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If you would like to have more information about the recent so-called "economic recession", the victims of global fraud, the artificial scarcity of money, or, if you would like to know more about the credit card industries, their criminal interest rates (which cause depression and suicides), and more besides, you should browse in this real treasure trove of selected information ordered by medium and topic:

Documentaries:

- "I.O.U.S.A." 2008 directed by Patrick Creadon
- "Let's Make Money" (2008) directed by Erwin Wagenhofer
- "Maxed Out: Hard Times, Easy Credit and the Era of Predatory" (2006) directed by James D. Scurlock
- "In Debt We Trust" (2006) directed by Danny Schechter
- "Secret History of the Credit Card" (2004) produced by PBS FRONTLINE
- "Money as Debt" (2009) animation by Paul Grignon
- "The Crisis of Credit" (2009) visualized by Jonathan Jarvis
- "Capitalism: A Love Story" (2009) directed by Michael Moore

Books and Essays:

- "Credit Card Nation" by Robert D. Manning
- "The no-nonsense guide to global Finance" by Peter Salker
- "People First Economics" by David Ransom
- "Web of Debt" by Ellen Brown.
- "Collateral Damaged: The Marketing of Consumer Debt to America" by Charles R. Geisst
- "The Buyout of America" by Josh Kosman
- "Inequality and the Global Economic Crisis" by Douglas Dowd
- "The New Empire of Debt: The Rise & Fall of an Epic Financial Bubble" by W. Bonner
- "The Economics of Innocent Fraud" by John Kenneth Galbraith
- "Living in a bubble: credit, debt & crisis" MetaMute, Vol. 2 #6
- "Artificial Scarcity in a World of Overproduction" by Sander. MetaMute, Vol. 6#16
- "Debt: The first five thousand years", by David Graeber, MetaMute 12, 2009.

<http://www.eurozine.com/articles/2009-08-20-graeber-en.html>

• "Gesa Helms, Marina Vishmidt, Lauren Berlant, Affect & the Politics of Austerity": An interview exchange with Lauren Berlant, in Variant (Dec 2010)

http://www.variant.org.uk/39_40texts/berlant39_40.html

Credit Cards:

- "I could lose my house. It's that serious"

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/money/2009/oct/27/credit-card-crackdown-case-study>

- "Credit Card Nation: The Consequences of America's Addiction to Credit"

http://www.democracynow.org/2010/2/23/robert_manning_credit_card_nation_the

- "The Card Game" New Doc Investigates History of Credit Card Industry"

http://www.democracynow.org/2009/11/18/the_card_game_new_doc_investigates

- "Bad Credit Cards Turn Nasty-Can You Say 79.9%?"

<http://draftwilberforce.com/2009/12/19/bad-credit-cards-turn-nasty-can-you-say-799/>

- "\$336 Million Credit Card Fee Settled Approved by US Judge"

<http://www.reuters.com/article/idUSN222486020091022>

- "WikiLeaks cables: US lobbied Russia on behalf of Visa and MasterCard"

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2010/dec/08/wikileaks-us-russia-visa-mastercard>

Fractional Reserve Banking:

- Definition by Wikipedia

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fractional_reserve_banking

- Fractional Reserve Banking requires a Business Cycle

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MxrdHBIPUZk>

- Banking: Multiplier effect and the money supply

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F7r711VG-Tw>

Basic Income:

- Basic Income official website

<http://www.basicincome.org/bien/>

- Definition by Wikipedia

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Basic_income

http://p2pfoundation.net/Basic_Income

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Income_redistribution

- Philippe Van Parijs

<http://www.amazon.com/Real-Freedom-All-capitalism-Political/dp/0198293577>

http://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Allocation_universelle

<http://eis.bris.ac.uk/~plcdib/imprints/vanparijsinterview.html>

Gift Economy:

- Definition by Wikipedia

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gift_economy

- Pay it forward

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pay_it_forward

- Regift

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Regiving>

- Natural Money

<http://www.naturalmoney.org/introduction.html>

Bailouts and Recession

- List of acquired or bankrupt banks in the late 2000s financial crisis

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_acquired_or_bankrupt_banks_in_the_late_2000s_financial_crisis

- The bailouts transferred tens of billions of public money into the black holes of bank balance sheets.

<http://manchestermule.com/article/comment-a-total-innocent-has-been-sentenced-to-death-whilest-the-criminal-flees-the-courtroom>

• "Looting Main Street"—Matt Taibbi on How the Nation's Biggest Banks Are Ripping Off American Cities with Predatory Deals

http://www.democracynow.org/2010/4/12/looting_main_street_matt_taibbi_on

http://www.rollingstone.com/politics/story/32906678/looting_main_street

- Nobel Laureate Joseph Stiglitz: Foreclosure Moratorium, Government Stimulus Needed to Revive US

Economy

http://www.democracynow.org/2010/10/20/nobel_laureate_joseph_stiglitz_on_how

- Alistair Darling defends secret loans to RBS and HBOS

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/business/8378087.stm>

- How Our Entire Economy Became a Ponzi Scheme

http://www.alternet.org/economy/146027/how_our_entire_economy_became_a_ponzi_scheme

- The Truth Behind Corporate America's Scam to Get You to Work Harder for Less Money

<http://www.media-ocracy.com/?p=1121>

- IMF withdraws claim of £200bn UK bank bailout bill

<http://business.timesonline.co.uk/tol/business/economics/article6144037.ece>

- The "Dirty Little Secret" Of the US Bank Bailout

<http://www.wsws.org/articles/2008/oct2008/pers-o27.shtml>

- Where's the bank bailout money?

<http://edition.cnn.com/2008/US/12/22/bailout.accountability/>

- Bankers and protesters speak out in Chicago

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/business/video/2009/oct/27/american-bankers-association-protest-chicago>

- Taxing the Speculators

http://www.nytimes.com/2009/11/27/opinion/27krugman.html?_r=1

- Move Your Money And Make Too-Big-To-Fail Banks Smaller (VIDEO)

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/huff-tv/arianna-move-your-money-a_b_415686.html

- Celebrities, MPs and clergy urge government to rein in RBS

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/business/2009/nov/29/iain-banks-royal-bank-scotland>

- Bonus time as banks pay out £40bn

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/business/2010/jan/08/bonus-time-city-banks>

- Ireland's financial crisis - as it happened

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/business/blog/2010/nov/24/ireland-four-year-fiscal-plan-bailout-live-blog>

- Cleaners 'worth more to society' than bankers - study

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/business/8410489.stm>

- Bank bail-out 'could send national debt soaring by £1.5 trillion'

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/business/2009/feb/19/national-debt-lloyds-hbos>

Tax Havens:

- 3 Minute Version of Banking in the Shadows of Jersey

<http://blip.tv/file/2896452>

- Tax Justice Network

<http://www.taxjustice.net>

<http://taxjustice.blogspot.com/>

- Stop paradis fiscaux

<http://www.stopparadisfiscaux.fr/>

- Business and Investors Against Tax Haven Abuse

<http://businessagainsttaxhavens.org>

Organizations about critical finance:

- <http://www.brettonwoodsproject.org>
- <http://rethinkingfinance.org>
- <http://www.ifivatch.tv>
- <http://www.eurodad.org>