

BUSINESS RELATED RESOURCES part 1

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NCSA What's New Page

<http://www.ncsa.uiuc.edu/SDG/Software/Mosaic/Docs/whats-new.html>

On of the most visited pages on the web. See why businesses pay up to \$7,500 per week to sponsor this page. Always well done - anyone wishing to see what GOOD web pages look like should come here. Even though the pages are of a commercial flair - they can give you ideas on just how businesses should expose themselves and their products via the WWW. See you there!

Industry.Net

<http://www.industry.com>

Mostly a business related web search guide but still useful for many users. Includes an online yellow page listing and product information on all types of products and vendors. The database is searchable so if you need to find (for example) who sells and makes widgets and where they are located - then this searchable resource is your cup of tea. Site list is huge and growing.

Economics

exchange rates, economic info

gopher to: una.hh.lib.umich.edu

look in the /ebb directory

WWW page:

<http://gopher.econ.lsa.umich.edu>

Manufacturer's hotlist

<http://www.svcmerch.com/service/svcmerc.html>

after going to URL choose "Manufacturer's 800 numbers" list contains hundreds of Manufacturers from A --> Z.

Currency Converter (David Koblas's Web Page)

<http://www.ora.com/cgi-bin/ora/currency>

From Yen to Lira to British pounds to US dollars, even if your travels are strictly virtual this page is not only informative - it's fun!

Security APL Stock Quotes page

<http://www.secapl.com/cgi-bin/qs>

Updated every three minutes Mon-Fri 8:00am - 6:00pm EST this site has stock market info and quotes from NASDAQ, the American Stock Exchange and Canadian Exchanges. The New York Stock Exchange is planned to be added at a later date. This site is searchable and you can obtain charts and graphs following stocks over a specified period of time. The info is provided by

North American Quotations, Inc and has a 15 minute delay.

Wall Street News
<http://Wall-Street-News.com/>
<http://Wall-Street-News.com/forecasts>

A good resource for market trends and financial news and information. This site has many valuable links to other finance related pages and resources.

LEGO Product site
<http://legowww.itek.norut.no>

This has to be one of the coolest and most fun commercial sites around.

The Internet Shopkeeper
<http://www.ip.net/shops.html>

Cruise through this expanding mall of wares or set up shop yourself. This is a public internet web shop where anyone can set up a shop of their own.

Taxing Times
US and Canadian Tax information
<http://www.scubed.com:8001/tax/tax.html>

Holy moly! A complete info-base of US and CAN tax info including tax forms and other legally acceptable documents. So long H&R Blockhead!

Mammon Internet Stock Market
Telnet to: [mammon.media.mit.edu](telnet://mammon.media.mit.edu) 10900
(<telnet://mammon.media.mit.edu> 10900)

A stock market simulation game where players start out with \$100,000 in play money. Just like the pros - invest in stocks, currencies, futures. Each day the player's portfolio value changes. The only thing you stand to lose is a lot of your time playing this great simulation.

First Slovenian Bank on WWW
<http://www.skb.si>

SKB BANKA d.d. - First Slovenian Bank on WWW. The SKB BANKA d.d. has its WWW server up and running now. There's a presentation of the bank itself as well as some interesting facts about the Slovenian economy. Hmmm...

IRS home page
<http://www.ustreas.gov/treasury/bureaus/irs/irs.html>

The Tax Man online. Unexpected multimedia extravaganza. A plethora of tax information, FAQs and tax forms. You'll need to get done surfing before April 15th - so be careful! Note: many forms need Adobe's freeware Acrobat Reader program as they are in PDF (Portable Document Format)

Income Tax Information (Frank McNeil's home page)
<ftp://ftp.netcom.com/pub/ftmexpat/taxsites.htm>

Precise and informative - this info explains how to access Tax information from across the internet. For folks that don't have access to a Web browser or the WWW - a text version of this file is available via aon ftp and email
Get the docs at: [ftp.netcom.com/pub/ftmexpat/html2text/taxsites.txt](ftp://ftp.netcom.com/pub/ftmexpat/html2text/taxsites.txt)
or send email to: ftp-request@netcom.com
Subject line: ftp-request
Message body: SEND ftmexpat/html2text/taxsites.txt

This is, perhaps, the most complete tax information available and includes pointers to get even more information. Incredibly well done!

Web Directory for Companies and Commerce on the WWW
<http://www.directory.net>

Alarmingly growing by leaps and bounds. I dare you to find one individual here - I triple dare you. (an affirmative reaction to a WIRED Mag article)

FedWorld
<http://www.fed-world.gov>
<ftp://fedworld.gov>
<telnet://fedworld.gov>

The United States Federal Gateway to over 10,000 different agencies and Federal Bureaus. This has got to be one of the hugest repositories of info available in the world. If it has to do with the U.S. govt - it's here.

Economic Bulletin Board (University of Michigan)
Gopher to: [una.hh.lib.umich.edu /ebbb](gopher://una.hh.lib.umich.edu/~ebbb)

Has foreign exchange rates updated daily. Also includes tons of economic indicators and World trade leads and info. For the Wall Street Journal crowd although anyone interested in Economics will find this site most interesting. Not a good K-12 resource as the indicators are complicated to understand. College students and business pros will get a lot from it.

Federal Express Corp. Online
<http://www.fedex.com>

Track your Fed-Ex packages and airbills from the web

Management Working Paper Archive Gopher
Gopher to: [ursus.jun.alaska.edu](gopher://ursus.jun.alaska.edu)

Academic papers that include a wide range of business and management info. Everything from time efficiency to networking skills are here to read.

PC Quote Financial Sit
<http://www.spacecom.com/Participants/pcquote>

A premier provider of real-time and delayed securities, quotations, and news. The company's data is used to prepare the daily stock tables that appear in The New York Times, The Chicago Tribune, and dozens of other major newspapers across the country. Also, most of the nation's on-line services, such as CompuServe and America On-Line, use PC Quote data. Future enhancements will include Market updates, exportability to other financial software, and more.

Mutual Funds Magazine
- contains Articles, Screen Fund Database, Financial Calculators, etc.
<http://www.mfmag.com/aam>

Mutual Funds Online
<http://www.mfmag.com/aaf>

This is a 100% FREE site sponsored by Mutual Funds Magazine

- * SCREEN our 6,000-fund database
 - * READ the full text, plus graphics, of every article ever published in this 350,000-circ. national financial monthly magazine
 - * DOWNLOAD fund prospectuses and account-application forms
 - * VIEW price charts and reports for thousands of funds
 - * USE our 'total return calculator' to get the performance for any fund over dates that YOU choose
 - * SEARCH through all articles for keywords
 - * ACROBAT versions of every article (as an alternative to HTML)
 - * PHONE NUMBERS and WEB SITES for every fund sponsor
 - * PERFORMANCE RANKINGS: 4-week, 13-week, 52-week, including "top funds of the day"
 - * TALK to our Editors, submit story ideas, comments, suggestions, etc.
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VISA
<http://www.visa.com/>

The credit card giant - online (gasp)

Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company WWW page
<http://www.massmutual.com>

Actually this is a helpful site because it includes a number of helpful docs and brochures relating to life insurance.

Road Warrior Outpost
<http://warrior.com>

Helpful products for the connected business traveller. From SCSI to PDI to laptops and those hard to find thing-a-ma-jiggers...

Painter's Calculator

<http://www.btw.com>

After accessing web page, click on "Applets: A collection of Useful Tools Online" and then select (click on) Paint Calculator. (Try out the other neat tools too!) Fill in the blanks on the form (room dimensions, how many coats of paint you'll want to use, etc), and then click on the "Calculate" button. The "Paint Calculator" will figure out just how many gallons you'll need for the job. It's accurate and not a toy. This is a professional tool.

Bellcore's WWW Server
<http://www.bellcore.com>
<http://www.bellcore.com/CAT10/cat10.html>

Bellcore offers information on ISDN, Bellcore's security products and other information. It also provides an interactive online catalog of Bellcore's information products at <http://www.bellcore.com/CAT10/cat10.html>
This document contains abstracts of Bellcore documents.

Commercial Use Strategies Home Page
<http://www.dserv.com:80/~andrew/business.html>

Lots of *highly useful* and well organized information here. If you or your company/organization is going to become a presence on the WWW or through online services then this site is a *must visit*. Absolutely brimming with ideas, tips, suggestions and sound advice including professional stats and figures. Also contains informative Internet resource lists and lots more. One of the best sites available for the person looking for ideas and tips on commercial Internet strategies.

For MIS/IT professionals

Center for Information Systems Management
<http://cism.bus.utexas.edu/issues/iindex.html>
Discussion based forum for MIS/IT professionals

InfoSys Junction
<http://www.rpi.edu/~okeefe/infosys/IJ.html>
The preferred "hangout" of MIS folks

ISWorld Net
<http://www.cox.smu.edu/mis/iswnet/home.html>
Focuses on MIS training and new-technology topics and issues

MISQ Central
<http://amex.cox.smu.edu:80/mis/isq/central.html>
Online version of MIS Quarterly

SECURITY RESOURCES - Leaks, Holes and Cracks in Internet Exchanges

Mailing Lists

Bugtraq
Send e-mail to: bugtraq-request@crimelab.com

Subject line: <blank>
Message body: subscribe bugtraq

CERT Advisory
Send e-mail to: cert-advisory-request@cert.org
Subject line: <blank>
Message body: subscribe cert-advisory

CERT Tools
Send email to: cert-tools-request@cert.org
Subject line: <blank>
Message body: subscribe cert-tools

FTP sites

CERT Advisories
FTP to: ftp.cert.org: in the --> /pub/cert_advisories
see the "01_README" in /cert_advisories for a list summary of advisories
(also ftp.cert.org in the /pub)

COAST security FTP archive
FTP to: coast.cs.purdue.edu: in the --> /pub

Security Arcive (University of Tokyo)
FTP to: theta.iis.utokyo.ac.jp in the --> /pub1/security
A mammoth archive of security info, documents and tools

Security FAQ
FTP to: ftp.santafe.edu:
/pub/SIG/Security/FAQ.Z/rtfm.mit.edu.pub/usenet-bygroup/comp.answers
/computer-secutity
Look at the documents: "anonymous-ftp-faq", "compromise-faq", "security-
patches", and "vendor-contacts"

Geez - now **that's** a killer address! Good solid info though makes it
well worth typing in the address. This is a collection of Usenet FAQs.

SPY BBS (via ftp)
FTP to: ftp.spy.org

James Bond would like this one.

GOPHER Security Sites

SPY BBS (via Gopher)
Gopher to: gopher.spy.org

WWW Internet Security Sites

bsy's Security-Related Net Pointers
<http://www.cs.cmu.edu:8001/afs/cs.cmu.edu/user/bsy/www/sec.html>

Complete Bugtraq archives including Bugtraq mailing list archive, also

deals with a complete Unix discussion and pointers to mounds of other security related information.

Security HOLES

<http://crimelab.com/bugtraq/bugtraq.html>

Tons of info and plenty of pointers will keep you on track.

Pilot's Home Page

<http://pilot.net>

SAIC Waterridge Home page

<http://mls.saic.com/mls.text.html>

Security Reference Index

<http://www.tansu.com.au/Info/security.html>

Unix Security Information

<http://www.alw.nih.gov/~jbk/security.html>

SPY BBS

<http://www.spy.org>

PGP (Pretty Good Privacy data encryption by Phillip Zimmermann)
Freeware Mac versions of this excellent encryption software are available.

The PGP FAQ

FTP to: [ftp.netcom.com](ftp://ftp.netcom.com) in the --> /pub/gbe
the file name is `pgpfaq-<version number>.asc`

Complete PGP site list

FTP to: [ftp.csn.net](ftp://ftp.csn.net) in the --> /mpjftp.csn.net/mpj
FTP to: [ftp.csn.net](ftp://ftp.csn.net) in the --> /mpj
both addresses (and dirs) have the file "getpgp.asc"

Excellent site and information list on how to obtain PGP. Includes info on pointers on PGP web sites, BBSs and FTP sites.

WWW PGP page

<http://www.mantis.co.uk/pgp/pgp.html>

PGP Telnet site

Telnet to: [net-dist.mit.edu](telnet://net-dist.mit.edu)

log-in as: "getpgp"

You will be asked four questions and then be told where to get the latest version of PGP via anonymous FTP. If you are not an American citizen an Archie search is the recommended way to find PGP. Do an Archie search for `pgp262` ("archie -s `pgp262`") Or try an Archie search for `pgp2.3` or `2.3a`. If that still doesn't retrieve anything as a last resort try a search on "pgp"

Public Key Directories
<http://www.four11.com>
email to: info@four11.com

SATAN (System Administrator Tool for Analyzing Networks)
<ftp://gatekeeper.dec.com/pub/net/SATAN/>
<ftp://ftp.cs.ruu.nl/pub/SECURITY/>
<ftp://ftp.demon.co.uk/pub/mirrors/satan/>
<ftp://ftp/lerc.nasa.gov/security/>

Written by Dan Farmer formerly of Silicon Graphics Inc., and CERT.
SATAN (a freeware Unix based utility) scans networks looking for vulnerabilities and misconfigured ftp setups, mail gateways and servers. A "must have" for all who administer networks of any kind. Especially networks hooked into the Internet. SATAN can uncover and detect security flaws on WWW servers, anon FTP servers and POP mail sites. Hosts with security holes were flagged and then a linked list of on-line docs was provided by SATAN with recommendations and solutions for fixes. SATAN uses a WWW browser for it's interface and requires Perl Version 5.

Gabriel
FTP to: <ftp.lat.com>

A free SATAN detector from Los Altos Technologies Inc.

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Hardware/Software Computer Vendors
<http://www.ronin.com/SBA>

Complete listing of various computer and computer related vendors and suppliers. Updated regularly.

Big Dreams newsletter
<http://www.wimsey.com/~duncans>

Duncan's enthusiasm and off-beat style is infectious. Sometimes informative and often funny he gives a humorous approach to offering valuable info. Tongue in cheek articles along with analogous snippets will keep you reading 'till the wee hours of dawn. Take what he says with a grain of salt but for the cost of a newsletter subscription (free) why not give it a try? You might like it. Not for everyone - but then - what is? If you can read between the lines - there is a lot of sound advice in his humor.

Branch Information Services
<http://branch.com:1080>

One of the founders of web shopping malls. They were also the first to include an interactive "forms-based" approach to marketing so that users

could email to vendors, obtain software and files via FTP and use gopher to deliver the goods. They also can include automatic email responders to companies. A solid company that offers services that are always cutting edge yet their pages are beautifully elegant and easily used by people. Check out this site if you want to see what a WWW cybermall *should* be.

MarketPlace.Com
<http://marketplace.com>

Owned and operated by Cyberspace Development Inc., this site offers news information, digital books and texts, software, info-journals and Internet market reports. This company also offers business services to get your idea or company up on the web with full service and support.

MarketNet (United Kingdom)
<http://mkn.co.uk>

Another well done electronic "cyberspace" shopping mall. It also includes other Internet services that range from free to pre-arranged paid account. They have space "to let" in their mall and can arrange to provide all the web pages done in-house or import your own. At this time only Windows based secure transactions are available but all platforms should be supported soon. I personally don't think that this offering is up to par with the rest of the mall based multi-service offerings but things improve quickly on the Internet and today's dud may well be tomorrow's hot prospect.

Interactive Super Mall
<http://supermall.com>

This site offers a wide range of electronic shops to visit and a complete Internet service solution. They can set up a cyber-shop for you at low cost and fairly quickly. They offer customized web page writing and various announcements concerning the opening of your new cyber-store. Even if you are not interested in opening a cyber-shop this is a neat site to browse and see what's available. Many free offerings to be found here and each store has automatic email responders so that you can receive more info on the products and/or services of the store(s) you visited. This site also offers secure transaction web pages for all platforms/browsers.

Downtown Anywhere
<http://awa.com>

Another cyber-mall that seems to be gaining momentum. Many cyber-malls became virtually empty - but now that there are secure transaction pages on the WWW - business has been picking up nicely. It's no fun to go to a cyber-mall and find that the store fronts are empty. Hey - it's no fun to go to a regular mall and find out that the stores are empty with no tenant in sight. Keep your eyes on this one - it's expanding rapidly.

ISN (Internet Shopping Network)
<http://shop.internet.net>

This site claims to be the biggest cyber-mall in the world. It has over

600 clients (stores) presently and hope to have 1000 by the end of 1995.
There's something here for everyone. Come and browse this grand web mall.

Hall of Malls
<http://nsns.com/MouseTracks/HallofMalls.html>

A guide and linked listing of all the virtual malls and shopping centers offered via the Web. Some are good and some are not so good - you really don't know until you try 'em out. Secure web pages should create less consumer anxiety about purchasing over the Web and not only increase the cash/credit flow through the web malls - but also attract more businesses to fill up some sparsely populated malls. Some web malls are nearly empty of vendors while others have a noticeable increase of companies that have set up shop on the WWW. In any case, this site is both useful for the consumer who wishes to find and access the many malls and shopping places dotted along the WWW and for business to check out how other vendors are setting up their web pages and web services/products for sale.

ECHO (European Commission Host Organization)
<http://www.echo.lu/echo/en/menuecho.html>
Telnet to: echo.lu

The WWW site is preferred although telnet access can alternatively be done. A large and informative database of European Community business resources including business stats and figures with market suggestions. This site is sponsored by the European Union and is a non-commercial venture that has a mission of supplying data and information to the business community. You will find over 20 complete databases of information that will help you guide and launch effective business strategies in Europe and European related regions or the world. There is simply too much to list and explain here but let it be known that the info available through this resource is vast and contains both current and past trends and analysis. There are so many databases and links that this may be considered a "one-stop" shop for those interested in the European business market and European business in general. Well worth the time to carefully browse through this info. You may need to assign an entire staff to sort through all of this...

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Internet Business Resources

African Development	mali2@worldbank.org
AmericanSocietyforInfoScdence	listserv@uvmvm.uvm.edu("subscribeasis-l")
Baltic Republic Info	listserv@ubvm.cc.buffalo.edu("subscribe balt-l")
Black/African Online list	amcgee@netcom.com
Bureau of Labor	helpdesk@bls.gov
Bus. Process Redesign	listerv@is.twi.tudelft.nl ("subscribe bpr-L")
Bus. Research	listserv@idbsu.idbsu.edu ("subscribe buslib-L")
Business/Universitycooperative	listserv@bruspvm.bitnet("subscribecycoop-L")
Caribbean economics	listserv@vml.yorku.ca ("subscribe carecon")
Comm. Bus. Daily	gopher eng@sh.server.hss.cmu.edu
CommerceNet	info@commerce.net or http://www.commerce.net
Commun. Privatization	listserv@psi.com ("subscribe com-priv")
Community networking	mech@eff.org
Compensation Ins. Council	hartwig@inca.gate.net
Computer Sys. Policy Proj.	cspp@mcimail.com

Be certain that you carefully read the document titled "An Introduction to BSN" before going further through the BSN gopher site. The ftp site only archives the documents and is not as concise or informative as to how best to use the archives/resources. Before you use the ftp site - get a "handle" on how BSN works by using the gopher. Actually, the gopher address is highly recommended over the ftp archive site. There are over 200 other business related gopher links in the BSN gopher and the business related gopher list goes on for more than 72 pages! Included topics at BSN are Small Business, Management, Managing non-profit and charitable orgs, Accounting and accounting procedures and practices, Taxation laws and how these rulings affect business issues. Other topics include how businesses can effectively deal with "public policies", societal trends and environment or "green" issues. This BSN gopher is HIGHLY recommended destination for any business Internet traveller. No lay-overs in Dallas-Ft. Worth !

Cyberpreneur's Guide to the Internet
Gopher to: una.hh.lib.umich.edu
select "inetdirstacks" then select "cyberpreneurship"

WWW page: <http://asa.ugl.lib.umich.edu/chdocs/cyberpreneur/Cyber.html>

This is an excellent gopher resource for the individual or company either starting a plan for doing business on the Internet or that already have commercial ventures or are presently doing business on the Internet. This gopher resource provides a huge compendium of Internet business related information. E-Mail lists, other gophers, Web pages, newsgroups and a host of other pointers for the online entrepreneur. The site is well organized and broken down into areas or topics. The WWW address version of CGI is a graphical version of the gopher with many links to other resources. Either going through the CGI gopher or surfing to the CGI web page will take the budding or flowering entrepreneur on an informative ride through a plethora of vital information. Highly recommended site for business.

Small Business Help Center
<http://www.kclink.com/sbhcc/>

An often over-looked WWW site that has pointers and info for operators of small businesses or that plan to start a small business. Worth a look-see.

Small Business Administration Home Page
<http://www.sbaonline.sba.gov/>

Offers information on the SBA's mission and overview of the SBA. Information links and addresses and phone numbers of local SBAs is included on this web page. SBA events and seminars are also offered. The SBA can help you finance and start a small business and you'll want to check out all your options - right? So make plans to visit this page - it's graphical interface helps to make the information interesting and well... fun. In fact if you plan to do business on the Internet, take note of how this well written home page is done. This is another HIGHLY recommended info-stop for the business traveller. Many interesting features of the home page should be noted by the user. Point and click maps, etc, show that the SBA knows its net stuff!

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Various Business Listings on the Internet

Yahoo's Business Resources

<http://www.yahoo.com/Business/>

<http://www.yahoo.com/Business/Miscellaneous>

EINet Galaxy

<http://www.einet.net/galaxy/Business-and-Commerce.html>

Internet Business Directory

<http://ibd.ar.com>

Open Market Commercial Sites Index

<http://www.directory.net>

Commercial Usage of the Net

<http://pass.wayne.edu/business.html>

Thomas Ho's Favorite Electronic WWW Resources

<http://www.engr.iupui.edu/~ho/interests/commmenu.html>

Interesting Business Sites

<http://www.rpi.edu/~okeefe/business.html>

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