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INFORMATION SOURCES
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WEBSITES:
Big Charts: a service of Market Watch http://bigcharts.marketwatch.com/default.asp “BigCharts is the world's most comprehensive and easy-to-use investment research web site providing access to professional-level research tools like interactive charts, quotes, news, industry analysis and intraday stock screeners.” (IPL)
CU Succeed http://www.cusucceed.net/resources.php Lots of information for those entering adulthood.
Federal Citizen Information Center: Money TinyURL http://tinyurl.com/6q5em “The Money section of the U.S. Government Consumer Information Center has online pamphlets covering money, credit and financial planning, such as credit protection laws, purchasing over the internet, investing wisely.” (IPL)
Financial Education & Tools: personal finance tips from Bank of America http://learn.bankofamerica.com/
Go Simplifi.com: financial planning tools; money management; how to budget; free financial management; etc. http://www.gosimplifi.com/
Grocery Savings and Coupon Zone (About.com) http://couponing.about.com/od/groceryzone/Grocery_Savings_and_Coupon_Zone.htm
Internet Public Librarian http://www.ipl.org/IPL/Finding?Key=Personal+finance This has links for some 500 sites selected by librarians.
Intute: Helping you find the best Websites for study and research (UK) http://www.intute.ac.uk/cgi-bin/search.pl?term1=personal+finance&limit=0&subject=All Each of the personal finance links has been hand picked for its quality.
Includes news and information on stocks, bonds, mutual funds, brokers, exchanges, and much more, credit, loans, taxes, retirement, etc.” (IPL2)
Money Management International, Credit Counseling Centers of America (CCCA) http://www.moneymanagement.org/ The Credit Counseling Center given top marks by Consumer's Report/Consumer's Union.
My Money.gov: your trusted source for financial information http://www.mymoney.gov/
Practical Money Skills for Life http://www.practicalmoneyskills.com/ “…from across the spectrum of federal agencies that deal with financial issues and markets.”
Protecting Yourself from Over-draft and Bounced Check Fees (Federal Reserve Board) http://www.federalreserve.gov/pubs/bounce/
Thrifty Fun http://www.thriftyfun.com/
USA Today Money Calculators http://www.usatoday.com/money/calculator.htm “Offers a host of financial calculators found under the following topics: Mortages, Autos, Credit, Retirement, and Savings. Answers questions like how much you can borrow, what your loan payments will be, how depreciation will effect the value of your finances …” (IPL)
Yahoo! Personal Finance http://finance.yahoo.com/personal-finance
CREDO REFERENCE:
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NetLibrary:
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JOURNALS AND MAGAZINES:
Using the ProQuest databases available on the EU Library Web page (>Databases >General >ProQuest), searchers should make an Advanced Search. They should place Personal on the first line, then choose Pre/1 using the drop down menu, and Finance on the second line.
When the search is limited to Full Text articles, it locates over 33,000 articles. At that point the search may be limited additionally by choosing Scholarly Articles, Magazines, Trade Publications, Newspapers, Reference/Reports along the top edge of the displayed citations. Also, there is a group of suggested subject headings at the top of the page to help focus the search.
Using the Gale/Cengage databases (>Databases >General >Gale/Cengage >Select All), make a search for Personal Finance and then limit the search to Full Text. Along the top of the page researchers may select Magazines, Academic Journals, Books, News, Multimedia. Each category has many citations. Also note Podcast Results & Video Results as possible limiters on the left of the screen. And, there is an Advanced Search available.

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PORTALS:
Researchers may advance a search by seeking a Portal, a Web site where a lot of similar sites have been gathered by some association or expert in the field.
An example of this for Personal Finance is:
The Personal Finance Portal.com; guide to personal finance sites
   http://www.thepersonalfinanceportal.com/ It includes lists of Popular Search Terms and shortcuts; Best of the Web; and Full Web Directory.