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Resources

Some of the print resources contained in this list may be out of print. They have been included because they may still be available from libraries, bookshops and private collections.

At the time of publication the URLs (website addresses) cited were checked for accuracy and appropriateness of content. However, due to the transient nature of material placed on the web, their continuing accuracy cannot be verified. Teachers are strongly advised to prepare their own indexes of sites that are suitable and applicable to the courses they teach, and to check these addresses prior to allowing student access.

Books

General

Das, S 2015, *A Banquet of Consequences; have we consumed our own future?,* Penguin Books.

Frank, RH 2008, *The Economic Naturalist*, Virgin Books, Random House, London.

Gittins, R 2012, *Gittin’s Gospel: The Economics of Just About Everything*, Allen & Unwin.

Gittins, R 2010, *The Happy Economist*, Allen & Unwin.

Glover, D 2015, *An Economy is not a Society*, Redback Publishing.

Hamilton, C & Denniss, R 2005, *Affluenza*, Allen & Unwin, Sydney.

Harcourt, T 2008, *The Airport Economist*, Allen & Unwin, Sydney.

Harcourt, T 2014, *Trading Places*, NewSouth Books.

Harford, T 2006, *The Undercover Economist*, Oxford University Press, Oxford.

Irvine, J 2012, *Zombies, Bananas and why there are no Economists in Heaven*, Allen & Unwin.

Leigh, A 2014, *The Economics of Just About Everything*, Allen & Unwin.

Units 1 and 2

Harford, T 2005, *The Undercover Economist*, Little, Brown and Company.

Knox, M 2015, *Supermarket Monsters*, Redback Publishing.

Levitt, SD & Dubner, S 2006, *Freakonomics*, Harper Collins**.**

Levitt, SD & Dubner, S 2011, *SuperFreakonomics*, Penguin Press.

Levitt, SD & Dubner, S 2015, *Think like a Freak: The Authors of Freakonomics Offer to Retrain Your Brain*; William Morrow & Co.

Marcal, K 2015, *Who Cooked Adam Smith’s dinner?* Portobello Books.

Morris, R 2016, *Economics Down Under, Book 1*, 8E, Jacaranda, Melbourne.

Salla, R & MacGregor, D 2015, *Economics from the Ground up. 4E,* Commerce Presentations and Publications (CPAP), Melbourne.

Thaler, R & Sunstein, C 2008, *Nudge*, Yale University Press

Units 3 and 4

MacGregor, D & Salla, R 2016, *Economic Fundamentals in Australia*, 4E, Commerce Presentations and Publications (CPAP), Melbourne.

McKee, M & Nailon, K 2016, *The Study Guide to VCE Economics Units 3 & 4*, Indigo Publishing, Melbourne.

Morris, R 2016, *Economics Down Under, Book 2*, 8E, Jacaranda, Melbourne.

Prince, R & Prince, M 2016, *Australian Economic Statistics*, e-stats Publications, Melbourne.

Salla, R & Robertson, T 2016, *CPAP Study Guide to VCE Economics – Books 1 & 2*, 2E, Commerce Presentations and Publications (CPAP), Melbourne.

FILMs and documentaries

*An Inconvenient Truth* (feature documentary, 2006, Paramount Pictures)

*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* (feature film, 2005)

*Local Hero* (feature film, 1989, Celandine Films)

*Margin Call* (feature film, 2011)

*Rogue Trader* (feature film, 983, Granada Film Productions)

*Spotswood* (feature film, 1992, Australian Film Commission)

*The Bank* (feature film, 2001, Footprint Films)

*The Big Short* (feature film, 2015)

*The Corporation* (feature documentary, 2003)

*The Economics of Happiness* (feature documentary, 2011)

*The Wog Boy* (feature film, 2000, Twentieth Century Fox)

*Trading Places* (feature film, 1983)

*Wall Street* (feature film, 1987, Twentieth Century Fox)

*Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps* (feature film, 2010)

*You’ve Got Mail* (feature film, 1998)

**INTERNET**

Students increased access to news and current affairs 24/7 should help foster a growing awareness and understanding of local, domestic and global economic issues. Teachers are encouraged to use social media, including Facebook, YouTube, WordPress, Instagram and Twitter, and a range of ICT to engage with students.

Blogs

*Market Economics*, Steven Koukoulas: <http://thekouk.com/blog.html>

‘Barefoot Investor’, *Herald Sun*, Scott Pape: <https://barefootinvestor.com/>

*Freakonomics*, Steven D Levitt and Stephen J Dubner: <http://freakonomics.com/blog>

Ross Gittins, newspaper articles on his website: <http://rossgittins.com.au/>

The Conversation <http://theconversation.com/au/business>

Websites

Council for Economic Education, USA

[www.nationalcouncil.org](http://www.nationalcouncil.org/)

Institute for Learning and Research Technology, Biz/ed Consortium, University of Bristol, UK

[http://bized.ac.uk](http://bized.ac.uk/)

Salla, R, VCE Economics

[www.economicstutor.com.au](http://www.economicstutor.com.au/)

Trading Economics

[www.tradingeconomics.com](http://www.tradingeconomics.com)

Ted Talks

[www.ted.com/talks/tags/economics](http://www.ted.com/talks/tags/economics)

Ted Ed

<http://ed.ted.com/lessons?category_id=41>

<http://ed.ted.com/videos?q=what+is+economics>

The Khan Academy

[www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)

App

Salla, R, Economics Tutor, iTunes

Newspapers and Magazines

The Age

[www.theage.com.au](http://www.theage.com.au/)

The Australian

[www.theaustralian.news.com.au](http://www.theaustralian.news.com.au/)

The Australian Financial review

[www.afr.com.au](http://www.afr.com.au/)

Journals and Periodicals

*ABS Australian Economic Indicators*

[www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/mf/1345.0](http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/mf/1345.0)

*Australian Economic Review*

[www.melbourneinstitute.com/miaesr/publications/books/aer.html](http://www.melbourneinstitute.com/miaesr/publications/books/aer.html)

*AGPS Budget Overview and Economic Outlook*

<http://budget.gov.au/2015-16/content/bp1/html/bp1_bs1-02.htm>

*AGPS Budget Papers (especially nos. 1 & 2)*

[www.budget.gov.au/2016-17/content/bp1/html/bp1\_prelims.htm](http://www.budget.gov.au/2016-17/content/bp1/html/bp1_prelims.htm)

*AGPS Budget Speech*

[www.budget.gov.au/](http://www.budget.gov.au/)

*AGPS Treasury Round-up*

[www.treasury.gov.au/PublicationsAndMedia/Publications?subtype=Economic+Roundup&go=1](http://www.treasury.gov.au/PublicationsAndMedia/Publications?subtype=Economic+Roundup&go=1)*CEDA*

*Choice Magazine*

[www.choice.com.au/about-us/products-and-services/](http://www.choice.com.au/about-us/products-and-services/)

*Compak*, VCTA

[www.vcta.asn.au/compak](http://www.vcta.asn.au/compak)

*EcoDate*, Warringal Publications

<https://warringalpublications.com.au/2015/11/29/ecodate-topics/>

*Economics Update*, CPAP

[www.commpap.com/page69.html](http://www.commpap.com/page69.html)

*New Internationalist*

<https://newint.org/issues/2016/05/01/>

*Plain English Economics*

[www.plain-english.com.au/index.html](http://www.plain-english.com.au/index.html)

*Policy Magazine*

<http://policymagazine.ca/>

*RBA Annual Report*

[www.rba.gov.au/publications/annual-reports/rba/](http://www.rba.gov.au/publications/annual-reports/rba/)

*The Economist*

[www.economist.com/](http://www.economist.com/)

ORGANISATIONs

Australian banks

ANZ  
[www.anz.com.au](http://www.anz.com.au/)

Commonwealth Bank  
[www.commbank.com.au](http://www.commbank.com.au/)

National Australia Bank

[www.nab.com.au](http://www.national.com.au/)

Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA)

[www.rba.gov.au](http://www.rba.gov.au/)

Westpac

[www.westpac.com.au](http://www.wetpac.com.au/)

Government

Australian Bureau of Statistics

[www.abs.gov.au](http://www.abs.gov.au)

Austrade

[www.austrade.gov.au](http://www.austrade.gov.au/)

Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics

[www.abare.gov.au](http://www.abare.gov.au/)

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC)

[www.accc.gov.au](http://www.accc.gov.au/)

Australian Productivity Commission

[www.pc.gov.au](http://www.pc.gov.au/)

Australian Taxation Office

[www.ato.gov.au](http://www.ato.gov.au/)

Department of Environment and Climate Change

[www.environment.gov.au](http://www.environment.gov.au/)

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

[www.dfat.gov.au](http://www.dfat.gov.au/)

The Australian Budget

[www.budget.gov.au](http://www.budget.gov.au/)

The Commonwealth Treasury

[www.treasury.gov.au](http://www.treasury.gov.au)

Other

The ABC

[www.abc.net.au](http://www.abc.net.au/)

The ACTU

[www.actu.asn.au](http://www.actu.asn.au/) especially [www.worksite.actu.asn.au](http://www.worksite.actu.asn.au/)

The Australian Council of Social Services (ACOSS)

[www.acoss.org.au](http://www.acoss.org.au/)

Brotherhood of St Laurence

[www.bsl.org.au](http://www.bsl.org.au/)

The Business Council of Australia

[www.bca.com.au](http://www.bca.com.au/)

National Farmers’ Federation

[www.nff.org.au](http://www.nff.org.au/)

International

APEC

[www.apec.org](http://www.apec.org/)

ASEAN

[www.asean.org](http://www.asean.org/)

European Union

[www.eu.org](http://www.eu.org/)

International Monetary Fund

[www.imf.org](http://www.imf.org/)

OECD

[www.oecd.org](http://www.oecd.org/)

United Nations

[www.un.org](http://www.un.org/)

World Bank

[www.worldbank.org](http://www.worldbank.org/)

World Trade Organization

[www.wto.org](http://www.wto.org/)