

TurboCharged Internet Research Work Faster and Smarter

▪ Your questions about Internet Research

▪ In The Beginning -- A VERY Brief History of the Internet

- Some very interesting stats on the Internet at <http://symbolics.com/>



▪ Turbocharged Internet for Research

- Advantages
- Disadvantages
- Vet your info: <http://www.snopes.com/snopes.asp>, <http://www.hoaxbusters.org/>, <http://vmyths.com/hmul/>, <http://urbanlegends.about.com/>

▪ Domain Name System

- Com = commercial
- Org = organizations
- Gov = government
- Edu = education
- Mil = military
- Net = network resources
- Foreign domain names: <http://searchenginez.com/foreigndomainnames.html>

▪ Overview of on-line services

- Web Browsers
 - Google Chrome (www.google.com/chrome/) 46.9%
 - Firefox (www.mozilla.org) 31.1%
 - Internet Explorer (Microsoft) (www.microsoft.com/downloads/) 14.7%
 - Safari (now for Mac and PC) (www.apple.com/safari) 4.2%
 - Opera (www.opera.com) 2.1%
- Other services (Potential for Overload & Inaccuracies)
 - E-mail (294 billion messages per day)
 - Groups: <http://groups.yahoo.com/>, <http://groups.google.com/grphp?hl=en&tab=wg>
 - Alerts: <http://www.google.com/alerts?hl=en>
 - E-Books, RSS
 - Blogs: search at <http://technorati.com/>
 - Wikipedia: <http://www.wikipedia.org/>
 - Video: YouTube <http://www.youtube.com/>, http://www.youtube.com/t/press_statistics, Yahoo <http://video.yahoo.com/>

- Social Media: Twitter <http://twitter.com/> & Facebook <http://www.facebook.com/>

- **Turbocharged Search Engines**

- Changing and consolidating
- Top Search Engines
 - Google www.google.com
 - Yahoo www.yahoo.com
 - Bing www.bing.com
- MetaSearch Engines
 - Ixquick.com <http://ixquick.com/>
 - Dogpile.com www.dogpile.com
 - Metacrawler.com www.metacrawler.com
 - Ask.com <http://www.ask.com>
 - 20Search <http://www.20search.com/>
- Support or Compiler Site
 - Faginfinder.com <http://www.faginfinder.com/urlinfo/>

- **Search Strategies**

- What's Not Included
- Places to search
 - Sites you know
 - Sites linked to sites you know
 - **Specialized sites**—Drudge, ministries, Rush, Lucianne
 - **Companies**—look for blogs
 - **News Sites:** <http://news.google.com/> (compiler), www.foxnews.com, www.bbc.com
 - **Newspapers and magazines**
[http://dir.yahoo.com/News and Media/Newspapers/](http://dir.yahoo.com/News_and_Media/Newspapers/)
[http://dir.yahoo.com/News and Media/magazines/](http://dir.yahoo.com/News_and_Media/magazines/)
<http://www.newspapers.com/>
<http://onlinenewspapers.com>, <http://newslink.org/>
 - **Dr. Andrew Jackson:** <http://www.andrewjacksondaily.com/>
 - **Think tanks**
 - National Political Index — <http://www.politicalindex.com/sect30.htm>
 - NIRA's World Directory of Think Tanks
<http://www.nira.or.jp/past/ice/nwdtt/2005/index.html>
 - Pew Institute <http://pewresearch.org/>
 - The Barna Group: <http://www.barna.org/>
 - **Government and law**
 - Government sites www.irs.gov, www.nasa.gov, www.hhs.gov
 - Congressional info <http://thomas.loc.gov/>
 - Documents from the National Archives -- <http://digitalvaults.org/>
 - Legal info and cases www.findlaw.com,



- Supreme court cases <http://www.law.cornell.edu/supct/> ,
<http://www.supremecourt.gov/>
- Anything Political <http://www.politicalindex.com/>
- **Statistics**
 - Health and Disease: National Center for Health Statistics
<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/fastats/>
 - Crime and Justice:
 - Bureau of Justice Statistics <http://bjs.ojp.usdoj.gov/>
 - Natl' Criminal Justice Reference Service <http://www.ncjrs.gov/>
 - Office for Victims of Crimes: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/>
 - Education: National Center for Education Statistics <http://nces.ed.gov/>
 - Search "other Statistics" (eg, "homelessness," "high school graduation," "Divorce rates," ...)
- **Images**
 - Powerful skies: www.nasa.gov
 - Stock photos: www.istockphoto.com (fee), <http://www.rgbstock.com/> (free), <http://www.flickr.com/creativecommons/by-2.0/> (free with attribution);
 - New York Public Library Photo Stream (Flickr) for old, BW and sepia
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/nypl/>
- **Biblical Info**
 - Bibles: <http://www.blueletterbible.org/>, <http://www.biblegateway.com/>
 - Smart Christian: <http://www.smartchristian.com/>
 - Maps: <http://biblemap.org/>, <http://www.rose-publishing.com/echart/>
 - Ask Moses: knowledge base on Judaism– www.askmoses.com
 - Biblical Archeology – <http://www.bib-arch.org/>
 - Inscriptifact: <http://inscriptifact.com/>
 - Internet Christian Library -- <http://www.iclnet.org/>
 - Christian Classics Ethereal Library: <http://www.ccel.org/>
 - World Religions and Spirituality Project: <http://www.has.vcu.edu/wrs/>
 - Bible Commentaries in various languages:
file:///Applications/Bible%20Lessons%20International/START_HERE.html
- **Libraries** —any type, many unsearchable
<http://dir.yahoo.com/Reference/libraries/>
- **Scholarly/Academic documents:** <http://scholar.google.com/>
- **Full text books –**
 - Questia.com www.questia.com,
 - Google Books <http://books.google.com/>
 - Christian Classics Ethereal Library: <http://www.ccel.org/>
 - The Internet Archive <http://archive.org/about/>

- **Museums**
 - MuseumLink's Museum of Museums: <http://museumlink.com/>
 - The Getty: <http://www.getty.edu/>
- **Universities** (few libraries accessible) [www.\(name\).edu](http://www.(name).edu)
 - Google Scholar <http://scholar.google.com/>
- **Writing Helps**
 - Dictionary, Thesaurus, encyclopedia: www.dictionary.com, www.onelook.com,
 - Quotations: <http://www.quotationspage.com/>
 - Translation: <http://www.bing.com/translator/>
- **Experts** www.experts.com, <http://www.experts-exchange.com/> www.twitter.com
- **Odds and Ends:**
 - Docstoc.com: www.Docstoc.com and www.Docstoc.com/courses
 - How Stuff Works: <http://www.howstuffworks.com/>
 - SoYouWanna.com <http://www.soyouwanna.com/>
 - Instructables.com -- <http://www.instructables.com/>
 - YouTube.com – www.youtube.com
 - Location information at Google Earth <http://earth.google.com>

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