

# New Brunswick

Budget 2023

#### March 21, 2023

Finance Minister Ernie L. Steeves tabled New Brunswick's 2023-24 budget (NB Budget 2023) on March 21, 2023.

NB Budget 2023 projects a surplus of \$862.6 million for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, compared to a \$35.2 million surplus projected in the previous budget.

Fiscal projections for the next three years are as <u>follows:</u>

Year	Projected surplus/(deficit)
2023-24	\$40 million
2024-25	\$27 million
2025-26	\$39 million

### **Business tax measures**

#### Corporate tax rates

NB Budget 2023 announces no changes to the corporate tax rates or the \$500,000 small business limit.

2023 combined federal and New Brunswick corporate tax rates

Corporate tax rates	Federal and NB combined
Small business tax rate (non-ZETM <sup>1</sup> )	11.5%
Small business tax rate (ZETM)	7.0%
General corporate tax rate	29.0%
Manufacturing and processing tax rate	29.0%
General corporate tax rate (ZETM)	21.5%

1 zero-emission technology manufacturer

## Personal tax measures

#### Personal income tax rates

NB Budget 2023 doesn't propose any changes to the personal tax rates. New Brunswick previously announced a reduction to 2023 marginal income tax rates for numerous personal tax brackets. The indexed personal tax brackets (\$) and the respective marginal tax rates (%) for 2023 are as follows:

#### Tax brackets and marginal tax rates

\$47,715 or less **9.40**% \$95,432 - \$176,756 **16.00**%

\$47,716 - \$95,431 **14.00**% \$176,757 and over **19,50**%

The top combined federal and New Brunswick marginal tax rates for 2023 are as follows:

Type of income	Tax rate
Salary/interest income	52.50%
Capital gains	26.25%
Eligible dividends	32.40%
Non-eligible dividends	46.83%

# Sales and other tax measures

NB Budget 2023 proposes no changes to the current 15% HST rate, which is composed of a 5% federal component and a 10% provincial component.

#### Carbon tax

As previously announced, New Brunswick will adopt the federal backstop for carbon tax and remove the provincial pricing system, effective July 1, 2023. The federal government will collect carbon tax and redistribute rebates after June 2023.

#### Property tax

New Brunswick has reduced property tax rates from the 2021 rates, effective January 1, 2023:

- → 50% reduction for non-owner-occupied residential properties (including apartment buildings and other rental properties)
- → 15% reduction for other residential properties (including nursing homes) and for non-residential properties

New Brunswick accelerated its initial plan to reduce the property tax rates in 2023; this reduction was originally proposed in <u>NB</u><u>Budget 2022</u>.

# Other notable changes



#### HOUSING

promising over **\$100 million** in funding over the next three years to build 380 new public housing units

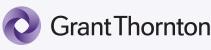
#### **HEALTH CARE**



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