

Single and Multiple Word Searches

The Milwaukee Public Library's Internet Search Tools page provides a comprehensive list of search engines along with a host of other web searching tools and information about strategies and tips for searching. The following exercise provides instruction on constructing a simple query.

(Note: this exercise is continued from the previous page)

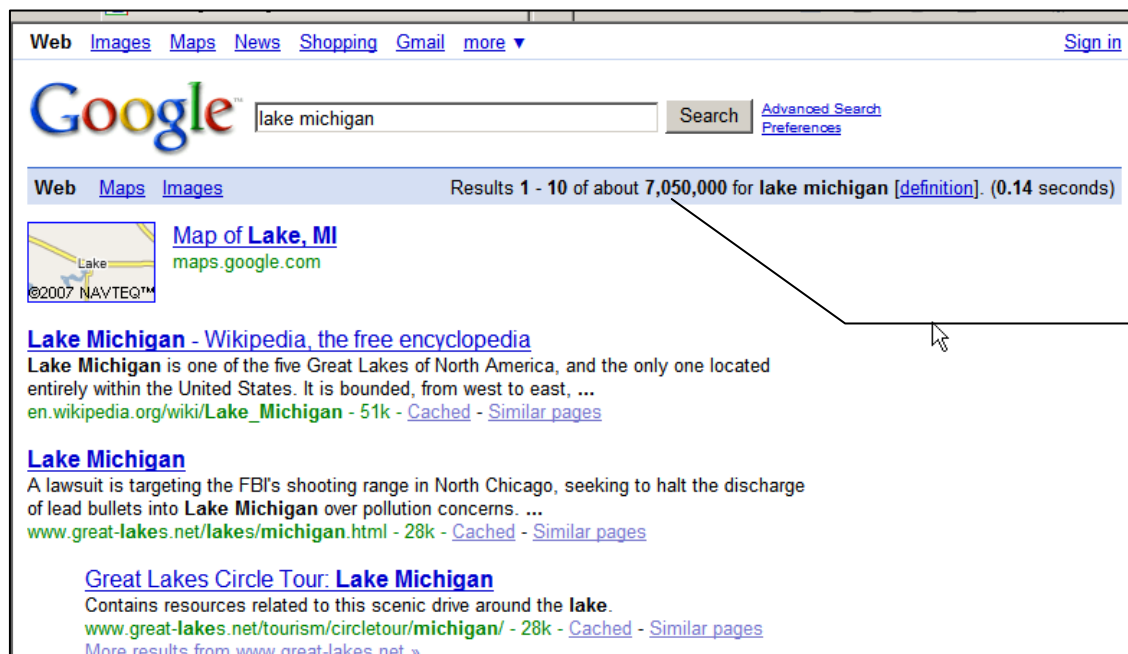
Single Word Search

1. Scroll down and click the link **Google**.
2. In the box provided, type in the word *lake*.
3. Click the **Google Search** button.
 - More than 450 million web sites display.
4. Scroll down the page and look at the first 10 web sites. Notice a short description displays underneath each link.
5. Click on a link to access the web page and click the **Back** button to return to the results list.



Multiple Word Search

6. Click in the search box at the top of the page after the word *michigan*.
7. Click the **Google Search** button.
 - Notice the list of web sites that displays is smaller, although still quite large, around 7 million pages.
8. Click on the link titled, Lake Michigan – Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia, and explore the web site.



Number of total web sites that include both the words *lake* and *michigan*.