

# James M. Buchanan

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*People, Thinking, Order, Opportunity, America, Giving, Might, Trying,  
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Politicians and bureaucrats are no different from the rest of us. They will maximize their incentives just like everybody else.

~James M. Buchanan

How would the US be different today if people coming off the boat were greeted with a welfare check instead of a shovel?

~James M. Buchanan

Politics is a romantic search for the good and the true and the beautiful.

~James M. Buchanan

If politicians get money to spend and don't have to be responsible for taxation, then of course that will bias their attitude toward more spending as opposed to cutting back on spending.

~James M. Buchanan

Clearly, I am not an anarchist. Philosophically, I might be, but I think in practical terms.

~James M. Buchanan

America is perhaps excessively mobile in the sense that there is sometimes not enough stability in communities. Dynamism in the economy is not necessarily the "be all and end all".

~James M. Buchanan

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