



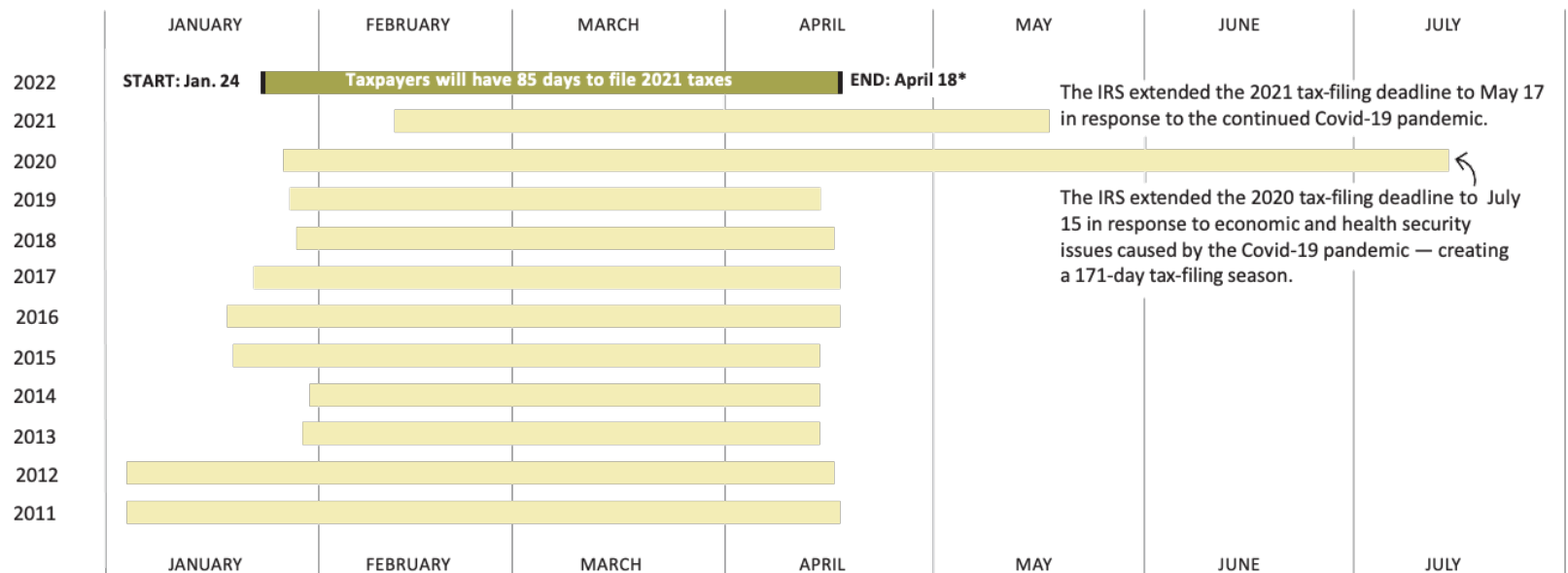
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# 2022 tax-filing season during the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic

The IRS has announced that the 2022 tax-filing season will start Jan. 24 and end April 18. Last year's tax-filing season began Feb. 12 and ended May 17 instead of the traditional April 15 tax return due date in response to continued U.S. economic disruptions from the Covid-19 pandemic.

With the exceptions of 2020 and 2021, taxpayers have had an average of 87 days to file taxes during tax-filing seasons. Start dates have sometimes been delayed so that the IRS could include extensions of sunseting tax laws in the tax processing system.

## Tax-filing season start and end dates for taxpayers



Sources: IRS, POLITICO staff reports

Note: 2012, 2016 and 2020 tax-filing seasons included an additional day, Feb. 29.

\*Maine and Massachusetts have until April 19 because of the Patriots' Day holiday.