BACKGROUND: This instruction sheet provides guidelines for assigning the subdivision **–Economic conditions**. *The subdivision* **–Socioeconomic status** *was formerly used under headings for special occupational groups.   This subdivision has been discontinued and replaced by* **–Economic conditions** *and/or* **–Social conditions**, *as appropriate.*

1. General rule. Use the free-floating subdivision **–Economic conditions** under names of regions, countries, cities, etc.; under names of ethnic groups; and under classes of persons, including occupational groups, for works discussing the economic history or economic conditions in general of a place, ethnic group, or class of persons.

Use **–Economic conditions** under headings for specific occupational groups, when appropriate. The former practice of assigning only the heading for the occupational group for general works on their economic conditions and status has been discontinued.

Examples:

```
651 #0 $a Europe $x Economic conditions.
651 #0 $a Zimbabwe $x Economic conditions.
651 #0 $a Buffalo (N.Y.) $x Economic conditions.
650 #0 $a African Americans $z Rhode Island $x Economic
          conditions.
650 #0 $a Indians of North America $x Economic conditions.
650 #0 $a Older people $z Iowa $x Economic conditions.
650 #0 $a Fishers $z United States $x Economic conditions.
650 #0 $a Carpenters $z Ohio $z Canton $x Economic conditions.
```

2. –Socioeconomic status. The obsolete subdivision **–Socioeconomic status** under headings for special occupational groups is no longer used.   Instead, use the free-floating subdivision(s) **–Economic conditions** and/or **–Social conditions**, as appropriate.

3. Further form or topical subdivisions. Further subdivide **–Economic conditions** by standard free-floating form or topical subdivisions when appropriate for the work cataloged. *Examples:*

```
651 #0 $a Europe $x Economic conditions $x Mathematical models.
650 #0 $a Women $x Economic conditions $v Statistics.
```

Do not further subdivide **–Economic conditions** by **–History**.

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4. Chronological subdivisions.   Further subdivide [*place*]–**Economic conditions** by established chronological subdivisions or by the free-floating century subdivisions listed under –**Economic conditions** in H 1140: **–16th, [17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st] century**.   Assign century subdivisions only when they do not conflict with established subdivisions for specific time periods.   Establish new subdivisions for other significant periods under headings of the type [*place*]–**Economic conditions** where there is sufficient material to warrant it.   *Examples:*

```
651 #0 $a Europe $x Economic conditions $y 1918-1945.
651 #0 $a Great Britain $x Economic conditions $y 20th century.
651 #0 $a Haiti $x Economic conditions $y 1971-
651 #0 $a Paris (France) $x Economic conditions $y 19th century.
```

When appropriate, further subdivide [*place*]–**Economic conditions**–[*period subdivision*] by standard free-floating form or topical subdivisions used after –**Economic conditions**. *Examples:*

```
651 #0 $a Europe $x Economic conditions $y 20th century
        $v Periodicals.
651 #0 $a Hungary $x Economic conditions $y 1945-1968
        $v Statistics.
651 #0 $a India $x Economic conditions $y 1947- $x Mathematical
        models.
```

When appropriate, further subdivide headings of the type [*class of persons*]–**Economic conditions** or [*ethnic group*]–**Economic conditions** by the free-floating century subdivisions listed under –**Economic conditions** in H 1100 and H 1103: **–16th**, [**17th**, **18th**, **19th**,   **20th**, or **21st**] **century**.

5. Examples of assignment of headings.

> *Title: The economic history of the United States.*
> ```
> 651 #0 $a United States $x Economic conditions.
> ```

> *Title: Regional economic disparity in India since Independence.*
> ```
> 651 #0 $a India $x Economic conditions $y 1947- $x Regional
>         disparities.
> ```

> *Title: Carpenters in Hawaii : a general economic study.*
> ```
> 650 #0 $a Carpenters $z Hawaii $x Economic conditions.
> ```

> *Title: The socioeconomic status of librarians.*
> ```
> 650 #0 $a Librarians $x Economic conditions.
> 650 #0 $a Librarians $x Social conditions.
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