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Tax returns for 2022 are due Tuesday
Taxpayers are urged to file electronically to expedite processing

SANTA FE — New Mexico income tax returns for the 2022 tax year are due this coming Tuesday, April 18.

The Department so far has received more than 715,699 2022 returns and has processed about 94 percent of them. Taxpayers can check the status of their returns and refunds by creating an account on the Department's Taxpayer Access Point at tap.state.nm.us.

An important note: If your account notes that your return is pending, it means we have received your return and are processing it. **DO NOT** submit another return. Doing so will delay the processing of your return and any refund that is due.

Processing of refunds can take up to 12 weeks, though many taxpayers will receive refunds more quickly. Paper returns filed by mail take longer to process.

Two new exemptions — on Social Security retirement benefits and on military pension income — are available this year. Both can be claimed using the PIT-ADJ form in combination with the PIT-1 return.

The Social Security exemption is available to taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes of under \$100,000 for single filers; under \$150,000 for married couples filing jointly, heads of household and surviving spouses; and under \$75,000 for married couples filing separately.

Also notable this year:

- A new Easy Enrollment program allowing taxpayers to check a box on their returns to get information on qualifying for low-cost or no-cost health care coverage or Medicaid. Checking the box allows Taxation and Revenue to release relevant information to the state Human Services

Department, which administers Medicaid. HSD also will provide eligibility information to beWellnm, New Mexico's official health insurance exchange.

- A one-time, refundable tax credit of \$1,000 is available for full-time hospital nurses. Nurses will need to complete a form, the PIT-NC, and include it with their return to claim the credit. The PIT-NC needs to be signed by the nurse and their hospital employer.
- The special rebates and relief payments issued by the Taxation and Revenue Department in 2022 do not need to be declared as income on 2022 state or federal returns.

Taxpayers are encouraged to file electronically, either through a commercial service or directly on the Department's Taxpayer Access Point (TAP) website. Filing electronically minimizes delays in processing and results in faster refunds.

The Department does sometimes reach out to taxpayers by mail to verify Personal Income Tax returns to combat identity theft. It will not contact taxpayers by phone unsolicited, except when conducting collection efforts.

Taxpayers can often submit any information requested using the Department's Taxpayer Access Point self-service portal by following the instructions provided in the letters.

Personal Income Tax forms and instructions are available at tax.newmexico.gov in the Income Taxes folder on the Forms & Publications page.

Paper forms will be available in Taxation and Revenue district offices and in many libraries throughout the state. In Albuquerque, forms will be available in the lobby of the Taxation and Revenue Department's Copper Pointe Office at 10500 Copper Ave. NE. They also may be ordered by calling 1-866-285-2996.

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The Taxation and Revenue Department serves the State of New Mexico by providing fair and efficient tax and motor vehicle services. It administers more than 35 tax programs and distributes revenue to the State and to local and tribal governments throughout New Mexico.

The Department strives to reduce taxpayer burden through clearer communication, statutes, regulations, forms, correspondence and instructions.

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