



Economics

Guidance on topics for the Advanced Higher question paper for session 2023–24

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Overview

The topic areas listed below will be covered in the 2024 Advanced Higher Economics question paper.

This information is useful when delivering some topic areas of the course and preparing candidates for assessment of sections 1 and 3 of the question paper. You can find the full course content in the Advanced Higher Economics [course specification](#).

Candidates must complete a coursework project as well as the question paper. Grades are awarded based on candidate performance in both of the externally assessed components.

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Topic areas for session 2023–24

Topic areas — course specification information		Additional information
National economic issues	Current UK economic issues	Productivity
		Inheritance tax and income tax
		Economic growth
		Green economy
		Inflation
		Labour markets
		State pensions
		Health spending
		Migration
		High Speed 2 (HS2)
		Universal Basic Income (UBI)
		Gross National Happiness (GNH)
		Artificial intelligence
	Windfall tax	
Transmission and effectiveness of economic policies	Monetary policy	
	Fiscal policy and national debt	
Global economic issues	Developing and emerging economies	China's economy
		Developing economies
	Globalisation	World Trade Organisation
		Globalisation and de-globalisation