21	-0.01	-0.02	1.06	1.48
8	0.00	0.19	0.02	0.16	0.00	-0.01	1.18	1.54
9	0.00	0.16	0.01	0.10	0.00	-0.01	1.26	1.52
10	0.00	0.14	0.01	0.11	-0.01	-0.02	1.58	1.81
Total	0.00	0.18	0.05	0.31	-0.01	-0.02	1.04	1.55

Notes: shown as a percentage change in mean equivalised household disposable income by income component and income decile group. Income decile groups are based on equivalised household disposable income in 2014, using the modified OECD equivalence scale. Each policy system has been applied to the same input data, deflating monetary parameters of 2015 policies by Eurostat's Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices (HICP).

Figure A2: Policy effects in 2014-2015, using the CPI-indexation, %

