

Jonathan Heath

Jonathan Heath graduated with Honors in Economics from the Universidad Anahuac in 1978. He obtained a Masters in Economics and an ABD with special fields in Monetary and International Economics in the Economics Graduate Program at the University of Pennsylvania. He has more than 40 years' experience analyzing the Mexican economy and its outlook, during which time he was Chief Economist for Mexico for various global financial institutions and international consulting firms.

He has lectured on the Mexican economy, its history and outlook at five major universities in Mexico City. He was a full-time visiting lecturer at the Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana Azcapotzalco giving classes in macroeconomics, monetary policy, inflation and labor markets. He has been a guest speaker at more than 50 universities in Mexico and the United States.

He has written numerous articles that have appeared in more than 60 magazines and newspapers, both in Mexico and abroad, and has given conferences on the Mexican economy in more than twenty countries. He had a weekly column in the business section of Reforma newspaper from 1995 to the beginning of 2019.

In 2011 he was a visiting researcher at the National Institute of Statistics and Geography (INEGI) where he wrote the book, "Lo que Indican los Indicadores" (What the Indicators Indicate). With the book as a basis, he coordinates a certified course (diplomado) on Mexican macroeconomic indicators at the Interactive Economics Museum (MIDE) since 2013. In 2021 he coordinated a three-volume series called "Lecturas en lo que Indican los Indicadores" (Readings in What the Indicators Indicate), with the collaboration of 31 experts in topics related to economic indicators. The titles of some of his previous books are "Understanding the Bank of Mexico", "Mexico and the Sexenio Curse: Presidential Successions and Economic Crises in Modern Mexico" and "Money".

He has been a member of the Mexican Institute of Financial Executives (IMEF) since 1992. He is the author of the IMEF Manufacturing and Non-Manufacturing Indicators, implemented in 2004, and of the monthly IMEF survey of consensus forecasting from 2009.

On 23 January 2019, he was appointed member of the Governing Board of the Bank of Mexico for an eight-year period ending on 31 December 2026.