



Economics

An Overview...

Economics is the study of the production, consumption, and the distribution of goods and services. Economic study attempts to clarify how the uses of natural, technological and financial resources affect human beings.

Skills:

- Ability to conduct/explain scientific research
- High proficiency in written/oral communications
- Ability to explain complex concepts/theories
- Background in economic theory/econometrics
- Accurate with details
- Ability to observe accurately and make appropriate decisions
- Ability to solve problems
- Ability to operate/use information derived from computers
- Knowledge of statistical procedures

Some Professional Careers:

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| Accountant | Foreign Services Officer | Packing Analyst |
| Account Executive | Geographer | Political Scientist |
| Actuary | Government Analyst | Purchasing Planner |
| Air Transport Economist | Health Services | Rate Analyst |
| Auditor | Historian | Real Estate Agent |
| Bank Officer | Home Economist | Regional Economist |
| Buyer | Industry Analyst | Risk Analyst |
| Claims Adjuster | Insurance Agent | Sales Forecaster |
| Consumer Researcher | Internal Revenue Agent | Sales Manager |
| Controller | Labor Relations Specialist | Securities Analyst |
| Credit analyst | Land Use Economist | Sociologist |
| Credit/Loan Worker | Macroeconomist | Statistician |
| Data Processing Manager | Manager | Stockbroker |
| Econometrician | Marketing Representative | Systems Analyst |
| Economist | Microeconomist | Tax Preparer |
| Educator | Mineral Economist | Technical Writer |
| Environmental Economist | Mutual Fund Representative | Trust Officer |
| Financial Planner/Analyst | Operations Managers | Underwriter |

Hiring Organizations:

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| Advertising agencies | Labor unions |
| Banks/savings institutions | Market research firms |
| Chambers of Commerce | Personnel departments |
| Colleges/universities | Political action groups |
| Employment agencies | Professional journals |
| Environmental associations | Public relation firms |
| Fund raising firms | Regional planning councils |

Government agencies
Insurance companies
Investment firms

Trade associations
Utilities

Professional Organizations:

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