

# NC LIVE Fact Sheet

## **A Partnership of 197 North Carolina libraries:**

- Public Libraries
- NC Community Colleges
- NC University System
- NC Independent Colleges & Universities

**Available free of charge to library patrons, students, and educators of NC LIVE affiliated libraries**

**Access is available through your local (public, college, university) library website, or through [www.nclive.org](http://www.nclive.org) with your library's password**

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## **What's available?**

- 25,000 eBooks
- 18,000 full text journals, magazines, newspapers (including the Wall Street Journal)
- 400 videos (including PBS Videos online!)
- Thousand of images and maps (SimplyMap database)
- Interactive tests and tools

## **Streaming PBS Video from NC LIVE**

- Coverage of current issues, history, science, and more
- American Experience, Frontline, Scientific American Frontiers, Ken Burns, Cyberchase, Liberty's Kids management, MIS, accounting, finance and economics.

## **Scope of Subjects**

\*Note: All NC LIVE member libraries have complete access to ALL NC LIVE content

- Auto Repair (Auto Repair Reference Center)
- Business & Investing Tools (ReferenceUSA, Morningstar Investment Research Center)
- Health and Medicine (CINAHL w/full-text, PsycInfo, PubMed, MEDLINEplus)
- History (Academic Search Premier)
- College and Career Preparation (Career Library, LearningExpress Library)
- Literature & Literary criticism (NovelList, Literary Reference Center, NetLibrary e-books)
- Entrepreneurial Information (Morningstar, Business Source Premier, ReferenceUSA)
- Genealogy and Family History (HeritageQuest)

- Primary Source Documents (Greenwood Digital Collection)
- Lesson Plans (Searchasaurus, PBS Video Collection)
- Reference (Gale Virtual Reference Collection, ReferenceUSA)

### **Value to North Carolina Libraries** (updated June 2009)

- Over the past 3 years, NC LIVE has saved North Carolina libraries more than \$80 million by acquiring electronic resources and content centrally (just over \$27.2 million/year).
- Over the same 3-year period, North Carolinians have actually used nearly \$140 million worth of electronic content (eBooks, eJournals articles, online videos and media, etc.) provided by NC LIVE
- Of the \$140 million worth of electronic content used in the last 3 years, nearly \$70 million worth was used in the 2008 FY. That \$70 million equates to more than 33 million eBooks, eJournal articles, and other digital items in the NC LIVE online collection.

### **Career-related eBooks**

- In March 2009, NC LIVE increased the size of its electronic book collection by acquiring 204 new E-books on topics relating to job attainment, vocational guidance, and employment. These books, now available through NetLibrary, were added to enhance the content of the State Library's new JobSearch Program (<http://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/ld/jobsearchtoolkit.html>), which includes training in career skills for 270 library staff members in nine workshops at public libraries across the state.
- The JobSearch Program will utilize NC LIVE databases and the new eBooks to support the rising number of North Carolina job hunters. These resources are now freely available to all North Carolinians through their local public or academic libraries and through NC LIVE.