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## AGEC 4950: Selected Library Sources

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Copies of this guide are available online: <http://www-lib.uwyo.edu/subres/guides/>

### General Agricultural Sector Resources

#### Agriculture

UW Libraries Home Page---Subjects---Government Documents---Agriculture

<http://www-lib.uwyo.edu/find/subjects/display.cfm?id=83>

Government information on 21 different agricultural topics

#### Agricultural Resources and Environmental Indicators

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/arei/index.htm>

#### Amber Waves (Agricultural Outlook)

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/amberwaves/>

Monthly USDA Economic Research Service publication concentrates on the economics of food, farming, natural resources, and rural America. Try this if you are looking for a topic.

#### Agricultural Productivity in the United States

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/data/agproductivity/>

#### State Fact Sheets

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/StateFacts/>

Information on population, employment, income, farm characteristics, and farm financial indicators for each state.

#### Statistical Abstract of the United States.

Coe Ref Ready HA 202.A35

<http://www.census.gov/compendia/statab/>

#### USDA Economic Research Service Data Sets

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/Data/>

## **Law, Regulation and Policy**

### **National Agricultural Law Center**

<http://www.nationalaglawcenter.org/>

### **U.S. Department of Agriculture. Laws and Regulations**

<http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usdahome>

Click on “Laws and Regulations.”

### **U. S. House Committee on Agriculture**

<http://agriculture.house.gov/>

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### **U. S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition & Forestry**

<http://agriculture.senate.gov/>

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## **Agricultural Industries and Products**

### **Agricultural Chemical Use Database**

<http://www.pestmanagement.info/nass/>

Provides statistical data on agricultural chemical use by active ingredient, crop, state and year.

### **Agricultural Statistics**

Doc Ref 1.47:

[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/Ag\\_Statistics/index.asp](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/Ag_Statistics/index.asp)

Covers agricultural production, supplies, consumption, facilities, costs, and returns.

### **Census of Agriculture**

See **National Agricultural Statistics Service, below.**

### **Characteristics and Production Costs**

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/sb974/>

Report covers variation in production costs of commodities, production practices and use levels, and farm operator and structural characteristics behind the most recent cost and return estimates.

### **Commodity Costs and Returns**

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/data/costsandreturns/>

Costs and returns estimates for corn, soybeans, wheat, cotton, grain sorghum, rice, peanuts, oats, barley, sugarbeets, tobacco, milk, hogs, and cow-calf operations in the U.S.

### **Farm Balance Sheet Data**

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/data/farmbalancesheet/>

Estimates for the U.S. and states from 1960-present.

### **Farm Income Data**

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/Data/farmincome/>

Estimates of farm sector income with component accounts for the U.S. (1910-2004) and states (1910-2002).

### **Feed Grains Data Delivery System**

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/db/feedgrains/>

This database contains statistics on the four feed grains (corn, grain sorghum, barley and oats), foreign coarse grains (feed grains plus rye, millet, and mixed grains), hay, and related items.

### **National Agricultural Statistics Service**

[http://www.nass.usda.gov/Data\\_and\\_Statistics/index.asp](http://www.nass.usda.gov/Data_and_Statistics/index.asp)

NASS publishes U.S., state, and county level agricultural statistics for many commodities and data series. Quick Stats offers the ability to search by commodity, state(s) and year(s). There is also a link to the Census of Agriculture. Search datasets can be downloaded to spreadsheets.

### **Rangelands West**

<http://rangelandswest.org/index.html>

Part of the Agriculture Network Information Center (AgNIC), this site covers scientific, policy, economic and educational issues related to rangelands in the Western U.S.

### **Standard & Poor's NetAdvantage**

**University of Wyoming Libraries Home Page---Databases---S---S&P NetAdvantage**

Select "Industries," open the drop-down window and select "Agribusiness."

### **State Agricultural Documents.**

State agricultural documents are indexed in **AGRICOLA**. Some recent publications are available online from the UW College of Agriculture at [https://ces.uwyo.edu/Search\\_Start.asp](https://ces.uwyo.edu/Search_Start.asp)

For publications from other states, try the links on the **USDA Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service:**

[http://www.csrees.usda.gov/qlinks/partners/state\\_partners.html](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/qlinks/partners/state_partners.html)

### **USDA Economic Research Service Briefing Rooms**

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/Briefing/>

## **Business Plans**

**Business Plans Handbook: A Compilation of Actual Business Plans Developed by Small Business Throughout North America.** Detroit, MI: Gale Research, 1995-  
Coe Ref & Coe HD 62.7 .B865

**Small Farm Funding Resources (U.S. National Agricultural Library**  
[http://www.nal.usda.gov/ric/ricpubs/small\\_farm\\_funding.htm](http://www.nal.usda.gov/ric/ricpubs/small_farm_funding.htm)  
See “Developing a Farm Business Plan.”

### **Catalog Subject Searches:**

Go the UW Libraries catalog <http://uwcatalog.uwyo.edu/>, select the subject search option, and enter the following:

**New business enterprises**

**New business enterprises--Handbooks, manuals, etc.**

**New business enterprises--planning**

## **Article Indexes, Databases, & Journal Packages**

### **AGRICOLA**

**University of Wyoming Libraries Home Page---Databases---A---AGRICOLA**

Created by the National Agricultural Library, AGRICOLA (AGRICultural OnLine Access) is a bibliographic database covering all aspects of agriculture and allied disciplines and includes food and human nutrition.

### **Blackwell Synergy (Wiley Interscience)**

**University of Wyoming Libraries Homepage---Databases---B---Blackwell Synergy**

Publisher journal package has 104 full-text agricultural sources.

### **Business Source Premier**

**University of Wyoming Libraries Home Page---Databases---B---Business Source Premier**

Indexes 2,800+ scholarly journals and business periodicals, many of which are full text. This source covers management, finance, accounting and other business topics.

### **CAB Abstracts**

**University of Wyoming Libraries Home Page---Databases---C---CAB Abstracts**

CAB Abstracts covers all areas of agriculture. It includes agronomy, biotechnology, crop protection, dairy science, economics, environmental degradation and remediation and many other agricultural subject areas. Data are drawn from over 100 countries and cover 3 million+ records in more than 11,000 journals from 1973 to present.

**LexisNexis Academic**

**University of Wyoming Libraries Home Page---Databases---LexisNexis Academic**

The database includes more than 6,000 full-text news, business, and legal sources.

**ScienceDirect**

**University of Wyoming Libraries Home Page---Databases---S---ScienceDirect**

ScienceDirect is a collection of full-text journals. There are 170 titles in the agricultural and biological sciences.