

Follow the Math: Note: I know from direct experience as a long-time, former California resident that the ***combined*** Federal and State (worse in USA) taxes are 30% - and, when I lived there – even more for me ☹ So, don't discount that number as nonsense when you get to it below. **IMPORTANT:** This email was forwarded to me and, while it displays the “math,” it is not a statement on how illegal immigrants should be handled or on illegal immigration in general. Like all, I have my opinion but this math summary is not to be taken as an indication of my beliefs or leanings. RKR

Joe vs Jose

**You have two families:
"Joe Legal" and "Jose
Illegal". Both families have two parents, two
children, and live in California ..**

**Joe Legal works in construction, has a Social Security
Number and makes \$25.00 per hour with taxes deducted.**

**Jose Illegal also works in construction, has NO Social
Security Number, and gets paid \$15.00 cash "under the
table".**

**Ready? Now pay
attention....**

**Joe Legal: \$25.00 per hour x 40 hours = \$1000.00 per
week, or \$52,000.00 per year. Now take 30% away for state
and federal tax;
Joe Legal now has \$31,231.00.**

**Jose Illegal: \$15.00 per hour x 40 hours = \$600.00 per
week, or \$31,200.00 per year.
Jose Illegal pays no taxes. Jose Illegal now has
\$31,200.00.**

**Joe Legal pays medical and dental insurance with limited
coverage for his family at \$600.00 per month, or \$7,200.00
per year.**

Joe Legal now has \$24,031.00.

Jose Illegal has full medical and dental coverage through the state and local clinics and emergency hospitals at a cost of \$0.00 per year.

Jose Illegal still has \$31,200.00.

Joe Legal makes too much money and is not eligible for food stamps or welfare.

Joe Legal pays \$500.00 per month for food, or \$6,000.00 per year. Joe Legal now has \$18,031.00.

Jose Illegal has no documented income and is eligible for food stamps, WIC and welfare.

Jose Illegal still has \$31,200.00.

Joe Legal pays rent of \$1,200.00 per month, or \$14,400.00 per year. Joe Legal now has 9,631 ..00.

Jose Illegal receives a \$500.00 per month Federal Rent Subsidy. Jose Illegal pays out that \$500.00 per month, or \$6,000.00 per year.

Jose Illegal still has \$ 31,200.00.

Joe Legal pays \$200.00 per month, or \$2,400.00 for car insurance. Some of that is uninsured motorist insurance. Joe Legal now has \$7,231.00.

Jose Illegal says, "We don't need no stinkin' insurance!" and still has \$31,200.00.

Joe Legal has to make his \$7,231.00 stretch to pay utilities, gasoline, etc..

Jose Illegal has to make his \$31,200.00 stretch to pay utilities, gasoline, and what he sends out of the country every month..

Joe Legal now works overtime on Saturdays or gets a part time job after work.

Jose Illegal has nights and weekends off to enjoy with his family.

Joe Legal's and Jose Illegal's children both attend the same elementary school. Joe Legal pays for his children's lunches, while Jose Illegal's children get a government sponsored lunch. Jose Illegal's children have an after school ESL program. Joe Legal's children go home.

Now, when they reach college age, Joe Legal's kids may not get into a State School and may not qualify for scholarships, grants or other tuition help, even though Joe has been paying for State Schools through his taxes, while Jose Illegal's kids "go to the head of the class" because they are a minority.

Joe Legal and Jose Illegal both enjoy the same police and fire services, but Joe paid for them and Jose did not pay.

Do you get it, now?

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