

# Great Sources of Information

## Personal Property

<http://www.nada.com> – N.A.D.A.

<http://www.carfax.com> - if you know the VIN number on a car – this site is for you. Just enter the VIN, click on “Get the CARFAX” and the information appears.

Here are other sites just like this one, but for other personal property. All are user-friendly.

<http://www.boattrader.com> – boats.

<http://www.rvtraderonline.com> – campers.

<http://www.cycletrader.com> – motorcycles and ATV’s.

<http://www.bucnet.com> – boats for sale. After the page has opened, in the middle of the page you will see a heading “Yachts for sale & Boats for sale”. Click on this link. From this page choose the information needed to find the boat you want. Click on submit and the boat information appears.

<http://www.iboats.com> - boats, click on “Boat for Sale”, scroll down to “Web Results”. These links were found useful.

<http://www.kbb.com> – Kelly Blue Book includes motorcycles, watercraft, and snowmobiles.

<http://www.edmunds.com> – Edmunds includes new and used cars.

<http://www.pricedigest.com> – Redbook, requires a fee.

<http://www.truecar.com> - good info on new car sales.

<http://www.vmrintl.com> - VMR Auto Guide.

## *Classic Cars*

<http://www.classiccars.com> - pricing on older vehicles, a fee required. There are still several with no fee requirements.

<http://www.Collectorcarmarket.com> - 1946-1979 vintage cars.

## ***Airplanes***

<http://www.aerotrader.com> - airplanes.

<http://www.airpac.com> - airplanes.

## ***Livestock***

<https://agriculture.mo.gov/Market/pdf/weeklysummary.pdf> - this weekly summary report keeps you informed on the goat market. You will be amazed at the price of goats. Also listed are grain prices along with futures. Cattle, pigs and sheep are listed in the summary.

<https://issuu.com/momarketnews/docs/mo-livestock-directory> - this is a listing of Missouri Livestock Market Directory. The listing gives names, address, website, etc. of the livestock auction barns in the state.

<http://www.exoticanimalsforsale.net> - all kinds of exotic animals are for sale on this website. Did you know porcupines' sell from \$800 to \$1,000? Once you're in this site, click on "exotic animals for sale" in small letters right under the page headings.

## ***Heavy Equipment, Heavy Trucks, and Trailers***

<http://www.machinerytrader.com> – used equipment for sale. Enter the make and model in the page search. A listing will come up of the items for sale.

[www.equipmentworld.com](http://www.equipmentworld.com) – source for reading about equipment, metal costs, fuel prices, etc.

[www.rockanddirt.com](http://www.rockanddirt.com) – User-Friendly. This site not only has heavy equipment, it also has heavy trucks (drill trucks, concrete trucks, etc.) and trailers (chip trailers, skid steer trailers, etc.). A good website.

[www.contractorshotline.com](http://www.contractorshotline.com) – Contractors Hot Line, once the page appears, look to the left. A box headed "Read Latest Issue" has several subheadings listed. Heavy Equipment, Trucks & Trailers, and Cranes/Lifting, click on one of the subheadings. From here, you click on the type of equipment you want. A second page will open up listing makes. From this page, you select the model.

[www.constructionequipmentguide.com](http://www.constructionequipmentguide.com) – this is a good site for "off-the-wall" construction equipment. Example; aerial lifts, air compressors, welders, etc. There are two ways to search,

either by the listings at the top of the home page, or going into the Used Equipment Search to narrow the search down.

[www.commercialtrucktrader.com/Custom-Search/search-results?&type=heavy](http://www.commercialtrucktrader.com/Custom-Search/search-results?&type=heavy) – Commercial Truck Trader, over-the-road trucks.

[www.truckpaper.com](http://www.truckpaper.com) – there are heavy duty, medium duty, and light duty trucks on this website. Trailers are also for sale. The site is user-friendly.

### ***Tractors and Equipment***

[www.tractorhouse.com](http://www.tractorhouse.com) – are you looking for tractors, farm equipment, or that miscellaneous farm item? Check this site out. There are several categories, for example; tractors, harvest equipment, hay and forage equipment, and other equipment. The “other equipment” holds blades and box scrapers, feed/mixer wagons, and rock pickers. This is a user-friendly site. You can do a quick search by make and model or click on a category listed.

### ***Portable Scales and Built-in Scales***

[www.loadmasterscale.com](http://www.loadmasterscale.com) – this website can give some quotes on Loadmaster truck scales along with railroad scales. There is also a Used/Rental Scales section. Once you’re on this site, go under the Quote/Info Request section. Click on the type of scale you are wanting.

## **Real Estate Property**

### ***Grain Elevators***

<https://www.bnsf.com/mappingtoolbox/elevatorMap/> - this site is from BNSF. Once the site is up, click on the site number you want. The information provided; owner of the grain elevators, the capacity, what kinds of grains handled, and if there are scales showing the kind used.

## ***Real Estate Property Sales of Homes/Commercial Buildings and Building Costs***

[www.loopnet.com](http://www.loopnet.com) – you can see some listings on this site free, but to see all - you have to become a member. The site is user-friendly.

[www.trulia.com](http://www.trulia.com) – this is a good user-friendly site for looking up homes on the market. Several of the homes have Visual Tours. This can be very helpful. The site also lists interior information on the home.

[www.zillow.com](http://www.zillow.com) - a real estate page to find homes for sale or homes sold. There is interior information available. Pictures are available.

[www.workingre.com](http://www.workingre.com) -this publication has a lot of useful information for appraisers and anyone involved in the field of real estate.

[www.building-cost.net](http://www.building-cost.net) - free site providing residential construction costs. The building calculator is user-friendly.

## **Mapping**

<https://www.missourimappers.org/> - the MMA or Missouri Mappers Association is a great little organization and the website is packed full of information. Once you enter the site click on the different headings to view the information offered. The links page holds a great deal of informative and interesting sites. If you're a mapper, this is a must see site.

<http://msc.fema.gov/> - flood map data from FEMA. Scroll down to the bottom of the page until you see "What are you looking for?" Click on Flood Maps. From here, choose the answers as they come up.

<http://www.magicgis.org> - MidAmerica GIS Consortium.

<http://www.msdis.missouri.edu> - Missouri Spatial Data Information Service. This site is in a new building stage. You can build different layers of maps with information needed. There are other items on the site that are pretty interesting.

<http://www.google.com/earth/index.html> - explore aerial photos throughout the world.

<http://www.unitconversion.org> - converts mapping measurements (rods, chains, etc.) into feet. It will also convert areas – such as how many square foot in an acre. It will do several conversion types. You can download the free software available.

## **Towers**

### ***Towers and Antennas***

<http://wireless2.fcc.gov/UIsApp/AsrSearch/asrRegistrationSearch.jsp> - are you looking for an antenna? Check this website out. You can search different ways, by city and state, or by registration number.

<http://www.antennasearch.com> – you have to have a street, city, and state in order for the search to work. Once you enter the information, a search is done resulting in how many towers, future towers, and antennas there are within a 4-mile area. When you click on show report, a map appears with all locations pinpointed. When you click on the pinpoint, information about the antenna or tower comes up.

<https://map.sbsite.com/> - this is a cell tower locator website. It will open to a map. You can scroll in closer to the location you are looking into.

## **Miscellaneous**

<https://www.mo.gov> - Missouri State Website.

<https://stc.mo.gov> – State Tax Commission of Missouri

<https://www.irs.gov> – IRS

<https://dor.mo.gov> – Missouri Department of Revenue

<https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/US/PST045218> - state and county census data

<https://www.modot.org/traffic-volume-maps> - traffic count maps.

<http://www.batchgeo.com> – this is a great site and can be used in many applications. For example; let's say you want to pinpoint your locations of billboards within your county. All you do is enter the information into a spreadsheet; copy and paste into the website, then click on create a map. All locations are pinpointed onto a map. A great tool to have in any office. Other ways to use this website is locating sales, or even locating “call-back” parcels for review.

<https://www.merriam-webster.com> – America's most trusted dictionary and Thesaurus.

<http://www.wikipedia.org> - don't forget Wikipedia! This is a great free encyclopedia.

<http://www.IAAO.org> – IAAO - library and resources tab

<https://revisor.mo.gov/main/Home.aspx> - Missouri Statutes.

<https://www.house.mo.gov/billcentral.aspx> - Missouri Bill Tracking (links to Missouri House and Senate.)

There are undoubtedly hundreds of other websites that contain information that would be useful to an assessor.