



Selected Resources for Research: Economics

Dictionaries and Encyclopedias

The New Palgrave: A Dictionary of Economics. REF HB 61 .N49 1987 vol. 1-4

Dictionary of Economics. REF HB 61 .S466 1995

Encyclopedia of American Economic History. REF HC 103 .E52 vol. 1-3

Organized into five sections: Part 1 deals with the historiography of American economic history, Part 2 is the chronological section which provides brief overviews of major economic trends, Part 3 discusses economic growth and the various theories involved, Part 4 deals with the institutional framework, and Part 5 talks about the social impact of changing institutions and shifting aggregate patterns.

Countries of the World. REF G 123 .C67 vol. 1-2

Provides information on the geography of the country, statistics on population, ethnic groups, literacy, workforce, economy, type of government, history, government and political conditions, industrial and the agricultural circumstances.

Economic Indicators Resources (These sources are located on Reference Table #1, 6th. Floor, unless noted). Online access included when available.

Economic Indicators. REF HC 101 .A186 Table 2 <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/indicators/index.html>

Economic Report of the President. REF HC 106.5 .A272 <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/eop/>

UCLA Anderson Forecast. REF HC 101 .B825 <http://uclaforecast.com/>

Business Statistics of the United States. REF HC 101 .A13122

Survey of Current Business. REF HC 101 .A13 <http://www.bea.doc.gov/bea/pubs.htm>

California Economic Indicators. http://www.dof.ca.gov/HTML/FS_DATA/indicatr/ei_home.htm

Outlook for the California Economy. REF HC 107 .C2C3

Economic Report of the Governor. REF HC 107 .C2A2115

http://www.dof.ca.gov/HTML/FS_DATA/Fs_home.asp

California Economic Growth. REF HC 107 .C2C335

For other online resources select "Websites by Subjects" from the Library homepage. On the next screen, select "Subject A-Z" link.

International Statistics Resources: See 'Sources for International Statistics' handout. (Located on the handout stand near the Reference Desk)

Locating Books

Select 'Catalog' from the Library Home Page. You can search by subject, keyword, author or title. Most of the time you will want to do a **keyword** search. This means searching for the words pertinent to your topic. For example, when looking for books dealing with the effects of inflation on unemployment in the U.S. you would type in **inflation and unemployment and united states** as your keyword search. Be sure to check the availability before going to retrieve the book - it may be checked out. If you need help, please ask at the Reference Desk on the 6th floor.

Research workstations are located on the fourth, fifth, and sixth floors to the right of the elevators.

LINK+

Allows you to electronically request books not available in this library, from one of several participating libraries. Materials will be delivered to this library for you to check out. You can check with the Circulation Desk in 2-3 days to see if they have arrived. Another option is to view your record by clicking on "Library Catalog" and selecting "View Your Record".

To access LINK+: Select "Library Catalog" from the Library Home Page and click on the 'LINK+' button on the right hand side under 'additional services'. You can also conduct a LINK+ search while you are doing a search in the Library Catalog. Just click on the 'Link+' button on the right side of the screen.

You must have your **Library PIN** (Personal Identification Number) to use this service. This can be obtained from the Circulation Desk on the fourth floor.

Looking for journal or magazine articles... use Databases

The following databases are available via the web, select 'Database and Article Search' from the Library Home Page. Select the alphabet of the database you need and finally click on the database.

EconLit. Indexes over 400 journals, as well as books, dissertations, and the Cambridge University Press Abstracts of Working Papers in Economics. Include abstracts.

Sociological Abstracts. This database contains information from over 2,500 journals and selected books. Covers sociology, anthropology, behavioral science, political science, economics, and related disciplines. **Contains some full text.** 1963 to present.

Academic Search Elite. Indexes over 2,790 journals covering the social sciences, humanities, general science, education, multi-cultural studies, and more. **Provides full text** for over 1,530 of these titles. For scholarly materials make sure the peer reviewed box is checked. 1984 to present.

WilsonWeb. **Provides abstracts and in some cases full text** of articles in the field of sociology as well as other disciplines. **When in this database select Omni, Readers Guide, and Social Sciences.** For scholarly materials make sure the peer reviewed box is checked. 1982 to present.

Article First

Indexes articles from the contents pages of journals in all academic disciplines.

Lexis/Nexis. Lexis is a legal database which **contains full-text primary and secondary sources**. The Nexis service contains full-text information sources of newspapers, magazines, journals, wire services and broadcast transcripts. Abstract materials are also available for other sources.

Journal of Economic Literature. Periodical, Second Floor, HB 1 .J6 (also available via JSTOR online) Indexes major economic periodicals of prime interest to business and economic research. Each issue includes: an annotated list of new books by subject; a subject index of current articles; selected abstracts of the more significant articles; and critical book reviews .

Locating Periodicals (journals or magazines) after Using Databases

Locating journals or magazines when full text is not available online:

Most of the databases provide the capability for checking further for full text: use the **Find It!** link. If you see a “Full text is available from” link, click the **GO** link to access full text. Otherwise, select the “Check for holdings in Cal Poly Pomona’s Library Catalog” option. This will automatically search for the journal title in our library catalog.

If the journal is not available from this library go back to the **Find It!** screen and select the “Request document from Document Delivery” option. This option will obtain articles not owned by us from another library. The requested items should be available in 2-3 days. For more information, see <http://illiad.library.csupomona.edu/illiad/firsttime.html>

Other Useful Resources

To access, select ‘Databases’ or ‘Database and Article Search’ from the Library Home Page.

JSTOR. **Contains full text** of articles from scholarly journals in the disciplines of Economics, Ecology, Mathematics, History, Sociology, Population Studies, and Political Science. Coverage varies according to journal.

STAT-USA. Provides access to State of the Nation (financial and economic data of the U.S.) and GLOBUS & NTDB (international trade data).

RAND California. Features a collection of statistics on California and its cities and counties, an online library of research publications, bulletins on both State and Federal policy developments, and a monthly report on California's economy.

CQ Electronic Library. Provides access to the full-text of two of Congressional Quarterly's premier publications: the CQ Weekly Report, and the CQ Researcher. Through the CQ Library database students may search issues, as well as the archive, for either publication.

Web Sites

Research Guides for Selected Areas in the Social Sciences: Economics

<http://www.csupomona.edu/~ecgibson>

This is a site I created to help you with doing research at Cal Poly Pomona. Has links to relevant databases, discusses how to write a term paper, provide links to site dealing with citing references and more. Try it out.

Statistical Resources on the Web. <http://www.lib.umich.edu/govdocs/stecon.html>

Links to comprehensive Economics sites.

Argus Social Sciences & Social Issues. <http://www.clearinghouse.net/index.html>

Argus Social Sciences & Social Issues includes economics, business, anthropology, archaeology, political science, psychology, and sociology. Click on 'Business and Employment' to get to Economics.

Research Resources for the Social Sciences. <http://www.socsciresearch.com>

This site leads to links organized by the major social science disciplines (Economics, Sociology, Anthropology, Psychology, Political Science, etc.) as well as links grouped by 'General Resource Searches', 'Data Archives', 'General Reference', and other headings.

GPO Access on the Web. <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/index.html>

Provides access to the Federal Register, The Budget of the U.S. Government, Economic Report of the President, Congressional Record, and the U.S. Code

U.S. Department of Commerce. http://www.commerce.gov/economic_analysis.html

Provides links to economic statistics from sites such as: Bureau of the Census, Bureau of Economic Analysis, EconomicIndicators.gov, and STAT-USA.

For more Economics websites which I have reviewed and evaluated, visit our **Internet Reference Site** at <http://www.csupomona.edu/~library/websites> or from the library home page click on 'Websites by Subjects'. Select the A-Z link and click "E" for economics.

Specialized Reference Assistance

Appointments for specialized reference assistance are welcomed. Stop in the Reference Office on the 6th floor in Room 505 or call 909-869-3076 to make an appointment to meet with Emma Gibson.

Research can be rewarding.

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