



SCD 2003/1 - Superannuation contributions: what is the surcharge threshold for the 2003-2004 financial year under the Superannuation Contributions Tax (Assessment and Collection) Act 1997 ?

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Superannuation Contributions Determination

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Preamble

Superannuation Contributions Determinations (SCDs) do not have the force of law. Each decision made by the Australian Taxation Office is made on the merits of the individual case having regard to any relevant Rulings and Determinations.

1. The *Superannuation Contributions Tax (Assessment and Collection) Act 1997* (SCT(AC)A) provides that for each financial year the surcharge threshold is to be an amount which reflects movements in full-time adult average weekly ordinary time earnings (AWOTE).
2. To ascertain the surcharge threshold, an indexation factor is calculated by dividing the index number for the last quarter in the current March year by the index number for the last quarter in the previous March year. The index number for a quarter is the AWOTE estimate for the middle month of the quarter published by the Australian Statistician.
3. The Australian Statistician's AWOTE estimate for February 2003 was \$900.40 and the estimate for February 2002 was \$860.50. This produces an indexation factor of 1.046. This factor, when multiplied by the surcharge threshold for the previous year, produces the surcharge threshold for the current year.
4. Superannuation Contributions Determination SCD 2002/1 specifies the surcharge threshold for the 2002-2003 financial year as \$90,527.
5. For the purposes of subsection 9(2) of the SCT(AC)A, the surcharge threshold for the 2003-2004 financial year is:

\$94,691

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- average weekly ordinary time earnings
- earnings base
- financial year
- indexation
- indexation factor
- minimum contribution base
- superannuation contributions
- surcharge
- surcharge threshold
- threshold

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