Controversial Issues

Researching a hot topic? Start here!

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Starting Your Research

Start your research by clicking each of the blue tabs above:

- **Books** tab - lists reference books, subjects and a link to the online catalog for overviews of your subject

- **Online Reference** tab - links to the library's full-text electronic reference databases for fast facts and overviews

- **Article Databases** tab - links to current magazine and journal articles from the library's subscription databases

- **Other Web Sites** tab - other non-subscription Web sites that could offer useful facts, selected by SUNY Adirondack librarians

- **Graphics, Video and Animations** tab - other information to help with your research

- **Writing and Citing Help** tab - information about the college's Center for Reading and Writing.

News

Are Psychiatric Medicines Making Us Sicker? (*The Chronicle of Higher Education*)

For Topic Ideas:

Looking for world issues? Try this link. 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.)

- Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center
  Information on social issues, overviews, statistics, links to ViewPoints opinions, web sites, essays, articles.
- Points of View Reference Center
  Full text database designed to provide students and schools with a series of controversial essays that present multiple sides of a current issue
- CQ Researcher
  Explores a single "hot" issue in the news in depth each week. Website includes hundreds of issues back to 1991.
- Facts on File: World News Digest
  Search by a world issues, 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.)
- Internet Public Library: Social Issues
  Left-side column lists high-quality sites chosen by librarians; great for ideas.
- Pro Con.org
  Controversial issues site by a nonpartisan non-profit group.

More Sources

These four **book series** will be very useful - search for them by title in the Book Catalog search box above:

*** Taking Sides**
*** Library in a Book**
*** Opposing Viewpoints**
*** Contemporary World Issues**

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