Researching an Industry

General/Basic

American FactFinder (website)
Business Insights: Global (Database)  Industries -> All Industries
Business Source Premier (Database)
   Industry Profiles
Dunn and Bradstreet’s Million Dollar (Database)
   Industry Search Function
Economic Census (website)
Gale Directory Library (Database)
Gale Virtual Reference Library (Database)
   Includes Encyclopedia of American Industries and Encyclopedia of Emerging Industries
Morningstar- under Markets tab/Sectors (Database)
ReferenceUSA (Database)
   US Business Module
   Industry Search Function RMA Annual
Statement Studies
Small Business Collection (Database)
   Keyword industry in search term
S & P Global NetAdvantage (Database)
   Industry Survey and S & P Outlook –tabs
Statistical Abstract of the United States (Database)

Here are some examples of the industries that are covered by each database:

Morningstar Sectors (Database)
Industry Trends in Market (Under Markets Tab)
Morningstar has newsletters which feature what stocks, funds, or ETFs are selected for certain portfolios.
Morningstar DividendInvestor  Morningstar StockInvestor
Morningstar FundInvestor  Morningstar ETFInvestor
These can be found under the newsletters tab.

Basic Materials  Consumer Defensive  Healthcare
Communication  Energy  Industrials
Consumer Cyclical  Financial Services  Real Estate
Technology  Utilities
The Outlook, S&P Capital IQ premier investment advisory newsletter, also features their own portfolios such as the Top Ten Model Portfolio feature of the Outlook. The Outlook is available every week except some holiday weeks like Christmas.
Consult table of contents for industry information
ValueLine has a feature with each Summary and Index section. This is updated weekly. For a recommended industry to invest in look at the table titled ‘Industries, in Order of Timeliness Rank’ (Outlook of 6 -12 months)
For a recommended stock to invest in look at the table titled ‘Timely Stocks’

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Advanced Research
These resources are available for more in depth research.

Researching an Industry Internationally
Business USA.gov Exporting Topic [https://business.usa.gov/export#learn-consulting](https://business.usa.gov/export#learn-consulting)
Commerce [https://www.commerce.gov/](https://www.commerce.gov/)
Export.gov [https://www.export.gov/welcome](https://www.export.gov/welcome)
Country Commercial Guides [https://www.export.gov/ccg](https://www.export.gov/ccg)
Michigan’s Global Edge https://globaledge.msu.edu/
Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development http://stats.oecd.org/
United Commerical Service http://www.trade.gov/cs/


Books
The airline industry
The American Beauty Industry Encyclopedia
The American film industry
The American steel industry: problems, challenges, perspectives
The Automobile industry, 1896-1920
The Automobile industry, 1920-1980
This business of music: the definitive guide to the music industry
Business Statistics of the United States
City and County Data Book
A chronicle of the aviation industry in America, 1903-1947. A salute to the aviation industry
Early iron industry in Youngstown
Economic history of the iron and steel industry in the United States
Glassmaking, America's first industry
Harris Directory-Ohio
History of the coal-mining industry in Ohio
International Directory of Company Histories
Invention and innovation in the radio industry
Ohio Labor Market
The printing industry; an introduction to its many branches, processes, and products
The rise of industry, 1860-1900
RMA Annual Statement Studies
Small Business Sourcebook
St. James Encyclopedia of Labor History Worldwide
Standard & Poor's industry surveys
The steel industry in Ohio
Steel industry in Youngstown: miscellanea
Textile world's Leaders in the textile industry
The Value of Dollar
Value Line

Local
Vertical File (clipped Vindicator articles @ Main Library only)

Youngstown Warren Industry Facts and Figures
Youngstown Warren Economic Development

Youngstown Grocery Stores (book-clipped Vindicator articles)
Youngstown Industries 1 & 2 (book-clipped Vindicator articles)

Business Journal
Tribune Chronicle
Vindicator Business and Technology

Magazines that cover various industries (check with local branch for holdings)

ADVERTISING AGE
AUTOMOTIVE NEWS
BARRON’S
BLOOMBERG BUSINESSWEEK
BOTTOM LINE/PERSONAL
BROADCASTING AND CABLE
BUSINESS JOURNAL
*BUSINESS PERIODICALS INDEX
COMMUNICATION BRIEFINGS

INDUSTRY WEEK
INSIDE BUSINESS
MERGENT MANUALS ON MICROFICHE
MONTHLY LABOR REVIEW
MUSIC TRADES
OHIO CONTRACTOR
*OHIO STEEL REPORT
*ON THE MOVE (Eastgate Regional Council of Governments)
SALES AND MARKETING MANAGEMENT
*SHALE SHEET

Various Industry Sources of Information

Banks
Federal Reserve System
*SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS
UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE OFFICIAL GAZETTE
*UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE OFFICIAL GAZETTE INDEX

*SHALE SHEET

Key banking and economic data available links to all 12 regional Federal Reserve Banks

Consumer
Catalog of Federal and Domestic Assistance
Used to identify federal sponsored organizations and assistance programs to individuals and all levels of government.

Consumer Price Index
Monthly data on changes in the prices paid by urban consumers for a representative basket of goods and services

**County and City Data Book**
Most comprehensive source of information about the individual counties and cities in the United States.

**Statistical Abstract of the United States**
Authoritative and comprehensive summary of statistics on the social, political, and economic organization of the United States.

**US General Service Administration**
Per Diem Rates, POV mileage reimbursement, GSA Advantage, GSA Recovery Act, GSA Schedules

**Economy**
**Budget of the United States Government**
Every government’s department budget released by the executive office of the president.

**Commerce Business Daily**
Awarded contracts

**Education**
**Digest of Education Statistics**
Compilation of statistical information covering the broad field of American education from prekindergarten through graduate school

**Supertracker**
Food-a-pedia, food tracker, physical activity tracker, weight manager, top goals...

**Environment**
**Endangered Species Bulletin**
Endangered Species Database

**Envirofacts**
Reports by area of interest including air, waste, facility, land, toxics, compliance, water, radiation, and others....

**Environmental Protection Agency**
Science research, human health research, pesticides and food, emergencies, hydraulic fracturing, lead, mercury, and more....

**Toxics Release Inventory**
Management of over 650 toxic chemicals that pose a threat to human health and the environment.

**Toxic Substances Portal**
ToxFAQs, medical education and training, toxicological and health professionals, substance list
Farm

Census of Agriculture
Fact sheets on: Demographics, economics, farm numbers, geographic practices, and production

Foreign Agricultural Service
Marketing, exporting US products, buying US products, data, commodities

United States Department of Agriculture-Economic Research Service
Animal products, crops, farm economy, farm practices, food and nutrition assistance, food choices and health, food markets and prices, food safety, international markets and trade, natural resources and environment, and rural economy and population

USDA’s National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS)
Conducts surveys on production and supplies of food and fiber, prices paid, and received by farmers, farm labor and wages, farm finances, chemical use, changes in demographics of US producers and more....

Food

Food and Nutrition Service
SNAP, WIC, Food Safety, Child Nutrition, Disaster Assistance, Grants, USDA Food Facts

Industry

NAICS (North American Industry Classification System)
The standard used in classifying business establishments.

Zip Business Patterns
Business counts by size for hundreds of industries....plus summaries by zip code

Investment

EDGAR (Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis, and Retrieval)
What is going on inside your company? The SEC provides access to documents from company filings, mutual funds, and variable insurance products.

SEC’s Investor
Ready to invest, 5 questions to ask before investing, protect your money, ask and check (research). The SEC provides an introduction to the markets, investing basics, research and managing investments, employment to retirement, and life events. Life change-marriage, birth, inheritance? This is the place to start.

US Securities and Exchange Commission

Law

Code of Federal Regulations
A codification of general and permanent rules published by the department and agencies of the Federal Government.

**Utilities**

*Electric Power Monthly*

Statistics on net generation by energy source; consumption, stocks, retail sales, revenue, and cost of fossil fuels; and capability of new generation units by company and plant.

*Statistics of Communications Common Carriers*

Revenues, communication (local, national, and international), phone numbers assigned by type