

# Macroeconomic schools of thought

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Macroeconomic Schools of Thought Macroeconomics is concerned with issues, objectives and policies that pertain to the overall economy. It focuses on economic aggregates or grand totals that relate to the entire economy.

Basically it is how all the elements of an economy function together.

Macroeconomics is well thought-out into many different schools of thought, which have different views about how markets should operate. The different types of schools of thoughts given by Stephen Simpson (Macroeconomics: Schools of Thought, Investigated) are: 1 . Classical 2. Keynesian 3. Monetarist 4. New Keynesian 5. Neoclassical 6. New classical 7. The Austrian

Schools of thought. Classical Economists hold that prices, wages and rates are flexible and markets are always clear and since there is no unemployment growth depends on the supply and production factors. This means that classical economics is only based on the supply of the economy. Classical economics was demonstrated by Adam Smith in the 18th century, which states that a change in supply will eventually be matched by a change in demand - so that the economy is always moving towards equilibrium.

Keynesian economics was founded by the works of John Maynard Keynes. His key focus on aggregate demand which can be defined as the total amount of goods and services demanded in an economy in a given time and price level, as the principal factor in issues like unemployment and the business cycle. These economists believed that the business cycle can be managed by active government intervention through fiscal and monetary policy.

This theory is basically based on the fact of the economy and how it affects output and inflation and the total spending in the Monetarist school, which is

credited to the work of Milton Friedman, economy. Believes that the role of government to control inflation by controlling the money supply and that markets are typically clear and that participants have rational expectations. They reject the Keynesian saying that governments are able to manage demand and that the attempts to do so are disorienting and are likely to lead to inflation.

The monetarists believe that the amount of money in an economy is the chief determinant on the demand side of economic activity in the short run. This, to them will help to influence inflation or a recession in recession and growth. The Austrian school of thought is an older school of economics in which its economists believe that human behavior is too distinctive to model correctly with mathematics and that minimal government intervention is best. This means that individuals' choices make it extremely difficult for the evolving market because it is harder for businesses to commence for the economy to evolve.