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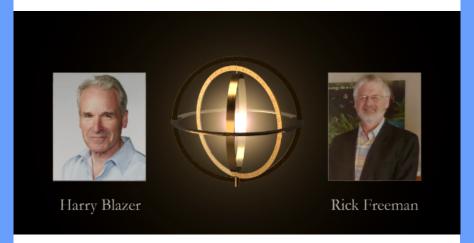
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Solari Food Series: Vital Soils - The Foundation of Life, Part I - August 4th

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"The soil is the great connector of our lives, the source and destination of us all." ~Wendall Barry

Harry Blazer continues the Solari Report Food Series this week with "Vital Soils – the Foundation of Life," a fascinating interview with Rick Freeman of <u>Grow Ecology</u> about the soil that gives us life. This is the first part of a two-part interview on soil.

Vital soils are the source of our nutrition. As the quality of our soil has declined, so has the nutritional content of our food. As a result, some of us spend a great deal of money on supplements to try to maintain our health. Or we simply accept a decline in the quality of our intellectual capacity, our energy, and our health. No vitality in our soil increasingly means no vitality in us and those around us.

This is a fascinating discussion between two brilliant people who have spent a lifetime investigating and prototyping how to seed and grow the freshest, most delicious food possible and how do so as part of profitable local fresh food systems.

As you listen to Harry and Rick, you will start to realize the priceless nature of the dirt under your feet! Make sure you listen to the <u>Introduction to the Solari Report Food Series</u> that we published in May.

I anticipate significant increases in the cost of high quality fresh food over the coming

years. Through the Solari Report Food Series, my hope is that Harry Blazer will inspire you as he has me to seek out or grow the finest fresh and nutritious food and to identify and support the seed companies, grocers and farmers who help us do so.

In Let's Go to the Movies, I will review *Dirt! The Movie* – a great documentary to introduce you to the role and importance of soil.

Catherine Austin Fitts

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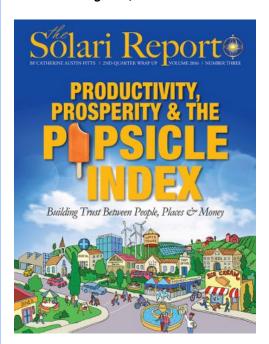
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Highlights from Last Week - 2nd Qtr Wrap Up: Productivity, Prosperity & the Popsicle Index

Productivity growth is indeed slowing. Two essential questions about this problem are why and what can be done about it.

One reason why is that productivity growth has been focused on making our military industrial complex more powerful, our corporate production more efficient and some investors richer, while ignoring the various economic steroids used to generate that increase in "productivity": destruction of the natural environment, explosions in personal and government debt and debasement of our civic and cultural life and institutions. We are calculating output while ignoring what is happening in the planetary balance sheet.

Official calculations of productivity growth also ignore the enormous sums of money, time, and energy being spent to control and destroy human productivity systematically – from the tactics of surveillance and disaster capitalism to "divide and conquer politics." And let's not forget the \$40 trillion disappearing in the financial coup d'etat ending in the bailouts, more than \$1 trillion spent annually on military and weaponry, as well as the explosion of prisons and funding for police states.

Nor is "productivity growth" necessarily shared with the people who create it. Since 1948, while productivity growth in America has increased by 254%, labor hourly compensation has increased by merely 113% having essentially flat-lined since 1973.

Growth of Real Hourly Compensation for Production and Nonsupervisory Workers Versus Productivity (1948–2011)



Is there human incentive to increase corporate productivity? There is not, because increasingly too many large institutions and businesses have a negative total economic return. At the heart of the matter – (1) we need to realign "return to shareholders" with "total economic return" in a manner that produces significantly more wealth. And (2) we need government finances to respect the laws and regulations related to financial management. Indeed, we have no choice now that the debt growth model is finished. We can't use more government debt to fund corruption and the externalities of unsustainable behavior.

For the 2nd Quarter Wrap Up, *Productivity, Prosperity & the Popsicle Index*, I will review the existing discussion about stalling productivity growth. I will discuss how it relates to growing inequality, the insufficiency of retirement systems, and the

explosive changes underway as a result of robotics and artificial intelligence.

There are solutions, but they all require a clear picture of where we are now and our possible futures. Which means we need a way to see through and to reject the disinformation that corporate media and special interests are spinning.

I will post my audio discussion from Zurich, Switzerland on Thursday. We will publish the written discussion in the Second Quarter Web Presentation in August after my return to the States.

Whether you are one of those people who wants to "Make America Great Again," or you live half way around the world from the United States and you want to make your town or country great too, this presentation has critical information to help your vision come true.

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