

Fiscal policy sample interview questions

1. What is fiscal policy?
2. Who is responsible for setting fiscal policy in the United States?
3. What are the tools of fiscal policy?
4. What are the goals of an expansionary fiscal policy?
5. What are the goals of a contractionary fiscal policy?
6. What are the relationships between taxes and spending when enacting various fiscal policies?
7. What is the current state of the U.S. budget?
8. Would you suggest changing our current fiscal policy in the short term?
9. Would you suggest changing our current fiscal policy in the long term?
10. Would you advocate changes in our current system of taxation? If so, how?
11. If we enacted these taxation changes, what impacts would be felt by households, businesses and the government?
12. Would you advocate changes in our current system of spending? If so, what specific programs would you like to see given additional funds or receive fewer funds and why?
13. If we enacted these spending changes, what impacts would be felt by households, businesses and the government?

Monetary policy sample interview questions

1. What is monetary policy?
2. Who conducts monetary policy in the United States?
3. How may monetary policy work with or in conflict with fiscal policy?
4. What's the relationship between inflation and interest rates?
5. How may an increase in interest rates influence business investment spending and consumer durable spending?
6. How may a decrease in interest rates influence business investment spending and consumer durable spending?
7. What is the inflation rate in the U.S. right now? Is it a problem in the U.S. right now?
8. Would you advocate an easy monetary policy or a tight monetary policy for the U.S. at this time? Why?
9. Define the reserve requirement. Why is it the most powerful and least frequently used tool of monetary policy?
10. Should we change the reserve requirement at this time?
11. Define the discount rate.
12. Should we change the discount rate at this time?
13. Define open market operations.
14. Why are open market operations the most frequently used tool of monetary policy?
15. What happens when the Fed sells bonds? Why would the Fed sell bonds?
16. What happens when the Fed buys bonds? Why would the Fed buy bonds?