Controversial Issues
Alphabetical List by Subject

September 11 Disaster

9-11 TERRORIST ATTACK page of links
ABORTION page of links
ACLU Charges Racial Discrimination in Second Texas Drug Bust Scandal
ACTIVISM page of links
Adbusters "dedicated to reinventing the outdated paradigms of our consumer culture"
Affirmative Action Hot Paper Topics
AFGHANISTAN page of links
Alternate Movie Awards an alternative to the Oscars
America, WAKE UP! "Embedded in our nation's road sign system is a secret coding designed to target vital sites, facilities and resources for military confiscation during a National Emergency" - see photographs and testimonies from military personnel
America's Global Role Public Agenda - great source, lots of information
America's Uninsured: A Closer Look "Almost 40 million people in this country lack health insurance, more than the populations of Texas, Florida and Connecticut combined" - report issued by the National Academies
Antibiotic Resistance: A Growing Threat study from the FDA
Arsenic in Drinking Water from the EPA - Arsenic in drinking water has been linked to bladder and lung cancers, diabetes, and heart disease
Assessing the New Federalism "a multi-year Urban Institute research project to analyze the devolution of responsibility for social programs from the federal government to the states, focusing primarily on health care, income security, job training, and social services"
Attacks on the Press in 2000 "a worldwide survey by the Committee to Protect Journalists"
Behind the Label "the labor issues and working conditions of those people who make many of the clothes sold by major retailers" (Scout Report) - quite a lot on sweatshopivism
Bill of Rights Defense Committee
Bioethical Issues Hot Paper Topics
Birth Control - Sanger and Reproductive Rights quotes from an article on Sanger
Beyond Reason: The Death Penalty and Offenders with Mental Retardation
California Energy Crisis "Blackout: What caused the power crisis in California? And who's profiting?" from PBS
Campaign Finance Public Agenda - great source, lots of information
CAPITAL PUNISHMENT, see DEATH PENALTY
Censorship Hot Paper Topics
CENSORSHIP --page of links
Child Care Public Agenda - great source, lots of information
Child Injury Deaths - UNICEF Innocenti Report Card comprehensive report on child injury deaths around the world - "Injury has become the number-one killer of children ages one to fourteen in developed countries and accounts for almost 40 percent of deaths in that age group"
Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) filtering software at schools and libraries
Chip Implants Approved BBC news article
Chile -- Progress Stalled Setbacks in Freedom of Expression Reform
CIA & Drugs - From the Wilderness "innovative analysis and groundbreaking original stories on the impact of $5-600 billion per year in drug money moving through the US economy and the illegal covert operations [of the CIA among others] which maintain control of that cash flow for US economic interests"
Caligula" indicative of a deranged mental state... The book refers to Bush as an "American
unfolded... [Bush's] enraged public outbursts constituted real psychotic episodes,
indicative of a deranged mental state"... the book refers to Bush as an "American
Caligula"
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vaccines against women and much more
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Fact Sheets
U.S. Crime Statistics

in 1999, the U.S. and the rest of the world, began to
negotiate a tobacco control treaty. Called the Framework Convention on Tobacco
Control (FCTC), it establishes an international standard for tobacco control. The
majority of the world's nations are committed to a strong FCTC that prioritizes
public health over profits. The only exceptions are the U.S., Japan, and
Germany."

Tom Paine.com/mon sense "seeks to enrich the national debate on controversial
public issues by featuring the ideas, opinions, and analyses too often overlooked
by the mainstream media"
Torture Trade, Stopping the
A Toxic Cover-up? 60 Minutes special on a toxic coal slurry spill in Appalachia
which was 25 times the size of the Exxon Valdez disaster in Alaska
Treasure Hunters, Countering the Deceptions of article by Jerome Hall
UNICEF Innocenti Report Card comprehensive report on child injury deaths
around the world
Uganda in Eastern DRC: Fueling Political and Ethnic Strife Human Rights Watch
report

Urban Mobility Report, 2001 a study of the transportation system in 68 urban
areas; one finding is that the last time "rush hour" lasted only an hour Richard
Nixon was president

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Fact Sheets many subjects
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U.S. Imperialism excerpt from book by M. Parenti
U.S. Imperialism more excerpts from book by M. Parenti
U.S. Political Prisoners excerpts from book
U.S. Patriot Act "The Day Democracy Was Put on Hold" - article - "Search
warrants, Miranda rights, attorney/client protection, all rights we fought for and
have been amended to our Constitution have become null and void within the
342 pages of The U.S. Patriot Act"
U.S. War Crimes excerpts from an article by John Ross
Veterans - National Gulf War Resource Center details how the veterans have
been mistreated by the military, denying them healthcare benefits
Veterans - Project SHAD: American Servicemen Used As Guinea Pigs chemical
and biological warfare test program conducted during the 1960s, used on our own
people
Violence Against Women In Times of War "Once again, the mainstream media
was flooded with violent and militant notions of conflict resolution"

Violence Against Women, Toolkit to End "concrete guidance to communities,
policy leaders, and individuals"

VOTE.com new issues several times a week to read about and vote on
Wal-Mart's Female Trouble sex discrimination rampant at Wal-Mart
Wal-Mart - Thanks for Shopping at Wal-Mart--NOT "If Jesus were alive today, he
would be protesting Wal-Mart" - horrendous labor practices
War as Business excerpt from book by M. Parenti
Washington, DC Explore DC covers the famous buildings and people of DC
Water - Cadillac Desert: The American West and Its Disappearing Water excerpts
from the book by Mark Reisner
"Welcome to Feedback Universe" an emerging metaphor - "The watchword for the 21st century is 'Give up control.'"

Welfare for the Rich excerpt from book by M. Parenti
Welfare Public Agenda Issue Guide - lots of information
Welfare Reform, Feminist Views white paper
What Really Happened "the history the government hopes you DON'T learn" - lots of alternative news and articles -- good source of paper topics
Who Owns America excerpt from book by M. Parenti
Women, Minorities and the Disabled in the Sciences
WOMEN'S ISSUES & STUDIES --page of links
Workplace Surveillance Project "The Extent of Systematic Monitoring of Employee E-Mail and Internet Use" -- a full text report
World Hunger
Youth Violence: A Report of the Surgeon General January, 2001 - "identifies 27 specific intervention programs that have shown themselves to be statistically successful as well as debunking several common myths about youth violence" (Scout Report)
Youth Violence Prevention Resource Center, National

From Vote.com:

Log on to http://www.vote.com/category/10883144/ to tell state leaders if Texas should legalize marijuana for medical use. Would this help sick and injured people relieve pain and suffering, or would it just be an excuse to make "pot" more accessible?

From Corporate Watch

PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY
Silence = Death: AIDS, Africa and Pharmaceuticals
http://www.corpwatch.org/feature/misc/aids01.html

25 million Africans are living with AIDS. Northern pharmaceutical companies have the drugs to treat the disease and governments have the ability to offer them cheaply. Yet they are turning a blind eye to this global pandemic. After talking with AIDS orphans in Zimbabwe and HIV+ pregnant women in Rwanda, Stephen Lewis, says "I want someone to explain to me why it isn't called murder." The former Deputy Director of UNICEF puts a human face on one of the greatest tragedies of our time.

From Corporate Watch

BHOPAL
Survivors Target Dow Chemical in India
http://www.corpwatch.org/bhopal/dowchem.html

Three-hundred survivors of the December 1984 Union Carbide disaster in Bhopal protested at the Bombay office of Dow Chemical International this week demanding that Dow take on the outstanding liabilities left behind by the Union Carbide Corporation (which Dow now owns) in Bhopal. Together with environmental and labor groups, they launched a new National Campaign for Justice in Bhopal, targeting Dow.

From Corporate Watch

IN THE NEWS
http://www.corpwatch.org/headlines

* South Africa: Bush Policy Threatens AIDS Prevention Among Youth
* Mexico: Rocks, Tear Gas at Cancun Protest
* USA: Mom vs. Mastercard
* Canada: Quebec Set to Crackdown on FTAA Protests
* Canada: Government Fights NAFTA Ruling in Court
* Tanzania: World Bank/IMF Refuse to Cancel Africa's Debt
* USA: Supreme Court Sides with American Airlines Over Union
* USA: Bostonians Outraged at Corporate Subway Sponsorship Plan

From Corporate Watch

TAKE ACTION

Protest Environmental Award Honoring Shell!
http://www.corpwatch.org/action/2001/006.html