

# Developing the process for identifying types and levels of government information to include in a community profile workshop.

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## PROCESS STEPS

1. Do literature search
  - a) Federated search engines
  - b) Databases
2. Identify relevant co-workers to co-present - include humanities, sciences, social sciences, archivists.
3. Review resources from 2 statistical databases:
  - a) Statista
  - b) Statistical Insight (Proquest)
4. Contact faculty teaching relevant courses for suggestions. (Review their syllabi)  
Academic areas:  
Business    Education  
Engineering  
Political Science
5. identify local/state government/non-profit resources.

## SELECTED GOVERNMENT/NON-GOVERNMENT INFORMATION USED

Census (Housing)  
City of Lubbock (planning data)  
Climatological Data – USGS  
[Data USA webpage](#) (general)  
HUD (Housing)  
TX Demographic Center (census)  
TX Health/Human Services (health)  
USGS (climate/environment data)  
Note: Also mention fee-based services for additional research avenues.



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## Suggested LC subject Headings

**(City) - Economic conditions**  
**(City) - Statistics**  
**Communities - Research**  
**(County) - Economic conditions**    **(County) - Statistics**  
**Demographic surveys**  
**Industrial location**  
**Industrial sites**  
**Market Surveys - State - County**  
**Regional Planning**

**Selected Databases**  
**Bus. Mkt Res Coll**  
**Data Citation Index**  
**ERIC (and other education databases)**  
**Family Studies Absts.**  
**ICPSR**  
**PAIS**  
**Social Services Absts.**



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A guide for doing a community profile or site selection project using census and other resources.

Databases, Journals, and Articles	Databases
Books, Theses, and Dissertations	• <a href="#">Academic Search Complete ?</a> Designed for academic institutions, this database provides complete coverage of multidisciplinary academic journals.
Research Assistance	• <a href="#">Environmental Impact Statements: Digests ?</a> Extracts key issues from complex government-released environmental impact statements, converting massive documents into concise, readable abstracts.
Government Web Resources	...

## LESSONS LEARNED

1. Successful workshops require targeted outreach to interested faculty.
2. Presenters should continue to look for new resources, e.g. new organizations tracking information, new government databases, etc.
3. Presenters should keep spreadsheet of resources to keep track of resources. Information should include title/source/link, what coverage, geographic coverage, etc.
4. Presenters should set search updates in their federated search engines and databases for new information on developing community profiles or site selection profiles.
5. Consider including GIS resources to expand resources available.
6. Presenters should consider developing workshops aimed at specific audiences, e.g. business, engineering, nursing, etc.