

## Internet Resources (cont.)

### -Economic Conditions-

#### Economic Policy Institute

<http://www.epi.org/>

Offers commentary on socioeconomic issues in the areas of living standards and labor markets, government and the economy, trade and globalization, education, and sustainable economics

#### Assoc of Environmental & Resource Economists

<http://www.aere.org/resources/research.html>

The AERE website provides research, journal articles, databases, bibliographies in environmental economics

### -Statistics-

#### FedStats: Federal Statistics

<http://www.fedstats.gov/>

Website contains statistics from more than 70 agencies in the federal government

#### Elections and Voting-Federal Election Commission

<http://www.fec.gov/>

Contains statistical information about voter registration and turnout for presidential and federal elections since 1960

#### EarthTrends (World Resources Institute)

<http://earthtrends.wri.org/>

Focuses on the environmental, social, and economic trends that shape our world, includes data sets, maps, & searchable databases

#### NationMaster.com

<http://www.nationmaster.com/index.php>

A vast compilation of data from such sources as the CIA World Factbook, UN, and OECD, a massive central data source and a handy way to graphically compare nations

## Print/Book Resources

### Need to find books on Public Policy?

Consider searching the [Wilmington University Online Catalog, WebCat](#). If you are unable to locate needed books in the Wilmington University Library, try searching the database [WorldCat](#) to identify resources available in other libraries around the world. As a student or faculty member, you can request these materials through [Interlibrary Loan](#).

### Below are some selected books available on the topic of Public Policy:

- **REF H97 .I574 1997**  
The International Encyclopedia of Public Policy and Administration
- **JK468 .P64 W55 2006**  
Public Policy : Continuity and Change
- **HQ1064.U5 L29 1983**  
Public Policy and the Aging
- **HV7431 .C7 1983**  
Crime and Public Policy

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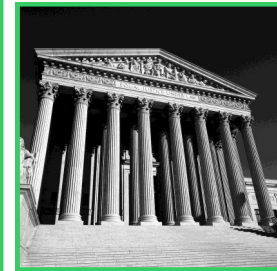
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# Resources for Research on Public Policy

## Research Databases

The sources listed below have been compiled for students as a starting point for conducting research on the World Wide Web, through our Electronic Research Databases.

Off-Campus Access requires that you login to the Wilmington University portal, "WebCampus". Then select "Research" and "Library Databases" from the WebCampus main menu.

**Students are encouraged to continue their research on Public Policy using the electronic databases noted below.**

- **Academic Search Premier** (EBSCOhost)
- **CQ Researcher**
- **LexisNexis Academic**
- **MasterFILE Premier** (EBSCOhost)
- **Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center**
- **ProQuest: National Newspapers & Criminal Justice Periodicals Index**
- **Sage Journals Online**
- **SocINDEX** (EBSCOhost)
- **The Statesman's Yearbook**
- **Westlaw Campus Research**
- **WorldCat**



## Internet Resources

**Note: When conducting research on the Internet, it will be helpful to consider a few points.**

- The Internet is full of information that may not be scholarly, updated, and or unbiased.
- Use domain searching (.edu, .gov, .org.) to improve the quality of your searches. You can limit your searches by using the advanced features of search engines such as Google.
- Determine who wrote, gathered, or sponsored the page or information.
- Try to determine if the information is current by looking for a date listed when the site was created or last updated.
- You should be somewhat skeptical of sites that contain a lot of advertising for products or services.

### Selected U.S. Government Web Sites

The United States federal government gathers tremendous amounts of information and statistics on a wide array of subjects. The Websites below are excellent places to start searching for information concerning aging on the World Wide Web.

#### **The United States Government Official Website**

<http://www.usa.gov>

The official homepage of the U.S. federal government. Includes links to all three branches of the federal government, as well as links to state and local governments

#### **Statistical Abstract of the United States**

[http://www.census.gov/compendia/statab/past\\_years.html](http://www.census.gov/compendia/statab/past_years.html)

A well indexed, comprehensive collection of statistics in tabular format. Includes basic statistics for a wide range of economic indicators

## Additional Selected Websites

### **-Government Resources: State-**

#### **StateMaster.com**

<http://www.statemaster.com/index.php>

Statistical database to research and compare a multitude of different data on US states

#### **State and County Quick Facts**

<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/>

Quick, easy access to facts about people, business, and geography from the US Census Bureau

#### **State and Metropolitan Area Data Book**

<http://www.census.gov/compendia/smadb/>

Data Book features more than 1,500 data items for the United States and individual states, counties and metropolitan areas from a variety of sources

### **-Policy Resources-**

#### **Centers for Research and Policy Development**

<http://www.hks.harvard.edu/library/research/guides/think-tanks-directory.htm>

Site lists think tanks and links to their websites

#### **Brookings Institution**

<http://www.brookings.edu/>

The nation's oldest think tank, Brookings conducts research in economics, public policy, foreign affairs, and other areas; reports and publications available

### **-Public Opinion Polls-**

#### **Pollingreport.com**

<http://pollingreport.com/>

Site provides information on public opinion on many different topics

#### **Pew Research Center for the People and the Press**

<http://people-press.org/>

Independent opinion research group that studies attitudes toward the press, politics, and public policy issues.