

# FAMOUS ECONOMIC MAJORS

## HEADS OF STATE

**George H. W. Bush, US President (Yale)**

**Ronald Reagan, US President (Eureka College)**

**Gerald Ford, US President (University of Michigan)**

Stephen Harper, Prime Minister of Canada (University of Calgary)

Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India (Oxford University, PhD)

**Ernesto Zedillo, President of Mexico (Yale University, PhD)**

Carlos Salinas de Gortari, President of Mexico (Harvard University, PhD)

Janez Drnovsek, Prime Minister of Slovenia (University of Maribor, PhD)

Duck-Woo Nam, Prime Minister of South Korea (OSU, PhD)

Ruud Lubbers, Prime Minister of The Netherlands

Yuliya Tymoshenko, Prime Minister of Ukraine (Dnipropetrovs'k, PhD)

Viktor Yushchenko, President of Ukraine (Ternopil Institute, PhD)

**Kofi Annan, Secretary General of the United Nations (Macalester College)**

Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, President of Liberia (University of Colorado)

Romano Prodi, Prime Minister of Italy (London School of Economics)

## CEOs

**Ted Turner, CEO CNN, Atlanta Braves/Hawks (Brown)**

**Steve Ballmer, CEO, Microsoft (Harvard)**

**Scott McNealy, CEO, Sun Microsystems (Harvard)**

**Meg Whitman, CEO, Ebay Technologies (Princeton)**

**William Harrison, Jr., CEO, JP Morgan Chase (UNC-Chapel Hill)**

Philip Austin, President of University of Connecticut (Michigan State, PhD)

Richard Trumka, President of United Mine Workers (Penn State)

John Sweeny, President, AFL-CIO (Iona College)

**Kenneth Lay, CEO of Enron (University of Houston, PhD) OOPS!!! Needed the ethics module from Econ 170.**

**Donald Trump, Real Estate/TV Mogul (University of Pennsylvania-Wharton)**

**Warren Buffet, Financier (Columbia School of Business, Master's in Economics)**

**Sam Walton, Founder of Wal-Mart, (University of Missouri)**

## LEGISLATORS, JUSTICES, AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

**Phil Gramm, US Senator (University of Georgia, PhD)**

**Sandra Day-O'Connor, US Supreme Court Justice (Stanford)**

**Dick Arney, US Congressman (University of Oklahoma, PhD)**

**George Schultz, US Secretary of State (Princeton; MIT PhD)**

Roy Romer, Governor of Colorado (Colorado State; Ag Econ)

**Barbara Boxer, US Senator (Brooklyn College)**

**Anatoly Chubais, Deputy Prime Minister of Russia (St. Petersburg, PhD)**

Abdullah Gill, Deputy Prime Minister of Turkey (Istanbul University, PhD)

Leszek Balcerowicz, President, Bank of Poland (Warsaw School Econ, PhD)

**Jim Bunning, US Congressman/Hall of Fame Baseballer (Xavier)**

**John Snow, US Secretary of Treasury (University of Virginia, PhD)**

**General Anthony Zinni, U.S. Marine Corps General (Ret.) (Villanova)**

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## **ACTORS/ENTERTAINERS**

**Arnold Schwarzenegger, Actor/Governor (University of Wisconsin)**

Young M.C., Singer (University of Southern California)

Danny Glover, Actor (University of San Francisco)

Robert Prosky, Actor (Temple)

Peter Gallagher, Actor (Tufts)

**George Wendt, Actor (Rockhurst College)**

**Gene Kelly, Actor/Dancer (University of Pittsburgh)**

**Paul Newman, Actor (Kenyon College)**

Famke Janssen, Actress (University of Amsterdam)

Cate Blanchett, Actress (Melbourne University)

**Lionel Richie, Singer/Songwriter (Tuskegee University)**

Ray Manzarek, Musician; The Doors (DePaul University)

**Scott Adams, Cartoonist, creator of Dilbert (Hartwick College) <sup>1</sup>**

Ben Stein, Actor/political speechwriter (Columbia University)

## **PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES**

**John Elway, NFL quarterback (Stanford)**

**Bernie Kosar, NFL quarterback (University of Miami)**

Mike Mussina, MLB Pitcher (Stanford)

**Tiger Woods, Golfer (Stanford) <sup>2</sup>**

Peter Vidmar, Olympic Gold Medalist Gymnast (UCLA)

**Jennifer Azzi, WNBA guard Utah Starzz (Stanford)**

**Lenny Wilkens, NBA Coach/Hall of Famer (Providence College)**

**Austin Carr, Former NBA player (Notre Dame)**

**Bill Belichick, NFL Head Coach--Patriots (Wesleyan University)**

<sup>1</sup> **Who says economists don't have a sense of humor!**

<sup>2</sup> **Tiger Wood most definitely understood opportunity cost, a key concept in economics. Right after taking Principles of Economics, he dropped out of Stanford to join the PGA Tour. He earned \$940,420 that year versus the alternative of a golf scholarship at Stanford. (On the one hand and then on the other.....) Recent events suggest that he would have benefited from our emphasis on ethical behavior.**