

Journal Citation Reports

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Journal Citation Reports (JCR), published by the Institute of Scientific Information (ISI), is a unique resource for journal comparison and evaluation, using citation data from over 7,000 scholarly and technical journals worldwide. Coverage is multidisciplinary and international and incorporates journals from over 3,000 publishers in 60 nations. JCR on CD-ROM is available in two editions. The Science edition contains data from over 5,700 journals in the areas of science and technology, while the Social Sciences edition contains data from over 1,700 journals in the social sciences area.

ACCESSING JOURNAL CITATION REPORTS

Since JCR is a CD-ROM product, it is available only on specially configured PCs (not Macintoshes) connected to the UHCL campus network. To obtain configuration instructions for installing JCR on your desktop, start from the library's World Wide Web homepage (<http://www.uhcl.edu/library>). Click on services for **Faculty**, select the **Information** tab, and then click on the **JCR** sub-tab.

HOW TO SEARCH

After installing JCR on your desktop, remember to create a shortcut icon for easy access to the database. At the opening screen of JCR, click once in the middle of the JCR logo, choose **View Journal Rankings**, and then click **OK**. At the edition selection screen, select an edition and click **Open**. Below is a display of the *Journal Rankings* window:

Use toolbar buttons for easy access to JCR's different functions.

Move to button helps you quickly jump to a desired title.

Publisher button provides detailed publication information about the journal and its subject categories.

Sort button allows you to sort by impact factor, immediacy index, total cites, and current articles, etc.

Create a custom list of journals by filtering. You can filter by marked journals, subject categories, journal publisher, or country.

Default display will list journals in alphabetical order by journals' abbreviation. Sorting will change the rankings in column 2.

Mark desired titles here, then click **Filter** to create a list of marked journals. To delete the marked list, go to **Edit** on the Menu Bar and choose **Clear All Marks**.

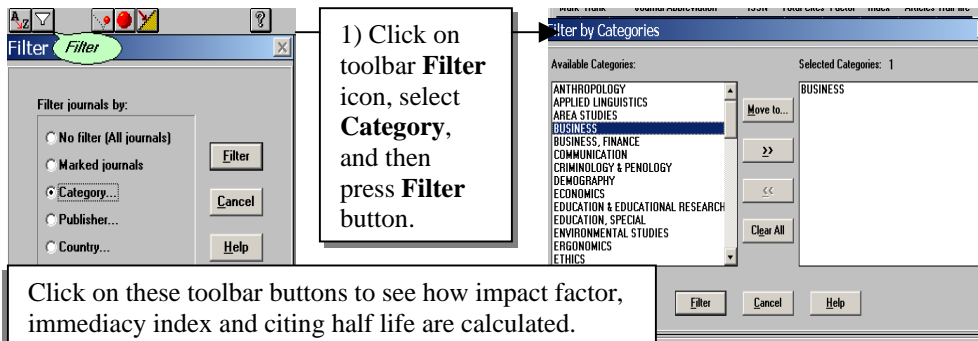
Consult the help file for detailed help information.

Status bar shows existing sort and filter methods, total number of journals in the list and, if any, number of marked journals.

Mark	Rank	Journal Abbreviation	ISSN	2001 Total Cites	Impact Factor	Immediacy Index	2001 Articles	Cited Half-life
	1	ABA J	0747-0088	341	0.315	0.232	112	5.8
	2	ACAD MANAGE J	0001-4273	4568	2.831	0.507	73	8.3
	3	ACAD MANAGE REV	0363-7425	3874	3.157	1.741	27	9.4
	4	ACAD PSYCHIATR	1042-9670	90	0.275	0.710	31	
	5	ACADEME	0190-2946	70	0.182	0.021	48	
	6	ACCIDENT ANAL PREV	0001-4575	1332	0.754	0.198	86	7.3
	7	ACCOUNT ORG SOC	0361-3682	555	0.343	0.097	31	9.6
	8	ACCOUNT REV	0001-4826	853	1.146	0.207	29	> 10.0
	9	ACTA PSYCHIAT SCAND	0001-690X	7004	2.107	0.436	133	9.2
	10	ACTA PSYCHOL	0001-6918	1438	1.330	1.590	39	> 10.0
	11	ACTA SOCIOL	0001-6993	177	0.605	0.091	22	8.4
	12	ADAPT BEHAV	1059-7123	203	1.333	0.100	10	5.0
	13	ADDICT BEHAV	0306-4603	2078	0.989	0.237	76	8.9
	14	ADDICT RES THEORY	1606-6359	151	0.459	0.296	27	4.5
	15	ADDICTION	0965-2140	3185	2.399	1.225	120	4.8
	16	ADM POLICY MENT HLTH	0894-587X	159	0.446	0.033	30	4.6

Sort: Journal Abbreviation Filter: All Journals 1682 Journals 0 marked

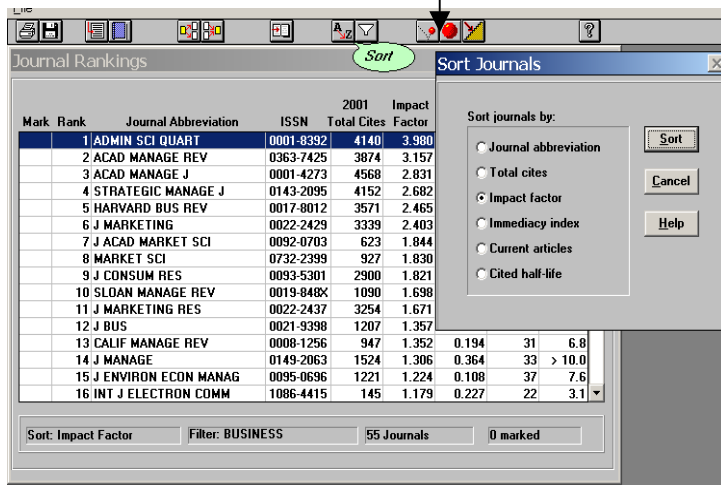
RANKING JOURNALS BY SUBJECT CATEGORY:



1) Click on toolbar **Filter** icon, select **Category**, and then press **Filter** button.

Click on these toolbar buttons to see how impact factor, immediacy index and citing half life are calculated.

2) Scroll down the available categories list, mark the desired subject, then click on the >> button. (You can mark up to 40 subjects). Press **Filter** button when finished marking. A list of journals in the selected categories is displayed in alphabetical order.




3) You can then sort the journal list by:

- Impact Factor - a measure of the frequency with which the average article in a journal has been cited in a particular year. It helps to evaluate a journal's relative importance. (Highest Impact)
- Immediacy Index – a measure of how quickly the average article in a journal is cited within the same year. It helps to identify journals that are specializing in cutting-edge research. (Hottest)
- Citing half life – use to evaluate the age of the majority of cited articles published in a journal
- Total cites – see which journals received the highest number of citations (Most Cited)
- Current articles – see which journals published the greatest number of articles (Largest journal)


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	1	ADMIN SCI QUART	0001-8392	4140	3.980
	2	ACAD MANAGE REV	0363-7425	3874	3.157
	3	ACAD MANAGE J	0001-4273	4568	2.831
	4	STRATEGIC MANAGE J	0143-2095	4152	2.682
	5	HARVARD BUS REV	0017-8012	3571	2.465
	6	J MARKETING	0022-2429	3339	2.403
	7	J ACAD MARKET SCI	0092-0703	623	1.844
	8	MARKET SCI	0732-2399	927	1.830
	9	J CONSUM RES	0093-5301	2900	1.821
	10	SLOAN MANAGE REV	0019-848X	1090	1.698
	11	J MARKETING RES	0022-2437	3254	1.671
	12	J BUS	0021-9398	1207	1.357
	13	CALIF MANAGE REV	0008-1256	947	1.352
	14	J MANAGE	0149-2063	1524	1.306
	15	J ENVIRON ECON MANAG	0095-0696	1221	1.224
	16	INT J ELECTRON COMM	1086-4415	145	1.179

OTHER USEFUL JOURNAL EVALUATION TOOLS



Citation data often reveal a journal's subject orientation, points to its closest peers and competitor publications.

 **Citing Journal** – lists publications that have been most frequently cited by a chosen journal for the past ten years.

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 **Source Data** – lists journals alphabetically, detailing the number of articles published in the current year by each journal, the total number of references contained in those articles, and the average number of references per article. Only original research and review articles are included in the article counts.

PRINTING, SAVING JOURNAL LISTING AND EXITING JCR

Print and save a list of journals on your window by clicking on the   toolbar icons. Data is saved in ASCII, comma-delimited format. To exit JCR, select **Exit** from the File Menu, and click **Yes**.

Note: Users should not depend solely on citation data in their journal evaluations. Citation count may be affected by many conditions such as language, journal history, format, publication schedule, and subject specialty. JCR includes only original research and review articles. Editorials, letters, news items, and meeting abstracts are not included in the article counts. For information regarding ISI's journal selection and evaluation process, go to <http://www.isinet.com>.

For more information, refer to onscreen help, or consult a reference librarian.