

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:

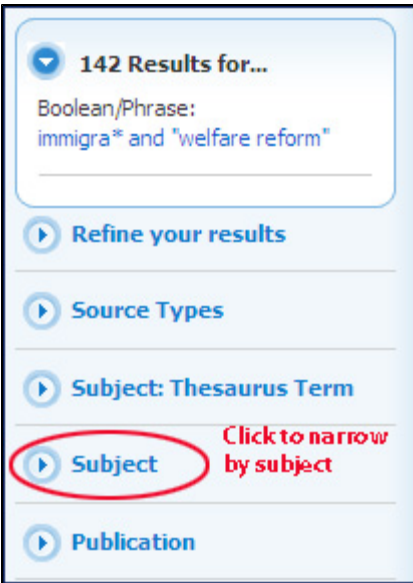
You can begin with a keyword search, like the one below, which will help you identify appropriate material:

<div>Searching: SocINDEX Choose Databases ></div> <div><input type="text" value="immigra*"/> in Select a Field (optional) <input type="button" value="Search"/></div> <div>AND <input type="text" value="welfare reform"/> in Select a Field (optional)</div> <div>AND <input type="text" value=""/> in Select a Field (optional) Add Row</div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• * = a <i>truncation symbol</i>, which retrieves items with words that start with the letters preceding the asterisk: <i>i</i>mmigrant, <i>i</i>mmigration, or <i>i</i>mmigrants.• " " = a <i>phrase search</i>, with retrieves items with the ex act phrase enclosed in quotation marks: "welfare reform".
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Narrowing Searches:

You can restrict your search to scholarly or academic publications:

<div>89 Results for...</div> <div>Boolean/Phrase: immigra* and "welfare reform"</div> <div>Refine your results</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Linked Full Text</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> References Available</div> <div>1995 Publication Date 2010</div>	<p>After selecting "Scholarly," click "Update":</p>	<div>Refine your results</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Linked Full Text</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> References Available</div> <div>1995 Publication Date 2010</div> <div>Click "Update"</div> <div><input type="button" value="Update"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/> <input 553="" 696="" 710"="" 74="" data-label="Text" type="button" value="Show More ></input></div></td></tr></table></div><div data-bbox="/><p>To limit your results by subject, look for the limit on the left-hand column on the screen:</p></div>
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142 Results for...
Boolean/Phrase:
immigra* and "welfare reform"

Refine your results

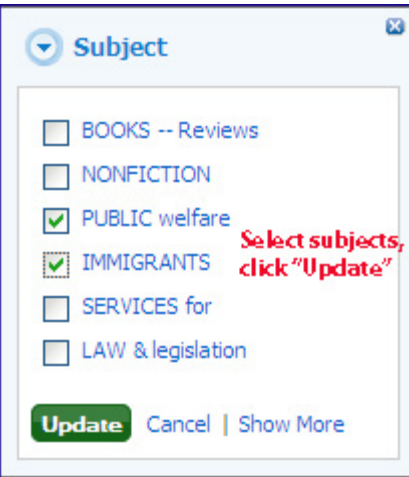
Source Types

Subject: Thesaurus Term

Subject Click to narrow by subject

Publication

Selecting specific headings will narrow your search by looking for those headings within the results originally found.



Subject

- ☐ BOOKS -- Reviews
- ☐ NONFICTION
- ☒ PUBLIC welfare
- ☒ IMMIGRANTS Select subjects, click "Update"
- ☐ SERVICES for
- ☐ LAW & legislation

Update Cancel | Show More

Using the Thesaurus:

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

New Search
Publications
Subject Terms

Subject Terms

Browsing: Sociology Thesaurus

☒ Term Begins With
 ☐ Term Contains
 ☐ Relevancy Ranked

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Select term, then add to search using:

(Click term to display details.)

Click on "EMIGRATION & immigration" for definitions and other headings

IMMIGRATION Use EMIGRATION & immigration

☐ IMMIGRATION advocates

If you select the terms by clicking in the box, and then selecting *Add*, that will search for items that have any of those subject terms.

Select term, then add to search using:

<input type="checkbox"/>	EMIGRATION & immigration	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Scope Note	
	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 beings--Migrations." Works on the mass migrations of peoples are entered under "Migrations of nations."	
	Broader Terms	
	<input type="checkbox"/> POPULATION	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> POPULATION geography	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Narrower Terms	
	<input type="checkbox"/> ALIYAH	
	<input type="checkbox"/> NATURALIZATION	
	<input type="checkbox"/> POPULATION transfers	
	<input type="checkbox"/> REPATRIATION	
	<input type="checkbox"/> RETURN migration	
	Related Terms	
	<input type="checkbox"/> ACCULTURATION	
	<input type="checkbox"/> ALIENS	
	<input type="checkbox"/> ASSIMILATION (Sociology)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> EMIGRATION & immigration -- Government policy	

You can combine searches two ways:

- in
- in
- in
- in
- [Click to add search boxes](#)
[Add Row](#) | [Remove Row](#)

- After clicking on "Search History," select the searches that you wish to combine.

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Searching: **SocINDEX** : Choose Databases »

feminis* in Select a Field (optional) [v]

AND [v] [] in Select a Field (optional) [v]

AND [v] [] in Select a Field (optional) [v] Add Row

Basic Search : Advanced Search : Visual Search : **Search History**

Begin by clicking

Search History/Alerts

Print Search History | Retrieve Searches | Retrieve Alerts | Save Searches / Alerts

☒ Select / deselect all

Search with AND **Search with OR** **Delete Searches**

Select terms already searched, and combine:

Search ID#	Search Terms	Search Options	Actions
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S2	feminis*	Search modes - Boolean/Phrase	View Results (26555)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S1	DE "EMIGRATION & immigration" OR DE "EMIGRATION & immigration -- Government policy"	Search modes - Boolean/Phrase	View Results (16346)

Dealing with Results:

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.; Zimmerman, Emily; Davis, Shannon N.. Research in Social Stratification & Mobility, Dec2009, Vol. 27 Issue 4, p201-217, 17p; DOI: 10.1016/j.rssrn.2009.10.002; (AN 47707732)

Subjects: EMIGRATION & immigration; DISCRIMINATION; IMMIGRANTS; NATIVISM; ETHNIC attitudes; RACISM; ETHNIC relations; SOCIOLOGY, Urban; VIRGINIA; UNITED States; SOCIAL aspects

Database: SocINDEX

Click to see if Drew owns or has access to this article in another database

Add to folder ... Cited References: (30)

SEARCH FOR ARTICLE  Search for related subjects through Credo Reference

This will open a window which will tell you if the item is available elsewhere:

Content is available via the following links			
Coverage Range	Links to content		Resource
2001 - present	Article	Journal	ScienceDirect Journals
	Article		Publisher via CrossRef

In this case, the article is available in two other databases. Click on "Article" to retrieve.

Questions?

- Call (973-408-3588) or come to the Reference Desk in the Library (9:00am-5:00pm, Monday-Friday; 6:00pm-10pm, Sunday-Thursday).
- Send us an email at reference@drew.edu.
- 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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