

# Get ready to do your taxes

Do your taxes to receive your benefits and credits.



## Before doing your taxes

1. Gather your social insurance number, tax slips, receipts, and previous tax return.
2. Know key dates: You have until **April 30** to do your taxes and pay what you owe. Self-employed? Do your taxes by **June 15**.
3. Know what to report and claim:
  - report your income, such as employment and self-employment income, benefits, and tips
  - claim your tax deductions, credits, and expenses
4. Update your personal information using My Account or by calling the CRA.

## Doing your taxes

5. There are many ways to do your taxes including:
  - go online and use certified tax software (some are free)
  - get help from a family member, friend, or tax preparer
  - visit a free tax clinic. See if you qualify at [canada.ca/taxes-help](https://canada.ca/taxes-help)

## After doing your taxes

- Make a payment if you owe taxes, wait for your refund, or check your refund's status in My Account or by calling **1-800-959-8281**.
- Did you make a mistake? Once you get your notice of assessment, use tax software, My Account, or mail to change your tax return.
- Keep all your receipts and supporting documents.



For more information, go to:  
[canada.ca/cra-taxes-get-ready](https://canada.ca/cra-taxes-get-ready)