

The purpose of this guide is to list and describe selected reference tools, annuals, and journals that should be consulted when conducting research on Africa as it relates to issues of politics, public policy, the environment, and economics. Topics related specifically to the history and the humanities are not included in this guide. All the sources described in this guide are located in the U.S.C. Library system. To identify articles concerning this topic in scholarly journals, consult the section in this guide entitled, "Indexes and Abstracts." To find books, use the HOMER catalog on the Web at <http://library.usc.edu/> or consult a reference librarian for research assistance. Also, consult the "*International Relations*" research guide for additional titles that will include information on Africa.

GUIDES AND HANDBOOKS

DeLancey, Mark W., ed. *Handbook of Political Science Research on Sub-Saharan Africa: Trends from the 1960s to the 1990s*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1992.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] JA84 .A337H36 1992

This handbook contains thirteen essays, written by experts, in sections covering various aspects of general, regional, and country surveys. Each essay concludes with a comprehensive bibliography and endnotes useful for obtaining further information. An appendix includes a list social science research centers by country and a bibliography of bibliographies on African politics. Includes name and subject indexes.

Kagan, Alfred, ed. *Reference Guide to Africa : A Bibliography of Sources*. 2nd ed. Lanham, MD: Scarecrow Press, 2005.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] Z3501 .K15 2005

The second edition of this classic reference organizes and explains the most important resources dealing with the study of Africa. It is intended for students, teachers, librarians, and serious researchers, and it covers works and surveys dealing with the entire African continent. The introductory sections cover African studies indexes, bibliographies, handbooks, guides and directories as well as electronic sources and Internet web sites. The continuing chapters deal with specific types of materials such as statistics, current events, biography, primary sources, and government publications. The main body of the work is an annotated overview of sources for disciplines in the humanities, social sciences, agriculture, and ecology. Chapters typically include research guides, directories, surveys of the literature, bibliographies, indexes and abstracts, key periodical titles, and relevant Library of Congress subject headings. Over half of the entries are either new or have been updated since the old edition, and there is expanded coverage on volumes dedicated to the study of North Africa, the growth of Islam in Africa, and a tremendous increase in the number of electronic sources listed.

Zell, Hans, M., ed. *The African Studies Companion: A Guide to Information Sources*. 4th ed. Lochcarron, UK: Hans Zell, 2006.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] DT19.8 .Z45 2003

Published in dual print and electronic formats, this is a new edition of a much acclaimed reference source that brings together a wide range of sources of information in the African studies field, covering both print and electronic sources. It evaluates the best online resources, the major general reference tools in print format, current bibliographies and indexing services, biographical, cartographic, statistical and economic resources, as well as film and video resources. Additionally, there are separate sections on African studies library collections and repositories throughout the world, a directory of over 250 African studies journals; listings of news sources, profiles of publishers active in the African studies field, dealers and distributors of African studies materials, African studies societies and associations, major African and international organizations, donor agencies and foundations, awards and prizes in African studies, electronic mailing lists and discussion forums, and more. The new edition, thoroughly revised and updated and substantially expanded, contains over 2,900 for the most part extensively annotated entries. Several entirely new sections further enhance the utility of this rich information resource.

CHRONOLOGIES AND CURRENT EVENTS

African Recorder. New Delhi, India: M. H. Samuel, 1962-1999. Biweekly.

VKC Library [Reference] DT1 .A847

This printed news digest provides the most comprehensive coverage of current events in Africa from newspapers, magazines, and news services throughout the world. Each biweekly issue contains information on politics and elections, economic development, war and conflict, and social issues such as educational initiatives. Information is arranged alphabetically by country and includes a subject index by country.

Africa Research Bulletin: Economic, Financial and Technical Series.

Africa Research Bulletin: Political, Social and Cultural Series.

Oxford, England: Blackwell, 1992-. Monthly.

VKC Library [Reference] DT1 .A36

Divided into two parts, each issue gives detailed information gathered from newspapers, magazines, and new services from all over the world and covering all aspects of human activity on the African continent. The Political series is especially useful for obtaining election results and information on political parties. Maps, statistical tables and graphs are included in most issues. This is an excellent resource on current political and economic events in Africa.

Keesing's Record of World Events. London: Longman, 1931-. Weekly.

VKC Library [Reference] D410 .K4

This resource track world events culled from the world's press and information services. *Keesing's* distills political, economic and social events into concise, detailed reports. Events are edited down to essential information. Coverage includes issues such as assassinations and their consequences, acts of terrorism, coups, elections and referendums with results including listings of new cabinet members, major political appointments, economic trends and accords, national budgets and deficits, and reports on actions taken by international organizations. The front page of any issue of *Keesing's Record of World Events* gives the user an overview of the events covered in that issue. Each issue is indexed by country, international organization, and significant international events. In addition, two cumulative name and subject indexes are included with each annual volume. Published weekly, this is a rich source of information on current and historical affairs.

DICTIONARIES AND ENCYCLOPEDIAS

Hall, David, E. *African Acronyms and Abbreviations: A Handbook*. New York: Mansell, 1996.
Doheny Library [Bookstacks] DT2 .H35 1996

The purpose of this dictionary is to elucidate abbreviations found in African studies that relate to official and unofficial organizations, political parties, educational establishments, businesses and international aid agencies concerning all of African except Egypt. When the country of origin of an abbreviation is known, this has been indicated.

Olsen, James S. *People's of Africa: An Ethnohistorical Dictionary*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1996.

VKC Library [Reference]; Leavey Library [Lower Commons] GN645 .O471996

This dictionary defines the many groups, subgroups, and division of people's who populate the African continent. Each entry, arranged alphabetically, describes the people, their history, and their relationship to other groups; many entries end with references to other sources for information. This is a useful source for discerning the human geographical dimensions of conflict, nationalism, and other aspects of political and economic development in Africa. Includes a chronology of African history, a selected bibliography, and an index.

Phillips, Claude S. *The African Political Dictionary*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC Clio, 1984.

Leavey Library [Bookstacks] DT30.5 .P47 1984

This dictionary provides definitions of key concepts subdivided under broad subject categories, such as "Revolutionary and Counterrevolutionary Forces," and places them within the conceptual framework of African politics. Each entry includes a statement regarding the historical significance of that concept. Includes useful maps and appendices and a selected bibliography and index.

Ray, Donald Iain. *Dictionary of the African Left: Parties, Movements, and Groups*. Brookfield, VT: Dartmouth University Press, 1989.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] HX439 .R39 1989

This book provides comprehensive coverage of leftist organizations in Africa by alphabetical order. The book begins with an introductory essay outlining the history, development, and impact of leftist groups on the African continent. Includes a country index.

Seddon, David and Daniel Seddon-Daines. *A Political and Economic Dictionary of Africa*. New York: Routledge, 2005.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] DT30.5 .S433 2005

This dictionary provides an essential guide to the politics and economics of the African continent. Each individual entry provides clear and concise information, and entries are fully cross-referenced to enhance the book's usability. Organizations listed include contact details wherever possible. The key features in this book include authoritative up-to-date information on a region which is changing fast, and for which reliable data is often hard to locate and coverage of each country's recent history and economy are described and analyzed in separate essays. Entries include: Apartheid, Christianity, Colonialism, Development Aid, Genocide, International Monetary Fund, Languages, Mining, Nelson Mandela, Tobacco and fifty-four country entries.

BIOGRAPHICAL SOURCES

Glastrow, Shelagh. *Who's Who in South African Politics*. 4th revised edition. New York: Zell, 1993. VKC Library [Reference]; Doheny Library [Reference] DT1774 .G37 1993

This source provides comprehensive biographical essays on key officials in the government of South Africa. Each entry traces an individual's life, political career, and impact within the government. A photograph and list of sources are also included for each entry.

Glickman, Harvey, ed. *Political Leaders of Contemporary Africa South of the Sahara: A Bibliographical Dictionary*. New York: Greenwood, 1992.

Leavey Library [Information Commons] DT352.8 .P63 1992

This biographical dictionary provides political and biographical profiles of major political leaders of sub-Saharan Africa since 1945. Beginning with a brief introductory essay, each entry outlines the individual's life, political accomplishments, and national and/or regional significance. Each entry is written by an expert in the field and the essays end with a bibliography of works both by and about the political leader. This is an excellent source for comprehensive biographical information on key African leaders.

Rack, Alan. *Who's Who in Africa: Leaders for the 1990s*. Metuchen, NJ: Scarecrow, 1992.

VKC Library [Bookstacks]; Leavey Library [Bookstacks] DT18 .R35 1992

This book gives brief biographies of prominent political figures in African nations south of the Sahara. Each entry focuses on the individual's life and political achievements. Entries are listed alphabetically under each country.

Stewart, John. *African States and Rulers*. 3rd ed. Jefferson, NC: McFarland, 2006.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] DT31 .S7859 2006

An overview of African geopolitical history precedes the main body of text. The term state is used to mean any area of land with recognized borders and a continuing governmental structure. The successive forms of government of colonial and post-colonial states are easily traced. Each entry gives the official name of the country or state, dates of the name, location, capital, and alternative names, including cross-references to previous and later incarnations. A brief history is followed by a list of rulers with dates of power when known. Entries range from the very brief to extensive as all known political entities are listed regardless of duration or historical significance. A few lines note Edina (in what is now Liberia), a colony or settlement of the New York and Pennsylvania Colonization Societies that was in existence as a separate entity only from 1832 to 1837. More than twelve pages of double-column listings are devoted to the history and rulers of Egypt from about 3100 B.C. to the advent in 1996 of Kamal al-Ganzouri as Prime Minister with President Mubarek. New to this edition is an appendix table of all African states as they exist today with a list of their historical constituents and also a year-by-year chronology, enabling the user to see at a glance events across the continent in a given year. Other charts list colonial powers and their African holdings and African nations' dates of admission to the United Nations. The index of rulers indicates the complexity of the task Stewart has undertaken. The many styles and forms of names are listed alphabetically under all reasonable permutations, following a full page of explanation for dealing with honorifics, Arabic names, and European particles such as De and Van. Entries give official name of country, dates during which it went by that name, location, capital, alternate names including cross-references to previous and later incarnations, and a list of rulers with dates of power when known.

Wiseman, John A. *Political Leaders in Black Africa: A Biographical Dictionary of the Major Politicians since Independence*. Brookfield, VT: E. Elger, 1991.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] DT352.8 .W57 1991

This source gives brief biographical information on black African leaders in the post-independence period (1960). Entries primarily focus on an individual's political career and impact on the country where that person held public office. Includes a chronology of major events since 1960 and a country index.

COUNTRY INFORMATION

Africa Review. London: Unwin Brothers Ltd., 1971-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference; previous editions in Bookstacks] DT31 .A228

This resource is very good at analyzing economic conditions and development in their respective regions as well as analyzing the politics underlying these issues. Each annual volume contains several article length essays covering current economic, political, or social issues pertinent to the region. These essays are particularly useful for putting political economy issues into context. Each country is then discussed, giving a descriptive analysis of its economy and current affairs. The "Country Profile" and "Business Profile" section of each entry is good for basic, current information.

Africa South of the Sahara. London: Europa Publications Ltd., 1971-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference; previous editions in Bookstacks] DT551 .A37

This annual provides concise information on political and governmental activities for each African nation. Each entry includes a section on recent history, the economy, statistical data, a directory of government officials, political organizations, religion, trade and industry, finance, transportation, and the press as well as a bibliography listing further sources of information. Each essay concerning politics covers modern political history, including recent election results and discussions of public policy initiative associated with agriculture, mining, manufacturing, transportation, communications, domestic and foreign investment, international finance and foreign trade and balance of payments. The volume also includes an extensive essay on the region as a whole.

Cook, Chris and David Killingray. *African Political Facts since 1945*. 2nd edition. New York: Facts on File, 1991.

VKC Library [Reference] DT30 .C594 1991

Of historical value, this work provides key facts and figures on all countries in Africa, including a chronology of major events, a listing of governors and heads of state, and coverage of political parties, armed conflicts, foreign affairs, and demographic information. The last chapter includes brief biography of key African leaders. Includes a bibliography and index.

EIU Country Reports. New York: The Economist Intelligence Unit, 1986-. Quarterly.

Electronic Resources Web Page

http://www.usc.edu/e_resources/isd/gateways/1004.php

These reports cover approximately 100 countries, including a number of African nations, providing essential background information on economic and political developments as well as analyzing long term trends for economic growth and stability. Each report covers the country's economic outlook, a review of the political atmosphere, charts and graphs of key economic indicators, and individual articles on important industries, such as mining and energy. This is one of the best sources for current economic information on a country and the influence of political actions upon the economy.

Moroney, Sean, ed. *Africa*. Handbooks of the Modern World Series. 2 vols. New York: Facts on File, 1989.

Grand Library [Bookstacks] DT3 .H36 1989

Arranged alphabetically, this handbook provides basic information on each country in Africa, including North Africa. Entries include a review of the political system, recent history, the economy, and an outline of social services and education. Most entries also include biographical sketches of key government officials. Includes a map of each country and statistical tables.

Survey of Economic and Social Conditions in Africa. New York: United Nations, 1980-. Annual.
VKC Library [International Documents Room] HC502 .U5

Each annual volume begins with an introductory chapter on the International Economic Situation, reviewing the main trends on the world economy from the point of view of their repercussions on the African continent. Subsequent chapters examine the overall situation on the African region, the external sector, fiscal and monetary issues, the main production sectors, and developments in social policy. Each chapter contains a number of statistical charts and graphs. The book ends with a series of statistical tables of key economic and government finance data for each African nation.

ANNUALS

Africa Contemporary Record: Annual Survey and Documents. New York: Africana Publishing Co., 1969-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference] DT1 .L43

Contains current events information on each country in Africa gathered from selected magazines, newspapers, news services, and radio and television programs throughout the world. Each volume contains a collection of essays from noted scholars on current issues facing Africa, a country-by-country review of current affairs, a collection of full-text, translated documents, and statistical tables. Includes name and subject indexes.

INDEXES/ABSTRACTS

AccessUN. Chester, VT: Readex, 1996-.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/166.php>

This online database provides access to current and retrospective UN documents and publications. Articles appearing in UN periodicals are individually indexed. Indexing of the bilateral and multilateral treaties in the UN Treaty Series is also available. Documents from the General Assembly, Security Council, Economic and Social Council, Trusteeship Council, Secretariat and International Court of Justice are indexed. Masthead documents (formerly referred to as mimeographed documents), Official Records, sales publications, limited and restricted documents, and documents emanating from sessional and standing committees, functional commissions, conferences and regional bodies are the basis of the Index. Full-text resolutions from the General Assembly, Security Council and the Economic and Social Council are appended to their respective bibliographic citations. The Index supports access to the microfiche and paper formats of the library's UN holdings. The "Readex Year" field readily identifies documents included in the Readex microfiche collection.

Africa Bibliography. Edinburgh, Scotland: Edinburgh University Press, 1985-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference] Z3501 .A36

Published annually, this index includes a wide range of material: books, articles in journals and magazines, research reports, pamphlets, etc. covering the whole of Africa. International in scope, it lists items in English and other languages. Entries are arranged under subject headings within each country. They are not annotated. Includes an author index and a subject index.

Africa Index: Selected Articles on Socio-Economic Development. New York: United Nations, Economic Commission on Africa, 1971-. Three times per year.

VKC Library [Reference] Z7165 .A4A43

This is an unannotated bibliography of journal articles, titles of series and occasional papers, and book chapters concerning socio-economic development in Africa. All items are listed alphabetically by author, under broad subject headings, such as rural development, giving complete bibliographic information. The items indexed are international in scope.

Columbia International Affairs Online (CIAO). New York: Columbia University Press, 1991-.
Electronic Resources Web Page

http://www.usc.edu/e_resources/isd/gateways/42.php

CIAO is designed to be the most comprehensive source for theory and research in international affairs. It provides the full text of a wide range of scholarship that includes books, working papers from universities and research institutes, occasional papers series from NGOs, foundation-funded research projects, and proceedings from conferences. It also provides basic information, economic indicators and maps for all countries, links to other useful web sites, and a schedule of coming events. In addition it indexes a limited number of journals. The content may be accessed in a number of ways: through the home pages, which allow the user to see what is contained in a category; through alphabetical indices (author, subject, title, and institution); and, through the search engine which allows users to search for files by fields (author, subject, title, date, and content area) and/or by keywords. The schedule of events is broken down by month, and the links and resources are organized by region and by area of interest (e.g. media). In addition to linking to over 160 related sites from this section, you can also access the home pages of each of the contributing institutions from within the section where its papers appear.

A Current Bibliography on African Affairs. Amityville, NY: Baywood Publishing Company, 1968-.
Quarterly.

VKC Library [Reference] Z3501 .C8

Each issue of this index begins with a topical review article and selected book reviews. This is followed with an annotated bibliography of books, book chapters, journal articles, research reports, and conference proceedings arranged under specific subject headings, such as "Migration," and by country and region. The last issue of each volume contains a comprehensive name and regional index. Materials indexed are international in scope.

Historical Abstracts. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-Clio, 1954-. Quarterly.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/937.php>

This index service covers history of the world, 1450 to the present, but excluding the United States and Canada (see *America: History and Life* cite above). Includes key history journals from major countries, as well as relevant selected journals book review articles, and dissertations from the social sciences and humanities. All abstracts are in English. Use this database to find historical literature on international relations issues derived

from non-U.S. sources. Please note that access to this database is limited to six simultaneous users. If you experience access problems please try again later.

International Political Science Abstracts. Paris: International Political Science Association, 1951-. Bimonthly.

VKC Library [Reference] JA26 .I5

This authoritative database from the International Political Science Association provides abstracts of political science articles published in scholarly journals and yearbooks worldwide. Topics include method and theory; political thinkers and ideas; political and administrative institutions; political processes (public opinion, attitudes, parties, forces, groups, and elections); international relations; and national and area studies. *International Political Science Abstracts* is the global standard for scholarly research in the field. Approximately 95% of the records include abstracts, with most written in English. The remaining abstracts are in French (for articles in languages other than English). Titles in other languages are always translated into English. This resource makes a special effort to ensure that articles are included on those countries for which much information is scarce.

PAIS: Public Affairs Information Service. New York: Public Affairs Information Service, 1972-. Monthly.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/415.php>

A selective list of the latest books, periodical articles, government documents, pamphlets, microfiche, and reports of public and private agencies relating to business, economics and social conditions, public policy and administration, and international relations. The system provides selective subjects and bibliographic access to periodicals, books, hearings, reports, gray literature, government publications, Internet resources, and other publications from 120 countries. Materials are in English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish with English language abstracts and subject headings. Contains more than 480,000 records, each with bibliographic information and brief, descriptive abstracts. Use *PAIS Archive*, a retrospective database chronicling global public policy and social issues from 1915 through 1976 at http://www.usc.edu/e_resources/isd/gateways/7078.php.

Political Science Abstracts. New York: IFL/Plenum Data Corp., 1967-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference] Z6461 .U663

This index covers approximately 10,000 entries in each annual, three volume set. Coverage includes public affairs magazines, major newspapers, professional journals, and books devoted to politics and political analysis. Entries give bibliographic information and a summary of the item. Coverage from 1975-1995 is available on compact disk. Ask a reference librarian for assistance.

BIBLIOGRAPHIES

Contemporary African Politics and Development: A Comprehensive Bibliography, 1981-1990. Vijitha Mahadevan, compiler. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner, 1994.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] Z7165 .A4C66 1994

This volume is an annotated compilation of nearly 17,000 English and French language citations of scholarly books, journal articles, international documents, book chapters, and research reports on contemporary African political affairs and socioeconomic development. All countries are represented. Citations are arranged alphabetically by country or region; within each country/region, topically; and under each subject, alphabetically by author/editor. Includes author/editor and subject indexes.

International African Bibliography. West Sussex, UK: Bowker-Saur Ltd., 1971-1995.
VKC Library [Reference] Z3501 .I5

Although this index has ceased publication, it is still a very good research tool on African studies during the period 1971 to 1994. Entries are not annotated but cover a wide variety of publications (books and periodical articles are indexed separately) and include both English and non-English language titles. Entries indexed by accession number and can be located using a subject index in the back of each issue. The last issue contains a comprehensive index of subjects, authors, ethnic groups, languages, and special names or terminology.

World Bibliographical Series: [Country]. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC Clio.

VKC Library [Reference]; Leavey Library [Information Commons] Call number varies

Each volume in this series, including over twenty-five volumes covering countries in Africa, includes a introductory essay about the country's history, its people and political development. This is followed by an annotated list of books, book chapters, research reports, government documents, and other materials arranged under broad subject categories. Also included are major domestic media and periodical publications, general reference works, and bibliographies. Each volume provides a strong foundation from which to begin your research on a particular country. To search for volumes in this series, do a title search under world bibliographical series and the country you are interested in.

TRANSLATED NEWS SERVICES

Foreign Broadcast Information Service. . Chester, VT: Readex, 1975-1996.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/1876.php>

An index to the FBIS Daily Reports issued by the U.S. government. The Daily Reports consist of translations of broadcasts, news agency transmissions, newspapers, periodicals and government statements from nations around the world. Regional categories covered include: Central Eurasia, Soviet Union, China, East Asia, Near East & South Asia, East Europe, West Europe, Latin America and Sub-Saharan Africa. Does not include material originating from the United States. The focus is on political, international, economic and military issues, but does include significant material on scientific and cultural matters. The paper collection of the FBIS Daily Reports is located in the VKC Library. It is shelved at the end of the journal stacks under "U.S. FBIS" and subfield by region. Consult the research guide "World Wide Broadcasts & News" at VKC Library for a complete description of the publication history of the Daily Reports and how to access.

Global NewsBank. Chester, VT: Readex, 1966-.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/2405.php>

Global NewsBank is a full-text database that offers varying perspectives on international issues and events. Covering Africa, Asia, Europe, the former Soviet Union, Pacific Rim, Central and South America and the Middle East, it is ideal for researching a wide variety of international developments related to politics, economics, science and technology, culture and business. This collection contains comprehensive coverage of news summaries, broadcasts and transcripts from over 1,000 translated broadcasts, news agency transmissions, wire services, newspapers, magazines and government documents. All articles are in English.

World News Connection. Washington, DC: National Technical Information Service, Department of Commerce. Current Two Years.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/2693.php>

World News Connection (WNC) is an online news service that offers an extensive array of translated and English-language news and information from around the world. Compiled from thousands of non-U.S. media sources by the U.S. government, the information in WNC covers significant socioeconomic, political, international, scientific, technical, and environmental issues and events. Regional categories covered include: Central Eurasia, China, East Asia, Near East & South Asia, East Europe, West Europe, Latin America, Sub-Saharan Africa. New information is entered into WNC every government business day. Generally, new information is available within 48-72 hours from the time of original publication or broadcast. For a list of media sources monitored and translated go to <http://wnc.fedworld.gov/sources.html>. Formerly published as FBIS Daily Reports or *Foreign Broadcast Information Service*, this service covers current two years only.

STATISTICAL SOURCES

African Compendium of Environment Statistics. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: United Nations, Economic Commission for Africa, 1991.

VKC Library [International Documents Room] TD171.5 .A35A37

Provides comprehensive statistical data on population density, land use, irrigation, forestation, agroclimatological conditions, urbanization, and disasters related to the environment. The countries are grouped into seven regions according to a classification developed by the United Nations.

African Development Indicators. Washington, DC: The World Bank, 2004-. Annual.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] HC800 .A1H356

This resource presents numerous data sets from 1974-1995, and some table date back to 1950 to the present, grouped into fifteen chapters: background data; national accounts; prices and exchange rates; money and banking; external sector; external debt and related flows, government finance, agriculture, industry, labor force and employment, public enterprises, aid flows, social indicators, and household welfare indicators. Each chapter begins with a brief introductory essay on the nature of the statistics. This is an excellent, comprehensive statistical resource on Africa.

African Socio-Economic Indicators. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, 1983-. Annual.

VKC Library [International Documents Room] HC501 .U5805

Each volume summarizes economic and social trends in Africa over a period of ten years and beyond ten years for selected tables. Supplementary tables describing important social conditions and environment aspects have been included.

African Industry in Figures. Vienna, Austria: United Nations Industrial development Organization, 1993.

VKC Library [International Documents Room] HC800 .A568 1993

Provides statistical data in the form of economic indicators, such as, ratios, growth rates and indices. Statistics are arranged in three parts. Part one presents data for selected country groupings. Part two includes regional and sub-regional groupings. Part three gives data for individual African countries. Where data is scant, the United Nations provides estimates.

African Statistical Yearbook. New York: United Nations, 1974-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference; previous volumes in International Documents Room] HA1955 .U5

This is a comprehensive, two-volume statistical compendium of data on population, national accounts, agriculture, forestry and fishing, industry, transportation and communications, foreign trade, government finance, a social indicators. The first volume includes North and West African countries and the second volume includes the East, Southern, and Central African countries. Data is year-to-year for tens years back and then listed in increments of five, ten and fifteen years prior to that. This is an excellent source for basic statistics on African countries.

Foreign Trade Statistics for Africa/Statistiques Africaines du Commerce Exterieur. New York: United Nations, 1981-. Annual.

VKC Library [International Documents Room] HF3871 .U55

This is the most comprehensive source for obtaining statistical data on trade, both importation and exportation, in Africa. Data is presented back ten years for most tables. Countries are divided into four parts.

Global Development Finance. Washington, DC: The World Bank, 1997-. Annual.

VKC Library [Desk Reference] Microdisk no. 81

Compact disk product containing statistical data sets related to international finance, debt, and related subjects. Coverage is from 1970 to 1995 for most data sets and also includes projections for 136 World Bank borrowers. Software allows easy transfer of data to spreadsheet programs and the creation of complex data sets.

Mitchell, B. R. ***International Historical Statistics: Africa, Asia, and Oceania: 1750-2000.*** Second Revised Edition. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2003.

VKC Library [Reference] HA4675 .M552 2003

Divided into three parts corresponding to the regions of the world covered in this volume, data of all types and covering a broad spectrum of topics on Africa is listed for most countries on the African continent. Tables are listed under broad subject headings, such as external trade, and include the original source for the data. Provides statistical data for the last 250 years (where available) of every country in the African, Asian and Australiasian continents, covering: Population and Vital Statistics, Labor Force, Agriculture, Industry, External Trade, Transport and Communication, Prices, Education, and National Accounts. These are provided in a detailed series of subsets: e.g., unemployment figures, coal production figures, etc. In addition, there is a useful guide to primary statistical sources worldwide.

LEXIS/NEXIS Statistical Universe. Bethesda, MD: Congressional Information Service, 1998-.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/434.php>

This database includes detailed descriptions of publication's statistical contents and primary bibliographic information like title, date, collation, agency report number (if any), and periodicity. Whenever possible, the Superintendent of Documents classification number, the Library of Congress card number, the Government

Printing Office (GPO) *Monthly Catalog* entry number, the GPO stock number, and the depository item number are also included. The abstract may also contain two hypertext links—one to the agency's Web site where the full text of the publication may be viewed and downloaded; the other to the full text on Statistical Universe, where the publication can be viewed, downloaded and accessed section by section or table by table. Includes references to numerous international sources of statistics.

United Nations Statistic Division. New York: United Nations, 2003-.

Web: <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/default.htm>

The Statistics Division's main functions are: 1) the collection, processing and dissemination of statistical information; 2) the standardization of statistical methods, classifications and definitions; 3) the technical cooperation program; and, 4) the coordination of international statistical programs and activities. To carry out these functions, the Division provides a global center for data on international trade, national accounts, energy, industry, environment, transport and demographic and social statistics gathered from many national and international sources and promotes international standards of methods, classifications and definitions used by national agencies. The Division regularly publishes data updates, including the Statistical Yearbook and World Statistics Pocketbook, and books and reports on statistics and statistical methods. Many of the Division's databases are also available on this site, as electronic publications and data files in the form of CD-ROMs, diskettes and magnetic tapes, or as printed publications.

World Development Indicators. Washington, DC: The World Bank, 1997-. Annual.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/7658.php>

The World Development Indicators (WDI) is the World Bank's premier annual compilation of data about development. Each annual volume includes approximately 800 indicators in 85 tables, organized in six sections: world view, people, environment, economy, states and markets, and global links. The tables cover 148 economies and 15 country groups with basic indicators for a further 58 economies. The work is available in print, on compact disk, and online. Overall, the CD includes the same information found in the print version of WDI, with some additional indicators and more extensive time series. Text providing commentary, definitions and source notes is also included. The disk version allows downloading into spreadsheet software programs such as Excel and can be searched by country, data series, and year. The online version provides direct access to more than 700 development indicators, with time series for 208 countries and 18 country groups from 1960 to 2006, where data are available.

World Investment Directory: Volume V, Africa. New York: United Nations, 1999.

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This volume presents data on foreign direct investment and related variables. Also included for each country is the legal framework governing foreign direct investment and bibliographic information pertaining to the role of transnational corporations in each country. The directory begins with an informative introductory overview of foreign direct investment in Africa. Each statistical table includes notes that cite the original source for the data.

CONVENTIONS, TREATIES, AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

Basic Documents of African Regional Organizations. 4 volumes. Dobbs Ferry, NY: Oceana Publications, 1971.

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This four-volume resources is a compilation of full-text documents produced by a wide variety of African organizations, including the Organization of African Unity, the African Development Bank, and many regional or country-specific organizations. Each chapter begins with an historical analysis of the organization, showing its development and impact on the continent. The introductory essay is followed by a selected bibliography of references to secondary sources about the organization. Although these volumes are dated, they provide the most comprehensive compilation of non-governmental documents currently available.

Levitt, Jeremy I., ed. *Africa: Selected Documents on Constitutive, Conflict and Security, Humanitarian, and Judicial Issues.* Ardsley, NY: Transnational Publishers, 2003.

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This comprehensive volume provides a ready reference to often hard-to-find documents and statutes for scholars, researchers, and policy makers working on issues involving the people and nations of Africa. It consists of a compilation of normative instruments pertinent to Africa and the formation of organizations such as the New Partnership for African Development (NEPAD), the Kampala movement toward security, development and cooperation in Africa, and the African Union. The brief paragraphs that precede each instrument describe dates of adoption and ratification and central aims and purpose. Many highlight key provisions on peace and security fronts.

Naldi, Gino J., ed. *Documents of the Organization of African Unity.* New York: Mansell, 1992.

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The purpose of this book is to provide a collection of documents focused on the founding and development of the African Union and in a useful and manageable form. Wherever possible, citations to reference works, such as the United Nations Treaty Series, have been provided. A list of state parties can be found at the end of the work. Contents are divided into five parts: The Institutions, Territorial and Security Issues, Conservation and the Environment, Human Rights, and Economic Cooperation.

SCHOLARLY WEB SITES

Africa South of the Sahara: Selected Internet Resources. Palo Alto, CA: Stanford University Libraries, 1994-.

Web: <http://www-sul.stanford.edu/africa/guide.html>

This site is updated frequently and includes comprehensive coverage of listing of resources on the Internet related to sub-Saharan Africa. Users can browse for resources either by broad topic area or by country. Users can also search the Africa internet directory and Stanford University library's Africa pages using Stanford's local Google search engine. Excellent place to begin your search for scholarly resources on the web about all aspects of Africa.

African Union. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: The Union, 2007-.

Web: <http://www.africa-union.org>

This is the official web site for the African Union. The AU is Africa's premier institution and principal organization for the promotion of accelerated socio-economic integration of the continent, which will lead to greater unity and solidarity between African countries and peoples. The main objectives of the OAU were, inter alia, to rid the continent of the remaining vestiges of colonization and apartheid; to promote unity and solidarity among African States; to coordinate and intensify cooperation for development; to safeguard the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Member States and to promote international cooperation within the framework of the United Nations. Includes links to Treaties, Conventions, Protocols, Charters, speeches from government officials, and decisions and declarations made by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government. Also included is a database of statistical data.

Diplomacy Monitor. Miami, FL: St. Thomas University School of Law, 2003-.

Web: <http://diplomacymonitor.com/stu/dm.nsf/opener?OpenForm>

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