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Instruction, Training and Promotion: Strategies for Government Information Librarians

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The "New" Government Information Librarian *We are no longer simply managers of Federal Depository Libraries* 

Liaison Activities
Training: Gov Info 101
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# Liaison Activities at Your Library (and Ours!)



### Liaison Activities

*The New Government Information Librarian: A Liaison to the Liaisons* 

Team teaching

Providing updates on NEW government resources to subject liaisons

Collaborating on subject-specific government resources for web pages, classes, and handouts

# Team Teaching Example: Environmental Studies 101

- Environmental-related Databases:
  - Greenwire; Columbia Earthscape; Environmental Studies & Pollution Management
- Government-Related Environmental Resources:
  - EPA: <u>http://www.epa.gov</u>/
  - NOAA: <u>http://www.noaa.gov/</u>
  - U.S. Geological Survey: http://www.usgs.gov/



#### Read today's edition: Fri., April 6, 2007

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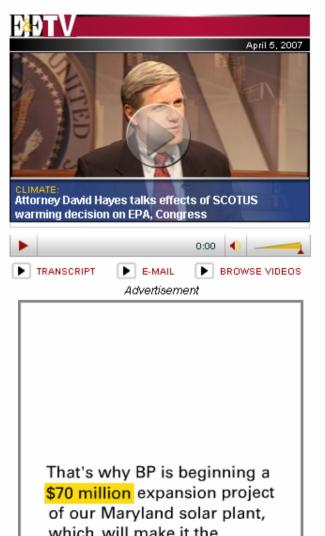
BRUSSELS -- Global warming will parch large swaths of the Earth and threaten the existence of up to 30 percent of its animals and plants, a United Nations scientific panel warned in a report released today. About 1 billion people will be affected by water shortages because of declining snow cover on one-sixth of the world's land, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report says. Go to story #1

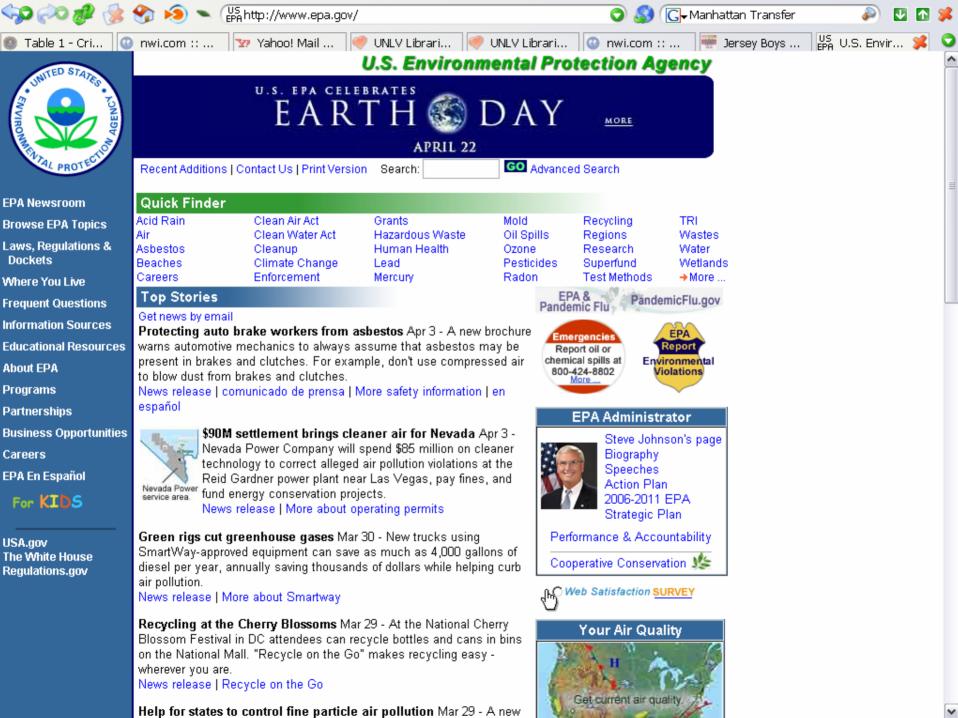
### 2. <u>CLIMATE:</u> White House says IPCC report 'reinforces' its policies

The Bush administration said today the latest report by an international scientific panel examining the effects of climate change would lead to no shift in U.S. global-warming policies that shun mandatory curbs on emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases. "This report reinforces" administration policies that emphasize technology development and the production of alternative fuels, President Bush's top environmental adviser, James Connaughton, told reporters in a telephone briefing after the report's release in Brussels. "Much of the underlying science was produced over the last five years. We have been taking the science on board over the course of the last five years." Go to story #2

#### ENERGY POLICY & MARKETS

- 3. ENERGY MARKETS: TXU threatens to shut down plants to pay \$210M fine
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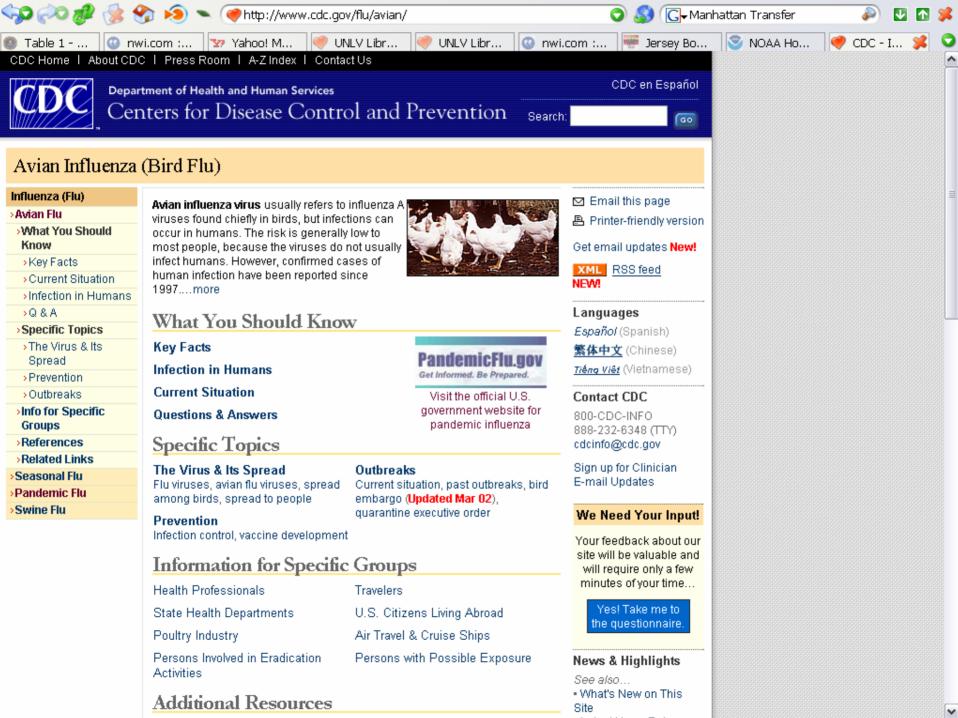


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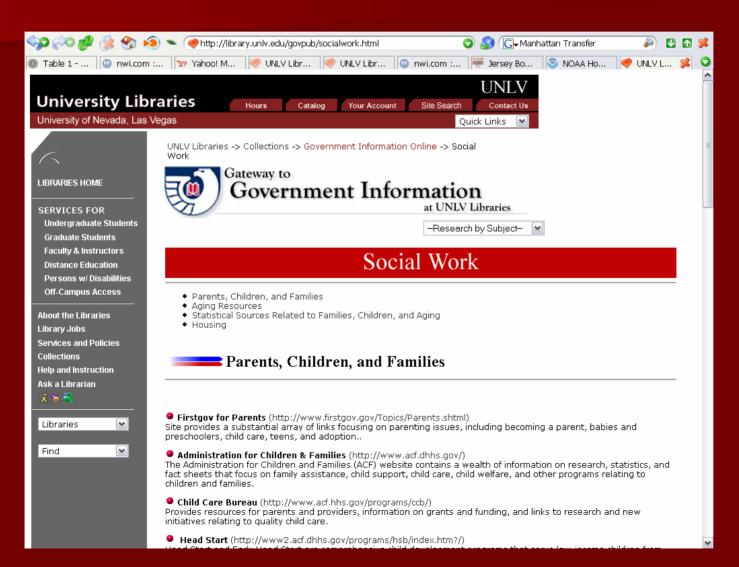
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# Providing Updates on NEW Government Resources to Subject Liaisons





### Collaborating on Subject-Specific Government Resources

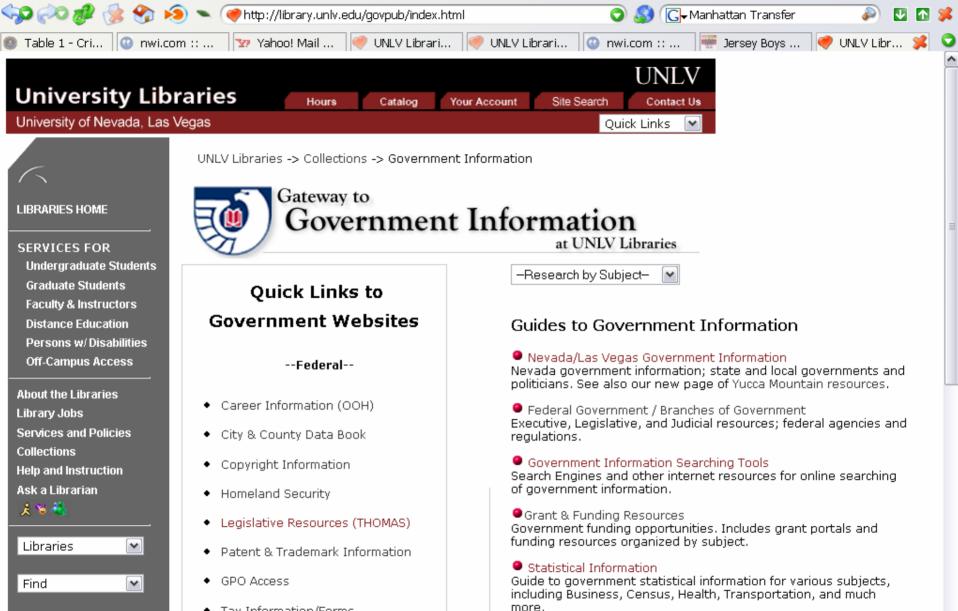


Training the Trainers Demystifying government information for colleagues

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### Gov Info 101: Basic Training





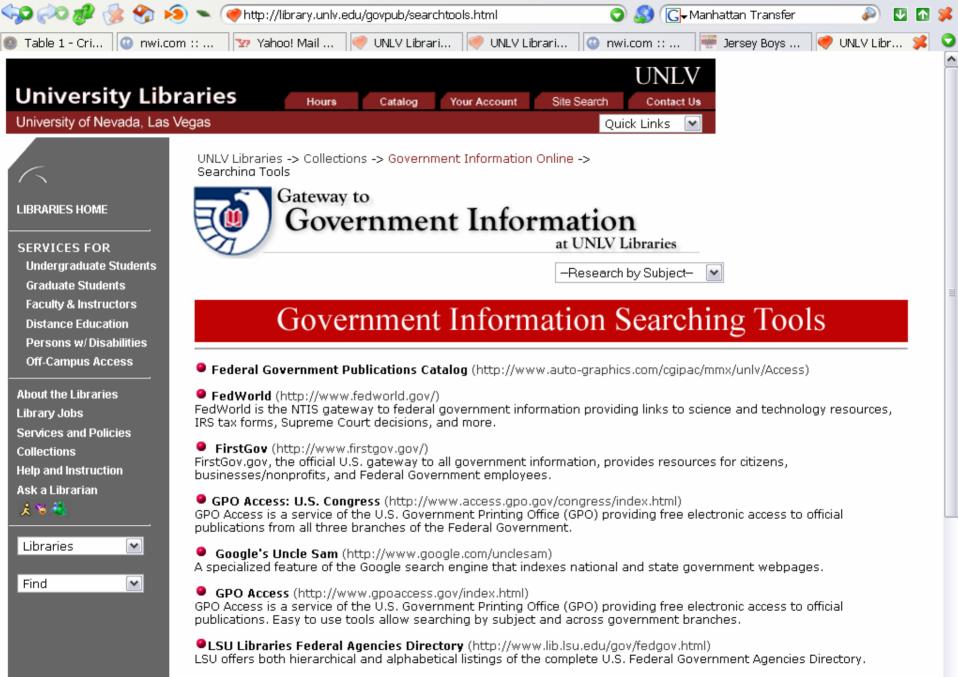
- Tax Information/Forms
- U.S. Budget
- U.S. Statistical Information:
  - American Factfinder

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Map Information and Frequently Asked Ouestions About Maps

Finding government maps and geographic information online and

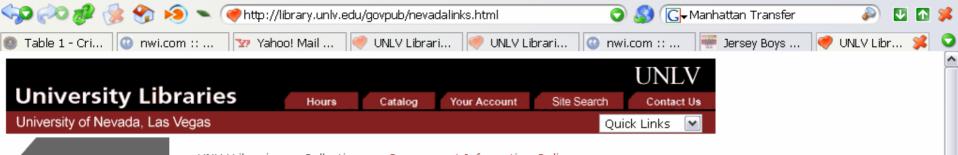


#### Science.Gov (http://www.science.gov)

Science gov is a searchable gateway to selected authoritative science information provided by U.S. Government agencies. Provides resources to topics such as: Agriculture and food, health and medicine, earth and ocean sciences,

## State & Local Resources





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-Research by Subject-

### Nevada/Las Vegas Government Information

#### Nevada State Homepage (http://www.nv.gov/)

Provides links to a wide array of current Nevada government and social information. This is an excellent starting point for Nevada-related research.

• Nevada Legislative History Research Library (http://www.leg.state.nv.us/lcb/research/library/index.cfm) Officially named the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, this site offers full-text searching of legislative histories back to 1997 (and with limited information back to 1993). Includes committee minutes and bill texts with easy-to-use searching capabilities.

#### Nevada State Legislature (including Law Library) (http://www.leg.state.nv.us/)

Includes State Senate and Assembly information and session minutes, as well as links to the full texts of Nevada Statutes, Revised Statutes, and State Supreme Court Opinions.

#### Nevada State Data Center (Census Data) (http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/nsla/sdc)

The Center works with the U.S. Census Bureau to provide public access to census statistics and information. "Whether you need to know the number of rental units in Winnemucca, the amount of exports from Nevada, or the school age population of one census tract in Reno, the Nevada State Data Center has the answers."

#### Nevada State Library and Archives (http://dmla.clan.lib.nv.us/docs/nsla/)

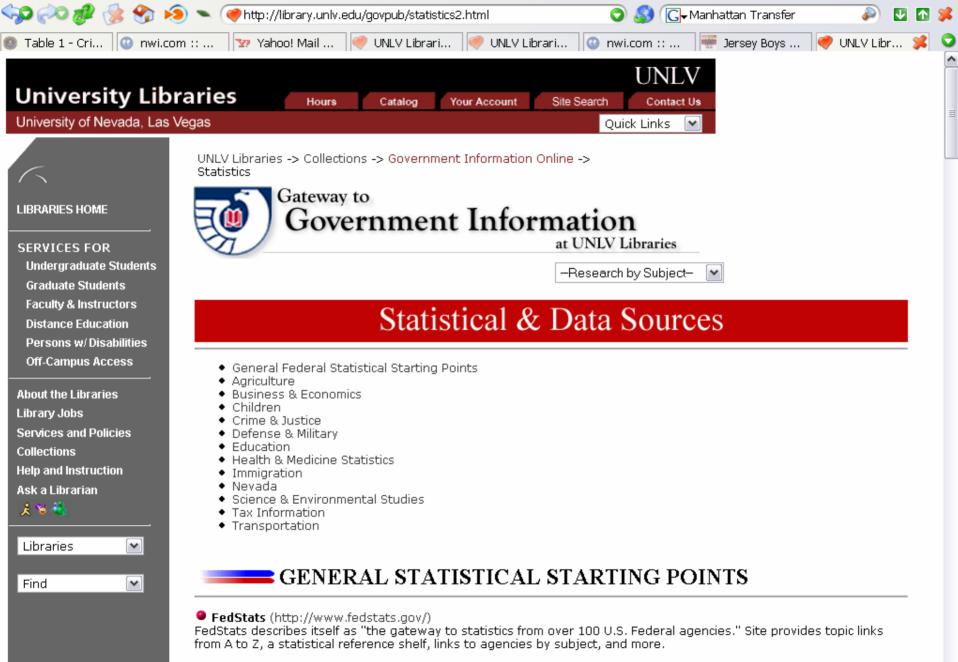
An easily-navigated site with collection and contact information for the State Library and Archives (the latter preserves records documenting the history of Nevada State government dating back to 1851). For interesting browsing, check out the "About Nevada" page.

#### Nevada Index (http://www.nevadaindex.com/)

A large collection of links to Nevada government and government-related websites, including all city and county homepages, government official contact information, Nevada education resources, legal and political information, and links to law enforcement agencies. Also includes contact information for local media outlets.

### Statistics from the Government





U. S. Census Bureau (http://www.census.gov/)

Searchable gateway to Census information on population, business statistics, geography, and publications.

American FactFinder (http://factfinder.census.gov/servlet/BasicFactsServlet)

### **Commercial** Databases

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CQ Electronic Library
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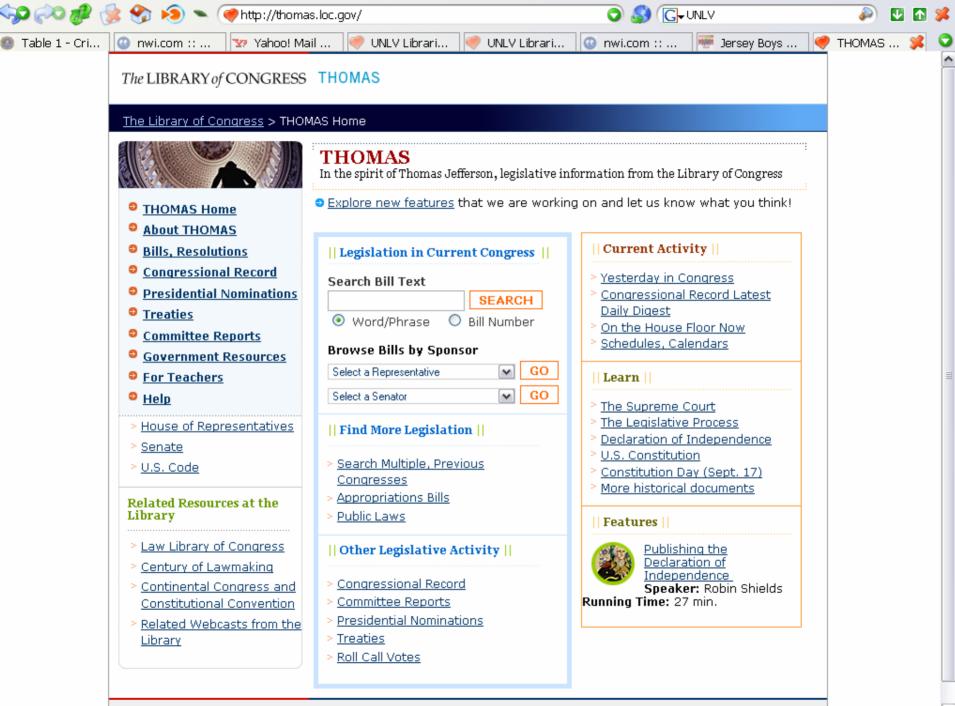
#### CQ Public Affairs Collection

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RELATED RESOURCES • Congressional Bills • History of Bills • Public and Private Laws • U.S. Code ABOUT GOVERNMENT Ben's Guide to U.S. Government Mode Reader	<ul> <li>108th Congress, 2nd Session (2004), Volume 118 Only</li> <li>Quick Search: (ex: ethical, "118 stat. 2875", "public law 108-449") <ul> <li>Submit</li> <li>Submit</li> <li>Search Tips</li> </ul> </li> <li>Other Services</li> <li>Purchase individual issues of the United States Statutes at Large from the U.S. Government Bookstore. WBuy a Copy</li> <li>Locate the United States Statutes at Large, including issues prior to 108th Congress (2003-04) in a local Federal Depository library.</li> <li>A service of the U.S. Government Printing Office.</li> </ul> Last updated: November 8, 2006 Page Name: http://www.gpoaccess.gov/statutes/index.html		

Mainstreaming Government Information in One-Shot Instruction Sessions



### Gov Info & The One-Shot Instruction Session

- Consult with instructor to determine class needs & assignment objectives
- Use gov info to compare primary & secondary sources

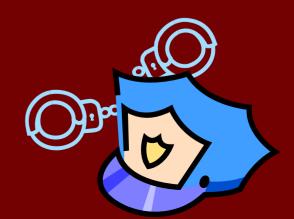
Use gov info websites to demonstrate authoritative, comprehensive, current, and/or accurate information

### **Criminal Justice 201**



# CRJ 201: Introduction to Criminology

Examination of the causes, types, and distribution of crime in American society.
 Assignment: 3-5 page paper on a specific crime including statistics on a national, state, local statistical sources



# CRJ 201 (Continued)

- Uniform Crime Reports: <u>http://www.fbi.gov/ucr/ucr.htm</u>
- Nevada Department of Public Safety: <u>http://www.nvrepository.state.nv.us/ucr/crimeju</u> <u>stice.shtml</u>
- LVMPD Crime Community Incident Map: <u>http://www.lvmpd.com/crimeviewcommunity/</u>

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- Your Local FBI Office
- Overseas Offices
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- Report Internet Crime
- More Contacts

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#### Be Crime Smart

- Wanted by the FBI
- More Protections

#### Use Our Resources

- For Law Enforcement
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- More Services

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#### **Uniform Crime Reports**

The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program was conceived in 1929 by the International Association of Chiefs of Police to meet a need for reliable, uniform crime statistics for the nation. In 1930, the FBI was tasked with collecting, publishing, and archiving those statistics. Today, several annual statistical publications, such as the comprehensive *Crime in the United States*, are produced from data provided by nearly 17,000 law enforcement agencies across the United States.

Other annual publications, such as *Hate Crime Statistics* and *Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted* address specialized facets of crime such as hate crime or the murder and assaults of law enforcement officers respectively.

Special studies, reports, and monographs prepared using data mined from the UCR's large database are published each year as well. In addition to these reports, information about the *National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS)*, UCR Frequently Asked Questions, and UCR Incident Specific Questions are also available on this site.

- A Word about the Data
- Data Quality Guidelines

<u>Note</u>: Most documents on this site are prepared in PDF (Portable Document Format). Selected tables are also available in Microsoft Excel format.

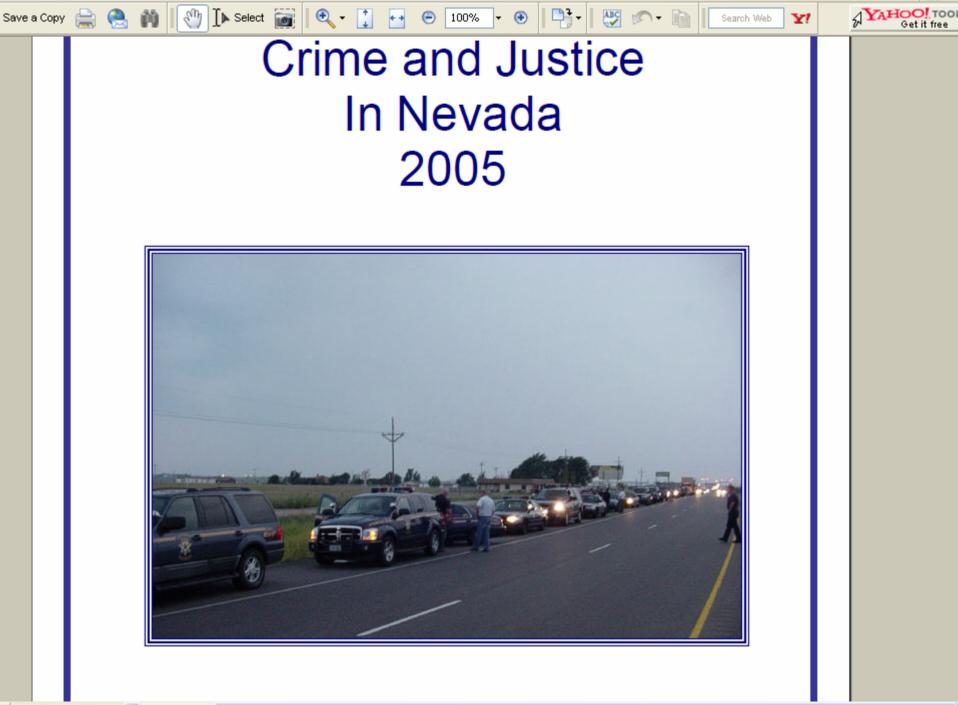
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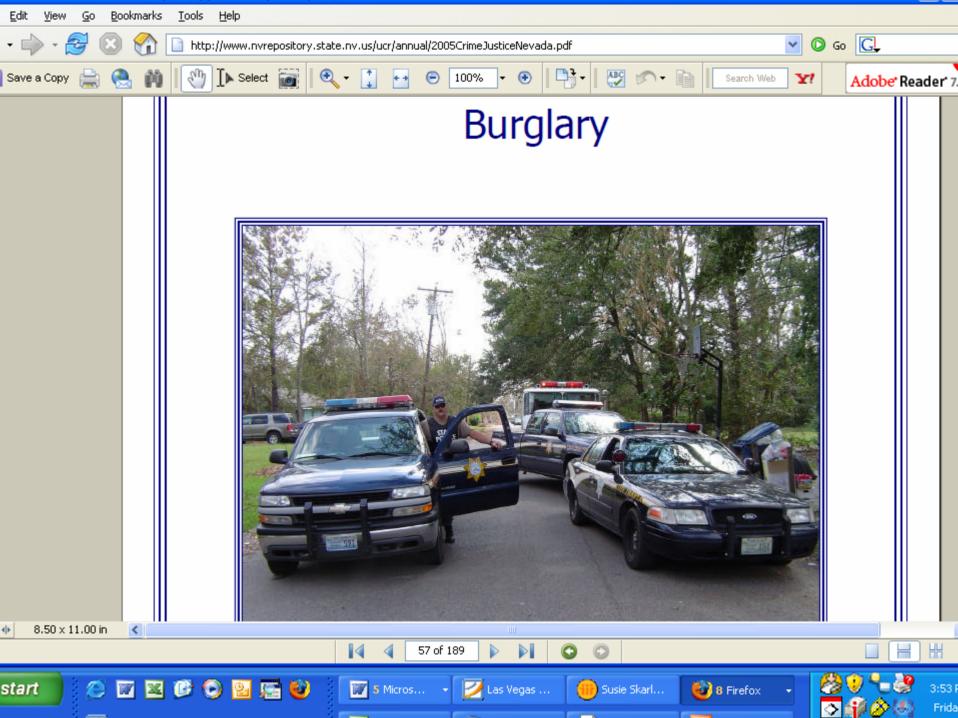
*Crime in the United States* (CIUS) is an annual publication in which the FBI compiles volume and rate of crime offenses for the nation, the states, and individual agencies. This report also includes arrest, clearance, and law enforcement employee data.

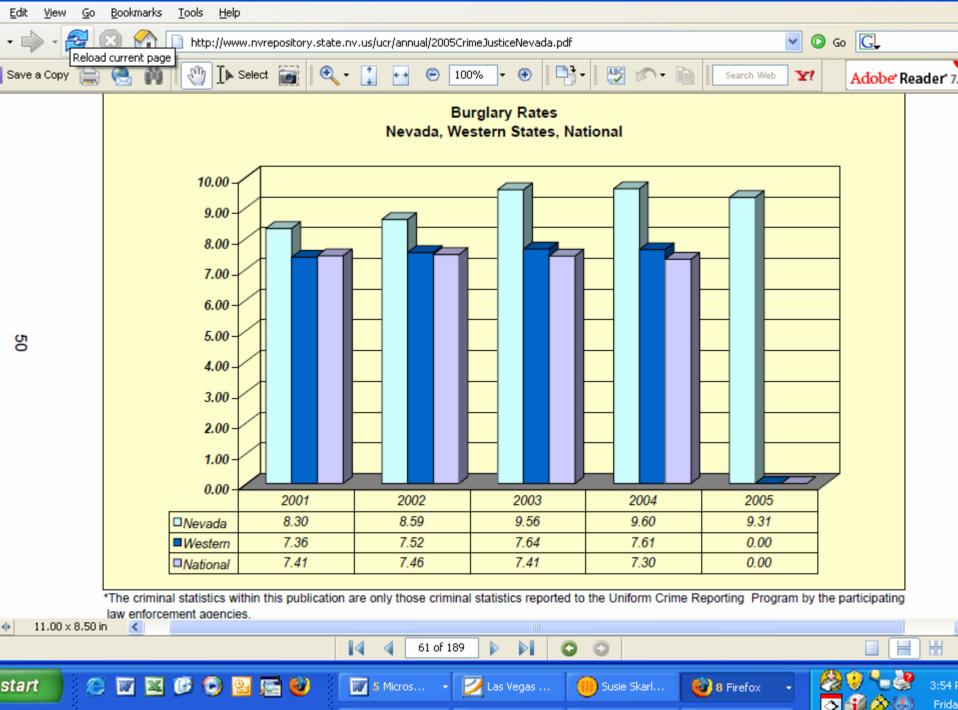
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## **LVMPD Crime View**



The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department crime mapping program provides public access to crime information for LVMPD's jurisdiction only. (This excludes, for example, Henderson and North Las Vegas.) The program is under development and may not be available at all times in the near future. The mapping database contains 60 days of information. This crime data is preliminary information given to the LVMPD by the public and has not been verified. There is always the possibility of mechanical or human error. Future investigation and analysis may change crime classification and other information. Accurate statistical crime information for comparison over periods of time is best obtained using the verified periodic Uniform Crime Reports located on other pages of this website.

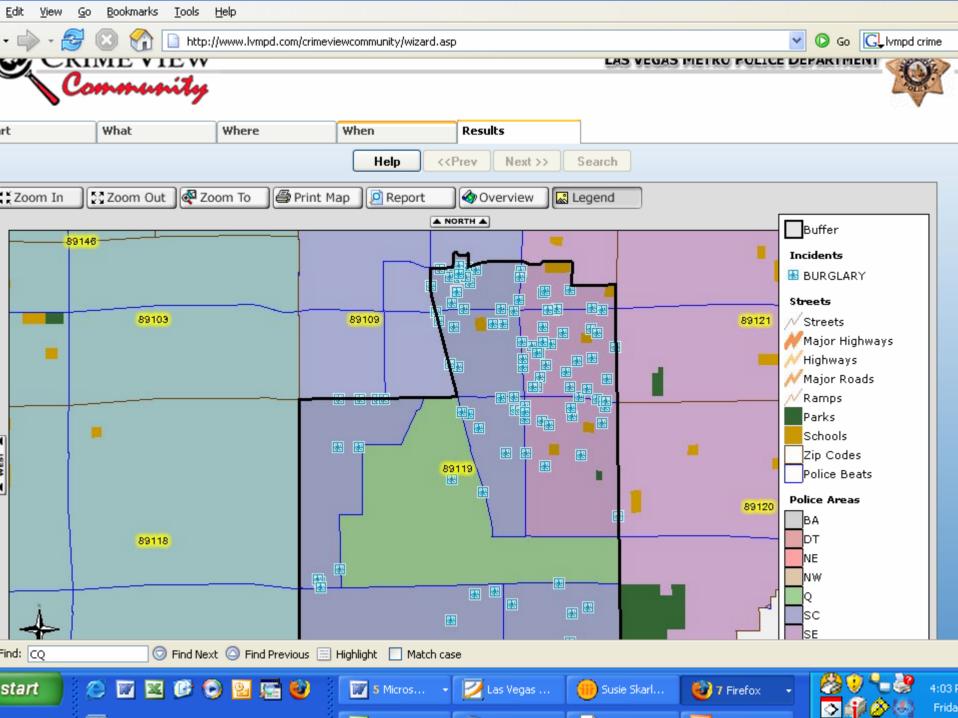
The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department makes no guarantee, expressed or implied, about the accuracy, completeness, timeliness, or correct sequencing of the information. The LVMPD is not responsible for any error or omission, the use of, or the results obtained from the use of this information. All data visualizations on maps are approximate. Attempts to derive specific addresses are strictly prohibited. The visual presentation of data is provided to the public strictly as a courtesy and not as an obligation to its readers. This site allows you to view crime data by choosing basic crime types in proximity to an address, intersection, school, or other geographic points and areas of interest for a period of one to 60 days. You can print summary reports and maps using this data.

Any use of the information for commercial purposes is strictly prohibited. A request to link to this site must be made in writing to the Sheriff, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. I understand that the information on this site is for informational purposes only. I understand that multiple incidents at a location and incidents that may not geocode will affect the number of incidents portrayed on the map and in tables and reports in the program. I acknowledge that the LVMPD is not responsible for any defamatory, offensive, misleading or illegal conduct of other users, links or third parties and that the risk of injury from the foregoing rests entirely with the user.

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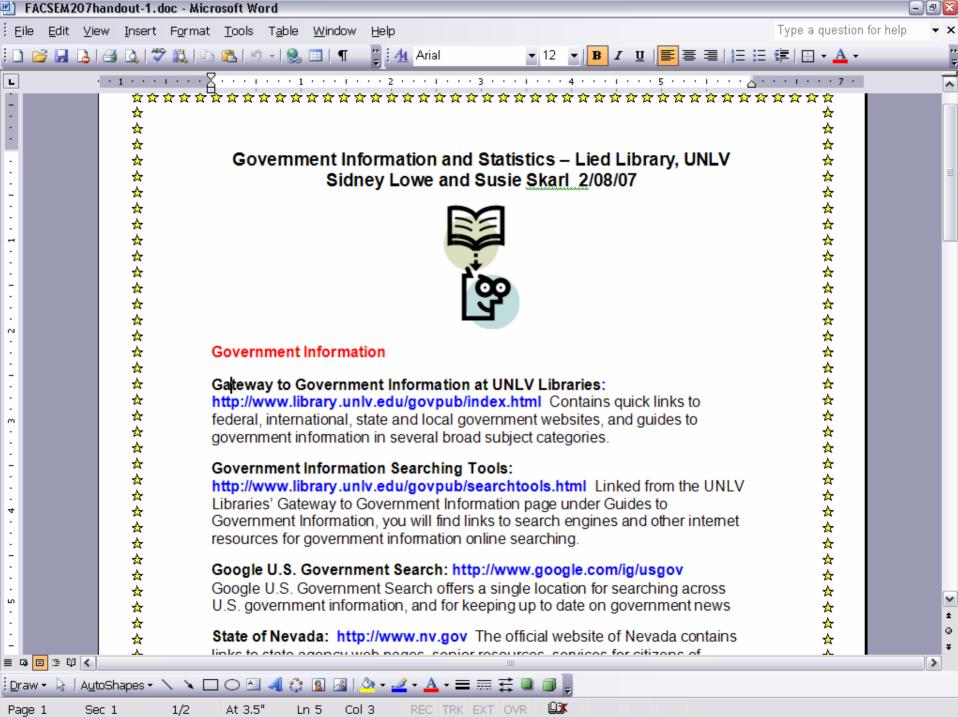
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## Government Information and Statistics



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## Exploring the Environment

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## Federal Environmental Sites

- US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): <u>http://www.epa.gov.gov</u>
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- National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA): <a href="http://www.noaa.gov/">http://www.noaa.gov/</a>

# The Future of Government Information



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#### Government Information and Maps

A library weblog on Government Information and Maps for the faculty and students at Georgia State University.

March 22, 2007

#### New GBPI Report: Effects of Presidents fy 2008 Budget on Georgia

The Georgia Budget and Policy Institute (GBPI) has issued the following report : Effects of the President's Federal FY 2008 Budget Proposal on Georgia - This report highlights the impact on Georgia of the President's Federal FY 2008 budget proposal. (Source: email from gpbi)

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#### U.S. Agencies Join Forces to Share Data

> From the March 22 issue of Nature. For the full text, see> http://ealerts.nature.com/cgi-bin24/DM/y/hc530SpivX0HjB0BOpY0EA

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The US government is considering a massive plan to store almost all scientific data generated by federal agencies in publicly accessible digital repositories. The aim is for the kind of data access and sharing currently enjoyed by genome researchers via GenBank, or astronomers via the National Virtual Observatory, but for the whole of US science. Scientists would then be able to access data from any federal agency and integrate it into their studies. For example, a researcher browsing an

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