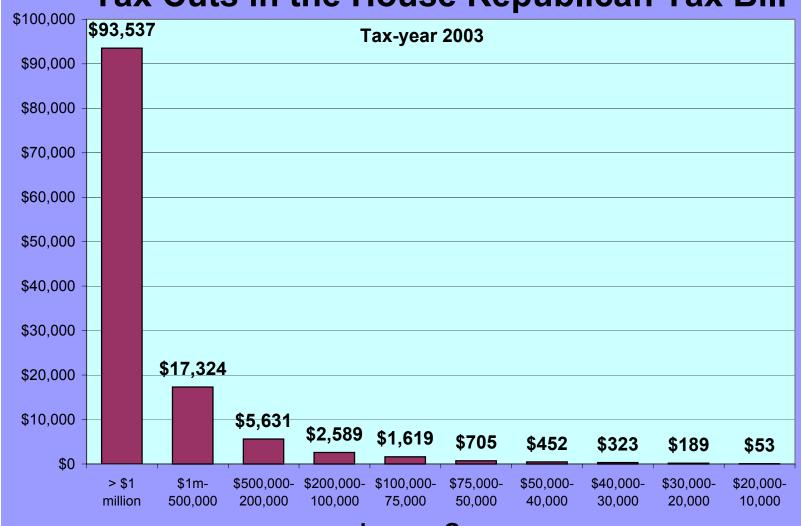
Chart Package Relating to

HOUSE REPUBLICAN TAX CUT BILL



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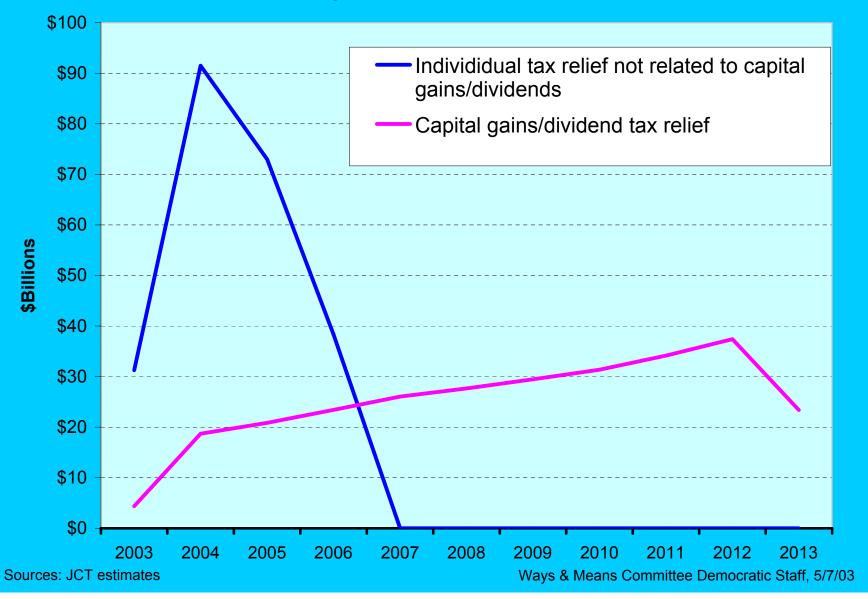


Income Groups

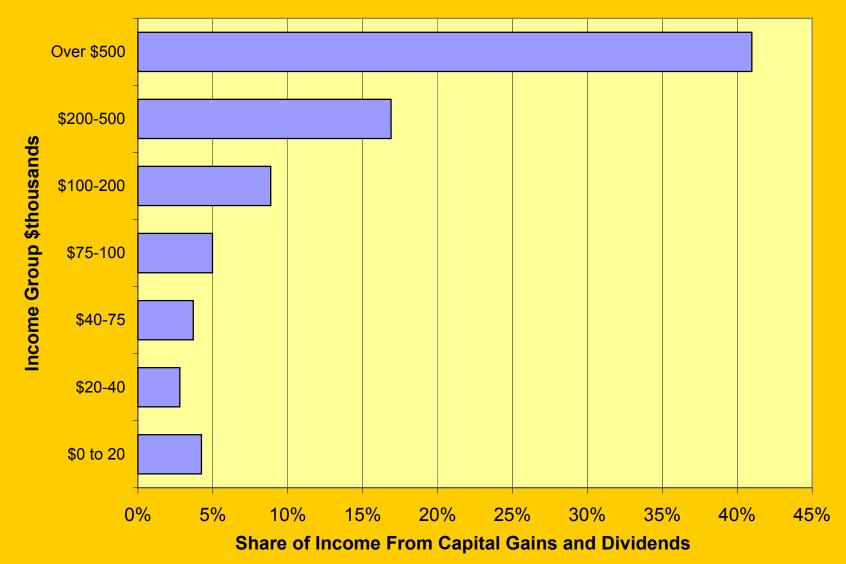
Source: Brookings/Urban Institutes Tax Policy

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Bait and Switch: The Tax Bill Starts One Way and Then Switches to Capital Gains / Dividend Tax Relief that Mostly Benefits the Affluent



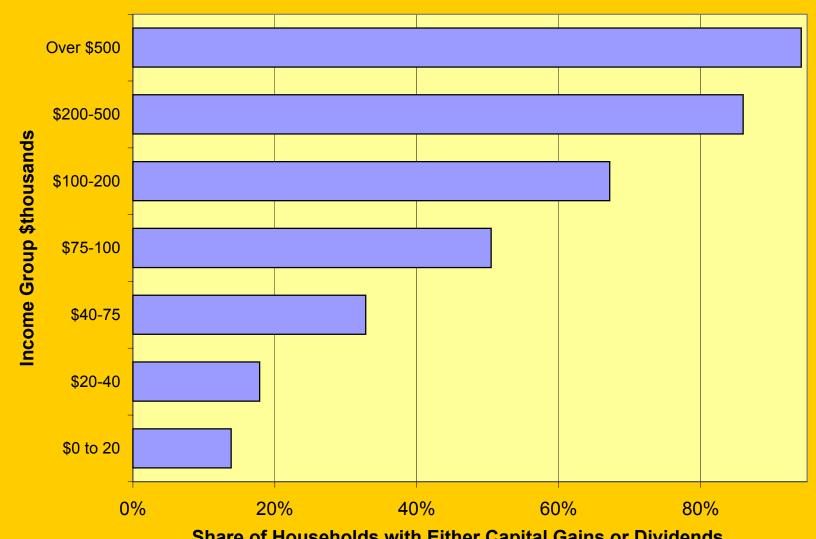




Source: IRS on 2000 income tax returns

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Much Higher Percentages of Affluent Households Have Capital Gains or Dividend Income Than Others



Share of Households with Either Capital Gains or Dividends

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Comparison of the Cost of Tax-Cut Packages

2003-2013 totals in billions of dollars; Thomas expirations in [brackets]

	Bush	Thomas	Thomas if tax
	package	package	cuts did not
			expire
Dividends and capital gains	396	296	296
Top-bracket rate reductions, effective 2003	74	74	74
Child tax credit increases, effective 2003 [expires 2005]	90	44	90
Widen 10% bracket, effective 2003 [expires 2005]	45	18	45
Tax breaks for married couples [expires 2005]	55	45	55
Expand amount of business expensing [expires 2005]	29	9	29
Increase AMT exemption [expires 2005]	37	41	41
Expand/extend bonus depreciation [expires 2005]	n.a.	25	400
Extend write-offs for net operating losses [expires 2005]	<u>n.a.</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>30</u>
TOTAL	726	550	1,020

Source: Center of Budget and Policy Priorities, May 5 2003, using estimates from the Joint Committee on Taxation and the Center on Budget and Policy (*italics*)

THE ORIGINAL BUDGET SURPLUSES HAVE VANISHED AND TURNED INTO DEFICITS AT EACH STEP OF THE POLICY PROCESS.

THE REPUBLICAN PLAN IS TO GROW THE DEFICITS AGAIN WITH MORE TAX CUTS.

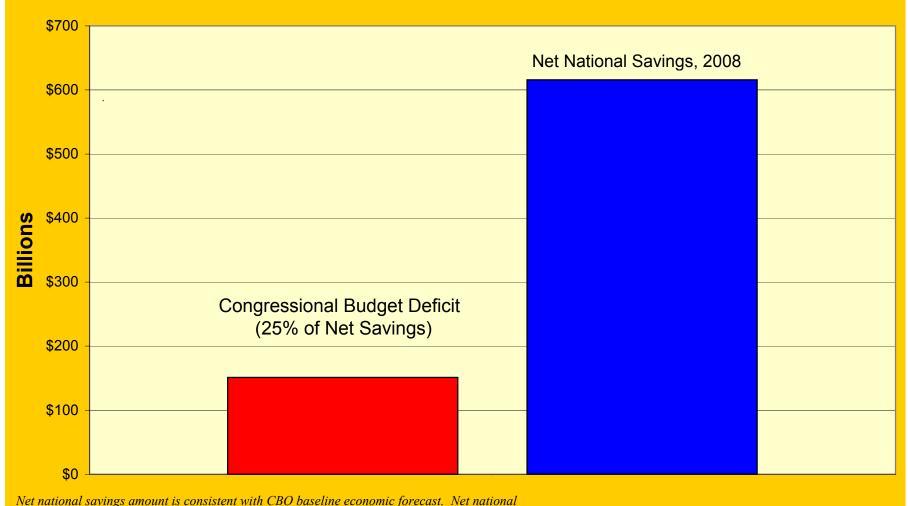
Year 2008 Surplus/Deficit

	Non-Social-Security Budget
1. 2001 CBO Budget Projection	\$366 billion surplus
2. 2003 CBO Budget Projection after first round of tax cuts	-\$224 billion deficit
3. 2003 Republican Congressional Budget with the next round of tax cuts	-\$405 billion deficit

The emerging 2008 deficits cannot be blamed on war or the economy because Republican are taking action to make the deficits bigger.

What happened to the Social-Security lock box, for which 211 House Republicans voted in 2001?

THE REPUBLICAN BUDGET DEFICIT, EVEN FIVE YEARS FROM NOW, WILL BE 25% COMPARED TO NATIONAL SAVINGS AND WILL SUBTRACT FROM IT. NATIONAL SAVINGS IS WHAT PAYS FOR CAPITAL FORMATION AND GROWTH



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savings is private savings less depreciation of capital and net of government budget imblances.