

ReferenceUSA

ReferenceUSA is a leading business and consumer research database. Small business owners can use this database as a marketing tool to identify new clients, while Entrepreneurs can perform market research to create a business plan. The database also includes easy to use Job Search and U.S. White Pages modules.

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U.S. Businesses

- Contains 49 million company profiles
- Updated monthly
- ReferenceUSA telephone verifies with businesses yearly
- Use to find a competitor, company profiles & potential clients

U.S. New Businesses

- Raw data--Updated weekly
- See how new businesses/industries are growing
- Info obtained from business license filing or utility companies
- Business owners use info to find new clients (ex: food industry may use info to contact newly opened restaurants)

U.S. White Pages

- Records updated through USPS National Change of Address
- Phone #s not scrubbed through Do Not Call registry
- Businesses advised to use for mail marketing, not direct calls

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U.S. Historical Businesses

- Contains over 200 million historical records dating back to 2003
- Research business trends
- Look at business owners over time
- Study history of industry in particular areas

U.S. Jobs/Internships

- Job postings from Indeed.com
- Updated daily

U.S. Healthcare

- Updated monthly
- Locate dentist, doctor, surgeon in specialized field

U.S. Consumers/Lifestyles

- Use for marketing and consumer spending research
- Study particular hobbies/interests of consumers in particular area
- Nonprofits can search for potential charitable donors

U.S. New Movers/Homeowners

- Updated weekly
- Lists who recently moved into an area
- Valuable for banks, dry cleaners, doctors, hair stylists, home security companies, landscapers

How to locate a company profile

"I need to find the name and address of the CEO of Home Depot."

"I am looking for a child daycare in Pueblo."

"I sell HVAC equipment and would like to contact Construction Businesses to sell my units."

- 1. Open U.S. Businesses Database
- 2. Quick Search
- 3. Enter Company Name
- 4. Enter State

Note: use Advanced Search for filter options



How to find your competitor/potential clients

"I want to open a coffee shop in Pueblo and want to know my competition." "I want to market my products to restaurants in Pueblo and need a list of contacts."

- 1. Open U.S. Businesses Database
- 2. Advanced Search
- 3. Business Type → Keyword/SIC/NAICS → SEARCH → select industries
- 4. City/State
- 5. Update Count
- 6. View Results

How to search for consumers--Consumers/Lifestyles

"I work for a nonprofit and need a list of potential charitable donors."

"I sell window shades and need to search for potential clients in Pueblo who have an interest in home improvement products."

- 1. Open U.S. Consumers/Lifestyles
- 2. Advanced Search
- 3. City/State
- 4. Option for Charitable Donors: **Housing Selection** → **Estimated Home Income**
- 5. Lifestyles
- 6. UPDATE COUNT
- 7. VIEW RESULTS

How to search for consumers--New Movers/Homeowners

"I sell home security systems and would like to find new customers." "I own a landscaping company and am looking for new clients."

- 1. Open U.S. New Movers/Homeowners
- 2. Advanced Search
- 3. Geography → City/State
- 4. Residential Details → Home Ownership
- 5. UPDATE COUNT
- 6. VIEW RESULTS
- 7. Revise Search if desired.

How to research doctors/dentists

"I need to find a new dentist for my child."

- 1. Open U.S. Healthcare
- 2. Advanced Search
- 3. Geography → City/State
- 4. Practice/Credential → Primary Sic
- 5. Primary Specialty
- 6. UPDATE COUNT
- 7. VIEW RESULTS
- 8. Revise Search if desired.

SIC: Standard Industrial Classification

- 2 to 5 digit numerical code
- Assigned by the U.S. government to business establishments
- Used to identify the primary business of the establishment.
- Established in 1937
- Last updated 1987—still used

NAICS: North American Industry Classification System

- Pronounced "Nakes"
- 2-8 digit numerical code
- Used by government to classify businesses.
- Developed to replace insufficient
 SIC
- Established in 1997

How to locate new businesses

"I own a small cleaning company and want to contact new restaurants in hopes of initiating new cleaning contracts."

"How can I get a list of new Mexican restaurants in the area so I may contact them about buying my home-made salsa?"

- 1. Open U.S. New Businesses
- 2. Advanced Search
- 3. Business Type → Keyword/SIC/NAICS → SEARCH → select industries
- 4. City/State
- 5. Update Count
- 6. View Results