Rising demand for economic analysis in virtually every industry should stem from the growing complexity of the global economy, the effects of competition on businesses, and increased reliance on quantitative methods for analyzing and forecasting business, sales, and other economic trends. Some corporations choose to hire economic consultants to fill these needs, rather than keeping an economist on staff. This practice should result in more economists being employed in consulting services.

In March 2009, the average annual salary for economists employed by the Federal Government was $108,010. Starting salaries were higher in selected geographical areas where the prevailing local pay was higher.
ECONOMICS is a dynamic and relevant area of study. Every day, each of us makes dozens of economic decisions. An understanding of economics equips people to make intelligent decisions not only in their daily lives, but it also improves their ability to comprehend decisions, actions and policies made by federal, state and local governments, and in markets and by businesses, at all levels.

A few years ago BusinessWeek magazine asked the chief executive officers (CEOs) of major companies what they thought was the best undergraduate degree. Their top 2 choices were Engineering, and Economics.

ECONOMIC RELATED DEGREES
- Economics
- Mathematical Economics
- Business Economics
- Environmental Economics
- Energy Economics
- Global Studies
- Finance
- Business
- Business Management
- Marketing
- Political Science
- Engineering
- Labor Studies/Economics
- Health Economics
- Applied Mathematics
- Public Policy
- Urban and Regional Studies
- Environment Science
- Coastal Environmental Studies
- Global Managerial Economics
- Sports Economics
- Agricultural Economics
- Accounting
- Philosophy

A GREAT START AT HIGHER EDUCATION

THE POTENTIAL JOB MARKET

Most of the following careers require four-year degrees (at minimum) and some require a combination with other degrees. Job prospects for economists are best for those with graduate degrees in economics:

- Econometrician
- Environmental Economist
- Energy Economist
- Resource Management Economist
- Global Managerial Economist
- Demographic Economist
- Organizational Economist
- Monetary Economist
- Financial Economist
- Industrial Economist
- Administrator in Business or Government
- Economist with Government Agencies,

Financial/Banking Institution or Managerial Positions in Banks and Corporations
Administrator in the Insurance Industry
Analyst in the Media Industry
Marketing Research Analyst
Investment/Financial Analyst
Public Financial Analyst
Economist/ Economic Development Planner for
City Economic Development Agencies
City or Urban Planner
Public Policy Analyst
Various careers in International Business
Professor at university or college or high school teacher
Financial Analyst in Private Corporation
Economist in International Agencies, (United Nations, International Monetary Fund, World Bank, USAID)
Statistical Analyst
Attorney(Regulation/Antitrust)
Entrepreneur
Actuary
Cost Accountant