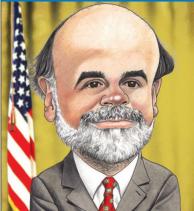
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## BEN BERNANKE

- Born: Dec 13, 1953, *Augusta*, *Georgia*. Married with two children
- ▶ 1975-79: Graduated summa cum laude from Harvard University. Gained Ph.D. at Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- ▶ 1979-85: Taught economics at Stanford University
- ▶ 1985-2002: Professor of Economics at *Princeton* – chair of department from 1996. Director of Monetary Economics Program of *National Bureau of Economic Research*, and editor of *American Economic Review*
- ► Aug 2002: Appointed to Board of Governors of *Federal Reserve*
- Jun 2005: Sworn in by George W. Bush as Chairman of President's Council of Economic Advisers
- ➤ Oct 24: Nominated to succeed Alan Greenspan as Chairman of Federal Reserve
- Feb 1, 2006: Bernanke starts four year-term as Fed chief