

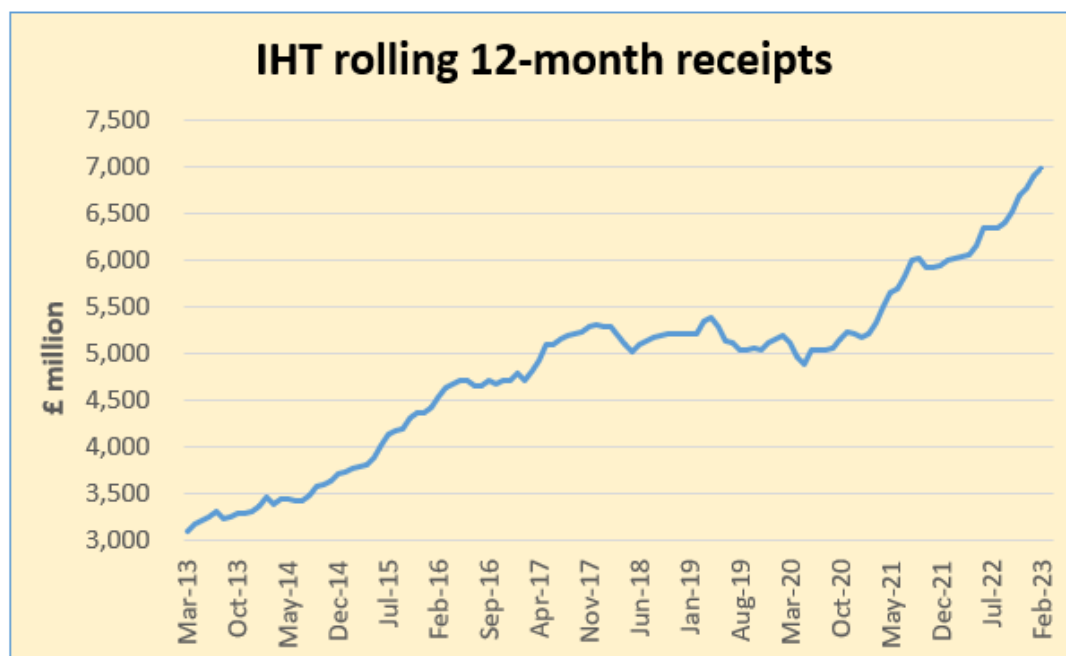
IHT receipts rise sharply again

Synopsis: HMRC has published details of tax receipts for April 2022 to February 2023.

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According to HMRC's latest statistics, inheritance tax (IHT) receipts for April 2022 to February 2023 were just over £6.4 billion, which is just over £.9 billion higher than in the same period a year earlier.

According to HMRC, higher than usual receipts in June 2022 of £726 million and November 2022 of £673 million can be attributed to a small number of higher-value payments than usual. February 2023's £531 million receipts were, also, considerably higher than February 2022's figure of £448 million.



The above chart contains 12-month rolling receipts since March 2013.

Receipts for the 12 months to February 2023 were £6.992 billion.

The Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR)'s latest Economic and fiscal outlook – published on 15 March 2023 - forecast the following IHT receipts for the current tax year and future tax years: £7 billion for 2022/23; £7.2 billion for 2023/24 and 2024/25; £7.4 billion for 2025/26; £7.8 billion for 2026/27; and £8.4 billion for the following year, 2027/28.

The current, and predicted, high IHT receipts should serve as another reminder of the importance of IHT planning.

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