Section 6621.— Determination of Interest Rate

26 CFR 301.6621-1: Interest rate.

Interest rates; underpayments and overpayments. The rate of interest determined under section 6621 of the Code for the calendar quarter beginning January 1, 1998, will be 8 percent for overpayments, 9 percent for underpayments, and 11 percent for large corporate underpayments. The rate of interst paid on the portion of a corporate overpayment exceeding \$10,000 is 6.5 percent.

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Section 6621 of the Internal Revenue Code establishes different rates for interest on tax overpayments and interest on tax underpayments. Under § 6621(a)(1), the overpayment rate is the sum of the federal short-term rate plus 2 percentage points, except the rate for the portion of a corporate overpayment of tax exceeding \$10,000 for a taxable period is the sum of the federal short-term rate plus 0.5 of a percentage point for interest computations made after December 31, 1994. Under § 6621(a)(2), the underpayment rate is the sum of the federal short-term rate plus 3 percentage points.

Section 6621(c) provides that for purposes of interest payable under § 6601 on any large corporate underpayment, the underpayment rate under § 6621(a)(2) is determined by substituting "5 percentage points" for "3 percentage points." See § 6621(c) and § 301.6621–3 of the Regulations on Procedure and Administration

for the definition of a large corporate underpayment and for the rules for determining the applicable date. Section 6621(c) and § 301.6621–3 are generally effective for periods after December 31, 1990.

Section 6621(b)(1) provides that the Secretary will determine the federal short-term rate for the first month in each calendar quarter.

Section 6621(b)(2)(A) provides that the federal short-term rate determined under § 6621(b)(1) for any month applies during the first calendar quarter beginning after such month.

Section 6621(b)(2)(B) provides that in determining the addition to tax under § 6654 for failure to pay estimated tax for any taxable year, the federal short-term rate that applies during the third month following such taxable year also applies during the first 15 days of the fourth month following such taxable year.

Section 6621(b)(3) provides that the federal short-term rate for any month is the federal short-term rate determined during such month by the Secretary in accordance with § 1274(d), rounded to the nearest full percent (or, if a multiple of 1/2 of 1 percent, the rate is increased to the next highest full percent).

Notice 88–59, 1988-1 C.B. 546, announced that, in determining the quarterly interest rates to be used for overpayments and underpayments of tax under § 6621, the Internal Revenue Service will use the federal short-term rate based on daily compounding because that rate is most consistent with § 6621 which, pursuant to § 6622, is subject to daily compounding.

Rounded to the nearest full percent, the federal short-term rate based on daily compounding determined during the month of October 1997 is 6 percent. Accordingly, an overpayment rate of 8 percent and an underpayment rate of 9 percent are established for the calendar quarter beginning January 1, 1998. The overpayment rate for the portion of a corporate overpayment exceeding \$10,000 for the calendar quarter beginning January 1, 1998, is 6.5 percent. The underpayment rate for large corporate underpayments for the calendar quarter beginning January 1, 1998, is 11 percent. These rates apply to amounts bearing interest during that calendar quarter.

The 9 percent rate also applies to estimated tax underpayments for the first calendar quarter in 1998 and for the first 15 days in April 1998.

Interest factors for daily compound interest for annual rates of 6.5 percent, 8 percent, 9 percent, and 11 percent are published in Tables 18, 21, 23, and 27 of Rev. Proc. 95–17, 1995–1 C.B. 556, 572, 575, 577, and 581.

Annual interest rates to be compounded daily pursuant to § 6622 that apply for prior periods are set forth in the tables accompanying this revenue ruling.

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TABLE OF INTEREST RATES PERIODS BEFORE JUL. 1, 1975 - PERIODS ENDING DEC. 31, 1986 OVERPAYMENTS AND UNDERPAYMENTS – PERIOD

		DAILY RATE TABLE		
	RATE	IN 1995-1 C.B.		
Before Jul. 1, 1975	6%	Table 2, pg. 557		
Jul. 1, 1975—Jan. 31, 1976	9%	Table 4, pg. 559		
Feb. 1, 1976—Jan. 31, 1978	7%	Table 3, pg. 558		
Feb. 1, 1978—Jan. 31, 1980	6%	Table 2, pg. 557		
Feb. 1, 1980—Jan. 31, 1982	12%	Table 5, pg. 560		
Feb. 1, 1982—Dec. 31, 1982	20%	Table 6, pg. 560		
Jan. 1, 1983—Jun. 30, 1983	16%	Table 37, pg. 591		
Jul. 1, 1983—Dec. 31, 1983	11%	Table 27, pg. 581		
Jan. 1, 1984—Jun. 30, 1984	11%	Table 75, pg. 629		

TABLE OF INTEREST RATES – Continued PERIODS BEFORE JUL. 1, 1975 - PERIODS ENDING DEC. 31, 1986 OVERPAYMENTS AND UNDERPAYMENTS – PERIOD

	RATE	DAILY RATE TABLE IN 1995-1 C.B.		
Jul. 1, 1984—Dec. 31, 1984	11%	Table 75, pg. 629		
Jan. 1, 1985—Jun. 30, 1985	13%	Table 31, pg. 585		
Jul. 1, 1985—Dec. 31, 1985	11%	Table 27, pg. 581		
Jan. 1, 1986—Jun. 30, 1986	10%	Table 25 pg. 579		
Jul. 1, 1986—Dec. 31, 1986	9%	Table 23, pg. 577		

TABLE OF INTEREST RATES FROM JAN. 1, 1987 - PRESENT

	RAT				UNDERPAYMENTS		
	RATE TABLE PG		PG	RATE TABLE PG			
	19	995-1 C.B.			1995-1 C.B.		
Jan. 1, 1987—Mar. 31, 1987	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	
Apr. 1, 1987—Jun. 30, 1987	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	
Jul. 1, 1987—Sep. 30, 1987	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	
Oct. 1, 1987—Dec. 31, 1987	9%	23	577	10%	25	579	
Jan. 1, 1988—Mar. 31, 1988	10%	73	627	11%	75	629	
Apr. 1, 1988—Jun. 30, 1988	9%	71	625	10%	73	627	
Jul. 1, 1988—Sep. 30, 1988	9%	71	625	10%	73	627	
Oct. 1, 1988—Dec. 31, 1988	10%	73	627	11%	75	629	
Jan. 1, 1989—Mar. 31, 1989	10%	25	579	11%	27	581	
Apr. 1, 1989—Jun. 30, 1989	11%	27	581	12%	29	583	
Jul. 1, 1989—Sep. 30, 1989	11%	27	581	12%	29	583	
Oct. 1, 1989—Dec. 31, 1989	10%	25	579	11%	27	581	
Jan. 1, 1990—Mar. 31, 1990	10%	25	579	11%	27	581	
Apr. 1, 1990—Jun. 30, 1990	10%	25	579	11%	27	581	
Jul. 1, 1990—Sep. 30, 1990	10%	25	579	11%	27	581	
Oct. 1, 1990—Dec. 31, 1990	10%	25	579	11%	27	581	
Jan. 1, 1991—Mar. 31, 1991	10%	25	579	11%	27	581	
Apr. 1, 1991—Jun. 30, 1991	9%	23	577	10%	25	579	
Jul. 1, 1991—Sep. 30, 1991	9%	23	577	10%	25	579	
Oct. 1, 1991—Dec. 31, 1991	9%	23	577	10%	25	579	
Jan. 1, 1992—Mar. 31, 1992	8%	69	623	9%	71	625	
Apr. 1, 1992—Jun. 30, 1992	7%	67	621	8%	69	623	
Jul. 1, 1992—Sep. 30, 1992	7%	67	621	8%	69	623	
Oct. 1, 1992—Dec. 31, 1992	6%	65	619	7%	67	621	
Jan. 1, 1993—Mar. 31, 1993	6%	17	571	7%	19	573	
Apr. 1, 1993—Jun. 30, 1993	6%	17	571	7%	19	573	
Jul. 1, 1993—Sep. 30, 1993	6%	17	571	7%	19	573	
Oct. 1, 1993—Dec. 31, 1993	6%	17	571	7%	19	573	
Jan. 1, 1994—Mar. 31, 1994	6%	17	571	7%	19	573	
Apr. 1, 1994—Jun. 30, 1994	6%	17	571	7%	19	573	
Jul. 1, 1994—Sep. 30, 1994	7%	19	573	8%	21	575	
Oct. 1, 1994—Dec. 31, 1994	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	
Jan. 1, 1995—Mar. 31, 1995	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	

TABLE OF INTEREST RATES – Continued
FROM IAN 1 1987 - PRESENT

	OVERPAYMENTS			UND	UNDERPAYMENTS		
	RATE TABLE PG 1995-1 C.B.		RATE TABLE PG 1995-1 C.B.				
Apr. 1, 1995—Jun. 30, 1995	9%	23	577	10%	25	579	
Jul. 1, 1995—Sep. 30, 1995	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	
Oct. 1, 1995—Dec. 31, 1995	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	
Jan. 1, 1996—Mar. 31, 1996	8%	69	623	9%	71	625	
Apr. 1, 1996—Jun. 30, 1996	7%	67	621	8%	69	623	
Jul. 1, 1996—Sep. 30, 1996	8%	69	623	9%	71	625	
Oct. 1, 1996—Dec. 31, 1996	8%	69	623	9%	71	625	
Jan. 1, 1997—Mar. 31, 1997	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	
Apr. 1, 1997—Jun. 30, 1997	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	
Jul. 1, 1997—Sep. 30, 1997	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	
Oct. 1, 1997—Dec. 31, 1997	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	
Jan. 1, 1998—Mar. 31, 1998	8%	21	575	9%	23	577	

TABLE OF INTEREST RATES FOR LARGE CORPORATE UNDERPAYMENTS EDOM LANGARY 1 1991 PRESENT

FROM JANUARY 1, 1991 - PRESENT					
	RAT	RATE TABLE PG			
	1	1995-1 C.B.			
Jan. 1, 1991—Mar. 31, 1991	13%	31	585		
Apr. 1, 1991—Jun. 30, 1991	12%	29	583		
Jul. 1, 1991—Sep. 30, 1991	12%	29	583		
Oct. 1, 1991—Dec. 31, 1991	12%	29	583		
Jan. 1, 1992—Mar. 31, 1992	11%	75 72	629		
Apr. 1, 1992—Jun. 30, 1992	10%	73	627		
Jul. 1, 1992—Sep. 30, 1992	10%	73	627		
Oct. 1, 1992—Dec. 31, 1992	9%	71	625		
Jan. 1, 1993—Mar. 31, 1993	9%	23	577		
Apr. 1, 1993—Jun. 30, 1993	9%	23	577		
Jul. 1, 1993—Sep. 30, 1993	9%	23	577		
Oct. 1, 1993—Dec. 31, 1993	9%	23	577		
Jan. 1, 1994—Mar. 31, 1994	9%	23	577		
Apr. 1, 1994—Jun. 30, 1994	9%	23	577		
Jul. 1, 1994—Sep. 30, 1994	10%	25	579		
Oct. 1, 1994—Dec. 31, 1994	11%	27	581		
Jan. 1, 1995—Mar. 31, 1995	11%	27	581		
Apr. 1, 1995—Jun. 30, 1995	12%	29	583		
Jul. 1, 1995—Sep. 30, 1995	11%	27	581		
Oct. 1, 1995—Dec. 31, 1995	11%	27	581		
Jan. 1, 1996—Mar. 31, 1996	11%	75	629		
Apr. 1, 1996—Jun. 30, 1996	10%	73	627		
Jul. 1, 1996—Sep. 30, 1996	11%	75	629		
Oct. 1, 1996—Dec. 31, 1996	11%	75	629		
Jan. 1, 1997—Mar. 31, 1997	11%	27	581		
Apr. 1, 1997—Jun. 30, 1997	11%	27	581		
Jul. 1, 1997—Sep. 30, 1997	11%	27	581		
Oct. 1, 1997—Dec. 31, 1997	11%	27	581		
Jan. 1, 1998—Mar. 31, 1998	11%	27	581		

TABLE OF INTEREST RATES FOR CORPORATE OVERPAYMENTS EXCEEDING \$10,000 FROM JANUARY 1, 1995 - PRESENT

	RAT	RATE TABLE PG		
	19	1995-1 C.B.		
Jan. 1, 1995—Mar. 31, 1995	6.5%	18	572	
Apr. 1, 1995—Jun. 30, 1995	7.5%	20	574	
Jul. 1, 1995—Sep. 30, 1995	6.5%	18	572	
Oct. 1, 1995—Dec. 31, 1995	6.5%	18	572	
Jan. 1, 1996—Mar. 31, 1996	6.5%	66	620	
Apr. 1, 1996—Jun. 30, 1996	5.5%	64	618	
Jul. 1, 1996—Sep. 30, 1996	6.5%	66	620	
Oct. 1, 1996—Dec. 31, 1996	6.5%	66	620	
Jan. 1, 1997—Mar. 31, 1997	6.5%	18	572	
Apr. 1, 1997—Jun. 30, 1997	6.5%	18	572	
Jul. 1, 1997—Sep. 30, 1997	6.5%	18	572	
Oct. 1, 1997—Dec. 31, 1997	6.5%	18	572	
Jan. 1, 1998—Mar. 31, 1998	6.5%	18	572	

Section 7430.—Awarding of Costs and Certain Fees

The Service provides an inflation adjustment to the hourly limit on attorney fees that may be awarded in a judgment or settlement of an administrative or judicial proceeding concerning the determination, collection, or refund of tax, interest, or penalty for calendar year 1998. See Rev. Proc. 97–57, page 20.

Section 7702B.—Treatment of Qualified Long-Term Care Insurance

The Service provides an inflation adjustment to the stated dollar amount of the per diem limitation regarding periodic payments received under a qualified long-term care insurance contract or periodic payments received under a life insurance contract that are treated as paid by reason of the death of a chronically ill individual for calendar year 1998. See Rev. Proc. 97–57, page 20.

Section 7872.—Treatment of Loans With Below-Market Interest Rates

CPI adjustment for below-market loans–1998. The amount that section 7872(g) of the Code permits a taxpayer to lend to a qualified continuing care facility without incurring imputed interest is pub-

lished and adjusted for inflation for years 1987–1998. Rev. Rul. 96–64 supplemented and superseded.