

Historical Abstracts and America History & Life: limiting a search by event date

If you are ever searching in *America History & Life* and *Historical Abstracts* and you want to limit your search, bear in mind that there are a number of ways of doing this. Let's start with this general search on the subject of "fisheries" that also mentions "Newfoundland."

We come up with a 122 results, but these results are wide ranging and include any time from pre-history to things that happened just a few years ago. A very good way of limiting your search is to consider the era of the event that is of interest to you. You can limit your search to a certain era by clicking on the "Show More" button.

This area here that describes the historical period is looking at the historical period of the event you are studying rather than the date of publication of an article. If you are interested in material dealing with fisheries from 1650 AD to 1750 AD you can put those dates in the search fields and be quite specific about selecting dates.

When you resend your search, you will see that your 122 results are now pared down to 36 results and all of them are dealing with the historical period described in your search, that is, the early fisheries in Newfoundland. Don't forget to limit your search by the historical date you have in mind by using the "Show More" link.