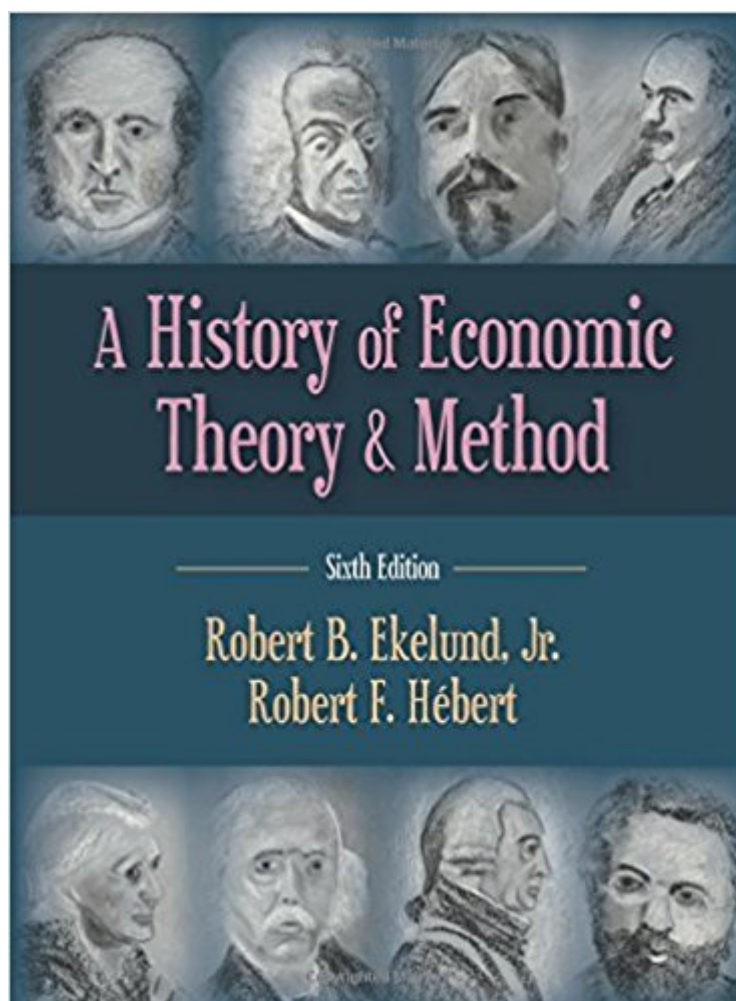


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Known for its clarity, comprehensiveness, and balance, the latest edition of *A History of Economic Theory and Method* continues that tradition of excellence. Ekelund and Härtel's survey provides historical and international contexts for how economic models have served social needs throughout the centuries beginning with the ancient Greeks through the present time. The authors not only trace ideas that have persisted but skillfully demonstrate that past, discredited ideas also have a way of spawning critical thinking and encouraging new directions in economic analysis. Coverage that distinguishes the Sixth Edition from its predecessors includes a detailed analysis of economic solutions by John Stuart Mill and Edwin Chadwick to problems raised by the Industrial Revolution; the role of psychology and "experiments" in understanding demand and consumer behavior; discussions of modern economic theory as it interrelates with other social sciences; and a close look at the historical development of the critical role of entrepreneurship, both in its productive and unproductive variants. The authors' creative approach gives readers a feel for the thought processes of the great minds in economics and underscores key ideas impacting contemporary thought and practice. Well-crafted discussions are further enriched by absorbing examples and figures. Thorough suggested reading lists give options for more in-depth explorations by interested readers. Not-for-sale instructor resource material available to college and university faculty only; contact publisher directly.

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Wonderful collection of excerpts from major economic thinkers. Used it for a history of economic thought class. I would definitely recommend it to economic enthusiasts.

Ekelund and Hebert have the authoritative text on history of economic thought for a survey of that field. The book is patiently written and scrupulously researched. It covers topics from ancient Greek political economy to contemporary theory.

I love this book. It's well written, the size and layout are simply great. I am taking it at GSU as an elective and absolutely love it

I had to take a History of Economic Thought class as a requirement for my Master's degree in Economics. The text we used for that class was 'Economic Theory in Retrospect' by Mark Blaug. To make a long story short, that book was extremely cumbersome and probably confused me more than anything else. As a supplement to that text, I procured a copy of this book, 'A History of Economic Theory and Method,' which greatly aided in my understanding of historical economic thought. Although at times this book seems rather simplistic, it's great if you would like to learn the basics of the evolution of economic theory. Whether you are a student of economics, or just want to bone up on your economic history, this is a great book.

Good book great condition

One the more well known authors out there on this subject. I like how other texts are laid out better however. But this is quite comprehensive in the subject matter it covers. I got it primarily as a

reference. Newer versions are still frequently used for 'History of Economic Thought' classes at University level; and in this case I purchased it as a backup or utility copy -- and it's been very suitable for that purpose. An interesting text to check out in its place (that I also have) is History of Economic Thought by Hunt and another author. The Hunt text is laid out in a different way than what I have seen of other texts in this area and I found quite valuable for its approach.

As an economics major, I purchased this book for one of my classes. While I don't necessarily agree with the authors' opinions on economic policy, I must say that it was an enjoyable and informative read.

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