Polling Questions on Key Corporate Tax Issues

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Taxing Offshore Profits

- By 79% to 17%, voters want to "Close tax loopholes to ensure that American corporations pay as much on foreign profits as they do on profits made in the United States."
 Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Oct. 2013, Q 20a/b.
- By 83% to 13% voters want to "Increase taxes on the profits that American corporations make overseas, to ensure they pay as much on foreign profits as they do on profits made in the United States."

Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Jan. 2013, Q 12.

 By 84% to 11% voters want to "Increase taxes on the profits that American corporations make overseas, to ensure they pay as much on foreign profits as they do on profits made in the United States."

Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Nov. 2012, Q 16.

- By 67% to 31% voters believe "we should end tax breaks for companies that ship jobs and profits offshore, and level the playing field for small businesses that create jobs in America." <u>Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Oct. 2013, Q16a/b.</u>
- By 68% to 31% voters believe "we should close tax loopholes for large corporations that ship jobs offshore, and instead use that money to invest in jobs in America by improving our roads and bridges and rebuilding manufacturing."
 Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Oct. 2013, Q16a/b.
- By 68% to 31% voters believe that "We should end tax breaks to large corporations that ship jobs overseas and use that money to invest in jobs in America improving our roads and bridges, rebuilding manufacturing and making us energy independent."
 Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Jan. 2013, Q 16.
- By 73% to 25% voters want to "close loopholes that allow corporations and wealthy
 individuals to avoid paying U.S. taxes by shifting income to overseas tax havens."

 Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Jan. 2013, Q 12.
- By 62% to 36%, voters want to "Close loopholes that allow corporations and wealthy individuals to avoid paying U.S. taxes by shifting income to offshore tax havens."
 Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Oct. 2013, Q20a/b.

 By 61% to 33%, voters want to "pass legislation to prevent corporations and wealthy individuals from avoiding U.S. taxes by shifting income earned here in the United States to overseas tax havens."

Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Nov. 2012, Q 16.

 By 62% to 38% voters had doubts about "Republicans in Congress who had voted for a budget that eliminates taxes on foreign profits of U.S. corporations, making it even more profitable for corporations to shift American jobs overseas."

Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, June 2012, Q 23a.

Close Loopholes and Invest Rather than Reduce Tax Rates

 By 82% to 9%, voters believe that "reform[ing] the tax system by closing corporate loopholes and limiting deductions for the wealthy" should be used to "reduce the budget deficit and make new investments" rather than to "reduce tax rates on corporations and the wealthy."

Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Oct. 2013, Q 21

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Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Jan. 2013, Q 17

Revenue Neutral Corporate Tax Reform

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Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Oct. 2013, Q 21

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Hart Research Assoc. poll for Americans for Tax Fairness, Jan. 2013, Q 17