

Woody Guthrie's Out Of Work Lament

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1. A working man ain't workin' anymore.

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The jobs aren't there that's for sure.

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If you're lucky t' get a paycheck, it's smaller than before.

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A working man ain't workin' anymore.

2. Welcome to the new e – conomy.

The factories have closed or moved overseas.

We don't even make what we wear, drive or eat.

Welcome to the new e – conomy.

3. A banking genius explained it t' me.

We're all better off as service industries.

I'll service you while you service me.

That's the way the genius explained it t' me.

4. And we'll divide the pie a brand new way.

"We'll need the biggest slices," all the CEO's did say,

"because we're smarter than you and always save the day."

We'll divide the pie a brand new way.

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5. So now the house of cards is tumblin' down.

Up and down Main Street, the stores are shuttin' down.

And all those CEO's are nowhere t' be found.

Now that the house of cards is tumblin' down.

Repeat first verse.

2. It started with the service e-conomy.

So, it was ok to close the factories.

No need to make what we wear, drive or eat.

I'll just service you while you service me.

It started with the service e-conomy.

(That's how we do the service e-conomy.)

3. So, it was ok to close the factories.

Didn't matter if our jobs all went overseas.

That's the way a genius explained it to me.

Standing back in line with his resume.

4. The pie kept getting smaller every day.

At least the slice that showed up in our pay.

All the CEO's produced was excuse after excuse

For why they deserved another raise.

5. One day the bubble finally burst. (walls came crashing down).

We lined up for a bail out from the government purse.

But the workers were last, the rats got there first.

6. Welcome to the new e - conomy.

All of our jobs have vanished overseas.

So, it was ok to close the factories.

The workers slice got smaller every day.

