Table T15-0212 Child Tax Credit Options

Change in Individual Income Tax Revenue, 2016-2025 (\$ billions)^a

Baseline: Current Law

| | Calendar Year | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|
| | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2016-2025 |
| Baseline Benefits | 56.7 | 56.2 | 49.8 | 49.9 | 49.8 | 49.7 | 49.4 | 49.3 | 49.0 | 48.6 | 508.4 |
| Option 1: Permanent \$3,000 Refundability Threshold | 0.0 | 0.0 | -10.2 | -10.2 | -10.2 | -10.2 | -10.0 | -10.0 | -9.9 | -9.8 | -80.5 |
| Option 1 (alternate): Reduce Refundability Threshold to \$0 | -2.1 | -2.0 | -12.1 | -12.0 | -11.9 | -11.8 | -11.5 | -11.4 | -11.2 | -11.0 | -97.0 |
| Option 2: Double the Maximum Credit from \$1,000 per child to \$2,000 per | | | | | | | | | | | |
| child | -48.7 | -49.1 | -43.8 | -44.5 | -44.8 | -45.2 | -45.6 | -45.9 | -46.1 | -46.1 | -459.7 |
| Option 2a: Extra \$1500 credit for children <3, current law other rules ^b | -15.8 | -15.7 | -12.3 | -12.3 | -12.3 | -12.2 | -12.1 | -12.0 | -11.7 | -11.5 | -127.7 |
| Option 2a (alternate): Extra \$1500 credit for children <3, plus option 1 | -15.8 | -15.7 | -25.9 | -25.9 | -25.8 | -25.7 | -25.4 | -25.2 | -24.8 | -24.5 | -234.7 |
| Option 2b: Increase Eligibility Age From Under 17 to Under 19 | -7.3 | -7.3 | -5.6 | -5.6 | -5.5 | -5.5 | -5.5 | -5.4 | -5.3 | -5.2 | -58.2 |
| Option 3: Index all CTC parameters ^c | 0.0 | -1.5 | -2.6 | -4.5 | -5.9 | -7.9 | -9.9 | -11.4 | -13.5 | -15.5 | -72.7 |
| Option 4: Increase Married Phaseout Threshold to Twice Single Threshold | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | -4.6 | -4.9 | -5.0 | -5.2 | -5.3 | -5.3 | -5.4 | -5.4 | -5.4 | -5.5 | -52.1 |
| Options 3 and 4 Combined | -4.6 | -6.3 | -7.6 | -9.6 | -11.1 | -13.1 | -15.3 | -16.8 | -19.0 | -21.3 | -124.8 |
| Option 5: Additional \$2,500 CTC, Limited Refundability ^e | -108.9 | -111.1 | -115.1 | -117.0 | -118.7 | -120.4 | -122.7 | -124.6 | -126.1 | -128.1 | -1192.7 |

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⁽a) Calendar years. Baseline is current law. Effective 01/01/2016.

⁽b) Create new \$1,500 Young Child Tax Credit (YCTC) for children under three years old. The YCTC is calculated separately from the Child Tax Credit, using the same rules as specified for the Child Tax Credit under the proposal.

⁽c) Index credit amount and earnings thresholds for inflation.

⁽d) CTC phase out for married couples at \$150,000 instead of \$110,000 and for married couples filing seperately at \$75,000 instead of \$55,000.

⁽e) Additional \$2,500 CTC credit with refundability limited to the sum of total income and payroll tax liabilities, including employer-side payroll tax liability. The credit does not phase-out.

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| | Fiscal Year | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|
| | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2016-2025 |
| Baseline Benefits | 42.5 | 56.3 | 51.4 | 49.9 | 49.9 | 49.7 | 49.5 | 49.3 | 49.1 | 48.7 | 496.3 |
| Option 1: Permanent \$3,000 Refundability Threshold | 0.0 | 0.0 | -7.7 | -10.2 | -10.2 | -10.2 | -10.1 | -10.0 | -9.9 | -9.8 | -78.1 |
| Option 1 (alternate): Reduce Refundability Threshold to \$0 | -1.6 | -2.0 | -9.6 | -12.1 | -11.9 | -11.8 | -11.6 | -11.4 | -11.3 | -11.1 | -94.3 |
| Option 2: Double the Maximum Credit from \$1,000 per child to \$2,000 per | | | | | | | | | | | |
| child | -36.6 | -49.0 | -45.1 | -44.3 | -44.7 | -45.1 | -45.5 | -45.8 | -46.1 | -46.1 | -448.2 |
| Option 2a: Extra \$1500 credit for children <3, current law other rules ^b | -11.8 | -15.7 | -13.1 | -12.3 | -12.3 | -12.2 | -12.1 | -12.0 | -11.8 | -11.5 | -124.8 |
| Option 2a (alternate): Extra \$1500 credit for children <3, plus option 1 | -11.8 | -15.7 | -23.3 | -25.9 | -25.8 | -25.7 | -25.5 | -25.2 | -24.9 | -24.6 | -228.5 |
| Option 2b: Increase Eligibility Age From Under 17 to Under 19 | -5.4 | -7.3 | -6.0 | -5.6 | -5.5 | -5.5 | -5.5 | -5.4 | -5.4 | -5.3 | -56.9 |
| Option 3: Index all CTC parameters ^c | 0.0 | -1.1 | -2.3 | -4.0 | -5.6 | -7.4 | -9.4 | -11.1 | -13.0 | -15.0 | -68.8 |
| Option 4: Increase Married Phaseout Threshold to Twice Single Threshold ^d | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | -3.5 | -4.8 | -5.0 | -5.2 | -5.2 | -5.3 | -5.4 | -5.4 | -5.4 | -5.5 | -50.7 |
| Options 3 and 4 Combined | -3.5 | -5.9 | -7.3 | -9.1 | -10.7 | -12.6 | -14.7 | -16.5 | -18.5 | -20.8 | -119.4 |
| Option 5: Additional \$2,500 CTC, Limited Refundability ^e | -81.7 | -110.6 | -114.1 | -116.5 | -118.3 | -119.9 | -122.1 | -124.1 | -125.8 | -127.6 | -1160.7 |

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