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Tax Benefits of the Student Loan Interest Deduction:

By Adjusted Gross Income Class, 2005<sup>1</sup>

Adjusted Gross Income Class	All Tax Units <sup>3</sup>		Tax Units with Benefit <sup>4</sup>			Tax Benefits		Benefit as Percent of After- Tax Income <sup>6</sup>		Average Tax Benefit	
(thousands of current dollars) <sup>2</sup>	Number (thousands)	Percent of Total	Number (thousands)	Percent of Total	Percent within Class <sup>5</sup>	Dollars (millions)	Percent of Total	All Tax Units	Tax Units with Benefit	All Tax Units	Tax Units with Benefit
Less than 10	35,016	24.1	261	4.1	0.7	3	0.3	0.00	0.2	0	10
10-20	23,171	15.9	706	11.1	3.0	37	4.2	0.01	0.4	2	52
20-30	18,169	12.5	957	15.0	5.3	113	12.9	0.03	0.6	6	118
30-40	13,599	9.4	988	15.5	7.3	138	15.8	0.04	0.5	10	139
40-50	10,747	7.4	731	11.4	6.8	132	15.1	0.03	0.5	12	180
50-75	18,350	12.6	1,306	20.5	7.1	169	19.4	0.02	0.3	9	130
75-100	10,839	7.5	916	14.3	8.5	194	22.2	0.03	0.3	18	212
100-200	11,036	7.6	430	6.7	3.9	90	10.2	0.01	0.2	8	208
200-500	2,675	1.8	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0	0
500-1,000	423	0.3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0	0
More than 1,000	216	0.1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0	0
All	145,321	100.0	6,386	100.0	4.4	874	100.0	0.02	0.4	6	137

Source: Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center Microsimulation Model (version 0304-5).

<sup>(1)</sup> Calendar year. Benefits of the student loan interest deduction are measured as the interest deducted multiplied by the marginal rate in the taxpayer's current tax bracket.

<sup>(2)</sup> Tax units with negative adjusted gross income are excluded from the lowest income class but are included in the totals.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes both filing and non-filing units. Tax units that are dependents of other taxpayers are excluded from the analysis.

<sup>(4)</sup> Tax units with benefit includes only those tax units that deduct student loan interest.

<sup>(5)</sup> Percent of tax units within each adjusted gross income class that receives a tax benefit from the student loan interest deduction.

<sup>(6)</sup> After-tax income is adjusted gross income less: individual income tax net of refundable credits; corporate income tax; payroll taxes (Social Security and Medicare); and estate tax.