# **Data Gathering Tools**

Hoovers		LinkedIn Sales Navigator		SalesGenie		PitchBook	
Feature	Benefit	Feature	Benefit	Feature	Benefit	Feature	Benefit
Huge Commercial Database:		Custom Lists: Easier to		All-in-one sales, marketing,		language processing and	
85 million+ companies,		manage pipeline		and lead generation:		machine learning technology:	
intuitive UI, keep up to date				provides unlimited access to		enables it to easily find data	
with your industry, market,				industry leadin	g US business	that is valuable	e and relevant
competitors, and firm with				and consumer	data, includes	to the compan	y.
formal reports, social media				features specif	ically designed		
links, news feeds, etc.				to quickly find	contacts,		
				connect directl	y with decision		
				makers, and se	ell smarter.		
Data Hub: rese	Data Hub: research easier TeamLink: enables reps to		List Builder: makes it simple		support team: can access the		
and decisions	nd decisions can be made view and search their team's		to search for b	usinesses, &	data, enabling	you to make	
more objectively with better connections to identify wh		identify who	consumers; fin	d decision	intelligent deci	sions that are	

information that is also	has first-degree connections	makers, phone numbers,	data-driven if you or your
objective	with a prospect in the	email addresses; view	company run into any
	pipeline	detailed information about	problems.
		the company; prepare for	
		sales calls; and/or build your	
		email/direct mail campaign	
Lead Builder: set the	Targeted Searches: gives	News/People Alerts: Alerts	very thorough research
parameters for ideal leads	reps the power to more	you to changes happening to	process: the information
and Hoovers will return a list	narrowly target their ideal	industries, companies and	available to its users are
complete with contract	leads and discover relevant	people you follow	accurate and up-to-date. The
information	connections.		information made available
			to users is sourced from
			websites, press releases,
			filings, and a number of other
			sources by the research team

Cost Per User (approximately)							
\$89 per month	\$79.99 per month	\$99 per month	\$1500 per month				

### **Hoovers**

Its integration with Customer Relationship Management (CRM) tools is very useful to some reviewers. The leads within the database are always being updated and checked for validity, and there is even a feature to use your GPS and determine which leads are closest to you. Hoovers may be the most cost-effective, but not the most robust. This platform is likely not the most cost-effective for small businesses operating on a budget. Use Hoovers when trying to find contact information for new leads.

## **LinkedIn Sales Navigator**

Being able to integrate your LinkedIn network with your CRM is very useful, along with being able to expand your network and thus contact folks outside of your second and third connections on LinkedIn, makes this tool very useful. It is the cheapest out of the four listed above, and has a pretty good mobile app. Users can tag other members of their team in leads they find. The program's search tool can be hard to use, and the InMessages are limited and not in the same inbox as the messages from your normal LinkedIn account.

### SalesGenie

Useful for marketing in that it can be used for both email and direct mail campaigns. It is good for small and medium sized businesses and has a built-in CRM, but does not offer web design, creation of content, and telemarketing. The company does not have a call center that can help its customers with telemarketing, but clients can call their company for help. SalesGenie can provide you with B2B and consumer data, but not with any sort of automation.

## **PitchBook**

Michael Wales, a sales professional who has been working in the industry for over twenty-five years, said that he would prefer PitchBook out of all of the other options listed on this document. He said that the data is much more accurate and better, and therefore the \$1500 price tag is worth it. The price tag, however, makes this program not worth it for small and even some medium sized businesses.

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