

376 Research Paper Topic Ideas

Agriculture	Sports	Social Issues
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organic farming vs mainline use of chemical sprays • Pesticides • How to best protect the environment; conservation • Family vs corporate farms • Food production costs • Genetic engineering • GMO movement (Genetic modified Organism) • Agricultural subsidies. • Migrant labor • Price support policies • Sustainable agricultural • Community gardens • Urban agriculture • Rise of corporate farming. • Locally grown foods superior, smart choice? Health and energy use. • Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College Football • Women and Sports • Title IX • Extreme Sports • Sports and Drugs • Hazing • Women in Sports • College recruiting • Athletic ethics • Children in sports, benefits, liabilities. • Pressure in youth sports. • Organized versus free play. • Emphasis on winning in youth sports. • Athletes as role models. • Sports and academia/school. • College, pay for play. • Football and concussions. • Professional athletes and recreational drugs as banned substances. • Limits of drug testing. • Performance enhancing drugs, cheating? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abortion • Adoption • Airline safety/security • Affirmative Action programs • AIDS • Apartheid • Birth control • Child abuse • Child rearing • Discrimination in education • Employee rights • Gambling/online gaming • Gang identity • Gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender • Gay parenting • Gender discrimination • Genetic screening • Homelessness • Hate groups • Identity theft • Interracial marriage • Poverty • Race relations • Reverse discrimination • Suffrage • Suicide • Test biases • Textbook biases • Welfare • Breakdown of family • Rent control

<p>Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attention deficit disorder • Charter schools • College admission policies • College athletes • College tuition planning • Distance education • Diploma mills • Education and funding • Grade inflation • Greek letter societies • Hazing • Home schooling • Intelligence tests • Learning disabilities • Literacy in America • Mascots • No Child Left Behind • Plagiarism • Prayer in schools • Sex education • School vouchers • Standardized tests 	<p>Employment and Labor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employee Benefits • Equal Employment Opportunity & Discrimination • Labor Standards and Practices • Outsourcing and Immigration • Retirement, Pensions, and Social Security • Unemployment and Employment Programs • Unions and Labor-Management Relations • Wages • Women in the Workplace • Workplace Safety and Worker's Compensation • Green jobs 	<p>Energy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coal Mining Safety • Alternative Energy • America's Coal Economy • Strip Mining • Energy Efficiency • Electric Cars • Climate Change • Energy Efficiency • Energy Security • Nuclear Power • Wind Power • Biofuels • Energy Efficiency • Energy independence • Ethanol fuel • Biodiesel • Green jobs • Government subsidies and green jobs
<p>Environment, Climate and Natural Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acid rain • Alternative fuel/hybrid vehicles • Conservation • Deforestation • Endangered species • Energy • Global warming • Greenhouse effect • Landfills • Marine pollution • Nuclear energy • Oil spills • Pesticides • Pollution • Population control • Radioactive waste disposal • Recycling • Smog • Soil pollution • Wildlife conservation • Green jobs 	<p>Government Budget and Taxes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government Spending • The Troubled Dollar • Student Aid • Privatizing Public Services • Federal Budget Deficit • Defense Spending Debate • Gold and the Dollar • National Debt Limit • Spending Controls • Public Debt Limit • The National Debt • US tax system, working? • Tax cut for the wealthy, good, bad? • Current tax system fair for rich and poor? • Replace with flat tax? • Healthcare as a tax. • IRS and Affordable Care Act. 	<p>Law and Justice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquaintance rape • Animal rights • Assisted suicide • Campus violence • Capital punishment • Civil rights • Drinking age, legal • Drug legalization • Gun control • Hate crimes • Insanity defense • Mandatory Minimum sentencing • Patriot Act • Police brutality • Prisons and prisoners • Roe vs. Wade • Serial killers • Sex crimes • Sexual harassment • Three Strikes Law

Science and Technology

- Alternative Energy Technology
- Automotive Technology
- Biometrics
- Biotechnology
- Cloning
- Communications
- Computing
- Consumer Electronics
- Defense Technology
- Electrical Engineering
- Energy Technology
- Fuel Cells
- Quantum Physics
- Robotics & Artificial Intelligence
- Security
- Solar Power
- Spacecraft
- Stem Cells
- Tidal Power
- Transportation
- Vaccines
- Wind Power
- Genetic Engineering
- Geothermal Power
- Green Technology
- Hydro-power
- Internet
- Medical Nanotechnology
- Nanotechnology
- Nuclear Power
- Optics
- Privacy

Gender Issues

- Abortion
- Birth control and Pregnancy
- Body image
- Cultural expectations and practices
- Discrimination
- Eating disorders
- Education
- Feminism
- Female genital mutilation
- Health
- Marriage and Divorce
- Media portrayals
- Menstruation and Menopause
- Parenting
- Prostitution
- Sex and Sexuality
- Sports
- Stereotypes
- Substance abuse
- Violence and Rape
Work

Health

- Abortion
- AIDS
- Attention deficit disorder
- Alternative medicine
- Alzheimer's Disease
- Anorexia Nervosa
- Artificial insemination
- Autism
- Birth control
- Bulimia
- Cancer
- Depression
- Dietary supplements
- Drug abuse
- Dyslexia
- Exercise and fitness
- Fad diets
- Fast food
- Heart disease
- HIV infection
- In vitro fertilization
- Medicaid/Medicare reform
- Obesity
- Organic foods
- Prescription drugs
- Plastic surgery
- Sleep
- Smoking
- Stem cell research
- Teen pregnancy
- Vegetarianism
- Weight loss surgery

Personal and Family Relations

- Teen Sex
- Fatherhood Movement
- Child Custody and Support
- Americans' Search for Their Roots
- Child Support: Payments, Progress and Problems
- Joint Custody: Is it Good for the Children?
- Trends in Child Custody and Support
- Changing Male Image
- Child Support
- Rise in Illegitimacy
- Cyber Socializing
- Future of Marriage
- Gay Marriage
- Children and Divorce
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- Child Custody and Support
- Children and Divorce
- Sexual Revolution Reconsidered

Media

- Body image
- Censorship
- Children's programming and advertising
- Copyright Law
- Freedom of speech
- Materialism
- Media bias
- Media conglomerates/ownership
- Minorities in mass media
- Political correctness
- Portrayal of women
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Religion

- Death Penalty
- Abortion
- Stem Cell Research
- Global Jihad
- Cloning Debate
- Religion in the Workplace
- Islamic Fundamentalism
- Holocaust Reparations
- Religious Persecution
- Religion and Politics
- Gay Politics
- Tax-Exemption Controversy
- Church Tax Exemption
- Racism in America
- Religion in the Schools
- Science and Religion
- School Vouchers
- Evolution Vs. Creationism
- School Choice Debate
- Home Schooling
- Schoolbook Controversies
- Sex Education

Transportation

- Distracted Driving
- Teen Driving
- Cell Phone Safety
- Drunken Driving
- Truck Safety
- Sleep Deprivation
- Aggressive Driving
- Highway Safety
- Traffic Congestion
- Dealing with the Dangers of Alcohol
- Teen-Age Drinking and Driving
- Automobile Safety
- Highway Accidents: Causes and Remedies
- Prevention of Highway Accidents

Politics/government/defense

- Affirmative Action
- Budget deficit
- Electoral College
- Election reform
- Emigration
- Genocide
- Illegal aliens
- Immigration
- Impeachment
- International relations
- Medicaid/Medicare reform
- Operation Enduring Iraqi Freedom
- Partisan politics
- Prescription drugs
- Social Security Reform
- Third parties
- Taxes
- Tea Party
- Preemptive strike policy
- Precision weapons
- Intelligence reliability
- War in Afghanistan - a success or stalemate
- Terrorism
- Terrorists, civilian, or military courts.
- Occupy Wall Street.