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May 8, 2006 issue of BusinessWeek in an article titled “A Closer Continent.” The statement that large retailers such as Wal-Mart and Target exert their “power” to “force” suppliers to sell to them at lower prices is from page F1 of the August 19, 2007 issue of the San Francisco Chronicle, in an article titled “Retail Starting to Turn Green.” The U.S. Supreme Court anti-trust cases referred to included, respectively, Federal Trade Commission v. Morton Salt Co. (1948), Standard Oil Co. v. Federal Trade Commission (1951), United States v. Borden Co. (1962), Brown Shoe Co. v. United States (1962), United States v. Von’s Grocery Company (1966). United States v. Aluminum Co. of America (1945) was decided by the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals. The financial asset restrictions under India’s Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act were discussed on page 169 of India Unbound by Gurcharan Das. The division of air and rail traffic between Madrid and Seville was shown on page 267 of Industries in Europe, edited by Peter Johnson. Data on the division of Transatlantic passengers between ocean liners and airplanes is from page B4 of the October 2, 2003 issue of the Wall Street Journal, in an article beginning on page B1, under the title “Cunard’s Grand Gamble.” The city of Munich’s switching its computers from using Microsoft Windows to using Linux was reported in The Times of London (online edition) under the headline “Need to Know.” The New York Times editorial in defense of a European antitrust ruling against Microsoft can be found on page A18 of the September 21, 2007 issue under the title “Regulating Microsoft.” Details on the injunction sought by the FTC against Whole Foods Market’s acquisition of Wild Oats Markets in 2007 are from Federal Trade Commission v. Whole Foods Market, Inc., and Wild Oats Markets, Inc., United States District Court for the District of Columbia, August 16, 2007, pages 1 to 4, 74, 81, 84, 85, 87, 88. The shift from petroleum oil to corn oil for making plastics was discussed on page B1 of the Wall Street Journal of October 12, 2004 under the title “One Word of Advice: Now It’s Corn.” The economic effects of India’s Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act and its repeal in 1991 were discussed in India Unbound, pages 159 to 170, 183 to 184, 220, 263 to 264. The discussion of the effect on India’s largest company, Tata Industries, is based on information from an article in the February 14, 2005 issue of Forbes.
magazine titled “Tempest in a Teapot,” beginning on page 118. The fact that analysts confirmed in 2007 that India’s Tata Steel was the lowest-cost steel producer in the world was reported on page C5 of the May 17, 2007 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, in an article titled “Indian Steelmakers Gain Strength.”

CHAPTER 8: AN OVERVIEW

The epigraph is from page 241 of *The Seven Fat Years* by Robert L. Bartley. The remark about capitalist business from Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels is from page 11 of their “Manifesto of the Communist Party,” published in *Basic Writings on Politics and Philosophy*, edited by Lewis S. Feuer. Marx’s comments about the role of systemic characteristics in capitalism are from page 15 of Volume I of *Capital*, in the edition published in 1919 by Charles H. Kerr & Co. Examples of the kinds of detailed information about hotel services and amenities provided by trade association data can be found in *2001 Lodging Survey: Lodging Services, Facilities, and Trends*, published by the American Hotel & Lodging Association in Washington, D.C. Data on American profits as a percentage of national output (Gross Domestic Product) are from page 65 of *The Economist* of December 8, 2001, under the title “What Doth It Profit?” Data on the height differential between North Koreans and South Koreans can be found on pages 51 to 55 of a study titled “Height and Weight Differences Between North and South Korea,” from the January 2009 issue of *Journal of Biosocial Science*. The effects of competition from private-sector couriers on the government-run postal service in India were described on page A1 of the October 3, 2006 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, in an article titled “As Economy Zooms, India’s Postmen Struggle to Adapt.” The success of German firms in the international export market was reported on pages B1 and B2 of the February 27, 2010 issue of the *New York Times*, in an article titled “German Skill in Exporting Puts Pressure on Neighbors.” The quotation about service differences in India is from page 112 of *India Unbound* by Gurcharan Das and the comment on India’s bank tellers is from
Chapter 9: Productivity and Pay

The epigraph is from page 149 of *The Wisdom of Henry Hazlitt*. Comparisons of labor productivity in Japanese-owned and Chinese-owned cotton mills in China are from page 47 of *The Rise of “The Rest”* by Alice Amsden. Comparisons of American-owned manufacturing firms in Britain and British-owned manufacturing firms were made on page 52 of the October 12, 2002 issue of *The Economist* under the title, “Blame the Bosses.”
Higher labor productivity in South African firms than in firms in some other countries was mentioned on page 51 of the January 14, 2006 issue of *The Economist* under the title “Spend More but Wisely.” Information about international productivity levels is from page 5 of the study *Key Indicators of the Labour Market*, fifth edition, published by the International Labour Office in Geneva. Data on Americans’ changing incomes between 1975 and 1991 are from page 8 of the 1995 *Annual Report* of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. Earlier studies indicating similar patterns include *Years of Poverty, Years of Plenty* by Greg Duncan et al. The three-year Census study that found only 2.4 percent of the population living in poverty in all 36 months of the study was discussed on page 4 of “Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2007,” *Current Population Reports*, P60–235. Similar changes in individual incomes in western European countries were reported on page 5 of *Poor Statistics: Getting the Facts Right About Poverty in Australia* by Peter Saunders, published in April 2002 by the Centre for Independent Studies in Sydney, Australia. Similar data on incomes in Britain and New Zealand were reported on pages 32 and 33 of *Poverty and Benefit Dependency* by David Green, published in 2001 by the New Zealand Business Roundtable, and similar data from Canada appeared in an article titled “Time Reveals the Truth about Low Income,” which appeared on pages 24 to 26 of the September 2001 issue of *Fraser Forum*, published by the Fraser Institute in Vancouver, Canada. Data on American household incomes in 2001 are from page 16 of Section 4 of the January 12, 2003 issue of the *New York Times* in an article titled “Defining the Rich in the World’s Wealthiest Nation,” beginning on page 1 of that section. Changes in the composition of the 400 richest Americans are from page 80 of the September 30, 2002 issue of *Forbes* magazine in an article titled “The March of the 400.” The fact that the share of the wealthiest 400 people on the *Forbes* list who inherited their wealth declined from 21 percent in 1982 to 2 percent in 2006 was reported on page 4 of the April 4, 2009 issue of *The Economist*, in a special section titled “Spare a Dime?” The data showing 64 million people in the top 20 percent of American households and 39 million in the bottom 20 percent are from page 11 of *Income Inequality: How Census Data Misrepresent Income Distribution* by
Robert Rector and Rea S. Hederman, published by the Heritage Foundation in Washington. The misleading claim that income quintiles divide the country into five equal parts was made on page 48 of *Economics Explained* by Robert Heilbroner and Lester Thurow. Data on numbers of heads of household working in high-income and low-income households in 2000 are from Table HINC–06 from the *Current Population Survey*, downloaded from the Bureau of the Census web site. The fact that the top 10 percent of American income earners worked less than the bottom 10 percent in the late nineteenth century, and just the reverse in the early twenty-first century is from page 92 of *Saving Capitalism from the Capitalists* by Raghuram Rajan and Luigi Zingales. The fact that a large share of high-income earners work in excess of 50 hours a week was reported on page 51 of “Extreme Jobs: The Dangerous Allure of the 70-Hour Workweek,” published in the December 2006 issue of the *Harvard Business Review*. The fact that from 1969 to 1996 median household income rose by only 6 percent while per capita income rose by 51 percent is from page 1 of “Changes in Median Household Income: 1969 to 1996,” *Current Population Reports*, P23–196. Data on the increase in median household income from 1967 to 2007 are from page 5 of “Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2007,” *Current Population Reports*, P60–235, while data on the increase in per capita disposable income over that same span of time are from page 367 of *The Economic Report of the President*, 2010 edition. The rate of increase in household formation in the United States during the twentieth century was reported on page 7 of *Income Distribution in the United States* by Herman P. Miller. The misguided remark from the *Washington Post* is from page 34 of its September 7, 1998 national weekly edition, in an article titled “The Rich Get Richer, and So Do the Old.” The fact that 3.5 percent of American households have a net worth of one million dollars or more, and that 80 percent of American millionaires inherited nothing, is from page 3 of *The Millionaire Next Door* by Thomas J. Stanley and William D. Danko. The fact that the real income of those who had been in the bottom 20 percent in 1975 was by 1991 higher than the real income of the average American in 1975 is from page 14 of the 1995 *Annual Report* of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. The falling income share and rising real income of
households in the bottom 20 percent was documented on page 19 of *Money Income in the United States: 2001*, which is one of the *Current Population Reports*, number P60–218, published by the Census. Data on the increase in income from 1975 to 1991 for those individuals in the bottom and top income quintiles was shown on page 8 of the 1995 *Annual Report* of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. Data from the Internal Revenue Service showing a near 91 percent increase in income from 1996 to 2005 for those individuals in the lowest income quintile and a near 26 percent decrease for those in the top 1 percent during that same span of time can be found on page A24 of the November 13, 2007 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, under the title “Movin’ On Up.” The fact that the top one percent of income earners in 2005 earned $365,000 and up was reported in a press release issued by Congressman Jim Saxton on October 15, 2007 titled “Top One Percent of Tax Filers Pay Highest Share in Decades.” The fact that more than half of those in the top 1 percent of income in 1996 were no longer at that level in 2005, and that only 25 percent of those who began in the top 1/100 of one percent remained at that level during that span of time, is from pages 2 and 4 of “Income Mobility in the U.S. from 1996 to 2005,” published by the U.S. Department of the Treasury on November 13, 2007. The fact that hundreds of thousands of families with incomes lower than $20,000 per year were living in homes costing $300,000 and up is from page 16 of *Myths of Rich & Poor* by W. Michael Cox and Richard Alm. The upward shift in the peak earning years during the last half of the twentieth century was reported on page 16 of the 1995 *Annual Report* of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. The number of Americans working in the Soviet Union is from page 11 of *The Turning Point* by Nikolai Shmelev and Vladimir Popov. The fact that single women who worked continuously earned slightly more than single men who did the same is from page 105 of “The Economic Role of Women,” *The Economic Report of the President, 1973*. The differences between the earnings of women with and without children are from page 15 of a valuable compendium of data on women in the economy titled *Women's Figures*, 1999 edition, written by Diana Furchtgott-Roth and Christine Stolba and published by the American Enterprise Institute. Data on male predominance in work-related deaths are
from the same source, page 33. Comparison of the incomes of black, white,
and Hispanic males of the same age and IQ are from page 323 of *The Bell
Curve* by Richard Herrnstein and Charles Murray. The comparison of the
incomes of Maoris with those of other New Zealanders of comparable age,
skill, and literacy was discussed on pages 43 and 44 of *Poverty and Benefit
Dependency* by David Green. Violations of apartheid laws by employers in
South Africa were discussed on pages 152 and 153 of *Capitalism and
Apartheid* by Merle Lipton. Violations of these laws by home builders in
Johannesburg were discussed on page 164 of *Apartheid: A History* by Brian
Lapping. Violations of the residential aspects of the apartheid laws were
discussed on pages 112 and 113 of *South Africa’s War Against Capitalism* by
Walter E. Williams—a black American economist who himself violated
these laws by living in an area set aside for whites. The round-the-clock use
of trucks in mid-twentieth century West Africa was discussed on pages 14
and 15 of *West African Trade* by P.T. Bauer. The international sales of used
cars from Japan was discussed in a front page story in the January 8, 2004
issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, under the title, “How Japan’s Second-Hand
Cars Make Their Way to Third World.” Taxis in Cameroon were mentioned
on page 179 of *The Undercover Economist* by Tim Harford. The 2.6 million
tons of electronic waste discarded by Americans in 2005 was reported on
page D2 of the November 1, 2007 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, in an
article titled “When to Fix—or Ditch—an iPod.” Data on the average life
of capital equipment in the Soviet Union and in the United States are from
pages 145 and 146 of *The Turning Point* by Nikolai Shmelev and Vladimir
Popov.

**CHAPTER 10: CONTROLLED LABOR MARKETS**

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Caplan. Data on the unemployment rate in South Africa and the comments
on it are from page 49 of the May 28, 2005 issue of *The Economist* under the
title “Unions v Jobs” and on page 4 of a special section titled “Survey of
South Africa” in an article titled “Chasing the Rainbow” in the April 8, 2006
issue of The Economist. The fact that the average American has nine jobs between the ages of 18 and 34 is from page 79 of Saving Capitalism from the Capitalists by Raghuram G. Rajan and Luigi Zingales. The European Union countries’ lower rates of job creation and higher rates of unemployment than in the United States were documented on page 50 of the June–September 2005 issue of Italy’s Banca Nazionale del Lavoro Quarterly Review in an article titled “The Economists’ ‘Manifesto’ On Unemployment in the EU Seven Years Later: Which Suggestions Still Hold?” The rioting of French students over a weakening of job security laws was reported on page A18 of the March 14, 2006 issue of the Wall Street Journal under the title “Les Misérables.” The fact that only about two percent of American workers age 25 and over earn minimum wages is from a U.S. Department of Labor publication titled Characteristics of Minimum Wage Workers: 2004. The unemployment rate in Switzerland in February 2003 was reported on page 100 of the March 15, 2003 issue of The Economist. The data from the Wall Street Journal about the unemployment rate in Hong Kong in 1991 is from page C16 of the January 16, 1991 issue. New government-mandated benefits for workers in Hong Kong after China took control were mentioned on page 45 of Country Commerce: Hong Kong, a report released in December 2002 by The Economist Intelligence Unit, based in New York and affiliated with the London magazine, The Economist, while the higher unemployment rates that followed were mentioned on page 13 of the March 20, 2003 issue of the Far Eastern Economic Review, under the title “Hong Kong Solutions.” The record high unemployment rate for Hong Kong in 2003 was reported on page A14 of the Wall Street Journal of June 18, 2003. The effect of Europe’s government-mandated worker benefits on unemployment was discussed on page 39 of The Economics of Life by Gary Becker and Guity Nashat Becker. The fact that the hourly compensation of manufacturing employees is higher in the European Union than in the United States and Japan is from page 41 of the November 2006 issue of the Monthly Labor Review, in an article titled “Labor Costs of Manufacturing Employees in China: An Update to 2003–04.” Comparisons of Canadian minimum wages and unemployment rates with those of the United States are from a monograph titled
Measuring Labour Markets in Canada and the United States: 2003 Edition by Jason Clemens et al., published by the Fraser Institute. Information about minimum wage earners, including their living arrangements and the fact that the average family income of minimum wage earners exceeded $44,000 in 2008, is from page A14 of the July 25, 2008 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the headline “Bad Law, Worse Timing.” The effects of “living wage” laws in various American cities were discussed in the July 2005 issue of California Economic Policy, in an article titled “A Decade of Living Wages: What Have We Learned?” Conflicting studies of the employment effects of minimum wages were discussed in an article titled “Employment and the 1990–1991 Minimum-Wage Hike,” in the May 1995 issue of the American Economic Review. The views of economists from various countries on the effects of minimum wage laws were mentioned on pages 32 to 34 of What Future for New Zealand’s Minimum Wage Law?, based on a study done by ACIL Economics and Policy, Pty. Ltd., and published by the New Zealand Business Roundtable. The conclusion that minimum wage laws reduce the employment opportunities of low-skilled workers was stated on page 123 of Working Paper 12663 titled “Minimum Wages and Employment: A Review of Evidence from the New Minimum Wage Research,” published by the National Bureau of Economic Research in November 2006. The denial by South African labor unions that high unemployment was due to South Africa’s labor laws is from page 49 of the May 28, 2005 issue of The Economist in a news item titled “Unions v Jobs.” The 17.3 percent unemployment rate for workers aged 18 to 24 in Britain in 2008 was reported on page 53 of the July 18, 2009 issue of The Economist, in an article titled “No Way to Start Out in Life.” A criticism of a study which claimed to “refute” the “myth” that minimum wages foster increased unemployment was published in the May 1995 issue of the American Economic Review under the title “Employment and the 1990–1991 Minimum-Wage Hike.” The fact that ACORN has sought exemptions from minimum wage laws for its employees was reported on page A20 of the January 16, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the title “Pelosi’s Tuna Surprise.” The conclusion that minimum wages in Brazil did not provide economic gains to low-income families is from pages 157 and 158.
of Volume 80 of the *Journal of Development Economics* (2006), in an article titled “The Effects of the Minimum Wage in Brazil on the Distribution of Family Incomes: 1996–2001.” Information about long-term unemployment in Germany and the United States is from page 105 of the June 23, 2007 issue of *The Economist*, under the heading “Long-Term Unemployment.” The effects of informal minimum wages in West Africa were discussed on pages 18 and 19 of *West African Trade*, by P. T. Bauer of the London School of Economics. A similar situation in South Africa was described on page A3 of the *New York Times* of March 13, 2004, under the title “Low Labor Standard Leads South Africans to Export Jobs.” The fact that South Africa’s minimum wage law has led employers to use more capital per worker is from page 51 of the January 14, 2006 issue of *The Economist* in an article titled “Spend More but Wisely.” The elimination of low-skill jobs such as parking attendant, bellhop and doorman from European hotels was reported on page 3 of Working Paper 12581 titled “Technology and Labor Regulations,” published by the National Bureau of Economic Research in October 2006. Additional information is from page 28. The effect of minimum wages in reducing the employment of workers in general in various countries, and the employment of younger and less skilled workers in particular, was discussed on pages xvi, xvii, 23, 24, 33 to 35, 45 of *What Future for New Zealand’s Minimum Wage Law?*, cited above. Conclusions for the United States are found in *Youth and Minority Unemployment*, written by Walter E. Williams and published by the Hoover Institution. The difference between total and youth unemployment in France was shown on a graph on page 11 of a special supplement on France in the November 16, 2002 issue of *The Economist* under the title “A Divided Self: A Survey of France.” The unemployment rates for young workers in Belgium and Italy are from page A13 of the January 19, 2005 issue of the *Wall Street Journal* in a column titled “Shall We Eat Our Young?” Unemployment rates for young workers in the European Union in 2009 are from page B4 of the *New York Times* of January 1, 2010, in an article beginning on page B1, under the title “Young, Down and Out in Europe.” The comparison of the youth unemployment rate in Australia over a twenty-year span with the unemployment rate for the population in general was reported on page 110 of *State of the Nation,*
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edited by Jennifer Buckingham, and published in Australia by The Centre for Independent Studies. The fact that Australia’s minimum wage level is nearly 60 percent of that country’s median wage rate was reported on page 8 of the Spring 2007 issue of Policy, Vol. 23, No. 3, in an article titled “Who Is the Fairest of Them All?” The use of minimum wage laws to promote racial discrimination was discussed on page 14 of Youth and Minority Unemployment by Walter Williams, Hoover Institution edition, and on pages 49 and 50 of The Japanese Canadians by Charles H. Young and Helen R. Y. Reid. Data on the changing ratio of black unemployment to white unemployment in the wake of minimum wage laws are from page 103 of Only One Place of Redress by David E. Bernstein. The growing gap in unemployment levels between white and black teenagers beginning in the 1950s was shown on a graph on page 98 of the book The Unheavenly City, 1968 edition, by Edward C. Banfield. The effects of minimum wages on the employment of black teenagers were discussed extensively in Youth and Minority Unemployment by Walter E. Williams. The fact that the unemployment rate among black teenagers reached 40 percent in the wake of the downturn in the American economy was reported on page 26 of the August 22, 2009 issue of The Economist, in an article titled “Left Behind.” The collapse of organized attempts of white employers and landowners to hold down the pay of black farmers in the American South after the Civil War, and of Japanese immigrant farmers and farm workers in California a generation later, were covered in Competition and Coercion: Blacks in the American Economy 1865–1914 by Robert Higgs, especially on pages 47 to 49 and in Robert Higgs, “Landless by Law: Japanese Immigrants in California Agriculture to 1941,” Journal of Economic History, March 1978, pages 207 to 209. Data on American automobile production and employment are from page 13 of Motor Vehicle Facts & Figures: 1997, published by the American Automobile Manufacturers Association, and from pages 19, 20 and 22 of an article titled “Auto Industry Jobs in the 1980s: A Decade of Transition,” which appeared in the U. S. Department of Labor’s Monthly Labor Review for February 1992. The growing share of Japanese-brand automobiles built in the United States was reported on page 9 of the report Driving a New Generation of American Mobility, a
publication of the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association. The quotation from the New York Times about unions reining in their demands in the automobile industry is from a front-page article in the September 20, 2003 issue. Data on the decline of unionization is available from many sources, one being an article titled “Labor’s Gains Undercut by Lingering Problems,” which appeared in the Detroit News of July 26, 1999. The decline in private-sector union membership was shown on a graph on the front page of the August 1, 2008 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the headline “Wal-Mart Warns of Democratic Win.” The amount of hours of labor used per automobile produced by American and Japanese auto makers is from page 69 of the April 21, 2003 issue of BusinessWeek magazine in an article beginning on page 68 and titled, “Pick Me as Your Strike Target! No, Me!” The quotation about the effect of an economic slump in Europe in causing employee benefits to erode was quoted from page A8 of the July 24, 2006 issue of the Wall Street Journal, in a news story beginning on the front page, under the title “More Flexibility by Europe's Labor Stokes a Recovery.” The additional $250 expense per car that results from the Big Three Detroit auto makers’ work rules was reported on the front page of the March 2, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, in an article titled “Desperate to Cut Costs, Ford Gets Union's Help.” The increase in overtime work by manufacturers in 2009 was reported on page A3 of the November 27, 2009 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the title “Overtime Creeps Back Before Jobs.” The benefits awarded to juvenile (under 18 years of age) workers in the Soviet economy were described on page 234 of The Soviet Economy by Alec Nove. The comment about child labor laws is from page 42 of Give Me a Break by John Stossel. Data on the annual hours worked in France, Japan, and the United States are from page 58 of the October 27, 2003 issue of BusinessWeek magazine under the title “Give This Policy the Guillotine.” Information on laws mandating paid vacations and paid holidays in France is from an article titled “Working Hard or Hardly Working?” in the November 16, 2004 issue of the Wall Street Journal (online). The fact that in 2005 the average European worker took 11.3 days of sick leave from work, while the average American worker missed just 4.5 days was reported on page A6 of the January 9, 2009 issue of the Wall Street
Journal, in an article titled “Belgians Take Lots of Sick Leave,” which began on page A1. The New York Times report about working conditions in Cambodia is from page A19 of the January 14, 2004 issue of that newspaper in a column titled “Inviting All Democrats.” Rising wage rates and improving working conditions in China as a result of increasing competition for workers by multinational companies there are from pages 32 and 34 of the March 27, 2006 issue of BusinessWeek in an article titled “How Rising Wages are Changing the Game in China.” The higher rates of pay in China’s Guangdong province, driven by a five-year labor shortage, were reported on page 30 of the March 2008 issue of the Far Eastern Economic Review, under the headline “Bye Bye Cheap Labor.” The nearly 18 percent increase from 2002 to 2004 in total hourly compensation of manufacturing employees in China was reported on page 42 of the November 2006 issue of the Monthly Labor Review, in an article titled “Labor Costs of Manufacturing Employees in China: An Update to 2003–04.”

CHAPTER 11: AN OVERVIEW

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Economy, third edition, written by Herbert Stein and Murray Foss. The fact that most Americans living in official poverty have air conditioning, color television, a microwave oven, and a motor vehicle can be found on page 67 of Income and Wealth by Alan Reynolds. The lack of hostility toward the wealthy in Britain was mentioned on page 66 of the October 21, 2006 issue of The Economist, under the headline “Always with Us.” The fact that private equity firms offer higher compensation to the CEOs of the companies in which they are invested than CEOs of publicly owned companies is from pages A1 and A16 of the January 8, 2007 issue of the New York Times, in an article titled “Private Firms Lure C.E.O.’s with Top Pay.” Information on how hiring standards and promotions policies can lead to entry-level applicants for work becoming artificially “unemployable” is from pages 158 to 159 of Negro Employment in Public Utilities by Bernard E. Anderson. Information on China’s income inequalities is from pages 39 and 44 of the June 2, 2001 issue of The Economist in an article titled “Income Distribution in China: To Each According to His Abilities.” Data on regional differences in poverty rates in India are from page 7 of a special section on India in The Economist of June 2, 2001. The quotation about the consequences of the transition from communist economies to market economies in Europe is from page 58 of the August 27, 2005 issue of The Economist under the title “Change and Decay.” The fact that most Americans living below the official poverty line owned a microwave oven and a videocassette recorder in 1994 is from page 22 of the 1995 Annual Report of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. The fact that poor New Zealanders own VCRs, freezers, washing machines, and a vehicle was reported on page 32 of Poverty and Benefit Dependency by David Green, published in 2001 by the New Zealand Business Roundtable. The estimate that a million Chinese per month were rising out of poverty is from page 3 of The Undercover Economist by Tim Harford. The fact that 70 percent of the one thousand largest fortunes in Britain were earned rather than inherited was reported on page 65 of the October 21, 2006 issue of The Economist, under the headline “Always with Us.” The rise of India’s Dalit caste during the country’s recent economic expansion was described on pages A1 and A12 of the June 23–24, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the headline “Caste Away.” The stories of
the great American fortunes created by Carnegie, Ford, Vanderbilt, etc., are widely available in numerous books but the stories of similar individuals in India are from pages 187 to 195, 207 to 210, 246 to 248 of *India Unbound* by Gurcharan Das. Data on long-term unemployment in various countries are from page A8 of the December 30, 2004 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, in an editorial titled “That ‘Sluggish’ Economy.” The decline in the proportion of the non-institutional adult population with jobs was reported on page A15 of the August 10, 2010 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, under the title “Unemployment: What Would Reagan Do?” Data on rates of employment in Iceland and France are from international comparisons on page 74 of the September 20, 2003 issue of *The Economist*. Comparisons of labor force participation rates among 55 to 64 year olds in Switzerland and in France are from page 11 of a special supplement to the November 16, 2002 issue of *The Economist*, under the title “A Divided Self: A Survey of France.” The fact that unemployed workers in the United States receive lower benefits for less time than unemployed workers in other nations is from page 22 of the January 3, 2009 issue of *The Economist*, in an article titled “A Safety Net in Need of Repair.” The fact that unemployed workers in America spend more time per day looking for work than unemployed workers in Germany, Britain, or Sweden is from page 23 of the same article. The generous unemployment benefits granted to workers in Norway and other European nations were shown on page 114 of the September 26, 2009 issue of *The Economist*, under the heading “Unemployment Benefits.” The uproar caused by the sewing machine in early nineteenth century France was recounted on page 92 of *The Americans: The Democratic Experience* by Daniel J. Boorstin. The quote from Adam Smith is from page lvii of his *The Wealth of Nations*, Modern Library edition. Child labor in Niger was discussed on page 144 of the December 24, 2005 issue of *The Economist* under the title “Child Labour.” The fact that nearly half the billionaires in the world are in the United States is from page 132 of the March 17, 2003 issue of *Forbes* magazine. See also page 116 of the March 27, 2006 issue of *Forbes* in an article titled “Billionaire Bacchanalia,” which is also the source for the statement that vast regions of Africa are without a single billionaire. The fact that American corporations operated at a loss for two consecutive
years during the Great Depression is from page 59 of *Guide to Economic Indicators*, fourth edition, by Norman Frumkin. The financial losses sustained by Bill Gates, Warren Buffett and other billionaires as a result of the economic downturn in 2008 were reported on pages 84 to 87 of the March 30, 2009 issue of *Forbes*, in an article titled “Surveying the Damage.” The decrease in the number of millionaires worldwide, and the near 20 percent decline in their net worth in the wake of the 2008 economic downturn, was reported on page 89 of the July 4, 2009 issue of *The Economist*, under the heading “High-Net-Worth Individuals.” Greater wage inequality in the United States than in a number of other countries was shown on page 6 of a monograph titled *Wage Inequality* by Francine D. Blau and Lawrence M. Kahn.

CHAPTER 12: INVESTMENT AND SPECULATION

*The Economist* magazine’s definition of investment is from page 72 of the March 4, 2006 issue, in an article titled “Getting a Grip on Prosperity.” The experiences of the Tata and Birla enterprises in India are from page 93 of *India Unbound* by Gurcharan Das. The statement that businesses in India must break laws in order to operate is from page 143 of the same book. The numerous government regulations in India were discussed on page 94. India’s freeing up its economy was discussed on page 29, and the rising foreign investment that followed was discussed on page 220. The fact that different groups within a given society tend to have qualitatively different education can be seen by reading page 63 of *Competing Equalities* by Marc Galanter, page 80 of *The Soviet Middle East* by Alec Nove and J.A. Newth, page 173 of “The Dynamics of Ethnic Inequalities: The Case of Israel,” by Sammy Smooha and Yochanan Peres in Volume I of *Studies of Israeli Society*, edited by Ernest Krausz, pages 125 to 146 of *From Independence to Statehood*, edited by Robert B. Goldmann and A. Jeyaratnam Wilson, and Chapters 5, 6, and 7 of *No Excuses* by Abigail Thernstrom and Stephan Thernstrom. The fact that institutional investors worldwide owned $26 trillion in investments at the end of the twentieth century is from page 149.
of *Economics: Making Sense of the Modern Economy* edited by Simon Cox. Information on the growing share of Americans who owned stock in the late twentieth century is from pages 252 and 253 of *The First Measured Century* by Theodore Caplow, Louis Hicks, and Ben J. Wattenberg. The zero rate of savings by Canadians 30 years old and younger, and the negative rate of savings by Americans in the same age bracket, are from page 147 of the June–September 2005 issue of the Italian journal *Banca Nazionale del Lavoro Quarterly Review* in an article titled “Modigliani’s Life-Cycle Theory of Savings Fifty Years Later.” Information on Western-owned banks in Eastern Europe is from a front-page story in the *Wall Street Journal* of October 5, 2005, under the title “In Eastern Europe, Western Banks Fuel Growth, Fears.” The spread of international commodity market information in India was described in a story beginning on the front page of the *New York Times* of January 1, 2004 titled “India’s Soybean Farmers Join the Global Village.” The disastrous speculation in silver by the Hunt brothers was covered on pages 249 and 250 of *The New York Times Century of Business*, edited by Floyd Norris and Christine Bockelmann. The speculation of Henry Heinz that led to bankruptcy was discussed on page 321 of *Brand New* by Nancy F. Koehn. The prediction of *The Economist* magazine that the price of oil was heading downward appeared on page 23 of the March 6, 1999 issue under the title “The Next Shock?” The 2007 disruption to Japanese auto production caused by the unavailability of piston rings was reported on page B1 of the July 20, 2007 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, under the headline “A Key Strategy of Japan’s Car Makers Backfires.” The fact that the ratio of inventory to sales hit a record low in the United States during the third quarter of 2003 was reported on page 42 of the October 27, 2003 issue of *BusinessWeek*, in an article beginning on page 40 with the title “Jobs: The Turning Point is Here.” The quotation from *The Economist* magazine about interest rates bringing savings and investment into balance is from page 8 of a supplement to its September 24, 2005 issue titled “The Great Thrift Shift.” The fact that the value of payday loans is usually between $300 and $400 was reported on page A3 of the August 9–10, 2008 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, under the title “States Imposing Interest-Rate Caps to Rein In Payday Lenders.” This article is
also the source for the fact that three-quarters of Oregon’s payday lenders closed down after the enactment of a 36 percent rate cap in that state. The statement that payday loans have charges and fees that can equal a 312 percent annualized interest rate is from page 41 of the November 9, 2008 issue of *New York Times Magazine*, in an article titled “Check Cashers, Redeemed,” which began on page 36. The statement by a payday lender comparing the high annual percentage rates on these loans to the cost of a ton of salmon or the cost of renting a hotel room for a year is from page 59 of the May 24–30, 2010 issue of *Bloomberg Businessweek*, in an article titled “Payday Nation.” This article also mentions the growing number of states that are imposing interest rate caps on such loans. The higher credit scores of Asian Americans compared to other minority groups, and even whites, were reported on page 80 of a report by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System titled *Report to the Congress on Credit Scoring and Its Effects on the Availability and Affordability of Credit*, published in August 2007. The downgrading of California’s state bonds in 2001 was covered in many places, including page A3 of the April 25, 2001 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*. The buying up of future payments due to accident victims in installments by paying a lump sum was discussed in an article beginning on the front page of the *Wall Street Journal* of February 25, 1998 titled “Thriving Industry Buys Insurance Settlements from Injured Plaintiffs.” Statistics on the purchase of annuities are from page 65 of *U.S. News & World Report*, October 22, 2001, in an article titled “Betting on a Long Life.” Statistics on the known reserves of petroleum in various years are from Section II, Table 1 of *Basic Petroleum Data Book*, Vol. XX, No. 2 (July 2000), published by the American Petroleum Institute. Twentieth century energy consumption and the growth of known reserves of various metals were discussed on pages 40 and 41 of an article titled “Natural Resources” in *The Fortune Encyclopedia of Economics*, edited by David Henderson. Information on the proportion of exploratory oil wells which turn out to produce oil and on the percentage of oil extracted from pools of oil are from pages 19 and 20 of a supplement titled “A Survey of Oil” in the April 30, 2005 issue of *The Economist*. Data on the reserves of copper are from pages 12 and 13 of *A Poverty of Reason* by Wilfred Beckerman, published by the Independent
Institute. The 35 percent increase in the known reserves of natural gas in the United States from 2006 to 2008 was reported on page B1 of the June 18, 2009 issue of the New York Times, in an article titled “Estimate Places Natural Gas Reserves 35% Higher.” Innovations leading to increased production in old oil fields were reported in a front-page story from the March 5, 2007 issue of the New York Times, under the headline “Oil Innovations Pump New Life into Old Wells.” The bet between Julian Simon and Paul Ehrlich was covered in the December 2, 1990 issue of New York Times Magazine in an article beginning on page 52 titled “Betting on the Planet.” The estimate in the 1970s that the United States had enough natural gas reserves to last for more than one thousand years was reported on page 26 of the April 27, 1977 issue of the Wall Street Journal, in an editorial titled “1,001 Years of Natural Gas.” Estimates of oil reserves in the Athabasca region of Canada are from page A5 of the October 8, 2005 issue of the Wall Street Journal in an article titled “Is the World Running Out of Oil?” The fact that the cost of finding oil had fallen by two-thirds between 1977 and 1998 is based on U. S. Department of Energy statistics quoted on page 42 of Julian Simon and the Triumph of Energy Sustainability by Robert L. Bradley, Jr., published in 2000 by the American Legislative Exchange Council. The financial turnaround of the Murrin Murrin nickel mining project in Australia was described on page C6 of the March 26, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, in an article titled “Comeback in the Outback.”

CHAPTER 13: RISKS AND INSURANCE

The epigraph is from page A14 of the March 26, 2008 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the title “Uncle Sam Stocks Up.” Comparisons of the interest rates in Mexico, Brazil, and the United States are based on data in a graph on page 68 of the June 29, 2002 issue of The Economist in an article titled “Spreading Risk.” Short-term interest rates in Hong Kong, Russia, and Turkey were reported on page 98 of the May 3, 2003 issue of The Economist. Rates of return on venture capital are from page C1 of the Wall Street Journal of April 29, 2002 in a story titled “Venture Firms Face
Backlash from Investors.” Investment in infrastructure by pension funds was discussed on pages C1 and C2 of the June 13, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, in an article titled “Investing in the Fast Lane.” Information on the historic consecutive daily gains of the Dow Jones Industrial Average is from page C1 of the April 12, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the headline “Dow Ends Run at History.” Information on the current value of a dollar invested in gold, stocks, and bonds in 1801 is from an article titled “Now What?” in the September 21, 1998 Forbes Global Business & Finance, pages 20 and 21. Data on real rates of return on stocks and bonds from the 1930s to the end of the twentieth century are from The Economist, May 5, 2001, page 7 of a special section titled “Global Equity Markets: The Rise and the Fall.” Information on the potential returns on the investment of $100,000 through various investment strategies from 2000 to 2010 is from pages B1 and B4 of the January 2, 2010 issue of the New York Times, in an article titled “Steady Savers Still Came Out Ahead.” The fact that the 400 richest Americans lost $283 billion in one year was reported on pages 80 and 81 of the September 30, 2002 issue of Forbes magazine, under the title “The March of the 400.” The fact that more than 50 mutual funds have assets exceeding $10 billion was reported on page R1 of the May 1, 2006 issue of the Wall Street Journal in an article titled “When Mutual Funds Don’t Want Your Cash.” The fact that just over half of the actively managed mutual funds did better than the Standard & Poor’s Index in 2005 was reported on page 76 of the January 28, 2006 issue of The Economist. The discussion of mutual funds draws on two articles from page R1 of the April 9, 2001 issue of the Wall Street Journal: “Seven Reasons to Index— and to Avoid Playing Those Favorites” and “Index Funds: 25 Years in Pursuit of the Average.” The fact that a $10,000 investment in mutual funds in 1998 was worth less than $9,000 in 2003 was reported in an article titled “Five Years of Feast and Famine” in the Wall Street Journal of June 2, 2003, beginning on page R1. The fact that just one mutual fund made money in each year of the decade ended in 2003 was covered on the same page of the same issue under the title “Survivor: How One Fund Avoids Losses.” The information about Yale’s offer of student loans to be repaid according to the students’ future income is from page 70 of The Economics of Life by Gary S. Becker and
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Guity Nashat Becker. Information on the number of insurance companies in the United States is from page 507 of the Bureau of the Census publication *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2000*. Data on the percentage of current premium income that is paid out in current claims by Allstate and State Farm insurance companies is from page C10 of the January 2, 2003 issue of the *Wall Street Journal* in an article beginning on page C1 titled “Colossus’ at the Accident Scene.” The proportion of life insurance companies’ income from premiums and investments is from page 81 of *Life Insurers Fact Book: 2000*, published by the American Council of Life Insurers. The quotation from *The Economist* about premiums not covering the claims on insurance companies is from page 15 of the September 18, 2004 issue, under the title “The Storms Ahead.” The fact that automobile and property insurers in 2004 made their first overall profit from underwriting alone since 1978 was reported on page 46 of the August 29, 2005 issue of *U.S. News & World Report*, in an article titled “Auto Rates Shift into Lower Gear.” Data on the market share of property and casualty insurance companies in 2007 are from page 41 of *The Insurance Fact Book: 2009*, published by the Insurance Information Institute. The evolution of federal deposit insurance in the 1930s and the half-trillion-dollar bailout of the savings & loan industry in the 1980s were both discussed in Chapter 4 of *FDR’s Folly* by Jim Powell. The quotation from a City Attorney in Oakland who complained that it was unfair to charge people different automobile insurance premiums based on where they lived is from page B1 of the *San Francisco Chronicle* of May 30, 2003 under the title “Car Insurance Rates Hit.” Differences in prices for the same automobile insurance coverage in different cities were reported on page 47 of the August 29, 2005 issue of *U.S. News & World Report*. Data on differences in automobile insurance premiums between Manhattan and Brooklyn are from page D2 of the January 7, 2004 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, in an article beginning on page D1 of that issue under the title “Car Premiums are Pushed Up by Rising Fraud.” The U.S. Senate’s 95–0 vote to forbid insurance companies from using information from genetic tests to determine coverage or premiums was reported on page D11 of the *Wall Street Journal* of October 15, 2003 under the title “In 95–0 Vote, Senate
Passes Bill Barring Genetic Discrimination.” The banning of different insurance charges for women and men in France, and attempts to extend the ban to the European Union as a whole, were mentioned on page 70 of the November 15, 2003 issue of The Economist, under the title “The Price of Equality.” The quote about the use of FEMA as insurance for an affluent beach community is from page 12 of the June 14–20, 2004 issue of The Washington Post National Weekly Edition in an article titled “Shoring Up Beach Towns.” John Stossel’s experience building and insuring an ocean-front house was discussed on pages 136 to 139 of his book Give Me a Break. Thousands of repeatedly damaged properties which received government insurance payments over the years that exceeded the total value of those properties were discussed on page A14 of the May 24, 2006 issue of the Wall Street Journal under the title “Taxpayers Get Soaked.” The statement that the government could pay $800,000 to every family of four in New Orleans, rather than pay the costs of rebuilding the city after Hurricane Katrina, is from Slate, in an online article published on September 22, 2005, titled “Hurricane Relief? Or a $200,000 Check?” The New York Times editorial calling for a federal fund to subsidize private insurers appeared on page A24 of the October 1, 2007 issue under the title “Insurance for the Next Big One.” The use of global positioning systems by insurance companies looking for their policy-holders in the wake of natural disaster is from a story beginning on the front page of Section C of the New York Times of September 18, 1999 titled “Headed for Trouble; Insurers Deploy Legions of Adjusters to Areas Hit by Storm.” The contrast between private sector responses and governmental responses to Hurricane Katrina was discussed in an editorial titled “Private FEMA” on page A18 of the September 8, 2005 issue of the Wall Street Journal. The fact that a privately-owned bridge in Mississippi was fixed six months after it had been destroyed by Hurricane Katrina, while a government-owned bridge was still wrecked nearly sixteen months later, was reported on the front page of the January 27, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, in an article titled “In Katrina’s Wake: Where Is the Money?” The Indian government’s tardiness in responding to a cyclone was discussed on page 535 of Indian economist Barun S. Mitra’s article,

**CHAPTER 14: AN OVERVIEW**

The epigraph is from a column titled “Economic Profit vs. Accounting Profit” by Robert L. Bartley on page A17 of the *Wall Street Journal* of June 2, 2003. The additional $81 million in costs resulting from construction delays caused by debates over the design of a new span of the Bay Bridge in San Francisco were reported on page B1 of the December 8, 2005 issue of the *San Francisco Chronicle*, under the headline “Bay Bridge Pause Cost $81 Million.” Information on bankruptcy filings before and after a new law was passed in 2005 is from page D3 of the November 22, 2005 issue of the *Washington Post*, under the title “Personal Bankruptcy Filings Fall Sharply.” The comment on the negative effects of anticipations of land reform is from page 30 of *Development Without Aid* by Melvyn B. Krauss. The economic consequences of political threats to nationalize the tea plantations in Sri Lanka were discussed on page 832 of Volume II of *Asian Drama: An Inquiry into the Poverty of Nations* by Gunnar Myrdal, first printing published in 1968 by the Pantheon division of Random House. The declining Malaysian currency and stock market after irresponsible statements by its prime minister were mentioned on page 257 of *Thunder from the East* by Nicholas D. Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn. Hoarding by Russian consumers and business enterprises during the 1991 inflation was discussed on pages 7 and 10 to 11 of *Kapitalizm: Russia’s Struggle to Free Its Economy* by Rose Brady. The downgrading of California’s state government bonds by Standard & Poor’s was reported on the front page of the April 25, 2001 issue of the *San Francisco Chronicle*, under the headline “S&P Lowers California’s Bond Rating” and Moody’s downgrading was reported on page A3 in the *Sacramento Bee* of November 22, 2001, under the title “State’s Bond Rating Lowered Again.”
CHAPTER 15: NATIONAL OUTPUT

The epigraph is from page 191 of Our Culture, What’s Left of It by Theodore Dalrymple. The fact that the money supply in the United States declined by more than one-third from 1929 to 1933 was noted on page 352 of A Monetary History of the United States: 1867–1960 by Milton Friedman and Anna Jacobson Schwartz. The decline in real output from 1929 to 1933 was shown on page 157 of the February 2004 issue of Survey of Current Business. Data on unemployment in Germany and the United States during the Great Depression are from page 176 of Global Capitalism by Jeffry A. Frieden and page 324 of the 2006 Economic Report of the President. The fears of a glutted market expressed by Seymour Harris and Vance Packard were quoted from the latter’s book The Waste Makers, pages 7 and 19. President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s remarks about the causes of the Great Depression are from page 113 of FDR’s Fireside Chats, edited by Russell D. Buhite and David W. Levy. Data on national output during the years 1929, 1933, 1936, and 1941 are from pages 168 and 173 of the August 2007 issue of Survey of Current Business, under the title “GDP and Other Major NIPA Series, 1929–2007: II.” Data showing the real value of consumer durables between 1945 and 1950 more than doubling are from page 9 of the May 2004 issue of Survey of Current Business. The rises and falls in the real prices of various American consumer goods between the years 1900 and 2000 were shown on page 91 of the December 23, 2000 issue of The Economist. Details on the surveys indicating the improved quality of vehicles in the late twentieth and early twenty first centuries can be found on page 32 of Myths of Rich & Poor by W. Michael Cox and Richard Alm, and page 52 of the September 2003 issue of Consumer Reports, under the title “Luxury Lineup.” Data on the increased square footage of new houses between 1983 and 2000 are from page 29 of the November 2001 issue of Housing Market Statistics, published by the National Association of Home Builders. Overestimates of inflation by the consumer price index, and the resulting underestimates of the average American’s real income were discussed on page 21 of Myths of Rich & Poor by W. Michael Cox and Richard Alm. The median ages of the populations of various countries are from page 20 of the 2010 edition of Pocket World in
Figures, published by The Economist magazine. Differences between the average per capita incomes in Japan and the United States, when measured by official exchange rates rather than by the actual purchasing power of the yen and the dollar, were discussed on page 6 of the third edition of The Illustrated Guide to the American Economy by Herbert Stein and Murray Foss. The fact that per capita output in Japan was just three-quarters of the per capita output in the United States is from page 98 of the June 5, 2004 issue of The Economist, under the heading “GDP per Person.” The Gross Domestic Products of Norway and Italy in 2007 were reported on page 28 of the 2010 edition of Pocket World in Figures, published by The Economist magazine. Keynes’ statement was quoted from page 69 of The Economist of January 21, 2006. The global opinion poll indicating a rough correlation between national prosperity and personal happiness was discussed on page 63 of the July 14, 2007 issue of The Economist, in an article titled “Where Money Seems to Talk.” The list of the five countries with the highest Gross Domestic Product as measured by purchasing power in 2007 is from page 26 of the 2010 edition of Pocket World in Figures, published by The Economist magazine. Data comparing the GDP per capita in China with that of Japan are from pages 132 and 170 of the same publication. Data on the changing degrees of income inequality in the United States are from an article by Goldin and Katz titled “Decreasing (and Then Increasing) Inequality in America: A Tale of Two Half-Centuries” in The Causes and Consequences of Increasing Inequality, edited by Finis Welch. Data on the rate of return on Standard & Poor’s 500 mutual funds are from page C5 of the New York Times of January 1, 2004, in a story beginning on page A1 titled “Year’s Big Rally Helps Investors Regain Ground.” Alexander Hamilton’s estimate that four-fifths of the American people’s clothing were made in their own homes was cited on page 97 of The Americans: The Democratic Experience, 1973 edition, by Daniel J. Boorstin.
CHAPTER 16: MONEY AND THE BANKING SYSTEM

The epigraph is from page 12 of *The First Wall Street* by Robert E. Wright. The fact that the assets of American banks passed the $10 trillion mark in 2004 is from page 236 of the Spring 2005 issue of the *Federal Reserve Bulletin*, in an article titled “Report on the Condition of the U.S. Banking Industry: Fourth Quarter, 2004.” The use of warehouse receipts for tobacco as money in colonial America was mentioned on page 75 of *A History of the American People* by Paul Johnson. The use of gin as currency in British West Africa was mentioned on page 233 of *The Economic Revolution in British West Africa* by Allan McPhee, second edition. The use of cigarettes as money in a prisoner-of-war camp during World War II was described by an economist who was one of those prisoners in an article in the November 1945 issue of *Economica* titled “The Economic Organisation of a P.O.W. Camp.” The use of salt and bread as money in the early days of the Soviet Union was mentioned on page 8 of *The Turning Point* by Nikolai Shmelev and Vladimir Popov. The fact that large stones serve as currency on the islands of Yap was reported on the front page of the June 30, 2006 issue of the *Los Angeles Times*, under the headline “Pocket Change for Giants.” The quote about Argentineans’ resort to barter during the Argentine monetary crisis of 2002 is from page A5 of the *Los Angeles Times* of May 6, 2002, in a story that began on page A1 under the title “Where To Swap Till You Drop.” The resorting to barter and scrip in the United States during the Great Depression was mentioned on page 139 of *The Forgotten Man* by Amity Shlaes. The fact that a hundred-dollar bill in 1998 had less purchasing power than a twenty-dollar bill in the 1960s is from page 47 of an article titled “Going Underground,” in the September 21, 1998 issue of *Forbes Global Business & Finance*. The preference for the currency issued by the Bank of North America over the government’s currency during the 1780s was noted on page 36 of *The First Wall Street* by Robert E. Wright. The fact that Chinese money was once preferred to Japanese money in Japan is from page 150 of a book titled *Money*, edited by Jonathan Williams. The fact that most savings accounts in Bolivia were in dollars during that country’s runaway inflation is from page 210 of an article titled
“Hyperinflation,” in *The Fortune Encyclopedia of Economics*, edited by David Henderson, where the German hyperinflation of the 1920s was also discussed on page 208. The fact that South Africa’s rand had replaced Zimbabwe’s dollar as the currency of choice in Zimbabwe in 2007 was reported on the front page of the August 2, 2007 issue of the *New York Times*, in an article titled “Caps on Prices Only Deepen Zimbabweans’ Misery.” The estimate that 80 percent of the demand for gold comes from the jewelry industry is from page C1 of the *Wall Street Journal* of October 8, 2002, in a story titled “Hoarders Drive Up Gold, Despite Slump in Jewelry Sales.” The changing prices of gold in 1980, 1999 and 2010 are from page A4 of the June 13, 2010 issue of the *New York Times*, in a news report that began on the front page, under the title “Financial Uncertainty Restores Glitter to an Old Refuge, Gold.” The quotation from John Maynard Keynes about inflation is from page 86 of the 1952 printing of his *Essays in Persuasion*. The haste of Russians to spend their rubles during that country’s inflation was in a news story from the front page of the *Christian Science Monitor* of August 31, 1998 in a story titled “Russians Replay ‘Bad Old Days’.” Data on the 1921 inflation in the Soviet Union is from page 6 of *The Turning Point* by Nikolai Shmelev and Vladimir Popov. Russians using rubles for wallpaper and toilet paper in 1991 was reported on page 11 of *Kapitalizm: Russia’s Struggle to Free Its Economy* by Rose Brady. Information on the exchange rates between dollars and marks, and the number of printing presses in use during the German inflation of the 1920s are from pages 450 and 451 of *Germany: 1866–1945* by Gordon A. Craig. Hitler’s phrase “starving billionaires,” used during the German inflation, was mentioned on page 4 of *Wilson’s War* by Jim Powell. Internal differences among various goods within the consumer price index were discussed on page A2 of the April 20, 2006 issue of the *Wall Street Journal* in an article titled “Jump in Prices Stirs Rate Concerns.” Information on inflation rates and changes in real output in Latin America from 1990 and beyond is from page 22 of the August 18, 2007 issue of *The Economist*, in an article titled “Adiós to Poverty, Hola to Consumption.” Data on the declining price levels in Britain and the United States from 1873–1896 are from page 8 of *Global Capitalism* by Jeffry A. Frieden. The collapse of thousands of American
banks during the Great Depression was mentioned on page 351 of *A Monetary History of the United States: 1867–1960* by Milton Friedman and Anna Jacobson Schwartz. The slowing circulation of money in the United States, along with the declining amount of money, in the years following the stock market crash of 1929 was spelled out on pages 302 to 305 of the same book. President Woodrow Wilson's statement about the powers and structure of the Federal Reserve System was quoted on page 3 of *A History of the Federal Reserve* by Allan H. Meltzer. The remarkable agreement of both liberal and conservative economists in the United States on the confused and counterproductive monetary policies of the Federal Reserve during the Great Depression of the 1930s can be found by comparing the accounts in *The Great Crash* by John Kenneth Galbraith (especially his comment on page 27 of the 1997 edition), and in *A Monetary History of the United States: 1867–1960* by Milton Friedman and Anna J. Schwartz, where this point was discussed on pages 407 to 419, while the upward shift in the Federal Reserve's discount rate in 1931 was shown on page 304 of this book. The quotation from Schumpeter about the role of wages in the Great Depression is from page 181 of the March 1931 issue of the *American Economic Review*. Walter Lippmann's comments about how maintaining pre-depression prices and wages during a depression leads to unsold goods and unemployed workers were quoted from page 92 of *FDR's Folly* by Jim Powell. President Herbert Hoover's use of the federal government to try to prevent agricultural prices from falling was mentioned on pages 50 and 52 of the third volume of his *Memoirs*. John Maynard Keynes' comments on the monetary policy of the British government in 1931 are from page 283 of his *Essays in Persuasion*, 1952 printing. The decline of wheat prices in the 1890s was discussed on page 13 of *Global Capitalism* by Jeffry A. Frieden. The quote by William Jennings Bryan is from page 14 of the same book. The fact that more countries went on the gold standard at the end of the nineteenth century and early twentieth century was noted on pages 16 and 17 of the same book. The number of financial institutions and merchants connected by Visa credit cards was mentioned on page C1 of the July 16, 2005 issue of the *San Francisco Chronicle* in a news story titled “Grocers, Drugstores Sue Visa USA.” *BusinessWeek* magazine's comment on Federal
Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan was on page 45 of the June 16, 2003 issue. The San Francisco Chronicle story about Wall Street reactions to the Federal Reserve’s omission of a phrase is from page B1 of the January 29, 2004 issue, under the title “Fed’s New Wording Worries Wall Street.” The remarks about how investors dissect the comments from officials of the Federal Reserve are from page B1 of the March 24, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the title “As Investors Puzzle Over Fed Statement, Dow Gains.” The problems of Albanian and Czech banks in the post-Communist era were reported on pages 77 and 78 of the April 28, 2001 issue of The Economist. The share of foreign-owned bank assets in eastern European countries in 2006 was shown on page 23 of a special section titled “Paradise Lost,” in the May 17, 2008 issue of The Economist. The fact that individuals’ holdings of gold are largest in India was reported on pages 69 and 70 of an article titled “Foreseeing the Future” in the March 15, 2003 issue of The Economist. The fact that 70 percent of the savings in India’s state-dominated banking system are lent to the government or government-owned enterprises was reported on page C6 of the March 23, 2007 issue of the New York Times, in an article titled “India’s Banks Are Seen as Antiquated and Unproductive.” The fact that Chinese banks invest the people’s savings at subsidized rates to government-owned enterprises that have low rates of return or even operate at a loss is from page 170 of Reviving the Invisible Hand by Deepak Lal. The high concentration of bank failures in small communities in states that restricted branch banking during the 1920s and during the Great Depression of the 1930s was discussed on page 308 of Economics and Public Welfare by Benjamin M. Anderson.

CHAPTER 17: GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS

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world is from page 10 of a book that goes into that subject at length—*The Commanding Heights*, written by Daniel Yergin and Joseph Stanislaw. The account of the airport at Kinshasa, Congo, is from page A1 of the April 30, 2002 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, in a story titled “Kinshasa is Poor, Scary and a Boon for Air France.” Police corruption in Bolivia was reported on page 37 of the May 4, 2002 issue of *The Economist* under the title “Policing the Police.” The story of the wealthy and politically-connected Egyptian businessman who was sentenced to death for hiring a hit man is from page A4 of the May 22, 2009 issue of the *New York Times*, in an article titled “Tycoon Gets Death in Singer’s Murder, Stunning an Egypt Leery of Its Courts.” The fact that both businesses and international aid agencies are taking the level of bribery and corruption into consideration when deciding where to invest and lend was mentioned on page 65 of the March 2, 2002 issue of *The Economist*. The ranking of corrupt countries is from the *Transparency International Corruption Perceptions Index 2004*, available online at www.transparency.org. The reluctance of foreign companies to use Russian accountants during the czarist era was mentioned on page 187 of *Pioneers for Profit* by John P. McKay. The comment about the looting of Russian oil companies is from page 57 of *Saving Capitalism from the Capitalists* by Raghuram G. Rajan and Luigi Zingales. Bribery in Russian universities was reported in the April 18, 2002 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, in a story titled “Reports of Bribe-Taking at Russian Universities Have Increased, Authorities Say.” The quote and statistic about politically linked enterprises in Russia are from page 63 of the November 1, 2003 issue of *The Economist*. John Stuart Mill’s description of corruption in 19th century Russia is from page 882 of Volume III of *The Collected Works of John Stuart Mill*. The comments by Aditya Birla on the problems created by India’s bureaucracy are from page 183 of *India Unbound* by Gurcharan Das. Information on the number of days required to start a business in Congo and Singapore is from page 112 of the October 6, 2007 issue of *The Economist*, under the heading “Doing Business.” The comments by Soviet economists on the cutting down of forests without reseeding them are from page 109 of *The Turning Point* by Nikolai Shmelev and Valdimir Popov. The ingenious devices used by many affluent northern California communities
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to prevent development were explored in articles in *Land Use and Housing on the San Francisco Peninsula*, edited by Thomas M. Hagler and published by the Stanford Environmental Law Society. The comments by Soviet economists about confiscation of the profits of Soviet enterprises are from page 261 of *The Turning Point* by Shmelev and Popov and these enterprises' inability to spend these profits was mentioned on page 147. Kenneth Arrow’s quote about morality and business is from page 3 of the Summer 2006 issue of *Religion & Liberty*, in an article titled “The Economy of Trust: An Interview with Kenneth Arrow.” The comment on bribes in China and Japan is from page 42 of *The Character of Nations* by Angelo Codevilla. The high percentage of wallets with money in them that were turned in by people in Denmark was mentioned on page 80 of *The White Man’s Burden* by William Easterly. Unpaid parking tickets by U.N. diplomats from various countries were discussed on page 11 of Section 4 of the August 13, 2006 issue of the *New York Times* in David Brooks’ column. The ability of the Marwaris of India to rely on each other’s word in business was mentioned on page 143 of *India Unbound* by Gurcharan Das and of Hasidic Jews to do the same in the New York diamond industry was covered in Chapter 5 of *Diamond Stories* by Renée Rose Shield. The extraordinary efforts to prevent fraud in India are from page 9 of a special supplement on India in the June 2, 2001 issue of *The Economist*. The term “the radius of trust” appeared on pages 79 and 80 of *The White Man’s Burden* by William Easterly and restriction of Malagasy grain trading firms to the level of family enterprises was discussed on page 81 of the same book. The story of how unscrupulous landlords exploit and destroy rent-controlled apartment buildings was told on page 43 of *Zoning, Rent Control and Affordable Housing* by William Tucker and in *The Ecology of Housing Destruction* by Peter D. Salins. The high cost of officially setting up a business in Cameroon was discussed on page 188 of *The Undercover Economist* by Tim Harford. The comment by a Russian mother about her children’s view of honesty is from page 3 of *Kapitalizm* by Rose Brady. The quotation about consumer frauds by investigative journalist John Stossel is from page 250 of his book *Give Me a Break*. Examples of private market ways of taking externalities into account are found in an article titled “Public Goods and Externalities” in *The*
The story of the genesis and consequences of President Nixon’s wage and price controls was told from pages 60 to 64 of *The Commanding Heights* by Daniel Yergin and Joseph Stanislaw and from an essay by Herbert Stein in the *Wall Street Journal* of August 15, 1996, page A10. The comment that educational results “take a long time to come” is from page 313 of *India Unbound* by Gurcharan Das. The mention of a former EPA administrator’s conclusions about removing toxic material is from page 11 of *Breaking the Vicious Circle: Toward Effective Risk Regulation* by Stephen Breyer. The debate between the Council of Economic Advisers and Congress over the costs and benefits of making the nation’s streams 99 percent pure was noted on pages 194 to 195 of *Presidential Economics*, second revised edition, by Herbert Stein. The beneficial effects of extremely minute traces of arsenic in water were discussed on page 34 of the January 19, 2004 issue of *Insight on the News* under the title “Can Toxins Lead to Healthier Lives?” The effects of small and large doses of saccharin on cancer in laboratory rats are from an article beginning on page 54 of the June 9, 2003 issue of *Fortune* magazine, titled “A Little Poison Can Be Good for You.” The costly cleanup of a toxic waste site in New Hampshire was discussed on pages 11 and 12 of *Breaking the Vicious Circle* by Stephen Breyer. The bad effects of the gasoline additive MTBE on ground water have been discussed in many places, including the *San Francisco Chronicle* of August 19, 2001 in a front page story titled “Congress Not Told of MTBE Dangers.” The costs of U.S. government regulations on business are from a study titled “The Impact of Regulatory Costs on Small Firms” published by the Small Business Administration. The practice in Islamic finance of recycling documentation for different kinds of financial transactions was reported on page 82 of the September 6, 2008 issue of *The Economist*, under the title “Savings and Souls.” Franklin D. Roosevelt’s use of presidential powers created during the First World War to take the United States off the gold standard was mentioned on page 86 of *The New York Times Century of Business*, edited by Floyd Norris and Christine Bockelmann. The effects of competition from both private-sector couriers and private phone service providers on the government-run postal service and state-owned phone industry in India were described on pages
A1 and A12 of the October 3, 2006 issue of the Wall Street Journal, in an article titled “As Economy Zooms, India’s Postmen Struggle to Adapt.”

CHAPTER 18: GOVERNMENT FINANCE

The epigraph by Arthur F. Burns is from page 13 of his lecture “The Anguish of Central Banking,” from the 1979 Per Jacobsson Lecture, sponsored by the Per Jacobsson Foundation. Data on the spending of the United States government in 2009 are from page 423 of the Economic Report of the President, 2010 edition. Smokers’ responses to higher taxes on cigarettes in Alaska were discussed on page 37 of The Greedy Hand: How Taxes Drive Americans Crazy and What to Do About It by Amity Shlaes. The fact that many financial-services professionals left the U.K. for Switzerland after top personal tax rates were raised to 51 percent was reported on page C2 of the August 25, 2009 issue of the Wall Street Journal, in an article titled “New U.K. Tax Sends Hedge Funds Fleeing.” The decline in tax revenues in Maryland after the state imposed higher tax rates on millionaire households was reported on page A18 of the March 12, 2010 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the headline “Maryland’s Mobile Millionaires.” Data on increased revenue after a reduction in the capital gains tax are from page A18 of the Wall Street Journal of May 14, 2001 in an article titled “Real Relief: A Capital-Gains Tax Cut.” The quotation about rising tax revenues after a tax rate cut in India is from page 200 of India Unbound by Gurcharan Das. The tripling of tax revenues in Iceland after the corporate tax rate was reduced was reported on page A14 of the March 12, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the title “Iceland’s Laffer Curve.” The higher tax rates paid by American corporations compared to corporations in foreign nations were shown on page 61 of the August 4, 2007 issue of The Economist, in an article titled “Overhauling the Old Jalopy.” Discussion of rising tax revenues after the capital gains tax rate was cut in the United States in 1978, 1997, and 2003 is from page A14 of the March 2, 2006 issue of the Wall Street Journal under the title “Non-Dynamic Duo.” Differences between the Congressional Budget Office’s estimates for federal tax receipts and the
actual tax receipts for the years 2003 and 2007 were shown on page A16 of the October 9, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the headline “The Shrinking Deficit.” The New York Times’ surprise over a rise in tax revenues after a cut in tax rates was expressed in a front-page story titled “Surprising Jump in Tax Revenues Curbs U.S. Deficit” in their July 9, 2006 issue. Information on the highest marginal tax rate for the years 1980 and 2004, as well as the share of taxes paid by the top 5 percent of income earners for those years, is from page A14 of the August 24, 2007 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the title “How to Raise Revenue.” Oliver Wendell Holmes’ remarks about catch words are from pages 230 and 231 of his Collected Legal Papers. John Maynard Keynes’ comments about taxation are from page 5 of his 1933 work The Means to Prosperity. Edmund Burke’s remarks in Parliament about taxation of the American colonies are from page 434 of Volume I of The Works of the Right Honourable Edmund Burke. The high unemployment, low productivity, and general decline in the American economy from the late 1960s to the early 1980s in the wake of effective capital gains tax rates in excess of 100 percent were discussed on page A15 of the April 10, 2008 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the headline “The Inflation Threat to Capital Formation.” The decline in the effective capital gains tax rate to below 40 percent by 1987 was shown on the same page. Data on the gross domestic product and U.S. national debt held by the public in 1945, 1994, and 2004 are from pages 423 and 424 of the Economic Report of the President, 2010 edition, published by the U.S. Government Printing Office that year. The fact that in 2007 Japan’s national debt was more than 150 percent of the nation’s GDP was shown on page 80 of the November 1, 2008 issue of The Economist, in an article titled “Putting the Air Back In.” Data on the national income and national debt of the United States in 1945 are from pages 224 and 1117 of the Census Bureau publication Historical Statistics of the United States: Colonial Times to 1970. The statistic that 44 percent of the U.S. government’s debt was held by foreigners in 2007 is from page 240 of Analytical Perspectives: Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2009 published by the U.S. government in 2008. Michael Boskin’s comment that Wall Street “yawned” at the 2004 budget deficit is from the front page of a November 2004 Policy
Brief titled “Sense and Nonsense About Federal Deficits and Debt” by Professor Boskin, published by the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research. The New York Times story about a declining deficit was on the front page of the July 13, 2005 issue under the title “Sharp Increase in Tax Revenue Will Cut Deficit.” Information on the national debt of Britain, the United States, and Japan as a share of GDP is from page 73 of the June 13, 2009 issue of The Economist, under the headline “The Big Sweat.” The declining capital reserves of the FHA were reported on page A6 of the November 13, 2009 issue of the Wall Street Journal, under the headline “Housing Agency Reserves Fall Far Below Minimum.” The decline in the FDIC’s deposit-insurance fund was reported on page A2 of the September 30, 2009 issue of the Wall Street Journal, in an article titled “Bank-Bailout Fund Faces Years in Red as Failures Jolt System.” The fact that the FDIC in 2009 required banks to prepay their deposit premiums through 2012 was reported on page 8 of the Business Section of the November 13, 2009 issue of the Boston Globe, in an article titled “Banks to Prepay $45B for Insurance Fees.” Data on the size of the national debt of the United States in 2009 are from pages 423 and 424 of the Economic Report of the President, 2010 edition. Information on the share of spending allocated to the military, Medicare and Medicaid, and Social Security in the 2008 budget is from page 28 of the February 10, 2007 issue of The Economist, in an article titled “Fiscal Frustrations.” Data on the costs of crime and of prisons in Britain are from page 109 of A Land Fit for Criminals by David Fraser. The costs of crime to victims in the United States compared with the costs of imprisonment of criminals are from page 211 of the April 29, 1996 issue of Fortune, under the title “Investing in Prison.” Adam Smith’s comment on government spending patterns in 18th century France is from page 687 of his classic The Wealth of Nations, Modern Library edition. Information on retirement age and pensions in Italy is from page 52 of the July 28, 2007 issue of The Economist, in an article titled “La Dolce Pensione.” The political backlash against pension reforms in France and Germany was described in an article beginning on page C1 of the August 6, 2008 issue of the New York Times, under the headline “After Enacting Pension Cuts, Europe Weathers a Storm.” Information about the disability claims of retirees of the Long
Island Rail Road can be found in a front-page story which was continued on pages 26 and 27 of the September 21, 2008 issue of the *New York Times*, under the headline “Retirees’ Disability Epidemic.” The quotation about Brazil’s government workers’ pension plan is from page 36 of the April 5, 2003 issue of *The Economist* in an article titled “Lula’s Great Pension Battle.” The New Zealand poll on the likelihood of receiving government pensions was cited on page 71 of the April-May 2003 issue of *Policy Review* in an article titled “Market Reform: Lessons from New Zealand.” The discrepancies among the percentages of people aged 55 to 64 who are still working in the United States and Japan versus the European Union countries was reported on page 137 of *The World in 2004*, a publication of *The Economist* magazine. A comparison of the benefits of retirees in the United States, Japan, the Netherlands, Spain, and Greece appeared on page 86 of the April 25, 2007 issue of *The Economist*, under the heading “Pensions.”

CHAPTER 19: AN OVERVIEW

The epigraph is from page of 183 of *Armey's Axioms* by Dick Armey. The quote about favors to special interests by India’s government is from page 318 of *India Unbound* by Gurcharan Das. The cost of the 2002 farm bill to the average American family is from the *National Review* online from August 29, 2002, in an article titled “Twisting ‘The Facts’.” The argument that government policy worsened, rather than alleviated, the Great Depression can be found in *A Monetary History of the United States: 1867–1960* by Milton Friedman and Anna Jacobson Schwartz, pages 407 to 419, in Paul Johnson’s *A History of the American People*, pages 737 to 760 and in *Out of Work* by Richard K. Vedder and Lowell E. Gallaway, pages 89 to 97, 137 to 146. The remarks from Arthur F. Burns about the Federal Reserve’s efforts to control inflation under his chairmanship are from page 16 of his lecture “The Anguish of Central Banking,” from the 1979 Per Jacobsson Lecture, sponsored by the Per Jacobsson Foundation. Information about how the Federal Reserve underestimated inflation during the 1960s
and 1970s and in later years overestimated inflation is from pages 46 and 47 of *The Role of Policymakers in Business Cycle Fluctuations* by Jim Granato and M.C. Sunny Wong. The quote from a former governor of the Federal Reserve recalling the Fed's monetary policy for battling inflation in the early 1980s is from pages 128 to 129 of *The Great Inflation and Its Aftermath* by Robert J. Samuelson. Robert J. Samuelson’s comments about the intellectuals whose ideas led to the Great Inflation are from page 207 of the same book. The question of how India could have gone so wrong when it had such outstanding economists was raised on page 162 of *India Unbound* by Gurcharan Das. The problems of India’s nationalized banks were discussed on page 164 of the same book. The fact that India’s middle class began to abandon the country’s state banks in favor of high-tech private banks in the early 21st century was reported on page A12 of the October 3, 2006 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, in an article titled “As Economy Zooms, India’s Postmen Struggle to Adapt,” which began on page A1. The increasing pressure applied by regulators to banks to demonstrate compliance with the Community Reinvestment Act was reported on page A1 of the February 13, 1996 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, under the headline “Mortgage Lending to Minorities Shows a Sharp 1994 Increase.” Citigroup’s near $41 billion losses on subprime loans from 2007 to 2008 were shown on page C3 of an article beginning on page C1 of the April 22, 2008 issue of the *New York Times* titled “Banks Hunting for More Cash.” The comment that India’s government looks out for itself is from page 349 of *India Unbound* by Gurcharan Das. Information about unemployment in the United States following the 1929 stock market crash is from page 77 of *Out of Work* by Richard K. Vedder and Lowell E. Gallaway. The quote about how new and rare free market democracies are is from page 317 of *India Unbound* by Gurcharan Das. The economic results of the English Channel tunnel are from page 59 of the February 14, 2004 issue of *The Economist* under the title “Under Water.” Adam Smith’s remarks on the misapplication of money set aside by government for a particular purpose are from page 873 of his *The Wealth of Nations*, Modern Library edition.
CHAPTER 20: INTERNATIONAL TRADE

The epigraph is from pages 121 and 122 of Volume I of John Adams: A Biography in His Own Words, edited by James Bishop Peabody. The comment from the New York Times about whether the United States was a “job winner” or a “job loser” from freer trade is from an article titled “Nafta and Jobs,” which appeared in the November 14, 1993 issue, page 4 of Section 4. The declining unemployment rate in the United States from 1993 to 2000 was shown on page 26 of a special supplement in the June 29, 2002 issue of The Economist under the title “Present at the Creation.” The declining unemployment rate in Canada was discussed on page 14 of the January 3, 2004 issue of the same magazine in an article titled “Free Trade on Trial,” which began on page 13. The increase of jobs in Mexico was reported on page A13 of the Wall Street Journal of March 5, 2003 and the simultaneous increase of jobs in the United States was shown on page 371 of The Economic Report of the President, 2002 edition. The increase in international trade in both Mexico and the United States in the years following NAFTA was shown on page 14 of the January 3, 2004 issue of The Economist, in an article titled “Free Trade on Trial.” Justice Holmes’ statement, “we need to think things instead of words” is from page 293 of Collected Legal Papers by Oliver Wendell Holmes. The American export surpluses during the 1930s and its lower total international trade in that decade compared to the 1920s can be calculated from data on page 864 of the U.S. Bureau of the Census publication, Historical Statistics of the United States: Colonial Times to 1970. The record-breaking reduction in the international trade deficit of the United States in the spring of 2001 was reported on page 35 of BusinessWeek’s May 7, 2001 issue under the title “A Shrinking Trade Gap Looks Good Stateside.” India’s advantages in supplying computer services to American businesses were discussed on pages 57 to 74 of the March 2003 issue of Banca Nazionale del Lavoro Quarterly Review (published in Italy) under the title “Software Exporting: A Developing Country Advantage.” The fact that India has nearly 30 percent of the world’s software engineers is from page 138 of The City by Joel Kotkin. The growing practice by Taiwanese companies in building
electronics manufacturing plants in the Czech Republic was reported on page 43 of the January 8, 2007 issue of BusinessWeek, in an article titled “Made in China— Er, Veliko Turnovo.” The quoted statement about the importance of comparative advantage to poor nations is from page 218 of an article by Daniel T. Griswold titled “International Markets, International Poverty: Globalization and the Poor” in the book Wealth, Poverty and Human Destiny, edited by Doug Bandow and David L. Schindler. The West African example of comparative advantage among cocoa farmers is from page 68 of The Economic Revolution in British West Africa by Allan McPhee, published originally in 1926 and reprinted in 1971 by Frank Cass & Co., Ltd. The estimate of economies of scale in automobile production is from page 76 of The Structure of American Industry, ninth edition, by Walter Adams and James Brock. Data on sales of automobiles and pick-up trucks in the United States in 2003 are from page 16 of the Spring 2004 issue of the J.D. Power Car Guide. Information on automobile production and sales in Australia is from pages 59 and 81 of Ward’s Automotive Yearbook, 59th edition, published in 1997. Data on Australian and American populations and purchasing power in Australia are from pages 14, 22, 24, 62, and 102 of Pocket World in Figures, 2001 edition, published by The Economist. Data on sales of The Economist in Britain and the United States are from page 9 of the October 30, 2004 issue of that magazine. The fact that Toyota, Honda, and Nissan all earn most of their profits in North America is from page W1 of the October 31, 2002 issue of the New York Times, in a news story titled “Slowdown? Don’t Tell Toyota Motor.” The fact that Japanese carmakers began to produce more cars outside of Japan than inside Japan was reported on page C1 of the New York Times of August 1, 2006, in an article titled “Japan Makes More Cars Elsewhere.” Information on China’s toy exports to India, and on the Tata group’s response to other Chinese exports are from pages 48 and 49 of the May 3, 2001 issue of Far Eastern Economic Review, in an article titled “No More Fun and Games.” Holland’s position as a leading international trade nation from the 1590s to the 1740s was discussed on page 2 of The Dutch Republic by Jonathan Israel and the high wages of Dutch workers were discussed on pages 88 to 93 of An Economic and Social History of the Netherlands 1800–1920 by Michael Wintle. Data on labor
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productivity in India and the United States are from page 65 of the September 8, 2001 issue of *The Economist*, under the title “Unproductive.” The declining rates of return on capital invested in czarist Russia as the amount invested increased during its early industrialization are from page 139 of *Pioneers for Profit* by John P. McKay. The fact that world exports in 1933 were one-third of what they were in 1929 is from page 83 of *Against the Dead Hand* by Brink Lindsey. The appeal by more than a thousand American economists against passage of the Smoot-Hawley tariff of 1930 was reported and quoted extensively, beginning on the front page of the May 5, 1930 issue of the *New York Times* under the headline, “1,028 Economists Ask Hoover to Veto Pending Tariff Bill.” The economic repercussions of the tariff were reported on pages 43 to 45 of *FDR's Folly* by Jim Powell. Information about unemployment rates in the United States after the signing of the Smoot-Hawley tariffs is from page 77 of *Out of Work* by Richard Vedder and Lowell Gallaway. Job losses during the 1980s in the American steel industry were discussed on pages 97 and 104 of *The Structure of American Industry*, ninth edition, by Walter Adams and James Brock and statistical estimates of the financial costs and job losses in the U.S. economy as a whole from trying to protect jobs in the steel industry were discussed on page 57 of the November 15, 2003 issue of *The Economist*, in an article titled “Sparks Fly over Steel.” American job losses due to restrictions on imported sugar were discussed on page A14 of the March 6, 2006 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*, under the title “Sweet Opportunity.” Foreign producers of American military equipment were discussed on page C1 of the September 27, 2005 issue of the *New York Times*, in an article titled “U.S. Weapons, Foreign Flavor.” Examples of the application of anti-dumping laws in the European Union are from pages 29 to 32 of *The Race to the Top: The Real Story of Globalization* written by Tomas Larssen. The application of American anti-dumping laws was discussed on pages 173 and 174 of *Globalization and Its Discontents* by Joseph E. Stiglitz. The report that Taiwan produces most of the computer components in the world is from page 15 of a special section of the October 22, 2005 issue of *The Economist* titled “A Market for Ideas.” That Asian firms rely on American, Japanese and European firms for new technology was reported on page 31.
of the May 2006 issue of the Far Eastern Economic Review in an article titled “The Offshoring of Innovation.” The Indian tutoring service TutorVista was discussed on page C4 of an article beginning on page C1 of the October 31, 2007 issue of the New York Times, under the title “Hello, India? I Need Help with My Math.” The fact that 63 percent of Japanese-brand automobiles sold in the United States in 2006 were manufactured in the United States was shown on page 8 of the report Cars and Trucks for a Vibrant America and a Better World, a publication of the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association. Data on jobs gained and lost in the United States through outsourcing are from pages 53 and 54 of the March 2004 issue of Survey of Current Business in an article titled “A Note on Patterns of Production and Employment by U.S. Multinational Companies.”

CHAPTER 21: INTERNATIONAL TRANSFERS OF WEALTH

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CHAPTER 22: AN OVERVIEW

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CHAPTER 26: PARTING THOUGHTS

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