

# ECONOMISTS WITH PHD EARN 86% MORE - INOMICS SALARY REPORT 2020/21 INCL. COVID-19 IMPACT

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*Based on survey data from nearly 1,500 economists, new report examines economics salaries, health of job market, effect of COVID-19 and gender pay-gap.*

25-May-2021 – Berlin – INOMICS - the career and education site for economists - has released the latest edition of its annual report, which examines the [salaries of economists worldwide](#). Based on anonymous survey data of nearly 1,500 economists, the INOMICS Salary Report 2020/21 answers questions like where economists earn the most money, whether doing a PhD is a worthwhile financial investment, and about the significance of the [gender pay-gap in economics](#). It also includes testimony on exactly how the pandemic has affected economists' working lives.

The key findings of the INOMICS Salary Report include:

**1) PHDs** - Having a PhD still matters. We found that globally economists with a PhD earn on average 86% more than those with "just" a Master's degree.

**2) COVID-19** - Over a third of economists have had their current job or their career progression negatively affected by the coronavirus pandemic. The effects have hit the Global South disproportionately, with 60% of economists in Africa and 58% in South Asia reporting being negatively affected by the pandemic professionally, compared with just 23% in North America, and only 17% in Western Europe & Scandinavia.

**3) Gender** - Male economists earn on average 27% more than their female counterparts. The data indicates that in most regions this is a result of a "glass ceiling" and a "leaky pipeline", rather than a disparity in pay of male and female economists at the same career stage.

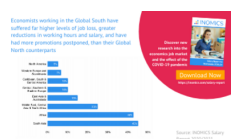
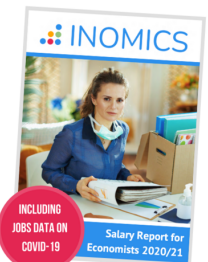
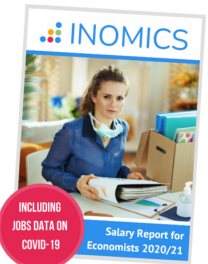
**4) Pay** - The United States is still the most lucrative [job market for economists](#) in the world. Annual salaries here – across all sectors – surpass those available anywhere else. The full report is available to download on the INOMICS website: [inomics.com/salary-report](https://inomics.com/salary-report).

For more information on how the report was compiled or extra information on our findings please contact [info@inomics.com](mailto:info@inomics.com).

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