

Earned Income Tax Credit Parameters, 1975-2012
 [Dollar amounts unadjusted for inflation]

Calendar year	Credit rate (percent)	Minimum income for maximum credit	Maximum credit	Phaseout rate (percent)	Phaseout range [1]	
					Beginning income	Ending income
1975-78	10	4,000	400	10	4,000	8,000
1979-84	10	5,000	500	12.5	6,000	10,000
1985-86	11	5,000	550	12.22	6,500	11,000
1987	14	6,080	851	10	6,920	15,432
1988	14	6,240	874	10	9,840	18,576
1989	14	6,500	910	10	10,240	19,340
1990	14	6,810	953	10	10,730	20,264
1991						
One child	16.7	7,140	1,192	11.93	11,250	21,250
Two children	17.3	7,140	1,235	12.36	11,250	21,250
1992						
One child	17.6	7,520	1,324	12.57	11,840	22,370
Two children	18.4	7,520	1,384	13.14	11,840	22,370
1993						
One child	18.5	7,750	1,434	13.21	12,200	23,050
Two children	19.5	7,750	1,511	13.93	12,200	23,050
1994						
No children	7.65	4,000	306	7.65	5,000	9,000
One child	26.3	7,750	2,038	15.98	11,000	23,755
Two children	30	8,425	2,528	17.68	11,000	25,296
1995						
No children	7.65	4,100	314	7.65	5,130	9,230
One child	34	6,160	2,094	15.98	11,290	24,396
Two children	36	8,640	3,110	20.22	11,290	26,673
1996						
No children	7.65	4,220	323	7.65	5,280	9,500
One child	34	6,330	2,152	15.98	11,610	25,078
Two children	40	8,890	3,556	21.06	11,610	28,495
1997						
No children	7.65	4,340	332	7.65	5,430	9,770
One child	34	6,500	2,210	15.98	11,930	25,750
Two children	40	9,140	3,656	21.06	11,930	29,290
1998						
No children	7.65	4,460	341	7.65	5,570	10,030
One child	34	6,680	2,271	15.98	12,260	26,473
Two children	40	9,390	3,756	21.06	12,260	30,095
1999						
No children	7.65	4,530	347	7.65	5,670	10,200
One child	34	6,800	2,312	15.98	12,460	26,928
Two children	40	9,540	3,816	21.06	12,460	30,580
2000						
No children	7.65	4,610	353	7.65	5,770	10,380
One child	34	6,920	2,353	15.98	12,690	27,413
Two children	40	9,720	3,888	21.06	12,690	31,152
2001						
No children	7.65	4,760	364	7.65	5,950	10,710
One child	34	7,140	2,428	15.98	13,090	28,281
Two children	40	10,020	4,008	21.06	13,090	32,121
2002						
No children	7.65	4,910	376	7.65	6,150	11,060
One child	34	7,370	2,506	15.98	13,520	29,201
Two children	40	10,350	4,140	21.06	13,520	33,178
2003						
No children	7.65	4,990	382	7.65	6,240	11,230
One child	34	7,490	2,547	15.98	13,730	29,666
Two children	40	10,510	4,204	21.06	13,730	33,692
2004						
No children	7.65	5,100	390	7.65	6,390	11,490
One child	34	7,660	2,604	15.98	14,040	30,338
Two children	40	10,750	4,300	21.06	14,040	34,458
2005						
No children	7.65	5,220	399	7.65	6,530	11,750
One child	34	7,830	2,662	15.98	14,370	31,030
Two children	40	11,000	4,400	21.06	14,370	35,263
2006						
No children	7.65	5,380	412	7.65	6,740	12,120
One child	34	8,080	2,747	15.98	14,810	32,001
Two children	40	11,340	4,536	21.06	14,810	36,348
2007						
No children	7.65	5,590	428	7.65	7,000	12,590
One child	34	8,390	2,853	15.98	15,390	33,241
Two children	40	11,790	4,716	21.06	15,390	37,783
2008						
No children	7.65	5,720	438	7.65	7,160	12,880
One child	34	8,580	2,917	15.98	15,740	33,995
Two children	40	12,060	4,824	21.06	15,740	38,646
2009						
No children	7.65	5,970	457	7.65	7,470	13,440
One child	34	8,950	3,043	15.98	16,420	35,463
Two children	40	12,570	5,028	21.06	16,420	40,295
Three children	45	12,570	5,657	21.06	16,420	43,279
2010						
No children	7.65	5,980	457	7.65	7,480	13,460
One child	34	8,970	3,050	15.98	16,450	35,535
Two children	40	12,590	5,036	21.06	16,450	40,363
Three children	45	12,590	5,666	21.06	16,450	43,352
2011						
No children	7.65	6,070	464	7.65	7,590	13,660
One child	34	9,100	3,094	15.98	16,690	36,052
Two children	40	12,780	5,112	21.06	16,690	40,964
Three children	45	12,780	5,751	21.06	16,690	43,998
2012						
No children	7.65	6,210	475	7.65	7,770	13,980
One child	34	9,320	3,169	15.98	17,090	36,920
Two children	40	13,090	5,236	21.06	17,090	41,952
Three children	45	13,090	5,891	21.06	17,090	45,060

[1] Beginning in 2002, the values of the beginning and ending points of the phase-out range were increased for married taxpayers filing jointly. The values for these taxpayers were \$1,000 higher than the listed values from 2002-2004, \$2,000 higher from 2005-2007, \$3,000 higher in 2008, \$5,000 higher in 2009, \$5,010 higher in 2010, \$5,080 higher in 2011 and \$5,210 higher in 2012.

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