

# The Earned Income Credit and the Child Tax Credit

## You Could Owe Less in Taxes and Get Cash Back From the IRS!

- If you worked in 2022 – full-time or part-time – you may qualify.
- Even if you don't owe income tax you can get the credits.

## If You Had Children Living with You for More than Half of 2022

- For the EITC, children must be younger than 19 in 2022. (Full-time students can be under 24; children who are permanently and totally disabled can be any age.)
- For the CTC, children must be younger than 17 in 2022.

## If You Did Not Have Children Living with You

- You may claim the EITC if you were between ages 25 and 64 in 2022.

### Up-to-Date Tax Credit Eligibility Information for Tax Year 2022

Number of children:	Single workers with Income less than:	Married workers with income less than:	EITC up to
1 child	\$43,492	\$49,622	\$3,733
2 children	\$49,399	\$55,529	\$6,164
3 or more children	\$53,057	\$59,187	\$6,935
No children	\$16,480	\$22,610	\$560

## Child Tax Credit - For tax year 2022, the Child Tax Credit will return to \$2,000 per qualifying child:

- Children must have been under 17 at the end of 2022.
- In addition to the federal child tax credit, a few states, including CA, NY, and MA also offer their own state level CTC'S that you may be able to claim when filing your state return. Visit your state's department of taxation website for more details.

**Note:** The \$500 nonrefundable Credit for Other Dependents amount has not changed. For more information about the Credit for Other Dependents, see IRS [Schedule 8812 \(Form 1040\) Credit for Qualifying Children and Other Dependents](#).

## What If I'm Not a U.S. Citizen? Immigrants Who Work and Meet Other Guidelines May Qualify.

- For the EITC: worker, spouse and any child claimed needs a valid Social Security Number.
- For the CTC: either a Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) is needed for the parents, however the child being claimed must have a valid Social Security Number. You can claim the ODC (credit for other dependents) for qualifying dependents if the dependent has either a valid Individual Taxpayer Identification number (ITIN) number or Social Security Number.

## File a Federal Tax Return to Get the EITC and CTC Funds

If you work, you can get these tax credits and not lose other public benefits. EITC and CTC refunds won't count as income when you apply for or renew benefits like food stamps, SSI, Medicaid, cash assistance, or public housing. Refunds that are kept in a savings account do not count against these and other federally-funded benefit program resource/asset limits for 12 months after the refund is received.

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