

The Internet as a Source of Relevant High-Quality Information

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Issues with quality did not start with the Internet

- Sir Isaac Newton and the apple
- Spinach contains high levels of iron
 - originated in 1870 with Dr E von Wolf's typographical error
 - or was it Gustav von Bunge in 1890?
- 1912 – Piltdown Man hoax
- 1969 Linda McCartney/Eastman was related to the Eastman family, part of the Eastman-Kodak photographic empire – she wasn't!
 - www.beatlesagain.com/bmyths.html
- 2003 – Jayson Blair resigns from New York Times

Fit for purpose?

- is it time dependent, for example most recent news on a company or person?
- factual – for example company turnover figures ?
- authoritative data, peer reviewed sources required?
- are differing views and opinions wanted?
- expert assessment or forecast of an industry
- nice to know background information?
- mission critical, for example information as part of due diligence relating to a merger or acquisition?

How paranoid do you need to be?!

Quality assessment criteria

- how did you find the information?
 - ‘googled’, via an evaluated listing, recommended by colleague
- who is the publisher or provider of the information?
- credentials of the author, editor or compiler of the information
- date of publication and/or update
- source list if using a content aggregator
- geographical coverage
- industry sector coverage
- time span and availability of archives
- can you verify the information via an independent source or trace it back to the original source

Checking the domain name

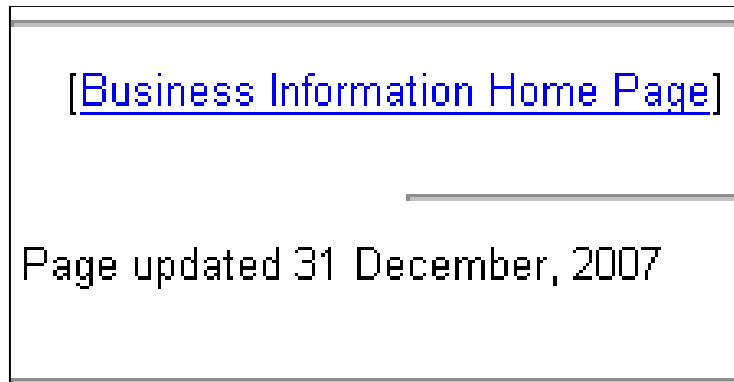
- look at the TLD – top level domain
 - country and type of organization
- who owns the domain name
 - <http://www.allwhois.com>
 - <http://www.domaintools.com/>
 - insource.cz

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contact:      SB:VK39-RIPE_XX
org:          Albertina icome Praha s.r.o.
name:         Albertina icome Praha s.r.o.
address:      Stepanska 16
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- people can hide behind intermediaries

Date published or updated

- Do you believe the date given?



- Firefox – Tools, Page info

Page Info

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News Sources:

Address: http://www.rba.co.uk/sources/news.htm

Type: text/html

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Modified: 31 December 2007 10:49:34

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dc.creator	Karen Blakeman	
dc.subject	news, newspapers, news wires, press ...	▼

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The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar containing the URL `javascript:alert(document.lastModified)`. The browser's search bar is set to "Find in page" with a "Find next" button. The page content includes the RBA logo, the word "News", and a navigation menu with links for HOME, ABOUT RBA, BUSINESS RESOURCES, SEARCH STRATEGIES, TALES FROM THE TERMINAL ROOM, and TRAINING. Below the menu are several blue links: [Business Information Home Page], [Company Directories], [Company Financials], [Country Information], [Government & Politics], [Industry Sectors], [Keeping up to date], [Listings & Key Starting Points], and [Market Research]. A JavaScript alert dialog box is overlaid on the page, titled "JavaScript" and showing the source "<www.rba.co.uk>" and the timestamp "Mon, 31 Dec 2007 10:49:34 GMT". The dialog box has a checkbox for "Stop executing scripts on this page" and an "OK" button. The background text of the page is partially obscured by the dialog box, but some words like "Although most newspapers, magazines" and "access to all of their articles" are visible.

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[Budge resigns as head of RJB Mining FOUNDER OF BRITAIN'S BIGGEST...](#)

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Richard Budge, founder of RJB Mining, yesterday...
 producer following differences over management

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Richard Budge, the mining entrepreneur once known as "King Coal", has abandoned the Pounds 35m
 flotation of his latest company, Powerfuel. ...

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[Budge to build Pounds 350m coal-fired power plant.\(NATIONAL NEWS\)](#)

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Plans by **Richard Budge**, former chief executive of Britain's biggest coal producer, to build a Pounds 350m
 clean coal-fired power station close to Hatfield ...

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12 articles from the FT on the date 1 Jan 2007 are listed, but none are there!

All were **deleted** on 1 Jan 2007

Blogs

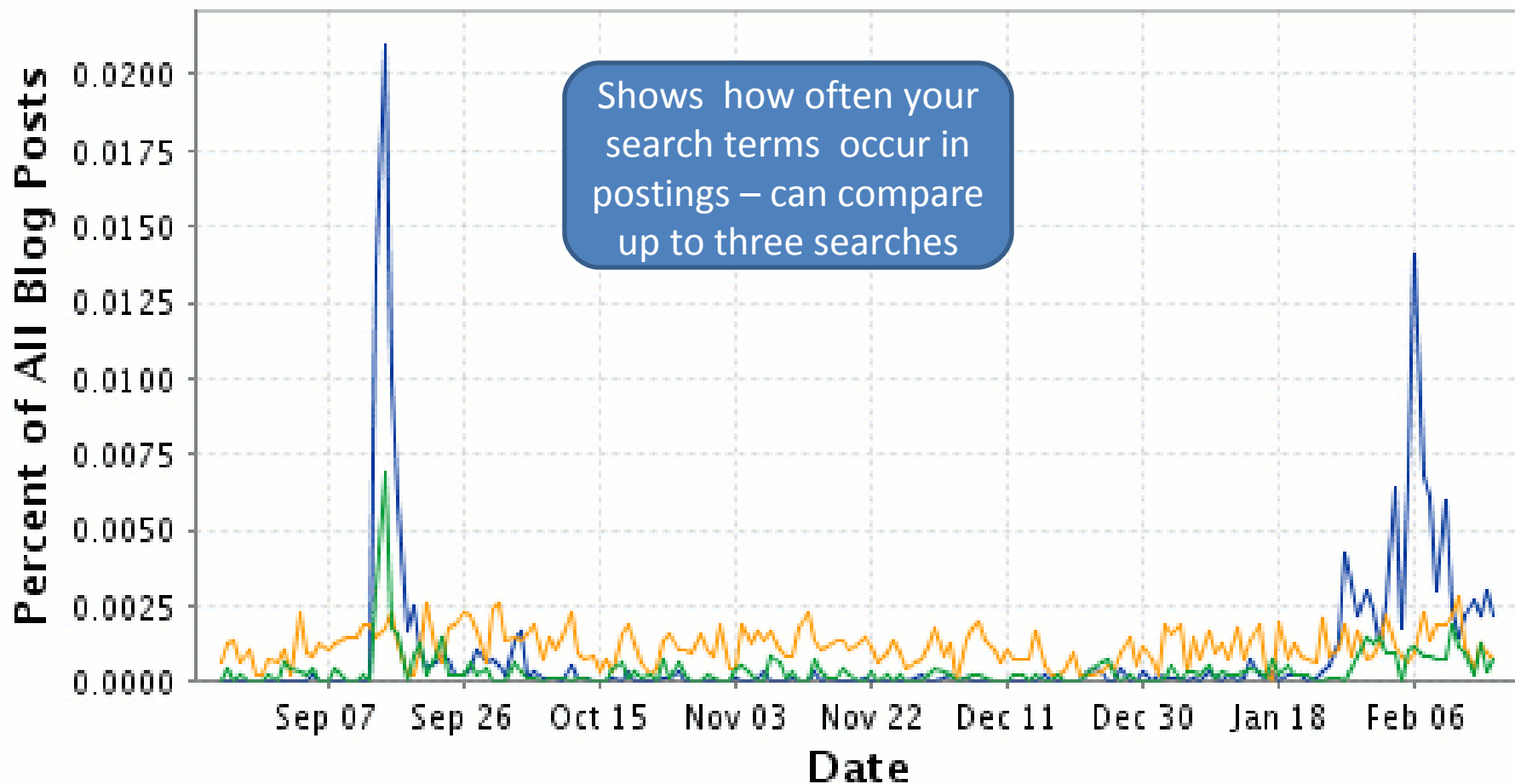
- excellent for analysis, forecasts, discussions and debate on an industry sector , for example <http://www.theoildrum.com/>
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- Wikis as sources of information
- Check:
 - who is the main publisher of the wiki?
 - is the purpose and coverage of the wiki clearly stated
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The **UK einformation Group (UKeiG)** is a professional body for all information professionals, users and developers of electronic information resources. Its aims are to promote and advance the effective exploitation and management of electronic information in all formats. UKeiG has individual and corporate members

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Wiki (Beta)

Aerospace & Defense

Editors' Picks **Alacra Public Company Snapshots**

by John Willcox, Alacra Web Editor

For an **excellent overview** of the aerospace and defense industries, try [Defense-aerospace](#). This Web site has **in-depth topical news articles, archived back to 1998**, breaking news articles, official reports, such as national defense **budgets and**

For a more detailed view of the aerospace industry, take a look at

and directories of aerospace suppliers and associations. An equally comprehensive breakdown may be found at [eyeforaerospace](#). This site provides **up-to-the-minute news, editorials, a directory of suppliers**, information about forthcoming events, and interviews with key people in the aerospace industry.

[Global-defence](#) provides **news stories for the defense industry**, broken down by categories such as air, land, sea, and weapon systems, communications, regional and international security, and surveillance. Other services which offer more in-depth industry news and information, for fee-paying subscribers only, include [Defense-i](#), [DefenseNews](#), and [Jane's](#).

Regional facts and figures can be found at the Web sites for national departments of defense. The following contain news and information about these countries' **defense policies and current involvement in conflicts** around the world: the [Australian Department of Defence](#), the [Canadian Department of National Defence](#), the [French Ministry of Defence](#), the [German Federal Ministry of Defence](#), the [Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#), and the [Japan Defence Agency](#). The United Kingdom [Ministry of Defence \(MOD\)](#) provides information about all aspects of defense in the UK, including budgets and expenditure, career information, and public reports issued by the MOD. [DefenseLINK](#) has up-to-the-minute US military news stories and **official statements**, responses, and declarations, as well as links to the many different departments within the US Department of Defense. The [Defense Contract Audit Agency \(DCAA\)](#) is responsible for performing all contract audits for the department.

The [Australian Industry & Defence Network \(AIDN\)](#) aims to provide the point of contact between the Australian Department of Defence and the companies which support the defence industry within Australia. The Web site includes a directory of, and profiles for, Australian defence companies. The [Aerospace](#)

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Royal Dutch Shell Company (LON: RDSA) (Shell) is one of the largest energy companies in the world. The company is engaged in the production of oil and gas, refining and marketing of liquid petroleum products, manufacturing, marketing, and shipping of oil products. The company also deals in renewable/alternative sources of energy, including solar energy. It operates primarily in Europe and the US.

The company's operations in all stages of the supply chain enable it to earn higher revenues and improve profitability, as the costs of operations in the supply chain are eliminated. This gives Shell an advantage over its competitors, such as Valero Energy (VLO), which do not have exploration and production operations.

Shell had oil reserves of 3,270 million barrels in 2006; however, these reserves have been declining for the last three to four years. As a public company, operations in politically unstable regions can lead to disasters. Sustaining long-term growth will be a challenge if oil reserves continue to decline. This decline assumes escalation of competition from rivals such as ConocoPhillips, who has been since 2004.

Even though Shell is a large company, it faces intense competition from other major oil companies.

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Mashups

- combine information from two or more different sources to create a new presentation of that information
 - for example Yahoo Finance
- quality of the mashups dependent on the quality of the source databases
- mashup process may introduce errors and/or omissions
 - e.g. Google Maps/Local

http://maps.google.com/ vs. the source database

Google Maps UK

What e.g., "indian restaurants" Where e.g., "cardiff"

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 14 Prospect Street, Caversham, Reading, RG4
 0118 948 3070
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B [Peking Palace](#) - [more info](#)
 3 Prospect St, Caversham, Reading, Berkshire, RG4 8JB
 0118 948 3488
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 27 Russell Street, Reading, RG1 7XD
 0118 956 9014 - ★★★★★
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PEKING PALACE

3, Prospect St, Caversham, Reading, Berkshire RG4 8JB
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- Freshly Prepared Food
- Peking & Cantonese Specialists
- Seating For Over 120
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- Open 7 Days
- Established

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Quattro Restaurant

14-16, Prospect Street, Reading, RG4 8JG
 Tel: 01189 483070

- Authentic Italian Cuisine
- Meat & Fresh Fish Specialities
- Parties & Special Occasions
- Fresh Food
- Large Seating
- Family Friendly

Classification: [Restaurants - Italian](#)
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Kyrenia Restaurant

6 Prospect Street, Reading, RG4 8JG
 Tel: 01189 476444

- Finest Greek Cuisine
- Relaxed & Welcoming Atmosphere
- Special Lunchtime Menu
- Friendly Staff
- Parties & Events
- Free Parking

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Pimlico

2, Bridge Street, Caversham, Reading, Berkshire RG4 8AA
 Tel: 0118 947 6451

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Bina Tandoori Restaurant

21, Prospect St, Caversham, Reading, Berkshire RG4 8JB
 Tel: 0118 946 2115

Classification: [Restaurants - Indian](#)
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The Griffin

10-12, Church Rd, Caversham, Reading, Berkshire RG4 7AD
 Tel: 0118 947 5018

Key starting points for quality information

- Experience!
- People
- Discussion lists
 - BUSLIB-L <http://list1.ucc.nau.edu/archives/buslib-l.html>
 - AIIP – Association of Independent Information Providers
- Evaluated listings
 - for example Alacrawiki Spotlights <http://www.alacrawiki.com/>
- Google Custom Search Engines
 - Alacrasearch <http://www.alacra.com/alacrasearch/>
 - Chipwrapper <http://www.chipwrapper.co.uk/>

Stock markets and share prices

- Free
 - current share prices 15-30 minutes delayed
 - some historical data as charts or figures (Yahoo Finance)
 - Yahoo Finance for the ‘major stock markets’
 - go to individual stock exchange web sites
 - <http://www.rba.co.uk/sources/stocks.htm>
 - Wikinvest <http://www.wikinvest.com/>
- Priced
 - for more detailed analysis
 - for full historical data
 - for stocks that are no longer trading or have merged with another company

Company financials

- Free
 - good for just a few known companies
 - stock exchange listed companies
 - free access to accounts and annual reports on their web site
 - official company registers
 - <http://www.rba.co.uk/sources/registers.htm>
- Priced
 - for identifying a group of companies using several criteria
 - by sector, country, turnover, number of employees etc.
 - for extra download formats, analysis options
 - for cross country searching
 - check ‘cut-off’ points and availability of original data if searching harmonised or standardised data
 - beware services offering you ‘hard to find’ information at extortionate prices

News

- Free
 - check coverage, archives, search options
 - for individual newspapers
 - <http://www.abyznewslinks.com/>
 - <http://www.kidon.com/media-link/index.php>
 - search engine news options e.g. Yahoo, Google, Live, Ask have only the last 30 days of news
 - search engine news options have no source list
 - use the country version of Google news
 - Google Archivenews (goes back 1-200 years) does not have the same coverage as Google News and much of it is priced

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[Shell Will Spin to Shareholders Its Stock in Canadian Company ...](#)

\$3.95 - New York Times - Sep 21, 1962

The **Shell** Oil Company is expected soon possibly by next week to spin off to its 20000 stockholders its 50 per cent of the **Shell** Oil Company of Canada, Ltd., ...

[Dutch-Shell Dividends Up; COMPANIES TAKE DIVIDEND...](#) - New York Times (\$3.95)

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[THE SHELL SCANDAL: How a sure thing became a City liability.\(News\)](#)

Subscription - The Independent - HighBeam Research - Apr 20, 2004

WHEN SIR Philip Watts, chairman of **Shell**, retreated to his Berkshire mansion at Christmas, he had some news to mull over that was going to stun the world's ...

[Shell says execs ignored warnings](#) - USA Today

[Shell Executive Cited Concern Over 'Lying'...](#) - Washington Post - HighBeam Research (Subscription)

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[Shell Backs Nixon as G.O.P. Nominee; Shell Cites Campaign View ...](#)

\$3.95 - New York Times - Jun 20, 1962

LOS ANGELES, June 19 State Assemblyman Joseph C. **Shell**, defeated conservative Republican candidate for gubernatorial nomination, endorsed the candidacy of ...

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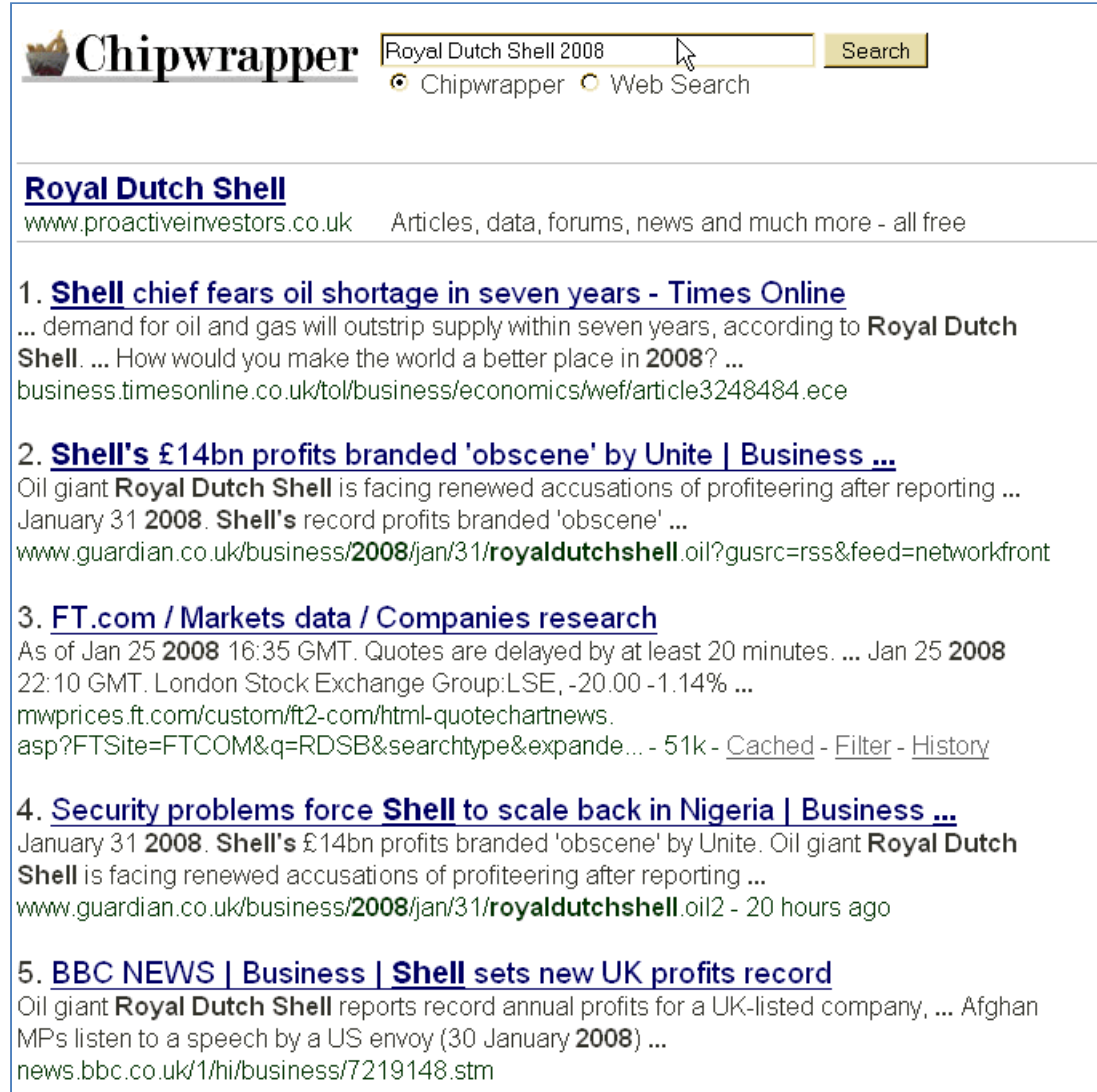
\$3.95 - New York Times - Nov 16, 1960

A major break with the traditional 15 per cent commission arrangement for compensating in agency for its services was made known here today. The **Shell** Oil ...

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- No date sort option



The screenshot shows the Chipwrapper search engine interface. At the top, there is a search bar containing the text "Royal Dutch Shell 2008" and a "Search" button. Below the search bar, there are radio buttons for "Chipwrapper" (selected) and "Web Search". The search results are displayed below the search bar, starting with the title "Royal Dutch Shell" and the URL "www.proactiveinvestors.co.uk". The results are listed in a numbered format:

- 1. [Shell chief fears oil shortage in seven years - Times Online](#)**
... demand for oil and gas will outstrip supply within seven years, according to **Royal Dutch Shell**. ... How would you make the world a better place in **2008**? ...
business.timesonline.co.uk/tol/business/economics/wef/article3248484.ece
- 2. [Shell's £14bn profits branded 'obscene' by Unite | Business ...](#)**
Oil giant **Royal Dutch Shell** is facing renewed accusations of profiteering after reporting ... January 31 **2008**. **Shell's** record profits branded 'obscene' ...
www.guardian.co.uk/business/2008/jan/31/royaldutchshell.oil?gusrc=rss&feed=networkfront
- 3. [FT.com / Markets data / Companies research](#)**
As of Jan 25 **2008** 16:35 GMT. Quotes are delayed by at least 20 minutes. ... Jan 25 **2008** 22:10 GMT. London Stock Exchange Group:LSE, -20.00 -1.14% ...
mwprices.ft.com/custom/ft2-com/html-quotechartnews.asp?FTSite=FTCOM&q=RDSB&searchtype&expand... - 51k - [Cached](#) - [Filter](#) - [History](#)
- 4. [Security problems force Shell to scale back in Nigeria | Business ...](#)**
January 31 **2008**. **Shell's** £14bn profits branded 'obscene' by Unite. Oil giant **Royal Dutch Shell** is facing renewed accusations of profiteering after reporting ...
www.guardian.co.uk/business/2008/jan/31/royaldutchshell.oil2 - 20 hours ago
- 5. [BBC NEWS | Business | Shell sets new UK profits record](#)**
Oil giant **Royal Dutch Shell** reports record annual profits for a UK-listed company, ... Afghan MPs listen to a speech by a US envoy (30 January **2008**) ...
news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/business/7219148.stm

News

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 - titles not covered by the free search tools

Statistics and market research

- Free statistics
 - free
 - trade, professional, industry associations
 - official national statistics offices
 - international organisations
 - <http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz/subjects/stats/offstats/>
 - <http://www.nationmaster.com/>
- Priced
 - for more detailed breakdowns and analysis

Nationmaster

FACTS & STATISTICS [Simple view](#)

1. **Select countries to view:** (hold down Control key and click to select several)

- All countries
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- Central America and the Caribt
- Europe
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- Asia

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Industry

3. **(OPTIONAL) Compare to statistic:** (both need to be graphable)

Select Category

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Industry Statistics > Bus production (most recent country)

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Rank	Countries	Amount (top to bottom)
#1	China:	81,871
#2	Brazil:	22,699
#3	Korea, South:	18,128
#4	Russia:	16,003
#5	Japan:	11,141

#25	Slovakia:	15
#26	Austria:	15
#27	Romania:	13
#28	Switzerland:	0
Total:		192,870
Weighted average:		6,888.2

DEFINITION: [Bus production](#) by country 2002

SOURCE: [International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers](#)

Market and industry research

- For details and rankings of companies and products – priced services
- Aggregators – even priced – may not be comprehensive
 - check the publisher’s own web site or email them to see if there is additional or more recent research available
 - use aggregators as an index to see who is publishing on your topic
 - <http://www.marketresearch.com/>
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- For emerging markets <http://www.securities.com/>

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- Free
 - government bodies e.g. <http://www.export.gov/>
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- Searching for free
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Background

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Alcoholic beverages are drinks including ethanol. Ethanol is a drug with a depressant consequence. This leads various countries to regulate its trade and use. There are many countries which place strict legal precincts on the dealings of alcoholic drinks. Alcohol monopoly is a government monopoly alcoholic beverage. All Nordic provinces, but Denmark, have monopolies. In the United States as well there are some alcoholic beverage control states.

Since the 1960s, there has been a sturdy tendency of consolidation of the alcohol beverage trade. It is has been distinguished by four waves of mergers, acquisitions and associations. This has led the companies to expand their portfolio and regional operational ground. The first three mergers formed the background of the present condition of this industry.

The first wave (1950s - 1960s): It had been characterized by limited geographic range. It was restricted chiefly among the U.K. brewers and wine merchants. The merger between Gilbey's and United Wine Traders (1962) resulted into International Distillers and Vintners.

A second merger wave (1968 - 1972): It concerned chief brewers from European countries. Heineken acquired Amstel (Holland, 1968) and Carlsberg acquired Tuborg (Denmark, 1970). Spirits and processed-wine firms commenced to join together and to attain other firms.

The third merger wave (1985 – 1988): It has been driven by globalization. This period had also been characterized by the acquisition of the distribution channels. An example of this strategy was the acquisition of the key U.S. alcohol beverage distributors, along with Heublein by Grand Metropolitan (1987).

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