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# Do all Americans pay a fair share?



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## **Talking Points**

- 1. How do these cartoons deal with the revelation that the world's richest man, Amazon's Jeff Bezos, didn't pay any income tax in 2007 and 2011?
- 2. Bezos, who plans a trip into space, is among the thousands of richest Americans whose tax records were leaked. Do you want to know about their taxes?
- 3. Do you think it's fair that the richest pay a tiny share of their wealth in taxes compared with average working Americans?
- 4. Should all tax records be public? Why or why not?

### Between the lines

"For every \$100 of wealth growth over that period (2006 to 2018), typical Americans paid \$160 in taxes. Bezos paid only \$1.09." -ProPublica report.

https://www.propublica.org/article/thesecret-irs-files-trove-of-never-beforeseen-records-reveal-how-the-wealthiest-

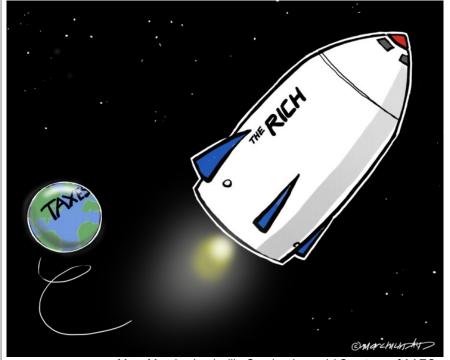
#### Additional resources

- More by Steve Sack https://www.cagle.com/author/steve-sack/
- More by Marc Murphy

https://www.editorialcartoonists.com/ cartoonists/murphm-2/cartoons/2020national-and-international/

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