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Business Economics (BUS 201)

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Economic & Business News, Indicators and Forecasts

Below are some excellent sources for keeping up with economic news and the most recent analysis

◆ Conference Board Economic Analysis

<http://www.conference-board.org/economics/>

Includes the CB's own indicators (e.g. consumer confidence, U.S. leading index) and forecasted economic indicators (GDP, CPI, etc.)

- ◆ Economic News – daily news sources
- ◆ Global Business Cycle Indicators – leading, coincident, and lagging indexes

designed to signal peaks and troughs in the business cycle for nine countries

- ◆ StraightTalk - Chief Economist's monthly research, analysis and forecasts geared toward helping business executives assess economic conditions and impact on global markets

◆ Standard & Poor's NetAdvantage (Industries tab)

<http://business.library.emory.edu/eresources/title/view.php?erid=47>

- ◆ Economic Insight (weekly)
- ◆ Economic Brief (weekly)
- ◆ Economic Calendar
- ◆ Trends & Projections (monthly)

◆ Wall Street Journal, Economy section

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To scan daily news:

- ◆ Click News Pages link (top green tab); click Factiva Pages; pull down "Front Page" menu and select Economy

◆ Economist.com

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- ◆ A must read for doing business globally

Macroeconomics & the Global Economy

Following are recommended resources for locating historical, current and forecasted global economic data

Comprehensive Sources

◆ FRED II (Federal Reserve Board)

<http://research.stlouisfed.org/fred2/>

- ◆ Extensive collection of current and historical data maintained by the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
- ◆ View in graph or download into Excel
- CPI, Employment, GDP, Interest Rates, PPI, US Financial Data, and more

◆ Economic Calendars (Stat-USA, Dept. of Commerce)

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- ◆ Click on State of the Nation>HOT Releases at a Weekly Glance
- ◆ Economic reports which have been or are due to be released in the coming weeks, such as Unemployment, Housing Starts, CPI, PPI, Auto Sales, etc.

◆ The Budget and Economic Outlook, Congressional Budget Office

<http://www.cbo.gov>

- ◆ Forecasted data

◆ **Consumer Price Index & Inflation (Bureau of Labor Statistics)**

<ftp://ftp.bls.gov/pub/special.requests/cpi/cpiiai.txt>

◆ **More data from the BLS**

<http://www.bls.gov/cpi/home.htm>

◆ **Gross Domestic Product (GDP)**

<http://www.bea.gov/bea/dn/nipaweb/SelectTable.asp?Selected=N>

◆ **Labor Force (Current Population Survey, Dept. of Labor)**

<http://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/surveymost?ln>

◆ **More BLS data**

<http://www.bls.gov/cps/home.htm>

Country Economic Data

◆ **Global Market Information Database (GMID)**

<http://business.library.emory.edu/eresources/title/view.php?erid=24>

◆ Use this resource to

- ◆ Locate economic, trade, demographic, socio-economic and more data across countries and global regions
- ◆ Customize time series (historical data back approx. 20 years and forecasted data, 2-10 years out)
- ◆ Convert data to one currency and standardize data for more relevant comparisons and analysis

◆ **EIU Viewswire**

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- ◆ Country-by-country news and economic, global business data and information



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