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Subject: Re: wal-mart

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There is much wrong in "Corporate America" today. All too often decisions are made based on how they will affect this quarter's bottom line. When that becomes the driving force, it gets to be very difficult to see the forest for the trees. You have many companies giving raises that do not even keep up with the increase in the cost of living, let alone provide a decent health care package. But we can't place all the blame at the employer's doorstep. When the annual increase in health care benefits runs between 10% and 30%, well it takes a huge increase in business to just keep pace. Most companies simply can not afford to absorb those kind of increases, so they begin to cut services provided and pass a larger share of the costs on to the employee. Somehow Congress needs to find the courage to overhaul the way health care is provided and paid for, in America. And no, I do not think socialized health care is the way to go.

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