Best library databases (*italicized*) for company research. For a comprehensive guide with database links and other recommendations, please check out the Company Research guide: [http://guides.library.pdx.edu/company](http://guides.library.pdx.edu/company)

First, use one of the following databases to determine whether your company is **PUBLIC, PRIVATE**, or a **SUBSIDIARY**:
- Business Insights
- LexisNexis Academic
- ReferenceUSA

If it’s **PUBLIC**, start with the following:
General overview, financials, corporate family tree:
- Business Insights
- LexisNexis Academic

Strategic analysis:
- Investext
- Passport

News & articles:
- Business Source Premier
- LexisNexis Academic

Company’s Point of View:
- Company website: About, Investor Relations, Media (Press)
- SEC.gov: company filings.

If it’s **PRIVATE**, start with the following:
- ReferenceUSA
- LexisNexis Academic
- Business Insights

Search for news articles on the company in:
- Business Source Premier
- LexisNexis Academic

If it’s a **SUBSIDIARY**, use the private company resources to research the subsidiary.

Is the parent company public or private?