

# CONTENTS

Preface	vii
Introduction	I
1 Relevance and falsification	22
<i>Appendix: Frictionless motion and perfect competition</i>	43
2 Rational economic man	47
3 Theory and hypothesis	65
<i>Appendix: A mini-science of chess</i>	89
4 Facts and theories	95
5 Behaviour and prediction	114
6 <i>A priori</i> knowledge	140
<i>Appendix: On the price of choosing truth</i>	163
7 Deductive explanation	170
<i>Appendix: Two economists</i>	196
8 The assumptions of neo-Classicism	205
9 Rationalist foundations for economic theory	233
Bibliography	267
Index	273