

**Factiva:
Advanced Searching**

How do I use advanced search operators in Factiva?

Answer:

Factiva allows you to construct advanced search queries; the following table provides a guide to Factiva's search commands.

Connector	Explanation
and	<i>technology spending and canada</i> finds items containing the words "technology spending" as well as the word "canada"
or	<i>merger or acquisition</i> finds items containing either "merger" or "acquisition"
not	<i>software not spreadsheets</i> finds items containing the word "software," but excludes those containing the word "spreadsheets"
() Parentheses or [] Brackets	<i>select releases and (university or instruction, or courses)</i> finds items containing the term "select releases" and one of the terms "university," "instruction," or "courses"
atleastn	<i>atleast5 microsoft</i> will return items with at least five mentions of Microsoft Note: <i>n</i> is any number between 1 and 50. <i>Atleast</i> works only in Search: Free-Text/Indexing, and not in Track.
same	<i>vodafone same telecommunications</i> finds items containing "vodafone" in the same paragraph as "telecommunications"
adjn w/n	<i>world cup adj5 rugby</i> and <i>world cup w/5 rugby</i> find items containing "World Cup" within 5 words of "rugby" in the order entered ("rugby" must come after "world cup"). Note: <i>n</i> is any number from 1 to 10. A value for <i>n</i> must be specified for w/n but not adjn.
nearn /Nn/	<i>carrefour near5 retail sales</i> and <i>carrefour /N5/ retail sales</i> find items with the word "carrefour" within 5 words of "retail sales" in any order ("carrefour" may come before or after "retail sales"). Note: <i>n</i> is any number from 1 to 500. A value for <i>n</i> must be specified for /Nn/ but not nearn.
/Fn/	<i>toyota/F50/</i> finds items with the word "toyota" in the first 50 words of the article. Note: <i>n</i> is any number from 1 to 500. /Fn/ works only in Search: Free-Text/Indexing, and not in Track. More . . .

\$n	<p><i>earn</i>\$4 finds items containing words with the root "earn" that have up to 4 letters after the root (e.g. "earnings," "earns," "earned," not "earnestly").</p> <p>Note: n is any number from 1 to 9. At least 3 characters must be typed before using the \$ sign, and the \$ sign must be entered at the end of a word only. \$5 is assumed if n is not specified.</p>
* (asterisk)	<p><i>telecom</i>* finds items with words of any length containing the root "telecom" (e.g. "telecom," "telecommunications," "telecommute," "telecommuting").</p> <p>Note: At least 3 characters must be typed before using the * sign, and the * sign must be entered at the end of a word only. No number is allowed following the truncation.</p>
?	<p><i>globali?ation</i> finds items containing the words "globalization" or "globalisation."</p> <p>Note: At least 3 characters must be typed before using the ? sign.</p>