



# Nexis UK (LexisNexis) – Searching for Business Information

## Content

**Nexis UK**, LexisNexis's new platform, provides access to over 20,000 sources of news, company, financial and market research data.

- **Company:** Company profiles, annual reports, director information, shareholder reports, broker research reports, and mergers and acquisitions information are all available through Nexis UK.
- **News:** Nexis UK supplies full text access to national, regional, and international news and trade publications.
- **Market Research:** Nexis UK provides market research reports and industry news.
- **Country Research:** Nexis UK offers country reports and economic profiles.

## Access



- Access **Nexis UK** from the Business Subject Gateway at <http://www.dit.ie/library/subjects/businessandeconomics/> or the Library Databases Web page at <http://www.dit.ie/library/databases/>

## Searching the Database


### General Tips

1. If you just want to do a quick search, select **All Search Forms** and then click on the **Easy Search** link.
2. Enter your search in the search box.
3. Choose the type of source(s) in which you want to search, e.g., select *News* to search for newspaper and trade journal articles, or choose *Companies* to search for reports on a particular company.
4. In the **Date** section, either select a predefined date range from the first dropdown box (e.g., *Previous 2 years*) or manually enter the dates you wish to search in the second dropdown box (e.g., *From 1 Jan 2006 to 1 May 2006*).


### Company Research

1. From the red menu bar at the top of the page, click on **Company Profiles** to search for company information.
2. Enter the name of the company you wish to research (e.g., *Dunnes Stores*) in the **Company Name** search box. You can also use the **Company Look-Up** option to look up all company names containing *Apple*, for example, thereby allowing you to simultaneously research all companies that are part of the Apple group.
3. Next, you need to select the source or file in which you would like to search for information on the company. The **Select Sources** dropdown box allows you to select a source in which to search. Some sources are country-specific (e.g., *ICC Directory of Irish Companies*) and some are international (e.g., *Hoover's Company Profiles*). If you are researching an Irish company select *ICC Financial Analysis Reports (Irish)* (for financial information), *ICC Directory of Irish Companies*, *ICC Directors (Irish)* or *ICC Shareholder Reports (Irish)*, or select *International Company Reports (except USA)* to search all of these sources, and more, at once. Click on the  symbol next to the **Select Sources** dropdown box to find out more about the information included in each of the source options.
4. Use the **Search Terms** box if you wish to add additional terms to your search (e.g., you could enter *supermarket* if you're researching Dunnes Stores' supermarket business, as opposed to its clothing business).
5. In the **Date** section, either select a predefined date range from the first dropdown box (e.g., *Previous 2 years*) or manually enter the dates you wish to search in the second dropdown box (e.g., *From 1 Jan 2005 to 1 May 2005*).
6. Click on the  button to run your search.
7. If your search is too broad you will receive an error message stating that your search will return more than 3,000 results. Click on the **Back** button and edit your search (e.g., add more terms in the **Search Terms** box; decrease the date range, etc.) and run it again.


## News

1. Click on the **News** button from the red menu buttons at the top of the screen.
2. Enter your keywords in the **Search Terms** boxes, selecting **Anywhere, Headline** etc. to specify where in the article the terms should appear, and **And, Or, Same Sentence** to specify the keywords relationship to each other. For example, enter *Dublin airport* in the first search box, choose **At the Start**, choose **Same Sentence**, and enter *second terminal* in the second search box
3. From the **Select Sources** dropdown box, select the source or file in which you would like to search. For example, select **Irish Publications** to search a range of Irish newspapers, or to select a particular Irish paper (e.g., the *Irish Times*) in which you would like to search.
4. In the **Date** section, either select a predefined date range from the first dropdown box (e.g., *Previous 2 years*) or manually enter the dates you wish to search in the second dropdown box (e.g., *From 1 Jan 2005 to 1 May 2005*).
5. Click on the  **Search** button to run your search.




## Market Research

1. The **Industry News** button on the menu bar at the top of the screen only allows you to search newspaper, business/trade journal articles and Hoover's Industry snapshots. To access other industry reports, choose the **General Search** option instead, and follow the instructions below.
2. Within **General Search**, choose **Easy Search**.
3. Enter a search for the industry you want to research in the search box (e.g., *mobile phone and France*).  
Tick the box in front of **Industries** and deselect **News** so that you are just searching the **Industries** sources. This includes *Hoover's Industry Snapshots, Integra Industry Reports, Nelson's Speciality/Regional Coverage, Standard & Poor's Current Environment Reports, and Worldwide Market Share*.
4. In the **Date** section, either select a predefined date range from the first dropdown box (e.g., *Previous 2 years*) or manually enter the dates you wish to search in the second dropdown box (e.g., *From 1 Jan 2008 to 1 May 2008*).
5. Click on the  **Search** button to run your search.

## Country Research

1. The **Countries** button in the red menu bar at the top of the page only allows you to search one source at a time. To search across all Countries sources at once, choose the **General Search** option instead.
2. From the General Search page, choose **Easy Search**.
3. Enter your search terms in the search box and tick the box in front of **Countries** and specify the date range.
4. Click on the  **Search** button to run your search.

## Viewing, Printing and Saving Results

- To view the full text of an article displayed in the results list, simply click on the hyperlinked title of the article or report.
- To tag several documents for subsequent printing or downloading, click on the check box either before the article title in the results list, or at the top left of the **Full** view of the article. To view all of the tagged articles, click on the **View Tagged** button.
- Click on the  icon at the top right of the screen to print the displayed article / series of tagged articles.
- Click on the  icon to download documents to your computer or a USB key.
- Send one or more documents by email by clicking on the  icon and entering details of the email address, etc.