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Why and how you should be using the Alabama Virtual Library

* Unique partnership
  + Alabama Commission on Higher Education
  + Alabama Department of Post-Secondary Education
  + Alabama Public Library Service
  + Alabama State Department of Education
  + Alabama Supercomputer Authority
* Excellence - appropriate, accurate/reliable, scholarly, up-to-date information
  + No advertisements
* Economy - statewide licenses offer significant savings
  + 4 million dollar asset
  + Biggest vendors – Britannica, EBSCO, Gale
* Equity – every citizen has online access to current core of information
  + Statistics
  + Geolocation/AVL card
  + Mobile interface
  + Facebook page
* Training available for staff
  + Personal training provided by volunteers
  + Online training from vendors
  + Get to know the website
* Questions –
  + AVL HelpDesk
* Bottom Line
  + Increased use of your in-house reference collection
  + Use it or lose it!
  + Promotion materials available

**ALL DATABASES**

**(in alphabetical order)**

**Academic Search Premier**

**Alabama Libraries**

**AlabamaMosaic**

**Alt HealthWatch**

**Book Collection: Nonfiction**

**Britannica E-books\***

**Britannica Academic Edition**

**Britannica Public Library Edition**

**Britannica School Edition**

**Business Insights: Essentials**

**Business Index**

**Business Source Premier**

**Career Library**

**EBSCOhost Search**

**Encyclopedia of Alabama**

**ERIC**

**Ethnic NewsWatch (Proquest)**

**Expanded Academic ASAP**

**Funk & Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia**

**Gale PowerSearch (ONE SEARCH)**

**Gale Virtual Reference Library**

**General Reference Center Gold**

**GreenFILE**

**Health Source: Consumer Edition**

**Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition**

**History Reference Center**

**Image Collection via MasterFILE Premier**

**Informe (Spanish)**

**InfoTrac General OneFile**

**InfoTrac Student Edition**

**Kids InfoBits**

**Kids Search\***

**Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts**

**Literature Resources from Gale**

**MasterFILE Premier**

**MedlinePlus**

**Military & Government Collection**

**Newspaper Source**

**Opposing Viewpoints In Context**

**Oxford English Dictionary**

**Oxford Reference (title list)**

**Oxford Scholarship Online (title list)**

**Points of View Reference Center\***

**Professional Development Collection**

**PubMed**

**Regional Business News**

**Scribner Writers Series**

**Searchasaurus\***

**Serials Solutions**

**SIRS Discoverer**

**Student Research Center**

**Twayne Authors Series**

**Vocational and Career Collection**

**World Data Analyst\***

**WorldCat.org**

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**(In order of how they are searched)**

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**All other databases are independent databases and are searched one database at a time**

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Highlighted by vendor: Ebsco, Gale, Britannica, Independent

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