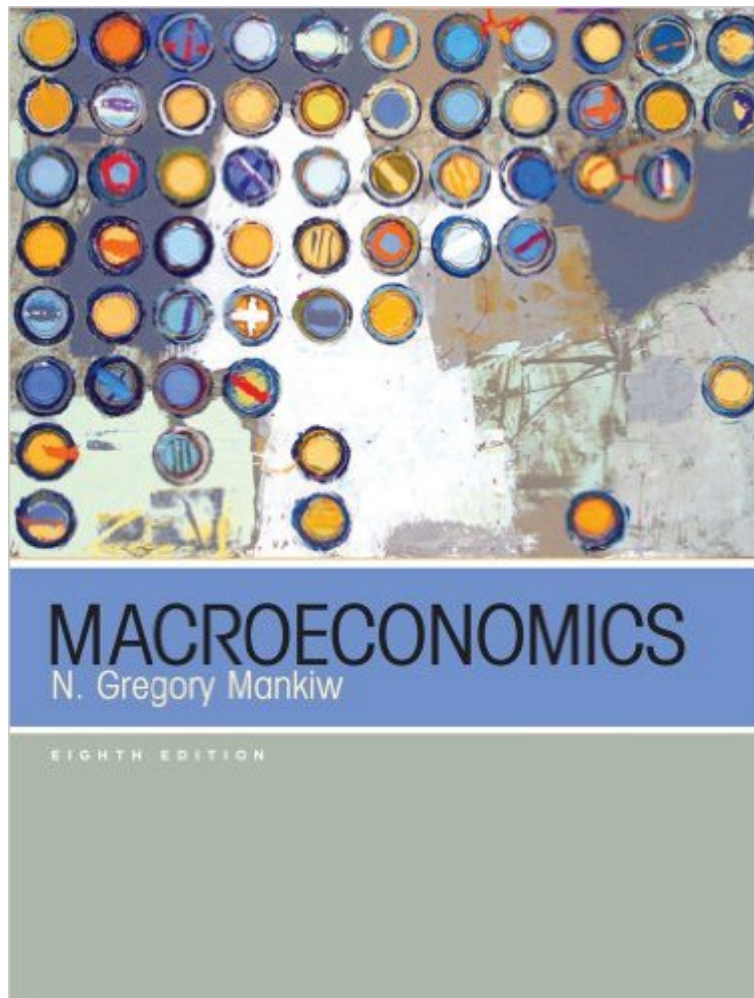


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## Synopsis

Long the bestseller for the intermediate macroeconomics course, Greg Mankiw's superbly crafted textbook maintains its authority, currency, and vitality edition after edition, and the new Eighth Edition is the most accomplished yet. Again, Mankiw provides an exceptionally clear and concise introduction to the macroeconomy, taking full account of the 2007-2009 financial crisis and the measures taken in response to it. In addition to a new chapter directly inspired by the crisis (Chapter 20, The Financial System: Opportunities and Dangers) the new edition also features new research, discussions, and case studies throughout, as well as the most extensive media/supplements package available for any intermediate macroeconomics. You are welcome to use the new Financial System: Opportunities and Dangers chapter this semester with students. We will keep it posted through early June to allow free access for all who wish to have students read it.

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## Customer Reviews

I bought this textbook for my macroecon class. It's a very nice textbook. Mankiw, as usual, did a very good job. I really love the material in the book. But I returned this book after the first week! After comparing the 7th edition to this one, this edition only has one new chapter. The rest of the book is pretty much the same to the 7th edition's. The 8th may have a little extra homework problems.

Overall a decently written textbook, although rather wordy at times. It explains the concepts well, as

did the earlier versions, too. It is disappointing that a new edition is launched each year just to make money off college kids.

While I agree with other reviewers about Mankiw's tendency to put out new versions too often, I really like his books! I am almost done with double bachelor degrees, one in economics and the other in agricultural business at Montana State University so I've seen my fair share of econ textbooks. I have to say that Mankiw is my favorite, his books are so well written for understanding concepts. When I think about how textbooks are supposed to be, I think of Mankiw's books. They are supposed to be a valuable resource to supplement lecture and even "teach" concepts...gasp! Something about how he presents concepts helps to bring a new layer of understanding, even if I've worked with the material before. I'm thankful my prof chose this for my macro with calculus class this semester. I guess these books just work really well for my brain!

While I certainly would argue with Mankiw on a number of things he portrays in this textbook as facts when I realize they're more of opinions with evidence than a definitive answer, Overall this book is a great introduction to macroeconomics. If you want a really good feel for how it's written check out the older versions which are now in free public domain

The book is very descriptive using nice pictures and graphs. It is written in a way that even people who don't really know about economics can easily understand the concepts. I only gave this product 3 stars because the book arrived quite horrible condition with some torn parts and excessive markings. I purchased the book from apexmedia and I probably not going to have any more business with them. The book itself is great.

Halfway through using this text - not really thrilled with it. Way too much fluff to justify the price, it's pretty obvious the newer edition is just a fluff piece to milk students out of some more cash (not that he would be the first person to do it). Would have preferred to just have a text that gives students more succinct explanations/examples and spent time on developing more exercises. He strays away from giving straight up mathematical explanations, which is essential for upper-level economics courses, and replaces it with watered down equations, a bit unnerving. I've read that this text is used in Grad classes - sorta horrified by that idea. It really should be designated as a second or third year undergraduate text. If you're trying to start out teaching yourself Macro or are taking this for just an MBA or elective class, this will suit you fine, but as a economics major or eco grad

student? Not a great idea. It feels like he's watering down content and eventually that will come to haunt you later in your academic career. If you're looking for a more challenging or more grad-appropriate text, consider Romer's Advanced Macroeconomics.

I love this text book because it is so current and to-the-point. The most recent edition is worth it. The chapters contain great examples and are thorough but short enough where you can actually read it all. I especially like the summary and quick review questions at the end. I have been an occasional reader of Mankiw's blog for years and now I'm finally getting to use his text book in Grad school!

This book was required for a class at George Mason University. I did perfectly fine in the class and only opened the book a handful of times. Information was adequate but could have figured it out without the book.

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