Economics 249
Public Expenditures
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Reading List
Items with asterisks (*** in front are required reading.

• Introduction, methods


• Theory of tax system


• Taxes and labor supply


- Effects on low income populations


**Effects on high income populations**


• Welfare


• Welfare Reform


• Other safety net programs


- **Theory of social insurance**


- **Unemployment insurance**


- **Theory**


**Worker Behavior**


Econometrics 125:1–2, 53–75.


• Firm Behavior

1993, 111–144.


- Financing Social Insurance Programs


- Worker’s compensation


• Disability insurance


• Social Security


• Savings, Consumption, and Social Security


• Labor Supply


• Public Health Care and Health Insurance Markets


– Arrow, K. “Uncertainty and the Welfare Economics of Medical Care.” American Economic Review.


• Medicare


• Medicaid and SCHIP


- Tax subsidies for health care, housing, retirement, and other savings

- Taxes and savings


- Fertility
  

- Annuities

  
  