

WORKING FAMILIES TAX CUT

Benefits to Families from the Working Families Tax Cut

Illinois | Tax Year 2026

ESTIMATED AVERAGE TAX CUT

\$2,578

KEY GROUPS

KEY GROUP	AVERAGE TAX SAVINGS
Head of Household	\$1,534
Families with Children	\$4,155
Joint Filers with 2+ Children	\$7,338
Households without Children	\$2,036
Seniors (65+)	\$2,638

ILLUSTRATIVE HOUSEHOLDS

HOUSEHOLD EXAMPLE	ASSUMPTIONS	ANNUAL TAX RELIEF
Retired federal worker couple	Social Security based on national average annual benefits (\$24,852 and \$11,808); pension modeled as \$25,000 and \$20,000 in taxable retirement income	\$4,119
Single restaurant server	\$30,863 median local wage; tips assumed at 45% of earnings; no children	\$977
Teacher and office clerk family	\$73,027 and \$46,454 median local wages; married couple with 2 children	\$5,805
Single nurse with overtime	\$91,583 median local wage; overtime pay assumed at 5% of earnings; no children	\$5,090
Single-parent home health aide	\$38,484 median local wage; 1 child	\$2,594
Electrician family	One earner at \$102,128 median local wage; married couple with 1 child	\$5,627
Plumber family	One earner at \$101,959 median local wage; married couple with 1 child	\$5,622
Construction worker family	One earner at \$68,774 median local wage; married couple with 1 child	\$4,043
Police officer family	One earner at \$107,608 median local wage; married couple with 2 children	\$6,976

HOUSEHOLD EXAMPLE	ASSUMPTIONS	ANNUAL TAX RELIEF
Firefighter family	One earner at \$83,814 median local wage; married couple with 2 children	\$5,653
Truck driver and home health aide family	\$63,369 and \$38,484 median local wages; married couple with 2 children	\$6,819

Methodology: Average tax changes are modeled using Tax-Calculator. Illustrative household examples are modeled in PolicyEngine using geography-specific wage inputs where available and do not reflect geography-wide averages.

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