In the text “Small is Beautiful” the author Schumacher states western economics as being narrow and fragmentary. Referencing some of his examples, the current economy is fueled by the need of instant gratification, efficiency, and easy solutions. Only concerned with quantity and not the quality, businesses and consumers want to easily mass produce quality items at a cheap price such as cars (compared to their previous value). Unfortunately, those said items do not last as long as they are intended to. In a way business knowling give people items that have a low life expectancy rather than create quality items. Schumacher makes the same point using energy resources as an example. Coal a capital non-renewable energy is being used as if it were income, and has made negative impacts on the environment such as global warming. I agree with Schumacher stating that western economics as being narrow mind in its solutions and fragmentary in its judgement.