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Distribution of Federal Tax Change by Cash Income Level, 2009

Summary Table

Cash Income Level	Percent of Tax Units ³		Percent Change in	Share of Total	Average	Average Federal Tax Rate ⁵		
(thousands of 2008 dollars) ²	With Tax Cut	With Tax Increase	After-Tax Income 4	Federal Tax Change	Federal Tax Change (\$)	Change (% Points)	Under the Proposal	
Less than 10	26.8	0.0	1.9	42.2	-100	-1.7	7.8	
10-20	36.8	0.0	1.1	55.5	-151	-1.0	8.4	
20-30	6.8	0.0	0.0	2.0	-8	0.0	13.6	
30-40	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	17.3	
40-50	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	19.3	
50-75	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	20.0	
75-100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	21.6	
100-200	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	24.1	
200-500	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	25.1	
500-1,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	26.3	
More than 1,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	28.3	
All	18.8	0.0	0.3	100.0	-70	-0.3	17.2	

Source: Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center Microsimulation Model (version 0308-7).

Support for these estimates was provided by the AARP Public Policy Institute.

- (3) Includes both filing and non-filing units but excludes those that are dependents of other tax units.
- (4) After-tax income is cash income less: individual income tax net of refundable credits; corporate income tax; payroll taxes (Social Security and Medicare); and estate tax.
- (5) Average federal tax (includes individual and corporate income tax, payroll taxes for Social Security and Medicare, and the estate tax) as a percentage of average cash income.

⁽¹⁾ Calendar year. Baseline is President-elect Obama's expansion of the childless EITC fully phased in. Obama's plan increases the value of the childless credit by raising the maximum value of the credit to \$550 by 2012 (\$520 in 2009 dollars). The proposal removes the age limits on childless EITC eligibility and assumes that non-taxable social security benefits are included in AGI for the purposes of determining the phase-out of the childless EITC. Tax units under the age of 25 are ineligible for the childless EITC if they are full time students. Married filing joint tax units are ineligible if both are under the age of 25 and both are full time students. Age refers to age of the head of the tax unit.

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Detail Table

Cash Income Level (thousands of 2008 dollars) ²	Percent of Tax Units ³		Percent Change	Share of Total	Average Federal Tax Change		Share of Federal Taxes		Average Federal Tax Rate ⁵	
	With Tax Cut	With Tax Increase	in After-Tax Income ⁴	Federal Tax Change	Dollars	Percent	Change (% Points)	Under the Proposal	Change (% Points)	Under the Proposal
Less than 10	26.8	0.0	1.9	42.2	-100	-18.2	-0.6	3.0	-1.7	7.8
10-20	36.8	0.0	1.1	55.5	-151	-10.8	-0.7	7.2	-1.0	8.4
20-30	6.8	0.0	0.0	2.0	-8	-0.2	0.2	14.1	0.0	13.6
30-40	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.2	13.7	0.0	17.3
40-50	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.2	11.5	0.0	19.3
50-75	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.3	16.3	0.0	20.0
75-100	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.1	7.3	0.0	21.6
100-200	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.1	8.5	0.0	24.1
200-500	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.1	5.6	0.0	25.1
500-1,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	2.8	0.0	26.3
More than 1,000	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.2	9.8	0.0	28.3
All	18.8	0.0	0.3	100.0	-70	-1.5	0.0	100.0	-0.3	17.2

Baseline Distribution of Income and Federal Taxes by Cash Income Level, 2009 ¹

Cash Income Level (thousands of 2008	Tax Units ³		Average	Average Federal	Average After-	Average Federal Tax	Share of Pre- Tax Income	Share of Post- Tax Income	Share of Federal Taxes
dollars) ²	Number (thousands)	Percent of Total	(Dollars)	Tax Burden (Dollars)	Tax Income ⁴ (Dollars)	Rate 5	Percent of Total	Percent of Total	Percent of Total
Less than 10	4,449	29.8	5,722	548	5,174	9.6	6.5	7.1	3.6
10-20	3,851	25.8	15,035	1,406	13,628	9.4	14.8	16.2	7.9
20-30	2,770	18.6	25,186	3,438	21,748	13.7	17.8	18.6	14.0
30-40	1,503	10.1	35,364	6,130	29,234	17.3	13.6	13.6	13.5
40-50	879	5.9	45,526	8,799	36,726	19.3	10.2	10.0	11.3
50-75	897	6.0	61,129	12,218	48,911	20.0	14.0	13.6	16.1
75-100	262	1.8	87,258	18,846	68,412	21.6	5.8	5.5	7.2
100-200	177	1.2	134,290	32,352	101,939	24.1	6.1	5.6	8.4
200-500	50	0.3	299,427	75,030	224,397	25.1	3.9	3.5	5.5
500-1,000	10	0.1	716,596	188,121	528,475	26.3	1.8	1.6	2.7
More than 1,000	8	0.1	3,009,150	850,357	2,158,793	28.3	6.0	5.2	9.7
All	14,933	100.0	26,236	4,573	21,663	17.4	100.0	100.0	100.0

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