

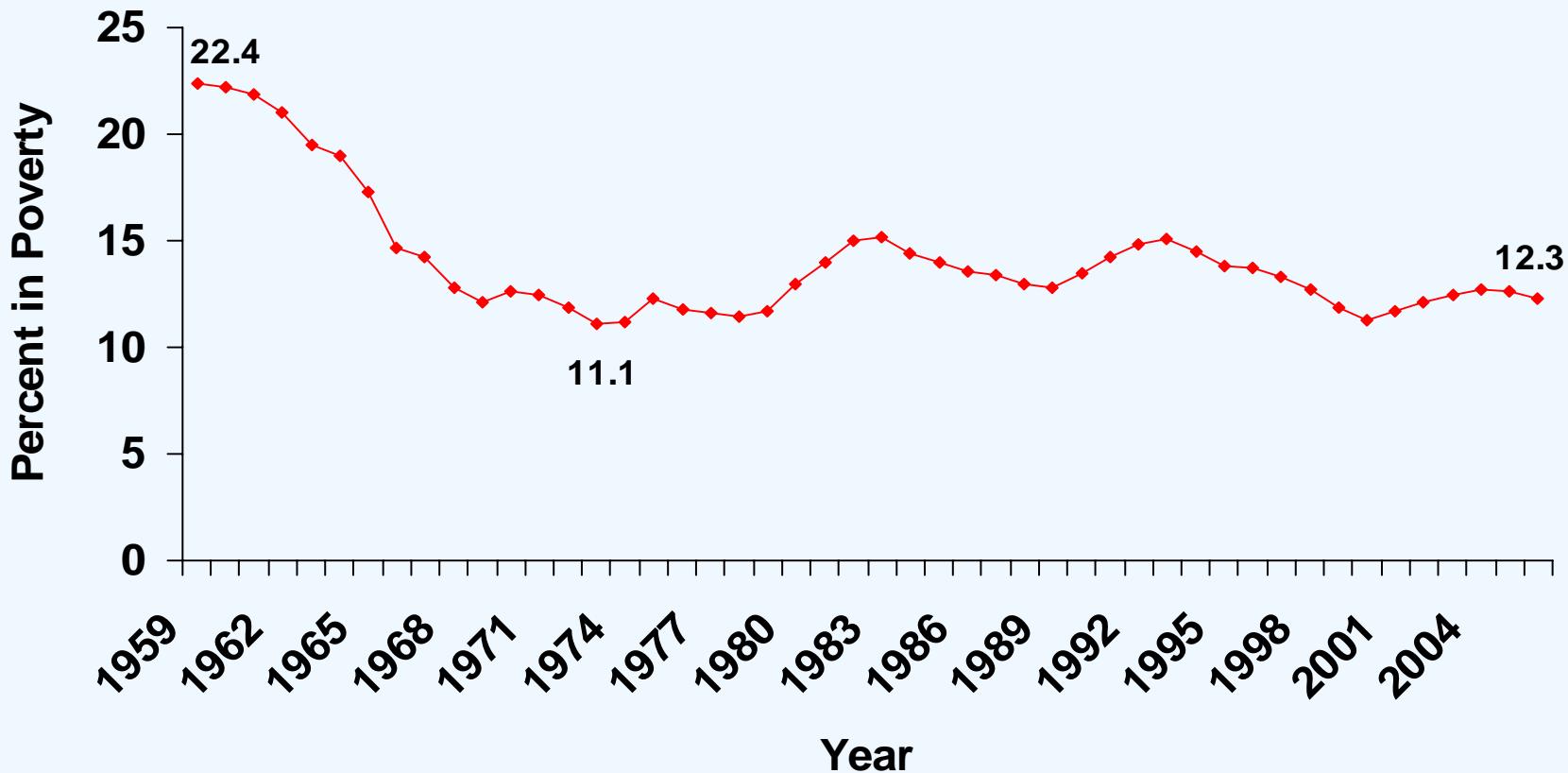


Antipoverty Policies: Incentives and Work Mandates for Young Men

Ron Haskins
The Brookings Institution
September 20, 2007

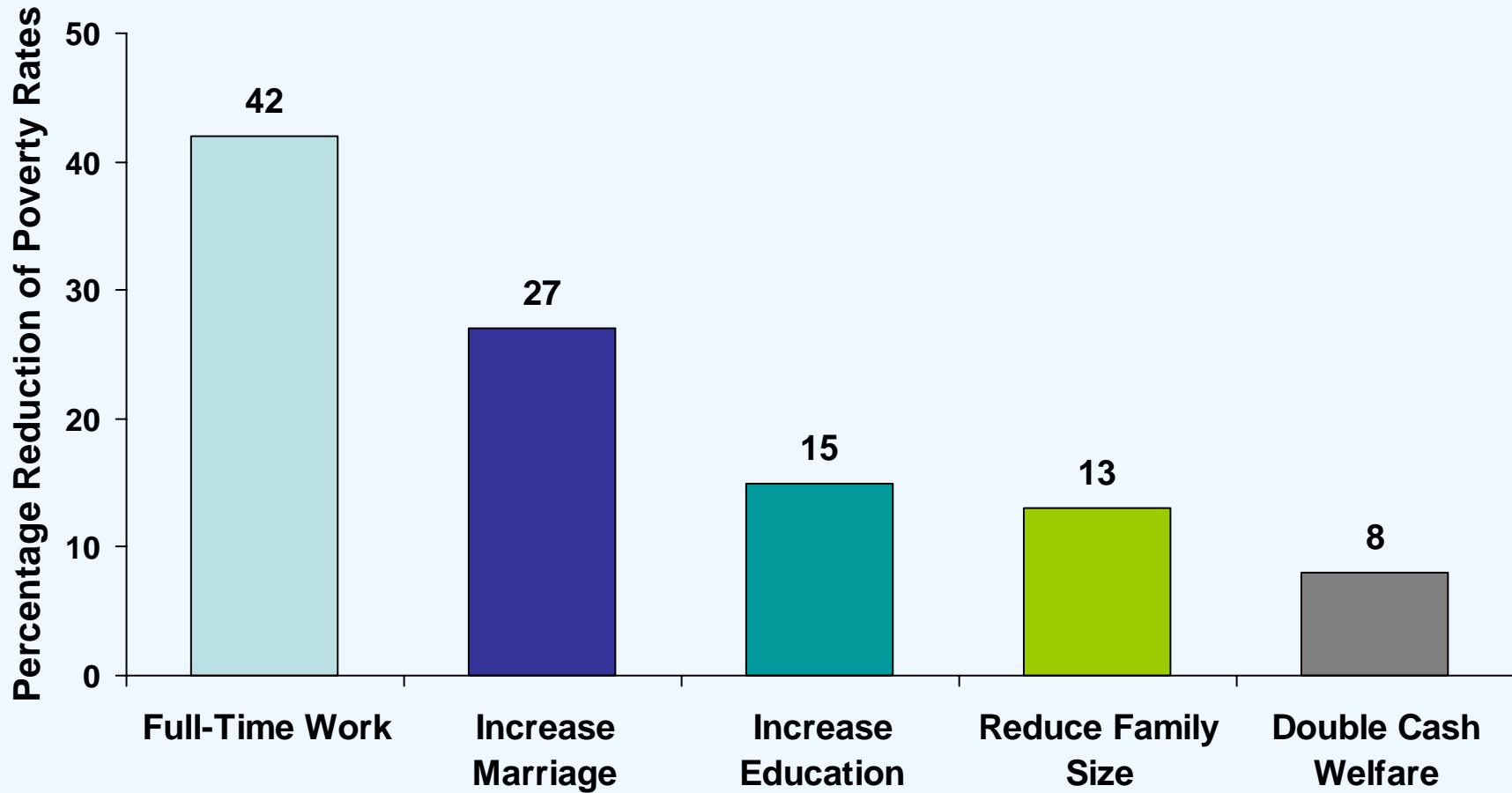


Poverty Is Stubborn, 1959-2006





Effectiveness of Five Factors in Reducing Poverty Rates



Based on Thomas and Sawhill, 2002; and Haskins and Sawhill, 2003.



Overview of Authors, Proposals, and Costs

Author	Proposal	Cost (billions)
Males		
Berlin	EITC expanded and reformed for childless workers	\$30.0
Mead	Mandatory work for males leaving prison and males owing child support	\$2.4 to \$4.8
Work Supports		
Greenberg	Universal child care for working parents; sliding fee scale to 200% of poverty	\$13.50
Weil	Expansion of health insurance to cover adults and children under 200% of poverty	\$45.00
Marriage		
Amato & Maynard	Expansion of abstinence and contraception programs as well as of marriage education	<\$1.0
Child Development		
Duncan et al.	Expansion of high-quality preschool and wrap-around child care on sliding-fee	\$20.0
Murnane	Reforms of the No Child Left Behind Act to strengthen accountability, incentives, and capacity	\$2.5
Disconnected Mothers		
Blank	Services and welfare payments for disconnected mothers	\$2.8