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Definition of 'consumer'

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(kɒnsʊmə ɹ) ⓘ

Word forms: consumers

1. COUNTABLE NOUN

A **consumer** is a person who buys things or uses services.

...claims that tobacco companies failed to warn consumers about the dangers of smoking.

Synonyms: buyer, customer, user, shopper [More Synonyms of consumer](#)

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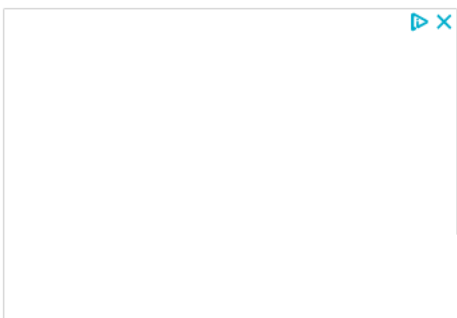
criminal activity or **economic activity**?

Which version is correct?

Overall **criminal activity** is weak and it is expected to remain weak in the near term.

Overall **economic activity** is weak and it is expected to remain weak in the near term.

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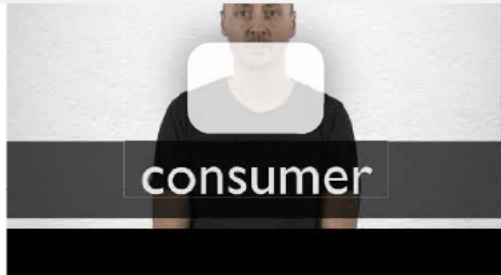




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in American English

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NOUN

a person or thing that consumes; specif., a person who buys goods or services for personal needs and not for resale or to use in the production of other goods for resale

see also producer

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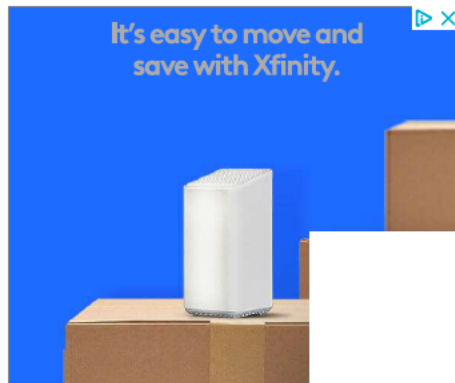
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a person or organization that uses a commodity or service

3. Ecology

an organism, usually an animal, that feeds on plants or other animals



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Derived forms

consumership **NOUN**

Word origin

[1375–1425 for earlier sense "squanderer," 1525–35 for current senses; ME; see consume, -er¹]

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needs Compare producer (sense 6)

2. a person or thing that consumes

3. (*usually plural*) *ecology*

an organism, esp an animal, within a community that feeds upon plants or other animals

See also decomposer, producer (sense 8)



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They suggested that higher prices due to rising inflation may have had an impact on consumer spending.

TIMES, SUNDAY TIMES (2017)

The consumer prices index hit 1.6 per cent last month.

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In the same period the consumer prices index of inflation rose 1 per cent.

TIMES, SUNDAY TIMES (2016)

It is doing damage to business and consumer confidence.

TIMES, SUNDAY TIMES (2011)

Pressure on phone makers to introduce such features has come from consumers concerned about lack of security.

TIMES, SUNDAY TIMES (2013)

It is not just consumer electronics that would benefit from better batteries.

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It acknowledges that new technologies have opened up exciting opportunities for both business and the consumer.

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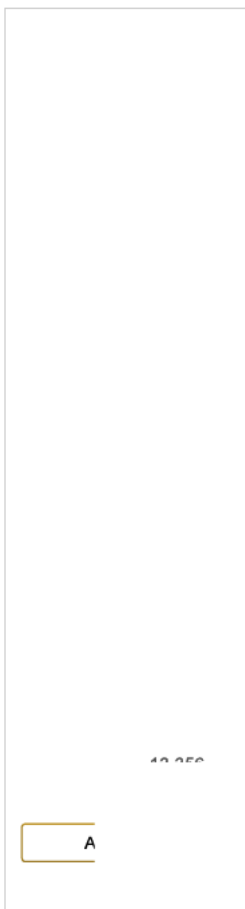
The sector looks like a good way of getting exposure to rising British consumer spending.

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