

Field Guide for APA PsycExtra Database Records

The  symbol indicates a helpful hint

	Field name	Content of field or possible values	Helpful hints
	Abstract	Summary of item's content	Because searching the abstract may produce a lot of irrelevant results due to its greater length and narrative quality, we generally recommend searching more concise or descriptive fields instead (e.g., Index Terms, Keywords, Title, etc.). However, searching the abstract field can be a helpful addition to your search strategy in certain situations, such as when your topic is unusually specific; when there are no appropriate <i>APA Thesaurus</i> terms for your research concept; or when you need a thoroughly comprehensive search to discover even marginally relevant material.
	Age Group	Childhood (birth-12 years) • Neonatal (birth-1 month) • Infancy (2-23 months) • Preschool Age (2-5 years) • School Age (6-12 years) • Adolescence (13-17 years) Adulthood (18 years & older) • Young Adulthood (18-29 years) • Thirties (30-39 years) • Middle Age (40-64 years) • Aged (65 years & older) • Very Old (85 years & older)	
	Author(s)	Name of individual and/or institutional authors	
	(Author) Affiliation	Institutional affiliation of author	Use the Affiliation field to help find institutions where individuals are publishing research in a particular discipline or research area. An author's membership in a professional association is not considered an affiliation.
	Awards/Recognition (Multimedia)	Identifies the awards or other recognition the media source received	
	APA PsycInfo® Classification	Classifies the material according to a broad topical category	Using classification codes can help limit your search results to a specific research context, especially when your search terms are also common to other disciplines. Another search strategy is browsing within a classification code to identify a research topic related to a specific field of study. Each record is assigned a single classification code as a broad category. We recommend reviewing the list of 150+ APA PsycInfo Classification Codes before you begin your search (https://www.apa.org/pubs/databases/training/class-codes). Note: The APA PsycTests® database has its own separate list of Classification Codes (http://www.apa.org/pubs/databases/training/psyc-tests-class-codes.aspx). For best results, we recommend searching APA PsycInfo and APA PsycTests separately."
	Conference	Includes conference name, date, location, and other information for conference papers, abstracts, and presentations	
	Content Owner/Distributor	Includes both organizational and individual content owners. The organization's name and URL are displayed; for an individual content owner the email address is provided when available.	
	Correction Date	Date which a correction to the record was released into the database.	

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	Document Type	<i>Subset of available types:</i> • Amicus Brief • Blog • Brochure/Fact Sheet • Conference: Paper • Curriculum • Data • Monograph	• Periodical: Newspaper • Periodical: Newsletter • Speech/Interview/Oral History • Press Release • Report • Standard/Guideline • Testimony • Web article	This list is a subset of approximately 30 APA PsycExtra document types that are available from the drop-down list when searching APA PsycExtra directly. Documents typically receive only one Document Type value, with the exception of a Reprint (which can be used in combination with any of the other Document Type values).
	DOI (Digital Object Identifier)	The unique string of numbers, letters and symbols for the that permanently identifies the a document for the APA PsycExtra bibliographic record.		Use the DOI link to easily locate a document from your citation.
	Email	Author's email address		
	Grant/Sponsorship	Identifies the source(s) of grants, sponsorship, and funding for the research or study. Subfields include Sponsor Organization, Grant/Contract/Award Number, Funding Amount, Country of Sponsor Organization, Funding Dates, Other Details, and Recipients.		This field is useful if you want to find out what research has been funded by a specific organization, government agency, or other institution. For the most comprehensive results, search for the full institution name as well as the acronym and any common variations (e.g., National Institutes of Health, NIH, and National Institute of Health).
	Index Terms (sometimes called Descriptors, Thesaurus Terms)	Controlled vocabulary from the <i>APA Thesaurus of Psychological Index Terms</i> [®] used to index all of APA's databases.		If an Index Term is displayed with an asterisk (*), it's a Major Term chosen to indicate a primary focus or theme of the publication.
	In Association With (Multimedia)	For multimedia content only; includes the organization or individual who assisted in media production.		
	Intended Audience (Multimedia)	General Public Psychology: Professional & Research Juvenile		
	Institutional Author	Includes institutions (e.g., World Health Organization), study or working groups, or a combination of institutions, study groups, and individual authors.		
	ISSN/ISBN	ISSNs are included whenever available. ISBNs may include a series ISSN or a set ISBN.		If a journal has an ISSN for both the print and electronic versions, both are listed in the record. Example: ISSN 0254-4962 (Print); 1423-033X (Electronic).
	Key Participants (Multimedia)	Names of individuals participating in the media presentation.		
	Keywords	Key concepts and/or brief phrases describing the content of the document.		Provided by individual authors, keywords are non-standardized terms used to describe the research concepts. Use truncation to increase retrieval of relevant search results for keywords involving different variations of the same term.
	Language	The language in which the material was published.		
	Geographic Location	Geographic location where a study was conducted or the country or countries that are the focus of the document.		To find additional research related to a specific country, search for the country's name in the title or keywords fields.
	Media Type (Multimedia)	Audio Interactive Video		
	Narrator (Multimedia)	Name of the individual narrating the media source.		
	Notes (Multimedia)	Other information about multimedia content.		

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	Population	Human Animal Female Male Inpatient Outpatient	
	Publication Date	Date of publication; includes year and day, month, or season (as available).	
	Release Date	The date a record was released into a database and the product name to which it was released. The format is YYYYMMDD (ProductName). Example: 20130128 (APA PsycExtra)	
	Running Time (Multimedia)	Length of time that the media source runs.	
	Source	Source of the material (e.g., conference name, publication title).	
	Tests & Measures	Names of tests and measurements referred to or used in the source material. Tests that are indexed in the APA PsycTests database will have a DOI for the test record.	Users can search and determine how often a test has been used in research. Another use for this field is to locate published or unpublished measures on a certain topic.
	Title	Title of material, including a translated title for non-English language material	
	Unique Identifier	APA PsycExtra unique record identifier	