

Cheat Sheet #4

Google Databases, Features, and Shortcuts Equivalents in Other Major Search Engines

SEARCHABLE DATABASES (PROPRIETARY OR CONTRACTUAL)			
	Google	Yahoo!	Teoma/Ask Jeeves
Where to find	www.google.com	search.yahoo.com	static.wc.ask.com/docs/announcements/searchsmarter.html
Web pages	• 8+ billion (1 billion not indexed)	• 3+ billion	• About 1 billion (in Teoma)
Directory	• 1.5+ million	• 2 million	• No equivalent
Images	• 1.3+ billion	• 1.5 billion	• "Pictures" from PicSearch.com
News	• 4,500 sources	• 7,000 sources	• From Moreover.com
Shopping & Products	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Froogle: web pages + merchant-supplied catalogs & info • Catalogs: scanned & uploaded catalogs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Products: Search, browse, compare, set price limits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Products: from PriceGrabber.com
Local businesses & services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local search: web pages + yellow pages; with maps, proximity choices Type product & US city or zip code: cameras berkeley 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local search easier to use but fewer results than in Google Local 	• No equivalent
Maps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maps: draggable, satellite view, directions, integrated with Google Local for businesses & services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • maps.yahoo.com: maps & driving directions 	• No equivalent
Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Groups: Usenet newsgroups since 1981 plus new content; create or join new groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • groups.yahoo.com: Create or join existing groups. 	• No equivalent

GOOGLE FEATURES & SHORTCUTS WITH COMPARABLE EQUIVALENTS			
	Google www.google.com/help/features.html	Yahoo! tools.search.yahoo.com/shortcuts	Ask Jeeves Smart Search static.wc.ask.com/docs/announcements/searchsmarter.html
Airline flight tracking info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flight status • Type [airline] [flight number] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flight status • Type [airline] [flight number] 	• In Smart Results
Airport info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delays, weather conditions, etc. • Type [airport code or city] airport 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delays, weather conditions, etc. • Type [airport code or city] airport 	• No equivalent
Area codes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US area code defined by maps • Type [3-digit code] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cities where used or code for city • Type area code [city] or 3-digit code 	• No equivalent
Calculator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type math problem in search box: Ex.: 5+2*2 2^20 sqrt(-4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter problem in search box Less sophisticated than Google's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smart Results (in Search smarter) Less sophisticated than Google's
Conversion of weights & measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type problem in search box: Ex.: half a quart in teaspoons Ex.: 15 pounds * 2 miles in calories 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard conversions • Type convert [amount] to [amount] 	• In Conversions
Definitions, facts, encyclopedic lookup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type define:[your words] (finds web pages about your word) • Type what you want to know (various fact books and reference tools) • Search for your term (quotes o.k.) click in blue bar in results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type define [word] • Many dictionaries, encyclopedias, and other teaching tools at: education.yahoo.com/reference • Type [topic] facts (Columbia Encyclopedia results) 	• In Dictionary Search
Maps & directions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US street maps in search box or use maps.google.com • Type [address] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US street maps • Type [address] or map [location] 	• No equivalent
Movies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type [movie name] • Type movies:[zip code] • Type movies:[theme keywords] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type showtimes [zip code] 	• Movie search
Weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type weather:[city, state or zip code] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type [city] weather 	• In Weather

GOOGLE FEATURES & SHORTCUTS WITH COMPARABLE EQUIVALENTS

	Google www.google.com/help/features.html	Yahoo! tools.search.yahoo.com/shortcuts	Ask Jeeves Smart Search static.wc.ask.com/docs/announcements/searchsmarter.html
Stock info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stock reports and headlines • Type [one or more NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ, or mutual fund codes] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Price, intraday chart, news headlines • Type quote [ticker symbol] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Stock Search
Synonyms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use third Definitions function (above) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type synonym [word] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Dictionary Search
Translation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click Translate this page in results • Type or paste [text or URL] at www.google.com/language_tools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click Translate this page in results • Type or paste [text or URL] at tools.search.yahoo.com/language 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No equivalent
White pages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type rphonebook: [name] [address] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People search for phone numbers or email at search.yahoo.com 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • White pages
Yellow pages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type bphonebook: [name] [address] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yellow Pages at search.yahoo.com 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No equivalent
Zip codes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US zip code defined by maps • Type [zip code] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type zip code [city] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Smart Results

STANDARD NUMBER LOOKUPS

	Google	Yahoo!	Ask Jeeves Smart Search
FAA Aircraft registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who owns • Type [the number] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who owns • Type [the number] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No equivalent
FCC equipment IDs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who owns • Type fcc [number incl. punctuation] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No equivalent 	
Parcel tracking numbers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPS, FedEx, USPS • Type [the number] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPS: Type [the number] • FedEx: Type fedex [number] • USPS: Type usps [number] 	
Patents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Patent lookup • Type patent [number] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Patent lookup • Type patent [number] 	
UPC codes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Product identification • Type [the code] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Product identification • Type [the code] 	
VIN (vehicles)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vehicle info, history • Type [the number] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vehicle info, history • Type [the number] 	

WEB PAGE LOOKUPS

	Google	Yahoo!	Ask Jeeves Smart Search
Page info:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find Google cached copy, links: • Type info: [URL] (no http://) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No equivalent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No equivalent
Cache:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find cached copy of a page • Click Cached or type cache: [URL] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find cached copy of a page • Click Cached link 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No equivalent
Similar pages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finds pages somehow related • Type related: [URL] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No equivalent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Related Search • Finds interesting related pages
Who links to you?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find pages that link to a page • Type link:URL (http:// not needed) • Cannot be mixed with other terms or syntax 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find pages that link to a page (mixable) • Type link:URL (include http://) • Find pages linking to a domain (mixable) • Type linkdomain:domain.to.first/ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No equivalent

MORE SHORTCUTS AND LOOKUPS

NOT IN GOOGLE	Yahoo!	Ask Jeeves Smart Search	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book price finder 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type [ISBN] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Famous people
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exchange rates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type convert [currency] to [currency] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wedding registries
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gas prices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type gas [zip code] 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports scores 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type [team] scores 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time zones 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type time in [city] 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic reports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type [city] traffic 		