

How Much Does Wal-Mart Cost American Taxpayers Every Year?



\$ 1,558,037,250⁰⁰

It's Time to Rollback Wal-Mart.

The Wal-Mart Tax

Year after year, Wal-Mart's low pay and meager employee benefits force hundreds of thousands of employees to resort to Medicaid, food stamps, and public housing. Call it the "Wal-Mart Tax." And it costs you \$1.5 billion in federal tax dollars every year.

How We All End Up Paying

Wal-Mart brags about its health care plan. Their ads claim that "Associate premiums begin at less than \$40 a month." What they don't tell you is that the deductible is \$1,000. That's right, a \$1,000 health insurance deductible for sales clerks who, on average, make less than \$14,000 per year. No wonder so many Wal-Mart employees have to apply for public health assistance.

Millions More Tax Dollars Wasted

The \$1.5 billion Wal-Mart Tax doesn't include the cost to states for Medicaid, food stamps, and public housing. And it doesn't include the millions of dollars every year that communities pay to provide new roads, electricity, sewer, and water lines for Walmart stores. The company has a \$10 billion annual profit, but refuses to even build the driveway to one of its stores.

We're WalmartWatch.com

We are a new coalition of community organizations, public officials, and concerned citizens and we need *your* help. In the weeks and months ahead, we will be creating a new hub of information and organization – including facts, figures, strategies, and proven tactics – for taking on the largest corporation in the world. But we need *you* to make it work. Sign up today at WalmartWatch.com and find out how you can get involved and help "Rollback Wal-Mart."

This Week...

We'll be mailing draft legislation to every state legislator in the country – showing them how they can pass laws to put the brakes on Wal-Mart and the Wal-Mart Tax once and for all.

This is only the beginning.

Wal-Mart may not realize it yet, but this fight will be different.

