

# Geography of Africa

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## Overviews

**Online** *Country Reports & CountryWatch*  
*Political Handbook of the World*

**In Print** *Europa World Year Book*  
*Statesman's Year Book*  
*New Encyclopedia of Africa*  
*Encyclopedia of African History*

**online**  
**Online by title** in library catalog  
Reference Desk JN1 .E85  
Reference Desk JA51 .S79  
**Online by title** in library catalog  
REF DT20 .E53 2005  
Also **Online by title** in library catalog

## Maps & Natural Resources

**Online** *CountryWatch* database

**In Print** *Cultural Atlas of Africa*  
*African Statistical Yearbook (United Nations)*  
*Oxford Atlas of the World*

*Carbon Atlas* [www.guardian.co.uk/global/interactive/2008/dec/09/climatechange-carbonemissions](http://www.guardian.co.uk/global/interactive/2008/dec/09/climatechange-carbonemissions)

Click on "Country Map (PDF)"  
REF G2446 .E6C8 1998  
REF HA11955 .U5 2006  
Reference Desk G1021 .A7545 2007

## Population

**Online** *United Nations Statistical Databases*  
*Population Reference Bureau*

**In Print** *Demographic Yearbook (United Nations)*

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/databases.htm>  
[www.prb.org/datafinder.aspx](http://www.prb.org/datafinder.aspx)  
REF HA17 .D38 2004

## Peoples & Cultures

**Online** *Country Reports*  
*eHRAF* (Human Relations Area Files)

**In Print** *Countries & Their Cultures*

online  
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REF GN307 .C68 2001  
Also **Online by title** in library catalog

## Governments & Indicators of Development

**Online** *Foreign Governments: Sub-Saharan Africa*

**In Print** *Constitutions of the World*  
*"Directory" section of Europa*  
*Nations of the World: A Political, Economic...*  
*World Development Indicators*

[www.lib.umich.edu/govdocs/forafr.html](http://www.lib.umich.edu/govdocs/forafr.html)  
REF K3165 .M33 2008  
Reference Desk JN1 .E85  
REF HC10 .N36 2006  
REF HC59.15 .W656 2008

## News

**Online** *CountryWatch* database  
*LexisNexis* database (Major U.S. & World...)  
allAfrica.com  
Internet Public Library: Newspapers  
BBC News <http://news.bbc.co.uk/>  
Reuters Africa  
New York Times [www.nytimes.com/pages/world/africa/index.html](http://www.nytimes.com/pages/world/africa/index.html)

Look for "Country Wire"  
Use "General" or "News" tab  
<http://allafrica.com/>  
<http://www.ipl.org/div/news/>  
Click on "Africa" or "Country Profiles"  
<http://af.reuters.com/>

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**Academic Search Premier** – multidisciplinary, with many peer-reviewed journals, back to 1975

**CIAO** – position papers, case studies, & more in international affairs

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**PAIS** (Public Affairs Information Service) -- references to articles in political & social science journals, some government reports, international scope.

## Periodicals covering Africa

The CU Library has many years of these journals online and/or in print.

*Africa Analysis*

*Africa News*

*Africa Today*

*African Affairs*

*African Identities*

*African Studies Quarterly*

*African Studies Review*

*Commentary* (New York)

*Economist* (London)

*Journal of African Cultural Studies*

*Journal of African History*

*Journal of Modern African Studies*

*Journal of Southern African Studies*

*New African*

*Round Table*

## Organizing Sources

**RefWorks** (citation software, many formats)

Free web sites on citation styles

Printed style manuals (Chicago, MLA, etc.)

**online**

[www.lib.clemson.edu/qr/citation.htm](http://www.lib.clemson.edu/qr/citation.htm)

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