Of course stock options are an expense and should be treated as such! This process has been a significant contributor to management fraud and deceit in addition to a misstatement of earnings confusing and defrauding investors. The business granting millions of shares and then purchasing replacement in the market dilutes ownership and assures dividends will not be paid. CEO compensation has become just outrageous!! Let's face it, most of these guys do nothing but go with the business cycle. Those that actually significantly contribute to the long term growth of the business are few and far between yet the take goes up no matter what happens to the business. They take it into the toilet then bonus themselves when a recover starts, compensation going up at all times. EXPENSE THEM PLEASE!!

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