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## Introduction

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I said in the Introduction to this handbook that economic anthropology, like the discipline as a whole, tends to be fragmented into sets of scholars working on different regions of the world. The relatively brief chapters in this final part present the main themes that are important in selected ethnographic regions, and comparing them shows how much divergence in interest exists within the sub-discipline. These being relatively short chapters, they are not intended as thorough overviews of work in the different regions. Rather, they are offered as introductions to the central topics and writings in each, which should help provide a foundation for those interested in reading more deeply in regional literature.