Economics

- <u>Microeconomics</u> study of individuals and the economy
- Macroeconomics study of large organizations and countries and the economy
- <u>Finance</u> study of investment and credit







Why does Macro matter?

- Besides an A and a 5 ...
- All of our decisions determine the fate of the nation's economy.
 - Can you afford to buy a new car?
 - Is now a good time to change jobs?
 - Should you take a risk in the stock market or keep your money safe in the bank?
- Understanding macroeconomics helps you make better economic decisions!



Gross Domestic Product

• A measure of a country's economy in a given time (usually a year or quarter)



2007 Top 10 World Economies

Gross domestic product (current prices) in millions of US dollars | 2007

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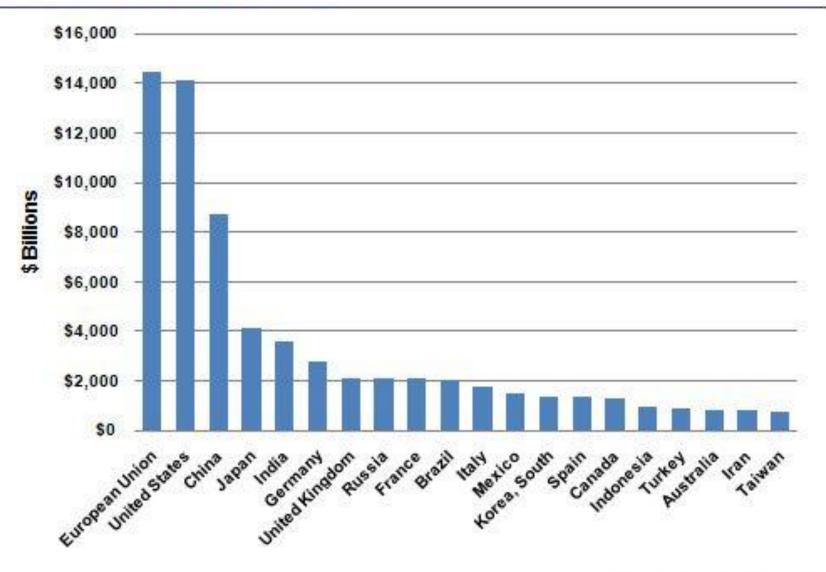
RANK COUNTRY/ECONOMY

- 2 Japan......4,383,762

- 5 United Kingdom2,772,570
- 7 Italy2, 104,666
- 8 Spain1,438,959
- 9 Canada1,432,140



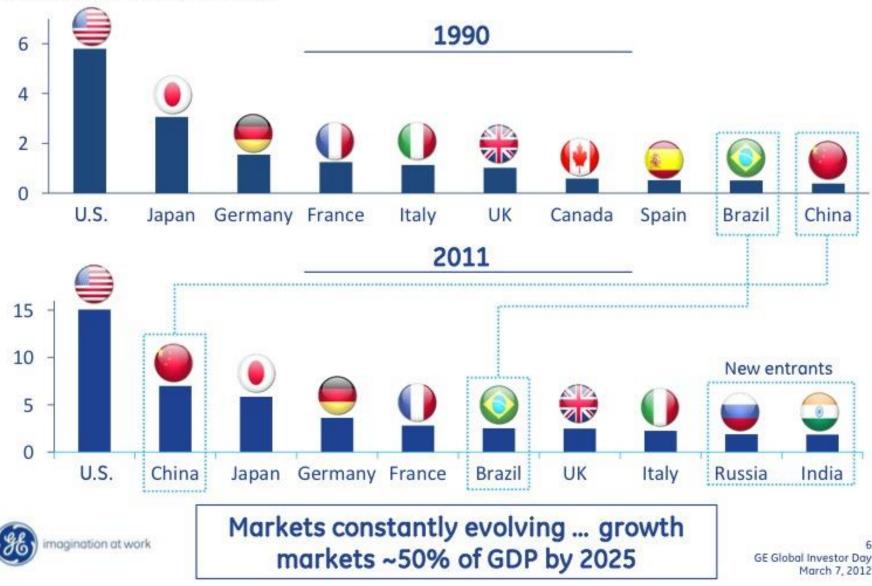
GDP by Region/Country, World Markets: 2009



Rank	Country	GDP, \$Billion
1	United States	14,552
2	China	5,878
3	Japan	5,458
4	Germany	3,315
5	France	2,582
6	United Kingdom	2,247
7	Brazil	2,090
8	Italy	2,055
9	Canada	1,574
10	India	1,537
11	Russia	1,465
12	Spain	1,409
13	Australia	1,235
14	Texas	1,207
15	Mexico	1,039
16	South Korea	1,007

Changing economies – top 10

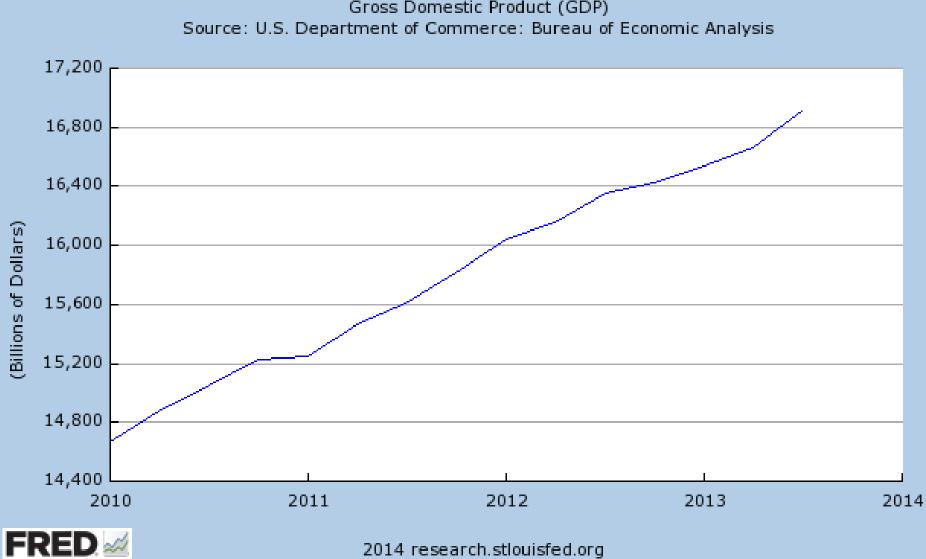
(\$ trillion, GDP in current U.S.\$)



Agree: Stand up

US economy is growing

Disagree: Stay seated



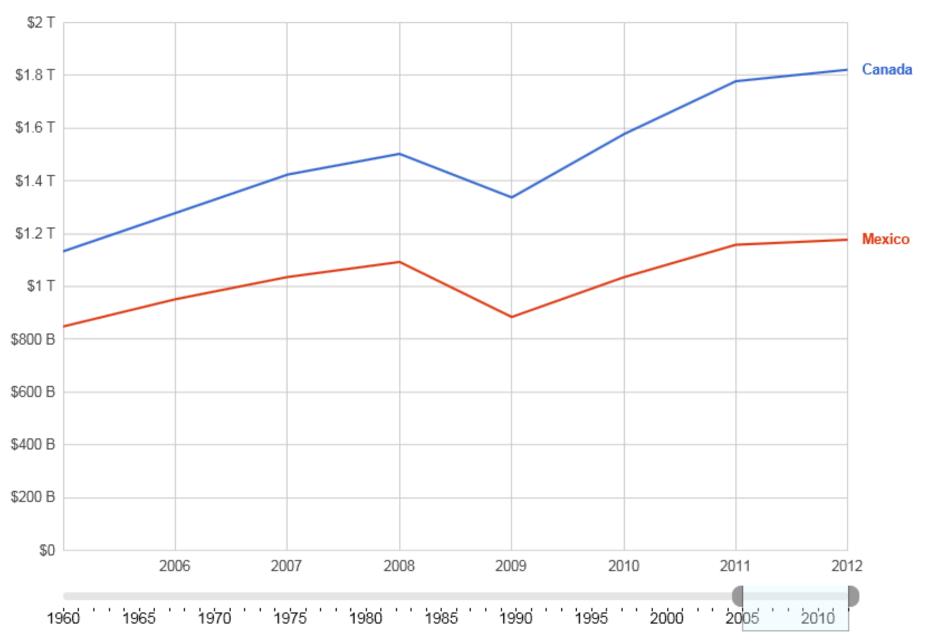
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

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Agree: Stand up

Mexico's economy is bigger than Canada's **Disagree:** Stay seated

Gross Domestic Product ?



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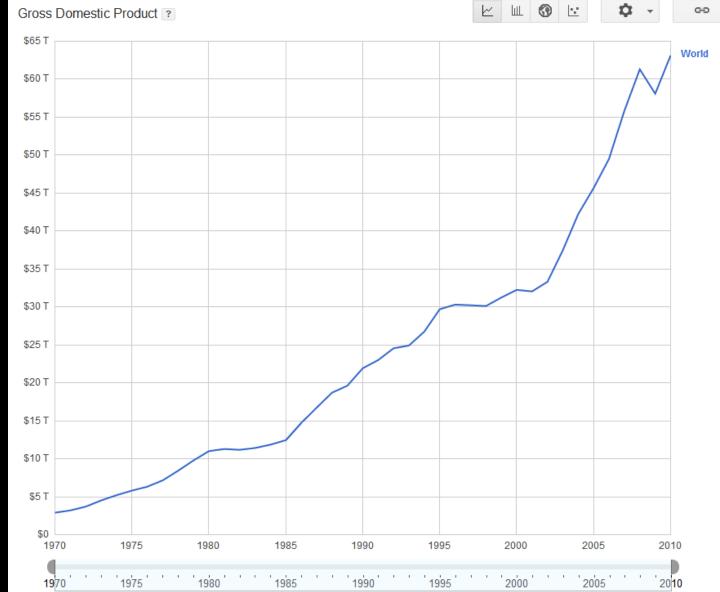
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What is GDP?

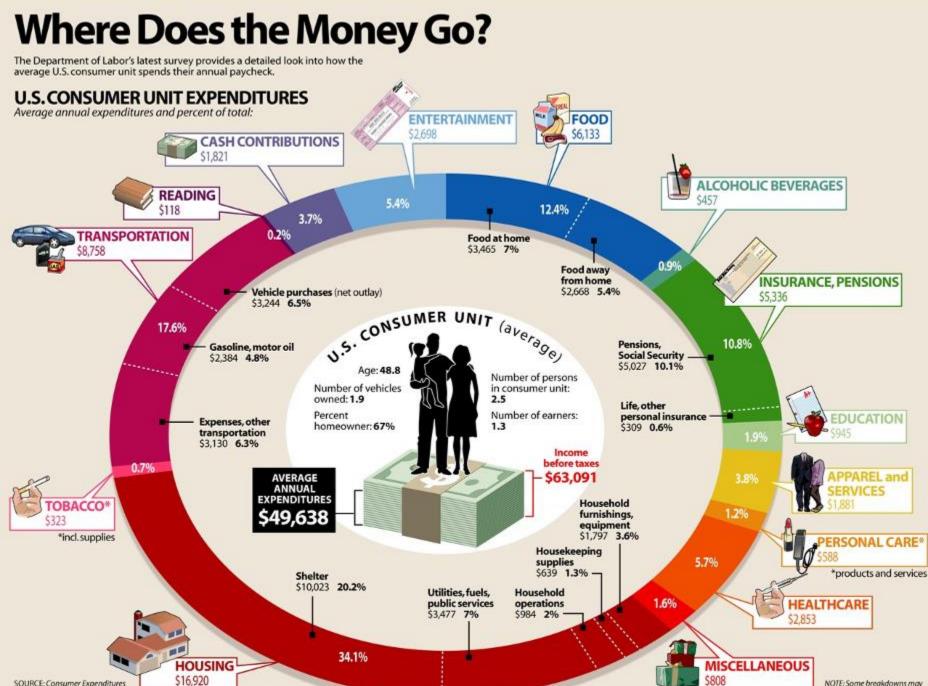
- GDP is the market value of all final goods and services produced within a nation in a given time period.
 - Must be final rather than intermediate.
 - Must be produced during the time period, regardless of when it is sold.
 - Must be produced within the nation's borders.

How do we calculate GDP?



Data from World Bank Last updated: Mar 30, 2012

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SOURCE: Consumer Expenditures (U.S. Dept. of Labor, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, April 2009) NOTE: Some breakdowns may not equal their totals due to rounding.

Parts of GDP

• All **investment** within a country in a certain year, month or quarter



 In other words: business spending money on capital goods



Parts of GDP

- All government spending in a country in a certain year, month or quarter
- Examples: education, military, roads, healthcare, etc



Where Did Your Tax Dollar Go?

In 2012, Washington collected \$2.4 trillion in taxes, more than \$20,000 for every American household. Yet Washington actually spent \$3.5 trillion, or nearly \$30,000 per household, adding \$1.1 trillion to the debt.



* Includes federal employee retirement and disability, unemployment compensation, food and housing assistance, and other federal income security programs.

Notes: Figures have been rounded. Defense spending includes overseas contingency operations.

Source: White House Office of Management and Budget.

Parts of GDP

All net exports from a country in a certain year, month or quarter

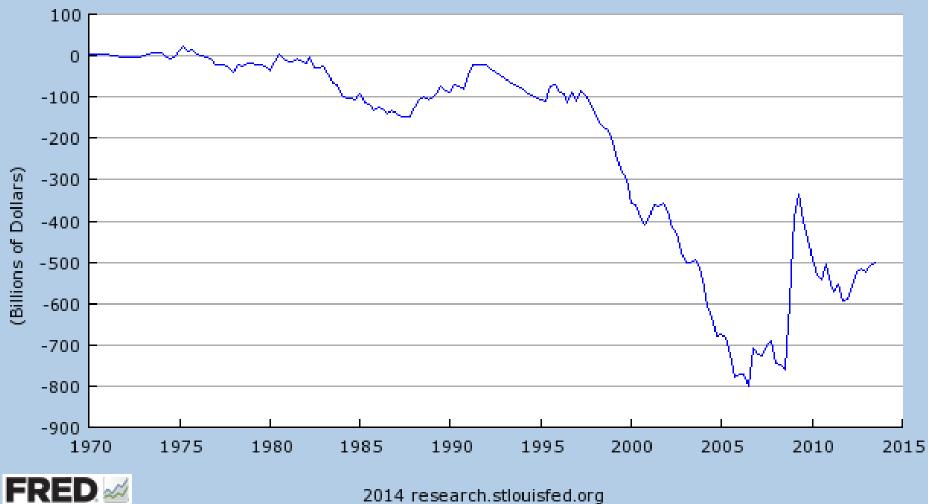
- Exports = good shipped to other countries
- Imports = good: brought into a confrom another confrom another confrometer.
- USA? Mexico?

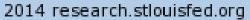
Agree: Stand up

USA imports more than it exports

Disagree: Stay seated

Net Exports of Goods & Services (NETEXP) Source: U.S. Department of Commerce: Bureau of Economic Analysis





Net Exporters



Net Importers

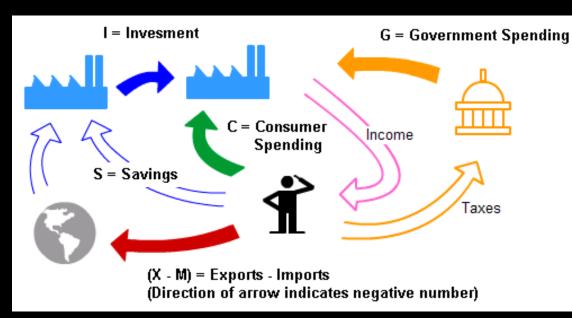


GDP Calculation

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{X}_{n}$$

where

Y = GDP



- C = Consumer Spending
- I = Investment
- G = Government Spending
- $X_n = Exports Imports$

United States GDP 2003

- $Y = C + I + G + X_n$
- \$\$ in Billions
- Consumer Spending = \$7605
- Investment = \$1606
- Government Spending = \$2017
- Exports = \$1021
- Imports = \$1508
- **\$7605 + 1606 + 2017 + (1021-1508) = \$10,741 (2003)**



GDP

• What economic activity did I leave out?

• Ways GDP might be misleading?

What GDP does not count

- Nonmarket activities (home childcare or performing one's own home repairs)
- Underground economy (market activities that go unreported because they are illegal or because those involved want to avoid taxation)
- Quality of life (what are we spending our money on?)

Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

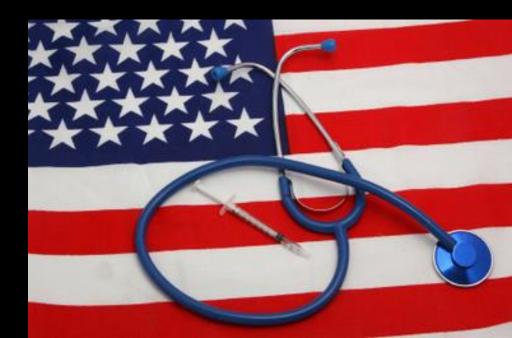
US consumers spend 5% more in 2013, than 2012 for the Winter Holidays.



Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

US government passes \$800 billion healthcare reform bill





Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

US Students learn about the benefits of saving money





Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

Bank business lending increases by 7% in 2013









Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

Mexican citizens demand 15 % fewer US-made cars





Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

The internet is created



Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

Americans demand 50% more Mexican baked goods





Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

NBA plays a in China, and afterwards Chinese demand US-made basketballs





Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

US government cuts income tax rates by 2 %

Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

World demand for American timber



increases



Assuming everything else stays equal, what happens if...

US military invades Iran

