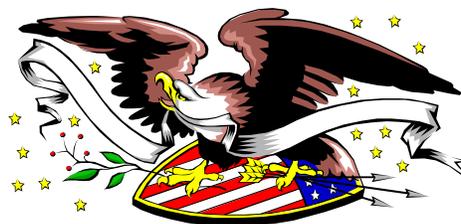


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The first place to look will be the library databases. I recommend that you search the following databases:

Academic Search Complete, US History Collection, U.S. History in Context, Military & Government Collection, Westlaw, and Opposing Viewpoints



If your topic is more than one word long, put it in quotation marks. This tells the database to search for the words as a phrase.

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21st Century Political Science: A Reference Handbook (Ref. JA 66 .A11171 2011)

American Presidents (Ref. E 176.1 .A6563 2006)

Birth of the Bill of Rights (Ref. E 302.5 .W35 2004)

Complete American Presidents Sourcebook (Ref. E 176.1 .M445 C73754 2001)

Encyclopedia of Revolutionary America (Ref. E 208 .G474 E5646 2010)

Encyclopedia of the U.S. Government and the Environment (Ref. GE 180 .E5649 2011)

Encyclopedia of US Foreign Relations (Ref. E 183.7 .E52 2002)

Handbook of U.S. Labor

Statistics (Ref. HD 8051 .H23661 2013)

Statistical Abstract of the United States (Ref. HA 202 .S79771 2012)



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