Macroeconomic Research Steps

- 1. Go to the Purdue Center for Economic Education web page
- 2. Scroll down and select the "World Bank" link
- 3. Select the three lines next to the "DataBank Microdata Data Catalog" in the upper right
- 4. Select "World Development Indicators" under "Products" heading
- 5. Scroll down and select "Query database" under "Access Data" heading
- 6. Select the arrow to expand "Country"
- 7. Select "X" above letter "D" to clear countries selected
- 8. Scroll down and select country "Greece" by selecting the box to choose it
- 9. Re-select the arrow next to "Country" to collapse it
- 10. Select the arrow to expand "Series"
- 11. Select "X" above CD to clear the series selected
- 12. Scroll down to the I's (or select the blue "I" in the alphabet row to jump to the I's)
- 13. Scroll down and select the box to choose "Industry (including construction), value added (constant 2010 US\$)"
- 14. Re-select the arrow next to "Series" to collapse it
- 15. Select the arrow to expand "Time"
- 16. Select the "X" above "RECENT" to clear the years selected
- 17. Select the box at 2007 to select that year
- 18. Select the box at 2009 to select that year, and select "Apply Changes"
- 19. Select "Download Options" under the blue "Table" box on the right
- 20. Choose "Excel" and download to your computer
- 21. Open the downloaded Excel file
- 22. Highlight the two cells with the values for 2007 and 2009
- 23. Format cell and select "Currency" with no decimals, but commas
- 24. Highlight next cell and enter this formula to compute the percent change =(F2-E2)/E2

then convert to percentage

-----Select a 2nd Country -----

- 25. Go back to the website
- 26. Select the arrow to expand "Country"
- 27. Select "X" above the letter "D" to clear the countries selected
- 28. Scroll down and select country "Germany" by selecting the box to select it
- 29. Re-select the arrow next to "Country" to collapse it
- 30. Select the arrow to expand "Series"
- 31. Select "X" above CD to clear the series selected
- 32. Scroll down to the I's (or select the blue "I" in the alphabet row to jump to the I's)
- 33. Scroll down and select the box to choose "Industry (including construction), value added (constant 2010 US\$)"
- 34. Re-select the arrow next to "Series" to collapse it
- 35. Select the arrow to expand "Time"
- 36. Select the "X" above "RECENT" to clear the years selected
- 37. Select the box at 2007 to select that year
- 38. Select the box at 2009 to select that year, and select "Apply Changes"
- 39. Select "Download Options" under the blue "Table" box on the right
- 40. Choose "Excel" and download to your computer
- 41. Open the downloaded Excel file
- 42. Highlight the row number two cells of columns A F, and COPY
- 43. Highlight "Greece" Excel sheet row 3, column A and PASTE
- 44. Highlight cells at row 3, columns E and F
- 45. Format cell and select "Currency" with no decimals, but commas
- 46. Highlight cell at row 3, column G and enter formula to compute the percent change =(F3-E3)/E3

then convert to percentage

- 47. Then, Save the Excel file.
- 48. Answer the following questions:
 - a. In 2007, which country had the greater amount of industrial production? Why?
 - b. In 2009, which country had the greater amount of industrial production? Why?
 - c. In 2009, which country experienced the greater reduction in industrial production? Why?

What other research from this website can help you answer the above questions?