

## FairTax Quotes and Sound Bites

What is the FairTax? "It is a simple 23% retail sales tax that eliminates and replaces the revenue from today's personal and corporate income tax, Social Security and Medicare taxes and estate and gift taxes while offsetting the tax on spending up to the poverty level for all legal households via a monthly payment (prebate) to all households. Individuals will only have to pay a sales tax when they choose to buy something. Because of the prebate, the typical effective tax rate for a family of four spending \$50,000 per year would be 10% because over half of their spending would be "untaxed" by the prebate.

Is it Fair? What could be more fair than everyone paying the same tax rate and receiving the same prebate. [The prebate is based only upon the number of legal residents in a household and, similar to today's personal exemption, causes the effective tax rate to be graduated.]

1) "The US is experiencing record exports. The only problem is that the exports are our jobs." Then follow up with:

It is time to stop the dishonest practice of hiding taxes in prices of things we buy. This deceptive practice is unemploying Americans because we often can't compete in the world market with our tax inflated prices. As Dr. Alan Greenspan has lectured Congress, "Only people pay taxes", and taxes (like other expenses) paid by American businesses are just passed on to consumers in the form of higher prices.

2) "Our Founding Fathers had to contend with 'taxation without representation', while today we have to contend with 'taxation with misrepresentation". Then follow up with:

Politicians know full well that business taxes, like all other costs of doing business, are passed on to consumers in the prices of the products being produced, yet they tell us they are taxing those rich corporations when what they are really doing is taxing you and me. The FairTax ends these hidden taxes and will allow prices to decrease.

Note: 3 - 6 below are best used in sequence.

3) "It is time that politicians stop the practice of hiding our taxes in the price of things we buy."

4) "Politicians tell us that they want to tax those rich corporations, but business taxes are just a deceptive way of taxing citizens, because we pay the tax when we buy the products... and we pay for the tax again by the loss of our jobs when we can't compete in the world market with our tax inflated prices"

5) "American produced goods and services often can't compete in the world marketplace with our tax inflated prices".

6) "The dishonest practice of hiding taxes in the prices of US produced goods and services is unemploying Americans".

7) "As a political candidate I wouldn't want to be advocating the status quo when a political foe and FairTax advocates are informing the public that I want to continue deceiving them by hiding taxes in the prices they are paying and causing them to lose their jobs."

8) "It is unconscionable that we, as a free people, allow ourselves to be taxed in such an inefficient, coercive, and invasive manner. Only the FairTax solves this!"

- 9) The FairTax will do more for our economy, jobs, freedom and responsive government than any other legislation contemplated or possible.
- 10) The FairTax represents the greatest transfer of power from the government to the people since the American Revolution.
- 11) Its not that FairTax opponents are ignorant, it just that so much of what they know isn't so.
- 12) FairTax candidates demonstrate leadership and courage by attempting to stop the corrupting trade in tax favors between politicians, lobby organizations and special interest groups. This trade in tax favors gives politicians great power that was not intended by our Founding Fathers. Those participating in this trade generally oppose FairTax candidates and spend big to defeat them because the FairTax proposals will transfer this power back to the people.
- 13) Better than today's home mortgage or charitable deduction, with the FairTax you get a deduction on everything, because nothing is taken from your earnings in the first place.
- 14) Even drug dealers and illegal aliens will be paying their share of taxes when they spend their money... and, in addition, illegal aliens won't receive the prebate.
- 15) A strong military is required to defend our freedom and a second rate economy can only support a second rate military.
- 16) As we export our industry we export our ability to defend ourselves militarily.
- 17) Let's stop punishing productive behavior (work, savings, investing, and business activity) by lowering the return for this desired behavior via taxation.
- 18) When weighing negative comments about the FairTax you are cautioned to follow the money.
- 19) If there is another tax plan that will make America a better place to do business and create jobs then show it to me.
- 20) If you dislike the FairTax plan then what plan do you like and how is it superior to the FairTax?
- 21) The FairTax will be so attractive to businesses that we will have to place traffic cops at the border to control the flow.
- 22) The FairTax makes taxpayers' true tax burden 100% visible by placing it on every sales receipt.
- 23) The sale of tax favors under our current tax system continues to corrupt our representative form of government.
- 24) If you wonder why your elected representative is not responsive to you it is likely because your representative represents special interests rather than constituents' interests.
- 25) The FairTax will return to us a more representative government as intended by our Founding Fathers.
- 26) The FairTax will allow citizens to see their true tax burden for the first time in generations... and that is the real precursor for controlling the size and reach of government.
- 27) Citizen awareness of their true tax burden is the natural constraint on the level of taxation that our Founders intended.
- 28) A major reason government spending is out of control is because politicians are using your tax dollars to repay special interests for benefits they receive from selling tax favors to the special interests.
- 29) Other tax plans to add a national sales tax or VAT tax plan as a means of increasing government tax revenues are about as similar to the FairTax as General Patraeus is to Osama Bin Laden, in that both breath air. These tax plans and the FairTax are all consumption taxes but the similarity ends there.
- 30) Other revenue increasing tax plans would further assault our economy while the FairTax will rescue it.
- 31) The FairTax is a tax replacement plan, not a tax increase.
- 32) FairTax Candidates are demonstrating leadership and courage to offer the FairTax to citizens as a major part of the solution to America's economic problems. It takes leadership to offer a bold new idea that makes the U.S. No. 1 for jobs, and it takes courage if that new idea eliminates the special tax favors some powerful special interests derive from the current tax code.

33) Adoption of a flat income tax is favored by most lobby and political consulting organizations and many politicians because it will allow them to buy and sell all the tax favors all over again.

34) Some one liners:

No taxation with misrepresentation!

Our current Income Tax with over 75,000 pages of tax code is taxation without comprehension.

Stop exporting our jobs by hiding taxes in prices!

FairTax: for Truth in Taxation and Job Creation!

Businesses don't pay taxes, only people pay taxes!

Keep 100% of your paycheck

Let's make April 15 just another spring day