

## US gets an F--

<b>Europe</b>	<b>United States/Mexico/Canada/etc.</b>
One currency	Three+ Currencies
No Taxes on Rails	Congress allows property taxes to destroy most rail traffic in US
Right of ways preserved	US Congress allows right of ways to be sold off!! No effort or desire to restore.
National initiatives for transcontinental high speed rail service. High efficiency transport. Nuclear power plants to run locomotives.	Few national initiatives in high speed rail. You might be able to catch the redeye to NY. Other services torn out & removed.
Often no ID or search at borders. Many walls and fences torn down.	Toothpaste carefully examined for contraband (I am not kidding!! But they didn't check my Walleye!!) Lengthy searches; music and other common items seized. Acute Paranoia! Razor wire border fences, sensor arrays and cement walls are being built up!!!!
Mag Lev and engines taught at colleges. Industrial applications underwritten.	Rail and other technologies discouraged, gone! Holistic humanities and do-nothing IT replaces thinking!! No active mag-lev or MHD industry in US.
Luxury rail service	In your dreams. Trains are for losers.
Low cost rail service encouraged by government, industry and unions.	Government, unions (such as the teamsters), and automotive industry help destroy rail initiatives. What happened to S250, the 2001 bill to support high speed rail initiatives??
Integration of mass transit and rail.	Integration?? Ha, no higher math here?? The MT factions are at financial war!! .
National/international HDTV based education initiatives in science and technology helps promote rail usage.	Not a clue. No one here realizes that without HDTV and education programs the country will always be sitting in the back row of the global classroom with the rest of the losers!!!!

Recently Martina Navratilova left the US in disgust. The babe got it what's happenin.....

“money is the only thing that matters there.....” (i.e. the US)

“The most absurd part of my escape from the unjust system” (i.e. Communist Czech) “is that I have exchanged one system that suppresses free opinion for another.” (i.e. the US) said Navratilova

Oops!!