

The tax returns of a President

Here is information from the 1969, 1970, 1971 and 1972 federal income tax returns of Richard M. and Patricia R. Nixon. The information was disclosed yesterday by the White House.

1969

A. Income	
Wages and expense allowance	\$236,468.86
Interest (see note 1)	3,913.79
Income other than wages and interest (see note 2)	87,778.87
Adjusted gross income	328,161.52
B. Deductions	
State and local taxes	\$22,453.36
Contributions (see note 3)	98,448.45
Interest (see note 4)	25,594.31
Medical expense (see note 5)	150.00
Miscellaneous (see note 6)	31,888.97
Total deductions	\$178,535.10
C. Total of adjusted gross income minus deductions:	\$149,626.42
D. Exemptions	1,800.00
E. Taxable income	147,826.42
F. Total tax (see note 7)	\$72,682.09

Note 1 — Interest was received from the following in the amounts shown:
 Mudge, Rose, Guthrie & Alexander (interest on share of law partnership capital) \$793.33
 Bankers Trust Co. (savings account) 46.44
 Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. (savings account) 38.41
 Key Biscayne Bank (savings account) 3,031.09
 United California Bank (savings account) 4.52
Total \$3,913.79

Note 2 — Income other than wages consisted of:
 Excess of receipt from sales price over cost of Fisher's Island property, reduced by 50 per cent pursuant to Internal Revenue Code treatment of sales of property held more than six months based on 50 per cent of \$184,891.00 \$92,445.50
 Royalties from book 710.24
 Proceeds of estate of Hannah M. Nixon,
 Los Angeles, Calif. 322.29
 Rental of dwelling in Whittier, Calif. 700.00
 Less expenses for above property 6,399.16
Total 87,778.87

Note 3—Contributions: Under the Internal Revenue Code in 1969, Sec. 170, certain limitations were placed upon the amount of contributions deductions which could be taken in a tax year. An amount equal to no more than 30 percent of adjusted gross income could be used as a deduction in the year of the donation under Sec. 170 as it was in 1969. The limit for the Nixons in 1969 was \$98,448.45. Since the Nixons had made a contribution of certain papers to the United States valued at \$576,000 in 1969, they used \$95,298.45 of that contribution as a deduction and carried forward the balance for future years pursuant to Sec. 170 of the I.R.C., which allows a five-year carry forward for contributions which cannot be used as deductions in the year of the donation. Their cash contributions to eligible organizations were \$3,150.00

Note 4—Interest was paid to the following in the amount shown:
 Merchants Bank of Miami \$373.14
 First National Bank of Miami 7,253.69
 City National Bank of Miami 1,625.05
 Key Biscayne Bank 2,481.20
 Cape Florida Development Co. 1,160.25
 First Federal Savings & Loan 3,788.17
 Manuel Arca 3,000.00
 Greater Miami Savings-Loan 3,739.13
 Chaswill, Inc. 2,173.69
Total \$25,594.32

Note 5—The medical expense consisted of one half of health insurance premiums \$150.00

Note 6—Miscellaneous deductions consisted of:
 Expenses for appraisal of donated papers (by Abraham Lincoln Book Shop) \$3,762.65
 Unreimbursed official expenses as President 16,840.65
 San Clemente expenses (costs incurred in use of property for official purposes) 4,699.62
 Key Biscayne expenses (costs incurred in use of property for official purposes) 6,586.05
Total \$31,888.97

Note 7—Income tax includes ordinary tax, computed on alternative tax basis due to inclusion of capital gain, plus 10 percent surtax. Since tax withheld exceeded the amount due, the President received a refund of \$35,501.17.

1970

A. Income:	
Wages and Expense Allowances	\$250,000.00
Dividends (See note 1)	-0-
Interest (See note 2)	10,250.56
Income other than wages and interest (See note 3)	2,692.00
Adjusted Gross Income	\$262,942.56
B. Deductions:	
State and local taxes	\$27,797.79
Contributions (See note 4)	131,471.28
Interest (See note 5)	109,054.19
Medical expense (See note 6)	150.00
Miscellaneous (See note 7)	38,708.66
Total deductions	\$307,181.92
C. Total of adjusted gross income minus deductions:	-0-
D. Exemptions (See note 8)	-0-
E. Taxable income	-0-
Total Tax (See note 9)	\$792.81

Note 1 — Dividends in the amount of \$180.00 were included in the return by mistake. The dividends were the property of Miss Patricia Nixon. On the return as filed, the \$200 exclusion of dividends exceeded the \$180. Thus the inclusion of the \$180 had no tax effect. Miss Nixon was not required to file a federal income tax return in 1970 because her total income, even if the dividends had been included, was below the statutory minimum.

Note 2 — Interest was received from the following in the amounts shown:
 Key Biscayne Bank certificate of deposit \$3,1125.00
 Key Biscayne Bank savings 7,016.29
 Key Biscayne Bank savings 5.31
 Banker Trust Co. savings account 54.09
 United California Bank savings account 5.25
 Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. savings account 44.62
Total \$10,250.56

Note 3 — Income other than wages consisted of:
 Royalties from book \$8,979.90
 Rental of dwelling in Whittier, Calif. 650.00
 Less expenses for above property 6,837.95
Total \$2,692.00

Note 4 — Contributions: Under the Internal Revenue Code in 1970, Sec. 170, certain limitations were placed upon the amount of deductions for contributions which could be taken in a tax year. That limit was equal to 50 per cent of adjusted gross income, which for the Nixons in 1970 was \$131,471.28. Under the code, contributions which cannot be used as deductions in the tax year in which the donation is made may be used in five future consecutive years Sec. 170 I.R.C. Since the Nixons had a carry over of \$480,701.55 in contributions from 1969, they used \$123,959.28 of that contribution as a deduction and carried forward the balance for future years. Their cash contributions to eligible organizations were \$7,512.00.

Note 5 — Interest was paid to the following in the amounts shown:
 John I. Elmore \$5,000.00
 Robert Abplanalp 15,000.00
 Cotton Ogden 75,000.00
 Cape Florida Development Co. 386.75
 Chaswill, Inc. 2,085.72
 First Federal Savings & Loan 2,573.23
Total \$109,054.19

Note 6 — The medical expense consisted of one half of health insurance premiums \$150.00.

Note 7 — Miscellaneous deductions consisted of: Appraisal of donated papers by Abraham Lincoln Book Shop \$2,811.50
 Professional tax return preparation, Vincent Andrews, Inc. 10,000.00
 Professional tax return preparation, Arthur Blech 3,432.00
 Unreimbursed official expenses as President 7,152.00
 Depreciation of personally owned White House office furniture 1,347.36
 San Clemente expenses costs incurred in use of property for official purposes 6,155.89
 Key Biscayne expenses costs incurred in use of property for official purposes 6,155.89
Total \$38,708.66

Note 8 — Because the Nixons' taxable income in 1970 was zero, they took no exemptions to reduce their income.

Note 9 — Although the Nixons' taxable income was zero, under the Internal Revenue Code, a minimum tax was required. That procedure, established by the Tax Reform Act of 1969, imposes a 10 per cent minimum tax on income which might not otherwise be taxed. The amount paid under the minimum tax was \$792.81. Since tax withheld exceeded the amount due, the President received a refund of \$72,614.43, and \$100 was applied to the estimated taxes due for 1971.

1971

A. Income:	
Wages and expense allowance	\$250,000.00
Interest (see note 1)	17,733.04
Income other than wages and interest (see note 2)	-5,348.29
Adjusted gross income	\$262,384.75

B. Deductions	
State and local taxes	\$18,153.18
Contributions (see note 3)	131,192.37
Interest (see note 4)	67,003.25
Miscellaneous (see note 5)	39,327.89
Total deductions	\$255,676.69

C. Total of adjusted gross income minus deductions	\$6,708.06
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D. Exemptions	1,350.00
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E. Taxable income	5,358.06
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F. Total tax (see note 6)	\$878.03
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Note 1 — Interest was received from the following in the amounts shown:

Key Biscayne Bank certificates of deposit	\$10,280.76
Key Biscayne Bank savings account	7,337.38
Bankers Trust Co. savings account	56.94
Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. savings account	47.07
Key Biscayne Bank savings account	5.55
United California Bank savings account	5.34
Total	\$17,733.04

Note 2 — Income other than wages and interest consisted of:

Royalties from book	\$367.05
Rental of dwelling in Whittier, Calif.	600.00
Less expenses for above property	-6,315.34
Total	-5,348.29

Note 3 — Contributions: Under the Internal Revenue Code in 1971, certain limitations were placed upon the amount of contributions deductions which could be taken in a tax year. That limit was equal to 50 per cent of adjusted gross income, which for the Nixons in 1971 was \$131,192.37. Since the Nixons had a carry-over of \$356,742.27 from 1970 contributions itself a carryover from 1969 — see Note 3 of 1969 summary and Note 4 of 1970 summary, they used \$128,668.37 of that contribution and carried forward the balance for use in future years. Their cash contributions to eligible organizations were \$2,524.00.

Note 4 — Interest was paid to the following in the amounts shown:

Garfinckel & Co.	\$1.24
Cape Florida Development Co.	2,827.65
Cotton Ogden	38,045.12
Robert H. Abplanalp	15,000.00
Chaswill Inc.	1,992.34
First Florida Savings & Loan Note:	
Interest was actually paid to First Federal Savings & Loan, but by mistake, it was shown on the return as First Florida Greater Miami Federal Savings & Loan	2,466.22
Greater Miami Federal Savings & Loan	6,670.68
Total	\$67,003.25

Note 5 — Miscellaneous deductions consisted of:

Appraisal of donated papers by Abraham Lincoln Book Shop	\$6,209.09
Professional tax return preparation, Arthur Blech	4,175.00
Unreimbursed official expenses as President	11,456.28
Depreciation of personally owned White House office furniture	1,094.73
San Clemente expenses costs incurred in use of property for official purposes	10,237.40
Key Biscayne expenses costs incurred in use of property for official purposes	6,130.39
Professional dues	25.00
Total	\$39,327.89

Note 6 — Since tax withheld exceeded the amount due, the President received a refund of \$58,889.41 and applied \$1,000 of overpayment to his 1972 tax.

1972

A. Income	
Wages and expense allowance	\$250,000.00
Interest (see note 1)	16,292.94
Income other than wages and interest (see note 2)	2,484.60
Adjusted Gross Income	\$268,777.54

B. Deductions	
State and local taxes	\$24,863.77
Contributions (see note 3)	134,388.77
Interest (see note 4)	55,724.39
Miscellaneous (see note 5)	32,792.84
Total Deductions	\$247,569.77

C. Total of adjusted gross income minus deductions	\$21,207.77
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D. Exemptions	1,500.00
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E. Taxable income	9,707.77
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F. Total tax (see note 6)	\$4,298.17
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Note 1 — Interest was received from the following in the amounts shown:

Key Biscayne Bank certificate of deposit	\$8,500.00
Key Biscayne Bank savings	7,673.16
Key Biscayne Bank savings account	5.79
Bankers Trust Co. savings account	59.50
United California Bank savings account	5.22
Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. savings account	49.27
Total	\$16,292.94

Note 2 — Income other than wages and interest consisted of:

Royalties from book	\$220.58
Portion of gain allocable to 1972 on sale of the President's 60 per cent interest in Cape Florida lots. A long-term capital gain with 50 per cent of gain of \$17,424 included in 1972	8,712.44
450.00	
Rental of dwelling in Whittier, Calif.	-6,898.42
Less expenses for above property	-2,484.60
Total	\$2,484.60

Note 3 — Contributions: Under the Internal Revenue Code in 1972, Sec. 170, certain limitations were placed upon the amount of contributions which could be taken in a tax year. That limit was equal to 50 per cent of adjusted gross income, which for the Nixons in 1972 was \$134,388.77. Since the Nixons had a carryover of \$228,368.90 from 1971 contributions itself a carryover from 1969 — see Note 3 of 1969 summary and Note 4 of 1970 summary, they used \$134,093.77 of that contribution and carried forward the balance for use in future years. Their cash contributions to eligible organizations were \$295.00.

Note 4 — Interest was paid to the following in the amounts shown:

Robert H. Abplanalp	\$26,863.30
Cotton Ogden	17,437.38
Chaswill, Inc.	1,893.18
First Federal Savings & Loan	2,352.61
Greater Miami Federal Savings & Loan	7,157.92
Total	\$55,724.39

Note 5 — Miscellaneous deductions consisted of:

Professional tax return preparation, Arthur Blech	\$4,250.00
Unreimbursed official expenses as President	12,316.24
Depreciation of personally owned White House office furniture	889.47
Key Biscayne expenses costs incurred in use of property for official purpose	5,914.78
San Clemente expenses costs incurred in use of property for official purpose	9,422.35
Total	\$32,792.84

Note 6 — Since tax withheld exceeded the amount due, the President received a refund of \$81,732.23 and applied \$1,000 to repayment of his 1973 tax.