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Episode 50 – Crypto assets and tax

In the final episode of Tax inVoice, podcast host, David Jepsen is joined by ATO Tax Time spokesperson Assistant Commissioner, Tim Loh to talk about the tax treatment of crypto assets. They discuss when you need to declare income and capital gains or losses, why record keeping is so important and what you need to know about non-fungible tokens (NFTs). Tim advises what to do if donating crypto, what self-managed super fund trustees need to consider when investing in crypto and what businesses need to do before accepting and using digital assets.

For more information visit:

- [Crypto asset investments](#)
- [GST and digital currency](#)
- [CGT events](#)
- [SMSF investing in crypto assets](#)
- [Tax time toolkit for investors](#)

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Episode 49 – Income, pre-fill and the Medicare levy

ATO Assistant Commissioner, Adam O’Grady, and Services Australia General Manager, Hank Jongen, join the podcast to talk about reporting your income correctly this tax time. Find out which government payments need to be included in your tax return and the difference between the Medicare levy and the Medicare levy surcharge. They will explain what you need to do to claim a Medicare levy exemption, and the importance of correctly reporting your spouse or partner’s income.

More information is available on the ATO and Services Australia websites:

- [Income you must declare](#)
- [Government grants, payments and stimulus during COVID-19](#)
- [Tax time essentials](#)

- [Medicare and private health insurance](#)
- [Medicare Entitlement Statement from Services Australia](#) 
- [What's on your Centrelink payment summary](#) 
- [What families need to do at tax time](#) 

Episode 48 – Work-related expense deductions

ATO Director, Risk and Strategy, Kendal Hawken, joins podcast host David Jepsen to talk about work-related deductions, including what you can claim this tax time, what records you need to keep and how to avoid common errors.

When preparing your tax return, it's important to remember that what you can claim depends on the type of job you have, individual circumstances, and whether you have the required records to support the claim. Records are typically a receipt of a purchase or a form of written evidence such as a logbook, travel or working from home diary.

Using the myDeductions tool in the ATO app allows you to keep track of your records digitally. Understanding what you may be able to claim based on your individual circumstances can help you avoid common errors.

For more information visit:

- [Deductions you can claim](#)
- [Occupation and industry specific guides](#)
- [Protective items, equipment and products](#)
- [Working from home expenses](#)
- [Home office expenses calculator](#)
- [Depreciation and capital allowances tool](#)
- [Records you need to keep](#)

Episode 47 – Tax Help program

Helen Castle, a volunteer from the ATO's Tax Help program joins Tax inVoice podcast host David Jepsen to talk about the program and how it can help Australians meet their tax obligations during tax time.

The Tax Help program is a free and confidential service open to people earning about \$60,000 or less each year with simple tax affairs. It is designed to give people a helping hand during tax time, including those who have difficulty understanding and lodging their returns or have limited or no access to ATO online services, such as those living in remote locations.

From July to October, trained volunteers can help you lodge your return, claim a refund of franking credits, submit a non-lodgment advice or lodge an amendment. If you're eligible for the Tax Help

program, you can make an appointment for Tax Help services by phoning the ATO on **13 28 61** (select option 3, then option 2).

You can speak to a Tax Help volunteer:

- online
- by phone
- in person at Tax Help centres across Australia.

For more information visit:

- [Tax Help program](#) for information about eligibility and what to bring to your appointment
- [Become a Tax Help volunteer or open a Tax Help centre](#)
- [Tax time essentials](#).

Episode 46 – COVID-19 and tax time

ATO Tax Time spokesperson Assistant Commissioner Tim Loh joins host David Jepsen for Tax inVoice – helping taxpayers understand what they can and can't claim relating to COVID-19 and the tax implications of COVID-19 support payments.

Over the pandemic, the government delivered multiple COVID-19 support payments, each with different tax requirements.

COVID-19 Disaster Payments, for instance, are non-taxable support payments and don't need to be included in your tax return. Pandemic Leave Disaster Payments, however, are taxable and must be reported as income in your tax return.

COVID-19 work-related expenses and working from home expenses may change what deductions can be claimed in your tax return. Eligible deductions may include:

- electricity expenses for heating, cooling or lighting
- the decline in value of office furniture and items used for work
- internet and phone expenses
- COVID-19 tests (if purchased for work related purposes)
- personal protective equipment (PPE) if required for work and not provided by your employer.

For more information visit:

- [Support for individuals and employees](#)
- [Home office expenses calculator](#)
- [Government grants, payments and stimulus during COVID-19 – tax implications](#)
- [COVID-19 vaccination incentives and rewards for employees](#)
- [Working from home expenses](#)
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Episode 45 – Investors: investments and assets

In this episode of Tax inVoice, host David Jepsen is joined by the ATO's Tax Time spokesperson Assistant Commissioner Tim Loh to discuss the fundamentals of investing, for tax agents and investors – both old and new.

When investing, it is important to consider all your assets when completing your tax return. Assets can include rental properties, shares, micro-investments like exchange traded funds (ETFs) and crypto assets.

You need to declare the income you receive from investments such as dividends and rent, but also the capital gains tax (CGT) that occurs when the assets are 'disposed' of. CGT is not a separate tax and makes up part of your taxable income.

Keeping accurate records will assist you in completing your tax return.

For more information visit:

- [Capital gains tax](#)
- [Tax time toolkit for investors](#)
- [Investments and assets](#)
- [Shares and similar investments](#)
- ATO podcast in your language

Episode 44 – New to business

In this episode of Tax inVoice, podcast host David Jepsen is joined by Assistant Commissioner of Small Business Experience Andrew Watson to discuss tips on starting a new business, what tax and super obligations need to be met and the helpful resources available to all business owners.

Your operations are considered a business activity if your work is planned, repeatedly conducted in a businesslike manner and undertaken with the intent of making a profit.

To start your new business on the right foot, make sure to do research and plan out your approach. This will assist in deciding on a business structure, what records need to be kept and the best method to meet your tax and super obligations.

The ATO has a number of resources available to assist new business owners and help them succeed in their new ventures.

For more information visit:

- [Starting your own business](#)
- ATO podcast in your language

Episode 43 – Don't get burned by illegal phoenix activity

George Montanez, Assistant Commissioner of the Phoenix and Evasion Program, joins *Tax inVoice* podcast host David Jepsen to talk about

illegal phoenix activity, how it affects the Australian community and what the ATO is doing to disrupt illegal phoenix operators.



Illegal phoenix activity occurs when a company is liquidated, wound up or abandoned to avoid paying its debts and tax obligations. In its place, a new company is started to carry on the same business activity without the debt.

This creates an uneven playing field and puts businesses doing the right thing at a competitive disadvantage.

Through the Phoenix Taskforce, the ATO and other federal, state and territory agencies are working together to detect, deter and disrupt illegal phoenix activity.

If you know of or suspect phoenixing, you can make an anonymous tip off by completing the [tip-off form](#), phoning **1800 060 062** or by emailing PhoenixReferrals@ato.gov.au.

For more information visit:

- [Illegal phoenix activity](#)
- [Phoenix Taskforce](#)
- [Video: Protect your business from illegal phoenix activity](#) 
- [Fact sheet: Protect yourself against illegal phoenix activity \(PDF, 390KB\)](#) 
- [Making a tip off](#)
- ATO podcast in your language

Episode 42 – The ATO Evergreen Program

Deputy Commissioner Matt Hay, Assistant Director Shanell Gadd and former Evergreen Program participant Kia Yeatman join Tax InVoice podcast host David Jepsen to talk about the ATO's Evergreen recruitment program.

The Evergreen program focuses on uplifting representation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples in the ATO. It combines on-the-job and formal training over a 12-month period, including 2 6-month work rotations that give participants the opportunity to work in a variety of roles.

Evergreen participants have support from a dedicated program manager, rotation team leaders and buddies. They are also offered a permanent position upon completion and provided opportunities for meaningful career progression.

Throughout the program participants get to experience the different work types and careers options available as an ATO employee, while doing work that makes a difference.

Positions are available in Albury, Canberra, Dandenong, Geelong, Gosford, Newcastle, Townsville and Traralgon.

For more information visit:

- [The Evergreen Program](#)
- [Hear from recent Evergreen Program participants](#)

- Apply for the Evergreen Program
- ATO podcast in your language

Episode 41 – Shadow economy

Assistant Commissioners, Michael Morton, Small Business Risk and Strategy, and Peter Holt, Shadow Economy Program, join Tax InVoice podcast host, David Jepsen, to talk about the shadow economy, the types of activities involved, and its effect on the Australian community.

The shadow economy, also known as the cash economy or black economy, refers to deliberate behaviour which can involve under-declaring income, paying staff cash in hand or under the counter, sham contracting, trading in illicit tobacco, illegal drugs or counterfeit goods, ABN, GST or duty fraud, and phoenixing.

Small businesses and their tax agents can now access [Reported transactions in ATO online](#) platforms to view third-party data we hold on taxable payments, government grants and business transactions. This provides transparency about business income reported to us and offers other benefits to small business owners.

The shadow economy accounts for around \$11 billion in lost revenue each year. If you suspect someone is involved, make an anonymous tip-off by phoning us on **1800 060 062** or visiting ato.gov.au/tipoff.

For more information visit:

- [Shadow economy](#)
- [Making a tip-off](#)
- [Reported transactions in ATO online](#)
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Episode 40 – eInvoicing

Acting Assistant Commissioner for Digital Partnerships, Planning and Governance at the ATO, Mark Stockwell, joins Tax InVoice podcast host David Jepsen to talk about eInvoicing, the benefits for businesses and how to get started with eInvoicing.

Mark also addresses some questions and myths about what eInvoicing is and isn't, how it works and the ATO's role in eInvoicing.

eInvoicing is a new digital channel which allows businesses to exchange invoice information between a buyer's and supplier's accounting systems, with the eInvoice automatically showing up in their accounting software. It also only applies to business to business and to government dealings.

For more information visit:

- [eInvoicing](#)
- [What is eInvoicing?](#) [↗](#)


Episode 39 – What's new in super?

In our first episode of Tax inVoice in 2022, Acting Assistant Commissioner of Superannuation and Employer Obligations Tracie

Crowden joins us to talk about recent changes.

Tracie explains what a stapled super fund is and what its introduction means for employers, their authorised representatives and employees. Tracie also covers some of the key features of the YourSuper Comparison Tool, which was introduced to help individuals decide which super product best meets their needs.

For more information visit:

- [Stapled super funds](#)
- [YourSuper comparison tool](#)
- [Stapled super funds for employers – Reference guide](#)
- [Webinar: Your Future Your Super](#) 

Episode 38 – Chris Jordan: Commissioner of Taxation

When Chris Jordan was appointed Commissioner of Taxation in 2013, he came in with a mandate to reinvent the organisation – to work more cohesively with tax professionals and business and improve the services provided to the community. He had a vision of a tax office that put taxpayers at the centre of everything it did. He led the organisation on a change program that set about reinventing not only the systems and processes used to serve clients, but the culture of the organisation as well.

When COVID-19 emerged in 2020, the ATO played a key role in the delivery of vital government stimulus to millions of Australians. This feat was made possible largely because of the systems in place and the responsive and service-orientated culture of the staff.

In our latest episode, hear directly from Chris Jordan about his journey to the ATO, his experiences running a large service organisation and the legacy he intends to leave.

Please enjoy our conversation with the Commissioner.



Episode 37 – Phase 2 of Single Touch Payroll and more

In the latest episode of *Tax inVoice*, Assistant Commissioner Jason Lucchese joins us to chat about the changes coming with Phase 2 of Single Touch Payroll (STP), the benefits for employers and employees and the support we have available.

We also cover the 80-cent-per-hour shortcut method for calculating working from home expenses – which has been extended until 30 June 2022, the new director identification number or director ID, and the Super Reforms – Your Future, Your Super, specifically, the stapled super fund rules, which commenced 1 November 2021. We also clarify the difference between myGov and myGovID.

For more information visit:

- [Single Touch Payroll Phase 2](#)

- [Director ID](#) 
- [Stapled super funds for employers](#)
- [Working from home expenses](#)
- [myGovID](#) 

Episode 36 – Helping small businesses in taxing times

Tune into our third and final episode of our 3-part Tax Time special for 2021.

In this episode we look at topics to help small businesses get their tax right including motor vehicle expenses, concessions, personal services income and business losses. We also have a chat with new COSBOA CEO Alexi Boyd.

For more information visit:

- [Support in difficult times](#)
- [Business losses.](#)

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Episode 35 – Best practice within the tax profession

Tune into our second episode of our 3-part Tax Time special for 2021.

On today's show, we share the key things that tax professionals need to know about Tax Time 2021. We dive deep into best practice for registered agents with Greg Lewis, Board Member of the Tax Practitioners Board. Finally, Assistant Commissioner Sylvia Gallagher answers questions from our listeners.

Episode 34 – Getting ready for Tax Time 2021

Welcome to the first episode of our 3-part Tax Time special for 2021.

In this episode we welcome our 2 new co-hosts, Assistant Commissioner Sally Bektas and Marketing and Communications Director David Jepsen as well as a brand-new podcast format.

On today's show: we'll be sharing the key things you need to know about Tax Time 2021; we'll dive deep into rental properties with Senior Director Peta Lonergan; and we'll go off the cuff with Assistant Commissioner Tim Loh, the ATO's new tax time spokesperson.

Episode 33 – Lying, cheating thieves

Serious financial criminals deceive, cheat and steal from everyday Australians. Join Emily Webb, crime author and co-host of the Australian True Crime Podcast, ATO Deputy Commissioner and SFCT Chief Will Day, and Dr Rick Brown, Deputy Director of the Australian Institute of Criminology as they discuss the impacts that serious financial criminals and their crimes have on our community.

Visit [Serious Financial Crime Taskforce](#) for more information.

Episode 32 – JobMaker Plan Part 2: Economic support measures

In this episode, Assistant Commissioners Amy James-Velagic and Kasey MacFarlane are joined by the Victorian Small Business Commissioner, Judy O'Connell. They discuss the temporary full expensing and loss carry back measures, which are 2 of our economic support initiatives to drive stronger economic recovery.

For more information visit the [temporary full expensing](#) and [loss carry back](#) pages.

Episode 31 – JobMaker Plan Part 1: JobMaker Hiring Credit

Episode 31 is no longer available to download.

The final JobMaker period ended on 6 October 2022. Claims for eligible employees employed during that period needed to be made before 31 January 2023 and STP reporting for the period was due on 28 January 2023.

Find out more information about:

- [JobMaker Hiring Credit scheme](#)
- ATO measures and tailored support during [COVID-19](#).

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Episode 30 – Super for women

In this episode, ATO Assistant Commissioner Sonia Corsini is joined by Mariam Mohammed, co-founder of MoneyGirl. They discuss a financially equal future for women, in particular within Australia's super system in celebration of International Women's Day.

Episode 29 – JobKeeper extension Part 2: Keeping JobKeeper fair

Note: This episode is no longer available to download. The JobKeeper Payment scheme finished on 28 March 2021.

For more information visit [JobKeeper Payment](#).

Episode 28 – JobKeeper extension Part 1: Overview of the program

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For more information visit [JobKeeper Payment](#).

Episode 27 – Cybersecurity for business and intermediaries Part 2: How we protect the community

In the second episode of our 2-part cyber security podcast, we focus on the role the ATO and other government agencies play in protecting the community from cyber criminals. We welcome back Craig Gillies, Acting Assistant Director-General at the Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC), Robyn Jacobson, Senior Advocate at The Tax Institute, and Jamie Norton, head of the ATO Information and Cyber Security

program, who conclude that when it comes to cyber security, prevention is always better than a cure.

You can also [download episode 27 \(MP3 !\[\]\(529949c2c3dadbaa4e538e8c643454bc_img.jpg\)\)](#), 33.3MB).

Episode 26 – Cybersecurity for business and intermediaries Part 1: How to protect yourself

In today's digital world, strong cybersecurity practices are a critical component of any business. In this episode, Craig Gillies, Acting Assistant Director-General at the Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC), and Robyn Jacobson, Senior Advocate at The Tax Institute, are joined by Jamie Norton, head of the ATO Information and Cyber Security program, to discuss how businesses and intermediaries can protect themselves from cybersecurity incidents. They also provide some helpful guidance around what to do if your business falls victim to one.

You can also [download Episode 26 \(MP3 34.8MB\)](#) .

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Episode 25 – Managing residential rental properties in a time of crisis

There's no denying 2020 has been a year of substantial challenges. In this episode our guest host Michael Yardney, CEO of Metropole Property Strategists, chats with Assistant Commissioner Adam O'Grady. Michael and Adam discuss how the events of 2020 may have impacted rental property owners and what recent law changes mean for residential rental property owners. They also talk about:

- what can and can't be claimed
- how to avoid some common mistakes
- where to find more information.

You can also [download Episode 25 \(MP3 42.06 MB\)](#) [↗](#).

Episode 24 – J5: tackling transnational tax crime

The Joint Chiefs of Global Tax Enforcement (J5) have brought our countries together to tackle transnational crime. In this episode we are joined by Joint Chiefs, Will Day of the Australian Taxation Office, Simon

York of HM Revenue and Customs and Don Fort of IRS–Criminal Investigation Division. They discuss transnational tax crime, what the J5 is and how they are working together internationally to close the net on global tax evasion.

You can also [download Episode 24 \(MP3, 32.03MB\)](#) [↗](#).

Episode 23 – Work-related expenses part 2: gifts and donations

In the second episode of our 2-part work-related expenses podcast, we touch on what gifts and donations are tax deductible and give a run-down on reconstructing records. We welcome back Gavin Swan, Director at Absolute Accounting Services, and Adam O’Grady, ATO Assistant Commissioner, who reveals top tips to help get your refund faster, including what to do before you lodge your tax return, and how to manage new income types in your tax return like JobSeeker and JobKeeper payments.

For more information go to ato.gov.au/whatsnew

For more information about:

- COVID-19 support go to ato.gov.au/coronavirus
- working from home go to ato.gov.au/home

You can also [download Episode 23 \(MP3, 29.1MB\)](#) .

Episode 22 – Work-related expenses part 1: working from home

Calculating your work-related expenses doesn't have to be difficult, particularly if you are working from home for the first time during COVID-19. In this episode of *Tax inVoice*, Gavin Swan, Director at Absolute Accounting Services is joined by Adam O'Grady, Assistant Commissioner, from the ATO to discuss what's different this tax time for work-related expenses, myth-busting and keeping the right records.

For more information go to ato.gov.au/whatsnew

For more information about:

- COVID-19 support go to ato.gov.au/coronavirus
- working from home go to ato.gov.au/home

You can also [download Episode 22 \(MP3, 29.7MB\)](#) .

Episode 21 – JobKeeper Payment part 3: information for employers, not-for-profits and charities

Note: This episode is no longer available to download. The JobKeeper Payment scheme finished on 28 March 2021.

For information on the JobKeeper Payment program, go to ato.gov.au/jobkeeper

For more information about other ATO measures and tailored support during COVID-19, visit ato.gov.au/coronavirus

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Episode 19 – JobKeeper Payment part 1: overview of the program

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For more information about other ATO measures and tailored support during COVID-19, visit ato.gov.au/coronavirus

Episode 18 – myGovID and RAM

Alexi Boyd, BAS agent and presenter of Small Biz Matters, sits down with Chief Digital Officer John Dardo to discuss myGovID and Relationship Authorisation Manager (RAM). They chat about why AUSkey is being replaced, how to start using myGovID and RAM and the benefits they bring.

Find more information at ato.gov.au/mygovid

You can also [download episode 18 \(MP3, 55.1MB\)](#) [↗](#).

Episode 17 – Single Touch Payroll (STP)

Tim Hoopmann, Founder of Spinn Business Solutions interviews Assistant Commissioner Jason Lucchese about Single Touch Payroll (STP). They discuss why it has been introduced, how to comply with the new reporting requirements and what to do if you haven't started reporting.


For more information visit ato.gov.au/stp

You can also [download episode 17 \(MP3, 36.5MB\)](#) .

Episode 16 – Data security: cybercrime from a business perspective

As a part of Australian Cyber Security week and Stay Smart Online week, CEO of AustCyber Michelle Price interviews Deputy Commissioner Will Day about the huge impact of cybercrime on Australian businesses. They discuss:

- the data security information available
- what to do if you are a victim of cybercrime or your business has been impacted by a cyber-attack.

You can find support and resources through ato.gov.au/onlinesecurity or on the AustCyber website austcyber.com .

You can also [download episode 16 \(MP3, 144MB\)](#) .

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Episode 15 – PAG: making the complex simple

In this episode, ATO's Deputy Chief Tax Counsel Andrew Orme talks to Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) Deputy General Counsel Elissa Keen. They discuss:

- how ATO advice and guidance is designed to help you get things right in the first instance
- what the different products are for different sectors of the community
- how listening to the community, professional association conversations, and new laws and trends drive the development of advice and guidance products
- the consultation process
- ideas about the future of public advice and guidance.

You can also [download episode 15 \(MP3, 12.6 MB\)](#) .

Episode 14 – Talking super for employers

In this episode, ATO Assistant Commissioner Graham Whyte talks to Jackie Gleeson, KPMG's Director of People and Change. They discuss:

- the importance of employers meeting their super obligations

- helpful products, calculators and tools to help employers
- common errors to avoid when using the Small Business Superannuation Clearing House (SBSCH)
- recent law changes and what they mean for employers.

You can also [download episode 14 \(MP3, 20.2 MB\)](#) .

Episode 13 – Scams and identity protection

In this episode, we join Karen Foat, Assistant Commissioner ATO, Delia Rickard, Deputy Chair, Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, and Karl Hanmore, Assistant Director-General of Engagement, Operations and Intelligence, Australian Cyber Security Centre. They discuss scams and how they are affecting everyday Australians and businesses and provide tips on what to do if you've been scammed.

You can also [download episode 13 \(MP3, 59.7MB\)](#) .

Episode 12 – Tax time tips for trusts

In this episode, we join Assistant Commissioner Jade Hawkins as she discusses tax time tips for trusts, with Peter Bembrick, partner at HLB Mann Judd Advisory and Accounting. They talk through some of the common mistakes that trustees make and how to get it right in the lead up to tax time.

You can also [download episode 12 \(MP4, 26.7MB\)](#) .

Episode 11 – Online services for agents

In this episode, Assistant Commissioner Andrew Watson, who has overseen the Online services for agents project, is joined by Chris Hooper, CEO of Accodex and public beta participant. They discuss the build process, the benefits of the new system and what's coming next.

You can also [download episode 11 \(MP4, 33.5MB\)](#) [↗](#).

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Episode 10 – Good record keeping is good for business

In this episode, Assistant Commissioner Justine Williams from the ATO's Small Business Experience is joined by Dr Paul Collier, Deputy Director of MBA Programs at Monash Business School, author and small business owner. They explore what 'keeping good records' for small business looks like and simple tips to help you get started on the right track.

You can also [download episode 10 \(MP4, 17.1MB\)](#) [↗](#).

Episode 9 – Not-for-profits: getting started

In this episode, Albert Beric from the NFP risk and strategy team is joined by Anna Lyons, a Principal Lawyer at Justice Connect. They discuss what you need to know about tax and super when you start a not-for-profit, and give plenty of handy tips and practical real life examples. They cover everything from the difference between a charity and a NFP organisation, to considerations you should factor in when choosing your legal structure.

You can also [download episode 9 \(MP3, 53MB\)](#) .

Episode 8 – Mental health support

In this episode, Assistant Commissioner Colin Walker talks to Patrice O'Brien from beyondblue and Tax professional Amanda Linton. They discuss the importance of recognising the signs and symptoms of mental health concerns, and the ways we can help support tax professionals and their clients through the tough times.

You can also [download episode 8 \(MP3, 38MB\)](#) .

Episode 7 – Talking tax for small business

In this episode, Assistant Commissioner Mathew Umina talks to Dr Craig Latham. Dr Latham is Deputy Ombudsman at the Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman. They discuss their top tax tips for small business, preparing for tax time and more.

You can also [download episode 7 \(MP3, 65.5MB\)](#) .

Episode 6 – Single Touch Payroll: part 2 of 2

With the end of financial year and the due date for new reporting obligations nearing, it's important for trustees and self-managed super fund (SMSF) professionals to know what they need to report, and what they should look out for. Deputy Commissioner James O'Halloran chats to John Maroney, CEO of the SMSF Association, ahead of the financial year.

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Episode 4 – GST at settlement

In this episode, Assistant Commissioner of Indirect Tax, Kelly Canavan talks to Andrew Howe, Director at Greenwoods and Herbert Smith Freehills and a member of the Property Council of Australia. They have a chat about the goods and services tax (GST) at settlement legislative measure, what you need to do to implement this change and how GST is collected on property transactions.

You can also [download episode 4 \(MP3, 20.3MB\)](#) .

Episode 3 – Work-related expenses: behind the scenes of an audit

There's been a lot of talk lately about our focus on work-related expenses, what people are claiming and whether many claims are legitimate. In this episode, Assistant Commissioner Adam Kendrick talks to Anthony Keane, personal finance writer at NewsCorp, about what raises a 'red flag' in our systems, what will happen if your return comes under our scrutiny this year, and how to get your claims right.

You can also [download episode 3 \(MP3, 27.4MB\)](#) .

Episode 2 – Single Touch Payroll: part 1 of 2

In part one of this episode, Assistant Commissioner John Shepherd talks to Michael Croker, Tax Australia Leader at Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand. They have a chat about Single Touch Payroll and how to get ready for the transition.

You can also [download episode 2 \(MP3, 12.1MB\)](#) .

Episode 1 – Superannuation: the road ahead

In this episode, Deputy Commissioner of Superannuation James O'Halloran talks to Dr David Knox, Senior Partner at Mercer, and co-chair of the ATO's Superannuation Industry Stewardship Group. They have a candid chat about the ATO's perspective on how things have gone so far, the challenges and what lies ahead in 2018 for APRA funds.

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