Asian Economics

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A large number of documents pertaining to economic development are presented on this site. Among the highlights are an Economic and Social Survey for 1999, a four-volume document, “Integrating Environmental Considerations into the Economic Decision-Making Process,” and “Asia in Figures,” providing data for many Asian nations.

CAMBODIA

TITLE: MINISTRY OF COMMERCE
The focus is on trade, specifically export trade. One can find statistics on Cambodian exports by commodity, by company, by destination. In addition, there are reports on the various departments that comprise the Ministry of Commerce, including the Internal Trade Department established to encourage economic development in Cambodia.

CHINA

TITLE: CEI-NET—CHINA ECONOMY
URL: http://ce.cei.gov.cn/
An overview of the current economy of China, a site produced by the Chinese government. The latest economic news, the laws and regulations, the governmental bodies, and the policies are outlined in brief.

HONG KONG

URL: http://www.info.gov.hk/censtatd/eng/hkstat/index1.html
A compendium of the most important statistics for the economy of the Special Administrative Region: Hong Kong. There are many tables of data on GDP, ranging from Per Capita GDP to GDP by Economic Activity. Links are provided to the publication “Hong Kong in Figures” and to the latest press releases on the economy of Hong Kong.

INDIA

TITLE: INDIA: ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS OVERVIEW
URL: http://sunsite.sut.ac.jp/asia/india/jitnet/india/jitnet/ibeo/main.htm
Although the material on this site dates from August 1995, it nevertheless presents a good summary of the institutional framework, the regulations, and the organization of the economy of India.

TITLE: MINISTRY OF FINANCE
URL: http://finmin.nic.in/
Reports on a variety of economic issues, current and past budgets, Economic Surveys, Revenues, Expenditures and other financial and economic matters comprise this site. Each month the latest Monthly Economic Report is posted, as well.

INDONESIA

TITLE: STATISTICS INDONESIA
URL: http://www.bps.go.id/statbysector/index.html
This Web page, produced by the Republic of Indonesia, presents reports and tables on a wide range of subjects including Consumer Price Indices, Wages, and Public Finance. Each of these data topics is accompanied by a description of the terminology used and by the source of the data.

JAPAN

TITLE: ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY
URL: http://www.epa.go.jp/e-e/menu.html
Links to numerous publications on the Economy of Japan are offered on this site. The “Monthly Economic Report and Main Economic Indicators,” the “Indexes of Business Conditions,” the Business Confidence Survey, and the Consumer Confidence Survey are just a few of the
items. In addition, there are links to other pertinent organizations and agencies related to the study of economics in Japan.

**TITLE: KEIDANREN**  
**URL:** http://www.keidanren.or.jp/  
Keidanren (the Japan Federation of Economic Organizations) focuses here on statements of economic policy. From Economic Law to Corporate Behavior, these topics and many other policy statements are provided in full on the Keidanren site.

**TITLE: KEIZAI KOHO CENTER**  
**URL:** http://www.kkc.or.jp/english/activities/publications.html  

**KOREA**

**TITLE: BANK OF KOREA**  
**URL:** http://www.bok.or.kr/index_e.html  
In addition to the expected documents on the Korean financial system (including information on Korean banking institutions and the securities industry) there is a paper on the economic system of Korea which has chapters on the economy beginning in the 1960s and ending with an assessment of current economic movements. There are also reports on the currency of Korea, on the payment system, and monetary policy.

**THE PHILIPPINES**

**TITLE: PHILIPPINE ECONOMIC REVIEW**  
**URL:** http://www.febtc.com/000002ph/000002ph.htm  
An abundance of economic information on this site, produced by the Far East Bank and Trust Company. One can learn about the Philippine Stock Exchange, GDP figures, the many current rates (of exchange, of T-Bills, etc.), and the Top 50 Philippine Corporations.

**THAILAND**

**TITLE: NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD**  
**URL:** http://www.nesdb.go.th/engpage.html  
Click on the link to “Latest Economic Information” and then on the link labeled “Macroeconomic” and you’re taken to a page of economic reports ranging from historical reports on Key Economic Indicators to a paper about well-being as related to economic growth and other indices.

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