



Investigating super

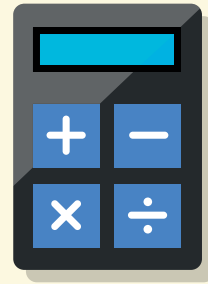


Table 1: The annual salaries of 25 people in one street in a new suburb of Canberra.

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| \$71,562 | \$49,587 | \$53,654 | \$102,658 | \$42,985 |
| \$31,595 | \$24,450 | \$26,860 | \$55,614 | \$56,555 |
| \$50,500 | \$37,951 | \$44,214 | \$64,195 | \$81,687 |
| \$41,665 | \$59,654 | \$18,671 | \$54,450 | \$42,900 |
| \$61,460 | \$38,523 | \$78,159 | \$52,365 | \$67,222 |

Table 2: Individuals – Super balance, by taxable income, 2015–16 to 2016–17 financial years

| Taxable income | Individuals (no.) | Average account balance (\$) | Median account balance (\$) |
|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| \$18,200 or less | 2,025,162 | 122,506 | 17,468 |
| \$18,201 to \$37,000 | 2,786,488 | 88,221 | 19,788 |
| \$37,001 to \$80,000 | 5,399,194 | 114,316 | 56,159 |
| \$80,001 to \$180,000 | 2,025,970 | 241,342 | 139,902 |
| \$180,001 or more | 409,033 | 582,420 | 279,587 |
| No income tax return | 4,028,609 | 72,752 | 10,237 |
| Total | 16,674,456 | 28.1 | 28.1 |

Source: ATO. Retrieved from <https://www.ato.gov.au/About-ATO/Research-and-statistics/In-detail/Taxation-statistics/>

**Table 3:** Individuals – median and average taxable income and superannuation account balance, 2012–13 to 2016–17 income years

| Income year | Average taxable income (\$) | Median taxable income (\$) | Average super account balance (\$) | Median super account balance (\$) |
|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2012–13 | 55,228 | na | 94,417 | 28,714 |
| 2013–14 | 57,134 | 42,562 | 99,695 | 33,479 |
| 2014–15 | 57,878 | 43,236 | 112,738 | 36,820 |
| 2015–16 | 58,689 | 43,877 | 115,945 | 37,473 |
| 2016–17 | 59,014 | 44,382 | 128,024 | 41,731 |

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Table 4: Female – median and average taxable income and superannuation account balance, 2012–13 to 2016–17 income years

| Income year | Gender | Average taxable income (\$) | Median taxable income (\$) | Average super account balance (\$) | Median super account balance (\$) |
|-------------|--------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2012–13 | Female | 43,944 | na | 81,656 | 26,746 |
| 2013–14 | Female | 45,573 | na | 92,163 | 31,087 |
| 2014–15 | Female | 46,870 | 37,041 | 99,057 | 34,199 |
| 2015–16 | Female | 48,043 | 37,767 | 102,346 | 34,630 |
| 2016–17 | Female | 48,118 | 37,908 | 114,350 | 38,731 |

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Table 5: Male – median and average taxable income and superannuation account balance, 2012–13 to 2016–17 income years

| Income year | Gender | Average taxable income (\$) | Median taxable income (\$) | Average super account balance (\$) | Median super account balance (\$) |
|-------------|--------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2012–13 | Male | 65,578 | na | 112,431 | 36,339 |
| 2013–14 | Male | 67,785 | na | 124,556 | 41,684 |
| 2014–15 | Male | 68,875 | 51,682 | 131,470 | 45,348 |
| 2015–16 | Male | 69,644 | 52,316 | 134,240 | 45,887 |
| 2016–17 | Male | 69,278 | 52,376 | 146,421 | 50,239 |

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