

EITC, TANF, and Food Stamp Participation Rates

	EITC		SNAP (formerly Food Stamps)		AFDC/ TANF
	Without Children	With Children	Without Children	With Children	
1981					80
1982 1983 1984					78
1985 1986					79
1987					77
1988					78
1989		00	07	<u></u>	84
1990 1991		83	37	62	82
1992					86
1993					82
1994			45	87	82
1995			45	85	84
1996	71	86	40	83	79
1997			40	75	69
1998			38	70	56
1999	45	86	39	67	52
2000 2001			34 33	69 66	52 48
2001			33 33	66	40 48
2002			33	70	46
2003			36	76	42
2005	56	81	39	81	40
2006			44	81	39
2007			43	80	36
2008			44	80	33
2009	65.23	80			32
2010			53	83	34
2011			60	89	34
2012			65	94	32
2013 2014			66 66	97 93	31 29
2014 2015			68	93 93	29 28
2015			67	95 96	20 25

Notes: Scholz estimated an 80 to 86 percent 1990 EITC participation rate; the number reported here is the midpoint.

Food stamp participation rates for 1990 to 1999 are the rates in September of each year. Participation rates for 2000 to 2008, and for 2010-2016 are averaged rates for each fiscal year. TANF participation rates are estimated by an Urban Institute model (TRIM3) that uses CPS data to simulate AFDC/TANF eligibility and participation for an average month, by calendar year. There have been small changes in estimating methodology over time, due to model improvements and revisions to the CPS. Most notably in 1997 and 1998 the model was adjusted to more accurately exclude ineligible immigrants. This table reports the 1994 revised estimates and the 1997 and 1998 (and beyond) adjusted estimates.

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