## Meals and Entertainment Expenses

Businesses may claim input tax credits for 80 per cent of the GST paid for meal and entertainment expenses incurred as a cost of doing business – this is consistent with Canadian income tax law which allows businesses to claim 80 per cent of these expenses.

## **Provincial Taxes**

All but one of Canada's provinces operate a retail sales tax. Generally, GST is applied by the federal government to the purchase price of goods and services before application of the provincial retail sales tax. In some provinces the GST then forms the part of the value on which the province levies its own retail sales tax. Other provinces base their sales taxes on a value which does not include the GST