

IF YOU PAY TAX ON APPROX THIS AMOUNT IN 2011		YOUR FED TAX RATE IS	YOUR COMBINED FED & NC TAX RATE IS	TO MATCH A DOUBLE TAX FREE RETURN IN NORTH CAROLINA OF								
Joint Return	Single Return			1.00%	2.00%	2.50%	3.00%	3.50%	4.00%	4.50%	5.00%	5.50%
				YOU WOULD HAVE TO EARN								
\$75,000	\$50,000	25%	30.2%	1.43%	2.87%	3.58%	4.30%	5.01%	5.73%	6.45%	7.16%	7.88%
\$100,000	\$75,000	25%	32.3%	1.48%	2.95%	3.69%	4.43%	5.17%	5.91%	6.65%	7.39%	8.12%
\$150,000	\$100,000	28%	35.0%	1.54%	3.08%	3.85%	4.62%	5.38%	6.15%	6.92%	7.69%	8.46%
\$200,000	\$150,000	28%	35.0%	1.54%	3.08%	3.85%	4.62%	5.38%	6.15%	6.92%	7.69%	8.46%
\$250,000	\$200,000	33%	40.2%	1.67%	3.34%	4.18%	5.02%	5.85%	6.69%	7.53%	8.36%	9.20%
\$300,000	\$250,000	33%	40.2%	1.67%	3.34%	4.18%	5.02%	5.85%	6.69%	7.53%	8.36%	9.20%
\$350,000	\$300,000	33%	40.2%	1.67%	3.34%	4.18%	5.02%	5.85%	6.69%	7.53%	8.36%	9.20%
\$400,000	\$350,000	35%	41.9%	1.72%	3.44%	4.30%	5.16%	6.02%	6.88%	7.75%	8.61%	9.47%
\$450,000	\$450,000	35%	41.9%	1.72%	3.44%	4.30%	5.16%	6.02%	6.88%	7.75%	8.61%	9.47%
\$500,000	\$500,000	35%	41.9%	1.72%	3.44%	4.30%	5.16%	6.02%	6.88%	7.75%	8.61%	9.47%
\$1,000,000+	\$1,000,000+	35%	41.9%	1.72%	3.44%	4.30%	5.16%	6.02%	6.88%	7.75%	8.61%	9.47%

Prepared by Lebenthal & Co. LLC March 2011 from sources believed to be accurate.

Using the yellow highlights as an example, run a finger across the row with your approximate taxable income, and another finger down a column with the tax-free yield you are considering. Do you belong in municipal bonds? Where your two fingers intersect is the answer: the amount that a taxable investment of comparable quality and maturity would have to pay you to match the muni.