

Expanding the Earned Income Tax Credit--State Benefits

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) expanded the EITC for married couples and families with three or more children. In addition, proposals have been introduced in both the House of Representatives and Senate to strengthen the EITC for workers without qualifying children. This table presents the estimated impacts of these enacted and proposed changes.

State	ARRA EITC Expansions			Proposal to Double the Childless Worker Credit		
	Newly Eligible Filers	Filers Eligible for a Bigger Credit	Additional Dollars to Be Claimed (\$1,000s)	Newly Eligible Filers	Filers Eligible for a Bigger Credit	Additional EITC Dollars Available (\$1,000s)
Alabama	16,674	120,273	64,033	45,213	121,765	71,348
Alaska	1,464	14,805	7,981	5,611	19,171	9,669
Arizona	20,826	156,071	97,861	48,508	120,711	68,052
Arkansas	10,515	81,421	42,296	26,512	72,580	43,889
California	115,666	907,148	564,991	207,714	593,884	327,643
Colorado	11,463	94,454	57,517	34,331	102,831	55,515
Connecticut	7,471	43,652	24,849	16,008	56,629	28,969
Delaware	2,581	15,736	8,845	7,020	14,684	8,565
District of Columbia	743	5,801	3,472	5,437	15,087	7,510
Florida	52,041	357,081	203,530	141,075	365,849	205,860
Georgia	28,408	230,170	127,312	73,074	192,253	111,901
Hawaii	4,090	24,472	14,533	7,716	21,937	11,565
Idaho	7,533	45,928	28,729	9,945	26,655	15,304
Illinois	36,466	272,908	164,481	79,597	227,402	126,351
Indiana	18,539	133,581	79,531	45,550	134,653	72,831
Iowa	9,089	49,136	31,045	22,249	66,166	34,101
Kansas	8,938	57,999	36,017	22,178	52,261	29,512
Kentucky	13,900	94,505	55,216	40,329	114,644	63,965
Louisiana	12,897	108,244	54,981	41,163	112,385	63,512
Maine	4,257	27,070	14,530	10,999	32,413	18,756
Maryland	12,811	69,209	40,614	30,426	79,456	45,328
Massachusetts	11,983	76,280	40,920	39,216	111,350	59,868
Michigan	27,877	200,478	119,670	79,207	253,090	135,356
Minnesota	15,983	82,365	53,012	26,631	100,435	51,106
Mississippi	9,662	83,385	44,950	31,924	71,962	42,586
Missouri	17,416	129,223	74,205	48,828	140,259	74,088
Montana	2,343	20,961	11,328	9,084	28,602	16,016
Nebraska	4,796	43,551	26,247	10,982	28,090	15,954
Nevada	7,543	56,354	34,195	12,972	43,638	23,668
New Hampshire	2,512	16,946	8,538	9,499	19,078	11,511
New Jersey	18,275	118,450	68,148	40,483	106,359	60,007
New Mexico	5,577	55,308	30,960	18,075	58,204	29,758
New York	48,390	353,426	204,339	114,060	333,218	183,432
North Carolina	30,259	206,037	117,070	74,886	207,498	116,943
North Dakota	1,344	11,430	5,962	3,625	14,087	7,236
Ohio	33,081	218,525	125,423	89,707	267,156	148,601
Oklahoma	14,759	107,699	63,228	33,580	87,379	46,492
Oregon	12,964	77,238	46,824	33,652	100,974	56,127
Pennsylvania	34,458	218,834	129,880	95,559	262,075	143,486
Rhode Island	1,887	17,527	9,686	8,837	17,492	10,417
South Carolina	15,403	90,203	52,511	38,259	109,206	62,670
South Dakota	2,329	16,639	8,376	6,185	20,531	10,980
Tennessee	19,402	143,788	78,211	61,601	151,959	89,507
Texas	79,129	745,916	445,376	163,815	424,651	248,579
Utah	13,406	71,691	46,625	16,697	37,747	22,250
Vermont	1,294	11,440	6,825	6,627	14,552	7,133
Virginia	17,899	115,219	63,486	50,211	123,476	73,328
Washington	16,661	116,774	68,389	44,792	136,511	70,941
West Virginia	7,566	40,914	24,005	18,860	54,724	31,146
Wisconsin	15,625	94,944	58,183	41,072	119,594	63,398
Wyoming	1,252	8,250	5,698	3,850	11,815	6,907
U.S. Total	887,447	6,459,459	3,794,631	2,153,431	5,999,128	3,339,637

Source: Brookings Institution MetroTax model, 2007 American Community Survey microdata