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## **SUBJECT: Policy FYI-477 | IRS Processing of 2025 Federal Income Tax Returns**

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) began processing individual income tax returns on January 26. The IRS will hold returns claiming the Earned Income Tax Credit or the Additional Child Tax Credit until mid-February. The 2026 tax season deadline is April 15.

The U.S. Department of the Treasury, in collaboration with the IRS and other federal agencies, is transitioning federal payments to and from the government to electronic methods. The IRS [Newswire IR-2026-13](#), provides a link to frequently asked questions in [Fact Sheet 2026-02](#) to help taxpayers, businesses, and other stakeholders understand the changes under [Executive Order 14247: Modernizing Payment To and From America's Bank Account](#).

Visit the [IRS website](#) for more information.

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