

This is a selective list of resource tools that relate to Russia and the former states of the Soviet Union. The resources are intended to help you begin research into the political, economic, and social changes that have occurred in the former Soviet Union since the fall of communism. All of the sources described in this guide are located in the U.S.C. Library system. To search for books, conference proceedings, and other monographs, search HOMER, the online library catalog [<http://library.usc.edu/>]. To identify articles concerning this topic in scholarly journals, consult the section in this guide entitled, "Indexes and Abstracts." Other research guides are also available that cover specific regions of the world and should be used when appropriate to your topic. Please consult a reference librarian if you need further research assistance.

GUIDES AND HANDBOOKS

Batalden, Stephen and Sandra L. Batalden. *The Newly Independent States of Eurasia: Handbook of Former Soviet Republics*. 2nd ed. Phoenix, AZ: The Oryz Press, 1997.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] DK17 .B34 1997

This new edition features up-to-date statistical profiles of each of the republics that emerged after the collapse of the Soviet Union, covering demography, government, education, economics, geography, and communications, based on the most recent and reliable sources available. Each profile is followed by a succinct summary of that country's geography and history, a map, and an analysis of its current political, cultural, and economic issues. The book also contains general maps of various regions, a detailed glossary, extensive bibliographies, and a thoroughly cross-referenced index.

Bergland, Sten et al., eds. *The Handbook of Political Change in Eastern Europe*. 2nd ed. Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar, 2004.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] HN380.7 .A8H36 2004

This thoroughly revised and updated edition of the Handbook provides an authoritative and thorough analysis of the political changes which have occurred in Central and Eastern Europe since the demise of communism. It offers an historical, comparative perspective of the region and focuses on the social consequences of the democratization process throughout the 1990s and the early years of the 21st century. Significantly, this new edition includes an examination of the South East European countries of Croatia, Serbia and Moldova, which are often overlooked in studies on post-communist political development.

Heenan, Patrick and Monique Lamontagne, eds. *The Central and East European Handbook*. New York: Amacom, 2000.

Doheny Library [Bookstacks] HC244 .C46 2000

The Handbook provides accessible overviews of countries within their larger domestic and international contexts, focusing on the relations among regions as they meet the challenges of the twenty first century. It allows the non-specialist student to explore a wide range of complex factors-social and political as well

as economic-that affect the growth of developing regions in Asia, Europe, and South America. The book provides an overview chapter discussing the region's economic conditions within an historical and political context, as well as chapter-length essays written by recognized experts, which analyze the key issues affecting a region's economy: its population, natural resources, foreign trade, labor problems, and economic inequalities, and other vital factors. In addition, the volume offers useful support materials, including a series of appendices that include a detailed chronology of events in the region, a glossary of terms, biographical entries on key personalities, an annotated bibliography of further reading, and a comprehensive analytical index.

Jeffries, Ian. *Eastern Europe at the Turn of the Twenty-First Century: A Guide to the Economies in Transition*. New York: Routledge, 2002.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] HC244 .J43 2002

This comprehensive survey of economic and political change focuses on the countries of Eastern Europe. Jeffries also discusses the general issues involved in economic transition, including 'big bang'/shock therapy', gradualism, China as an economic model and various schemes of privatization. The book examines Albania, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Slovakia. Analyzes major political and economic events in these countries from the mid-1990s to the present.

Kahl, Chad M. *International Relations, International Security, and Comparative Politics: A Guide to Reference and Information Sources*. Westport, CT: Libraries Unlimited, 2008.

VKC Library [Reference] Z6461 .K34 2008

Understanding world politics has never been easy, but the more closely we approach the ideal of the global village, the more complex its socioeconomic and legal entanglements become. From the rise of China's growth in trade status, to ever growing tensions in the Middle East, ripple effects impact both country and community. Focusing on both print and Internet resources published between 1990 and 2006, the author covers such timely topics as human rights, public opinion and polling, arms control, treaties, and terrorism. Over 900 annotated entries cover the major sources, as well as harder-to-find specialized items. For academic and research library collections, as well as faculty members in political science and the diplomatic arts. The research guide includes a chapter devoted to women in politics.

Moss, Joyce and George Wilson. *Peoples of the World: Eastern Europe and the Post-Soviet Republics*. Detroit, MI: Gale Research Inc., 1993

Leavey Library [Lower Commons]; Grand Library [Bookstacks] DJK26 .M6 1993

The study of world cultures is an important part of education today. This guide provides in-depth coverage on the development of cultures and how they came to be the way they are today, discussing culture, family structure, dress, nutrition, education, industry, religion, history, population, land, and climate. The volume also provides an introduction to the continent or area, a glossary, maps and illustrations, bibliographies and a subject index. Each reference to an ethnic group is divided into three parts: a brief description of the ancient cultures of a particular region, a detailed analysis of current cultures that includes a list of further readings, and a third section providing vital economic and social data.

DICTIONARIES AND ENCYCLOPEDIAS

Cambridge Encyclopedia of Russia and the Former Soviet Union. 2nd Edition. New York: Cambridge University Press, 1994.

Doheny Library [Reference]; Leavey Library [Information Commons] DK14 .C35 1994

This book is an essential reference guide to Russia and the post-Soviet world. Contains comprehensive coverage of geography, peoples, history, politics, international relations, economy, literature and the arts. Thematically arranged to provide a structured introduction to the subject. Fifty-two colour maps and charts. Ready-reference tables, information panels, further reading guides, and glossary. Organized by broad topics like the country's peoples, history, cultural life, and physical environment, it emphasizes recent and contemporary issues, with a special focus on the Gorbachev era. It is enhanced by numerous illustrations, many of them in color. In addition, boxed inserts effectively break up the text while covering a range of topics: e.g., Napoleon's retreat, the Communist Party newspaper Pravda, and the nuclear disaster of Chernobyl. Also featured are biographies of important personalities (e.g., Trotsky, Sakharov, Solzhenitsyn, and Yeltsin). The numerous color maps that cover such areas as energy production, political flash points, election results, and ethnic distribution are especially useful and attractive. The emphasis here is on the Russian Federation and historical Russia, not the other fourteen republics of the former USSR.

Pringle, Robert W. ***Historical Dictionary of Russian and Soviet Intelligence.*** Lanham, MD: Scarecrow Press, 2006.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] UB252 .R8P75 2006

This work delves into the culture and alphabet soup of Russian and Soviet Union intelligence, describing the world of intelligence, its key participants, and the importance that intelligence has played in Russian and Soviet history from the founding of the first Russian secret service in 1564 to the Putin presidency. Countries that were allies of the Soviet Union, such as East Germany, are also given entries. Almost as important as the dictionary itself are the chronology of intelligence and the introduction at the beginning of the book. These, along with entries such as Tradecraft ("the art or science of spying") and enona (the code name for the decryption of several thousand Russian intelligence messages in the late 1940s), give the reader a rudimentary knowledge of how the country ran its sophisticated, deeply entrenched intelligence "business." Entries are a few sentences to a page in length. See also references are noted in bold type. Key cases of Cold War defectors, such as those of Igor Gouzenko, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, and John Walker, are discussed. The thirty-page bibliography is a useful jumping-off point for those wanting more in-depth information in any number of areas of Russian and Soviet intelligence history.

Shavit, David. ***United States Relations with Russia and the Soviet Union: A Historical Dictionary.*** Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1993.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] E183.8 .R9S487 1993

This historical dictionary covers the period from the eighteenth century, when the United States began trading with Russia, to the present. It includes entries, arranged alphabetically, on events and policies, summit meetings and treaties, people, organizations and institutions, and businesses involved in the gamut of U.S. relations with Russia and the Soviet Union. Each entry includes references, and the book also includes a chronology of key dates in U.S.-Soviet relations, a list of United States chiefs of diplomatic mission in Russia and the Soviet Union, a list of individuals by profession and occupation, a list of place names, a bibliographical essay, and an index.

Smorodinskaya, Tatiana et al., eds. *Encyclopedia of Contemporary Russian Culture*. London: Routledge, 2007.

Doheny Library [Reference] DK510.32 .E53 2007

This work covers the period from period 1953, with the death of Stalin, to the present day. Both 'Russian' and 'Culture' are defined broadly. 'Russian' refers to the Soviet Union until 1991 and the Russian Federation after 1991. Given the diversity of the Federation in its ethnic composition and regional characteristics, questions of national, regional, and ethnic identity are given special attention. There is also coverage of Russian-speaking immigrant communities. 'Culture' embraces all aspects of culture and lifestyle, high and popular, artistic and material: art, fashion, literature, music, cooking, transport, politics and economics, film, crime. This and much else are covered so as to give a full picture of the Russian way of life and experience throughout the changes undergone since the middle of the twentieth century.

Wieczynski, Joseph L., ed. *The Gorbachev Encyclopedia*. Salt Lake City, UT: Charles Schlacks, Jr. Publisher, 1993.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] DK286 .G67 1993

This encyclopedia contains essays that interpret and analyze various areas of Gorbachev's work and life. Each essay is written by an expert in the field and concludes with a bibliography. This book is particularly useful in providing information about key individuals in Gorbachev's administration or otherwise in power during his reign as leader of the former Soviet Union (1985-1991). Includes a list of further readings and a subject/author index.

Wieczynski, Joseph L., ed. *The Modern Encyclopedia of Russian and Soviet History*. 58 vols. Gulf Breeze, FL: Academic International Press, 1976-1994.

Doheny Library [Reference] DK14 .M6

The most complete encyclopedia available on the former Soviet Union. Entries cover events, important individuals, organizations, regions, and concepts. Each entry includes a bibliography when appropriate. The last three volumes contain an index to the previous 55 volumes. Due to the period of time covered by this encyclopedia, this is an excellent resource for analyzing the transition from the Soviet Union regime to the current post-communist government. This publication is now updated by *The Supplement to the Modern Encyclopedia of Russian, Soviet, and Eurasian History* also located in the Reference Center under the same call number.

BIOGRAPHICAL SOURCES

Geron, Leonard and Alex Pravda. *Who's Who in Russia and the New States*. 2nd ed. New York: I. B. Tauris and Company, 1993.

VKC Library [Reference] CT1203 .W47 1993

The second edition of this highly successful reference book is the most comprehensive and up-to-date source of information on the ruling elite in the various republics available in the English language. Containing a detailed guide to the structure and hierarchy of organizations in the republics, and biographies of the most prominent members of the elite, it functions both as a directory and a handbook and reflects the changes that have taken place with the break-up of the USSR. Divided into two parts, the first part provides a brief outline of the government officials of each of the former Soviet republics. The second part contains biographical information on individuals listed in the first part.

Soviet Biographical Service. Minneapolis, MN: J. S. Scherer, 1985-2002.

VKC Library [Reference] DK290 .S66

Soviet Biographical Service provides biographies of the political, intellectual and cultural leaders of the countries of the former Soviet Union. Each issue provides new biographies of emerging leaders and updates for subjects previously covered. The updates follow the careers of each person in detail and every entry is carefully cited to both English and Russian-language sources. Each updated biography also includes a reverse self-index making it simple to get a complete biography of the individual. Covering everyone from Belarusian ambassadors to Russian figure skaters, SBS can be of great use to anyone who needs to track Russian and post-Soviet personalities who are not well-covered by other resources. Arranged by type of person with an alphabetical index. Also includes listings of recent government appointments and new information about persons previously mentioned.

Vronskaya, Jeanne and Vladimir Chuguev. ***The Biographical Dictionary of the Former Soviet Union***. London: Bowker-Saur, 1992.

VKC Library [Reference]; Doheny Library [Oversize] CT1213 .V76 1992

This volume contains some 7000 biographies. It features over 2000 new entries since the last edition, providing a portrait of Soviet society including the politicians, businessmen and cultural figures who have recently risen to prominence in Russia and the other Republics. 500 personalities from Soviet history have been revived, while profiles of some 5000 figures from the first edition have been revised to include their latest activities, accomplishments and defeats. Also, additional categories have been added to the professional index including businessmen, nationalist leaders, activists and lawyers. In addition there is a bibliography of sources and many of the entries include photographs. The entries have been compiled from years of research and hundreds of interviews, as well as extensive scouring of published sources. Includes a detailed map of the region, a list of abbreviations and terms, and an index listing individuals under broad subject categories.

Who Was Who in the Soviet Union. New York: K. G. Saur, 1992.

VKC Library [Reference]; Doheny Library [Bookstacks] DK290 .W49 1992

This is also a good source of organizational information about the Soviet Union just prior to its breakup. The book is divided into five parts each containing photographs and biographical data on important individuals in the former Soviet Union. The parts are divided as follows: the Communist Party, the individual republics, the national government, the Committee for State Security, and the armed forces.

DIRECTORIES

Encyclopedia of Associations. Detroit, MI: Gale Group, Inc. Annual.

Doheny Library [Reference] HS17 .G3362

Encyclopedia of Associations: International Organizations. Detroit, MI: Gale Group, Inc. Annual.

Doheny Library [Reference] HS17 .G3364

Encyclopedia of Associations: Regional, State and Local Organizations. Detroit, MI: Gale Group, Inc. Annual.

Doheny Library [Reference] HS17 .G3363

The most comprehensive source for detailed information on more than 22,000 nonprofit American membership organizations of national scope. Every entry offers a wealth of valuable data, typically including the organization's complete name, address and phone number together with the primary official's

name and title; fax number, when available; founding date, purpose, activities and dues; national and international conferences; and more. Also featured is an alphabetical name and keyword index so you can quickly locate the name and address of the organization you need to contact without ever having to consult the main entry. *Encyclopedia of Associations* has two companion volumes: Volume 2, Geographic and Executive Indexes and Volume 3, Supplement, which updates contact information from the previous edition and provide coverage of new or newly identified associations and projects. The *Regional, State and Local Organizations* volume provide detailed information on U.S. nonprofit membership organizations with interstate, state, intrastate, city or local scope and interest. The *International Organizations* volume covers multinational and national membership organizations from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe, including U.S.-based organizations with a binational or multinational membership.

COUNTRY INFORMATION

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

This set of reports cover approximately 100 countries 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.

Europa World Yearbook. 2 vols. London: Europa, 1959-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference] JN1 .E85

This annual guide provides detailed surveys of over 250 countries and territories. The essays outline recent history, government, economic affairs, education, social welfare, etc. Also included with each profile is a directory of essential names and addresses and other information covering such areas as the constitution, government, legislature, political organizations, diplomatic representation, religion, the media, finance, trade, industry, transportation, and tourism. Each volume also includes the following: a comprehensive list of over 1,650 international organizations with contact information, organizational activities, and principle officials and publications; tables to the latest statistics; and an up-to-date overview of world affairs. This resource offers an excellent starting point for country information.

International Year Book and Statesmen's Who's Who. Surrey, UK: Bowker-Saur, 1953-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference] JA51 .I57

The *Yearbook* provides information on the dynamics of over 370 countries, states and territories, including their political and economic set-up, demographics, industries, transport, media, health, education and legal systems, religions and public holidays. The newest edition contains information on chambers of commerce, departments of trade and industry, trade councils and embassies of key trading partners, making it easier to do business overseas. Among the 8,000 prominent people included in this directory are 3,600 politicians, 1,200 diplomats, 500 top business people, 400 legal professionals and 200 top media figures. It tells you who's who, how to contact them, their personal details, where they were educated, a summary of their career, which clubs and organizations they belong to and even what awards they have won. An expanded biographical section in recent editions includes the leading executives of the top companies world-wide, members of the UN, publishing and media senior executives, cabinet ministers, members of the EU Commission, top economists, political leaders, and religious leaders. The book also contains information

about international and national organizations, including key people, history, aims, membership and activities and who serves on the committees and which publications have been produced.

Markus, Ustina and Daniel N. Nelson. *Brassey's Eurasian and East European Security Yearbook*. 1st ed. Washington, DC: Brassey's, 2000.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] UA832.2 .B73 2000

Offers the first in an annual report on the security-related actions, events and trends in the Baltic states, the Balkans, Central Europe, and Central Asia and a detailed study of the complex security environment in the former Eastern Bloc nations that analyzes each country's evolving perceptions of threat and policies on defense. Essays are organized geographically in five sections that cover central Europe; southeastern Europe; the Russian Federation; Ukraine, Belarus, and the Caucasus; and central Asia. Contributors include officials from the U.S. Army War College, the Rand Corporation, the National Defense University, Radio Free Europe, and the Carnegie Endowment.

Political Handbook of the World. New York: McGraw-Hill, 1975-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference] JF37 .P769

Arranged alphabetically by country, this directory provides brief articles describing government and politics, the heads of state, political parties, legislature, cabinet, and news media of all countries in the world. Appendices include chronologies of major international events and conferences. Also covers intergovernmental organizations. The appendices provide a chronology of major international events, major UN conferences, and UN membership. Contents are indexed by geographical or organizational name as well as personal name.

Russia and Eurasia Documents Annual. Gulf Breeze, FL: Academic International Press, 1992-. Annual.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] DK285.5 .U87

Volume 1 contains complete translations of documents of the Russian Federation and volume 2 contains translated documents from the Commonwealth of Independent States. Documents are derived from official government sources, radio and television transcripts and selected periodicals. The laws, decrees, speeches and other vital materials are in English and represents the fundamental primary sources necessary for research on the end of the USSR and its replacement by a volatile new order. Many documents were collated with translations contained in the *Foreign Broadcast Information Service* (see Translated News section).

The Statesman's Yearbook: The Politics, Cultures, and Economies of the World. New York: St. Martin's Press, 1864-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference] JA51 .S797

Each annual edition offers an encompassing view of the world. Each country entry includes information on the following topics: key historical events, territory and population, social statistics, climate, constitution and government, recent elections, current administration, defense, international relations, the economy, energy and natural resources, industry, international trade, communications, social institutions, culture, diplomatic representatives, and an extended bibliography. Each edition also includes specially commissioned reports on topical issues written by experts in the field. The book also includes an up-to-date color map of the world and flag illustrations for all the countries. Includes an index of places and names.

Territories of the Russian Federation. 4th ed. London: Europa Publications, Inc., 2003.
VKC Library [Reference] JN6699 .A88T47

This annual volume contains individual chapters on each of the countries of the region giving details of physical and social geography; a chronology; essays on political and economic affairs; a statistical survey covering the latest available demographic and economic figures; and a directory of useful names, addresses, email and Internet addresses and further information on the Constitution, national and local government, political organizations, diplomatic representation, religion, the press, radio and television, trade and industry, finance, transport, tourism, the environment, culture, education and defense. Recent economic and social statistics are also given and a select bibliography is also included.

EVENTS AND CHRONOLOGIES

Keesing's Record of World Events. London: Longman, 1931-. Weekly.
VKC Library [Reference] D410 .K4

Continuing *Keesing's Contemporary Archives*, this resource tracks 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.

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.

Alternative Press Index. Baltimore, MD: Alternative Press Center, 1969-. Quarterly.

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/3119.php>

The *Alternative Press Index* was launched in 1969 to provide access to the practices and theories of radical social change. The Index is international and interdisciplinary, spanning the social sciences and humanities, with its central focus on the practice and theory of socialism, national liberation, labor, indigenous peoples, gays/lesbians, feminism, ecology, democracy, and anarchism. The index covers approximately 250 alternative, radical, and left-leaning journals, magazines, and newspapers published in North America and a select number from other nations. Citations are arranged by subject and title of article.

America: History and Life. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-Clio, 1964-. Quarterly.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/936.php>

This bibliographic database covers the history of the United States and Canada (see *Historical Abstracts* for coverage outside of North America). It includes key English-language historic journals, selected historic journals from major countries, state and local history journals, and selected relevant journals in the social sciences and humanities. Most articles included are in English; all abstracts are in English. The index also covers book reviews and selected dissertations. This is the best place to go to find historical literature concerning all aspects of international relations related to the United States. Please note that access to this database is limited to six simultaneous users. If you experience access problems, please try again later.

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

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/42.php>

CIAO 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 through the home pages, which allow the user to see what is contained in a category; through alphabetical indices; 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 resources are organized by region and by area of interest. 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.

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.

Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals. London: Published by the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London, 1964-. Quarterly.

Law Library [Index Table]

Web: <http://law.usc.edu/library/resources/foreign.cfm>

The *Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals* is a multilingual index to articles and book reviews appearing in approximately 520 legal journals published worldwide. It provides in-depth coverage of public and private international law, comparative and foreign law, and the law of all jurisdictions other than the United States, the U.K., Canada, and Australia. IFLP also analyzes the contents of approximately eighty individually published collections of legal essays, Festschriften, Mélanges, and congress reports each year. The Index is published quarterly with an annual bound-volume cumulation. Each single issue consists of approximately 2,600 articles and 300 book reviews. In addition to the hard bound volume, the Index is also available electronically from 1993 to the present.

International Political Science Abstracts. Oxford, UK: Basil Blackwell; Paris: Presses Universitaires de France, 1951-. Bimonthly.

VKC Library [Reference] JA26 .I5

This resource indexes and abstracts articles published in major scholarly political science journals from around the world. It contains both English and foreign languages materials and is arranged by broad subject areas with a detailed subject index. To use this work, search the detailed subject index in the back of the volume, get the abstract number(s) for (a) useful article(s), then refer to the numbered abstract for the article citation and summary.

LEXIS-NEXIS Academic Universe. Dayton, OH: Reed Elsevier, Inc., 1995-. Daily.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/40.php>

Searchable full text resource of major, regional, and foreign newspaper articles, magazine articles, governmental news, as well as medical and legal journal articles. Also includes U.S. state and foreign country profiles, state legal materials, U.S. code, federal case law, and biographical information. In addition, there is corporate news and profiles. An excellent source, especially for very current materials and to obtain a regional perspective on a topic.

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.

Peace Research Abstracts Journal. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, Inc., 1964-. Bimonthly. VKC Library [Reference] JX 1901.P38

Web: <http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/1840.php>

Presents descriptive summaries of the most vital literature published world-wide on conflict and its resolution. It is the foremost international abstracting journal in the field of peace and conflict studies. The table of contents lists major topics and sub-topics with page numbers for instant access to a particular research interest. Keywords and descriptors are in bold so that the subject can be identified instantly, subject headings are in large bold letters for easy location, and author abstracts are arranged alphabetically. Abstract numbers are in bold and are comprised of concise summaries of the original article's contents. Article or book titles complete the relevant bibliographical data. Each issue comprehensively abstracts literature in more than a dozen relevant subject areas, including: Conflict: Causes and Correlates; Conflict and Tension: Case Studies; International Law and Conventions; International Relations: General Issues; Nations and National Policies; Military Organization and Policy; Political and Social Movements; Theory, Research and Application; International Organizations; Political Issues; Conflict: Consequences; War: Case Studies; Conflict Resolution · Social Issues; Arms Control; Diplomacy; and Economics.

Universal Database of Russian Social Sciences and Humanities Journals. Minneapolis, MN: East View Information Services, 2005-.

Electronic Resources Web Page

http://www.usc.edu/e_resources/isd/gateways/11749.php

This database provides researchers with a unique opportunity to cross-search the contents of major Russian periodicals on social sciences and humanities. It indexes a unique collection of approximately fifty of Russia's leading social sciences and humanities journals. Journals of the Russian Academy of Sciences and popular literary editions, as well as independent scholarly publications are included. The journals cover economics, international relations, public policy, sociology, public health, archaeology, history and literary criticism. There is a substantial body of English language materials found here and the database can be searched in the both English and the vernacular. Content of print editions is reproduced in full and with original pagination.

Web of Science Citation Indexing Service. Philadelphia, PA: Institute for Scientific Information, 1987-. Daily.

Electronic Resources Web Page

<http://was.usc.edu/eresources/isd/gateways/732.php>

The *Web of Science* ISI Citation Databases are multi-disciplinary databases of bibliographic information indexed so that you can search for specific articles by subject, author, journal, and/or author address. U.S.C. has access to three citation databases. The *Science Citation Index* is a database with searchable author abstracts, covering the journal literature of the sciences. It indexes 5,300 major journals across 164 scientific disciplines, covering approximately 2,000 more journals than its SCI print and CD-ROM counterparts, with all cited references captured. The *Social Sciences Citation Index* indexes 1,700 journals spanning 50 disciplines, as well as covering individually selected, relevant items from over 3,300 of the world's leading scientific and technical journals. *Arts & Humanities Citation Index* indexes 1,100 of the world's leading arts and humanities journals, as well as covering individually selected, relevant items from over 6,800 major science and social science journals.

TRANSLATED NEWS SERVICES

EurasiaNet. New York: Central Eurasia Project of the Open Society Institute, 2007-.

Web: <http://www.eurasianet.org/index.shtml>

Provides information and analysis about political, economic, environmental and social developments in the countries of Central Asia and the Caucasus, as well as in Russia, the Middle East, and Southwest Asia. The web site also offers additional features, including news-maker interviews and book reviews. Based in New York, *EurasiaNet* advocates open and informed discussion of issues that concern countries in the region. The web site presents a variety of perspectives on contemporary developments, utilizing a network of correspondents based both in the West and in the region. The aim of EurasiaNet is to promote informed decision making among policy makers, as well as broadening interest in the region among the general public. The service has seven different departments that feature original content on political, economic, social, cultural and environmental developments through an extensive network of contributors providing material that keeps readers on top of regional developments.

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

Electronic Resources Web Page

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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. 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

Brzezinski, Zbigniew and Paige Sullivan. *Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States: Documents, Data, and Analysis*. Armonk, NY: M.E. Sharpe, 1997.

VKC Library [Bookstacks] DK1.5.R876 1996

Assembled here is a documentary portrait of the CIS, drawing on more than 500 official publications and releases and reports from the broadcast and print media. Exceptionally comprehensive in scope and breadth, *Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States* presents the actual texts of CIS accords and protocols as well as commentary from leading journalists and political actors. The documents are grouped within 10 chapters. Each chapter is preceded by introductory notes written by the editors, supplying historical background and identification of key issues surrounding the documents presented. Also included is a collection of maps which provide geographical detail of the CIS, Russia's Ethnic Republics. The Caucasus and Central Asia, Major Muslim Ethnic Groups in Armenia, Iran, and the Islamic Commonwealth States, and the Major Defense Facilities in the CIS Territory. The volume concludes with five appendixes which provide a chronological listing of key events, CIS development, CIS data, and Country Profiles, in which a political profile, area map, economic and demographic statistics are provided for the 12 member states.

Karasik, Theodore W. *Russia and Eurasia Facts and Figures Annual*. Gulf Breeze, FL: Academic International Press, 1993-. Annual.

VKC Library [Reference] HA1446 .U17

Russia & Eurasia Facts and Figures Annual (REFFA) presents annually, in one convenient set, the statistical information that makes up Russia and the successor states. Coverage ranges from basic demographic information to specialized data on the Russian economy, industry, trade, political parties, military affairs, agriculture, infrastructure, labor, health, education, welfare, and more. Considered collectively, the volumes contain thousands of entries, tables, charts, figures, statistics and features. REFFA accumulates annually all basic and statistical information about Russia and the Eurasian states, permitting scholars, students, researchers to bypass dozens of sources, both in print and on-line. Each volume contains all new data. REFFA is based on a vast array of official, private and international sources with each volume containing entirely new information.

Statistical Handbook: States of the Former USSR. Studies in Economies in Transformation, no. 8. Washington, DC: The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development/World Bank, 1993.

VKC Library [Reference] HC 333 .S78 no. 8

This statistical handbook is the first attempt to present a coherent set of statistical indicators for the fifteen newly independent states of the former U.S.S.R. The handbook consists of two parts. The first part presents comparative tables with cross-country information by topic. The second part presents main statistical indicators by country. Data in the comparative tables are oriented toward a cross-country comparison of the main statistical indicators. In addition to a basic summary, this section is divided into five main topics: Human Resources, Production, Domestic Absorption, Fiscal and Monetary Accounts, and External Trade.

The sources used in putting together this handbook are standard Soviet statistical sources listed in the bibliography and new data obtained directly from the state. Data are included on population growth and projections, fertility and mortality rates, infant mortality, life expectancy, total population and employment by sector, and population by age group.

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

Electronic Resources Web Page

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Statistical Universe abstracts include a detailed description of a 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 World Wide Web site where the full text of the publication may be viewed and downloaded and 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. Also includes access to the *Statistical Abstract of the United States*.

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

Web: <http://data.un.org/>

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, 1960-. 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. Text providing commentary, definitions and source notes is also included.

INTERNET RESOURCES

Centre for Russian Studies' Database. Oslo: Norwegian Institute of International Affairs.

Web: <http://www.nupi.no/russland/database/start.htm>

Database is a reliable source of information on different issues linked directly to developments in Russia. Information is organized along four main axes, although you will also find in it information on other issues.

The four main axes are : political actors (individual and collective), institutions, administrative units (information on 89 federal subjects of the RF), and a chronology of current events. There are two ways of retrieving information from the database. You can use either search engines provided by database's operators or simply 'click' with the left mouse button on blue and/or underlined parts of text on our internet pages.

Erik Herron's Guide to Politics in East Central Europe and Eurasia. Lawrence, KS: University of Kansas Department of Political Science, 1998-.

Web: <http://web.ku.edu/%7Eherron/index.php>

The site is designed to facilitate research on the politics and economics of transition states in the post-communist world. The site offers a database of over 3,000 links to sites about politics and economics in the post-communist states of East Central Europe and Eurasia. You will find thousands of links to governmental and non-governmental web sites based in post-communist states, fonts to install on your computer, and other resources. You may navigate the site by country with the drop-down menus. You may also search the site thematically using the search tool at the top of the page.

REESWeb: The World Wide Web Virtual Library for Russian and East European Studies. Pittsburgh, PA: University Center for International Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 2007-.

Web: <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/reesweb/>

Comprehensive, searchable directory of electronic resources on the Balkans, the Baltic states, the Caucasus, Central Asia, Central Europe, the CIS, Eastern Europe, the NIS, the Russian Federation, and the former Soviet Union. REESBrowse is an indexed collection of annotated links. You can generate your own custom link list by selecting from the categories below. By selecting a culture, region, and/or time period in addition to a subject, you can create a more focused list. Keyword entries search the text of the web sites to which REESWeb links.