#### **ECONOMIC STRUCTURE**

# >>----->> MARKET EVOLUTION (THEORY) >>----->>

#### SOCIO-ECONOMIC DETERMINATION

TRIBALISM/FEUDALISM	COLONIALISM	CAPITALISM	SOCIAL DEMOCRACY	DISTRIBUTISM
A system based on a small	A system in which a native	An economic system based	A concept of government in	An economic ideology
centralized society led by a	group (or their lands and	on the freedom of private	which the state plays a key	asserting that the world's
"chief" who directed the	resources) is subjugated by	owner-ship of the means of	role in the protection and	productive assets should be
allocation of privilege and	an external political power	production and their	promotion of the economic	widely owned rather than
benefits. Eventually, evolved	for their own economic	operation for profit.	and social well-being of its	being centralized under the
into a system whereby a king	and/or political benefit.	Characteristics central to	citizens (i.e. healthcare,	control of the state, corpor-
owned all the land. He would		capitalism include private	education, etc.). It is based	ations or a few individuals -
give some of the land to the		property, capital accumula-	on the principles of equality	favoring small-scale
lords and nobles who fought		tion, wage labor, voluntary	of opportunity, equitable	cooperatives and family
for him. The nobles gave		exchange, a price system,	distribution of wealth, and	businesses, and anti-trust
some land to vassals who		and competitive markets. In a	public responsibility for those	regulations. Sees property
were obligated to perform		capitalist market economy,	unable to avail themselves of	ownership as a
duties for the nobles.		decision-making and invest-	the minimal provisions for a	fundamental right. Views
		ment are determined by	good life. Viewed as a	both capitalism and
		every owner of wealth,	distinctive combination of	socialism as equally flawed
		property or production ability	democracy, welfare, and	and exploitive. Seeks to
		in financial and capital	capitalism.	subordinate economic
		markets.		activity to human spiritual,
				Intellectual and family life.
Medieval England, France	British and Spanish Empires	United States	Scandinavia, Germany	

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### **DISTRIBUTION OF WEALTH**

(Who Is Rewarded?)

MONARCHS	PLUTOCRATS	MIDDLE CLASS	SOCIETY	WORKING CLASS
Where the vast balance of wealth and income resides in the hands of the ruling nobility (Monarchy). Government and economic policy ensure the continued control and concentration of wealth.	Where the vast balance of wealth and income is enjoyed by a powerful minority of the rich, (Plutocracy) which may include wealthy individuals, inherited and corporate wealth, nobility, aristocracy, new money and the so-called 1%. Their privileged influence over government and a corporate economy inordinately favors the rapid expansion of their wealth.	The broad group of people in contemporary society having approximately average status, income, education, tastes, etc. (the class of people in the middle of the social hierarchy, falling socio- economically between the working class and the upper class). A wide characterization includes everyone but the poorest 20% and the wealthiest 20%.	When a social and economic ideology (Social Democracy) that supports economic interventions to promote social justice within the framework of a liberal democratic polity and capitalist economy, aims to create the conditions for capitalism to lead to greater democratic, egalitarian and unified outcomes. The protocols used to accomplish this involve a commitment to representative and participatory democracy; measures for income redistribution and regulation of the economy in the general interest; and welfare state provisions (i.e. education, health care, elderly care, childcare, workers compensation).	Where a cultural approach (Collectivism) that is charac- terized by emphasis on cohesiveness among individuals and prioritization of the group over the self prevails in public and economic policy. Economic endeavor is intended to benefit the welfare of all group members with an equalized distribution of wealth. It may be implement- ed in varied forms or combinations of individual or cooperative enterprise and managed under government or group control.
North Korea	Russia	U.S., Canada, Australia	Scandinavia	

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## FORM BY ECONOMIC IDEOLOGY

(<u>What</u> Economic System?)

TOTALITARIANISM	MONARCHISM	CAPITALISM	SOCIAL DEMOCRACY	SOCIALISM
A system in which the land and resources of a nation are controlled by a centralized authoritarian state that holds absolute political power, usually under a dictatorship or single political party.	A system in which the government is headed by a member of the nobility known as the monarch (king/queen, emperor/empress) who claims legitimacy from a higher power. Property ownership and economic activity is subject to the will and approval of the monarch.	An economic system based on the freedom of private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit. Characteristics central to capitalism include private property, capital accumulation and markets, wage labor, voluntary exchange, a price system, and competitive markets.	A social and economic ideology that supports economic and social interventions to promote social justice within the frame- work of a liberal democratic polity and capitalist economy, aiming to create the conditions for capitalism to lead to greater democratic, egalitarian and unified outcomes. Modern social democracy is characterized by a commitment to policies aimed at curbing inequality, and oppression of underprivileged groups and poverty, including support for universally accessible public services like healthcare, educa- tion, and elderly and child care.	A type of economic system involving the public, cooperative (workers), or social ownership of the means of production and distribution. The economic framework may be decentralized and self-managed in autonomous economic units, as in libertarian systems, or centrally planned, as in authoritarian systems. Public services such as healthcare and education would be commonly, collectively, and/or state owned. In a market economy the form "Market Socialism" utilizes the market mechanism for the allocation of capital goods and the means of production.
Soviet Union, North Korea	Saudi Arabia, Oman	U.S., Germany, Australia	Scandinavia	

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# COMMERCE

(<u>How</u> Should We Trade?)

MONOPOLY/OLIGOPOLY	PROTECTIONISM	REGULATION	FREE TRADE	FREE MARKET CAPITALISM
Control of a commodity or service in a specific market, or a control that makes possible the manipulation of prices. A monopoly exists when a specific person or enterprise is the only supplier of a specific commodity - controlling a market and prices. An Oligopoly occurs in a market where there are few sellers, as a result of which they can interrupt the free flow of goods and services (restraint of trade), influence price (price fixing) and reduce competition.	The economic policy of restricting imports from other countries through methods such as tariffs on imported goods, import quotas, and a variety of other government regulations, shielding the producers, businesses, and workers of the import-competing sector in the country from foreign competition.	The government management of economic activity according to a set of legal rules and standards, with the objective of creating fair trading practices and protecting the welfare of consumers and the environment.	The free market concept that the exchange of goods and services between parties may be open and free of govern- ment interference, based on the notion that increased competition in a market will lead to an increase in efficiency, benefiting society and consumers. Prices and the distribution of goods and services are determined by market competition. A free trade policy is one that does not restrict imports or exports.	An economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their ownership for profit. Decision- making and investment are made by every owner of wealth in financial and capital markets. It upholds the autonomous character of the economic order and supports the belief that government should intervene as little as possible in the direction of economic affairs. Transactions between private parties are based on the exchange of capital free from government regulation, tariffs, or subsidies
Market Dominance	Tariffs	Government Regulation	Open Markets	Laissez-faire Capitalism