



The Use of Knowledge in Society



"The peculiar character of the problem of a rational economic order is determined precisely by the fact that the knowledge of the circumstances of which we must make use never exists in concentrated or integrated form but solely as the dispersed bits of incomplete and frequently contradictory knowledge which all the separate individuals possess."

--Friedrich von Hayek, 1948

Knowledge Is Power

- 2008: Barack Obama uses social media to help get elected
 - The First president on Twitter
 - Replaced the weekly radio address with YouTube
- 2009: Iran uprising after elections coordinated on Twitter
- 2011: Arab Spring and the "Facebook Revolution"

2011: Occupy Wall Street











