Introducing PsycARTICLES

A Full-Text Database of Journal Articles Published by APA and Allied Organizations

The PsycARTICLES™ database provides electronic full-text of articles from more than 40 journals published by APA and allied organizations (see coverage list on page 2).

Coverage

Coverage in PsycARTICLES extends from 1988–present, and back-loading of earlier journal volumes continues, concurrent with production of the present year’s articles.

APA’s commitment to retrospective content distinguishes PsycARTICLES from other full-text resources, which generally begin coverage in the 1990s.

Linking and Search Features

Full text in PsycARTICLES is bidirectionally linked to abstracts in PsycINFO® bibliographic resources and full text, APA has launched its database of full-text journal articles as an institutional lease product.

LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

An Invitation—Talk to Us about PsycINFO Pricing

Dear Customers:

In May 2000 APA announced a new tiered pricing model for PsycINFO. Our goals were

♦ To deliver one comprehensive Web-based product with unlimited usage
♦ To make PsycINFO affordable for small institutions
♦ To align our products with market forces
♦ To give customers flat annual fees that make costs easier to control
♦ To maintain our current customers and attract new ones

After the announcement, we heard mostly positive comments for several months. We were not surprised because the model reduced prices for a large percentage of current and potential customers and raised them only slightly for many others. We also provided for a gradual phase-in for former PsycLIT® customers whose prices would increase.

Following the October 1 implementation, however, we began to hear from some customers for whom the changes were greater than anticipated, and we have been working with all of them. If you have concerns about PsycINFO pricing, we want to hear from you. I encourage you to contact Sheila Brooks (sbrooks@apa.org) or Kelly Boone (kboone@apa.org) of APA Leasing & Licensing.

You may also want to review the pricing model at www.apa.org/psycinfo/products/pricing.html. I would be delighted to hear from you about your general thoughts concerning pricing—models, presentation of pricing, communication, and so forth.

Sincerely,

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FULL-TEXT RESOURCES

APA PsycARTICLES LEASE FEES AND FULL-TEXT JOURNAL COVERAGE

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*Vendors apply additional charges and set market prices.

PsycARTICLES JOURNAL COVERAGE LIST

Unless noted, coverage starts with 1988.

APA Journals
American Psychologist (1980–)
Behavioral Neuroscience
Developmental Psychology
Emotion (2001–)
Experimental and Clinical Psychopharmacology (1993–)
Health Psychology (1993–)
Journal of Abnormal Psychology
Journal of Applied Psychology
Journal of Comparative Psychology
Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology
Journal of Counseling Psychology
Journal of Educational Psychology
Journal of Experimental Psychology: Animal Behavior Processes
Journal of Experimental Psychology: General
Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception and Performance
Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory and Cognition
Journal of Family Psychology (1990–)

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the PsycINFO database, so that institutions can integrate PsycINFO and PsycARTICLES into a fully searchable package.

Depending on how vendors implement the database, institutions may also be able to configure PsycARTICLES as a richly linked segment of overall electronic full-text holdings across multiple disciplines. In such a configuration, full-text in PsycARTICLES would link bidirectionally not only to PsycINFO abstracts, but also to other secondary databases in health, medicine, and social sciences.

Citation Linking and Reference Generation. Citations of other studies in the text and reference sections of PsycARTICLES documents link either to full-text or to complete bibliographic information in PsycINFO or in other databases.

In addition, an innovative feature that will soon be available on some systems helps researchers easily create paragraph-level references in APA style to PsycARTICLES documents. These references, which include the paragraph’s pagination in the print version of the article, can be pasted directly into manuscripts.

Lease Directly from APA or through Vendors

PsycARTICLES site leases are available now with access via the APA Web site and will soon be available through major database vendors that also provide access to the PsycINFO database. Vendor rollouts will be announced at www.apa.org/psycarticles/vendors.html as contracts are finalized.

As with PsycINFO, sites with their own search and retrieval systems can also lease PsycARTICLES directly from APA to integrate the file with existing electronic collections.

APA lease fees for PsycARTICLES depend on institution size and type. The chart above shows fees for four-year academic institutions. Fees have also been established for community colleges and hospitals—see www.apa.org/psycarticles for more information.

Fees listed above represent only the payment APA receives for each lease—vendors apply additional charges and set market prices.

APA also adds a technology fee for leases with access via the APA Web site, but no technology fee is charged to sites who lease the file directly from APA for loading into in-house systems.

Introductory Free Trials

APA is now offering 30-day free trials of PsycARTICLES to institutional customers. To request a free trial or initiate the lease process, contact the APA Leasing and Licensing department at 800-374-2722 or send E-mail to quotes@apa.org. General product information is posted at www.apa.org/psycarticles.
Reload Debuts on DataStar, DIALOG, NISC, SilverPlatter

DataStar, DIALOG, NISC and SilverPlatter have implemented the Fall 2000 PsycINFO reload, which introduces new searchable elements to the record and enhances full-text linking.

A detailed article about changes to the file structure and search functions appeared in our last issue (PsycINFO News Vol. 18, No. 2, pp. 3–4). For readers who may have missed the article, we will briefly review the changes.

Full-Text URLs and DOIs

As available, links to electronic full-text or to the publisher’s Web site now appear in PsycINFO records. Depending on your vendor or on your library’s electronic full-text holdings, these links may be “live,” enabling users to navigate to either primary content from a print or electronic journal or to information about obtaining the document from the publisher or a document delivery service. These elements will become increasingly useful as electronic full-text becomes more widely available.

Enhanced Publisher Information

Journal publisher names and country of publication are now standard elements of the publisher field, which previously appeared in book and

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SEARCH AIDS

Ninth-Edition Thesaurus Enhances Search Vocabulary

Are you up-to-date on the latest terminology for searching psychological literature effectively?

The Ninth Edition of APA’s Thesaurus of Psychological Index Terms, scheduled for release in February, will help you search the PsycINFO, ClinPSYC, and PsycARTICLES databases with maximum precision.

Enriched with dozens of new descriptors or cross-referenced terms, the Ninth Edition updates users on cutting-edge terminology and compensates for changes in scientific vocabulary.

Among the new descriptors are:

- Computer Anxiety
- Dietary Supplements
- Duty to Warn
- Electronic Communication
- Guided Imagery
- Internet
- Medicinal Herbs and Plants
- Stalking

The Thesaurus now contains more than 7,000 standard or cross-referenced terms.

Sections and Features

All of the features that have made the Thesaurus a benchmark in the database industry have been updated.

Relationship Section. Hundreds of hierarchies, which show relationships between a descriptor and broader, narrower, and related terms, have been redesigned to make the vocabulary easier to understand and navigate. New scope notes, which clarify meaning and usage, have also been added.

Permuted List. The new and revised descriptors and cross-referenced terms also appear in the Rotated Alphabetical Terms Section, which alphabetizes every term by each of its component words. This section makes it easy to find all descriptors containing a particular word or phrase.

Conceptual Clusters. A Computers cluster has been added to the Term

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Chapter records only. Available journal-publisher information has been mapped back through the entire database, making publisher names and countries fully searchable for journals, books, and chapters.

Publisher information does not appear in dissertation records and may also be omitted from some records for older literature or other material for which we have not been able to identify the publisher.

Indexing Changes for Population and Content Data

Previously, the PsycINFO descriptor field often included document-type identifiers and information about the age and geographic location of subject populations. To improve standardization and simplify searching, all of this information has been removed from the descriptor field and from the Thesaurus of Psychological Index Terms and moved to specialized fields: Population Location, Form/Content Type, and Age Group.

Clinical Trials

A new tag has been added to enable users to find reports on clinical trials quickly. The Clinical Trial identifier is searchable in the Form/Content Type Field.

Search Aids

Clusters section of the Thesaurus, which groups terms into comprehensive lists for high-interest topics.

Other Refinements

Disorders. Terms for mental disorders have been aligned with current DSM-IV terminology. This change will make it easier to retrieve clinical literature.

Abbreviations Eliminated. In earlier years of the database, longer terms were abbreviated to reduce storage space. Because storage is no longer a concern, the Ninth Edition spells out all terms.

These changes have been mapped back through the database.

Ordering Information

The List price for the Ninth Edition (Item #3100082, ISSN 1-55798-7750) is US$75.00 (US$60.00 for APA members). Until February 28, 2001, institutions can purchase the Thesaurus for a pre-publication price of US$60.00. To order, call 800-374-2721 or 202-336-5600 or order online at www.apa.org/books/3100082.html. Orders at the pre-publication price may be placed by telephone only.

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