



MAJOR BENEFICIARIES OF THE R&D TAX CREDIT PAY JUST AN 18 PERCENT FEDERAL INCOME TAX RATE

The 15 major corporations in the table below are members of the [R&D Credit Coalition](#), a group of 61 firms and trade associations that lead lobbying efforts to make the R&D Tax Credit permanent. Their effective tax rate over five years averaged just 18.3 percent – about half the statutory corporate tax rate of 35 percent. Some of the companies had tax rates well below the average, and two companies, Boeing and Corning, had negative tax rates of –1 percent and –0.3 percent respectively, which means they got tax refunds over the five-year period.

The table is comprised only of those R&D Credit Coalition companies that are in the report [“The Sorry State of Corporate Taxes”](#) issued by Citizens for Tax Justice. The report looks at the profits and U.S. federal income taxes of 288 Fortune 500 companies that were consistently profitable in each of the five years between 2008 and 2012.

Effective Federal Corporate Income Tax Rates on Some Major Corporations in the R&D Credit Coalition

	2008-2012		
	Profit (\$ Millions)	Tax (\$ Millions)	Tax Rate
3M Company	12,589.9	2,813.1	22.3%
Ball Corporation	1,403.3	272.6	19.4%
Boeing Company	20,473.0	-202.1	-1.0%
Corning Incorporated	3,438.0	-10.0	-0.3%
DuPont	3,631.0	446.0	12.3%
Eli Lilly and Company	10,036.8	1,482.5	14.8%
Exxon Mobil Corporation	41,371.9	5,806.9	14.0%
Harley-Davidson, Inc.	3,278.6	916.7	28.0%
Honeywell International	6,976.0	526.0	7.5%
Intel Corporation	47,848.2	12,944.2	27.1%
Lockheed Martin Corporation	20,922.0	3,839.6	18.4%
Oracle USA, Inc.	26,017.3	7,087.3	27.2%
Rockwell Collins, Inc.	3,992.1	727.1	18.2%
Texas Instruments Incorporated	8,978.1	2,885.1	32.1%
United Technologies Corporation	13,738.5	1,497.5	10.9%
TOTAL/AVERAGE	\$224,694.7	\$41,032.5	18.3%

Sources:

R&D Credit Coalition Members

http://investinamericasfuture.org/member_companies.html

Citizens for Tax Justice, The Sorry State of Corporate Taxes

<http://www.ctj.org/corporatetaxdodgers/sorrystateofcorptaxes.pdf>