



Should secret wiretapping be legal? Debating the Issue

Secret wiretapping should be allowed. The government should have the right to listen to people's conversations and read their e-mails or keep track of their Internet history. Wiretapping will keep the United States safe from possible attacks.

Secret wiretapping is not acceptable. The government invades our privacy by reading our email and listening to our conversations. We should be able to write and talk about what we want, as long as we do not hurt anyone.

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POSITIONS

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If the United States is in danger and there are people who might harm our country, secret wiretapping should be used. The government needs to ask a court first before doing it, though.

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Wiretapping should only be allowed if the government warns people first. People have the right to know whether the government is recording their phone conversations and reading their email messages.

 **Debate Tip:**
When you argue your position, be sure to provide reasons and evidence to back up your opinion. Also, feel free to take your own position if you don't agree with one of these four.