

**Strand:** Microeconomics

**Sub Strand:** Price Control

**Learning outcome:** Define the term price control /differentiate between Price ceiling and price floor/use graphs to explain the effects of price ceiling and price floor

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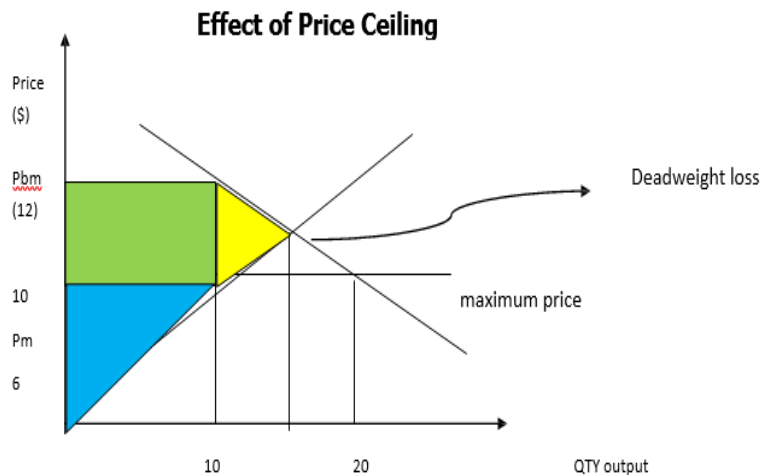
### Price Control

- It is the control of prices by government either at maximum or minimum level.




#### 1. Price Ceiling (Maximum Price)

- It is the maximum price set by government **below** equilibrium level to ensure certain essential goods and services are affordable.
- Price ceiling is set to protect the buyers or consumers.

Example: rent ceiling, interest ceiling.



**KEY:**

-  Increased consumer surplus after price ceiling.
-  Reduced producer surplus after price ceiling.
-  Deadweight loss –is sum of loss of consumer and producer surplus not transferred to any party.

#### Effects of Price Ceiling

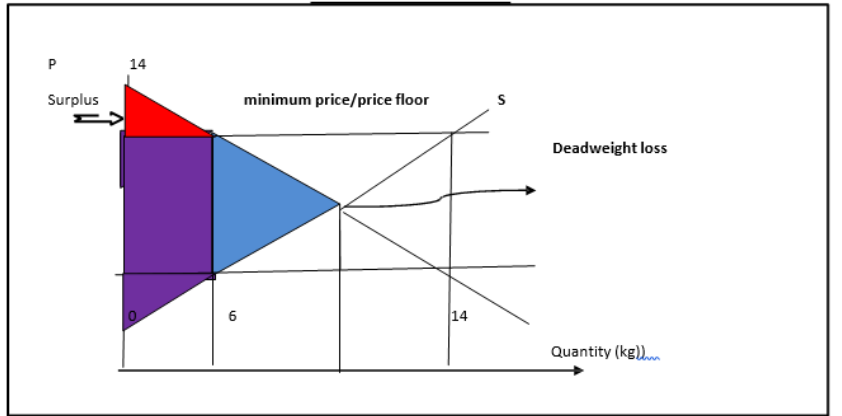
- It creates a shortage of ( $Q_d - Q_s$ ) i.e.  $20 - 10 = 10$  units.
- It results in black marketing and producers will charge higher price
- Some customers may remain unsatisfied due to shortage.
- It reduces the value of producer surplus and increase the value of consumer surplus

## 2. Price Floor (Minimum Price)

- Is the minimum price set by government above the equilibrium level to protect the producers

Example, Agricultural Price floor, minimum wage rate

Effect of Price Floor



**KEY:**

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Reduced consumer surplus after price ceiling

Increased producer surplus after price ceiling

Deadweight loss –is sum of loss of consumer and producer surplus not transferred to any party.

### Effects of Price Floor

- It creates a surplus of  $Q_s - Q_d$  i.e.  $14\text{kg} - 6\text{kg} = 8\text{kg}$
- It will result in the illegal lowering of prices in the market.
- The surplus created will be wasted if government does not come in to buy up the surplus.

### Activity

- Explain why the government may set a price ceiling.
- Explain what happens to the price if a price ceiling (maximum legal price) is imposed
- Indicate whether a price ceiling creates a surplus or a shortage. Why?

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**Lesson Notes- Week 2**

**YEAR 11**

**ECONOMICS**

<b>STRAND</b>	3. Macroeconomics
<b>Sub Strand</b>	3.1 National Income
<b>Content Learning Outcome</b>	Define, differentiate and calculate Nominal GDP and Real GDP

**Notes**

**National Income**

- Is made up of individual incomes earned in the economy, that is income earned by Factors of Production

**Gross Domestic Product (GDP)**

- Value of goods and services produced in an economy in a given year.

**Nominal versus Real GDP**

**1. Nominal GDP (GDP at current price)**

- Measures the value of output of all final goods and services at **current price**.

$$\text{Nominal GDP} = \frac{\text{Real GDP} * \text{Price Index}}{\text{Base Year Index}}$$

**2. Real GDP (GDP at constant price)**

- Measures the output of all final goods and services at constant price.
- It is nominal GDP adjusted for Inflation.

$$\text{Real GDP} = \frac{\text{Nominal GDP} * \text{Base Year Index}}{\text{CPI}}$$

## Activity

- (i) Differentiate between Nominal GDP and Real GDP
- (ii) Use the information given below and your knowledge to calculate the missing figures.

Year	Price Index	Nominal GDP	Real GDP
1	100	800	(i)_____
2	260	(ii)_____	500
3	286	1716	(iii)_____
4	300	2046	(iv)_____
5	320	(v)_____	937.50

## Consumer Price Index (CPI)

- Is defined as a standard market basket of goods and services purchased by a typical urban family.
- In Fiji, CPI = 100

### Measures of CPI

- It measures the cost of living.
- Used to calculate Inflation rate of the country

### Limitations of CPI

- It does not take into account the market basket of goods and services purchased by all families in the economy.

## Economic Growth

- Is the increase in Real GDP over a period of time
- Thus, there are more goods and services available for consumption
- There is more productivity and employment leading to an increase in the standard of living.

### Measures of Economic Growth

- Real GDP
- Real GDP per Capita

#### Note:

$\text{Real GDP per Capita} = \frac{\text{Real GDP}}{\text{Total Population}}$
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**Lesson Notes- Week 3**

**YEAR 11**

**ECONOMICS**

<b>STRAND</b>	3. Macroeconomics
<b>Sub Strand</b>	3.1 Circular Flow
<b>Content Learning Outcome</b>	Illustrate the inclusion of Circular Flow to identify the components of GDP

**Notes**

**Circular Flow**

**Two Sector Circular flow Model**

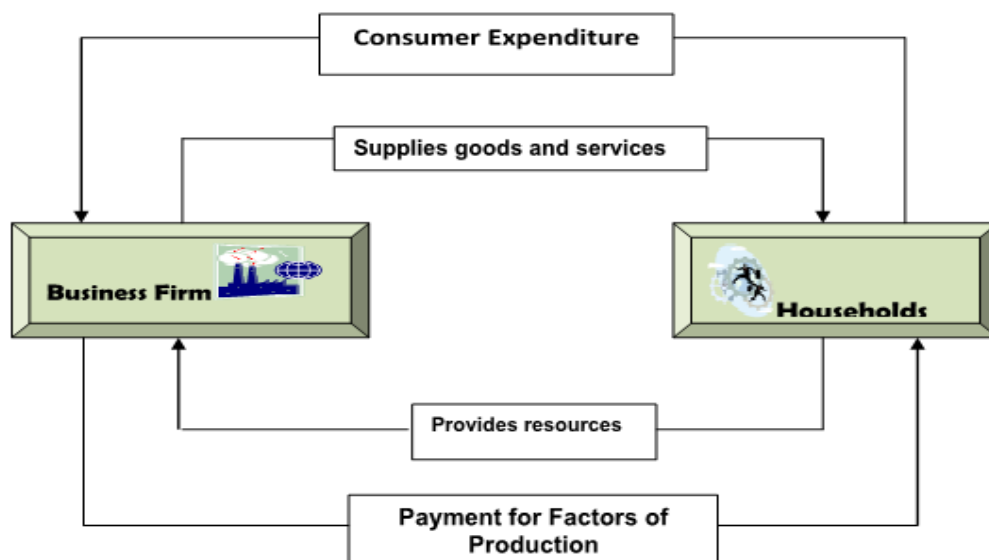
**1. Household Sector**

- Provides factors of production to business firms and receive factor income in return
- It also buys goods and services from the business firms

**2. Business sector**

- Buys factors of production from the household to produce goods and services
- It also sells goods and services to the household

**Two Sector Circular Flow Model**



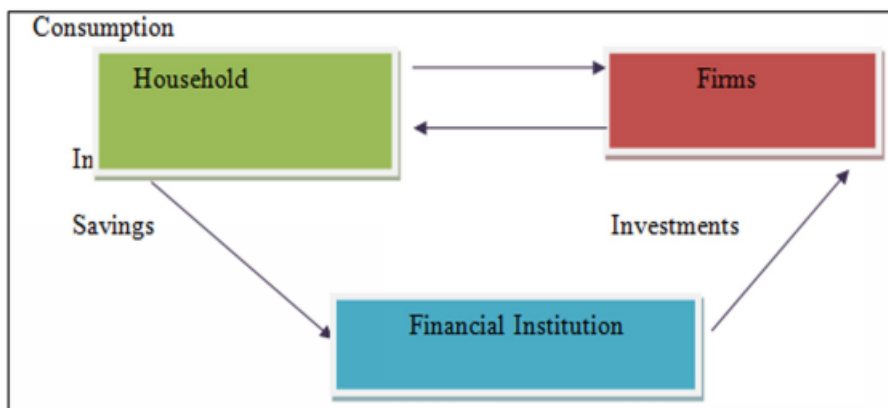
### Three Sector Circular Flow Model

Three sectors involved in this model includes Household sector, Business sector and Financial Institution

#### Financial Institution

- The sector which involves borrowing and lending of money
- Includes banks, financial institutions, life insurance companies, FNPF, etc

#### Three Sector Circular Flow Model



#### Savings

- Savings is a leakage from the circular flow and will lead to a decrease in the size of circular flow
- Thus, there is a decrease in income, output and employment in the economy

#### Investment

- Investment is an injection in or addition to an income stream in the circular flow
- It increases the size of circular flow, leading to an increase in income, output and employment in the economy

#### Equilibrium Condition for a Three Sector Model

Savings	=	Investment
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#### Activity

- Define Interdependence and state an example from the three sector circular flow model.
- Describe Leakage Effect and give an example.