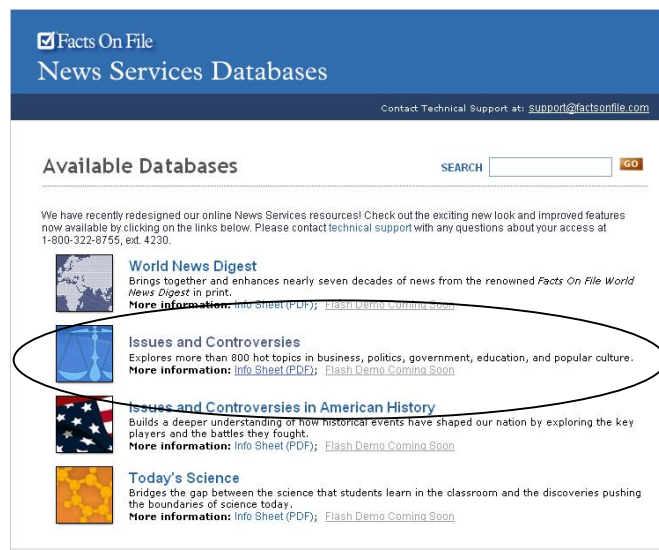


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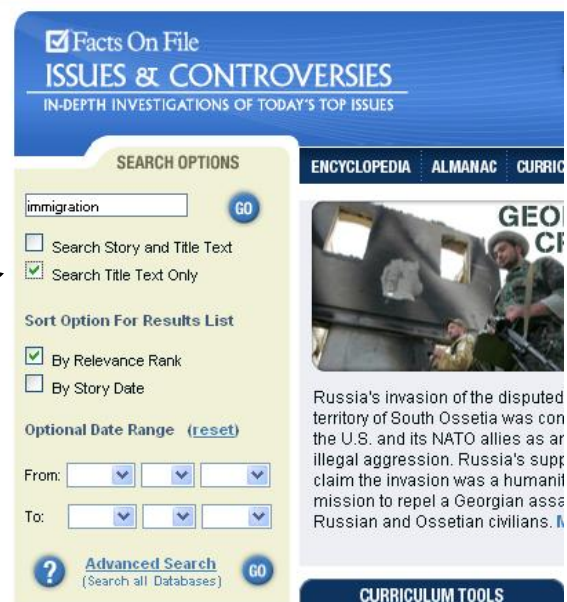
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The issue: Should efforts to restructure U.S. immigration policy focus primarily on securing the nation's borders? Or should reformers' priority be facilitating illegal immigrants' ability to obtain a work permit or attain U.S. citizenship?

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- *Supporters of a security-oriented approach say:* If left unguarded, the U.S.'s lengthy, porous borders constitute a grave threat to national security. Immigration reform efforts should concentrate on bolstering border security, through the implementation of new surveillance technology, the deployment of additional border patrol agents and the construction of physical barriers along border areas. Making it easier for immigrants to gain amnesty will only encourage more illegal immigrants to come to the U.S.

As of early 2007, the federal government estimates that there are anywhere from 10 million to 12 million illegal immigrants in the U.S. Hailing from all corners of the world, those millions of immigrants enhance the

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