SocINDEX Tipsheet

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To identify what has been written on a topic within sociology, SocINDEX is a core database. It. indexes and provides abstracts of scholarly material within the discipline, somewhat broadly defined.

Getting Started:

You can begin with a keyword search, like the one below, which will help you identify appropriate material:

Searching: SocINDEX Choose Databases »	• * = a truncation symbol which retrieves items with
immigra* in Select a Field (optional) Search	words that start with the letters preceding the asterisk: <i>i</i> mmigrant, immigration, or immigrants.
AND 💌 "welfare reform" in Select a Field (optional)	 " " = = a phrase search, with retrieves items with the ex act phrase enclosed in quotation marks: "welfare
AND Select a Field (optional) Add Row	reform".

Narrowing Searches:

You can restrict your search to scholarly or academic publications:

89 Results for	After selecting "Scholarly," click "Update":	Refine your results
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To limit your results by subject, look for the limit on the left-hand column on the screen:



Using the Thesaurus:

You can also look at the list of subject terms listed in the database: Click "Subject Terms" in the top bar:

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Clicking on <i>emigration & immigration</i> will "explode" the term, telling you what other terms are related to it, narrower, or broader, often suggesting additional alternatives for your search. If you select the terms by clicking in the box, and then selecting <i>Add</i> , that will search for items	Select term, then add to search us EMIGRATION & immigration Scope Note Select relevant he adings and then click "Add" at the top of the page.	Here are entered works on migration across national borders in modern times. Works on the movement of population within the borders of a single country are entered under "Migration, Internal." Works on the spread of population, largely in prehistoric times, are entered under "Human beingsMigrations." Works on the mass migrations of peoples are entered under "Migrations of nations."	Explode
that have any of those subject terms.	Broader Terms		
	Narrower Terms	ALIYAH	
	Related Terms	NATURALIZATION POPULATION transfers REPATRIATION RETURN migration ACCULTURATION ALIENS ASSIMILATION (Sociology) EMIGRATION & immigration Government policy	

Combining Searches:

You can combine searches two ways:

• Add search boxes to the Advanced Search:

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and 💙 public welfare	in SU Subject Terms	Click to add
and 💟 women or feminis*	in Select a Field (optional)	search boxes
and 💙 mexican*	in Select a Field (optional)	Add Row Remove Row

• Go to Search History:

After clicking on "Search History," select the searches that you wish to combine.	EBSCO	Searching: SocINDEX Ch feminis*	in Select a Field (optional) in Select a Field (optional) in Select a Field (optional)	Search Clear 7
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	Se	earch Search Terms	Search Options	Actions
		52 🔊 feminis*	Search modes - Boolean/Phrase	View Results (26555)
		51 DE "EMIGRATION & immigration" OR DE "EMIGRATION & immigration Government policy"	Search modes - Boolean/Phrase	View Results (16346)

When you have sources that might be useful, you'll need to actually look at them! Sometimes the source is available in SocINDEX, indicated by a "Linked Full Text," PDF or HTML link in the record. If it is not available within SocINDEX, click on the Article Linker:

Enemies of the state	? Testing three models of anti-immigrant
sentiment. 🔎	
By: Vallas, Steven P.; Zimn Stratification & Mobility, De 10.1016/j.rssrn.2009.10.002	nerman, Emily; Davis, Shannon N., Research in Social c2009, Vol. 27 Issue 4, p201-217, 17p; DOI: ; (<i>AN 47707732</i>)
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- Meebo us for a chat from Research Resources when the Reference Desk is staffed.
- When the Desk isn't staffed, go to Q&A/New Jersey.

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