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The Clarion University Libraries newsletter is published weekly when classes are in session. Through *INSIDE*, we share information about our services and resources with the campus community. *INSIDE* is best viewed with Microsoft Outlook. However, you can read a PDF version of *INSIDE* online through the [Libraries' homepage](#).

Welcome Back ... Now Back To Business!



Welcome back, we hope that you had a restful and enjoyable break!

Snow has melted, temperatures have warmed, and spring officially arrives on Friday.

With less than seven weeks of classes remaining, you may be starting to feel the pressure. Now is the time to get moving with your research projects and term papers.

The Libraries can help in a variety of ways:

- We offer access to millions of authoritative articles, books, datasets, and other resources that may be just what your professors would like to see.
- Intimidated? Don't know where to begin? Our friendly reference librarians are available to help you get started.
 - Stop by the libraries, visit our [Website](#), or call:
 - Carlson Library Reference Librarians at: 393-2490
 - Suhr Library Reference Librarians at: 676-6591
- Use our online [Tutorials](#) on how to find journal articles, conduct library research, and get the most out of library services and resources.
- Take advantage of the many [LibGuides](#) that provide a starting point for research in a range of subject disciplines and on a variety of topics.

It's all available through the [Help & Guides](#) section on the Libraries' homepage.

Your link to all of the
Libraries' resources

PILOT

Search the Libraries'
online catalog

Databases A-Z

Search the Libraries'
extensive collection of
electronic journals and
e-books

Contact Us

Dr. Terry Latour
Dean of Libraries

What Is ... Data-Planet Statistical Datasets?



Need authoritative statistics?

Would it help if you could
present the data in a chart,
graph, table, or map?

[Data-Planet Statistical Datasets](#) (formerly *ProQuest Statistical Datasets*) provides easy access to an extensive repository of standardized and structured statistical data. It contains more than 90 billion data points from more than 70 source organizations. The easy-to-use interface presents data in charts, maps, graphs, tables, and customizable forms that can be imported into your research paper or presentation slide.

The data is organized into 17 major subject categories with numerous subdivisions within each:

- Banking, Finance, and Insurance
- Criminal Justice and Law
- Education
- Energy Resources and Demand
- Food and Agriculture
- Government and Politics
- Health and Vital Statistics
- Housing and Construction
- Industry and Commerce
- International
- Labor and Employment
- Military and Defense
- Natural Resources and Environment
- Population and Income
- Prices and Cost of Living
- Stocks and Commodities
- Transportation and Travel

This electronic information resource is available through the [Libraries Homepage](#). In the "Research Resources" block, click on the Databases link, then scroll down the alphabetical list or use the link to jump to the databases' "S" section (for "Statistical").

If you have questions or need assistance, stop by the Libraries or call Carlson Library at 393-2490, Suhr Library at 676-6591, or Clarion Online distance education students may call toll-free at 866-272-5612 (Press #5 for Library). Our Chat and other online services are available at the [Ask a Librarian! / LibAnswers!](#) link on our Website.

Library Tip: EBSCOhost Listen

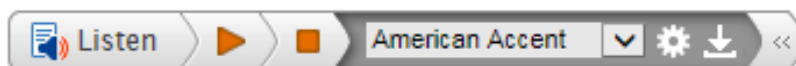


Do you learn by listening to podcasts, audiobooks, or other audio media?

[EBSCOhost](#), the provider of many of our electronic journals, offers a listening option for recent full-text journal articles that are formatted in HTML. You may select the language and accent, then listen to it immediately (sometimes it takes a little while to load) or download the file for later

listening – maybe while walking or exercising.

When available, the Listen control buttons (below) are located in the center of the full-text HTML journal article page, just above the beginning of the article.



If you have questions about the service or the download feature, check out the [Using Text-to-Speech Tutorial](#) or contact a reference librarian.

The Minion's Master Moves: How To Clean Your Dirty Smartphone...



The S.W.A.T. Minions remind you...

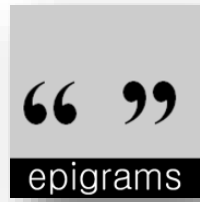
Cell Phones have been repeatedly found to be one of the most disgusting things we regularly touch. In many tests, cell phones have tested to contain more germs than a toilet seat.

Can you hear me now? You don't want to put your head on a toilet seat! If you are going to reach out and touch ~~someone~~ **someone** your phone, make

sure you rethink possibilities and clean your smartphone the right way.

Get the [whole story](#) – and detailed instructions - from *How-To Geek*.

Cranial Candy: Word Of The Week



epigram

PRONUNCIATION:

(EP-i-gram) 

MEANING:

noun: A short witty saying, often in verse.

ETYMOLOGY:

From Latin epigramma, from Greek epigramma, from epigraphein (to write, inscribe), from epi- (upon, after) + graphein (to write). Other words originating from the same root are graphite, paragraph, program, and topography. Earliest documented use: 1552.

NOTES:

According to the poet Samuel Taylor Coleridge,

What is an epigram? A dwarfish whole;
Its body brevity, and wit its soul.

Here is one from Benjamin Franklin that truly demonstrates the power of a pithy epigram:

Little strokes
Fell great oaks.

USAGE:

“I had never read Martial until I picked up his *Selected Epigrams* in a new edition with delightfully snarky translations by Susan McLean ... it’s hard to demonstrate the quality of Martial’s wit, since most of his best epigrams are unprintable here.”

Bruce Handy; Humor; *The New York Times Book Review*; Dec 7, 2014.

Selected epigrams from the delectable *Selected Epigrams*:

“Write shorter epigrams” is your advice.
Yet you write nothing, Velox. How concise!

Both judge and lawyer grab what they can get,
so, Sextus, my advice is -- pay your debt.



A funny name for a noun that describes a small piece of information about you (about your computer, actually). It is a small text file that a Web server automatically sends to your PC when you browse certain sites.

Cookies contain information that identifies each user. For example: login or username, passwords, shopping cart information, preferences, and so on, are saved so that when a user revisits a Web site, his or her computer automatically "serves up" the cookie, which establishes the user's identity. This eliminates the need to reenter information.

There is an ongoing debate about privacy, and many people feel offended by the notion that they are viewed as "SKU numbers" (or bar codes). While this viewpoint may seem extreme, in some cases, it is justified. We are in favor of cookies and the ease this technology brings, but like all good things (real cookies included ☺), they should be used in moderation. This means that you, as the user, should find the Web portals and online services that suit your needs and only sign up with a select few.

(Read more at: <http://www.netlingo.com/word/cookies.php>)

Although we do not "repair" computers, the **S.W.A.T. Team**
(the **Students Who Assist [with] Technology**)
on Level A of Carlson Library
is always happy to help.
Having an issue? Let us take a *swat* at it!

Something To Think About:



*The fact that we live at the bottom
of a deep gravity well,
on the surface of a gas covered planet
going around a nuclear
fireball 90 million miles away
and think this to be normal
is obviously some indication of
how skewed our perspective
tends to be.*



*~Douglas Adams,
author (11 Mar 1952-2001)*