



***TD 98/9 - Fringe benefits tax: what are the indexation factors for valuing non-remote housing and remote area housing for the fringe benefits tax (FBT) year commencing on 1 April 1998?***

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# Taxation Determination

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### **Preamble**

The number, subject heading, date of effect and paragraphs 1, 3 and 5 of this Taxation Determination are a 'public ruling' for the purposes of Part IVAAA of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* and are legally binding on the Commissioner. The remainder of the Determination is administratively binding on the Commissioner. Taxation Rulings TR 92/1 and TR 97/16 together explain how a Determination is legally or administratively binding.

### **Date of effect**

This Determination applies for the FBT year commencing on 1 April 1998. However, it does not apply to taxpayers to the extent that it conflicts with the terms of settlement of a dispute agreed to before the date of the Determination (see paragraphs 21 and 22 of Taxation Ruling TR 92/20).

### **Non-remote housing**

1. The indexation factors for the purpose of valuing non-remote housing for the fringe benefits tax year commencing 1 April 1998 are:

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| New South Wales              | 1.037 |
| Victoria                     | 1.039 |
| Queensland                   | 1.006 |
| South Australia              | 1.024 |
| Western Australia            | 1.013 |
| Tasmania                     | 1.011 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 0.991 |
| Northern Territory           | 1.029 |

2. These factors are based on movements in the rent sub-group of the Consumer Price Index. They may be applied to the previous year's housing values instead of working out a new market value for the year.

**Remote area housing***Statutory amount method*

3. The following are the statutory amounts for employee housing situated in remote areas of Australia:

|                     |                           |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| for general housing | \$5,578 (\$106.98 weekly) |
| for single quarters | \$1,391 (\$26.68 weekly)  |

4. These values are calculated by applying an indexation factor of 1.029 (reflecting the weighted average movement in the rent sub-group for the eight capital cities) to the 1997-98 values. Employers may use them as a simple alternative to calculating benefits based on market values.

*Market valuation method*

5. Where employers use the market valuation method, the non-remote housing indexation factor for the relevant state is to be used. These are set out in paragraph 1.

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