Chapter 5 Summary

Section Objectives

How does it apply to you?

Section 1

Calculate a flat income tax.



You can determine what income is taxable and calculate income taxes in states with a flat tax. (See Examples 1 and 2.)

Identify types of taxes.



You can identify taxes based on how the tax rate changes as income increases. (See Examples 3 and 4.)

Analyze an indirect tax.



You can analyze taxes to determine who pays them and who benefits from them. (See Examples 5 and 6.)

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Calculate a graduated income tax.



You can calculate graduated income taxes to compare the taxes paid for different salaries in different states. (See Examples 1 and 2.)

Analyze a graduated income tax system.



Analyzing tax systems helps you understand the degree to which income level affects taxation. (See Example 3.)

Compare a graduated income tax with a flat income tax.



You can analyze alternative tax systems and determine how they could address the U.S. deficit. (See Examples 5 and 6.)

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Calculate a property tax.



You can compare property taxes in different cities. (See Example 1.)

Analyze assessments and tax credits.



You can use the assessed value of a property to appeal assessments and calculate property tax credits. (See Examples 3 and 4.)

Analyze exemptions for property tax.



You can calculate property tax savings from exemptions. (*See Example 6.*)

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Calculate Social Security & Medicare taxes.



You can find how much you and your employer pay for various taxes and benefits. (See Examples 1 and 2.)

Evaluate the benefits of Social Security.



You can analyze Social Security benefits to help make retirement decisions. (See Examples 3 and 4.)

Analyze the viability of Social Security.



You can analyze Social Security to understand why it may not be available to you when you retire. (See Examples 5 and 6.)