

Description

British Nursing Index is a leading database for support of practice, education, research, and development for nurses, midwives, and their health providers in the UK or following UK practice. It provides bibliographic references to literature in the most relevant nursing and midwifery journals. Also included are relevant nursing articles from selected medical, allied health, community and health management journals. Coverage is mainly titles published in the UK, plus a selection of important international nursing titles.

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Subject Coverage

British Nursing Index provides comprehensive coverage of all nursing, midwifery, and related fields, including:

- A&E Nursing
- Breast-Care Nursing
- Community Matrons
- District Nursing
- Falls in the Elderly
- Hand Hygiene
- Learning Disabilities
- Midwifery Role
- NHS
- Practice Development
- Postnatal Depression
- Psychiatric Nursing
- Resuscitation
- Student Nurses
- Theatre Nursing
- Wound Care

Date Coverage

1994–present

Update Frequency

Monthly

Geographic Coverage

United Kingdom

Document Types

Journal Articles

Publisher

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Abstract	AB	ab(healthcare near/2 professional)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Present from 2004 on; prior to 2004, documents contain annotated titles.
Accession number	AN	an(185810)	No	No	No	Yes	Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool.
All fields	ALL	all(p*ediatric and ethic*)	Yes	No	No	Yes	
Author	AU	au(mckenna h) au("bekhet, a") au(national institute child health)	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool.
First author	FAU	fau(mckenna h)	No	No	No	Yes	First name listed in author field.
Document title	TI	ti(cancer treatment decisions)	Yes	No	No	Yes	Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool.
Document type	DTYPE	dtype(article)	No	No	No	Yes	All documents in BNI are journal articles.
ISSN	ISSN	issn(0029-6570) issn(00296570)	No	No	No	Yes	Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool. Use of hyphens is optional.
Issue	ISS	iss(2)	No	No	No	Yes	Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool.
Journal title	JN	jn(nutrition) jn(j neonatal nursing)	No	No	No	Yes	Look Up list available under Publication title.
Language	LA	la(english)	No	No	No	Yes	
Last update date	LUPD	lupd(20111103) lupd(>20111001) lupd(>=20111101) lupd(20110901-20110930)	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Note	NT	nt(march 2010)	No	No	No	Yes	Includes Journal Announcement Date field.
Pagination	PG	pg(5-9) pg(706-11)	No	No	No	Yes	The start page is searchable on the Look Up Citation page.
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Publication date	PD	pd(20111019) pd(>20110415) pd(<20050630) pd(20090101-20090201) pd(200901) pd(2010-10-18)	No	Yes	No	Yes	Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool.
Publication title	PUB	pub(european j cancer care)	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool.
Publication type	STYPE	stype(scholarly journals)	No	No	No	Yes	All sources in BNI are scholarly journals.
Publication year	YR	yr(2010) yr(2009-2011) yr(2005:2008) yr(>2009)	No	Yes	No	Yes	
Subject	SU	su(consumer satisfaction) su("Health Service Finance")	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Subject terms may be selected from the online thesaurus.
Volume	VO	vo(11)	No	No	No	Yes	Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool.

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Abstract included

Date limiters are available in which you can select single dates or ranges for date of **publication**.

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Author, Publication title, Subject

THESAURUS

British Nursing Index Thesaurus is available by clicking on the "Thesaurus" hyperlink on the Advanced Search page. Thesaurus terms may be searched within the thesaurus, then selected to be added automatically to the Advanced Search form.

“NARROW RESULTS BY” LIMITERS

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Author, Publication title, Subject, Publication date

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