

Max Gunther in the Family Weekly cites some mind-boggling statistics: The 16th Amendment (Federal Income Tax measure) was ratified in 1913, and in 1914. "\$380 million was collected from all tax sources" or \$3.99 per capita; IRS collected \$190 billion in 1971, or \$972.02 per capita. To boggle the mind a bit more, Gunther reports the \$190 billion would make a stack of dollar bills 25,000 miles high, and if IRS let you take it home at the rate of a million dallars a day, "you would need to work 365 days a year for more than 5 centuries to finish the job." In 1941 IRS had slightly less than 4000 employees, last fiscal year there were 70,000 Last fiscal year \$19 billion was refunded to taxpayers, largely because of over-withholding.

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