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- [Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center](#) offers a preliminary list of controversial issues.
- [Alamo Colleges - Palo Alto College](#) lists many current controversial issues.
- [CQ Researcher](#) - This source takes two forms: print and electronic. Each weekly issue offers research on a current controversial issue. The print version is in the Reference Collection at Ref. H 35 .C672 (1993-present).
- [Facts on File: World News Digest](#) - Search by a subject, look at current news headlines, or browse under the "Need a Research Topic?" section on the lower right. (It also offers "More research topics" in that section.)
- <http://www.procon.org/> - controversial issues site by a nonpartisan non-profit group.

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