

Interest Rates

Ohio Revised Code 718.27 requires the Tax Administrator to publish, by October 31st, the established interest rate for tax underpayments based on the Federal short-term rate that will apply during the next calendar year.

Interest shall be imposed per annum, on all unpaid income tax, unpaid estimated income tax and unpaid withholding tax.

The interest rate used shall be the Federal short-term rate (rounded to the nearest whole number percent) plus five percent (5%). The rate shall apply for the calendar year next following the July of the year in which the Federal short-term rate is determined.

Note: Interest applies to any balance of tax due that is not paid by the due date of a return, even if the return is filed under extension.

Calendar Year	Monthly Interest Rates	Yearly Interest Rates
2022	0.42%	5.00%
2021	0.42%	5.00%
2020	0.583%	7.00%
2019	0.583%	7.00%
2018	0.50%	6.00%
2017	0.50%	6.00%
2016	0.42%	5.00%
2015	1.0%	12.00%

Penalties

A penalty may be imposed on unpaid income tax and unpaid estimated income tax **equal to fifteen percent (15%)** of the amount not timely paid.

A penalty may be imposed on unpaid withholding tax **equal to fifty percent (50%)** of the amount not timely paid.

Late Filing Fee

A late filing fee may be imposed if the return is filed after the due date without a valid extension. The late filing fee is **\$25.00 per month** (or fraction thereof) not to exceed \$150.00. This late filing fee is due in addition to all other penalty and interest and is imposed even if no tax is due.