How to Begin Research

Compile a list of subject key words

- Synonyms
- Check the spelling
- Start Small

Find between 5-10 resources that match your subject. Analyze these sources for your paper before gathering more.

Create a rough outline. Based on the information you have already collected write down a summary of what you want to cover in your paper.

Where to Look for Information

Books - In-depth overviews or historical background on a subject

Database - For scholarly research articles that give specific case data or recent developments in an area

Internet - For demographic statistics or current information that has not yet been published academically



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Business Magazines

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Entrepreneur HF 5001 .I6

Kiplinger's Personal Finance

HC 101.C47

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Databases

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EbscoHost Web—Academic Search Complete

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Websites

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Business USA

• gsa.gov/reference/for-gsa-employees/on-thego/businessusaessUSA

U.S. Small Business Administration

• sba.gov

Minority Business Development Agency

• mbda.gov

Internal Revenue Service

• irs.gov

Federal Trade Commission

• ftc.gov

US Department of Commerce

• commerce.gov

US Census Bureau-North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)

• census.gov

Montana Census & Economic Information Ctr

• ceic.mt.gov/dashboard

Market Watch-The Wall Street Journal

• marketwatch.com

Bureau of Labor Statistics