

Our taxes in Connecticut are too high.

Our State income tax: is: 3% (on income up to \$10,000/individual, \$20,000/joint) - 7.0% (on income above \$500,000/individual, \$1,000,000/joint)

State sales tax: 6.4% for most items; 7.8% for certain luxury items.

Gas taxes and fees: 41 cents per gallon

Our property taxes are the fourth-highest in the nation, and gas taxes are fifth-highest. The sales tax on vehicles valued at \$50,000 or less is 6.4%; those over that amount are taxed at the 7.8% luxury rate. In addition, vehicles are subject to an annual levy set by individual municipalities.

Connecticut is also one of only two states with a gift tax which applies to real and tangible personal property in Connecticut and intangible personal property anywhere for permanent residents.

What do you do with all this money? I have never seen any **REAL** accounting of where it's spent.

Yet, you come up with deficits regularly! Could it be our tax money is being uselessly wasted?

This has to stop. Services have remained stagnant or reduced and you constantly ask for more money!

Please let the State Legislature come together and begin **WISELY** using Connecticut taxpayers' hard earned tax dollar.

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