

Table 2: Focal policies and their characteristics

Policy	Policy characteristics reviewed	Policy characteristic definition
State EITC	Generosity	State EITC rate as percentage of the Federal EITC
	Refundability	Whether State EITC is refundable.
State CTC	State CTC	Whether a state has CTC
	State CTC refundable	Whether a state has CTC and the credit is refundable
Paid Sick Leave	Has sick leave	Whether a state has sick leave law covering worker and other family members
	Maximum length	Maximum length of leave in weeks
	Reach	Percentage of people estimated to be covered by the state and county/city laws. This was included because several counties and cities have paid sick leave, hence a measure of state policy might be incomplete.
Paid family leave	Any paid family leave	Any paid time off-work to care for a new child or family member
	Maximum length	Maximum length of leave in weeks
	Benefit Amount	Percent of the statewide average weekly wage paid to recipients
SNAP	Index of policies affecting eligibility	Three item index: exempts vehicles from SNAP asset test, broad-based categorical eligibility based on income limits from other programs, and eligibility restrictions for adult noncitizens
	Index of policies affecting transaction costs	Two item index: proportion of working households with short recertification periods (1-3 months), simplified reporting, and online application availability
	Index of policies affecting stigma	Two item index: mean proportion of state benefits issued via electronic benefits transfer and fingerprinting required during application
	Index of policies affecting outreach	Sum of federal, state, and grant SNAP outreach spending in nominal dollars (e.g., radio, TV ads)
TANF	Benefits	TANF maximum monthly benefit for 3-person family
	Exemptions for caring of child	Work-related exemption when caring for a child
	Sanctions for parents	Most severe sanction policy for noncompliance with work requirements for single-parent adults
	Family cap	Policy denies additional assistance to families who have another child while receiving TANF benefits
Family Planning Policies	Pharmacist-prescribed contraceptives	These laws usually allow any individual to seek contraceptive care at a pharmacy; some states require pharmacists to receive training in contraceptive care.

Note: This table is from a Measuring Up project brief: Abdi, F. M., Piña, G., Darling, K.E., & Moore, K. A. (2023). *Identifying the effectiveness of policies that may prevent child maltreatment among infants and toddlers*. Child Trends. <https://doi.org/10.56417/691f2925x>