Information Search

MASTER ESSAY, ECONOMICS
26 Slides on

- Economics resource guide (with these slides)
- Different types of sources
  - Scholarly articles
- What to think of when searching for information
- Some selected search tools
  - Bibliographic databases
    - EconLit
    - LUBsearch
    - Citation index Scopus
    - Library catalogues Libris and Lovisa
  - Other types of search tools/databases – Finance, Statistics, company information
• Databases by subject
• Other Guides: Academic integrity, …
• Use the library links to get access to the databases, also from off campus. Log in with your student account
Some Sources for Information
Different Kinds of Journals

• Magazines
  – Information and entertainment to an interested segment of the public
    » The Economist

• Trade journals
  – Practical information and news aimed for workplace professionals
    » National Mortgage News, Euro Property

• Scholarly journals (Peer reviewed, Academic, Scientific, Refereed)
  – Documented research aimed for researchers and expert practitioners
Scholarly Articles

• are written by scholars for scholars
• are published in academic journals
• are based on documented theory
• are built on and refers to earlier research, collected in a reference list in the end
• are signed by the authors
• are peer reviewed by scholars within the field before accepted for publication
• can be searched for in bibliographic databases and citation indexes
PeerReview Process

Other Scholarly Publications

- Conference proceedings, conference papers
- Books and book chapters
  - Monographs, anthologies, doctoral dissertations
- Research reviews
  - Review articles (Should not be mixed up with book reviews)
- Still research, but maybe not peer reviewed
  - Working Papers, reports…
    » NBER Working Papers, Reports from World Bank…
To think of when starting to search

• What kind of information do you need?
  – Overviews, opinions, explanations, in depth information, industry information, scholarly information
  – Facts and figures, Statistics, Company information
  – Brand new or historical, Local or international

• What kind of sources are most likely to contain this type of information?
• What search tools are best to use for finding these sources?
• What search terms will retrieve what you are looking for?
  – Adapt to type of source, language and search tool
Search and collect information

• Choose different terms to search for
  – Methodology
  – Theoretical perspective and discussion
    » Earlier studies, Definitions of concepts and theories
  – Application of theory to practice – case study
    » Industry, Country, Company, Activity…

• Collect information
  – Authors, Publications, Key words, JEL-codes

• If possible, create an account for the database, in order to save results, searches……
Evaluate

- Who, Where, When
- Intended audience and purpose
- Type of information: Personal views, scientifically grounded
- Reliability
  - Peer reviewed/quality controlled?
  - Something missing?
- For scholarly articles
  - Results seem to be relevant and presented in a proper way?
  - References to information provided?
  - Published in a reliable journal?
Search Tools at LUB

• Books: Lovisa, LUBsearch, Libris
• Journals: Lovisa; ePublications
• Journal articles:
  – LUBsearch
  – One database at the time
    » EconLit
    » Business Source Complete and others at the EbscoHost Platform
    » Web of Science, Scopus
    » Asia Portal, Annual Reviews (not covered in LUBsearch)
• Finance: Retriever Business, Orbis, Zephyr, Global Financial Data, WRDS (Compustat and CRSP), LexisNexis Academic
• Statistics and Trade: OECD iLibrary, IMF eLibrary, SCB, Eurostat…Wits, Comtrade…
EconLit: Bibliographic database in economics

Search Results: 1 - 50 of 570

1. Extreme Risk Spillover Network: Application to Financial Institutions
   - Wong, Gong-Jin; Xie, Chi; He, Kaijian; Stanley, H. Eugene: Quantitative Finance, September 2017, v. 17, iss. 5, pp. 1417-33
   - Subjects: Model Construction and Estimation; Financial Crises; Asset Pricing; Trading Volume; Bond Interest Rates; Banks; Depository Institutions; Micro Financial Institutions; Financial Instruments; Institutional Investors; Real Estate Markets, Spatial Production Analysis, and Firm Location: General
   - Full Text Finder

2. Have the Edges of Homeownership in Spain Proved to Be Resilient after the Global Financial Crisis?
   - Pareja-Castaway, Montserrat; Sanchez-Martinez, Maria Teresa: International Journal of Housing Policy, June 2017, v. 17, iss. 2, pp. 276-95
   - Subjects: Household Saving; Personal Finance; Financial Crises; Banks; Depository Institutions; Micro Finance Institutions; Mortgages; Urban, Rural, Public Transportation Economics: Government Policy
   - Full Text Finder

   - Liow, Kim Huang; Ye, Qing: Journal of Real Estate Research, January-March 2017, v. 39, iss. 1, pp. 127-64
   - Subjects: Financial Markets and the Macroeconomy; International Business Cycles; Financial Crises; Portfolio Choice, Investment Decisions; Pension Production Analysis, and Firm Location: General
   - PDF Full Text

Refine Results

Limit To

Show More

Source Types

Subject

Publication

Publisher

Language

Basic Search Advanced Search Search History
EconLit: Bibliographic database in economics

- Indexes
  - Subjects, Keywords, Subject Descriptors, Subject Codes, Subjects (all)
  - JEL-Codes

- Other databases at the EbscoHost platform
  - Academic Search Complete
  - Business Source Complete
  - Political Science Complete
Advanced search: **Real estate (Subject) AND (Financial crises)**

- ePublications
LUBsearch

- Searches through many databases at the same time, but no content from
  - Swedish journal articles
  - Databases for law
  - Databases for finance, statistics and trade
  - Databases for company information except from BSC
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Other Bibliographic Databases

• NBER Working Paper and CEPR Discussion Papers (Not covered in LUBsearch)
• Annual Reviews (Not covered in LUBsearch)
• Asia Portal (Not covered in LUBsearch)
• Citation indexes
  – Google Scholar (Not covered in LUBsearch)
    » https://scholar.google.se/
    » Settings, Metrics
    » LU Full Text Finder
  – Web of Science: Social Sciences Citation Index
  – Scopus
Scopus

Document Type
- Article: 948
- Conference Paper: 189
- Review: 68
- Book Chapter: 37
- Article in Press: 28
- Book: 6
- Note: 6
- Editorial: 4
- Short Survey: 1
- Undefined: 8

Keywords: "Real estate" Financial crisis
- Analyze search result
- Refine
  » Review articles
- Sort by: Cited by
- Search for a known article, to follow citations
Library Catalogue Libris

• “The global financial crisis and its aftermath”
  – Subject words
    » Global Financial Crisis, 2008-2009…
  – New search: Index A-Ö: Subject: Global Financial Crisis, 2008-2009…

• Sort newest first. Choose a title
  » Cite
  – Interlibrary loan request via School of Economics and Management Library or create an account at Libris
    » Article copies cost 80 kronor/article
Lovisa

• Heading search
  – Subject: Starts with: Global financial crisis
    » Sort by
    » Pick a title
    » See ”Details” for more information
• Advanced search – use LUBsearch. Limit to Library catalogue (Lovisa)
  – Subject: ”Financial crisis” Europe
Other Types of Databases: Statistics and Trade

- SCB (Statistics Sweden), EUROSTAT
- **Statista**: Ready made statistics
- OECD iLibrary
- IMF eLibrary
- World Bank
  - WDI (World Development Indicators)
  - WITS (World Integrated Trade Solution) …
- UN
  - ComTrade (United Nations Commodity Trade Statistics)
- Market Analysis Tools
Other Types of Databases: Financial Information

- **Orbis (with Zephyr):** Company financials, financial strength indicators, stock data...; M&A
- **Global Financial Data:** Economic and financial time-series. Historical data on stock markets, exchange rates, interest rates, commodities and inflation
- **WRDS:** Send an e-mail for a “day pass”
  - **Compustat:** Financial accounting, economic and marketing data on US and foreign public companies
    - **Execucomp**
  - **CRSP (Center for Research in Security Prices):** Standard and derived securities prices, return, and volume data for the NYSE, AMEX and NASDAQ
- **Retriever Business:** Company financials for Swedish companies
- **Swedish House of Finance Research Data Center:** FinBas; NASDAQ HFT; Serrano; Resility; Insurance Data
- **Modular Finance:** Holdings (Swedish companies)
  - Send an e-mail to support@holdings.se from your student mailbox. Write “Ny användare LU” in the subject field
• The Finance Lab
  – Bloomberg: Price quotes, financial market, trade data, news. Covers all listed companies worldwide. Information on bonds, stocks, commodities, currencies, trusts and people
  – DataStream (also available in the computer room, Alfa 1): Current and historical financial and economic information, including data on stocks, bonds, derivatives, currencies, trusts, and macroeconomic issues
  – Eikon: Market information, news, analytics and trading tools
  – Capital IQ: Data on public and private companies, investment firms, capital transactions, and people
Analyzed company-, industry-, market- and country information

• Passport (Euromonitor)
  – Market information, analysis and forecasts by industry
  – Countries and consumers
  – Company reports, country reports and consumer trends.
  – Economic indicators, demographic data, foreign trade statistics

• Business Source Complete (LUBsearch)
  – Reports from MarketLine and other information
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