The Impacts of Increased Income on Receipt of Benefits and Tax Credits

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Purpose

- Examine potential impacts of rising incomes on individuals' and families' eligibility for government-provided benefits and tax credits
- Provide context for policy decisions:
 - Minimum wage increase
 - Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) Redesign

Benefits and Tax Credits

Self Sufficiency:

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF)

Employment Related Day Care (ERDC)

Health Care:

Medicaid

Children's Health Insurance Program

Advanced Premium Tax Credit

Rental Assistance:

HUD Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers

Taxes and Tax Credits:

Federal Income Tax (including the Child Tax Credit)

FICA (or payroll) Taxes

Oregon Income Tax

Federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

Oregon Earned Income Credit (EIC)

Oregon Working Families Tax Credit

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Household types:

- Single adult family with no child
- One-parent, one-child family
- One-parent, two-child family

Scope

Household characteristics:

- Adult is 30 years old and the children are between 3 and 6 years old
- Families live in either the Portland metro area or in Burns (Eastern Oregon)
- Adult or parent works either 18-hours-perweek or 30 hours-per-week





Single adult in Portland working 30 hours-per-week \$2,500 Single adult no longer eligible for Medicaid, purchases private health \$2,000 insurance Total Available Monthly Resources \$1,500 \$1,000 \$500 \$-\$(500) \$1,183 \$1,235 \$1,300 \$1,365 \$1,430 \$1,495 \$1,560 \$1,625 \$1,690 \$1,755 \$1,820 \$1,885 \$1,950 \$2,015 \$2,080 \$2,145 \$2,210 \$2,275 \$2,340 \$9.10 \$9.50 \$10.00 \$10.50 \$11.00 \$11.50 \$12.00 \$12.50 \$13.00 \$13.50 \$14.00 \$14.50 \$15.00 \$15.50 \$16.00 \$16.50 \$16.50 \$17.00 \$17.50 \$18.00 Monthly earned income, Hourly wage Earned income Total taxes SNAP Medicaid (state spending per individual) -Single adult monthly available income Advance Premium Tax Credit



One-parent, one-child family in Portland working 18 hours-per-week



One-parent, one-child family in Portland working 30 hours-per-week





One parent, one child family in Portland receiving TANF benefits \$4,000 \$3,500 Total Available Monthly Resources \$5,500 \$5,000 \$1,000 \$1,000 In 2014, 96% of TANF families had no earnings. \$500 \$-\$79 \$158 \$237 \$317 \$396 \$475 \$554 \$633 \$712 \$791 \$870 \$950 \$1,029 \$1,108 \$1,187 \$1,266 \$1,345 \$1,424 \$1,504 \$1,583 \$-0 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 28 30 32 34 36 38 40 2 4 6 8 Monthly earned income, Hours worked per week earning \$9.10 per hour Earned Income TANF ERDC child care subsidy **SNAP** Medicaid (state spending per individual) Total taxes -One child family monthly available resources