
Introduction

Certain topics within economic anthropology are issues. They can be so because they are the focus of dispute or uncertainty, or because they attract a wave of interest. Part V is devoted to some of these topics, though because of their diverse foci they resist ready summary. The part begins with a consideration of ethics, and especially the ethics associated with different sorts of economic activity. Then come two chapters that touch on the issue of peasants in different ways. One is concerned with peasant households and their relationship with markets, focusing on the Andean region; the other is a synthesis of sub-disciplinary attempts to understand the peasantry. Then come two chapters that look at value in different ways, and one that traces the problematic relationship between anthropology and development projects.