

Overview of the 1996 Welfare Reform Law

- **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families**
- **Non-marital Births**
- **Supplemental Security Income for Children**
- **SSI for Drug Addicts and Alcoholics**
- **Child Support Enforcement**
- **Welfare for Non-citizens**
- **Child Care**
- **Food Stamps**
- **Abstinence Education**
- **Charitable Choice**
- **Discrimination in Adoption and Foster Care**
- **Savings**

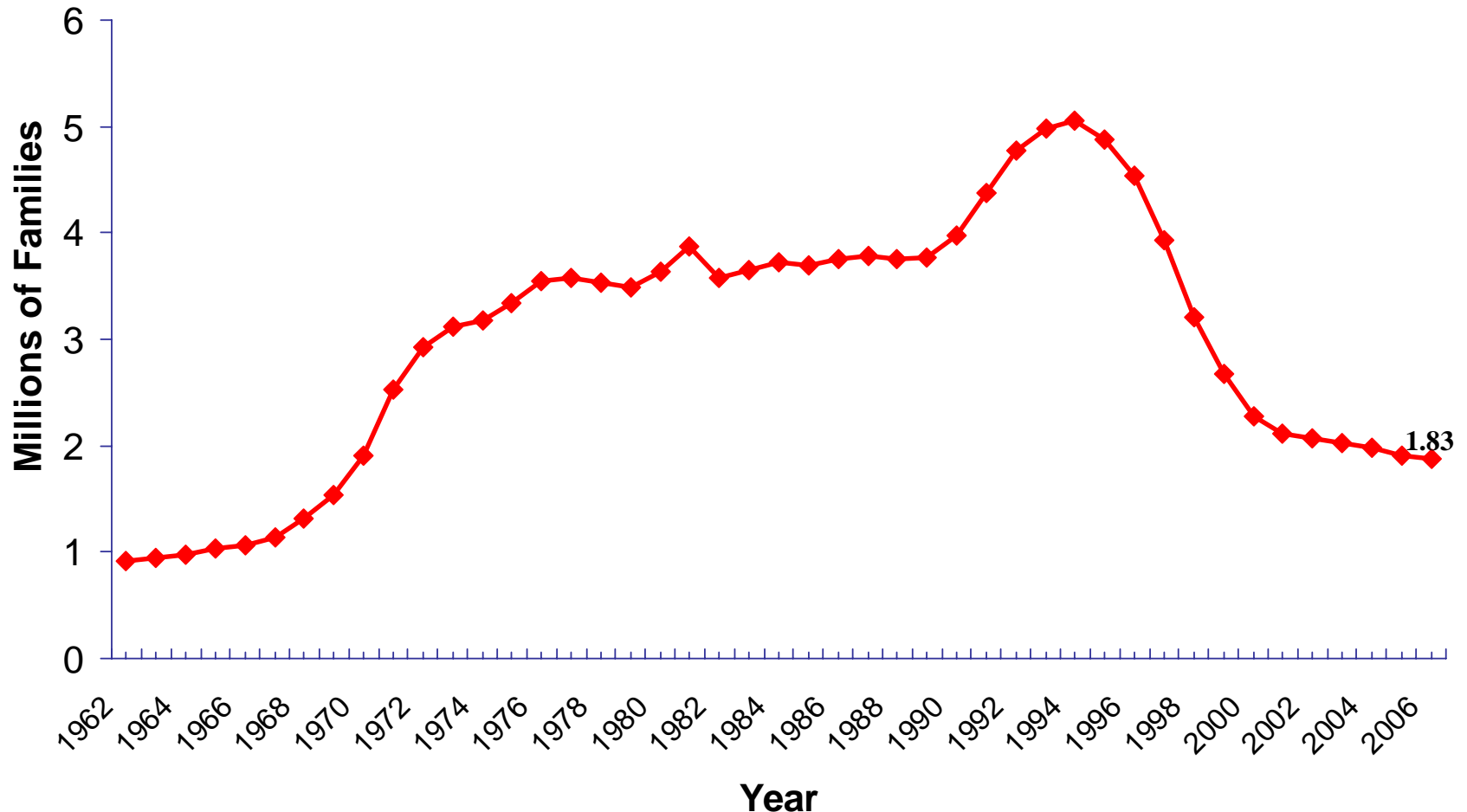


Five Components of TANF

- 1. End Cash Entitlement**
- 2. Block Grant Funding**
- 3. Work Requirements**
- 4. Sanctions**
- 5. 5-Year Time Limit**



AFDC/TANF Caseload, 1962-2006*



Note: 2006 is preliminary

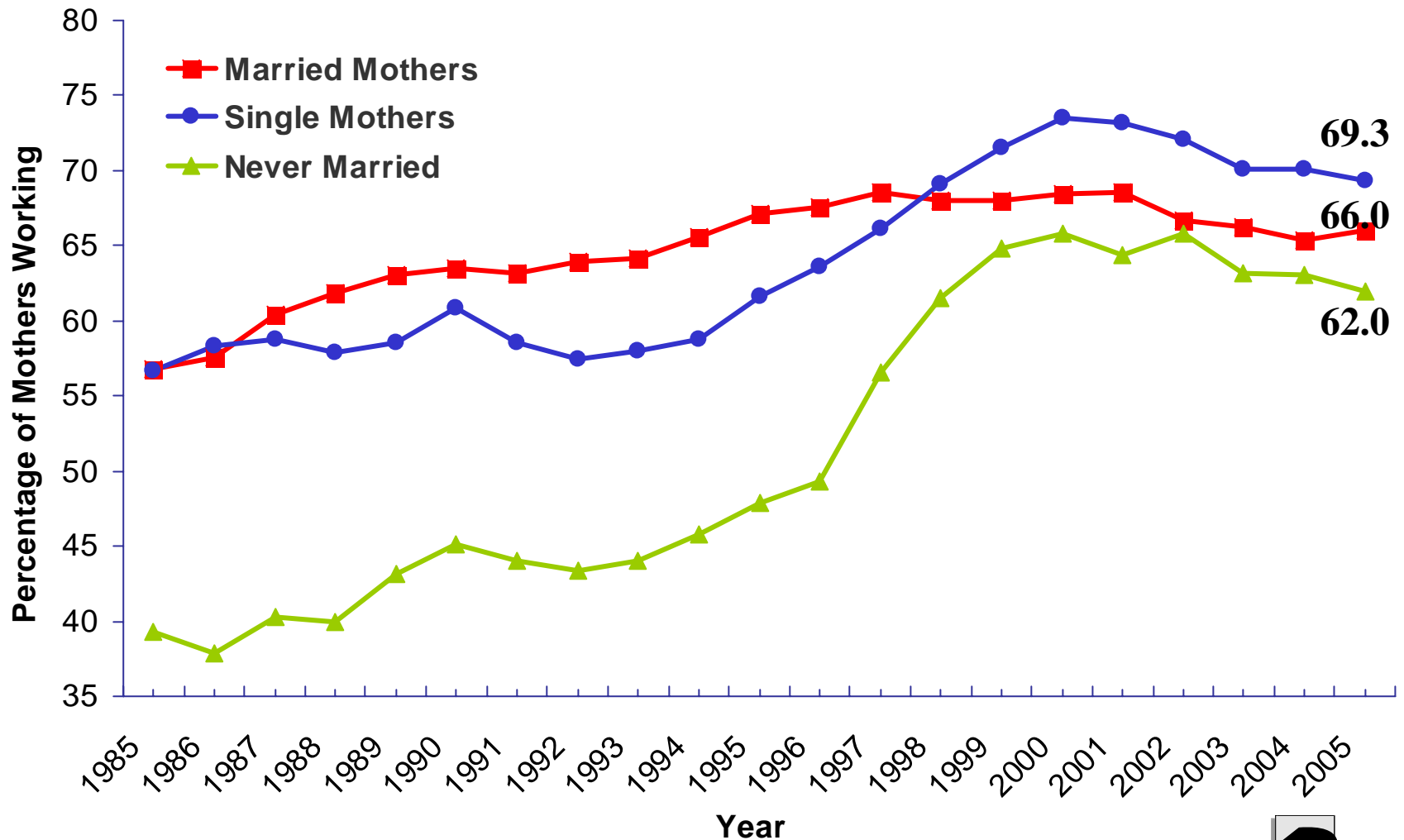
Sources: Congressional Research Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services,
<http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ofa/caseload/caseloadindex.htm#2005> (2002-2006),
<http://aspe.hhs.gov/HSP/indicators03/apa.htm#ttnf1> (1962-2001)



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Percentage of Married, Single, and Never-Married Mothers Working, 1985-2005

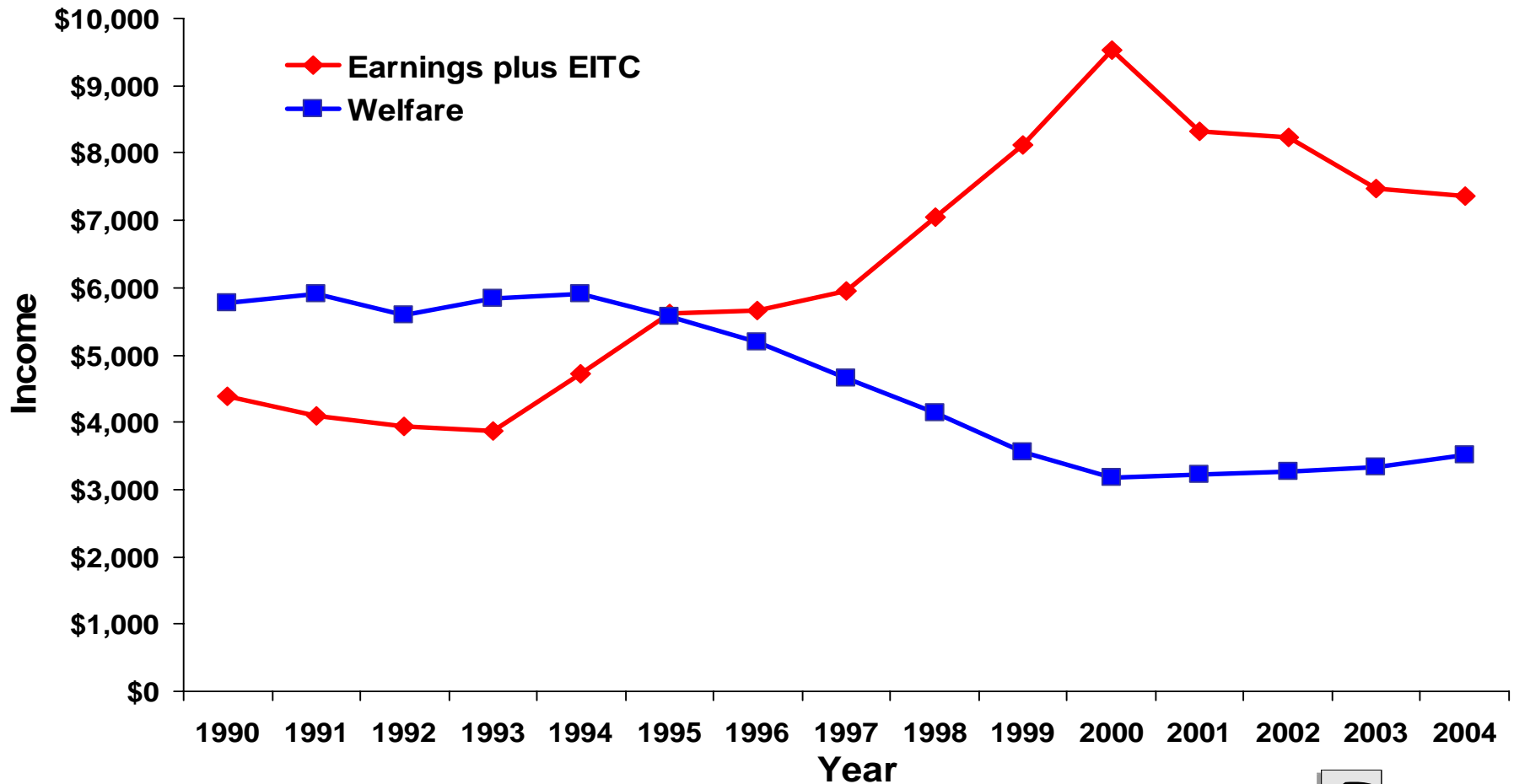


Source: Gary Burtless, The Brookings Institution, unpublished calculations using U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics data.

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Earnings Increase, Welfare Income Falls for Bottom Two Fifths of Female-Headed Families, 1990-2004

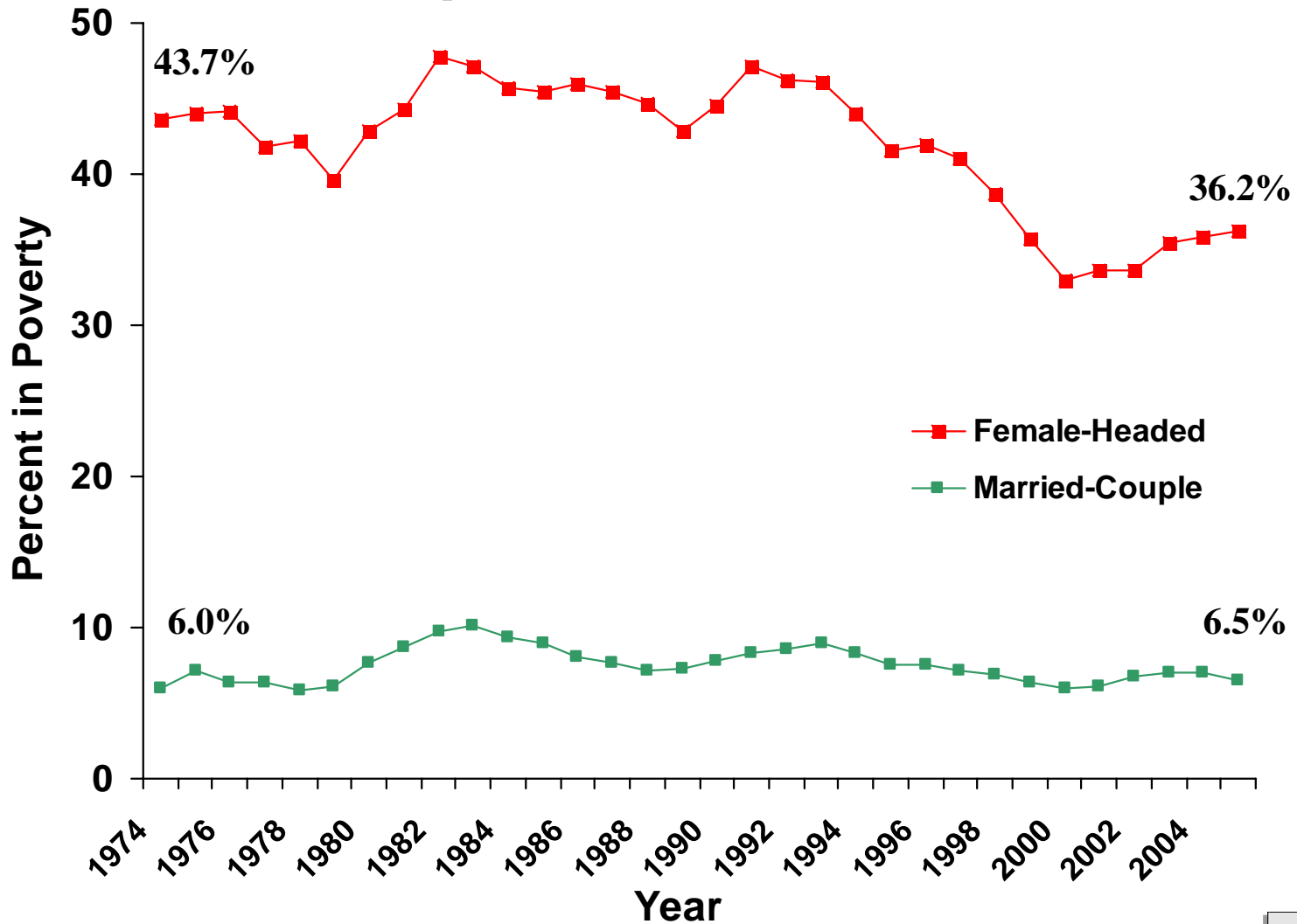


Source: Richard Baviera with U.S. Census Bureau data (Welfare income is cash, school lunch, food stamps, and housing; constant 2004 dollars).

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Poverty in Female-Headed Households and Married-Couple Households, 1974-2005

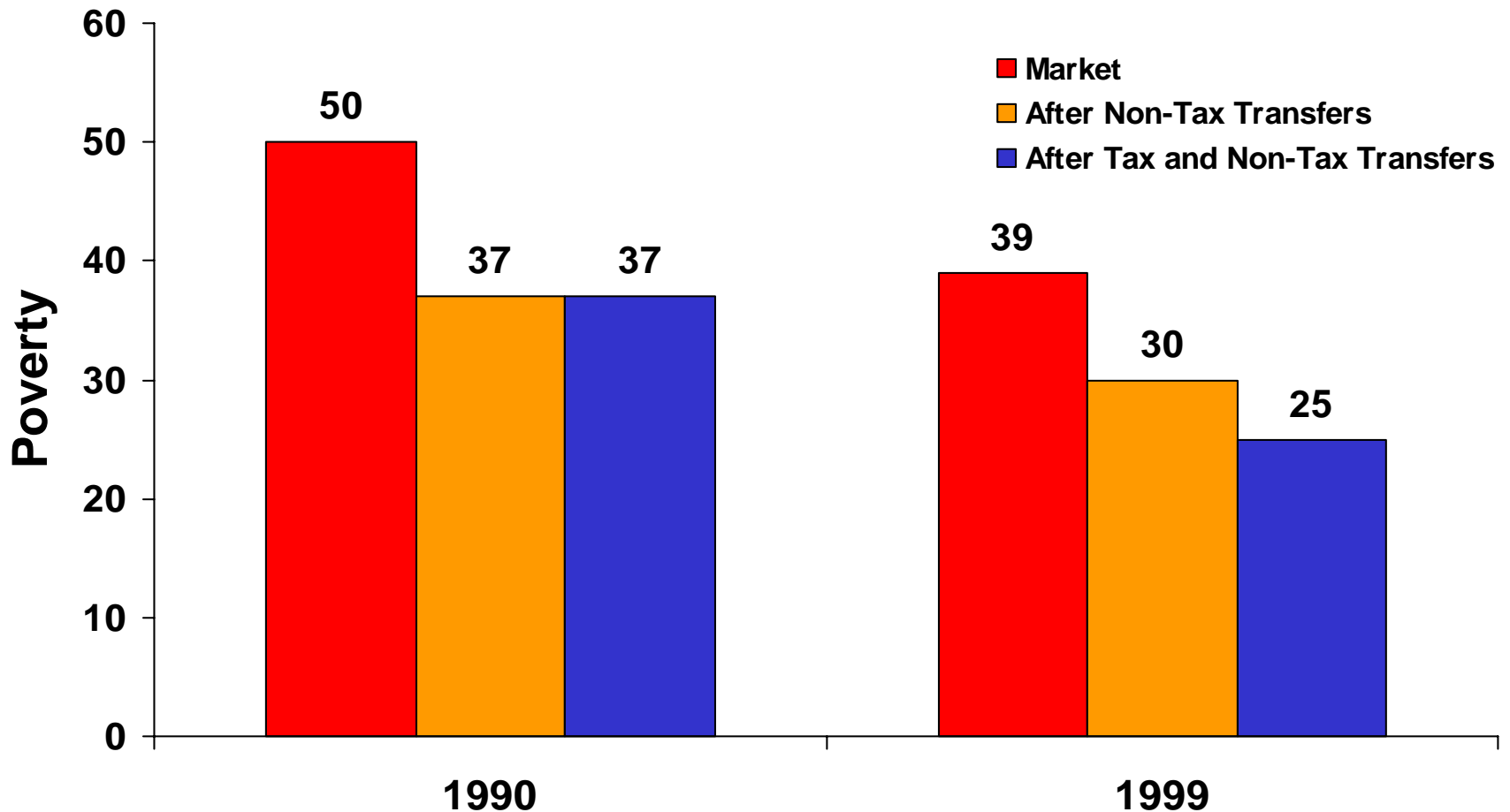


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States, 2005*, Historical Tables, Table 4.

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Poverty Rates for Children Living with Unmarried Mothers Before and After Government Programs

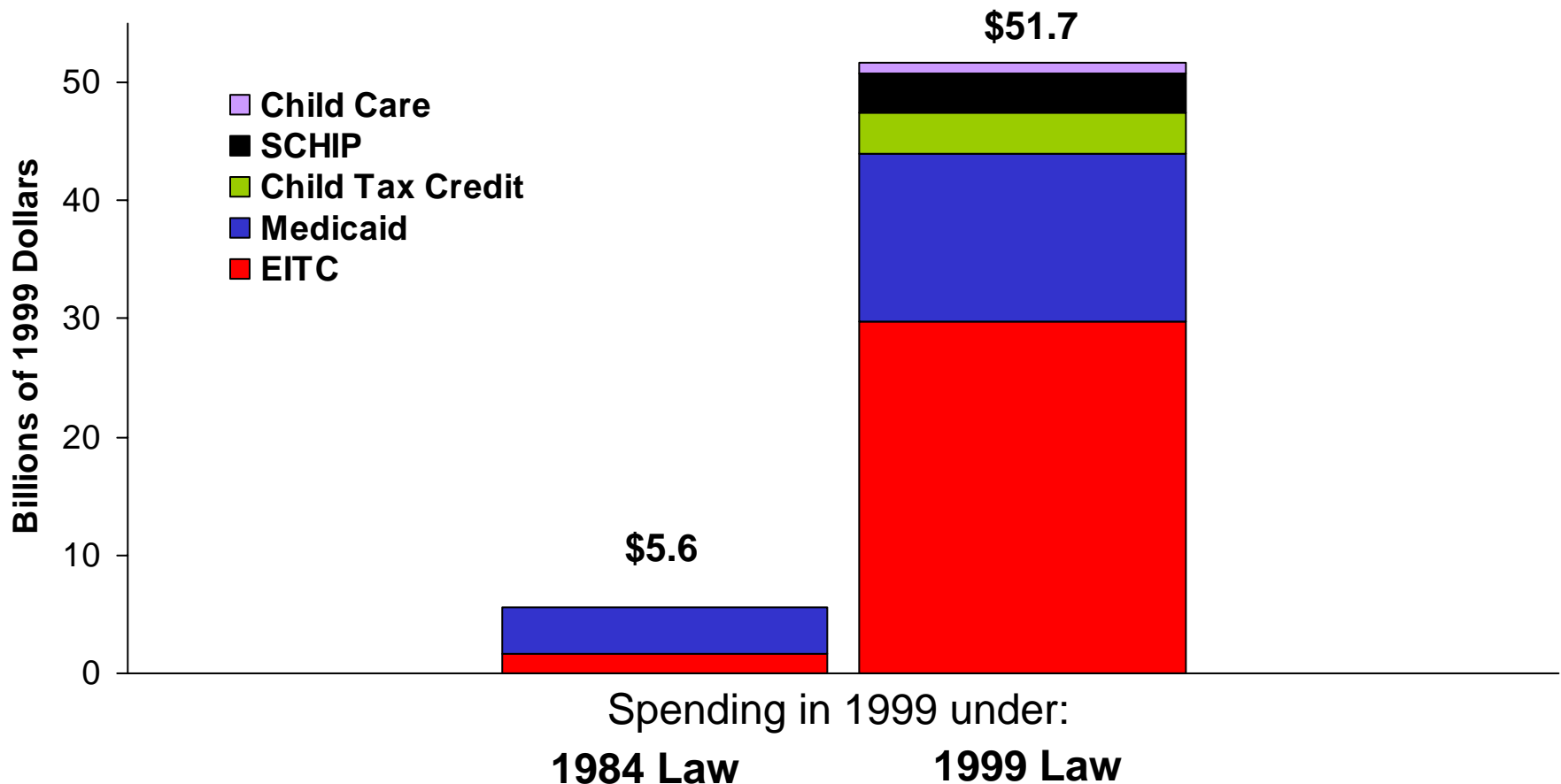


Source: House Committee on Ways and Means, *2004 Green Book*, Table H-21.

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Support for Working Families Increases Dramatically, 1984-1999



Source: Congressional Budget Office, *Policy Changes Affecting Mandatory Spending for Low-Income Families Not Receiving Welfare*, 1998.



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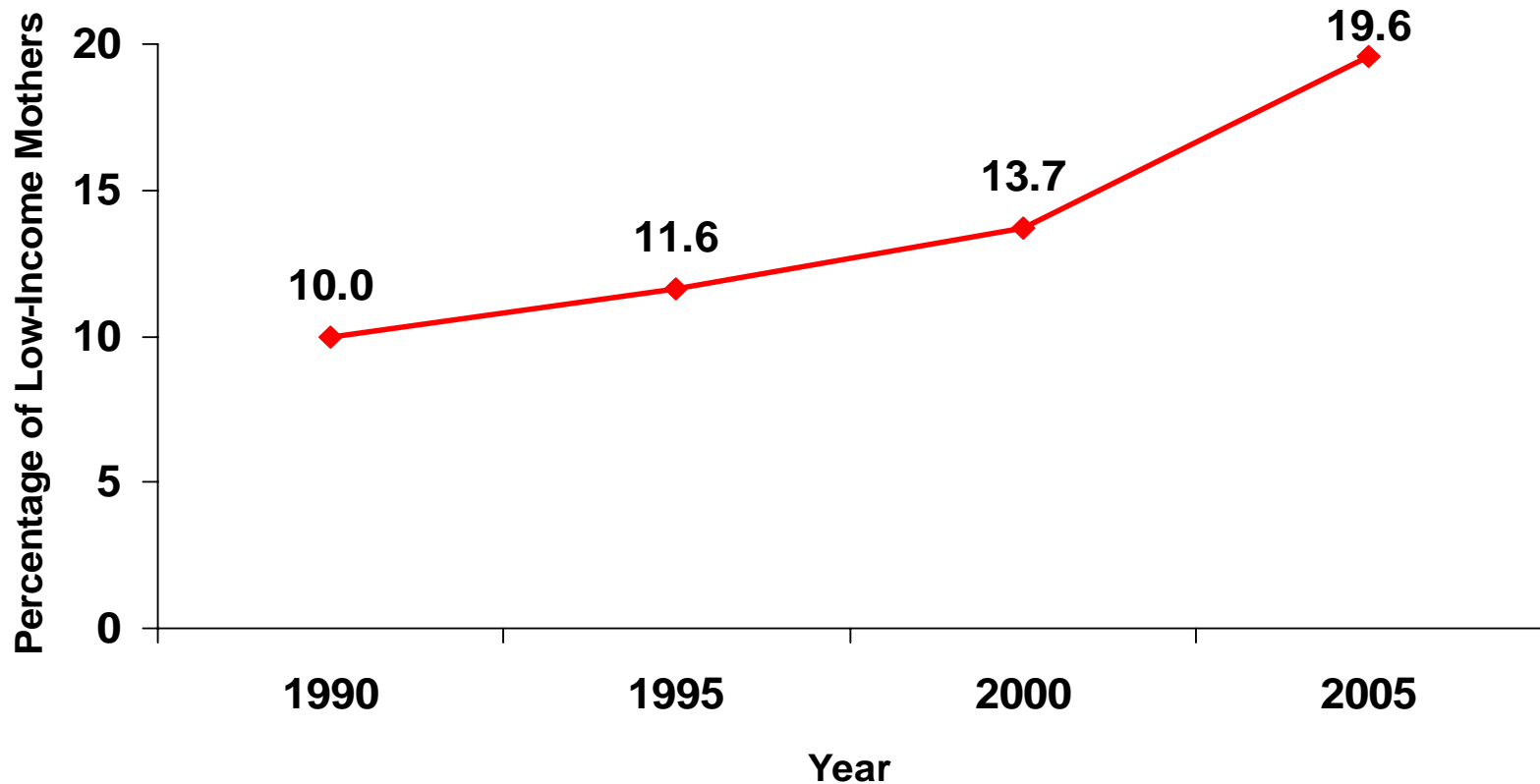


Welfare Reform: Issues

- **Funding**
- **Fathers**
- **Noncitizens**
- **Marriage**
- **Floundering Families**
- **Job Retention and Advancement**



Trends in the Share of Low-Income Single Mothers without Work or Welfare Payments, 1990 - 2004



Source: Rebecca Blank, University of Michigan, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

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