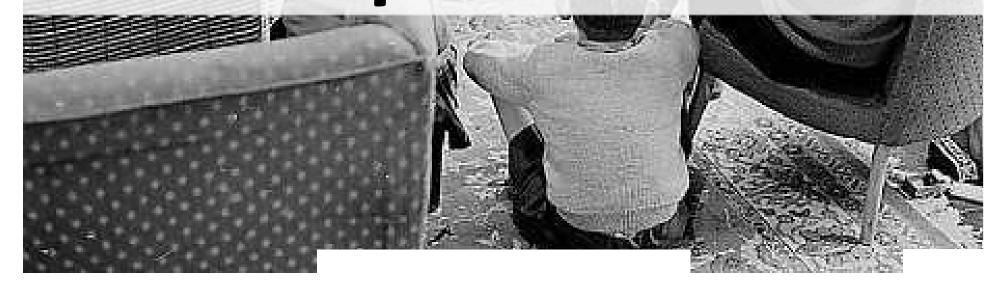


## Can you find the key information in report texts?





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