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WHAT IS NC LIVE?

NC LIVE is a resource available to residents of North Carolina which provides access to a wide range of information sources intended to meet residents' educational, economic, and information needs. Within the databases, you can find content from many journals, magazines, newspapers, reference books, e-books, e-audio, and video sources. Much of this content is full-text, providing you with access to information that would otherwise be difficult to find elsewhere. The collection is overseen by librarians, so the resources within it are known to be authoritative and of the highest quality.

The NC LIVE organization collaborates with the libraries of the University of North Carolina system, North Carolina Community College system, public libraries of North Carolina, and the North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities in order to make these resources available to the people of North Carolina.

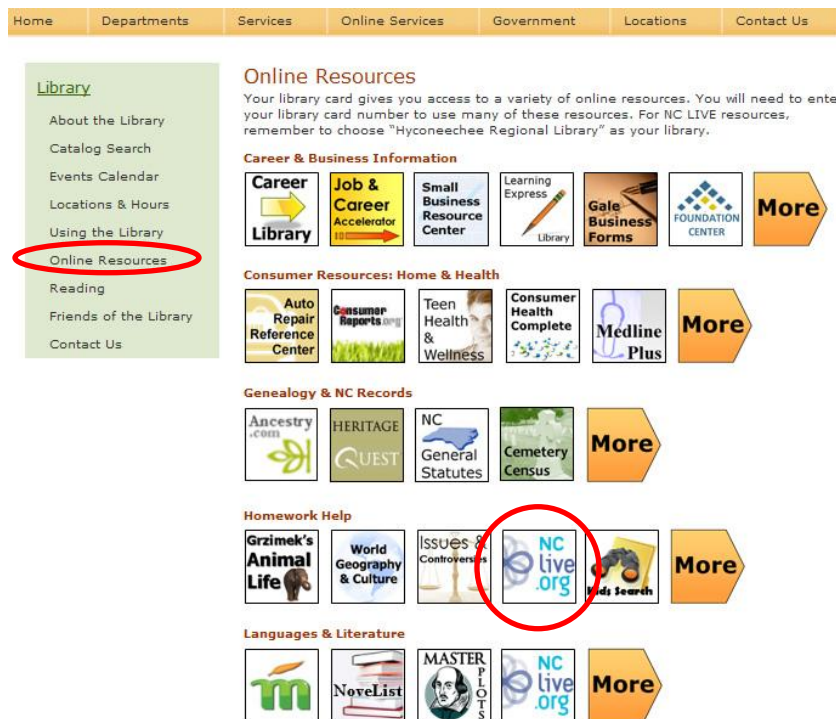
For more information about NC LIVE, visit <http://new.nclive.org/?q=newsroom/factsheet>.

ACCESSING NC LIVE

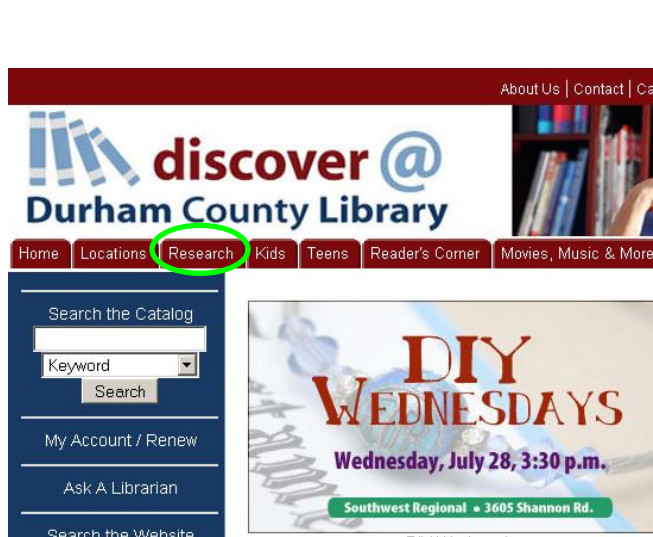
As a public library patron, you have access to NC LIVE for free. While you are visiting the library, you can simply click on the NC LIVE link on the library's website or visit www.nclive.org to begin using it. If you choose to access it through nclive.org, you will need to choose your library when you get to the homepage; for the Carrboro Cybrary, select "Hyconeechee Regional."



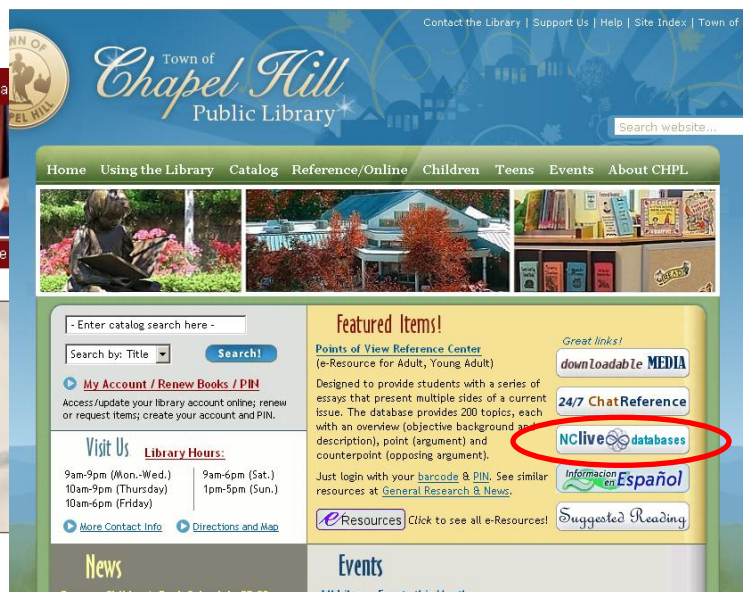
If you are accessing NC LIVE from home, you will also need to enter a password to access all of the content on the site. Please contact your local public library to obtain this password (most likely it will be your library card number).



Access NCLive from the Orange County Library page (for Cybrary users) under the Online Resources Page.



Access NCLive from the Durham County Library page (for Durham Southwest Branch users) under the Research Tab.



Access NCLive from the Chapel Hill Public Library page the library's homepage.

NAVIGATING NC LIVE

Once you've logged into NC LIVE, there are many ways to search for information. On the homepage, you can perform a quick search across multiple databases by using the **Search box** in the left-hand column. From the homepage, you can also **browse resources by format**, including: Articles, Audio Books, eBooks, Images, and Videos.

You can also **browse resources by category**. Right below the format icons, you will see links to resources such as genealogy tools, art images, reading recommendations, career building tools, and test preparation materials—all organized by category. (You will also find a list of all available categories at the end of this handout.)

To see a complete list of all the resources available through NC LIVE, click on the **Browse** button in the blue bar at the top of the page. A menu will drop down. At the bottom of this menu, click on "**A-Z Browse All.**" A list of all of the resources is also included at the end of this handout.

NC LIVE also provides lots of help with using the resources on the site. You can read through their FAQs or view tutorials on a variety of the databases by clicking the **Need Help?** button on the blue bar at the top of the page.

The screenshot shows the NC LIVE homepage with several key elements highlighted in red:

- Top Navigation Bar:** Contains "Browse", "Search", and "Need Help?" buttons.
- Search Section:** Includes a search input field, a "Go!" button, and a "Quick Search" dropdown menu.
- Browse Section:** Features a "Browse" button and a row of format icons: Articles, Audio, eBooks, Images, and Videos.
- Category Grid:** A grid of resource categories including Books & Literature, History & Biography, Business & Management, and Hobbies & Interests.

NC LIVE It's a library at your fingertips.

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What is NC LIVE?

The power of your library, online! We give you **free** access to eBooks, audio books, videos, online magazines, newspapers, journals, and more.

Create professional quality maps using demographic, business and marketing data -- **FREE** through NC LIVE!

SimplyMap
Powerful Data. Professional Results

Search

Go!

Quick Search

Advanced Search

Need a specific journal, magazine, or newspaper?

Browse

Articles Audio eBooks Images Videos

Most popular at my library

- Academic Search Premier
- HeritageQuest
- ReferenceUSA
- Morningstar

Books & Literature novels, poetry, criticism, plays, Worldcat	History & Biography WWII, Civil War, presidents, world history
Business & Management	Hobbies & Interests

NAVIGATING SPECIFIC RESOURCES

As you will see below, NC Live has many resources available. To get you started though, we will look at two particular resources in more depth.

REFERENCEUSA

ReferenceUSA is an online database that provides information about US businesses, technology corporations, health care providers and residential addresses and phone numbers. It is an excellent resource for finding out more information about a particular business, for finding local health care providers, or for finding the phone number of a friend or relative.

To begin, from the NC Live homepage, under **Browse**, click “Business & Management.” On the page that comes up, scroll down to “ReferenceUSA” and click the link “Reference USA.” A new window or tab may open. In the ReferenceUSA window, under “Available Databases,” click “U.S. Businesses.” Then, try searching for a business by typing the name of a business into the “Business Name” search box (e.g., Burt’s Bees) and click “View Results.” Click on one of the Business Names to view more information.

HERITAGEQUEST

HeritageQuest is a genealogical tool that you can use to find primary sources, local and family histories, and historical census, PERSI (Periodical Source Index – genealogical records), and revolutionary war records. To begin, from the NC Live homepage, under **Browse**, find the heading **Genealogy & Historical Maps**. Underneath this, click “HeritageQuest.” A new window or tab may open.

From this page, you can search for records and information through multiple resources. You can search **Census records** by surname, search **books** for people or places, search **revolutionary war records**, and search **Freedman’s Bank** records (1865-1874 – founded to serve African Americans), just to name a few.

EXPLORING NC LIVE!

The most important thing to remember when using NC Live, is to **have fun exploring!** There are more resources on the NC Live site than we have time to go over today, so don't be afraid to check out things that look interesting (e.g., PBS documentaries!). These resources are here for *you* to use, so don't be shy! And don't be afraid to ask your local public librarian for help finding resources!

NC LIVE RESOURCE CATEGORIES

Books & Literature	History & Biography
Business & Management	Hobbies & Interests
Career, Jobs & Test Preparation	Homework Help
Current Issues	Images & Art
Data & Demographics	Journals, Magazines, & Newspapers
Education & Teacher Resources	Nursing & Allied Health
Everything NC!	Philosophy & Religion
Genealogy & Historical Maps	Psychology
Government & Law	Science & Technology
Health & Wellness	

NC LIVE RESOURCES A-Z

ABC-CLIO E-book Collection	Company Profiles
Academic Search Premier	Consumer Health Complete
African-American Poetry	CQ Researcher Online
American Poetry	CQ Weekly
American Slavery: A Composite Autobiography	Crime in North Carolina (Uniform Crime Report)
ArchiveGrid	Digital NC
ArticleFirst	Economic Development Information System
Auto Repair Reference Center	English Poetry
Bills from the NC General Assembly	ERIC (Education)
Business ServiCenter	Faber Poetry Library
Business Source Premier	Funk and Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia
CAMIO	Gale Virtual Reference Library
Career Library	Go Ask Alice
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)	Government Employee Telephone Directory
CINAHL w/Full Text	GPO
ClasePeriodica	GreenFile

Health Source: Consumer Edition	eNCyclopedia
Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition	North Carolina General Assembly
Healthfinder	North Carolina Homepage
HeritageQuest	North Carolina Public Health
HIV InSite	North Carolina State Publications Collection
Image Search	North Carolina Teacher Academy
Job & Career Accelerator	NoveList Plus
Job Openings	NoveList K-8 Plus
Kids Search	OAIster
KidsHealth	Primary Search (Children's Magazines)
Lab Tests Online	PsycINFO
LearningExpress Library	PubMed
LISTA	ReferenceUSA
Literary Reference Center	Regional Accounts Data – Local Area
MAS Ultra – School Edition	Regional Business News
MasterFile Premier	Sanborn Maps North Carolina
MayoClinic.com	Science Reference Center
MedlinePlus	Searchasaurus
MedlinePlus Drugs & Supplements	Serials Directory
Merck Manual Home Edition	Simply Map
Middle Search Plus	Start Squad
Military & Government Collection	State Center for Health Statistics
Morningstar Investment Research Center	State Data Center
MyiLibrary eBooks	State Demographics
MyiLibrary eAudio Books	Student Research Center (SRC)
National Cancer Institute	Tax Forms via NC Department of Revenue
National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine	Teacher Reference Center
National Institute of Mental Health	Teaching Positions in North Carolina
NC Health Info	TOPICsearch
NC LIVE Video Collection	Twentieth Century African-American Poetry
NC Public Schools Statistical Profile	Twentieth Century American Poetry
NCPedia	Twentieth Century English Poetry
NetLibrary	Wall Street Journal
Newspaper Source Plus	Women's Health
NIH Senior Health	WorldCat
North American Women's Letters and Diaries	
North Carolina Agricultural Statistics Service	
North Carolina Community Newspapers	
North Carolina Curriculum	
North Carolina Driver's Manual	
North Carolina Education Directory	