Suggested Resources for *Data to Story* Project

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|  | **Resource** | **Access** | **Description / Suggested Uses** |
| BACKGROUND INFORMATION | CQ Researcher | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Public Issues | Reports on current and popular issues in society. Each report provides:  comprehensive review of the controversies, historical background, chronology of important events, opposing views from experts on the subject, and extensive bibliographies for additional research |
| Issues & Controversies | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Public Issues | Contains full text articles on current topics of interest, arranged in opposing points of view. |
| Oxford English Dictionary (OED) | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Reference | A comprehensive dictionary of the English Language that stresses the historical origins of words |
| Gale Virtual Reference Library | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Reference | Collection of reference books and encyclopedias in electronic format. The titles cover a wide range of subjects, from the arts to medicine, and from multicultural studies to social science.  *[scholarly alternative to Wikipedia]* |
| SAGE Knowledge | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Reference | Full-text access to high quality reference works in many areas of the social sciences: anthropology, criminal justice, education, political science, psychology, public policy, and sociology |
| Oxford Reference Online Premium | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Reference | Full-text access to hundreds of basic reference sources, covering subjects such as art and architecture, biology, classics, computing, economics & business, environment, history, language, literature, law, medicine, mythology & folklore, performing arts, physics and math, politics, social sciences, religion & philosophy, and science in general. |
| STATISTICS | Pew Research | <http://www.pewresearch.org>  (freely available) | Pew Research Center is a nonpartisan fact tank that informs the public about the issues, attitudes and trends shaping America and the world. Pew conducts public opinion polling, demographic research, content analysis and other data-driven social science research. |
| Statista | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Statistics (numeric data) | Statista includes information from more than 10,000 renowned business and public information sources including trade organizations, scientific publications, and government sources on more than 600 industries. Statista also includes more than 3,000 market studies and 1,000 industry reports from Statista's own analysts. |
| Statistical Abstracts of the U.S. | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Statistics (numeric data) | An authoritative and comprehensive summary of statistics on the social, political, and economic conditions of the United States – data from the U.S Census and American Community Survey (ACS) |
| SCHOLARLY AND POPULAR PUBLICATIONS | Academic Search Premier | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Frequently Used (over on the right side of the page) | Provides access to major popular and scholarly journals with many full-text articles.  Coverage includes academic areas of business, social sciences, humanities, general academic, general science, education and multi-cultural topics.  Note: I consider this the Walmart of literature databases – you will find articles on *almost any topic* – but to delve deeper, you should consult a more specialized database focusing on your discipline of interest. |
| Proquest Mega Platform | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Frequently Used (over on the right side of the page) >> Dissertations & Theses >> Once in the database, select “**All Databases**” at the very top | Largest aggregated full-text database – covers 160+ topics and disciplines including scholarly, trade and popular publications.  Easy to get overwhelmed in this database; the library website provides direct access to specific sections of Proquest through the discipline listings <http://eresources.lib.unc.edu/eid/> |
| Gender Watch | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Sociology | A full-text collection of international journals, magazines, newsletters, regional publications, special reports and conference proceedings dating back to the 1970’s devoted to women's and gender issues  Contains both scholarly and popular material |
| Alt-Press Watch | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Media & Journalism | Full text access to alternative and independent newspapers, magazines, and journals, publications which bring perspectives, insights, and opinions not often found in mainstream journalism.  Contains both scholarly and popular material |
| POPULAR & TRADE PUBLICATIONS | Lexis-Nexis | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Frequently Used (over on the right side of the page) | Provides full-text access to general, regional and international news, company news and financial information, and legal information.  Lexis-Nexis is probably the largest literature database available – combining legal research (Lexis) with an enormous newspaper collection – even newspapers from around the world in other languages. It also provides company information |
| Factiva | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Business >> All Business | Provides information on industries, public and private companies, business and management topics, current awareness information, and historical news |
| Business Sources Premier | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Business >> All Business | Provides full-text business journals and hundreds of scholarly, peer-reviewed journals covering all aspects of business; marketing, management, economics, finance, accounting, international business and more |
| SCHOLARLY JOURNAL ARTICLES | PsycINFO | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Frequently Used (over on the right side of the page) | This is the most comprehensive international database of psychology, from the American Psychological Association. It indexes journals, dissertations, book chapters, books, and technical reports. It includes relevant materials from related disciplines such as medicine, psychiatry, education, social work, law, criminology, social science, and organizational behavior.  Note: You will find abstracts to dissertations in this database. The “Find at UNC” button will likely lead you to “Dissertations Abstracts” (not what you want). To access the full-text of a dissertation, you need to write down the complete title and then go to Proquest Dissertations & Theses International to search for the actual title in order to retrieve the full-text. |
| JSTOR | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Frequently Used (over on the right side of the page) | Full-text articles from scholarly journal literature in nearly all the humanities and social sciences disciplines.  Articles are available from the first date of publication for each journal but a moving end-date wall excludes the most recent 2-5 years of currently available journals. |
| PubMed | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Frequently Used (over on the right side of the page) | From the National Library of Medicine, PubMed covers journal articles about medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary medicine, and public health from 1950 to the present  Note: PubMed is freely available online but while you are at UNC, use PubMed through the Library’s website as it will link out to the full-text of articles available through other library databases |
| Communication and Mass Media Complete | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Communication | This is the major indexing and abstracting tool for Communication Studies and Journalism & Mass Communication – including lots of full-text articles. |
| GOOGLE SCHOLAR | Google Scholar | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> Google Scholar is listed on the home page | Enables you to search specifically for scholarly literature, including peer-reviewed papers, theses, books, preprints, abstracts and technical reports from all broad areas of research.  Although Google Scholar is freely available but **BE SURE TO ACCESS IT VIA THE LIBRARY WEBSITE** in order to gain access to the full-text of material through library subscriptions |
| DISSERTATIONS | Proquest Dissertations & Theses | Library website <http://library.unc.edu/> >> E-Research by Discipline >> Frequently Used (over on the right side of the page) | Indexes US dissertations from 1861 to as recent as last semester with full text available from 1997 on. Masters’ theses are covered more selectively and some full text is available.  Note: remember a **dissertation** is the *very long* paper describing the study that individuals write to complete a doctorate degree. These are different from a scholarly journal article but can be extremely valuable in bringing together research on a very narrow topic. |