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New Podcast Episode: Why Are Americans Not Returning to Work?

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In our latest episode, AAF President Douglas Holtz-Eakin discusses the disappointing April jobs report, the federal pandemic unemployment insurance supplement’s impact on employment and the economic recovery, and what policymakers could do to incentivize individuals to return to work. Holtz-Eakin also considers the risk of inflation, as well as the potential economic impact of the administration’s latest proposals for new spending and tax increases.

AAF products mentioned in today’s episode:

- After a disappointing April jobs report, Holtz-Eakin considers why some individuals may be slow to return to work in “Child Care and the Jobs Report.” Subscribe to the Daily Dish here.
- AAF’s Director of Labor Market Policy Isabel Soto calculates that 37 percent of workers could earn more on unemployment insurance instead of returning to work. Read the full analysis here.

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