

Tanzania Tax Data 2026/2027

Mineral Royalties

Rate	
%	
5	Diamonds, Gemstones, Metallic minerals (incl. copper, gold, silver and platinum group minerals)
4	Uranium
3	Gold sold to refinery centers in Tanzania; Bank of Tanzania
1	General rate
	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	Filing ¹⁶ : End of 1st quarter
Corporate tax - final tax ¹⁷	6 months after accounting period ¹⁸	
Withholding tax, PAYE & SDL	7 th day of the following month	
PSSSF, NSSF & WCF ¹⁹	Payment: 1 month after month end	
VAT & DST	20 th day of the following month ²⁰	
Withholding VAT	10 th day of the following month	
Excise Duty	25 th day of the following month	
Stamp Duty	30 days after execution/entry of instrument	
Service Levy	End of each quarter	
Application for refund of overpayment	3 years ²¹	
Disclosure of contractors and subcontractors in the extractive and construction Industry	Within 30 days of contract execution	
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 ²⁴
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 - 30% of the TP adjustment or 100% of the tax shortfall, whichever is greater. 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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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		3			
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:					
• 25% (first 3 years): newly listed companies (with at least 25% of shares publicly issued)					
• Manufacturing / assembly businesses having performance agreement with Government:					
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			
*Available in two portions of 25%					
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	125,000		
	1,000 - 2,000 cc:	500,000	250,000		
	2,000 - 3,000 cc:	1,000,000	500,000		
	> 3000 cc:	1,500,000	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 rates for individuals (other than independent professionals, providers of technical, management, construction and training services) with business turnover not exceeding TZS 200m		
No tax for the first 12 months for newly registered individuals upon request to the Commissioner		
Payroll obligations		
		%
PAYE (employee)	see above	
Social Security (NSSF, PSSSF) - (up to half (10%) can be deducted from employee)	20	
Skills and Development Levy (employer)	3.5 ³	
Workers' Compensation Fund (employer)	0.5	
³ 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)	15/10	15/10
Natural resource payment	15	15
Service fees	5	15
Technical and management service fees extractive sector	10	15
Payments to digital content creator ⁵	5	n/a
Payments to owner of digital asset for exchange/ transfer of digital asset ⁵	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	10	n/a
Commission for fees and other charges to commercial bank		
agent or digital payment agent	10	n/a
Commission for gaming 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
⁴ 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.		
⁵ 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		
Single Instalment Tax		
		%
Sale of land, licence or concessional right on reserved land, buildings or shares		
- by resident	10 ⁷	
- by non - resident	30 ⁷	
Sale of mineral or petroleum rights	30 ⁸	
Non-resident transport operator/charterer without permanent establishment - on gross payment	5	
Realisation of interest in land or building by a resident where no records of costs available	3 ⁹	
Sale of forest produce	2 ¹⁰	
⁷ applied to gain, in certain cases credit against final tax liability		
⁸ applied to gain, if prior to production then computed separately from business income/loss		
⁹ applied to the incomings or approved value of the asset whichever is higher		
¹⁰ applied to the sale of timber, logs, mirunda, poles and natural varnish including latex, resin, sap or gums by individuals (not corporations) who harvest forest for resale		

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Indirect taxes	
VAT	
Taxable Supplies	Rate
Supply of goods & services ¹¹	%
Import of goods & services	18/16/0
Export of goods & certain services	18
	0
Withholding VAT ¹²	
Supply of goods	3
Supply of services	6
Registration threshold (annual/semiannual turnover)	TZS 200m/TZS 100m ¹³
Refund claims	
Standard	Six monthly basis
*Regular repayment ⁴	Monthly basis
¹¹ 16% for online purchase of B2C transactions; not yet effective; subject to formal TRA notice	
¹² For mixed supplies (goods & services), withholding VAT apportioned in ratio of 3:2 respectively	
¹³ 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 ¹⁴ (CIF)
Industrial Development Levy	5/10/15 ¹⁵ (CIF)
Custom processing	1 (FOB)
¹⁴ Not applicable to imported goods that have exemption under the EACOMA 2004, pharmaceutical goods, fertilizers, Jet A - 1 or goods in transit	
¹⁵ Not applicable to goods originating from EAC Partner States that meet the EAC Rules of Origin	
Excise Duty and EMMWT	
	%
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;
	10
	Telcos and transfer & payment service providers; commercial advertisement on betting, gaming or lotteries
	7
	Pay-to-view television service providers
	TZS
Electronic money withdrawal transaction levy (EMWT)	10 - 2,000
Stamp duty	
	%
Stamp duty on conveyance of agricultural land	0.5
Local taxation	
Service levy	0.25%
Property Tax	TZS
Ordinary building	18,000
Storey building	90,000 ¹⁶
¹⁶ On each storey (city council)/ whole building (district council)	