Below are some suggested online library and non-library resources---good places to start---for country-related information.

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**Quick Facts**

**World Factbook** (CIA)
For each country, map and flag, geographic, population, government, economic, communication, transportation, military, and transnational issue information is provided. Click on the cover image, then select a country. From the Central Intelligence Agency.

**Country Studies** (Library of Congress)
Historical background, geography, society, economy, transportation and telecommunications, government and politics, and national security.

**Academic OneFile** [Library Database]
Reports on country political structure, resources and infrastructure (including population, education, health, natural resources), economy and economic sectors, and business risk. To find a country's Country Report and/or Risk Overview, change search from a keyword search to a publication title search, enter D&B in the search box, and from the results list scroll down until you find your country's reports.

**Statista** [Library Database]
In-depth reports with economic and other data on over 150 countries. Click on 'Reports' link on top menu.

**Business Guides**

**Country Studies** (Library of Congress)
Historical background, geography, society, economy, transportation and telecommunications, government and politics, and national security.

**Doing Business** (World Bank)
Detailed information on regulations related to starting a business, hiring and firing workers, enforcing contracts, getting credit, and closing a business in numerous countries. Click on Country by name, then click on 'More details' above chart or 'Detailed descriptions' below chart.

**Deloitte Taxation and Investment Guides**
The Taxation and Investment Guides help potential investors understand the tax system, operating conditions and investment climate for most major trading jurisdictions. The Guides focus on corporate, individual and indirect taxation; choice of business entity; the business and regulatory environment; foreign investment; and employment.

**Country Factfiles**
Search by country. Click on 'Factfile' link. Sample demographic, economic, lifestyle and market size statistics; what can be extremely useful are the 'Business Information Sources' links at the bottom of each page.
Country Risk Reports

**Nexis Uni [Library Database]**

Two good country risk reports are the *PRS Group International Country Risk Guide* and the *Business Monitor News*. To find a risk report on a particular country, first click on the "Publication" link and search by either guide’s title. Then enter your country's name in the search box and the word "risk". Click enter. On the results page change results ranking from "Relevance" to "Newest-Old". (Note: The *Business Monitor News* has both an economic and a political report.)

Business Culture Etiquette

**Kwintessential Cross-Cultural Solutions** [http://www.kwintessential.co.uk/resources/]
Topics include etiquette, customs and business protocol for a wide range of countries.

**See Also [Library-owned books]**

**When Cultures Collide: Managing Successfully Across Cultures** [HD62.4 .L49]
Common patterns in different cultures, and many examples of how different groups act under different situations.

**Kiss, Bow, or shake Hands: How to Do Business in Sixty Countries** [REF HD 62.4 .M67]

**Do's and Taboos Around the World** [HD 62.4 .D66]

**Do's and taboos around the world for women in business** [HD 62.4 .B86 D67]