

Federal Budget Summary October 2022-2023

Measures and start dates at a glance

Budget measure	Application date
General	
Clarifying that digital currencies are not taxed as foreign currency	From income years that include 1 July 2021
Deferring start date for sharing economy reporting regime for: supply of ride sourcing and short-term accommodation other reportable transaction	1 July 2023 1 July 2024
Eight previously announced measures not proceeding — including changes to the debt/equity rules; \$10,000 cash payment limit; regulatory framework for limited partnership collective investment vehicles and annual audit requirements for certain SMSFs	Measures not proceeding
Deductions	
Self-assessing the effective life of intangible assets	Measure not proceeding
Previously announced technical amendments to the TOFA rules	Start date deferred to income year commencing on or after Royal Assent
Businesses	
Making specified COVID-19 business grants NANE income	Qualifying grants received in the 2020–21 and 2021–22 income years
Funding for small business supports — Jobs and Skills Summit; to support business employers implement paid family and domestic violence leave; and the Small Business Debt Helpline and New Access for Small Business Owners program	From various dates in the 2022–23 income year
Companies	
Alignment of the tax treatment of off-market share buy-backs undertaken by listed public companies with the treatment of on-market share buy-backs	From 7.30 pm AEDT, 25 October 2022

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International	
Amending Australia's interest limitation (thin capitalisation) rules	Income years commencing on or after 1 July 2023
Anti-avoidance rule preventing significant global entities claiming tax deductions for payments made directly or indirectly to related parties for intangibles held in low- or no-tax jurisdictions	Payments made on or after 1 July 2023
Tax transparency reporting requirements for SGEs, Australian public companies and certain tenderers for Australian Government contracts	Income years commencing on or after 1 July 2023
Australia-Iceland Tax Treaty	Will enter into force after both countries have completed domestic requirements and exchanged instruments of ratification
Fringe Benefits Tax	
Electric car discount — FBT and import tariff exemption for certain battery, hydrogen fuel cell and plug in hybrid vehicles	Fringe benefits provided on or after 1 July 2022 for eligible cars first held and used on or after 1 July 2022
Superannuation	
Minimum age for downsizer contributions reduced from 60 to 55 years	Downsizer contributions made on or after the first day of the first quarter after the day of Royal Assent
Previously announced relaxing of residency requirements for SMSFs	Start date deferred to income year commencing on or after Royal Assent
Compliance	
Extension of the ATO's Personal Income Taxation Compliance Program for two years	From 1 July 2023
Extension of the existing ATO Shadow Economy Program for a further three years	From 1 July 2023
ATO Tax Avoidance Taskforce — increased funding and extension for a further year	Boosted funding from 1 July 2022 One year extension from 1 July 2025
Increased funding for the Tax Practitioners Board to undertake compliance investigations	Four years from 1 July 2023
Increase in Commonwealth penalty unit amount from \$222 to \$275	From 1 January 2023

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Other taxes	
Heavy vehicle road user charge increased from 26.4 to 27.2 cents per litre	From 29 September 2022
Related laws	
Australia's foreign investment framework — Doubling of fees and penalties for applications relating to residential property	Fees doubled from 29 July 2022 Penalties double from 1 January 2023
Modernising business registers — additional funding for ATO and ASIC	From the 2022–23 income year
Women's Budget Statement — funding for various measures regarding women's economic security, ending violence, and gender equality, health and wellbeing	Various dates mainly from the 2022–23 income year
Cheaper child care — Increases to the maximum Child Care Subsidy, the family income eligibility threshold and the rate for families earning less than the threshold	From the 2022–23 income year
Paid Parental Leave — extension and increased flexibility	Most changes from 1 July 2023 Expansion to 26 weeks to be phased in over two years from 1 July 2024.