

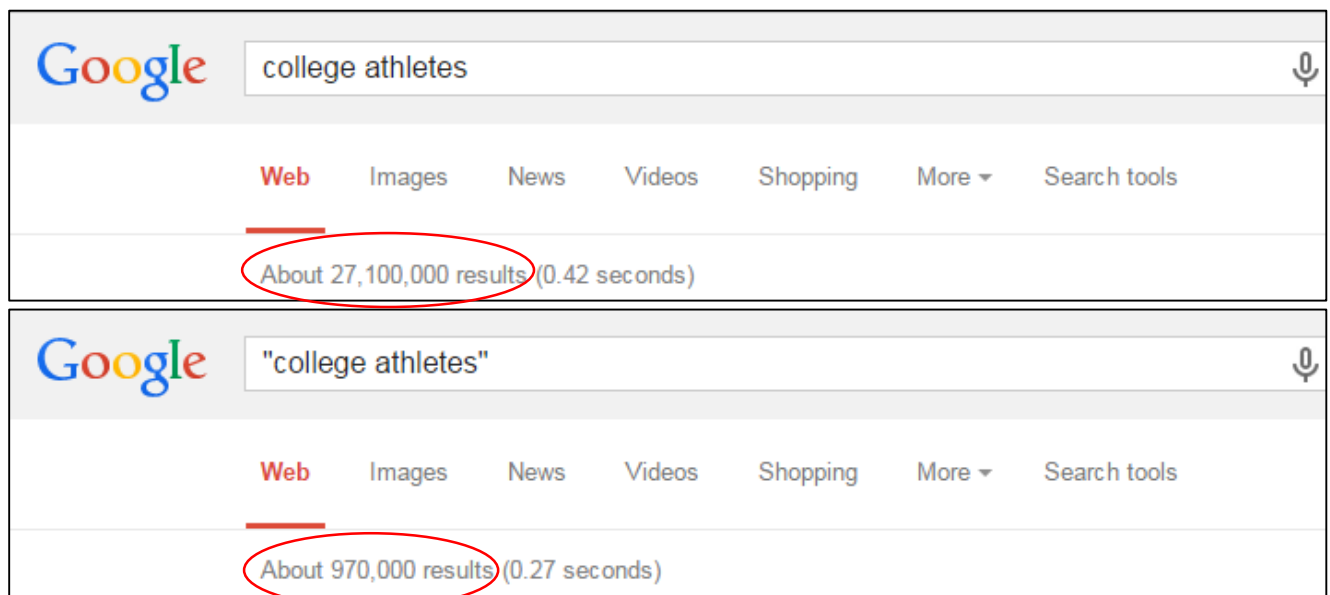


## Advanced Online Searching

*(tips for online searching to increase or decrease your number of results)*

### Phrase Searching

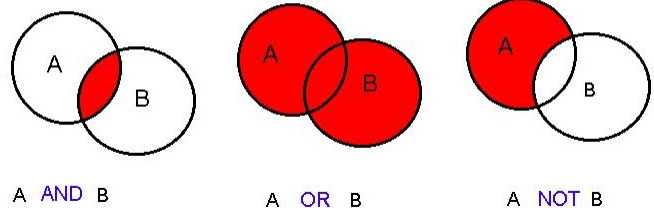
When searching for a phrase it is helpful to enclose the phrase in quotation marks so that the database search engine knows that you are searching for exactly those words, in exactly that order.



### Boolean Searching

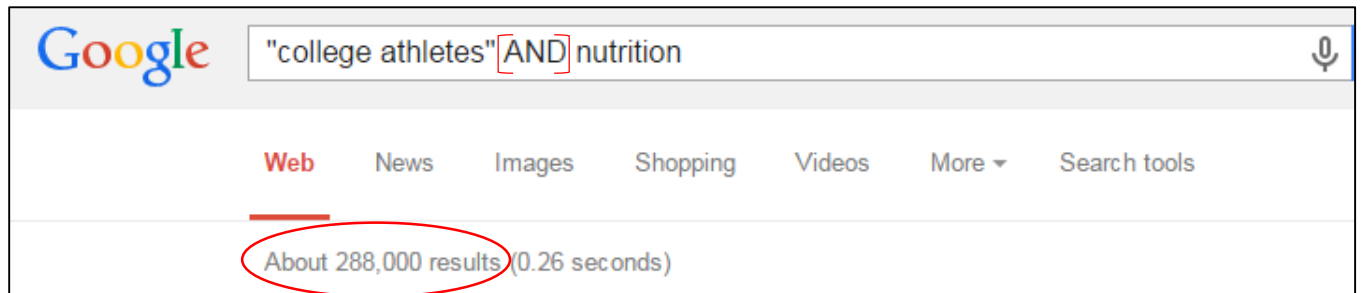
Using Boolean Operators (AND, OR, NOT) between search words or phrases will decrease or increase your results set, according to your needs. AND & NOT are used to decrease results; OR is used to increase them.

#### BOOLEAN OPERATORS



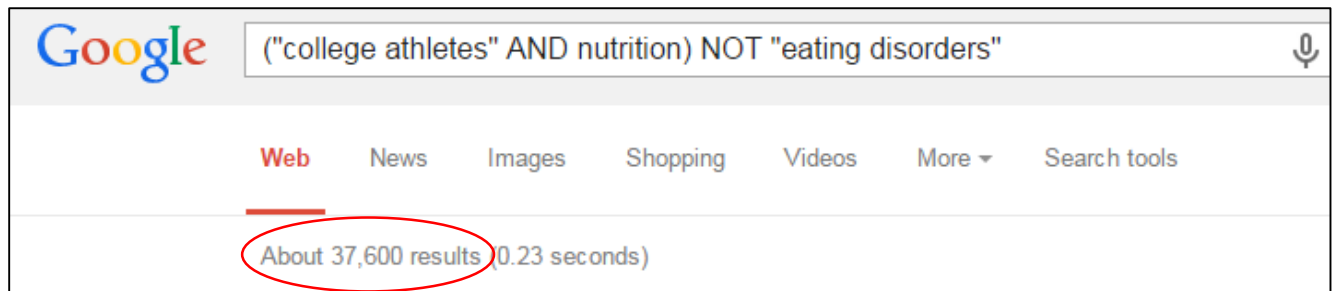
## (Boolean Searching)

*Note: Google assumes a Boolean AND Operator between any two or more words or phrases, so it is not strictly necessary to include it. It is shown here for demonstration purposes.*



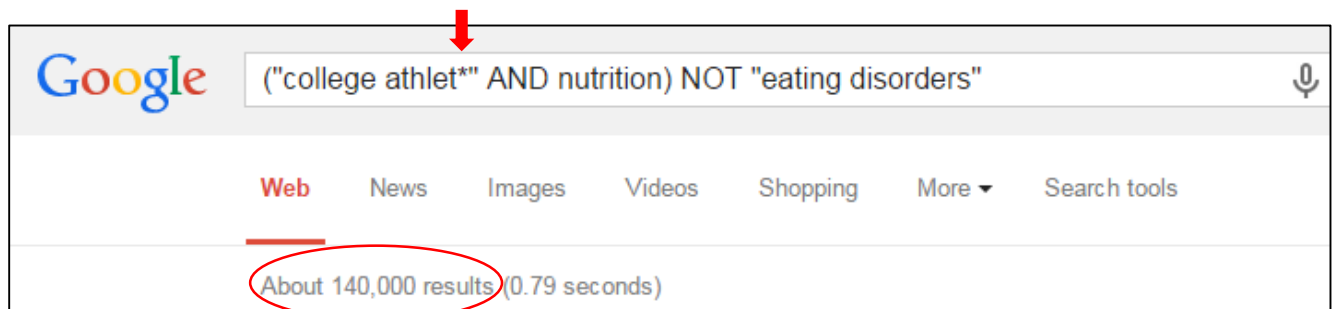
## Nesting

Nesting allows you to group your searches together logically when using more than one Boolean Operator by enclosing a search in parentheses.





## Truncation

Truncation uses a symbol (often an asterisk) in place of letters to get more results.



## Advanced Search Functions




Like other databases, Google provides an Advanced Search  function that allows you to make more choices to narrow or focus your search results.



Advanced Search



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Find pages with...

 all these words:	<input type="text" value="nutrition"/>	Type the important words: tricolor rat terrier
 this exact word or phrase:	<input type="text" value="college athletes"/>	Put exact words in quotes: "rat terrier"
any of these words:	<input type="text"/>	Type OR between all the words you want: miniature OR standard
 none of these words:	<input type="text" value="eating disorders"/>	Put a minus sign just before words you don't want: -rodent, -"Jack Russell"
numbers ranging from:	<input type="text"/> to <input type="text"/>	Put 2 periods between the numbers and add a unit of measure: 10..35 lb, \$300..\$500, 2010..2011

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Then narrow your results by...

 language:	<input type="text" value="English"/>	Find pages in the language you select.
region:	<input type="text" value="any region"/>	Find pages published in a particular region.
last update:	<input type="text" value="anytime"/>	Find pages updated within the time you specify.
site or domain:	<input type="text" value=".edu"/>	Search one site (like wikipedia.org) or limit your results to a domain like .edu, .org or .gov
 terms appearing:	<input type="text" value="in the title of the page"/>	Search for terms in the whole page, page title, or web address, or links to the page you're looking for.
SafeSearch:	<input type="text" value="Show most relevant results"/>	Tell SafeSearch whether to filter sexually explicit content.
reading level:	<input type="text" value="no reading level displayed"/>	Find pages at one reading level or just view the level info.
file type:	<input type="text" value="any format"/>	Find pages in the format you prefer.
usage rights:	<input type="text" value="not filtered by license"/>	Find pages you are free to use yourself.