

Table T09-0034
Reduce Child Tax Credit (CTC) Refundability Threshold to \$8,500
Distribution of Tax Units with Benefit, 2009¹

Cash Income Level (thousands of 2008 dollars) ²	Tax Units (thousands) ³			Average Benefit (\$)	
	All	Number with Benefit	Percent with Benefit	Tax Units with Benefit	All Tax Units
Less than 10	17,204	276	1.6	-111	-2
10-20	24,101	3,642	15.1	-434	-66
20-30	19,493	2,159	11.1	-472	-52
30-40	14,384	477	3.3	-438	-15
40-50	11,749	119	1.0	-433	-4
50-75	21,662	60	0.3	-371	-1
75-100	14,107	10	0.1	-477	0
100-200	19,712	7	0.0	-425	0
200-500	5,636	0	0.0	**	**
500-1,000	989	0	0.0	**	**
More than 1,000	519	0	0.0	**	**
All	150,241	6,774	4.5	-433	-20

Source: Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center Microsimulation Model (version 0308-6).

(1) Calendar year. Baseline is current law. Proposal reduces the unindexed earnings threshold for refundability to \$8,500. Estimates are static and do not account for any potential microeconomic behavioral response. Official estimates from the Joint Committee on Taxation would likely show a somewhat different effect on revenue. Average benefits are suppressed for income classes in which fewer than 5,000 tax units have a reduction in tax liability.

(2) Tax units with negative cash income are excluded from the lowest income class but are included in the totals. For a description of cash income, see

<http://www.taxpolicycenter.org/TaxModel/income.cfm>

(3) Includes both filing and non-filing units but excludes those that are dependents of other tax units.