

## Country Resource Guide

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This guide provides selected information resources on countries. Included are the Mildred F. Sawyer Library databases, as well as websites of the U. S. government, international organizations, and think tanks. Also, a brief list of print resources is provided. For specific book and periodical titles, check the [Suffolk University Library Catalog](#).

### Library Databases:

The Sawyer Library subscription periodical indexes and full-text resources are available to current Suffolk University students and faculty.

#### [CountryWatch](#)

Provides a concise political, economic, corporate, and environmental survey for each of the 192 countries of the world. Coverage is updated daily. Choose "Country Reviews" for country survey, "Country Wire" for country news, or "Data" for user-defined statistics.

#### [Country Commerce](#)

Includes operating conditions, commercial laws, and business regulations of about 200 countries. Covers business environment, trade risks, economic indicators, and trading partners. Country

Profiles can be searched by title of publication, country, or key word.

### [Europa World](#)

Profiles of 250 countries cover basic information and statistics plus more detailed information, covering country economics, education, business, government, and society. The database allows the user to create charts and data comparing country population, agriculture, industry, finance, education, and trade. Provides government, business, and social directories and worldwide election results.

### [Mergent Online](#)

To access country information, click Country Profiles on the lower portion of the search screen. Profiles include a map, demographics, economic statistics, government information, imports, exports, and stock exchange information.

### [LEXIS/NEXIS Academic](#)

Contains a massive database of worldwide general, legal, health, and business news. For major international news stories, select General News and Major Newspapers. Select World News for a more regional focus. To access country profiles, select Reference and Country Profiles. Information and data are provided by the *CIA World Factbook* and the *Walden's Country Reports*.

### [STAT-USA](#)

A service of the U.S. Department of Commerce, this database includes the National Trade Data Bank (NTDB). Provides full-text reports and statistics, including Country Commercial Guides and market research reports. To access Country Commercial Guides, choose Globus, and scroll to Country Commercial Guides.

### [Source OECD](#)

This is the primary online portal for OECD statistical databases and text publications. Includes country reports. Data can be selected and downloaded.

### [Global Market Information Database \(GMID\)](#)

GMID contains over a million demographic, economic and marketing statistics for 205 countries. It includes historic market size data for consumer products in 52 countries.

### [Political Handbook of the World](#)

Provides quality political information on more than 200 countries, including government histories, election results, and political party information.

### [Columbia International Affairs Online \(CIAO\)](#)

A comprehensive research source for international affairs. CIAO publishes scholarship from 1991 on including university working papers, occasional papers series from NGOs, foundation-funded research projects, proceedings from conferences, books, journals and policy briefs.

### [EconLit with Fulltext](#)

The American Economic Association's database, which provides indexing and abstracting of international economic literature. It corresponds to the print Journal of Economic Literature and covers books, journal articles, working papers, dissertations, and conference proceedings. Includes full text for more than 430 journals. Coverage is from 1969 to present.

### [Cambridge Journals Online](#)

Contains over 230 peer-reviewed academic titles covering over 32 subject areas, including area studies, cultural studies, business, and economics.

### [JSTOR](#)

Contains back runs of over 300 scholarly publications in various academic fields. Search by category or within a particular journal. Includes regional studies journals, population and statistical journals and covers international topics in economics, language, science, and more.

### [Gale Virtual Reference Library](#)

This database includes searchable encyclopedias, such as *Cities of the World, 6th ed., 2002*, *Worldmark Encyclopedia of Nations, 11th ed., 2004*, *Worldmark Encyclopedia of National Economies, 2002*, and more.

### [Academic OneFile \(InfoTrac\)](#)

Academic OneFile is Gale's major source for peer-reviewed, full-text articles. It provides extensive coverage in all academic subjects and offers articles in both PDF and HTML full-text.

### [International Political Science Abstracts](#)

Produced by the International Political Science Association, this resource provides indexing and abstracts of leading journals in political science. This database indexes over 900 journals published from 1989 to the present.

### IMF Databases:

#### [International Financial Statistics \(IMF\)](#)

The IFS contains "approximately 32,000 time series covering more than 200 countries starting in 1948." Provides exchange rates and the main global and country economic indicators.

#### [Balance of Payments Statistics \(IMF\)](#)

The BOP provides "annual aggregate and detailed time series for balance of payments and international investment position for countries." Includes world and regional tables.

#### [Direction of Trade Statistics \(IMF\)](#)

The DOTS offers statistics on the country and area distribution of countries' exports and imports by their partners. Includes seven years of data.

### [Academic Search Complete](#)

Provides access to a wide variety of journals and periodicals, covering all academic disciplines. Many articles are available in full-text.

### [Springerlink](#)

This journal collection includes more than 1,200 peer-reviewed journals. Most titles include back issues to 1996. Provides abstracts and full-text articles from Kluwer journals. International topics are covered in social science, economic, business, environmental, legal, and education journals.

### [Wall Street Journal](#) (ProQuest)

Provides abstracts and full-text articles and includes backfiles prior to 1986.

## **Selected Websites:**

### **U.S. Government Websites:**

#### [CIA World Factbook](#)

<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/>

Produced by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, each country entry provides demographic statistics, economic conditions, industry, government, trade, and transnational issues. Keyword searchable.

#### [World Leaders \(formerly Chiefs of State and Cabinet Members of Foreign Governments\)](#)

<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/world-leaders-1/index.html>

The CIA's online updated directory. Not all governments included are officially recognized by the U.S.

#### [Country Studies Area Handbooks](#)

<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/frd/cs/cshome.html>

This site is a series of books online, prepared by the Federal Research Division of the Library of Congress under the Country Studies/Area Handbook Program. Over 100 countries are profiled. Each book describes and analyzes the country's political, economic, social, and national security systems. Searchable across countries or within a combination of countries.

#### [Portals of the World](#)

<http://www.loc.gov/rr/international/portals.html>

A Library of Congress site which provides authoritative links to detailed information about nations and regions of the world. The links are selected by the Library's Area Specialists.

#### [US Department of State Background Notes](#)

<http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/>

The *Background Notes* for each country in the world include information on geography, demography, political conditions, economy, government, foreign relations, travel, and business.

In addition, this site provides links to Department of State reports and publications on a wide range of topics and international issues.

### [Country Reports on Human Rights](#)

<http://www.state.gov/g/drl/rls/hrrpt/>

"The Country Reports on Human Rights Practices are submitted annually by the U.S. Department of State to the U.S. Congress. The reports cover internationally recognized individual, civil, political, and worker rights, as set forth in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights." Text of the Country Reports are available from 1999 through 2004.

### [Country Analysis Briefs](#) (Energy Information Administration)

<http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/cabs/>

Provides country data, forecasts, and analysis of energy supplies and its effect on the respective economy and environment. Both EIA's current and non-current publications are available in full-text.

### [U.S. Census Bureau. International Data Base \(IDB\)](#)

<http://www.census.gov/ipc/www/idb/>

A computerized source of demographic and socio-economic statistics for 227 countries and areas of the world. Major types of data include population by age and sex, vital statistics, migration, ethnicity, religion, employment, and income. Data can be selectively displayed. To find data about another country FROM that country, use [Statistical Agencies \(International\)](#).

### [Export.Gov. U.S. Government Export Portal](#)

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

Made up of over a dozen U.S. agencies, Export.gov provides exporting and trade services for U.S. businesses. Offers trade news, export instructions, shipping documentation, financing and pricing information, and much more. The [Market Research Library](#) allows searching by industry, region, country, report type, and/or keyword. Report types include Country Commercial Guides, Industry Sector Analysis, International Market Insight, Multilateral Development Bank Report, Market Research-International, Market Research-Global, Trade Directory, and Events. Covers over 100 countries. [TradeStats Express](#) allows interactive mapping of U.S. national and state export and import data.

## **International Organization Websites:**

### [International Monetary Fund \(IMF\)](#)

<http://www.imf.org>

The IMF is an international organization that works to promote monetary, trade, and banking cooperation. Some [IMF Publications](#), such as Country Reports, Working Papers, Policy Papers, pamphlets, and other publications are available in PDF. In addition, the site provides full-text staff papers, research bulletins, press releases, and much more. Suffolk University students and

faculty have access to certain IMF databases- [International Financial Statistics](#) and [Direction of Trade Statistics](#).

## [OECD](#) (Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development)

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

The OECD helps member nations tackle the economic, social, and political challenges of a global economy. Browse by topic, country, or department. [Country Websites](#) links to country reports, surveys, working papers, and more. Many of these publications are freely downloadable. Suffolk students, faculty, and staff may access [Source OECD](#) for additional statistical databases and text publications.

## [OECD Statistics Portal](#)

[http://www.oecd.org/statsportal/0,3352,en\\_2825\\_293564\\_1\\_1\\_1\\_1\\_1,00.html](http://www.oecd.org/statsportal/0,3352,en_2825_293564_1_1_1_1_1,00.html)

Annual statistics and newsletters are available free. Topics covered include health, education, energy, trade, short-term economic statistics, and environment.

## [World Bank Group: Countries and Regions](#)

<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/COUNTRIES/0,,pagePK:180619~theSitePK:136917,00.html>

The World Bank Group gives development assistance to member nations. This site provides a snapshot of member countries' development progress, news, and key social and economic indicators. [Key Development Data & Statistics](#) allows cross-country comparisons, "Country At-a-Glance" tables, and statistics by topic.

## [World Bank Group: World Development Indicators 2009](#)

<http://www.worldbank.org/data/wdi2004/>

The World Bank's annual compilation of data about development. Includes 800 indicators in table format, and selected tables are free for viewing. The website allows a free sample of selected tables.

## [United Nations](#)

<http://www.un.org>

The United Nations is an excellent source of global information. Some suggested links on the U. N. site are listed below:

### [United Nations Statistics Division. Data by Country](#)

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/snaama/SelectionCountry.asp>

Provides data series by country, series, and year. See the [Millennium Indicators Database](#) for official data on 60 indicators that cover the period from 1990-2015. The purpose is to measure each country's level of progress toward development and elimination of poverty. Offers user-defined data by country.

## [Infonation](#)

<http://www.cyberschoolbus.un.org/infonation/info.asp>

This United Nations database allows user-defined comparisons of up-to-date statistics for member states and also provides country profiles.

### [Human Development Report](#) (United Nations)

<http://hdr.undp.org/>

Compiles data and information on economic, policy, and advocacy issues around the world. Indices include Gender-related Development Index and Human Poverty Index. The full-texts of the annual Human Development Papers are available for downloading. Also, the site includes access to the texts of Background Reports.

### [UN Cartographic Section](#)

<http://www.un.org/Depts/Cartographic/english/htmain.htm>

Colored maps by region and country are available in PDF. Includes maps of peacekeeping operations.

### [UNESCDOC](#)

[http://unesdoc.unesco.org/ulis/global\\_search.shtml](http://unesdoc.unesco.org/ulis/global_search.shtml)

Searchable full-text official documents. Includes Director-General Speeches since 1970, Resolutions and Discussions since 1946, General Conferences, legal instruments, and more.

### [Global Issues on the UN Agenda](#)

[http://www.un.org/partners/civil\\_society/agenda.htm](http://www.un.org/partners/civil_society/agenda.htm)

Links to documents, research, speeches, and education on topics such as children, climate change, human rights, women, energy, terrorism, and food.

### [WHO World Health Organization: Countries](#)

<http://www.who.int/country/en/>

The WHO's country information includes vital statistics, health expenditures and indicators, human resource data, legislation, condition-specific information and data, and much more.

### [EUROPA](#). European Union Gateway

[http://europa.eu/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu/index_en.htm)

Choose 'documents' tab to access to EU official documents and court rulings, and policy statements. [EUROSTAT](#) provides some free statistics on the economy, population and social conditions, trade and industry, agriculture, energy, technology, and more. Access to [EURLex](#) is the result of merging the EUR-Lex site with the old CELEX database on European law. It offers free access to documentary holdings on EU law. Collections include the *Official Journal of the European Union*, treaties, international agreements, legislation in force, preparatory acts, case law, and Parliamentary questions.

### [Understanding the WTO \(World Trade Organization\): Members](#)

[http://www.wto.org/english/thewto\\_e/whatis\\_e/tif\\_e/org6\\_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/thewto_e/whatis_e/tif_e/org6_e.htm)

"The World Trade Organization (WTO) is the only global international organization dealing with the rules of trade between nations. At its heart are the WTO agreements, negotiated and signed by the bulk of the world's trading nations and ratified in their parliaments. The goal is to help producers of goods and services, exporters, and importers conduct their business." This page lists all the member countries, gives their date of membership, and links to a page providing their Goods and Services Schedules, Trade Policy Reviews, Dispute Cases, and Notifications from that country.

### [NATO On-line Library](#)

<http://www.nato.int/docu/home.htm>

The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) On-line Library provides full-text publications, documents, speeches, articles, official texts, and news.

### [Asian Development Bank](#)

<http://www.adb.org>

Most economic research and statistical publications are freely available in PDF, including the [Asian Development Outlook](#), and [Key Indicators of Developing Asian and Pacific Countries](#).

## **Think Tank Websites:**

### [World Press Review. Library of International Affairs. Think Tanks and NGOs](#)

<http://www.worldpress.org/library/ngo.cfm>

A large searchable index of links to international think tanks and research organizations. Hosted by Wordpress.org.

### [Brookings Institution. Foreign Policy Studies](#)

[http://www.brook.edu/fp/fp\\_hp.htm](http://www.brook.edu/fp/fp_hp.htm)

Brookings is an independent institution for policy analysis. This site provides links to some full-text publications, research, conference papers, policy briefs, and analysis.

### [RAND International Affairs](#)

[http://www.rand.org/research\\_areas/international\\_affairs/](http://www.rand.org/research_areas/international_affairs/)

The RAND Corporation is a nonprofit policy research organization which operates in a wide variety of fields, including health, law, science, business, and international affairs. The international affairs division covers international policy research largely focusing on countries other than the U.S. This site is particularly valuable, because it offers full-text publications and reports.

### [World Resources Institute](#)

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

WRI is an environmental research and policy organization. It offers publications in HTML and PDF. Includes [EarthTrends](#), a comprehensive environmental informational portal that provides

data on environmental, economic, and social issues. Information is presented as tables or in a map format.

### [Carnegie Endowment for International Peace](http://www.carnegieendowment.org/)

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

"A private, nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing cooperation between nations and promoting active international engagement by the United States." The website provides full-text publications and policy briefs arranged by topic, region, or expert. Site is keyword searchable.

### [Center for International Development \(CID\)](http://www.cid.harvard.edu/) Harvard University

<http://www.cid.harvard.edu/>

The CID serves as Harvard's primary center for research on sustainable international development. Housed at the Kennedy School, the CID's website offers policy papers, special reports, and data in the area of global political economy.

### [Eldis](http://www.eldis.org/)

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Eldis is a gateway to global development information on international development issues. Provided by the Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, UK, Eldis aims to provide the best in development, policy, practice and research. Offers free access to materials on developing countries, including broad topic guides (education, climate, health, agriculture, poverty, trade, etc.) or country profiles. Includes up-to-date news, a searchable website, and nearly 15,700 free full-text documents.

## Web Gateways

### [WWW Virtual Library: International Affairs Resources - General Resources for all Countries](http://www.etown.edu/vl/countgen.html)

<http://www.etown.edu/vl/countgen.html>

A metasite with thousands of annotated links covering resources in government, business, economics, news, diplomacy, geography, statistics, education, and more. Compiled and maintained by Wayne A. Selcher, Professor of International Studies, Department of Political Science, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania.

### [DPLS: Internet Crossroads. International Statistical Agencies](http://www.disc.wisc.edu/newcrossroads/links.asp?cat=International+Statistical+Agencies)

<http://www.disc.wisc.edu/newcrossroads/links.asp?cat=International+Statistical+Agencies>

Part of the Internet Crossroads in Social Science Data, the Data and Program Library Service (DPLS) is the repository of data collections used by the social science research community at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. The site includes links to national and international statistical reports on specific countries and regions.

### [BUBL Link Countries](http://bubl.ac.uk/link/world/index.html)

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BUBL Link is a catalog of selected and evaluated internet resources covering all academic

subject areas. Countries provides quality links to a wide variety of subjects about a given country, including broad topics, such as government, human rights, maps, libraries, and internet resources.

### [MSU Global Access](http://www.msuglobalaccess.net/)

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Created by the International Studies and Programs at Michigan State University, MSU Global Access is a portal to information about the world and contains a database of websites and other resources, selected by MSU experts. The database is searchable by a combination of categories, as well as by a single topic. Categories include country or region, thematic area (environment, development, gender, etc.), constituency group (teachers, business, labor, etc.), or resource type (maps, news, educational programs, etc.)

### [Everything International](http://faculty.philau.edu/russowl/russow.html)

<http://faculty.philau.edu/russowl/russow.html>

Developed and maintained by Lloyd C. Russow of Philadelphia University, this site offers resources for faculty, students, and professionals in the field of international business. The website, however, is helpful for anyone seeking international resources. Links to carefully evaluated public and private sources. Categories include Country & Regional Data, Education, Mega Sites & General Data, International Organizations, News, Professional Associations, and more.

### [globalEDGE](http://globaledge.msu.edu/ibrd/ibrd.asp)

<http://globaledge.msu.edu/ibrd/ibrd.asp>

Developed by Michigan State University's Center for International Business Education and Research (MSU-CIBER), this site is a web portal that connects international business professionals to information and learning resources on global business activities. Includes links to data, governmental, banking, and finance resources. News, trade law, and academic links are also covered. Provides country profiles and a glossary. Allows searching by keyword or by country.

### [Nations Online](http://www.nationsonline.org/oneworld/)

<http://www.nationsonline.org/oneworld/>

Provides gateways to countries of the world. Links include official government websites, newspapers, and universities.

## **Miscellaneous Websites:**

### [LII Legal Information Institute. Law by Source: Global](http://www.law.cornell.edu/world/)

<http://www.law.cornell.edu/world/>

The LII collections of world legal materials includes constitutions, statutes, judicial opinions, and legal material from around the world (excluding U.S. material). Includes documents of international law.

### [The Fletcher School Multilaterals Project](#)

<http://fletcher.tufts.edu/multilaterals.html>

The Multilaterals Project is an ongoing project at The Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy at Tufts University which makes available texts of international multilateral conventions and other treaty instruments. Includes treaties on human rights, commerce and trade, arms control, and more.

### [Economist.com Country Briefings](http://www.economist.com/countries/)

<http://www.economist.com/countries/>

In partnership with the Economist Intelligence Unit, this website provides news and country profiles which include current economic data, political structure, and trade information. In addition, a political and economic forecast is provided for each country. EIU's [Country Commerce](#) is available to Suffolk students as a database.

### [Nationmaster.com](http://www.nationmaster.com/)

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Produced by Luke Metaalfe, this site allows users to create their own bar graphs, comparing nations or regions by broad category. Country profiles, maps, and flags are also available. Data is taken largely from the *CIA World Factbook* but includes other sources, as well.

### [Population Reference Bureau \(PRB\)](http://www.prb.org/)

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The PRB's mission is to provide current and objective information on U.S. and international population trends and their implications. The organization collaborates with other organizations and countries and relies on private donors, government agencies, and foundations for funding. The website offers the texts of reports and news by broad topic and searchable access to country data on population, health, and environment for over 200 countries.

### [Amnesty International-Library](http://web.amnesty.org/library/engindex)

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Amnesty International is an independent, non-partisan, worldwide movement of people campaigning for human rights. The AI library holds research reports, news, and actions published since 1996. Documents are arranged by country, region, sub-region, and theme and can be searched by keyword.

### [TradePort Country Profiles](http://www.tradeport.org/countries/)

<http://www.tradeport.org/countries/>

In cooperation with the World Trade Press, TradePort offers data and information on 175 countries. Profiles cover demographic information, literacy data, the economy, labor figures, geography, and much more.

### [Constitutions, Treaties, and Official Declarations Around the World](http://www.psr.keele.ac.uk/const.htm)

<http://www.psr.keele.ac.uk/const.htm>

Part of [Richard Kimber's Political Science Resources](#), this page links to national constitutions and

various treaties and conventions related to human rights, trade, and environmental concerns.

## **Government and Society - Print Sources:**

### [Statesman's Year-Book](#)

REF.JA 51 .S7

Provides basic historical, political, and economic information for all countries of the world. Includes descriptions of international organizations. Annual.

### [World Factbook](#)

REF. G 122 .U56a

Prepared by the Central Intelligence Agency, this volume provides basic economic, political, demographic, and geographic information on countries of the world. Annual. Available online through the CIA website and through the Sawyer Library's database, [Credo reference](#).

### [World Guide 2003/2004](#)

REF DESK JF60 .G8413

Research, writing, and editing is provided by the Third World Institute and New Internationalist Publications. Includes country profiles, statistics, and other information on the environment, society, politics, and government of each country.

### [Countries and Their Cultures](#) 4 Vols.

REF GN307 .C68 2001

Describes 225 countries, emphasizing cultural similarities and differences. Discussion of ethnic relations within each country is also included. Full-text is available online through [Gale Virtual Reference](#).

### [Yearbook of the United Nations](#)

REF JX1977 .A37 Y4

A subject oriented annual that covers the activities of the United Nations. All resolutions, decisions, and major activities of the principal organs and subsidiary bodies are reproduced or summarized. Annual. Available [online](#) from 1946.

### [Demographic Yearbook](#)

REF HA17 .D45

A comprehensive collection of international demographic statistics, prepared by the United Nations department of Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis. Annual.

### [World Economic and Social Survey](#)

REF HC59 .A169

Reports trends and policies in the world economy. Published by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis. Includes statistical tables and graphs.

Annual.

### [Europa World Year Book](#)

REF. JN 1 .E85 2005

Provides detailed country information on political, economic, and commercial institutions. Includes statistical surveys and directory information. [Europa World Online](#) is available as a Sawyer Library database.

### [Political Handbook of the World: 2008](#)

REF. JF 37 .P76

Discusses government and politics for countries of the world. Includes international organizations. Available [online](#) as Sawyer Library database.

### [Cities of the World. 6th Ed.](#) 4 Vols.

REF. G153.4 .C57 2002

Arranged alphabetically by country name. Chapters are divided into two sections-Major Cities and Country Profile. Each have subdivisions. Major City information may include discussion of arts, entertainment, education, and sports. Country Profiles cover geography and climate, population, government, science, art, education, commerce and industry, transportation, health, holidays, and more. Available online through [Gale Virtual Reference](#).

### [Encyclopedia of Modern Ethnic Conflicts](#)

REF. GN496 .E56 2003

Provides 38 articles covering specific ethnic conflicts throughout the world. The articles discuss historical background of the conflict, characteristics, management, and significance. Each article includes a chronology, cross-references, and a bibliography.

### [Oxford Atlas of the World. 9th Edition](#)

REF. Atlas G 1021 .A7545 2004

Includes a "Gazetteer of Nations," which provides a brief sketch of each country's geography, politics, and economy. This title also includes discussion and charts on world health, trade, pollution, migration, and more.

## **Economics and Statistics - Print Sources:**

### [Balance of Payments Statistics Yearbook](#) (International Monetary Fund)

REF. HF 1014 .B3

Contains balance of payments data for 160 countries and investment position data for 37 countries. Information is presented in regional and world tables. Annual. Available online in a Sawyer Library [database](#)

### [CRB Commodity Yearbook](#)

REF. HF 1041 .C56

Provides graphs and tables for international commodity trends. Annual.

[Direction of Trade Statistics Yearbook](#) (International Monetary Fund)

REF. HF 91 .I65

Presents data on imports and exports by trade partners for 182 countries. Annual. Available online in a Sawyer Library [database](#)

[Government Finance Statistics Yearbook](#) (International Monetary Fund)

REF. HJ 101 .G68

Provides world, country, and institutional tables for government operations. Data includes revenues, expenditures, and debt.

[International Financial Statistics Yearbook](#) (International Monetary Fund)

REF. HG 61 .I57

Excellent source for statistics on all aspects of international and domestic finance. Annual. Available online in a Sawyer Library [database](#)

[Worldmark Encyclopedia of National Economies](#) 4 Vols.

REF. HC15.W67 2002

Provides "comprehensive overviews of the economic structure and current climate of 198 countries and territories." Each entry includes key data and analysis of a country's economic condition and its relationship to social and political trends. Uses various sources for data, including *World Factbook 2000* and *2001*, the World Bank's *World Development Indicators*, the U.N.'s *Human Development Report*, and the IMF's *International Financial Statistics Yearbook*. Available online in Gale Virtual Reference [database](#)

[Statistical Abstract of Latin America](#)

REF. HA 935 .S79

Includes demographic, trade, industry, labor, health, housing, and transportation data. Arranged by topic.

[World Development Report](#)

REF. HC 59.7 .W659

A yearly report produced by the World Bank. Each issue involves a specific topic and discusses national and regional policies and trends.

[World Economic Outlook. Series.](#) (International Monetary Fund.)

REF HC10 .W7979

Analysis and projections of economic policies and developments in IMF member countries. Annual.

[World Economic Factbook 2008](#) (Euromonitor)

REF. DESK HC59.15 .W675

A compilation of political and economic information on 204 world countries. Countries are represented in two-page sections. The first page is a textual summary, and the second page contains data for 1999 to 2001. Includes a section devoted to comparative world rankings. Annual.

## **Business Print - Sources**

[Doing Business in ... \(country name\)](#) Two series:

Ernst & Young REF. HG 4538 .D65

Price Waterhouse REF. HG 4538 .D64

Both publishers discuss business, commercial, and legal climates in specific countries. Not up-to-date.

[Gale Country and World Rankings Reporter 1997](#)

REF. DESK HA 154 G35

Over 3,000 tables, ranking a variety of topics, including industry, health, education, and labor.

[Handbook of Country Risk](#)

REF. DESK HG4538 .R57 2008-2009

The publisher provides a one page trading risk assessment for 144 countries based on political factors, currency shortage, banking sectors, devaluation risk, and more.

[Nations of the World](#)

REF. JA51 .N37 2009

Provides profiles of 231 nations or territories. Each profile includes a concise overview, map, key political, economic, and demographic facts, economic indicators usually covering five years, and a business directory. Annual.

[North American Industry Classification System](#)

REF. DESK HF 11042 .N6 2007

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