Instruction, Training and Promotion: Strategies for Government Information Librarians

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The "New" Government Information Librarian

We are no longer simply managers of Federal Depository Libraries

- Liaison Activities
- Training: Gov Info 101
- Instruction
- Promotion and Outreach
- The Future

Liaison Activities at Your Library (and Ours!)



Liaison Activities

The New Government Information Librarian: A Liaison to the Liaisons

- Team teaching
- Providing updates on NEW government resources to subject liaisons
- Collaborating on subject-specific government resources for web pages, classes, and handouts

Team Teaching Example: Environmental Studies 101

- Environmental-related Databases:
 - Greenwire; Columbia Earthscape;
 Environmental Studies & Pollution
 Management
- Government-Related Environmental Resources:
 - EPA: http://www.epa.gov/
 - NOAA: http://www.noaa.gov/
 - U.S. Geological Survey:
 - http://www.usgs.gov/





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Protecting auto brake workers from asbestos Apr 3 - A new brochure warns automotive mechanics to always assume that asbestos may be present in brakes and clutches. For example, don't use compressed air to blow dust from brakes and clutches.

News release | comunicado de prensa | More safety information | en español



\$90M settlement brings cleaner air for Nevada Apr 3 -Nevada Power Company will spend \$85 million on cleaner technology to correct alleged air pollution violations at the Reid Gardner power plant near Las Vegas, pay fines, and fund energy conservation projects.

News release | More about operating permits

Green rigs cut greenhouse gases Mar 30 - New trucks using SmartWay-approved equipment can save as much as 4,000 gallons of diesel per year, annually saving thousands of dollars while helping curb air pollution.

News release | More about Smartway

Recycling at the Cherry Blossoms Mar 29 - At the National Cherry Blossom Festival in DC attendees can recycle bottles and cans in bins on the National Mall. "Recycle on the Go" makes recycling easy wherever you are.

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Help for states to control fine particle air pollution Mar 29 - A new



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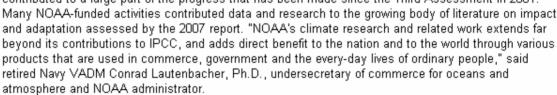
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Top Story

NOAA LEADS CLIMATE IMPACT AND ADAPTATION ACTIVITIES Agency Contributes to Scientific Foundation of IPCC

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change released its report on impacts, adaptation and vulnerability to climate change for the Fourth Assessment. Ongoing research conducted by NOAA contributed to a large part of the progress that has been made since the Third Assessment in 2001. Many NOAA-funded activities contributed data and research to the growing body of literature on impacts and adaptation assessed by the 2007 report. "NOAA's climate research and related work extends far beyond its contributions to IPCC, and adds direct benefit to the nation and to the world through various products that are used in commerce, government and the every-day lives of ordinary people." said retired Navy VADM Conrad Lautenbacher, Ph.D., undersecretary of commerce for oceans and



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Other News



RESEARCHERS FIND GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM IS SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACTED BY POWERFUL SOLAR RADIO BURST — During an unprecedented solar eruption last December, researchers at Cornell University confirmed solar radio bursts can have a serious impact on the Global Positioning System (GPS) and other communication technologies using radio waves. The findings were announced in Washington, D.C., at the first Space Weather Enterprise Forum—an assembly of academic, government and private sector scientists focused on examining the Earth's ever-increasing vulnerability to space weather impacts.



NOAA RELEASES REPORT ON HAWAII DISCARDED MILITARY MUNITIONS SITE SURVEY — NOAA released the results of a June 2006 survey of an underwater area off the Hawaiian island of Oahu where discarded military munitions are present. The survey of the



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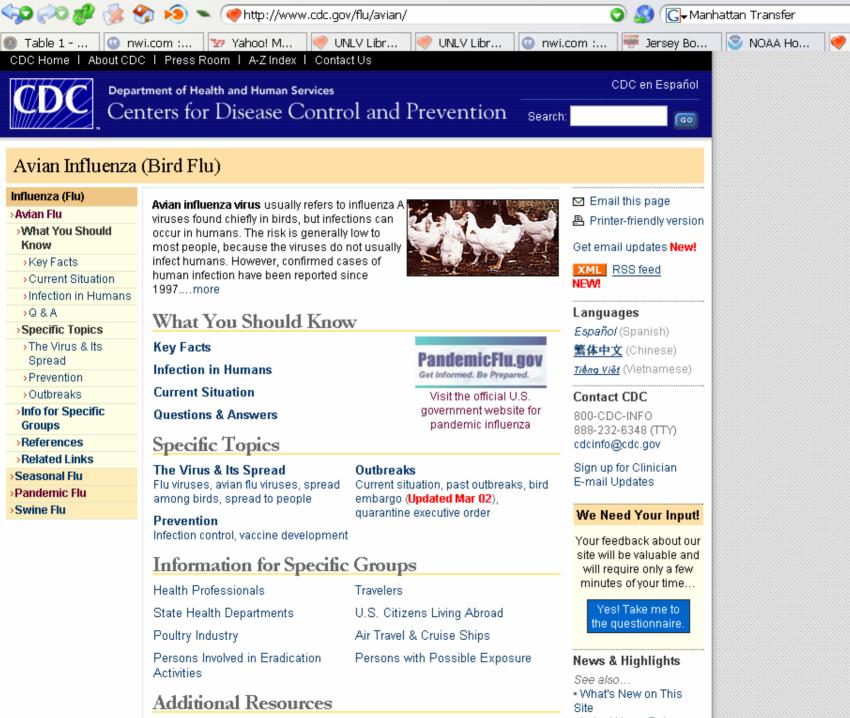
NOAA Ho...



NOAA Magazine — Up Close: Steve Murawski, Top Scientist for the NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service

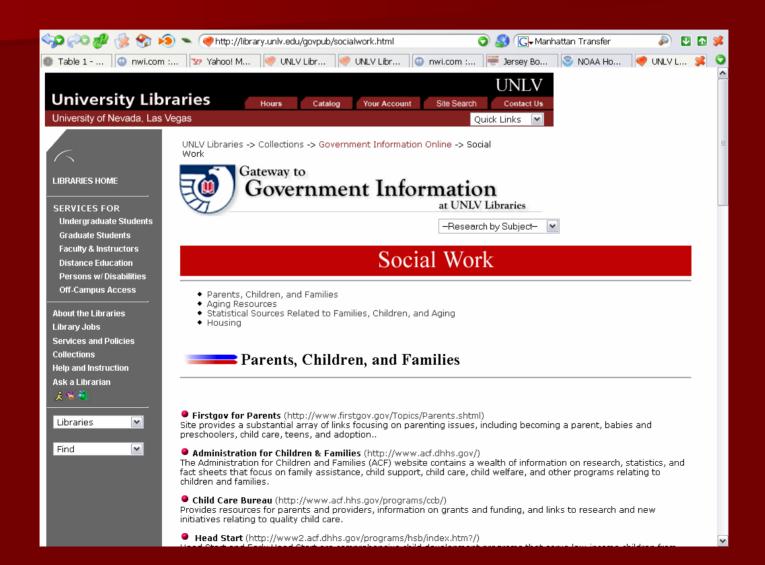
Providing Updates on NEW Government Resources to Subject Liaisons





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Collaborating on Subject-Specific Government Resources



Training the Trainers

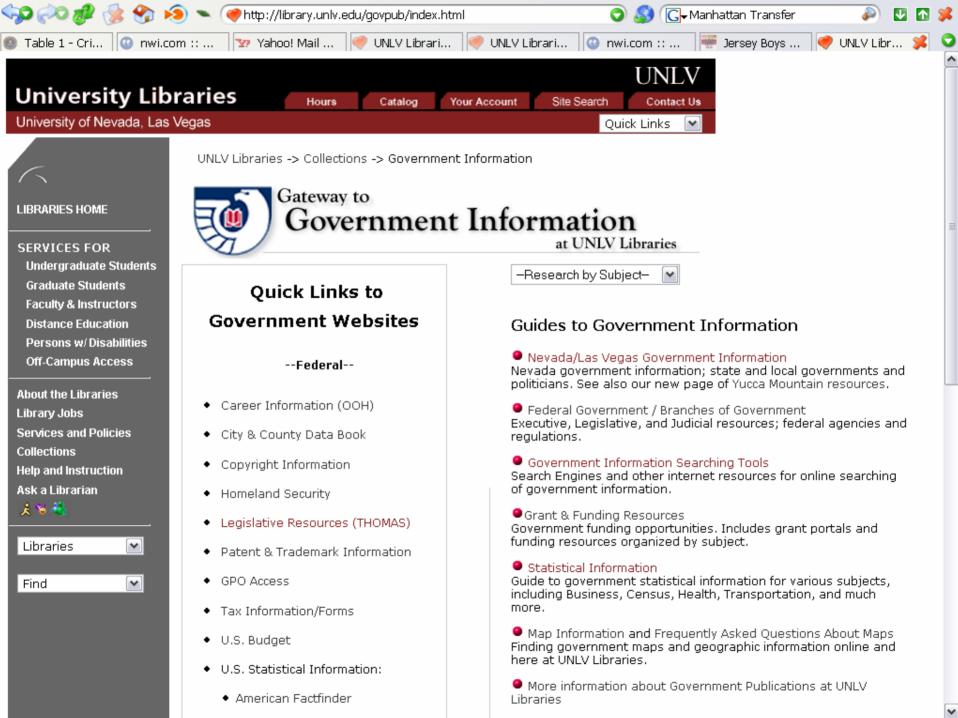
Demystifying government information for colleagues

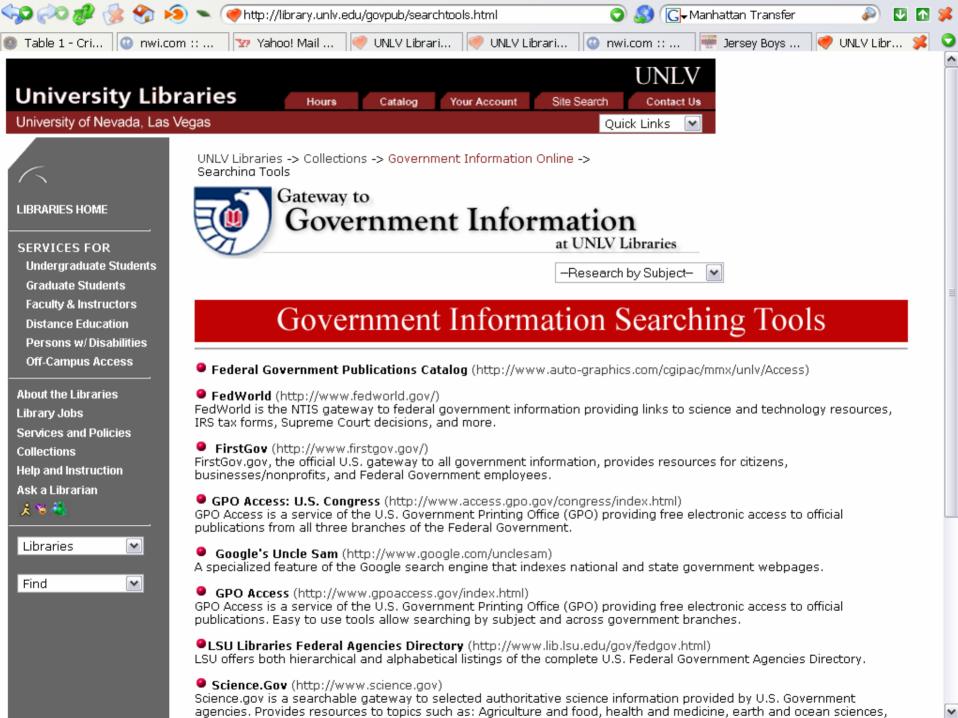
Gov Info 101: Basic Training

- Gateway to Government Information
- Where to Find It: Searching Tools
- State and Local Resources
- All Numbers All the Time (Statistics!)
- Legislative Research Plain and Simple
- Commercial Databases

Gov Info 101: Basic Training





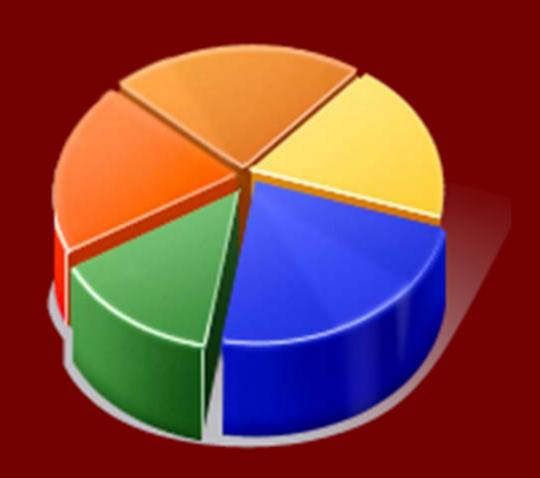


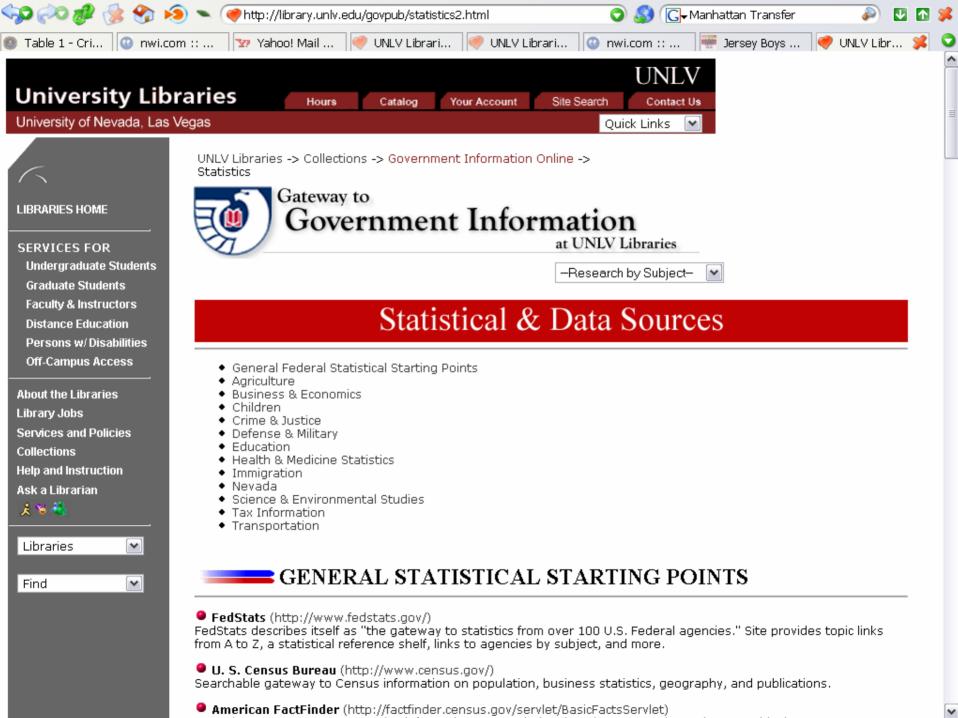
State & Local Resources





Statistics from the Government





Commercial Databases

- Lexis/Nexis Congressional
- PAIS International
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- Lexis/Nexis Primary Sources in US Presidential History
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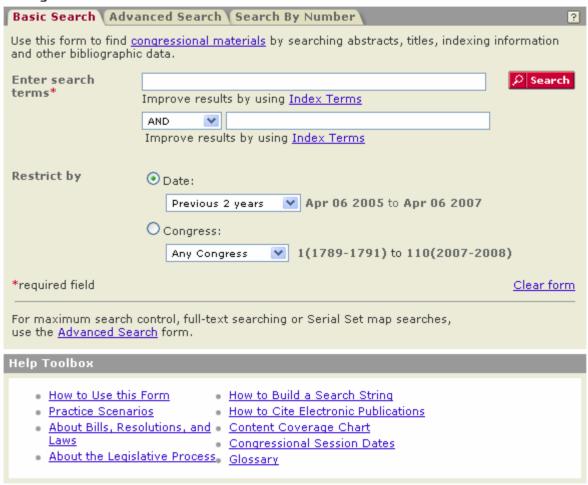
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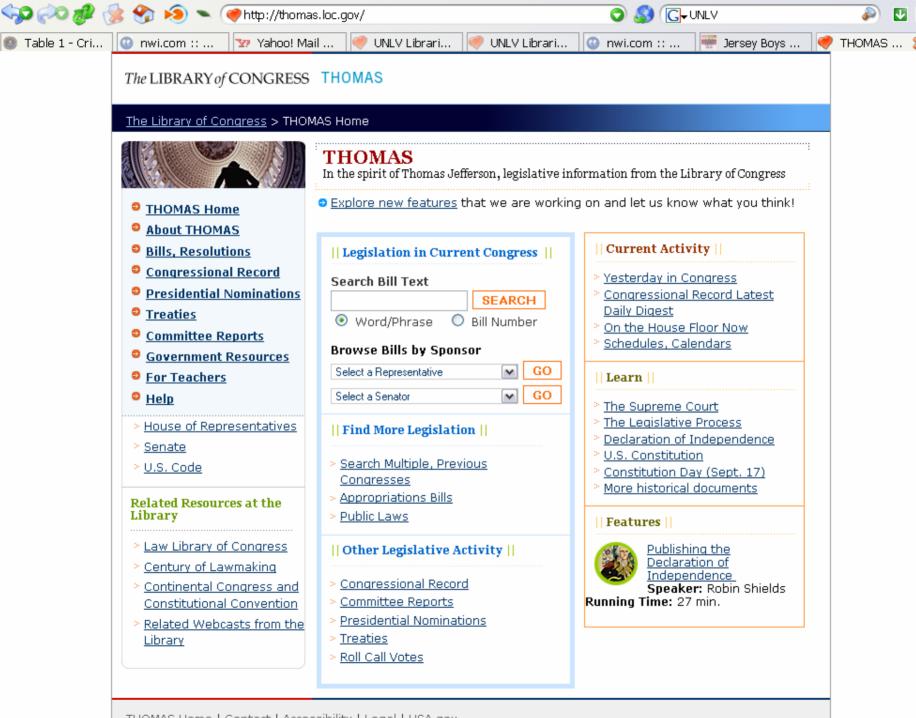
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Legislative Information: Plain & Simple







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the Statutes at Large, in order of the date it was enacted into law. More. 108th Congress, 2nd Session (2004), Volume 118 Only

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Other Services

- Purchase individual issues of the United States Statutes at Large from the U.S. Government Bookstore. W Buy a Copy
- Locate the United States Statutes at Large, including issues prior to 108th Congress (2003-04) in a local Federal Depository library.

Records Administration (NARA). Every public and private law passed by Congress is published in

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Mainstreaming Government Information in One-Shot Instruction Sessions



Gov Info & The One-Shot Instruction Session

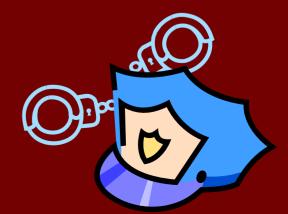
- Consult with instructor to determine class needs & assignment objectives
- Use gov info to compare primary & secondary sources
- Use gov info websites to demonstrate authoritative, comprehensive, current, and/or accurate information

Criminal Justice 201



CRJ 201: Introduction to Criminology

- Examination of the causes, types, and distribution of crime in American society.
- Assignment: 3-5 page paper on a specific crime including statistics on a national, state, local statistical sources



CRJ 201 (Continued)

- Uniform Crime Reports:
 http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/ucr.htm
- Nevada Department of Public Safety: http://www.nvrepository.state.nv.us/ucr/crimejustice.shtml
- LVMPD Crime Community Incident Map: http://www.lvmpd.com/crimeviewcommunity/



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Uniform Crime Reports

The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program was conceived in 1929 by the International Association of Chiefs of Police to meet a need for reliable, uniform crime statistics for the nation. In 1930, the FBI was tasked with collecting, publishing, and archiving those statistics. Today, several annual statistical publications, such as the comprehensive Crime in the United States, are produced from data provided by nearly 17,000 law enforcement agencies across the United States.

Other annual publications, such as *Hate Crime Statistics* and *Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted* address specialized facets of crime such as hate crime or the murder and assaults of law enforcement officers respectively.

Special studies, reports, and monographs prepared using data mined from the UCR's large database are published each year as well. In addition to these reports, information about the *National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS*), UCR Frequently Asked Questions, and UCR Incident Specific Questions are also available on this site.

- A Word about the Data
- Data Quality Guidelines

<u>Note</u>: Most documents on this site are prepared in PDF (Portable Document Format). Selected tables are also available in Microsoft Excel format.

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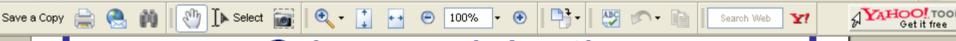
Crime in the United States

Crime in the United States (CIUS) is an annual publication in which the FBI compiles volume and rate of crime offenses for the nation, the states, and individual agencies. This report also includes arrest, clearance, and law enforcement employee data.

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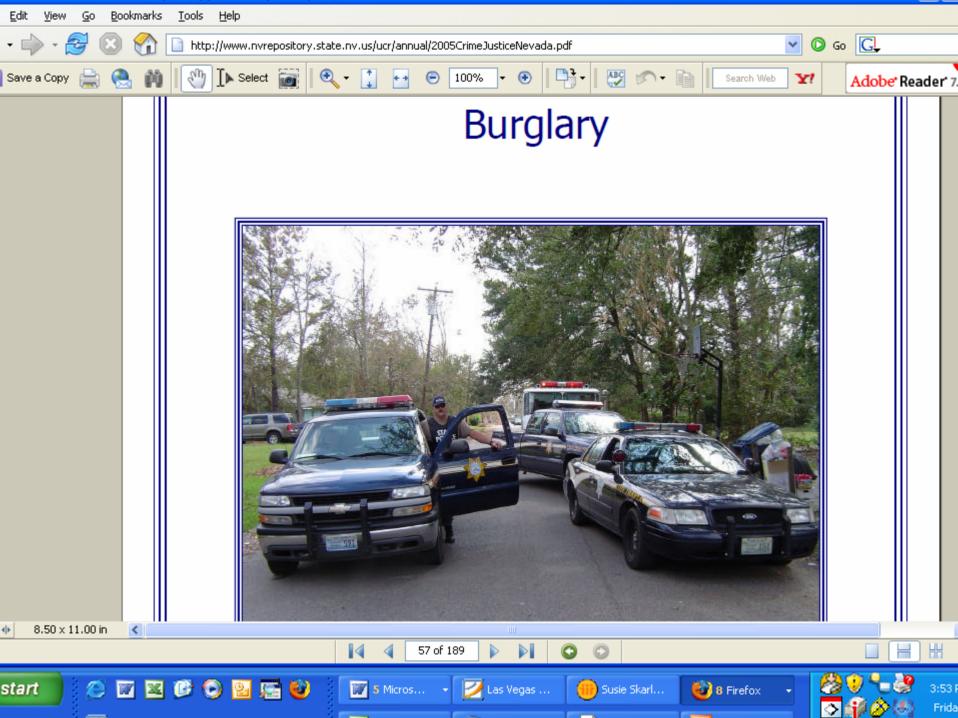
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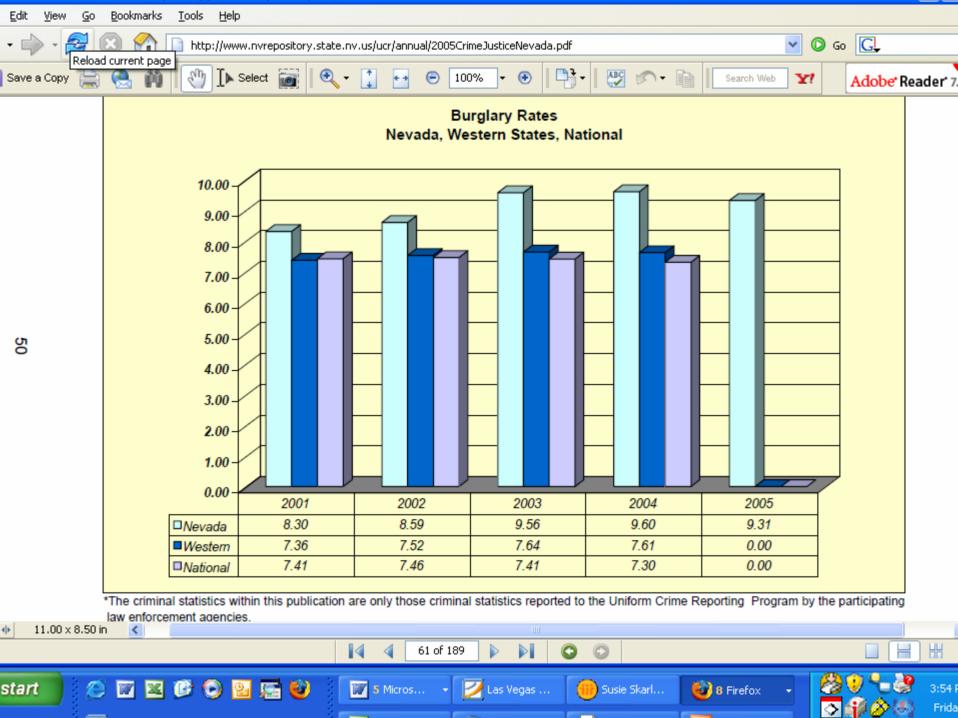
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91,459	38.1	542,775	226.0	834,322	347.4	11,722,700	4,881.8	3,241,410	1,349.8	7,257,153	3,0
91,111	37.6	517,704	213.7	855,088	352.9	12,024,709	4,963.0	3,236,184	1,335.7	7,499,851	3,0
92,486	37.8	542,968	222.1	910,092	372.2	12,356,865	5,054.0	3,218,077	1,316.2	7,705,872	3,1
94,504	38.3	578,326	234.3	951,707	385.6	12,605,412	5,107.1	3,168,170	1,283.6	7,872,442	3,1
102,555	41.1	639,271	256.3	1,054,863	422.9	12,655,486	5,073.1	3,073,909	1,232.2	7,945,670	3,1
106,593	42.3	687,732	272.7	1,092,739	433.4	12,961,116	5,140.2	3,157,150	1,252.1	8,142,228	3,2
109,062	42.8	672,478	263.7	1,126,974	441.9	12,505,917	4,903.7	2,979,884	1,168.4	7,915,199	3,1
106,014	41.1	659,870	256.0	1,135,607	440.5	12,218,777	4,740.0	2,834,808	1,099.7	7,820,909	3,0
102,216	39.3	618,949	237.8	1,113,179	427.6	12,131,873	4,660.2	2,712,774	1,042.1	7,879,812	3,0
97,470	37.1	580,509	220.9	1,099,207	418.3	12,063,935	4,590.5	2,593,784	987.0	7,997,710	3,0
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Crime and Justice In Nevada 2005

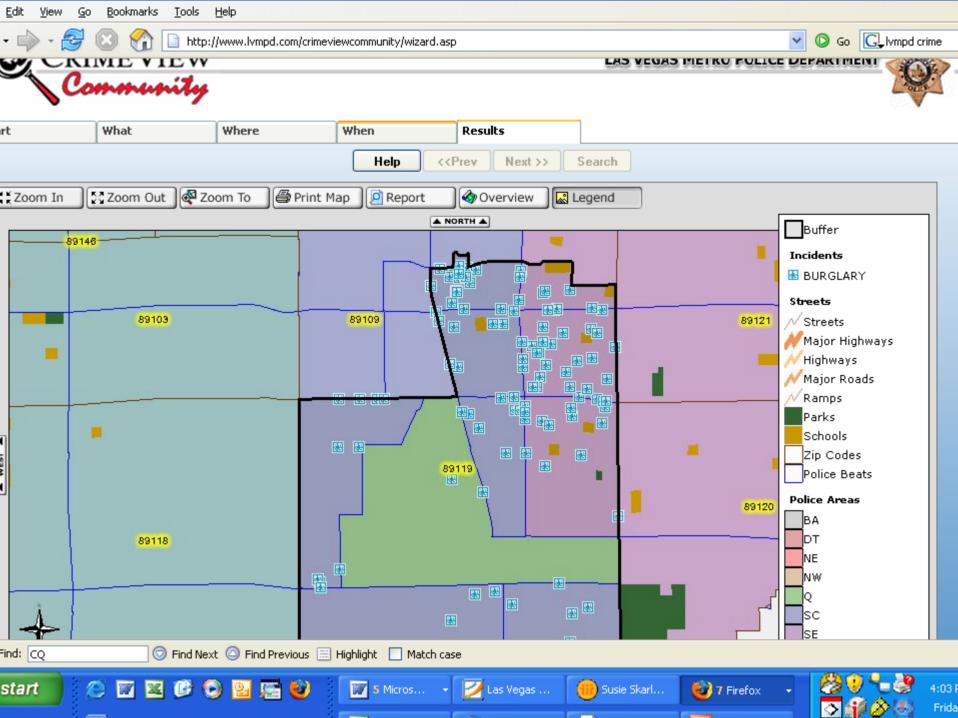






LVMPD Crime View





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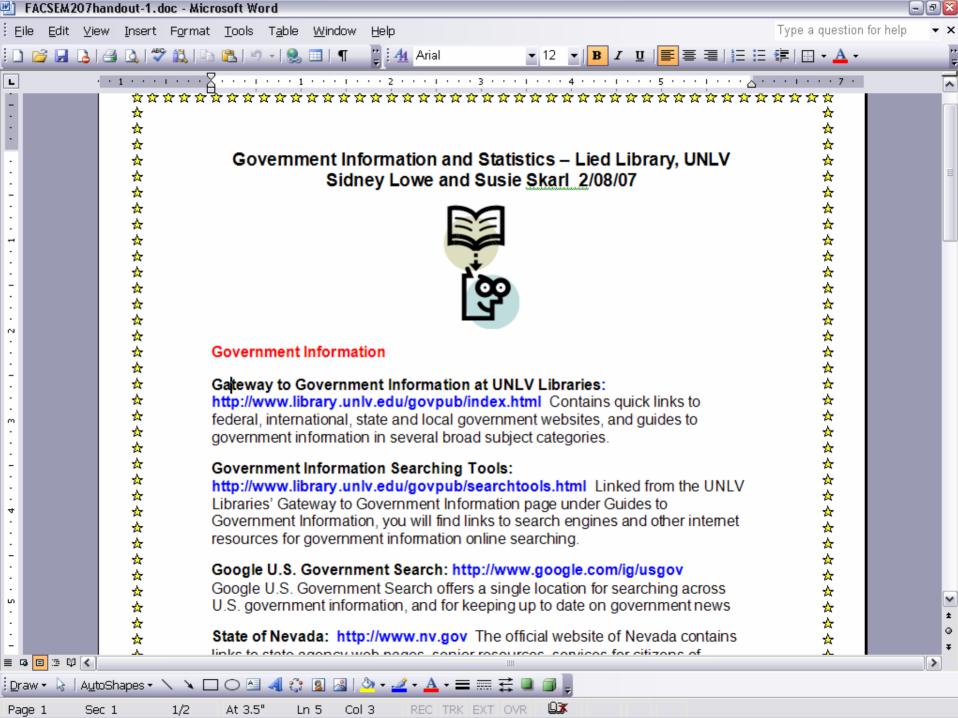
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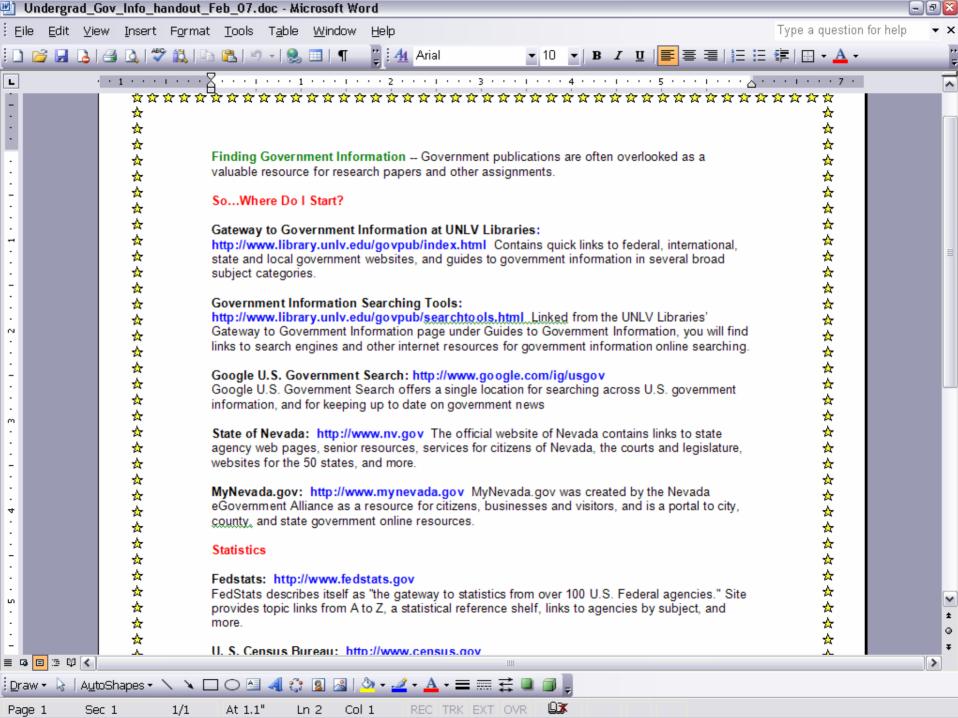
- Faculty/Grad Seminars
- Undergrad Seminars
- Government Information Training Day
- University Forum Lecture

Government Information and Statistics



Faculty & Grad Seminar Lied Library, Pioche Room, 2/8/07 Sidney Lowe & Susie Skarl, Co-presenters





Exploring the Environment

Government Information Training Day
UNLV Lied Library
Sidney Watson and Susie Skarl

Federal Environmental Sites

- US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): http://www.epa.gov.gov
- U.S. Department of the Interior: http://www.doi.gov
- National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA): http://www.noaa.gov/

The Future of Government Information



What's Next???

- Blogs
- Wikis
- Online Tutorials
- RSS Feeds
- Digitization Projects
- Other Ideas?

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Government Information and Maps

A library weblog on Government Information and Maps for the faculty and students at Georgia State University.

March 22, 2007

New GBPI Report: Effects of Presidents fy 2008 Budget on Georgia

The Georgia Budget and Policy Institute (GBPI) has issued the following report: Effects of the President's Federal FY 2008 Budget Proposal on Georgia - This report highlights the impact on Georgia of the President's Federal FY 2008 budget proposal. (Source: email from apbi)

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U.S. Agencies Join Forces to Share Data

> From the March 22 issue of Nature. For the full text, see> http://ealerts.nature.com/cgi-bin24/DM/y/hc530SpivX0HjB0B0pY0EA

Excerpt:

The US government is considering a massive plan to store almost all scientific data generated by federal agencies in publicly accessible digital repositories. The aim is for the kind of data access and sharing currently enjoyed by genome researchers via GenBank, or astronomers via the National Virtual Observatory, but for the whole of US science. Scientists would then be able to access data from any federal agency and integrate it into their studies. For example, a researcher browsing an

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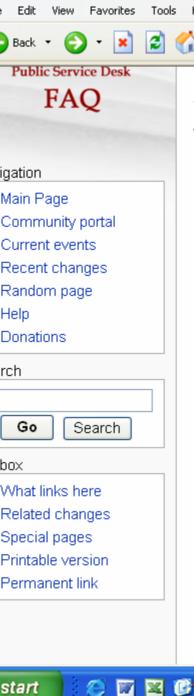
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- Finding Articles (tutorial)
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Questions, Suggestions, Comments, Ideas???



Thank You



The Care and Weeding of Your Collection

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What I wish I knew when I started the whole darn thing

Why Weed?

- **►** Mandates
- ► Shelf Space / Organic Collection
- Superseded Items

House Cleaning Replacement of Volumes / Newer Editions

First things to consider

- ▶ Top down discussions (Director, Assoc Dir)
 - Get Support from the very top early on you will need it
- Explain clearly what is being done
- ▶ Title 44 : read it, know it
- Faculty Concerns
 - Have a prepared response
- Your time Teach, Desk hrs, other duties?

Next Step

- Review the GPO Superseded list; first to go –
- ► Let your Regional know what you are up to
- Share with your colleagues what is being done weeding is not a crime – people have diverse ideas and thoughts
- Weeding should not be done in secrecy

Develop a weeding policy Avoid emotional entanglements

Preparation

- Be open to the advice of colleagues inside and outside your dept – talk to your subject specialists
- Shelf space Do you have to enough to store items pulled from the collection? Space to store material and space to process material
- Staff time / energy withdrawing records
- Students pulling items time/other duties

More Preparation

- ► Money boxes, tape..etc
- Space where do we pack?
 - Do you have an area to process incoming materials and process outgoing materials?
- ▶ Overtime, if needed
- Who takes the boxes to the mail room weight allowances
- Expect the unexpected Always

It begins

- Our friends in need (Hawaii)
- Your neighbors (UVSC example)
- GPO (they are going home)
- The Regional
- > CRL?
 - Foreign Materials
- Special Collections at home University of the Deseret example Know your schools history – really look at material Duplicate copies – UU Western Americana Collection
- Don't forget your law library (if you have one)
- Other list-serves (be pro-active)

Dealing with Multiple Asks

Who are your friends from the past?

Postage: to charge or not to charge?

Invoicing – is it worth it?

Know the rules of your budget officer

Disposal

If you have to

Mark as needed

- Watch out for the dumpster diver
 - Have a response ready

Questions?

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