About Opposing Viewpoints

Opposing Viewpoints is a great database for exploring pro / con arguments on a wide variety of social issues and “hot topics.” It is also a great place to brainstorm research topics.

This publisher gathers opinion pieces and articles on particular topics from a variety of sources into this database. Sources for these articles include magazine and newspaper articles, speeches, congressional testimony, organization webpages, and blogs.

Finding Opposing Viewpoints

- Go to the library’s homepage: library.clackamas.edu
- Select “Find Articles” under the “Research tools” section.
- Scroll down to O, or select O on the A-Z database list.
- If you are off campus, log-in with your myClackamas email and password.

Have a question? Let us help!

Library Hours:
Mon-Thu: 8am – 8pm
Fri: 8am—5pm
Sat: 11am — 3pm
Sun: Closed

Call library for summer and break hours.

Look for the Ask a Librarian chat box to chat with a librarian 24/7.

Or give us a call:
Reference Desk: 503-594-6042
Circulation Desk: 503-594-6323

Choosing a Research Topic

If you still need a topic, use the “Browse Issues” tab at the top left of the homepage to see a long list of topic pages.

Each topic page gives a brief overview of the topic as well as provides links to viewpoint articles (great for pro/con arguments), academic articles, statistics, maps, newspaper articles and much more.

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Like many databases, Opposing Viewpoints gives you the option to email, download, print, and save the articles you find relevant.

Be sure to grab the MLA or APA citation when you email or print the article so you don’t need to track it down later.

Librarian tip: Double check the citation! The citations provided are a good starting point, but can have mistakes.
About CQ Researcher

CQ Researcher is a vast database of in-depth articles on the most relevant and hot topics of the day.

If you are researching a current “hot topic” issue this database can provide great information packed into one place.

CQ Researcher publishes 44 in depth articles a year written by experienced journalists. The home page highlights the current week’s report.

Report sections:

Each report is made up of multiple sections. You may not need the entire report so look for the link on the left hand side to jump to sections like:

- Background
- Current situation
- Pro/Con
- Chronology
- Maps/Graphs
- Bibliography
- About the Author

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Most of the articles in CQ Researcher are so in-depth that they only publish one about every week. Look for shorter reports on their most popular topics on the right hand side under Hot Topics.