

5 Reasons to Use Research Library for Better Research, Better Learning and Better Insights



1. **Focused, relevant results.** Drowning in the Google flood? 76% of teachers and students think the amount of information they find online is overwhelming. Use your library's ProQuest databases instead. You'll get a focused set of search results, minus the paywalls, ads and millions of irrelevant hits.
2. **Access at your fingertips.** Did you know your library's ProQuest databases work on any of your devices? Whether it's your smartphone, tablet, or laptop, you can expect the same functionality across all of your devices.
3. **Easy to use - ad free navigation.** Google is pretty easy to use, but the sites it connects you too often are not, in most cases you'll encounter ads and paywalls and other elements of clutter that make it difficult to analyze the

content. Your library's ProQuest databases offer a clean user experience designed from the ground up with input from students like you to make your experience more productive and focused.

4. **First with current affairs and business.** Keep up to date with current full text of the most widely read and influential magazines including *The Economist*, *New Statesman*, *Billboard*, and *The New Yorker*.
5. **The latest scholarly journals.** Researchers can access the latest full-text of the key journals in their field including *The Lancet*, *Nature*, *Science*, *New England Journal of Medicine*, and *Journal of International Business Studies*.

Example searches and activities using Research Library:

Type the search: In favor of self-driving cars.

- Click "Search Within" and type "safety."
- Look at the left sidebar for "Publication Date." Why have there been so many articles written on this since 2000?
- Click a column to limit to that decade, such as 1980's. Was the topic ever specifically mentioned in any of the articles?

How do industry insiders feel about this topic as compared to the general public?

- Clear the date limiter to get back to the searched results across all dates.
- Go up to Source Type on the left sidebar.
 - Choose "More options" and include "Newspapers" and "Trade Journals."
 - Find articles from each that might indicate differences or similarities in attitudes from the public versus the industries.

The top screenshot shows the ProQuest Research Library search interface. The search bar contains the text "In favor of self-driving cars". Below the search bar, there are filters for "Full text" and "Peer reviewed". The bottom screenshot shows the search results for "(In favor of self-driving cars) AND safety". The results list 143 items. The first result is "SPPLITTING THE BILL: CREATING A NATIONAL CAR INSURANCE FUND TO PAY FOR ACCIDENTS IN AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES" from the *Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization*. The second result is "SELF-DRIVING Trucks" from *FreightWaves*. The third result is "The Ethics of Accident Algorithms for Self-Driving Cars: an Applied Trolley Problem?" from *Journal of Business Ethics*.

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