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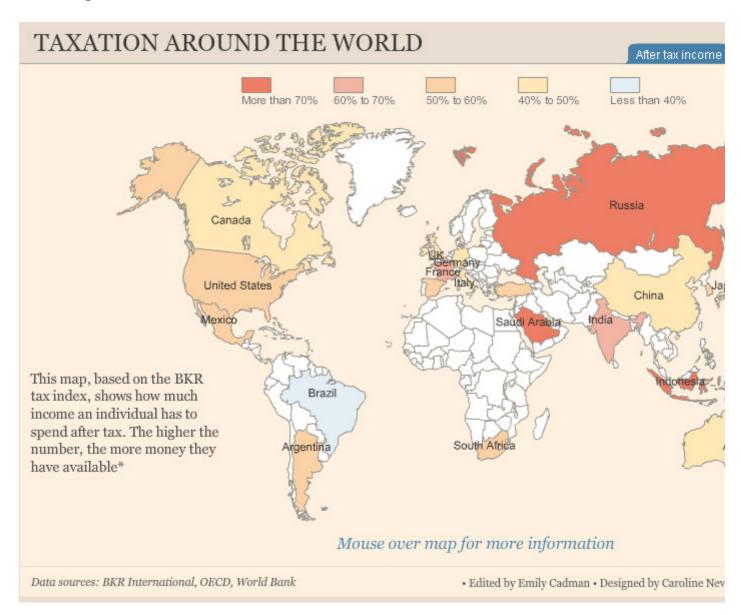
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Interactive: Personal taxation by country

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As governments grapple to raise more revenue, the question of income tax levels for the rich is back on the political agenda. Though a number of prominent individuals in the US and France have called for raised tax levels, Italian and Spanish parliamentarians have both backed away from the idea and the rich in general look set to escape a higher tax burden.

But what is the situation now? This graphic explores both what high-earning individuals pay in personal tax around the world and additionally the contribution that income taxes make to different governments' revenue.



^{*}The BKR tax index shows the level of disposable after-tax income available to an individual in different countries as a percentage of their total income. To ensure the numbers are

comparable, calculations are based on an individual paying the maximum income tax rate in each country and earning a pre-tax income of 100,000 in local currency. The lower the percentage shown, the greater proportion of their salary is taken in tax. BKR International is an association of worldwide accountancy firms.

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