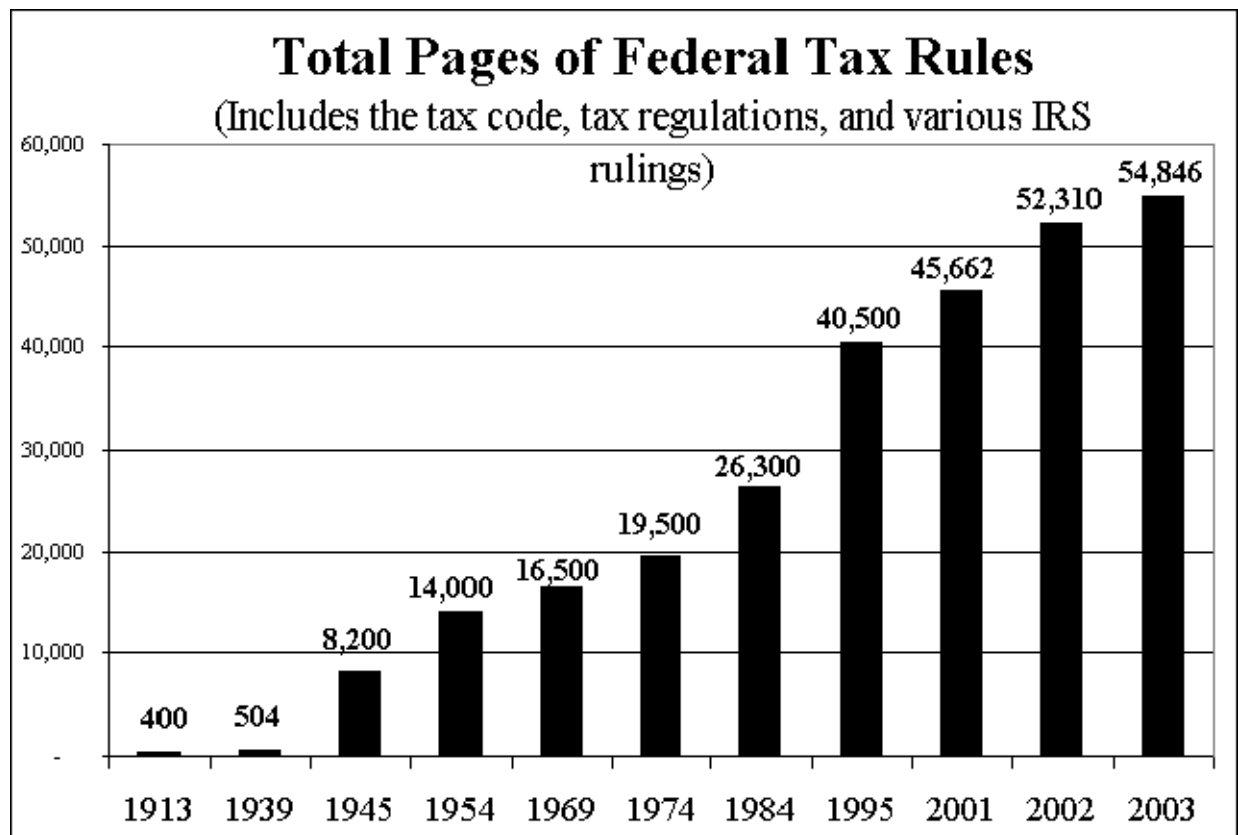


# Reasons why you should hire a tax professional.

## Reason No. 1

Congress has amended the nation's tax laws in 42 of the past 45 years.

1. Congress is constantly passing new laws, the IRS comes out with new rulings, and judges make new decisions all the time, all which directly affect your tax situation.. The result: The number of pages in the tax code and regulations doubled from 26,300 in 1984 to 54,846 by 2003, according to tax publisher CCH.



Together the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations are at least ten times longer than the King James Bible. And six times longer than War and Peace or the complete works of Shakespeare. The related income tax regulations ran to another 8 million words spanning over 20,000 pages in six volumes.

*How many of you not only read about all these decisions in the newspaper, but research them thoroughly to see how they affect your individual tax situation?*

Because the tax code is so complicated, 62% of Americans have professionals do their tax returns. That was more than 96 million out of the approximately 155 million individual returns filed in 2008. More than 90 million individual filed their income tax returns electronically in 2008.

## **Reason No. 2**

### **Time is money.**

In 2008, the Internal Revenue Service estimated the average taxpayer needed 26.4 hours to do his or her 2007 tax return -- or 56.9 hours if a Schedule C for business or a Schedule E for rental properties was filed. Individual taxpayers spend approximately 3.5 billion hours each year to comply with the tax system, almost 50% more than in 1988 (the first year the IRS reported such data).

Finally, a tax professional can save you time. It takes about four hours to prepare your own tax return. You have to read instructions, make sure you did everything properly, and fill out the forms. It can be tedious and time-consuming work.

## **Why Consider Tax Resource Center?**

Would you go to a medical professional to diagnose what affects your health? Would you go to court without a law- professional representing you? Smart folks do not, because they believe in specialization. They want a professional carpenter putting on the addition to their house, an electrician to do the wiring, and a mechanic to work on their car. These individuals practice their craft every day.

Tax Resource Center has been filing income tax since 1999. TRC professionals have extensive training and expanded knowledge in the field of taxation. It is hard to imagine individuals attempting to do something they do once a year and that has such a large financial impact on their lives, like preparing their tax return.

What is that one thing we never have enough of and that we can never get back once it is gone?

Yes, time. Don't you have better things to do with your time? Our clients put all of their tax related information they receive in a folder and bring it to TRC to complete their tax return. On average our clients come in, meet with us, and have their returns filed electronically in under an hour. That is quite a savings in time.

Tax Resource Center subscribe to newsletters, press releases, and alert services that keep them abreast of every changing tax law. Tax Resource Center preparers attend tax education courses throughout the year and learn from experts, IRS agents, and state officials.

Tax Resource Center is available to taxpayers who have received letters from the Internal Revenue Service and do not know what to do, and to customers who have tax planning questions or simply have to make a financial decision in their life and simply want to know how it will affect their income tax rate.

Tax Resource Center is available throughout the year, not only during tax season to help clients out with any tax questions or related tax concerns that they might have.