

PowerSearch Plus Usage Guide

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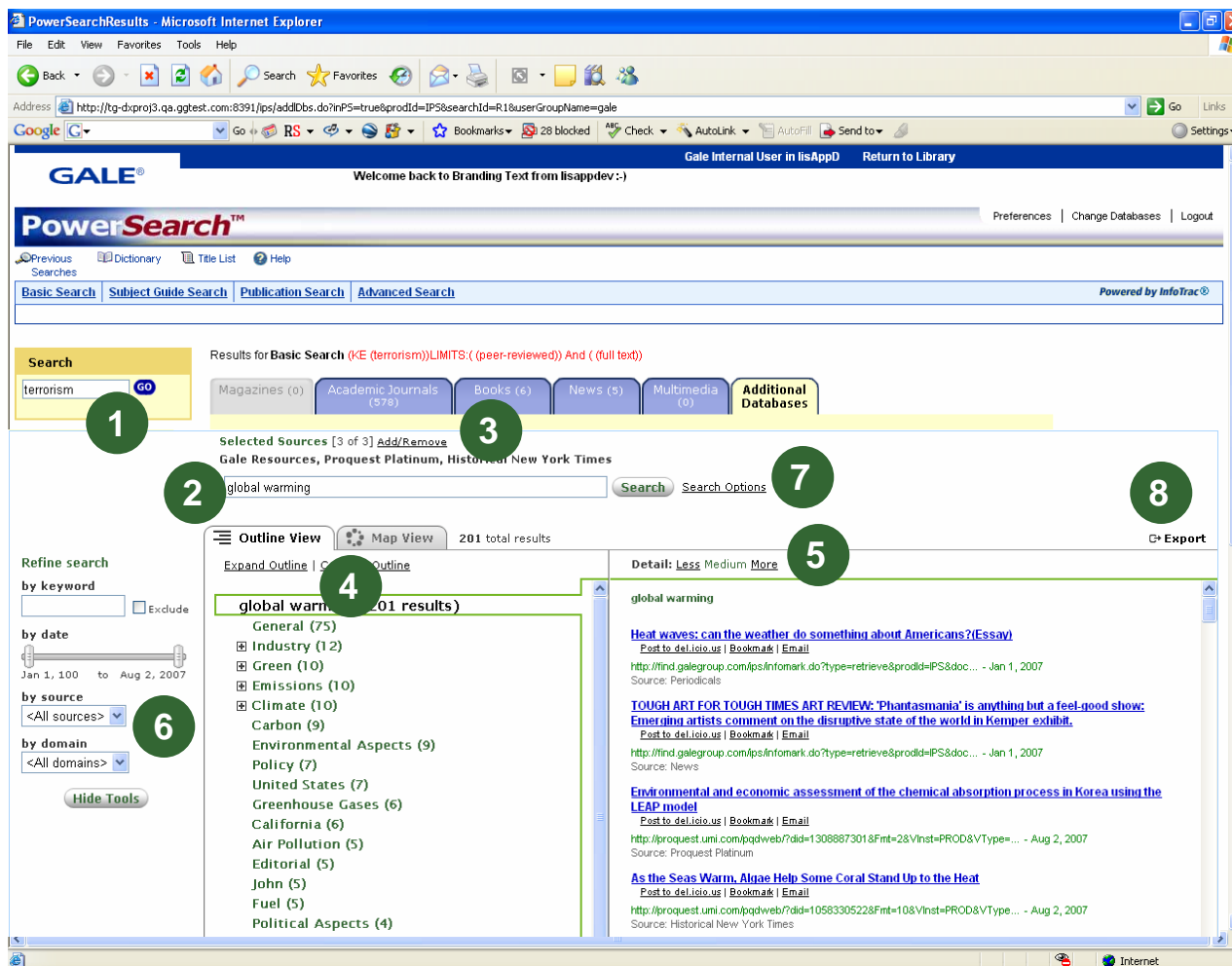
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1. The User Interface



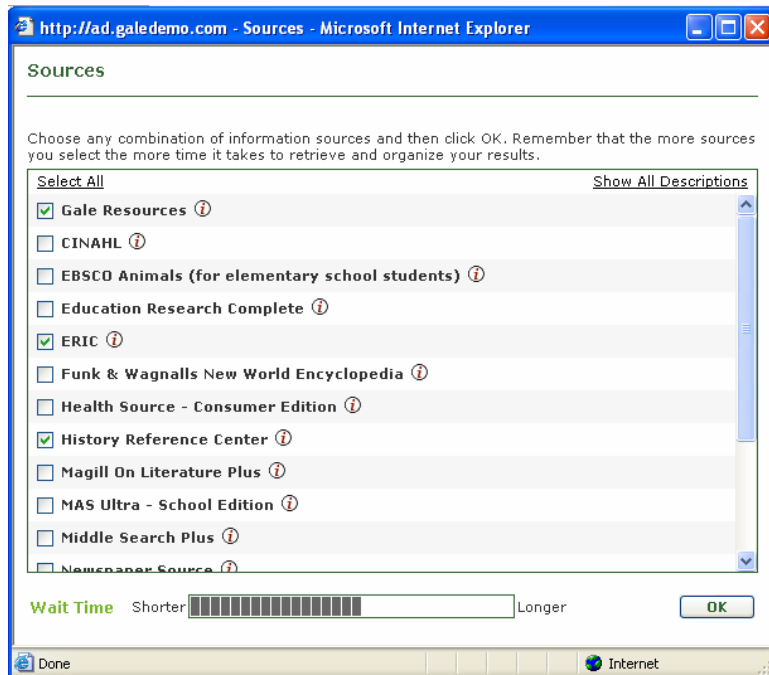
1. PowerSearch Search Box (additional searches within the entire PowerSearch application)
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2. Search Options

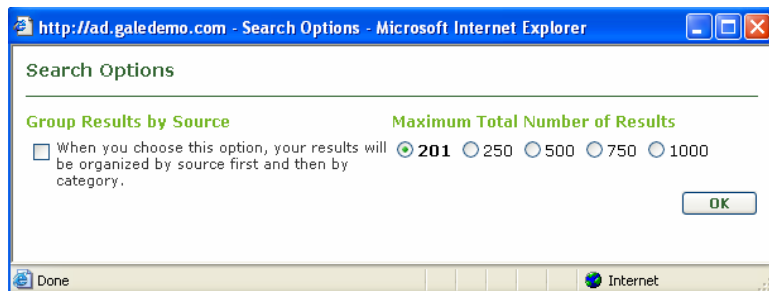
After completing an initial search, you have several options to refine or expand your search. These options include selecting the sources you query, organizing the returned content and specifying the maximum number of results.

Add/Remove Content Sources

1. Click the Add/Remove Content Sources button. The Sources popup window appears.
2. You may choose any number sources to search. However, the maximum number of results remains the same. Therefore, you should not include sources that you know will not offer results relevant to your search. This will reduce the number of relevant results you receive.



Max Total Number of Results



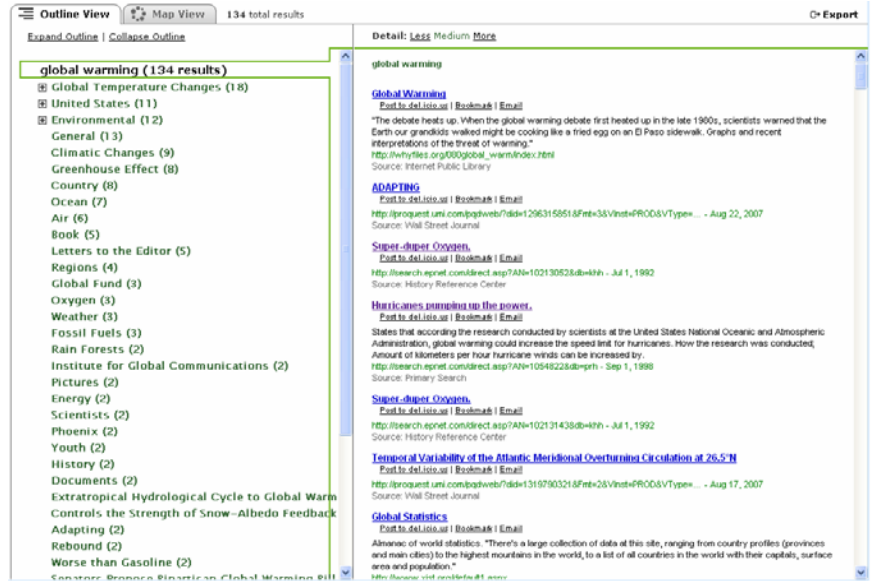
You can select the maximum number of results available for each search. The maximum total number of results is divided equally between the selected content sources. Thus, if you select 250 max total results, and you have five content sources, each source provides up to 50 results.

3. Search Results

When viewing the search results, you have the option of looking at the search results using the outline view or the map view.

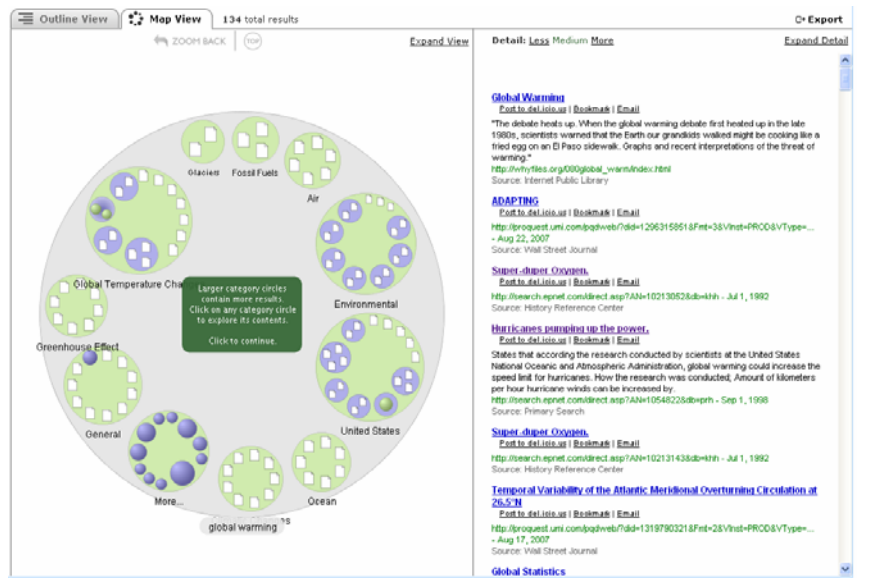
Outline View

The outline view offers a topically organized grouping of your search results. When you select a grouping, the search results are specifically related to that selection.



Map View

The map view offers a visual representation of the search results. You can drill down into these results, allowing you to find highly granular content categories.



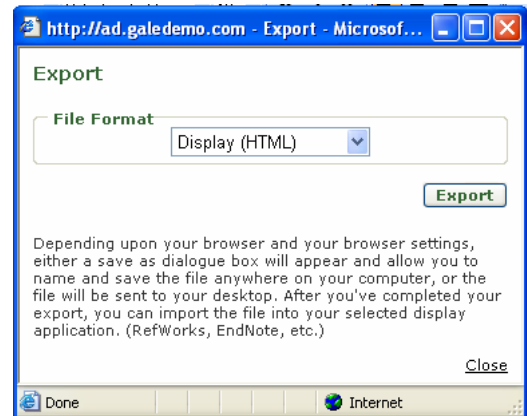
4. Review Search Results

Once you have your search results, you have several options to help you organize and share these results.

Outline

The outline view shows the lists of results, typically organized. With this outline, you have the following option:

Export - Export the information in one of several formats used to organize information.



Result List

Depending on the Outline heading selected in the outline view, the result list will show all or part of your search results.

Within this list you have the following options for each content item:

Delicious Link - Create a Delicious link within your del.icio.us account.

Bookmark - Create a bookmark to this content in your browser.

Email - Email link to citation to yourself or someone else.

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http://whyfiles.org/080global_warm/index.html

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<http://search.epnet.com/direct.asp?AN=10213052&db=khh> - Jul 1, 1992

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States that according the research conducted by scientists at the United States National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, global warming could increase the speed limit for hurricanes. How the research was conducted; Amount of kilometers per hour hurricane winds can be increased by.

<http://search.epnet.com/direct.asp?AN=1054822&db=prh> - Sep 1, 1998

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Selecting Result Detail

When viewing the results of a query, you have the option of toggling the amount of information shown for each source. As shown below: you can choose between less, medium and more detail.

Less • Medium • More

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You can also select EXPAND DETAIL or SPLIT VIEW on the upper right hand side of the view pane to view the results in full screen or split screen mode.

Detail: [Less](#) [Medium](#) [More](#)

[Expand Detail](#)

Selected Sources [6 of 17] [Add/Remove](#)
Gale Resources, ERIC, History Reference Center, Primary Search,... +2 More

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5. Refine Results

The filters on the left are used to refine your search results without having to re-submit a query. The following filters are available:

By Keywords

You can filter the existing result set to include the entered keywords. You can also choose to exclude entered keywords by selecting the Exclude selection box.

By Date Range

The slider bar allows you to filter results by the publication date. If you move the slider bar to the right, more recent information is displayed.

By Source

The drop down list allows you to specify which source's content is displayed.

For example, selecting Yahoo only shows content received from the Yahoo search engine.

By Domain

The drop down list allows you to specify the domain where the content is obtained.


For example, selecting commercial shows content obtained from sites with .com in the domain.

Refine search

by keyword

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6. Adjust Appearance

When using the map view, you can adjust the appearance of the map, toggling between the circular and square map. You can also toggle between the light and dark map. The layout buttons are located under the search tools on the left-hand side of the screen.

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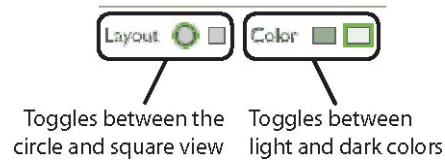
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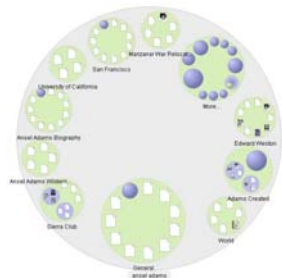
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Layout Color



Circle View • Square View



Light • Dark

