



ECONOMIC RESEARCH PROJECT TEAM (11)

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2013 KEY

Topic

Over the past several decades the United States has seen its economy shift from one of manufacturing to one of services. Thus, many corporations have either shifted their manufacturing facilities to other counties or have stopped manufacturing at all. In addition, changes to the tax laws have made it possible for some companies to be more profitable if they do outsource much of their work to other counties. This has had a major impact on the US economy and on the numbers and types of jobs available in the US. What would happen if companies were to take the same approach with services that could be moved off-shore and how would/could this impact the US economy?

Your research project can include but is not limited to:

1. What types of services would be candidates to move off shore?
2. What steps should the US government take in trying to regulate the possible movement?
3. If the services industries did begin moving more jobs off shore, what would the impact be to US economy and are their possible advantages to the economy?

Contestants who do not submit an entry that follows this topic will be disqualified.

JUDGING PROCEDURE

- Team will be introduced by team number.
- As a team of judges, formulate two to three questions to ask at the conclusion of the presentation. Be sure to ask the same questions of each team.
- Contestants should be dismissed
- **There can be no ties in the top ten (10) teams.** It is the responsibility of the judges to break any ties
- Administrator will fill out ranking sheet prior to dismissing the judges
- If more than one (1) section is necessary, finalists will be determined by selecting an equal number from each section
- Give administrator all Judges' Rating Sheets, Judge Evaluation Sheets and contest materials
- No audience is allowed in the contest room

Please double-check and verify all scores!