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Part I Information About Your Eligible Child or Children - You must complete this part. See instructions for details, including what to do if you need more space.


Caution: If the child was a foreign child, see Special rules in the instructions for line 1, column (e), before you complete Part II or Part III. If you received employer-provided adoption benefits, complete Part III on the back next.


## Part III Employer-Provided Adoption Benefits

17 Maximum exclusion per child. Enter \$16,810. See instructions .
18 Did you receive employer-provided adoption benefits for a prior year for the same child?No. Enter -0-.Yes. See instructions for the amount to enter.
19 Subtract line 18 from line 17.
20 Employer-provided adoption benefits you received in 2024. This amount should be shown in box 12 of your 2024 Form(s) W-2 with code T
21 Add the amounts on line 20
22 Enter the smaller of line 19 or line 20 . But if the child was a child with special needs and the adoption became final in 2024, enter the amount from line 19.
23 Enter modified adjusted gross income (from the worksheet in the instructions).
24 Is line 23 more than $\$ 252,150$ ?No. Skip lines 24 and 25, and enter -0- on line 26.Yes. Subtract \$252,150 from line 23.
25 Divide line 24 by $\$ 40,000$. Enter the result as a decimal (rounded to at least three places). Do not enter more than 1.000 .
26 Multiply each amount on line 22 by line 25
27 Excluded benefits. Subtract line 26 from line 22
28 Add the amounts on line 27
29 Taxable benefits. Is line 28 more than line 21?
$\square$ No. Subtract line 28 from line 21. Also, include this amount, if more than zero, on line 1 f of Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1040-NR.Yes. Subtract line 21 from line 28. Enter the result as a negative number. Also, enter the result on line 1 f of Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1040-NR. You may be able to claim the adoption credit in Part II on the front of this form if any of the following apply.

- You paid adoption expenses in 2023, those expenses were not fully reimbursed by your employer or otherwise, and the adoption was not final by the end of 2023.
- The total adoption expenses you paid in 2024 were not fully reimbursed by your employer or otherwise, and the adoption became final in 2024 or earlier.
- You adopted a child with special needs and the adoption became final in 2024.

