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Abstract

The authors use a unique data set to examine the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) recipients claimed the EITC in 1990 and reached approximately 20 percent of the population patterns of income mobility among the EITC eligible population. Only 11 percent of those claiming the EITC in 1990 and in the third decile of income were in the same decile in 2003. They also find that 20 percent of EITC claimants claim the EITC for more than 5 years.



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