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Should the United States Switch to a Flat Tax or Keep the IRS's Status Quo?

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It's <u>tax</u> time again, leaving many Americans asking why the process has to be so hard and some calling **tax laws unfair** to the poor and middle class. <u>Flat tax</u> proponents like Daniel Mitchell, a senior fellow at the Cato Institute, say it is both easy and fair. If Bill Gates makes 100,000 times more <u>money</u> than you, he pays 100,000 times more taxes. Besides, the only form you need is a postcard. If it's so simple and great, counters economist Holley Ulbrich of the Strom Thurmond Institute at Clemson University, why has no major industrial nation chosen it? She admits our tax system is imperfect, but argues that "imperfect" is better than "untested."

What do you think? **Is a flat tax just one more way to make the rich richer? Or is it time to change the system?** Take our poll and post your thoughts below.

Should the United States Adopt a Flat Income Tax?

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