



Database Descriptions

- **ABC PolSci**

ABC PolSci contains citations from more than 300 of today's most essential political science journals. The database begins coverage in 1984 and is updated several times each year.

- **ABI/Inform**

ABI/INFORM (Global edition) provides in-depth coverage of business conditions, trends, corporate strategies and tactics, management techniques, competitive and product information, and a wide variety of other topics. This database provides informative indexing and substantive abstracts to articles from more than 1,300 leading business and management publications, including over 350 English-language titles from outside the U.S. Updated weekly, the database covers business related periodicals since 1971. Many of the titles in *ABI* link to the full-text articles, as well.

- **African-American Poetry**

African-American Poetry, 1760 - 1900, includes more than 2,500 poems written by African-American poets in the late eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. The poetry explores a multitude of topics, including abolition, children, civil rights, dreams, education, fugitive slave law, Indian raids, liberty, political issues, prejudice, and slavery. The variety of poem types is equally broad. The database includes allegories, broadsides, children's poems, elegiac poems, epics, hymns, odes, patriotic poems, and sonnets. The poets are among those included in the William French et. al bibliography, *Afro-American Poetry and Drama, 1760-1975*. The full-text of the poems is included and is fully searchable.

- **AIDSLINE (AIDS Information Online)**

AIDSLINE provides comprehensive coverage of AIDS and HIV infections. It covers the biomedical, epidemiologic, health care administration, oncologic, and social and behavioral sciences' literature about the acquired immune deficiency syndrome and HIV infections. Citations include journal articles, monographs, meeting abstracts and papers, government reports, theses, and newspaper articles from 1980 to the present. Many of the citations in *AIDSLINE* are taken from the *MEDLINE*, *CANCERLIT*, *HealthSTAR*, and *BIOETHICSLINE* databases. Additionally, the meeting abstracts from the 5th - 11th Intl. Conferences on AIDS and selected abstracts from smaller meetings are available on *AIDSLINE*. *AIDSLINE* is updated monthly.

- **America: History & Life**

America: History & Life covers United States and Canadian History. First published in 1964, *America: History & Life* is a complete bibliographic reference to the history of the United States and Canada from prehistory to the present. The database includes almost 400,000 bibliographic entries, providing comprehensive coverage, and is updated with roughly 16,000 new citations each year.

- **American Heritage Dictionary**

The *American Heritage Dictionary* gives a contemporary perspective on the English language. It contains more than 310,000 definitions with thousands of new words that reflect changing social patterns in the 1990's. The dictionary is updated periodically.

- **American Poetry**

American Poetry brings together the complete poetic works of more than 200 American writers from colonial America up through the early twentieth-century. The approximately 35,000 poems include the works of major American poets such as Emily Dickinson, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Phillis Wheatley, Walt Whitman, and John Greenleaf Whittier. A selection of anthologies is also included. These anthologies are reproduced in full, including the editorial matter. Poets included in the database are selected based on significant American poets included in the *Bibliography of American Literature*, Yale University Press 1955-1991. A number of other works were included by recommendation. All works are in their complete form, including accompanying text written by the author.

- **Annual Bibliography of English Language**

The *Annual Bibliography of English Language* covers all aspects of English literature from Anglo-Saxon times to the present day. It has been printed since 1921 and is compiled under the direction of the Modern Humanities Research Association (MHRA). British, American, and Commonwealth writing are all represented, and coverage is international, including articles in languages other than English. Subjects areas covered in *ABELL* include: English language, English literature, bibliography, and the traditional culture of the English-speaking world. More than 500,000 records can be searched in the annually updated database.

- **Anthropological Literature**

Anthropological Literature covers articles and essays in anthropology and archaeology published in English or other European languages. Subject areas include: archaeology, art, biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, demography, economics, ethnohistory, folklore, genetics, geography, geology, physical anthropology, psychology, and social anthropology. The database contains more than 400,000 records from the late nineteenth-century to the present and is updated quarterly.

- **AP Photo Archive**

AP Photo Archive contains more than 400,000 images, most of which are contemporary photos made since late 1995. Hundreds of spot news and feature pictures enter into the Archive each day, and a selection of historical images are scanned in weekly. The archive features state, regional and national photos from North America, as well as a selection from the international photo report.

The photos are all in JPEG format, with an average compressed file size of 500KB for contemporary picture and up to 1.5MB for historical photos.





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• Applied Science & Technology Abstracts

Applied Science & Technology Abstracts covers 411 core scientific and technical publications. Topics include engineering, acoustics, chemistry, computers, metallurgy, physics, plastics, telecommunications, transportation, and waste management. *AS&T* indexes English-language periodicals, and non-English-language articles if English abstracts are provided. Periodical coverage includes trade and industrial publications, journals issued by professional and technical societies, and specialized subject periodicals, as well as special issues such as buyers' guides, directories, and conference proceedings. It indexes from October 1983 to present and is updated monthly.

• ArchivesUSA

ArchivesUSA includes three major national information resources: the Directory of Archives and Manuscript Repositories in the United States (DAMRUS), the National Union Catalogue of Manuscript Collection (NUCMC), and the National Inventory of Documentary Sources in the United States (NIDS). DAMRUS is a directory of manuscript repositories. The NUCMC contains information about some 75,000 collections, including the Library of Congress' subject and name indexing information. NIDS, the major microfiche series, covers the more than 42,000 collections with names and detailed subject indexing.

• Art Abstracts

Art Abstracts indexes 313 leading international art publications, including periodicals, yearbooks, and museum bulletins. This database offers coverage of art topics, including advertising, archaeology, crafts, folk art, graphic arts, interior design, video, film, architecture, and art history. Entries in the database also cite any art reproductions used to illustrate articles and advertisements, under the artists' names and covers titles published in European languages, as well as English-language sources. Indexed since September 1984, *Art Abstracts* is updated monthly.

• ARTFL (Project for American and French Research on the Treasury of the French Language)

ARTFL is a cooperative project between the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique and the University of Chicago. The full-text database contains nearly 2,000 texts, ranging from classic works of French literature to various kinds of non-fiction prose and technical writing. The 17th - 20th centuries are all represented with a smaller selection of medieval and Renaissance texts. The collection's genres include novels, verse, theater, journalism, essays, correspondence, and treatises covering subjects from literary criticism to biology, history, economics, and philosophy. In most cases, standard scholarly editions were used in conversion, and the data contain the page references. Recent additions include texts by Montaigne and Maupassant, and the database is updated periodically.

• Arts & Humanities Citation Index (ISI)

Arts & Humanities Citation Index provides access to multi-disciplinary information from 1,100 of the world's leading arts and humanities research journals published since 1990. It also provides access to an article's cited references or the footnotes from an author's bibliography. Cited items may be critical in nature or original creative works (novels, poems, works of philosophy, paintings, musical compositions, etc.). The database is linked with relevant Electronic Journal Center articles. The index is updated weekly.

• Associations Unlimited

Associations Unlimited, which is updated annually, contains detailed descriptions of nearly 23,000 U.S. national membership organizations in these categories:

- United States national non-profit membership associations;
- International associations which are generally North American in scope and membership;
- Non-membership associations, if they disseminate information to the public, as well as to the researcher;
- For-profit organizations, if their names suggest that they are non-profit organizations; and
- Information organizations that do not maintain headquarters are included as "information entries."

• Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals

The *Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals* file contains records describing articles in more than 1,000 periodicals in the field of architecture and related disciplines. It covers subjects including architecture, architectural design, city planning, historic preservation, history of architecture, interior design, and landscape architecture. Indexing covers 1977 to present with partial coverage for earlier materials, and it is updated daily.

• The Bible in English

The Bible in English contains twenty-one full-text versions of the Bible. Thirteen editions are complete, five are New Testament works, two are Gospel works, and William Tynsdale's New Testament, Pentateuch, and Jonah are also included. The editions were chosen specifically to meet the needs of English Literature and history of the language scholars, as well as those in biblical and theological studies. Protestant, Roman Catholic, and nonconformist editions of the Bible are all included to allow searching and comparison across different centuries and religious beliefs.

• Bibliography of American Literature

The *Bibliography of American Literature* contains bibliographical records of nearly 40,000 American literary works of 281 significant authors from the Revolutionary era through 1930. It is an analytical bibliography containing authors' original works, reprints, and references with the location of at least one copy given. Other information describes the publication of the book, including title page transcription, pagination and publication history.



Database Descriptions

• Bibliography of the History of Art

The *Bibliography of the History of Art* is a comprehensive art history bibliography available worldwide, covering European and American art from late antiquity to the present. Through collaboration between the Getty Information Institute and the French Institut de l'Information Scientifique et Technique du Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, *BHA* indexes and abstracts art-related books, conference proceedings, and dissertations, exhibition and dealer's catalogs, and articles from more than 2,500 periodicals. Components of the index were first published in 1973, and the database is updated quarterly.

• BIOETHICSLINE (BIOETHICS onLINE)

BIOETHICSLINE covers the ethical, legal, and public policy issues surrounding health care and biomedical research. Topics include euthanasia, organ donation and transplantation, allocation of health care resources, patients' rights, professional ethics, new reproductive technologies, genetic intervention, abortion, behavior control and other mental health issues. Many of the citations are derived from the literature of law, religion, the social sciences, philosophy, and the popular media, as well as the health sciences. Citations cover journal articles, monographs, analytics, newspaper articles, court decisions, bills, laws, audiovisual materials, and unpublished documents in English language publications since 1973. It is produced by the Bioethics Information Retrieval Project of the Kennedy Institute of Ethics at Georgetown University, and is updated bimonthly.

• Biography Index

Biography Index provides access to biographical material in books and journals. This database contains: articles in journals, newspapers, etc.; articles or chapters in books; entire books (individual biographies); and collective biographies (reference works with many biographical entries). Citations are drawn from 3,000 periodicals, some 2,000 current books (annually) of individual and collective biography, and incidental biographical material in otherwise non-biographical books. Biographical subjects indexed range from antiquity to the present and represent all fields and nationalities. The following types of biographical material are covered: autobiographies, memoirs, journals, diaries, letters, interviews, bibliographies, obituaries, fiction (biographical novels), pictorial works, juvenile literature, biographical information from otherwise non-biographical sources. In addition, this database provides access by occupations and professions. Updated monthly, the database was first published in July 1984.

• Biological Abstracts

Biological Abstracts contains references to journal items focusing on vital biological and medical research findings, clinical studies, and discoveries of new organisms. Nearly 6,000 international journals are monitored, representing virtually every life science discipline, including agriculture, biochemistry, biotechnology, botany, ecology, environment, microbiology, neurology, pharmacology, and public health. Updated quarterly, coverage is from 1990 to the present.

• Biological & Agricultural Index

The *Biological & Agricultural Index* covers 327 periodicals in the core literature of biology and agriculture. It indexes English language periodicals published in the United States and elsewhere. Periodical coverage includes scientific journals from popular to professional that pertain to biology and agriculture. About 45% of the focus is on agriculture. Subjects covered include: agricultural chemicals, agricultural economics, agricultural engineering, agriculture and agricultural research, animal sciences, biochemistry, biology, biotechnology, botany, cytology, ecology, entomology, environmental science, fishery sciences, food science, forestry, genetics, horticulture, immunology, marine biology, limnology, microbiology, nutrition, paleontology, physiology, plant pathology, soil science, veterinary medicine, weed sciences, wildlife management, and zoology. Coverage begins in July 1983, and the database is updated monthly.

• Book Review Digest

The *Book Review Digest* cites and provides excerpts of reviews of current English-language fiction and non-fiction books. A summary of the book is also provided. This database indexes reviews from more than 89 leading periodicals published in the United States, Canada, and Great Britain. Current fiction and non-fiction, both adult and juvenile, in the humanities, social sciences, and general sciences are included. Generally, not more than three review excerpts for fiction or four for nonfiction are included. Coverage begins in January 1983 to the present, and the database is updated monthly.

• Britannica Online

Britannica Online is the full-text World Wide Web version of the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*. It consists of a fully searchable and browsable collection of authoritative references, including *Britannica's* latest article database, hundreds of articles not found in the print *Britannica*, *Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary (10th edition)*, the *Britannica Book of the Year*, and thousands of links to other World Wide Web sites selected by *Britannica* editors. First introduced in 1994, *Britannica Online* updates both articles and functionality on a regular basis.

• Business & Industry

Business & Industry is a full-text database of broad-based business information covering business at an international level, beginning in 1994. It includes 60% full-text coverage, and draws from business news, facts and events from over 900 trade publications; national, international, regional newspapers; business dailies; and newsletters. It focuses on facts, figures, key events, market information and intellectual property information. The database is updated five times each week.



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• CANCERLIT

CANCERLIT covers major cancer topics from primarily English-language items. Comprehensive and international in scope since 1976, some citations were published as early as 1963. Since June 1983, most journal literature has been derived from *MEDLINE*, but it also includes a limited number of foreign language journals not covered in *MEDLINE*. Document types include: journal articles, government reports, technical reports, meeting abstracts and papers, monographs, letters, and theses. *CANCERLIT* is produced by the National Cancer Institute in cooperation with the National Library of Medicine and is updated monthly.

• Chicano Database

The *Chicano Database* is a comprehensive bibliographic resource for information about Mexican-American topics. The database identifies all types of material about Chicanos including the broader Latino experience of Puerto Ricans, Cuban Americans, and Central American immigrants. It also includes the Spanish Speaking Mental Health Database, which covers psychological, sociological, and educational literature. Coverage begins in 1967, and the database is updated quarterly.

• CINAHL (Nursing & Allied Health)

CINAHL provides comprehensive coverage of journal literature related to nursing and the allied health disciplines from 1983 to the present. Material from more than 900 journals is included, as well as publications of the American Nurses Association and the National League of Nursing. Full-text of 39 state nursing journals, state nurse practice acts, and patient education materials are also included. Additionally, cited references, descriptions of research instruments, and critical paths have been added. The database is updated monthly.

• Columbia Encyclopedia

The *Columbia Encyclopedia* (5th edition) contains more than 50,000 articles, each containing a concise explanation of the word or phrase being searched. The database contains numerous cross references to related articles, bibliographic references to other works, and more than 15,000 biographies ranging from historical and literary figures to contemporary personalities.

• Compendex

Compendex provides comprehensive coverage of engineering with more than 5 million summaries from over 2,600 journals, technical reports, and conference papers and proceedings. Research and development is given priority, and it encompasses all engineering disciplines from bioengineering to petroleum, as well as related fields in science and management. Ninety percent of the materials included are from English publications. Coverage in *Compendex* is from 1970 to the present, and the database is updated weekly.

• Congressional Universe

Congressional Universe indexes government-produced information about the Federal Government. It includes the *National Journal* and *Congress Daily*, committee reports from 1990 forward, Congressional testimony from 1988 forward, approximately 75% of House and Senate documents from 1995 forward, and approximately 15% of committee reports from 1995 forward. The database is updated daily.

• Contemporary Authors

Contemporary Authors is a bio-bibliographical guide to current writers in fiction, general non-fiction poetry, journalism, drama, motion picture, television, and other fields. *Contemporary Authors* provides complete biographical and bibliographical references for more than 90,000 authors from the United States and around the world. It is updated annually.

• Contemporary Women's Issues

Contemporary Women's Issues focuses on women's studies. *Contemporary Women's Issues* provides full-text access to global information on women. Journals, newsletters, and research reports from non-profit groups, government and international agencies from more than 190 countries can be accessed. This single data collection covers sociology, psychology, health, education, business administration and political science as they relate to women. The database is updated weekly.

• Cumulative Book Index

The *Cumulative Book Index* is a bibliographic database citing recent English-language books published throughout the world. It indexes hardcover and paperback books of fiction and non-fiction of 50 pages or more. Bibliographies, plays, poetry, juvenile literature, and scholarly works can be any number of pages. Dictionaries, grammars, phrase-books, readers, editions of foreign classics, and other language learning aids are indexed, if they contain some English. Coverage is from January 1982 to

• Disclosure Global Access

Disclosure Global Access is a source for real-time and historical financial and business information. It is an integrated research tool designed for financial analysts, money managers, corporate leaders and researchers who require instant access to a full-range of critical company information. Use this database to:

- identify investment opportunities.
- perform competitive analysis.
- assess corporate finances.
- manage investment risk.
- track insider trading activity.
- monitor corporate activity.
- perform case studies.



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• Dissertation Abstracts (Digital Dissertations)

Digital Dissertations contains more than 1.5 million entries about doctoral dissertations and master's theses. The database includes citations for materials ranging from the first U.S. dissertation, accepted in 1861, to those accepted as recently as last semester. Since 1997, new publications have been available electronically, and many publications can be ordered through the system for a fee. The database represents the work of authors from over 1,000 North American graduate schools and European universities. About 50,000 new dissertations and 10,000 new theses are added each year.

• Editions and Adaptations of Shakespeare

Editions and Adaptations of Shakespeare includes the full-text of eleven major editions beginning with the First Folio. It also includes twenty-four separate contemporary printings of individual plays, selected apocrypha and related works, and more than 100 adaptations, sequels, and burlesques from the seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth centuries.

• Education Abstracts

Education Abstracts covers 423 core international periodicals, monographs, and yearbooks. Topics include a wide range of contemporary education issues, including government funding, instructional media, multicultural education, religious education, student counseling, competency-based, and information technology. It cites articles in 423 English-language periodicals and yearbooks published in the United States and elsewhere. English language books related to education published in 1995 or later are also indexed. Coverage begins in June 1983 and runs through the present. The database is updated monthly.

• Eighteenth-Century Fiction

Eighteenth-Century Fiction contains a selection of works in English prose from the period 1700-1780, by writers from the British Isles. The complete text of each work is included, and any accompanying authorial material, such as footnotes or introductions. First editions have been used unless considered unreliable, and a general principle has been not to use modernized editions. Original images are included. Bibliographic information and errata lists are provided for each of the original editions used.

• Electronic Journal Center

The Electronic Journal Center includes the full-text of more than 2,000 online journals, beginning in 1985 and continuing into the present. Many subject areas can be researched in the Electronic Journal Center, and searches can be saved by using the e-mail notification registration. Other conveniences in the Electronic Journal Center include links to the Arts & Humanities Citation Index, the Science Citation Index Expanded, and the Social Sciences Citation Index for citing purposes. A number of other databases link into the EJC, as well.

• English Poetry

English Poetry contains over 165,000 poems drawn from 4,500 printed sources. It covers Anglo-Saxon times through the nineteenth-century. The bibliographic basis of English Poetry is the *New Cambridge Bibliography of English Literature*. The database includes the works of writers listed as poets, writers whose main entry appears under another genre but who are cross-referenced to poetry and a few additional writers of poetry not cross-referenced. Works in English of Welsh, Scottish, and Irish poets are included. The full-text and any relevant accompanying text written by the poet.

• English Prose Drama

English Prose Drama covers a period of more than 450 years and contains more than 1,800 plays by approximately 400 authors from the renaissance to the end of the nineteenth century. The bibliographic basis is the *New Cambridge Bibliography of English Literature*. Early, and where appropriate, collected editions are generally selected. If a contemporary edition is considered unreliable, a later edition may be used. In certain cases, modern critical editions are included. The full text of each drama is included with any accompanying text written by the author and forming an integral part of the work. Selected images are directly accessible from the relevant points in the text.

• English Short Title Catalogue

English Short Title Catalogue covers English culture, language, and literature. From the beginnings of print (1473) to 1800, the file provides extensive descriptions and holdings information for letterpress materials printed in Great Britain or any of its dependencies in *any* language, as well as printed English language materials from other countries. Produced by the *ESTC* offices at the University of California, Riverside and the British Library, in partnership with the American Antiquarian Society and over 1,600 other libraries, the file is and updated daily.

• English Verse Drama

English Verse Drama, a full-text database, complements and extends *English Poetry*. It adds six centuries of poetry intended for the stage. It contains more than 1,500 works by around 450 named authors and approximately 230 anonymous works, from the Shrewsbury Fragments of the late thirteenth century through the Elizabethan and Jacobean periods to the end of the nineteenth-century. The bibliographic basis is the *New Cambridge Bibliography of English Literature*. A verse drama is generally defined as a work acted on or intended for the stage which is either completely in verse or includes significant verse content. The text of each verse drama is included with any relevant accompanying text written by the original author.



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- **ERIC (Education Resource Information Center)**

ERIC covers education-related research, beginning in 1966. It is the world's largest source of education information, containing abstracts of more than 850,000 documents and journal articles. Types of information found in *ERIC* include descriptions and evaluations of programs, research reports and surveys, curriculum and teaching guides, instructional materials, position papers, and resource materials. In 1993, *ERIC* began including education-related books, including the output of major publishers. The database is updated quarterly.

- **Essay & General Literature Index**

Essay & General Literature Index cites essays and articles from anthologies and collections. This database focuses on the humanities and social sciences, with subject coverage ranging from economics, political science, and history to the criticism of literary works, drama, and film. It indexes collections of essays and miscellaneous works published in the United States, Great Britain, and Canada. More than 300 volumes are indexed annually. Additionally, more than 20 annuals and serial publications such as *Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society*, *The Supreme Court Review*, *Dickens Studies Annual*, and *Anglo-Saxon England* are indexed. Material indexed includes: essay collections by a single author, essay collections by different authors, essays in selected annual publications, and *festschriften*. Coverage begins in 1985 and is updated semi-annually.

- **FIS Online**

FIS Online contains current business information about more than 25,000 companies worldwide.

- **FRANCIS (Intl. Humanities and Social Sciences)**

FRANCIS contains a wide range of multilingual, multidisciplinary information with over 4,000 journals covering the humanities, social sciences, and economics. It is strong in religion, the history of art, and literature. Subject areas include, but are not limited to art and archaeology, business administration, computers and the law, education, ethnology, geography, health, history of science, Latin American studies, linguistics, philosophy, prehistory, and sociology. First published in 1984, the database is updated monthly.

- **GeoRef**

GeoRef's coverage of earth science and geography references and related index terms comes from more than 25,000 journals in 40 languages. Books, maps, and reports are also included in the database. Coverage of materials published since 1785 to the present are indexed, and the database is updated twice monthly.

- **GPO Montly Catalog**

GPO's Montly Catalog includes records published by the U.S. Govt. Printing Office. It includes references to congressional committee reports and hearings, debates, documents from executive departments, legislative materials and more. The database contains more than a half-million citations and is updated monthly.

- **Hand Press Book Database**

Hand Press Book Database catalogs European printing from the earliest printed work to the 1830's. It integrates descriptive records for major national and university library holdings. Some of the database's citations include copy specific information, including donor, and previous owner, and more. The database's records come from some of Europe's largest research libraries. The database is updated at least once each year.

- **Handbook of Latin American Studies**

The Handbook of Latin American Studies submissions evaluate books, chapters, articles, and conference papers published in the field of Latin American studies. More than 1,350 social science journals and 550 humanities journals are indexed, as well as relevant books and conference proceedings. Coverage begins in 1990, and the database is updated annually.

- **Harpweek**

Harpweek contains Civil War era (1857-1865) editions of *Harper's Weekly*, a leading, national weekly during the second half of the nineteenth-century. The full-text database includes stories, illustrations, book reviews, serialized novels, advertising and maps from the weekly. It also includes biographical information about period leaders.

- **HealthSTAR**

HealthSTAR contains citations to journal articles, monographs, technical reports, meeting abstracts and papers, book chapters, and government documents from 1973 to the present. It focuses on the clinical and the non-clinical aspects of health care delivery. It includes relevant bibliographic records from *MEDLINE*, *CATLINE*, and additional, unique records specially indexed for it from the American Hospital Association; retrospective monographs, technical reports, and theses from the National Health Planning Information Center; and journal articles, technical and government reports, meeting papers and abstracts, and books and book chapters on health services research, clinical practice guidelines, and health care technology assessment selected and indexed on an ongoing basis through NICHSR. *HealthSTAR* is updated monthly.

- **Hispanic American Periodicals Index**

Hispanic American Periodicals Index contains article citations from more than 400 scholarly journals published in Latin America or addressing Latin American and U.S. Hispanic topics. Coverage includes materials in English and the European languages. The journals are selected and indexed by an international panel of librarians and scholars. Coverage begins in 1970 and continues through the present. The database is updated annually with about 9,000 new records.

- **Historical Abstracts**

Historical Abstracts covers all aspects of world history from the 1450's to the present. It includes citations to both historical writings and recent events. First published in 1967, the database continues to be updated yearly.





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• History of Science & Technology

History of Science & Technology incorporates the *Isis Current Bibliography of the History of Science*, the *Current Bibliography in the History of Technology*, and the *Bibliografia Italiana di Storia della Scienza*. Records describe journal articles, conference proceedings, books, book reviews, and dissertations in the history of science and technology allied historical fields. More than 1,000 journals, and partial contents of several hundred more are indexed. Subject coverage is the history of all scientific disciplines and technology, from astronomy to zoology. The History of Science Society, the Society for the History of Technology, and the Istituto e Museo di Storia della Scienza all serve as sources for the material included. Coverage begins in 1976, and the database is updated annually.

• Humanities Abstracts

Humanities Index contains periodical information from the diverse subject areas within the humanities, including archaeology, classical studies, history, philosophy, linguistics, literature, and religion. It covers approximately 400 journals from 1984 to the present and is updated monthly.

• Index to 19th Century American Art Periodicals

Index to 19th Century American Art Periodicals indexes art periodicals that were published in the 19th century in the United States. The complete contents of 42 journals (articles, art notes, illustrations, stories, poems, and advertisements) make this database an appropriate resource for researchers studying pop culture of the period and industry, as well. Coverage is from 1840 - 1907.

• Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals

Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals indexes articles, as well as book reviews from over 450 legal periodicals, including journals, essay collections, festschriften, and congress reports. Subject coverage includes international law, both public and private; comparative law; and municipal law of countries other than the United State, British Isles, and the British Commonwealth. Coverage begins in 1985, and the database is updated quarterly.

• Index to Hispanic Legislation

Index to Hispanic Legislation: World Law Index Part 1 is an index to hispanic legislation from 1976 to 1997. It describes the national laws, decrees, decree-laws, and regulations of the Spanish-speaking nations of Latin America plus Haiti, Brazil, the Phillipines, Portugal, Spain, and Portugese-African nations. Subject areas covered include banking, commercial law, common market, corporation law, development, domestic relations, environmental law, government organization, international agreements, international treaties, labor law, public health, and taxation.

• Index to Legal Periodicals & Books

Index to Legal Periodicals & Books cites articles from 762 legal periodicals, plus English-language books published in 1993 or later. It includes access to scholarly articles, symposia, jurisdictional surveys, court decisions, legislation, books, book reviews, and more. *Index to Legal Periodicals & Books* covers all areas of jurisprudence, including recent court decisions, new legislation, and original scholarship. The periodicals indexed include law reviews, bar association journals, and university and government publications from the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, Australia, and New Zealand. Coverage begins in August 1981 and is updated monthly.

• Inside Information Plus

Inside Information Plus is produced by the British Library and includes the world's broadest coverage of journals and magazines. It includes citation information for articles appearing in 21,000 of the most-requested titles in the British Library Document Supply Centre's collection of 65,000 serials. The database indexes 1996 to the present and is updated weekly.

• Lexis-Nexis Universe (Academic Universe)

Lexis-Nexis Universe covers late breaking news, precedent-setting case law, company backgrounds, biographies, movie reviews and more. The full-text information sources are compiled from nearly 5,000 English-language sources including: newsletters, magazines, trade journals, wire services, and broadcast transcripts. It also includes international news sources, business directories and references, SEC documents, corporate profiles, statutes, current federal and state case law, secondary sources such as law reviews, and state legal materials. The database is updated weekly.

• Library Literature

Library Literature indexes 234 key library and information science periodicals published in the United States and elsewhere. Books, chapters within books, conference proceedings, selected state journals, library school theses, and pamphlets are also indexed. Topics include censorship, preservation, copyright legislation, automation, cataloguing, and electronic searching. Coverage is international and begins in December 1984. The database is updated monthly.

• A Matter of Fact

A Matter of Fact contains full-text statistical statements on current social, economic, political, health, and environmental public policy issues. Entries come from more than 1,000 print sources, as well as a wide range of Web-based resources. Each excerpt provides the details needed to construct footnotes and bibliographic references for the original source. These citations also direct you to the original sources for additional information. The database is updated quarterly.



Database Descriptions

- **MEDLINE**

MEDLINE is the National Library of Medicine's online database that contains almost 10 million references to journal articles in the health sciences. Coverage of basic research and the clinical sciences is broad, and includes nursing, dentistry, pharmacy, and allied health. Information in the database comes from 3,900 journals in 40 different languages. More than half of these journals are published in the United States, and almost 90% of the current references are to articles in English. The database is updated monthly.

- **Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary**

The Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary assists users in defining words, checking spelling, choosing the perfect word and more. It is updated periodically.

- **MLA International Bibliography**

The *MLA International Bibliography* provides a classified listing and subject index for books and articles published on modern languages, literatures, folklore, and linguistics. Annually, it indexes more than 45,000 books and articles. Coverage includes works about literature that are transmitted orally, in print, or in audiovisual media and about human language, including both natural languages and invented languages (e.g., Esperanto). Inclusions must be of scholarly interest. No apprentice or simplified works are included. The database begins coverage in 1963 and is updated ten times each year.

- **Newspaper Abstracts**

Newspaper Abstracts provides comprehensive news coverage, indexing articles from leading national newspapers. In addition to complete bibliographic information, every record includes either an abstract or annotated headline. Thirty-two newspapers are included, and coverage is from 1986 forward. The database is updated weekly.

- **OCLC ArticleFirst**

OCLC ArticleFirst contains citations describing articles, news stories, letters and more covering topics as diverse as science and technology, business, the humanities, and popular culture. *ArticleFirst* coverage begins in 1990 and continues to the present. Approximately 12,600 journals are indexed, and the database is updated daily.

- **OCLC ContentsFirst**

OCLC ContentsFirst contains the table of contents pages and holdings information from more than 12,600 journals in science, technology, medicine, social science, business, the humanities, and popular culture. Although most of the journals are published in English, journals in other languages are included. First published in 1990, the database is updated daily.

- **OCLC NetFirst**

OCLC NetFirst is a current file of citations with summary descriptions and subject headings for quality Internet-accessible resources suitable for a wide range of interests and age groups. Records contain the hot links for the indexed sites. The database is updated daily.

- **Ohio Capitol Connection (HANNAH Online)**

Ohio Capitol Connection gives you information on the actions and activities of the Ohio legislature and state government, including the complete texts of bills, amendments, and analyses; opinions and decisions; proposed rules and policies; meeting agendas and results of a number of state departments and agencies. It updates the status of bills daily and reports daily on the actions of each standing legislative committee.

- **Oxford English Dictionary**

The *Oxford English Dictionary* is a historical dictionary of the English language from the Middle Ages to the present. It lists all English words (about one million - over twice as many as any other dictionary) and defines their meanings at specific times in history, showing how meanings have changed over time. In addition, it provides a wide range of lexicographic information. The electronic version contains all of the text of the 20 volume edition (1989) and several search functions that considerably expand its usefulness. One of the *Oxford English Dictionary's* important features is the quotation that illustrates the use of word and indicates the date it was first used in print.

- **PAIS**

The PAIS International database covers the literature of public affairs--current issues and actions which affect the world communities, countries, people, and governments. This database addresses important political, economic, and social issues. PAIS concentrates on topics that are or might become the subject of legislation. It contains references to more than 425,000 international journal articles, books, government documents, statistical directories, research and conference reports, publications of international agencies, microfiche, Internet material, and more. It is updated monthly.

- **PapersFirst**

PapersFirst covers the papers from every congress, conference, exposition, workshop, symposium, and meeting received at The British Library Document Supply Centre, since October 1993. The database is updated 24 times each year.

- **Periodical Abstracts**

Periodical Abstracts offers comprehensive abstracting and indexing to articles from more than 1,800 popular magazines, business periodicals, and academic publications in a variety of subject areas plus *The New York Times* and *The Wall Street Journal*. It includes complete bibliographic information and article abstracts. Many of the titles also offer full-text articles. It is updated monthly.



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- **ProceedingsFirst**

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- **PsycINFO**

PsycINFO, produced by the American Psychological Association, is a collection of electronically stored bibliographic references--most with abstracts or content summaries. It contains citations that PsycINFO has created in electronic form beginning in 1967. The segment known as Historical PsycINFO contains citations from 1867-1966. Records are not complete and must be searched separately. Although the references themselves are all written in English, the covered literature includes material published in over 45 countries and written in 30 languages. PsycINFO covers all types of publications that APA examines regularly to identify psychologically relevant material, including journal articles, dissertations, reports, English-language book chapters and books, and other scholarly documents. It also includes literature from an array of disciplines related to psychology, such as education, business, medicine, nursing, law, and social work. The database is updated monthly.

- **RILM Abstracts of Musical Literature**

RILM Abstracts of Musical Literature is an international bibliography of scholarly writings on music and related disciplines that is produced by the Repertoire International de Literature Musicale. Approximately 3500 titles in more than 200 languages are covered in the database, including original-language titles, title translations in English, full bibliographic information, and abstracts in English. Coverage begins in 1969 and is updated monthly.

- **RLIN Bibliographic File**

RLIN Bibliographic File serves as a major union catalog for everything from books and serials to archives, manuscripts, maps, music scores, sound recordings, films, photographs, posters, computer files, and more. Records include the names of contributing libraries, as well as local call numbers for easy access. Over 365 languages are represented. The database is updated daily.

- **Russian Academy of Sciences Bibliographies**

The Russian Academy of Sciences Bibliographies includes information about Slavic Studies and materials published in the Commonwealth of Independent States and Eastern Europe. It cites and abstracts books, manuscripts, dissertations, and articles from more than 10,000 periodicals. It is searchable using both the latin alphabet and its original Cyrillic script. Subjects covered include archaeology, area studies, anthropology, demography, economics, history, international relations, law, linguistics, literary criticism, philosophy, political science, religion, sociology, and scientific policy. Coverage begins in 1992, and the database is updated quarterly.

- **Science Citation Index Expanded (ISI)**

Science Citation Index provides access to multidisciplinary, high-quality information from the world's leading professional scientific research journals. It also provides access to an article's cited references or the footnotes from an author's bibliography. Besides journal articles, it indexes bibliographies, fiction & prose, book reviews, corrections & additions, poetry, discussions, review papers, editorials, reviews of computer-related items, letters, meeting abstracts, and notes. Subjects covered include, but are not limited to: agriculture, astronomy, biochemistry, chemistry, computer science, materials science, mathematics, medicine, neuroscience, oncology, pediatrics, pharmacology, physics, plant sciences, psychiatry, surgery, veterinary sciences, and zoology. Coverage begins in 1990, and the file is updated weekly.

- **SCIPIO: Art and Rare Book Sales Catalogs**

SCIPIO: Art and Rare Book Sales Catalogs is a union catalog of auction catalog records. It provides bibliographic access to sources of art objects and rare books, the history of collecting, and contemporary and historical market trends. SCIPIO describes art and rare book catalogs dating from the late 16th century to currently scheduled auctions that have not yet been held. Records contain information on dates and places of sale, catalog title, the auction house, sellers, institutional holdings, and more. Both North American and European auction houses and some private sales are included. The database is updated daily.

- **Social Issues Researcher (SIRS)**

SIRS provides thousands of full-text articles on social, scientific, health, historic, business, economic, political and global issues. Articles are selected from more than 1,200 newspapers, magazines, journals, and government publications. Graphics, including charts, maps, diagrams and drawings, are available for many of the articles. It also includes "Today's News: Top News Stories of the Day" from Reuters News Service and "Maps of the World" with over 100 detailed maps of the United States and the world. This database is a product of SIRS, Inc. and began as the Social Issues Resources Series. The database is updated daily.

- **Social Sciences Citation Index (ISI)**

Social Science Citation Index provides access to multidisciplinary, high-quality information from the world's leading professional social sciences research journals. It also provides access to an article's cited references or the footnotes from an author's bibliography. In addition to journal articles, it indexes bibliographies, fiction & prose, book reviews, corrections & additions, poetry, discussions, review papers, editorials, reviews of computer-related items, letters, meeting abstracts, and notes. Subjects covered include, but are not limited to: anthropology, communication, education, environment, ethnic studies, geography, industrial relations, language & linguistics, nursing, planning & development, public administration, rehabilitation, social work, and urban studies. Coverage begins in 1990, and the file is updated weekly.



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- **Sociological Abstracts**

Sociological Abstracts contains citations from more than 2,600 journals that address the diverse studies with the field of sociology, including anthropology, criminology, demography, education, law, penology, race relations, social psychology, and urban studies. Coverage begins in 1963 and is updated monthly.

- **STAT-USA**

STAT-USA, an agency in the Economics and Statistics Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, delivers vital economic, business, and international trade information produced by the U.S. Government for you. The information is produced by hundreds of separate offices and divisions of the government and is then compiled and delivered by STAT-USA.

- **Statistical Universe**

Statistical Universe contains the information found in *American Statistics Index*, *Statistical Reference Index*, and *Index to International Statistics*. Statistical information from 200 federal agencies, 50 state governments, 100 international intergovernmental organizations, and 500 private and academic sources, including links to the most current information found on these sources web sites. Statistics about the national income and production, retail and wholesale trade, interest rates, economic indicators, energy and its use, and more can be accessed in this database. Coverage dates vary by the type of information, but some data is from as early as 1973. The database is updated daily.

- **Thesaurus of the English Language**

Thesaurus of the English Language contains a variety of synonyms for all parts of speech. It shows the part of speech, a variety of definitions, and labels explaining how it is used. The database is updated periodically.

- **Union List of Periodicals**

Union List of Periodicals includes 7 million+ listings linked to over 750,000 bibliographic records in WorldCAT (the OCLC Union Catalog). The listings provide local holdings information. The database is updated as necessary.

- **World Almanac**

World Almanac includes the full-text of all of the Almanac titles. *The World Almanac*, *The World Almanac of the United States*, *The World Almanac of U.S. Politics*, and *The World Almanac for Kids*. The database is updated as needed.

- **WorldCAT**

WorldCAT is the OCLC union catalog and contains more than 39 million record items. It covers thousands of subjects and includes records for items as far back as the 12th century. Materials covered in the catalog include: books, computer data files, computer programs, films, journals, magazines, manuscripts, musical scores, newspapers, slides, sound recordings, and videos. *WorldCAT* does not include individual article titles or stories in journals, magazines, newspapers, or book chapters. The database is updated daily.