



## **Electronic Databases**

### **Sociological Abstracts**

Access this resource from the Library Databases web page, <http://rattler.tamucc.edu>.

Description: The index of articles in sociology, Sociological Abstracts abstracts and indexes the international literature in sociology and related disciplines in the social and behavioral sciences. The database provides abstracts of journal articles and citations to book reviews drawn from over 1,800+ serials publications, and also provides abstracts of books, book chapters, dissertations, and conference papers. Records for materials indexed in the print version of Sociological Abstracts from the database's first 11 years, 1952-1962, have been added to the database. Full text of articles is provided via links to other databases and resources but Sociological Abstracts itself contains no full text.

### **Social Sciences Citation Index**

Access this resource from the Library Databases web page, <http://rattler.tamucc.edu/electres/>.

Coverage: 1993 to present

Full Text: some

Description: The *Social Sciences Citation Index* is a multidisciplinary index to the journal literature of the social sciences. It fully indexes more than 1,725 journals across 50 social sciences disciplines including anthropology, political science, public health, **SOCIOLOGY**, social work, urban studies, and women's studies. It indexes individually selected, relevant items from over 3,300 of the world's leading scientific and technical journals. An average of 60,000 new cited references are added each week. The Social Sciences Citation Index contains little full text. Full text of articles is provided primarily via links to other databases and resources.

### **Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)**

Access this resource from the Library Databases web page, <http://rattler.tamucc.edu/electres/>.

Coverage: varies, 1962 to present

Description: ICPSR is the world's largest archive of digital social science data. It contains over 500,000 data and documentation files comprising over 6,300 studies from a broad range of disciplines. Data available includes child care and early education research data, demographic data, health and medical care data, and criminal justice data. Data sets are analysis-ready in multiple software formats. Also included are bibliographies of data-related literature.

### **Directory of Open Access Journals: Social Sciences**

Available at <http://www.doaj.org/ljbs?cpid=87>

Coverage: varies by journal

Description: This is a collection of freely-available journals and articles in the social sciences including sociology, education, gender studies, anthropology, and ethnology.

### **Social Science Abstracts**

Access this resource from the Library Databases web page, <http://rattler.tamucc.edu/electres/>.

Coverage: 1983 to present; abstracts since 1994

Description: This database provides abstracts and indexing for 690 core journals in the fields of anthropology, economics, geography, political science, social work, **SOCIOLOGY**, and international relations. Full text of articles is provided via links to other databases and resources but Social Science Abstracts itself contains no full text. It is updated weekly

### **JSTOR**

Access this resource from the Library Databases web page, <http://rattler.tamucc.edu/>.

Coverage: varies by journal

Full Text: Yes

Description: The JSTOR Arts & Sciences I Collection provides full access to back files of core scholarly journals, some of which date back to the 1800s. Journals currently indexed include select ones from the areas of African American studies, anthropology, Asian studies, botany, ecology, economics, education, finance, history, languages & literatures, Latin American studies, mathematics, philosophy, political science, population studies, Slavic studies, sociology, and statistics. However, this database does not include the most recent issues of these journals.

## **FactSearch**

Access this resource from the Library Databases web page, <http://rattler.tamucc.edu/electres/>.

Coverage: 1984 to present

Description: FactSearch is a specialized database of full-text statistical statements on current social, economic, political, health, and environmental issues and public policy topics, excerpted from more than 1,100 mainstream and alternative serial sources. Full text of articles is provided via links to other databases and resources, but Social Science Abstracts itself contains no full text. It is updated quarterly.

## **Internet Resources**

### **American Sociological Association**

Location: <<http://www.asanet.org/>>

Description: Homepage for the ASA, the main professional association for sociologists in the U.S. The site includes information for sociologists, students, and the public on news, resources of interest, careers, employment, and more.

### **Social Science Information Gateway**

Location: <<http://sosig.ac.uk/>>

Description: Searchable directory of links to various online social science resources.

### **Gallup Organization**

Location: <<http://gallup.com/>>

Description: Homepage for the organization that conducts Gallup polls, which aim to measure and interpret actions and attitudes of the public.

### **A Sociological Tour Through Cyberspace**

Location: <<http://www.trinity.edu/~mkearl/index.html>>

Description: Provides links to a variety of useful resources on general sociological topics, as well as the sociologies of death and dying, race, ethnicity, gender, and the family, among others.

### **SocioSite**

Location: <<http://www.pscw.uva.nl/sociosite/index.html>>

Description: Comprehensive site from the University of Amsterdam that lists dozens of sites of interest to sociologists. Designed from a global point of view to "give access to the world wide scene of social science."

### **SocioWeb**

Location: <<http://www.socioweb.com/~markbl/socioweb/>>

Description: A good starting point for finding sociological sites on the Internet.

## **Print Resources**

*Printed materials on the Library Reference Shelves:*

### **American Statistics Index** (Ref Z7554.U5 A461)

Coverage: 1974 to present

Description: Indexes statistical publications of the United States government.

### **County and City Data Book** (Ref HA202.A36 2000)

Description: Provides statistics on a local and regional basis for unincorporated areas, cities, counties, metropolitan areas, and urbanized areas.

### **A Companion to Qualitative Research** / edited by Uwe Flick Ref (H61 .Q16513 2004)

### **Digest of Education Statistics** (Reference Desk ED 1.326: 2002)

Description: Contains statistical material covering education at all levels.

### **Encyclopedia of American Social History** (Ref HN57.E58 1993, v.1-3)

Description: Offers essays on the major issues that have dominated the study of social history in America, grouped under broad categories such as "Periods of Social Change," "The Construction of Social Identities," and "Social Problems, Social Control, and Social Protest."

**Encyclopedia of Drugs and Alcohol** (Ref HV5804.E53 1995, v.1-4)

Description: Comprehensive source of information for nonspecialists about a wide variety of topics relating to substance use and abuse. Includes appendices and a comprehensive index.

**Encyclopedia of Marriage and the Family** (Ref HQ9.E52 1995, v.1-2)

Description: Includes 169 entries covering the following general topics: marriage and family types, emotions, interpersonal dynamics, economics, health and illness, family law, values and religion, sexual beliefs and behaviors, reproduction, socialization, parenting, and sociocultural influences on marriage and the family.

**Encyclopedia of Sociology** (Ref HM425 .E5 2000, v.1-5)

Description: Five-volume set includes 397 articles on a wide variety of sociological topics, from adolescence to world religions. These articles provide an excellent depth and breadth of coverage. Articles include bibliographies. Index in volume 5.

**Key Concepts in Social Research** / Geoff Payne and Judy Payne (Ref H62 .P259 2004)

**Encyclopedia of Violence, Peace, and Conflict** (Ref HM886.E53 1999, v.1-3)

Description: Offers sociological studies about a variety of topics relating to violence and nonviolence, from violence toward the aged to youth violence.

**Gale Encyclopedia of Multicultural America** (Ref E184.A1 G14 1995, v.1-2)

Description: Two-volume collection of over 100 articles addressing the acculturation, assimilation, family and community dynamics, language, religion, employment and economic conditions, politics and government, and significant contributions of various ethnic groups in the United States.

**Handbook of Labor Statistics** (Reference Desk L 2.3/5: 989)

Description: Provides statistical information on earnings, employment, the labor force, occupations, unemployment, cost of living, working conditions, etc.

**Historical Statistics of the United States, Colonial Times to 1970** (Ref HA202.B87 1976 pts.1&2)

Description: Comparative historical statistics on political, social and economic aspects of the United States.

**International Bibliography of Sociology** (Ref Z7161.I594)

Coverage: 1973 to present

Description: Indexes journal articles and monographs from all over the world in over 70 languages, with English title translations when necessary.

**A Modern Dictionary of Sociology** (Ref HM17 .T5 1979)

Description: Somewhat dated, but provides clear definitions of many of the terms one will encounter in the literature of sociology.

**Statistical Reference Index** (Ref Z7554.U5 S73)

Coverage: 1981 to present

Description: Indexes American statistical publications from private organizations as well as state government sources.

**The Student Sociologist's Handbook** (Ref HM68.B37 1986)

Description: Somewhat dated, yet still provides students with a guide to viewing the world with a sociological perspective, understanding and evaluating sociological research, and learning to do sociological research themselves.

## **Government Information: Web Sites**

**Census Bureau**

Location: <<http://www.census.gov/>>

Description: Provides online access to a variety of publications from the Census Bureau and to data from the year 2000 census.

**FedStats**

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

Description: Gateway site to statistics from over 100 U.S. Federal agencies.

**Statistical Abstract of the United States**

Location: <<http://www.census.gov/prod/www/statistical-abstract-us.html>>

Coverage: 1995-2000

Description: Collection of statistics on social and economic conditions in the United States, as well as selected international data.

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