

# Important Public Finance Formulas PDF



## Formulas Examples with Units

### List of 18 Important Public Finance Formulas

#### 1) Average Tax Rate Formula

Formula

$$ATR = \frac{TP}{NI}$$

Example

$$0.125 = \frac{250000}{2000000}$$

Evaluate Formula

#### 2) Budget Balance Formula

Formula

$$S = T - G - TR$$

Example

$$703000 = 820000 - 78000 - 39000$$

Evaluate Formula

#### 3) Budget Deficit Formula

Formula

$$B_{def} = G_{exp} - G_{inc}$$

Example

$$800 = 4100 - 3300$$

Evaluate Formula

#### 4) Cost Benefit Analysis Formula

Formula

$$BCR = \frac{\sum \left( x, 0, n, \left( \frac{CF_B}{(1 + (0.01 \cdot DR))^x} \right) \right)}{\sum \left( x, 0, n, \left( \frac{CF_C}{(1 + (0.01 \cdot DR))^x} \right) \right)}$$

Example

$$2 = \frac{\sum \left( x, 0, 6, \left( \frac{200000}{(1 + (0.01 \cdot 12))^x} \right) \right)}{\sum \left( x, 0, 6, \left( \frac{100000}{(1 + (0.01 \cdot 12))^x} \right) \right)}$$

Evaluate Formula

#### 5) Debt to GDP Ratio Formula

Formula

$$D_{GDP} = \frac{TD}{GDP}$$

Example

$$2.4 = \frac{24000000}{10000000}$$

Evaluate Formula

#### 6) Laffer Curve Formula

Formula

$$R = tax \cdot Tb$$

Example

$$128000 = 8 \cdot 16000$$

Evaluate Formula



## 7) Marginal Propensity to Consume Formula

Formula

$$MPC = \frac{C_{gs}}{DI \cdot (R - Tax)}$$

Example

$$0.2602 = \frac{2300000}{130 \cdot (128000 - 60000)}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 8) Marginal Propensity to Save Formula

Formula

$$MPS = \frac{\Delta S}{\Delta I}$$

Example

$$0.8333 = \frac{25}{30}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 9) Marginal Tax Rate Formula

Formula

$$MTR = \frac{\Delta TP}{\Delta TI}$$

Example

$$2.5 = \frac{15000}{6000}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 10) Tax Buoyancy Formula

Formula

$$TB_y = \frac{\% \Delta R}{\% \Delta GDP}$$

Example

$$5 = \frac{20}{4}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 11) Tax Burden for Customers Formula

Formula

$$TB_r = \frac{E_s}{E_D + E_s}$$

Example

$$0.3976 = \frac{0.33}{0.50 + 0.33}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 12) Tax Burden for Suppliers Formula

Formula

$$TB_r = \frac{E_D}{E_D + E_s}$$

Example

$$0.6024 = \frac{0.50}{0.50 + 0.33}$$

Evaluate Formula 

## 13) Tax Elasticity Formula

Formula

$$TE = \frac{\% \Delta R}{\% \Delta E}$$

Example

$$6.6667 = \frac{20}{3}$$

Evaluate Formula 



#### 14) Tax Incidence for Customers Formula ↻

Formula

$$TI = 100 \cdot \left( \frac{E_S}{E_D + E_S} \right)$$

Example

$$39.759 = 100 \cdot \left( \frac{0.33}{0.50 + 0.33} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

#### 15) Tax Incidence for Producers Formula ↻

Formula

$$TI = 100 \cdot \left( \frac{E_D}{E_D + E_S} \right)$$

Example

$$60.241 = 100 \cdot \left( \frac{0.50}{0.50 + 0.33} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

#### 16) Tax Liability Formula ↻

Formula

$$TL = TB \cdot 0.01 \cdot \text{tax}$$

Example

$$4000 = 50000 \cdot 0.01 \cdot 8$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

#### 17) Tax Multiplier Formula ↻

Formula

$$TM = \left( \frac{1 - MPC}{MPS} \right)$$

Example

$$0.8706 = \left( \frac{1 - 0.26}{0.85} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula ↻

#### 18) Tax Revenue Formula ↻

Formula

$$T = TL \cdot Tp$$

Example

$$800000 = 4000 \cdot 200$$

Evaluate Formula ↻



## Variables used in list of Public Finance Formulas above

- **% $\Delta$ E** Change in Economic Activity
- **% $\Delta$ GDP** Change in GDP
- **% $\Delta$ R** Change in Tax Revenue
- **ATR** Average Tax Rate
- **B<sub>def</sub>** Budget Deficit
- **BCR** Benefit Cost Ratio
- **C<sub>gs</sub>** Consumption
- **CF<sub>B</sub>** Cash Flow of Benefits
- **CF<sub>C</sub>** Cash Flow of Costs
- **D<sub>GDP</sub>** Debt to Gdp
- **DI** Disposable Income
- **DR** Discount Rate
- **E<sub>D</sub>** Elasticity of Demand
- **E<sub>S</sub>** Elasticity of Supply
- **G** Government Consumption
- **G<sub>exp</sub>** Government Expenditure
- **G<sub>inc</sub>** Government Income
- **GDP** Gross Domestic Product (GDP)
- **MPC** Marginal Propensity to Consume
- **MPS** Marginal Propensity to Save
- **MTR** Marginal Tax Rate
- **n** Number of Periods
- **NI** Net Income
- **R** Revenue
- **S** Budget Balance
- **T** Tax Revenue
- **tax** Tax Rate
- **Tax** Tax Imposed
- **Tb** Taxable Base
- **TB** Tax Base
- **TB<sub>r</sub>** Tax Burden
- **TB<sub>y</sub>** Tax Buoyancy
- **TD** Total Debt of Country
- **TE** Tax Elasticity

## Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Public Finance Formulas above

- **Functions:** sum, sum(i, from, to, expr)  
*Summation or sigma ( $\Sigma$ ) notation is a method used to write out a long sum in a concise way.*









- **TI** Tax Incidence
- **TL** Tax Liability
- **TM** Tax Multiplier
- **Tp** Taxpayer
- **TP** Tax Paid
- **TR** Transfer Payments
- **$\Delta I$**  Change in Income
- **$\Delta S$**  Change in Savings
- **$\Delta TI$**  Change in Taxable Income
- **$\Delta TP$**  Change in Taxes Paid



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