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## Employment History

- Jan 2026 - present 📌 **Senior Economist.** [Economic Innovation Group \(EIG\)](#), Washington, D.C.  
Led high-impact research on labor markets and place-based policy, including evidence that Opportunity Zone designation roughly doubled new residential address growth at an estimated cost of about \$26K per address. Authored short-form labor-market analysis documenting an approximately 20 percent increase in involuntary part-time employment between September and November 2025. Methods and data strengths: applied microeconomics, modern difference-in-differences, geospatial analysis, and large administrative datasets. Public outputs: [bnglasner](#), [EIG-Research](#), and [Agglomerations](#).
- Sep 2024 - Jan 2026 📌 **Economist.** [Economic Innovation Group \(EIG\)](#), Washington, D.C.  
Economic research with large datasets; advanced statistical and spatial analysis.
- Jan 2023 - Sep 2024 📌 **Associate Economist.** [Economic Innovation Group \(EIG\)](#), Washington, D.C.  
Applied empirical methods to EIG research on labor markets, place-based policy, and economic mobility.
- 2021 - 2022 📌 **Postdoctoral Research Scientist.** [Center on Poverty and Social Policy, Columbia University](#), New York, NY  
Empirical analyses of major U.S. social policies and reforms.

## Education

- 2016 - 2021 📌 **Ph.D. and M.Sc., Public Policy & Management** Evans School of Public Policy and Governance, University of Washington, Seattle, WA  
Dissertation: The Impact of Public Policy on Nonstandard Work Arrangements.
- 2012 - 2016 📌 **B.A., Economics** Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY  
Thesis: The Chinese Hukou System: Structural Change and Political Reform.

## Research Publications

### Journal Articles and Written Work

- 1 B. Glasner, A. Ozimek, and J. Lettieri, "The impact of opportunity zones on housing supply," Economic Innovation Group, Tech. Rep., Mar. 2025.
- 2 E. Ananat, B. Glasner, C. Hamilton, Z. Parolin, and C. Pignatti, "Effects of the expanded child tax credit on employment outcomes," *Journal of Public Economics*, vol. 238, p. 105-168, 2024. [🔗 DOI: 10.1016/j.jpubeco.2024.105168](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2024.105168)
- 3 K. Fikri, S. Eckhardt, and B. Glasner, "The great "transfer"-mation: How american communities became reliant on income from government," Economic Innovation Group, Tech. Rep., Sep. 2024. [🔗 URL: https://eig.org/great-transfermation/](https://eig.org/great-transfermation/)
- 4 A. Ozimek, J. Lettieri, and B. Glasner, "The american worker project: Toward a new consensus," Economic Innovation Group, Tech. Rep., Jun. 2024.
- 5 B. Glasner, "The minimum wage, self-employment, and the online gig economy," *Journal of Labor Economics*, vol. 41, no. 1, pp. 103-127, 2023. [🔗 DOI: 10.1086/719690](https://doi.org/10.1086/719690)

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B. Glasner, O. Jiménez-Solomon, S. Collyer, I. Garfinkel, and C. Wimer, "No evidence the child tax credit expansion had an effect on the well-being and mental health of parents," *Health Affairs*, vol. 41, no. 11, pp. 1607–1615, 2022. [DOI: 10.1377/hlthaff.2022.00730](https://doi.org/10.1377/hlthaff.2022.00730)

Short-form public-facing work is regularly published in *Agglomerations*.

Selected authored pieces: [How to end low-wage work forever, Part 2: the FAQ](#); [The jobs chart that really has us worried](#); [How many manufacturing workers are there?](#).

## Code Example

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Profiles [bnglasner | EIG-Research](#)

2026 [Reproducible Research Pipeline and GitHub Standards at EIG](#)

Economic Innovation Group (EIG)

Implemented a rigorous, fully transparent, and replicable data and analysis pipeline for public-facing economic research, and built and trained staff workflows for GitHub collaboration, code review, documentation, and reproducibility best practices.

[EIG-Research](#), [bnglasner](#)

2025 [The Impact of Opportunity Zones on Housing Supply \(Repository\)](#)

GitHub (EIG-Research)

Difference-in-differences analysis using HUD USPS Administrative Data on Address Vacancies.

[Code](#), [Website](#), [PDF](#)

2024 [The Great "Transfer"-mation \(Repository\)](#)

GitHub (EIG-Research)

County-level analysis of the growth of government transfer income as a share of personal income since 1970.

[Code](#), [Website](#), [PDF](#)

## Awards and Honors

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2020 [Pi Alpha Alpha Doctoral Manuscript Award](#).

recognizes outstanding student research, methodological rigor, and originality.

[NASPAA Staats Emerging Scholar](#).

selected to present research at the NASPAA annual conference.

## Policy, News, and Media

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Television [CBS MoneyWatch](#) — "More than half of U.S. workers don't have access to employer-sponsored retirement plan"

Podcasts [Money with Katie \(Morning Brew\)](#)

[The Ross Kaminsky Show](#)

[Spotlight on Poverty & Opportunity](#)