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- 1. Standard macroeconomic models predict that a permanent increase in income causes a decline in the number of hours worked
- 2. I provide time series, cross country and micro evidence that there is no relationship between income and labor hours worked
- $3.\$ I show that the intertemporal elasticity of substitution (IES) is the key driving parameter in a standard neoclassical model
- 4. I show that both internal and external habit persistence can resolve this puzzle independent of the IES

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