
Opportunities for economists at the Bank of England

The Bank of England will have a considerable number of vacancies for economists in 1988 and succeeding years. The openings will include relatively specialised posts in the Economics Division and International Divisions but also a wide range of central banking jobs for which economics is a particularly desirable qualification. Many vacancies will be suitable for new graduates and those acquiring higher degrees; there will also be a few for which relevant experience in research, higher education or industry (including especially the financial sector) will be desirable.

In the more specialised posts economists will undertake such tasks as:

- the analysis of economic performance at home and abroad;
- the study of policy options;
- forecasting UK and international developments;
- longer-term research projects.

Staff are expected to be able not only to apply their skills in economics to particular questions, but also to communicate their findings effectively to specialist and lay audiences, within the Bank and outside. There is scope for publication of analytical or research work in this *Bulletin* or elsewhere. For some of the more specialised posts econometric expertise will be an advantage.

Those with qualifications in economics who wish to follow a less specialised career may initially be employed in, for example, one of the Divisions operating in financial markets, or supervising financial institutions, or conducting the Bank's overseas relations.

Candidates may apply through the Careers Advisory Service of their university or polytechnic, or directly, by writing to David Sharp, Personnel Division, Bank of England, London, EC2R 8AH.