

Building Wealth with a Roth IRA

The Strategy in 60 Seconds

Pay tax on the seed, never on the harvest. Here's exactly how a Roth IRA works, and how to reach the money early, in sixty seconds.

\$24,000

TAX ON A \$100,000 CONVERSION AT THE 24% BRACKET

THE ROTH LAYER CAKE

- CONTRIBUTIONS COME OUT FIRST - Any time, 0% tax, 0% penalty
- CONVERSIONS COME OUT NEXT - Each has its own 5-year clock
- EARNINGS COME OUT LAST - Need age 59 1/2 and 5 years

KNOW YOUR NUMBERS

- 2025: \$7,000
- Age 50+: add \$1,000
- 2026: \$7,500
- Age 50+: add \$1,100
- Deadline: April 15
- Earned income required

APRIL 15 IS THE 2025 CUTOFF

The Law Behind It (primary sources)

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26 U.S.C. Sec. 408A - Roth IRAs - the tax-free-growth and qualified-distribution rules.

<https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/26/408A>