

Google Advanced Searching

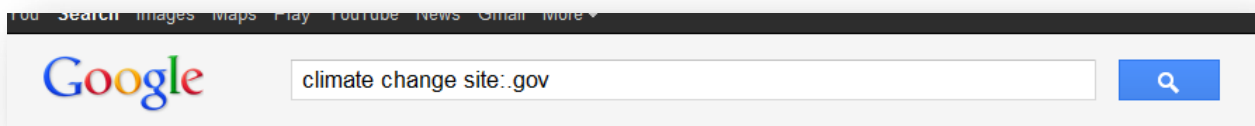
Some tips for better, more directed, online searching:

1. To locate web pages from the government or from educational institutions, include the following in your search terms:

site:.gov

site:.edu

For example, if you were looking for information on climate change and wanted to make sure you found information from government sites, your search box in Google would look like this:

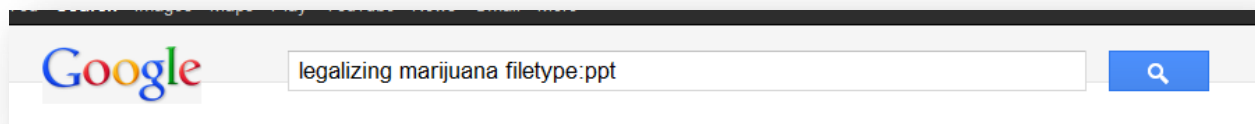


2. To locate specific types of online files, such as an Adobe Portable File or a PowerPoint, include the following in your search terms:

filetype:pdf

filetype:ppt

For example, if you were looking for a PowerPoint that included information about legalizing marijuana, your search box in Google would look like this:

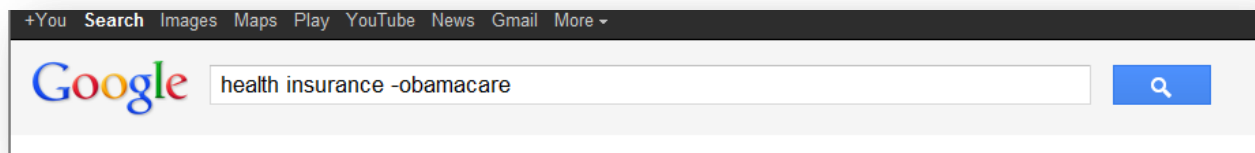


3. To locate pages that focus on a topic while simultaneously “weeding out” some pages whose focus goes off into a direction that doesn’t interest you, use a minus sign in front of a key word associated with the focus you do NOT want:

-charter

-obamacare

For example, if you were looking for information about insurance, but did not want to look at pages that also focus on President Obama’s health coverage plan, your search box in Google would look like this:



You can also use one of these methods for conducting advanced searching in Goolge:

- ✓ Google “google advanced search” which will link you to an area of Google that allows you to type in or select your advanced search options.

Or

- ✓ Type your search terms in Goolge, and then scroll to the bottom of your results to the “Advanced Search” link. Select that link, and it will advance you to the advanced search page where you can narrow your results by file type, domain, etc.