

Tanzania Tax Data 2025/2026	
Mineral Royalties	
Rate	
%	
6	Diamonds, Gemstones, Metallic minerals (incl. copper, gold, silver and platinum group minerals)
5	Uranium
4	Gold sold to refinery centers in Tanzania; Bank of Tanzania
3	General rate
1	Coal used as industrial raw material, salt and gems
Base:	Gross value ¹⁵
¹⁵ Additional charges: Clearance / inspection fee (1%) and HIV levy (1%)	
Tax treaties	
In force:	Canada, Denmark, Finland, India, Italy, Norway, South Africa, Sweden, Zambia
Deadlines	
Tax / other statutory payment	Payment and filing deadline
Corporate tax - instalment tax	Payment: Each quarter end
Corporate tax - final tax ¹⁷	Filing ¹⁶ : End of 1st quarter
Withholding tax, PAYE & SDL	6 months after accounting period ¹⁸
PSSSF, NSSF & WCF ¹⁹	7 th day of the following month
VAT & DST	Payment: 1 month after month end
Excise Duty	20 th day of the following month ²⁰
Stamp Duty	25 th day of the following month
Service Levy	30 days after execution/entry of instrument
Application for refund of overpayment	End of each quarter
	3 years ²¹
¹⁶ Amendment deadline: end of 4th quarter	
¹⁷ Transfer pricing documentation due with final tax return if related party transactions exceed TZS 10bn; otherwise within 30 days of request	
¹⁸ 9 months for a person whose accounts are audited by the Controller and Auditor General	
¹⁹ WCF returns filed only on Director General's request	
²⁰ Imports: payment of VAT at the time customs duty is payable	
²¹ From the date of payment of tax in excess or the date of tax decision or other decision giving rise to a tax overpayment	
Interest & Penalties	
	Monthly interest/penalty
	%
Tax Administration Act	
Under-estimation/late payment	Stat ²²
Late filing/payment	2.5 ²³
Failure to maintain proper documents	*
Interest due to taxpayer on late payment of refunds (from the date of approval)	Stat ²⁴
Social Security and WCF	
NSSF	5
PSSSF	1.5 ²⁴
WCF - Late payment	**
Local Government Act	
Service Levy (depending on a particular by-law)	Maximum 1.5%
Transfer Pricing (TP)	
TP adjustment if not complying with arm's length principle - 100% of the tax shortfall or 30% of the loss adjustment.	
In addition failure to adhere to TP documentation requirements results in penalty of not less than 3,500 currency points (currently TZS 70m)	
Disclosure of information	
Failure to disclose names of contractors and subcontractors in extractive and construction industry results in penalty of higher of 25% of the amount payable under the project or a fine of up to TZS 80m	
Key	
²² Stat = "Statutory Rate" (prevailing discount rate determined by Bank of Tanzania). In the case of late payment of excise duty the interest rate is : Stat+5%	
²³ Monthly penalty subject to a minimum of TZS 100,000 (individual) and TZS 300,000 (corporate); in the case of stamp duty, late payment/stamping subject to penalty of 25% to 1,000%	
²⁴ Payable at TZS 200,000 per month	
²⁴ On compounded basis	
**Interest rate as determined by the Director General of Worker's Compensation Fund	

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2025/2026

Income tax - Corporations		
Corporation rate	Profit %	Turnover %
Resident corporation ¹	30 ²	
Technical and management services to extractive sector		10
Alternative minimum tax (if tax losses for 3 consecutive years)		1
Digital services provided by a non-resident		2
¹ Includes PE of a non-resident (which also has to account for 10% tax on repatriated income)		
² For businesses in specified sectors or newly listed companies, and for a limited period, a lower rate can apply as follows:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25% (first 3 years): newly listed companies (with at least 25% of shares publicly issued) • Manufacturing / assembly businesses with performance agreement with Government: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 25% (2 years from July 2019): sanitary pad manufacturers o 20% (first 5 years): pharmaceutical or leather industry o 10% (first 5 years): assembly industry for motor vehicles, tractors, fishing boats, boat engines 		
Tax Depreciation		%
Buildings (straight line)		
Agriculture or livestock/fish farming		20
Other		5
Plant and machinery (initial allowance)		
Manufacturing or tourism		50
Agriculture		100
Plant & machinery (reducing balance)		
Class 1		37.5
Class 2		25
Class 3		12.5
Intangible assets (straight line)		Over useful life
Agriculture - improvements/research and development		100
Extractive sector - prospecting, exploration and development (straight line)		20
International crude oil pipeline depreciable assets		5

Income tax - Resident Individuals					
Individual rate - monthly (Mainland Tanzania)					
	Bands of taxable income	Taxable income	Tax Rate	Tax on Band	Cumulative tax on income
	TZS	TZS	%	TZS	TZS
First	270,000	270,000	0	0	0
Next	250,000	520,000	8	20,000	20,000
Next	240,000	760,000	20	48,000	68,000
Next	240,000	1,000,000	25	60,000	128,000
Over	1,000,000		30		

Employment Benefits

Housing:	Lower of (a) market value rental and (b) the higher of the following: i. 15% of employee's total annual income and ii. the expenditure claimed as deduction by the employer in respect of the premises	
Car:	Taxed according to engine size and vehicle age on the following annual values:	
	Engine size up to 5 years old	> 5 years old
	TZS	TZS
	<= 1,000 cc:	250,000
	1,000 - 2,000 cc:	500,000
	2,000 - 3,000 cc:	1,000,000
	> 3000 cc:	1,500,000
		125,000
		250,000
		500,000
		750,000

Note: not chargeable where employer does not claim deduction in respect of the ownership, maintenance, or operation of the vehicle.

Loans:	Excess of "statutory rate" over actual interest rate paid.
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Business - Presumptive Income Tax			
Specific presumptive income tax for individuals (other than independent professionals, providers of technical, management, construction and training services) with business turnover not exceeding TZS 100m			
Employer's payroll obligations			
PAYE (employee)			%
Social Security (NSSF, PSSSF) - (up to half (10%) can be deducted from employee)			see above
Skills and Development Levy (employer)			20
Workers' Compensation Fund (employer)			3.5 ³
			0.5
² Exemption applicable in certain cases including employment in farms and education			
Rates of Withholding Tax			
	Resident		Non-resident
	%		%
Dividend			
- to company controlling 25% or more	5		10
- from DSE listed company	5		5
- otherwise	10		10
Interest ⁴	10		10
Rent			
- land and buildings; aircraft lease; construction equipment or machinery;			
- hired motor vehicle	10		10
- other assets	0		10
Royalty - general / item(c) / resident sports or TFF	15/10/5		15/10/n/a
Natural resource payment	15		15
Service fees	5		15
Payments to digital content creator ⁶	5		n/a
Payments to owner of digital asset for exchange/ transfer of digital asset ⁶	3		n/a
Director fees (other than full time service)	15		15
General insurance premium (not life insurance)	0		10
Money transfer commission paid to money transfer agent	0		n/a
Commission for fees and other charges to commercial bank agent or digital payment agent	10		n/a
Commission for gaining advertisement or promotion	10		10
Payments for goods by Government institutions	2		n/a
Payments for precious metals, metallic minerals, industrial minerals	2		n/a
other than salt, gemstones and other precious stones to the holder of a primary mining licence or artisanal miner			
Payments for verified carbon emission reduction	10		n/a
¹ Reliefs may apply to SEZ/EPZ investors, strategic investors, certain loans i.r.o Government projects, corporate bonds, municipal bonds, DSE bonds of at least three years and listed wef 1 July 2021, certain loans to resident financial institution from non-resident financial institutions or funds.			
⁴ Including payments by non- residents			

Disposal of investments		
Tax rates	Tanzanian asset %	Overseas asset %
Individual		
- Resident	10/3 ⁶	30
- Non - resident	30	n/a
Company		
- Resident	30	30
- Non - resident	30	n/a

⁶ 3% of consideration on sale of land or building by individual where no records of costs available

Exemptions:

1. Private Residence - Gains of TZS 15m or less
2. Agricultural land - Market value of less than TZS 10m
3. Units in an approved Collective Investment Scheme
4. Shares - (i) DSE shares held by resident, (ii) shares held by non - resident (and associates) where shareholding of less than 25%
5. Mining - Issue or transfer to Government of shares / FCI; transfer of mineral rights and mineral information to an entity in which Government is a partner; internal restructuring pursuant to FWA

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Indirect taxes	
VAT	
Taxable Supplies	Rate
Supply of goods & services ¹¹	18/16/0
Import of goods & services	18
Export of goods & certain services	0
Withholding VAT	
Supply of goods	3
Supply of services	6
Registration threshold (annual turnover)	TZS 200m ¹²
Refund claims	
Standard	Six monthly basis
Regular repayment	Monthly basis
¹¹ 16% for online purchase of B2C transactions effectively from 1 September 2025 ¹² Mandatory registration irrespective of turnover for professional service providers and government institutions with economic activity	
Customs duty	
	%
General:	
Capital goods, raw materials, agricultural inputs, pure-bred breeding animals	0
Semi-finished goods	10
Finished consumer goods	25/35
Energy and Resources:	
(i) Mining - machinery and spare parts thereof imported by a licenced mining company and used in mining activities;	0
(ii) Petroleum / Energy - machinery and inputs (except motor-vehicles) imported by a licenced company for direct and exclusive use in oil, gas or geothermal exploration, development and distribution.	0
Railway Development Levy	2 ¹³ (CIF)
Industrial Development Levy	5/10/15 (CIF)
Custom processing	0.6 (FOB)
¹³ Not applicable to imported goods that have exemption under the EACCOMA 2004, pharmaceutical goods, fertilizers, Jet A - 1 or goods in transit	
Excise Duty and EMWT	
	%
Goods	Applied to specified goods including alcohol, petroleum products, soft drinks, non-utility motor vehicles-1000cc, vehicles exceeding a certain age limit, cement, tobacco and specified imported goods
	Various
Services	Electronic communication services
	17
	Charges by financial institutions; money transfer and payment service charges by Telcos and transfer & payment service providers
	10
	Pay-to-view television service providers
	7
	TZS
Electronic money withdrawal transaction levy (EMWT)	10 - 2,000
Stamp duty	
	%
Conveyance / transfer, transfer of shares or debentures, lease agreements	1
Note: Stamp duty on conveyance of agricultural land is restricted to TZS 500	
Local taxation	
Service levy	0.25%
Property Tax	TZS
Ordinary building	18,000
Storey building	90,000 ¹⁴
¹⁴ On each storey (city council)/ whole building (district council)	