

Flaws in Land-Based Capitalism



The most important question to ask when examining an ideology is, “What are its flaws?” If the answer is “none,” the true believer is either deluded or a liar. [Kurt Gödel](#) demonstrated mathematically that no non-trivial formal system is both consistent and complete. Not only are there flaws, but they can never be eliminated.

Although I am not a mathematician, it intuitively seems logical that all flaws in a system can be reduced to one major flaw. An inconsistency is preferable to an incompleteness since, in the latter case, the space outside the bounds is unknown, and the system cannot grow.

Most ideologies are incomplete. They define a small world, and the rules within that small world are perfectly consistent. There are no flaws since anything deemed a flaw is out of scope.

The real world is not small, and ideology can only fit into the real world by introducing a rash of inconsistencies. Had the ideological founders gone for completeness from the start, this would not be a problem. On the other hand, the changes needed to reduce inconsistency in a complete framework might not satisfy the emotional needs that first drew the person to that ideology.

[AFFEERCE](#) has been criticized for attempting completeness. This was true from the very first version. Before the land issue was understood, the complete whole was one where all the truths known to the left and those known to the right were in harmony (save a single isolated inconsistency).

Understanding that neither side had a monopoly on truth came from a lifetime of activism. Understanding that [a synthesis of objectivism and subjectivism](#) is possible came from a recent foray into panexperientialism (all matter is subject and object – reduction leads to will as a final cause).

I have spent over a decade attempting to reduce the inconsistencies to a manageable few.

There is, of course, the whopper: [the baby tax](#). The baby tax violates individual [sovereignty](#) and the right to do what one wants with one’s own body. It violates

collective sovereignty, the right to build a society of one's choosing. It forces an income or export tax if unpaid.

This is theft, a [class III](#) violation of [objective rights](#). Enforcement violates privacy by seeking out paternity. The baby tax is tyranny. Yet all of land-based capitalism could collapse without it. This gross inconsistency is discussed in its module, [The Baby Tax](#).

Other flaws are much less severe. Privately held land, post federation, is subject to a [land tax](#) based on neighboring rents. There is an added premium because the land cannot be trebled. This violates the principle of no coercion.

However, it is unlikely that a significant amount of privately held land will survive the Elsie [hyperdeflation of Phase II](#). Property owners on commons land have the same option of paying the no-treble premium, although the premium increases with use as available data points drop.

Certification [requirements for judges](#) are inconsistent with democracy, but an independent, educated judiciary is required.

Mandated certification of those doing medical diagnosis and prognosis violates the principle of no regulation beyond the [VOS](#). Yet, it is required to compute rebates in a [free healthcare system](#) that allows choice, competition, and [deregulation](#) in testing and treatment.

There will always be flaws concerning exit rights, notably denying exit rights to those who violate exit rights. There are no exit rights during the arrest process, in the heat of battle, or if incarcerated for a crime that is illegal everywhere. More seriously, there are no exit rights for those who are an immediate threat to other people's exit rights.

Children under 14 cannot leave their families outside of a court order. This violates the sovereign right to surrender and reclaim individual sovereignty at will. It is required because children are not fully developed as sovereign individuals with a right to property.

Because children are often biologically lacking in the ability to protect themselves in sophisticated settings such as commerce, specific standards for children must be codified into law. This violates the principle of no regulation beyond the VOS. It violates the merchants' right to property. It is required because children under 14 years of age have a [right to life](#).

Legacy corporations must be treated as an active partnership of sovereigns to [treble land](#) and go into debt. It is required to prevent chaos.

There are likely other inconsistencies as well. Finding them is critical to reducing their number.

Contrary to some expectations, [constraints on the Earth Dividend](#) are not a flaw but essential land-based capitalism, a [Lockean right](#) of the commons (the creator of land value).