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Are you in the top one percent?

Are you in the top one-percent income bracket? If you reported an Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) of at least $434,682 on your 2012 federal tax return, you were in the top one-percent of the 145 million who filed federal tax returns in 2012. If your AGI was at least $125,195 you were in the top 10 percent. About one-quarter of one percent (0.27 percent) reported an AGI of in excess of $1 million.

What percentage of tax filers in 2012 had an AGI of at least $10 million in 2012?

a) 0.15 percent
b) 0.1 percent
c) 0.05 percent
d) 0.01 percent

Answer: d). If Line 37 on your 2012 Form 1040 shows an AGI of over $10 million you were in the top 0.01 percent (one-hundredth of one percent). That is equivalent to about one out of every 10,000 income tax returns.

This elite group had an average AGI of $30.8 million in 2012. They paid an average of $6.1 million in federal taxes for an effective tax rate of 19.8 percent of their AGI.


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