

Spending *Millions* to Save *Billions*. The why is easy - here's the how *much* we gain:

How much does it take? Net worth vs lobbying expenditures:*

Family	Family Business	Number of Years in Which Business Has Lobbied on the Estate Tax since 1998	Approx. Net Worth	Total Lobbying Expenditures Since 1998	Approx. Estate Tax*	Return on Investment
Blelthen	Seattle Times Co.	6	\$650.0 million	\$600,000	\$253.9 million	42217%
Cox	Cox Enterprises	8	\$24.8 billion	\$9.5 million	\$9.7 billion	102005%
DeVos & Van Andel Families	Alticor Inc.	8	\$3.4 billion	\$420,000	\$1.3 billion	309424%
Dorrance	Campbell Soup	2	\$6.5 billion	\$20,000	\$2.5 billion	12499900%
Johnson	BET, LJM Development	2	\$700.0 million	\$10,000	\$273.4 million	2733900%
Koch	Koch Industries	7	\$24.0 billion	\$3.6 million	\$9.4 billion	261011%
Mars	Mars Inc.	8	\$30.0 billion	\$9.5 million	\$11.7 billion	123058%
Mayer	Captiva Resources	1	\$118 million	\$20,000	\$46.4 million	231900%
Nordstrom	Nordstrom Inc.	1	\$2.1 billion	\$200,000	\$826.5 million	413150%
Sobrato	Sobrato Development	1	\$2.0 billion	\$20,000	\$780.4 million	3901900%
Stephens	Stephens Group	7	\$795.7 million	\$1.2 million	\$310.7 million	25792%
Timken	Timken Co.	4	\$201.5 million	\$700,000	\$79 million	11186%
Walton**	Wal-Mart, Walton Enterprises	4	\$83.7 billion	\$600,000	\$32.7 billion	5449900%
		4.5 (average)	\$178,965,200,000	\$26,390,000	\$77,155,400,00	

* Source: Public Citizen analysis of lobbying disclosure records filed with the Secretary of the Senate.

** The Walton family has financed its estate tax lobbying effort through Walton Enterprises, a family company that holds about 40% of Wal-Mart's stock.

For more information and detailed, per family worth and expenditures, please see: Public Citizen's Congress Watch & United for a Fair Economy: Spending Millions to Save Billions <http://www.faireconomy.org/reports/2006/EstateTaxFinal.pdf>

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