

Maryland Earned Income Tax Credit (EIC)

What is the Maryland EIC?

The Maryland EIC is a refundable income tax credit for low- and moderate-income working individuals and families. You do not need to owe taxes to receive the EIC. The EIC is available to those who are:

- 25-65 years of age; independent (not claimed as a dependent on someone else's taxes); and able to prove they have been living in the US for at least 6 months
- A parent with a qualifying child

How does it work?

The amount of the EIC refund is based on family size, filing status and income. You must have earned income and must have filed a federal tax return. The EIC does not disqualify or qualify you for public benefits.

You can receive the Maryland EIC payment even if you do not owe taxes; if you have qualifying children, you may receive a tax refund of up to 50% of your federal EIC.

Income Limits (for Federal EIC)

(Preview of the 2010 tax year)

Number of Qualifying Children	Adjusted Gross Income, Single	Adjusted Gross Income, Married Filing Jointly	Maximum Credit (Annual)
0	\$13,460	\$18,470	\$457
1	35,535	40,545	3,050
2	40,363	45,373	5,036
3 or more	43,352	48,362	5,666

*Gross income includes money, goods, property, and services. Adjusted gross income is income minus allowed deductions, such as alimony, IRA contributions, health savings account contributions and one-half of self-employment tax (NOT itemized deductions or credits).

Source: Internal Revenue Service. Preview 2010 EITC Income Limits. 28 June 2010.
<http://www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=215766,00.html>.

How does one apply?

Contact your [Local Taxpayer Service Office](#).

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