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- Tokyo (Japan) -- Maps
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Databases for Research

**Academic Search Complete**  
A large database with a broad range of articles on all areas of study. Useful for getting perspectives from many disciplines, and popular media sources

**Bibliography of Asian Studies**  
Indexes English language articles on all aspects of East Asian Studies

**Historical Abstracts**  
The major index to articles in history journals in world history (not covering North America)

**SOCIndex**  
Sociology, urban studies and urban planning journals

**Summon**  
A single search of many sources of all types available in print and online

Other relevant databases: [see Databases A-Z to link to these](#)

- **Art Full Text**
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*MIT “Visualizing Cultures”* – image study of modern era Japan and early modern China

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