Is Taxation Theft? Yes and No.

Whether the government-based practice of taxation is theft depends on whether said government has jurisdiction over those they tax.

Whether said government has jurisdiction over those they tax depends on whether said government's laws outlining jurisdiction apply to anyone.

Whether said government's laws outlining jurisdiction apply to anyone depends on what facts and evidence said government can provide to support such a claim.

As it stands, no group of individuals calling themselves "government" can provide, or has ever provided, any facts or evidence to support their claim of jurisdiction over others.

The only "fact" they can provide is their willingness to impose their jurisdiction by force; the only "evidence" they can provide is the resulting mayhem of their imposed jurisdiction.

Taxation is not theft if individuals calling themselves "government" have jurisdiction over those they tax. Taxation is theft if these individuals do not.

What do *you* call it when some people are forcing other people to pay them without any proof (facts and evidence) that payment is owed?

I call it a crime.