The benefits are adding up.

# Tax breaks for homeowners.

Homeownership builds wealth, and helps you save on your taxes. It can add up to thousands of dollars in deductions, and claiming them is worth it if your itemized deductions exceed the IRS standard deduction listed below.

### 2023 tax year standard deduction

- · \$27,700 married filing jointly
- · \$13,850 single / married filing separately
- · \$20,800 head of household



Maximum deduction: All mortgage interest on the first \$750,000 of your mortgage debt as a single filer or married couple filing jointly. If you're married and filing separately, the limit is \$375,000 for each party.

#### Home equity debt



If you're using a home equity loan or HELOC to buy or build a home (or improve your existing one), you can claim the interest on your taxes.

· Maximum deduction: \$750,000 single / married filing jointly, or \$375,000 married filing separately.

#### State and local property taxes



If you own property and pay taxes on it, you're eligible for the property tax deduction.

· Maximum deduction: \$5,000 single / married filing separately, or \$10,000 married filing jointly



## Mortgage points

There are certain requirements you must meet in order to deduct mortgage points in full. Otherwise, you'll deduct the points on your taxes over the life of the loan.

## Home improvements

Not all home improvements qualify. Only medical and energy-efficient home improvements qualify for a tax deduction.

## Home office expenses

For self-employed homeowners (or freelancers) who use part of your home regularly and exclusively for work. Employees who work from home cannot claim a home office deduction.



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