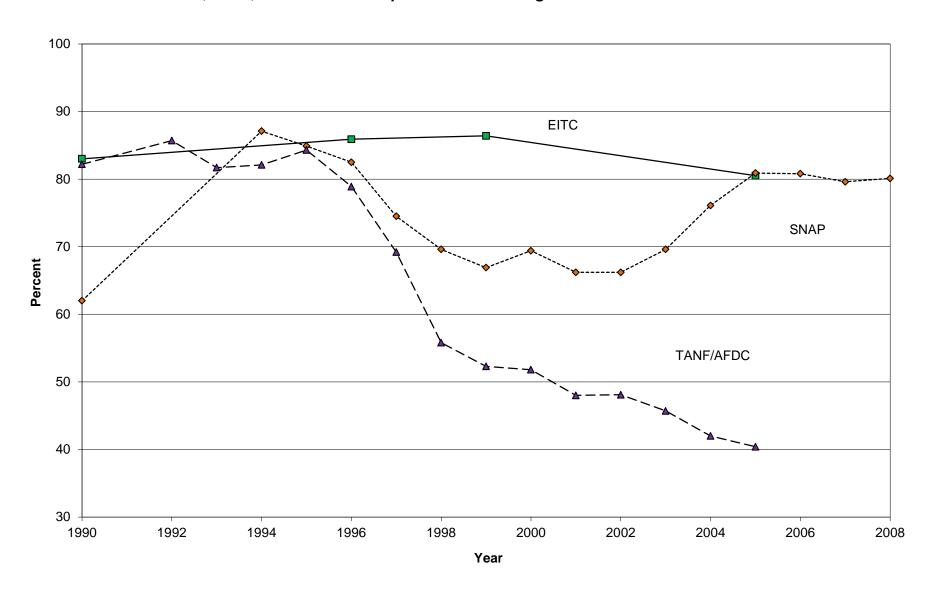
EITC, TANF, and SNAP Participation Rates Among Families with Children



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 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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