

We Need To Stop a Tax Hike on Dividends & Capital Gains To Keep the Economic Recovery Going But Don't Just Take Our Word for It:

"Our job now is about growth. Now, all the government can do is to make sure we're providing a bridge to the recovery. It's businesses that create jobs; governments don't create jobs." – [Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner](#)

"As a general rule, you don't want to be cutting spending or raising taxes in the midst of a downturn." – [Senate Budget Committee Chairman Kent Conrad \(D-ND\)](#)

"We don't need to raise taxes now...We don't need added uncertainty, added burdens on business right now." – [Senator Evan Bayh \(D-IN\)](#)

"I don't care if it's the wealthiest of the wealthy, you don't raise their taxes. In a recession, you don't tax, burden and restrict. The economy is like a ship, and if you sink the ship, all the good you might do goes down with it."
– [Representative Bobby Bright \(D-AL\)](#)

"Given the unique economic difficulties we face as a nation, this is the wrong time to raise these taxes. We need to retain these tax cuts that encourage investment that stimulates growth and job creation." – [Representative Harry Mitchell \(D-AZ\)](#)

As a diverse group of dividend-paying companies, investor organizations, and trade associations committed to job creation and a stronger economy, we believe that maintaining today's low tax rates on dividends and capital gains is critical to spurring investment and sustaining our economic recovery. Congress should stop a tax hike on dividends and capital gains to encourage long-term investment in our nation's economy and growth.