**American Business Cycle and Economic Indicators Mini-Project**

**Task:**

**1) For each indicator, read the headlines, overview and compare its progress graphically.**

**2) Answer the following questions in one full T.E.A.L. paragraph (5-7 sentences, using at least specific data from 3 (THREE) indicators for each question) each:**

*A) The Great Recession lasted from 2007-2009. Using indicators, how would you describe the severity of the recession?*

 *B) How would you judge America’s short-term and long-term recovery from the Great Recession?*

 *C) What part of the business cycle is America in now? How would you describe the current health of the American economy?*

*D) What policies would you recommend President Donald Trump and Congress to do to maintain a healthy economy?*

**Unemployment**

[**https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/unemployment-rate**](https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/unemployment-rate)

[**https://www.bls.gov/news.release/empsit.t02.htm**](https://www.bls.gov/news.release/empsit.t02.htm)

Read Unemployment headlines and overview

Compare graphs for 1 year, 5 years and 10 years

**Labor Force Participation Rate**

[**https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/labor-force-participation-rate**](https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/labor-force-participation-rate)

[**https://data.bls.gov/timeseries/LNS11300000**](https://data.bls.gov/timeseries/LNS11300000)

Read Labor Force Participation Rate headlines and overview

Compare graphs for 1 year, 5 years and 10 years

**Total RGDP**

[**https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/gdp**](https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/gdp)

Read Total RGDP headlines and overview

Compare graphs for 1 year, 5 years and 10 years

**RGDP Growth Rate**

[**https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/gdp-growth**](https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/gdp-growth)

Read RGDP Growth Rate headlines and overview

Compare graphs for 1 year, 5 years and 10 years

**RGDP Per Capita**

[**https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/gdp-per-capita**](https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/gdp-per-capita)

Read RGDP Per Capita headlines and overview

Compare graphs for 1 year, 5 years and 10 years

**US Trade Deficit**

[**https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/balance-of-trade**](https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/balance-of-trade)

Read US Trade Deficit headlines and overview

Compare graphs for 1 year, 5 years and 10 years

**Inflation Rate**

[**https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/inflation-cpi**](https://tradingeconomics.com/united-states/inflation-cpi)

[**https://www.bls.gov/cpi/**](https://www.bls.gov/cpi/)

Read Inflation headlines and overview

Compare graphs for 1 year, 5 years and 10 years