

Economic Challenges Facing Prime Minister Shinzo Abe

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1. Introduction

This section will spell out the theme I will be focusing on in this paper, emphasizing why and how important the issues discussed in this paper.

2. The Challenges: What Was the Economic Environment That Made PM Abe Implement the *Abenomics* Policies?

I will discuss the situation facing the Japanese economy when Mr. Abe became the prime minister for his second time. What was the remnant of the Lost Decades? Why was the economy struggling so long?

3. Is *Abenomics* a panacea or placebo? Or any side effects?

This section will present pros and cons of *Abenomics*. Some people argue that his economic policies will have potentially severe side effects. I will discuss potential risks of his policies.

4. Outlooks of *Abenomics* and the Japanese Economy

In this section, I will introduce short- to medium-term outlooks of the Japanese economy discussed among experts. I will also try to introduce the situation of Japanese politics since it should affect how thoroughly he will be able to implement his policies.

5. Conclusion

With all the research, I will make concluding remarks. I should be able to what is more likely to happen to the Japanese economy and Abe's administration given what I research.