

The Journal Usage Statistics Portal (JUSP)

The Journal Usage Statistics Portal (JUSP) is a Jisc-funded service that provides a "one-stop shop" for libraries to view, download and analyse their journal usage reports from multiple publishers. It responds to current financial challenges with time and cost saving benefits.

JUSP funding for 2013/14

The JUSP team are pleased to inform you that Jisc have confirmed funding for JUSP for a further year from August 2013 to July 2014. Funding will enable the JUSP team to continue to provide a journal usage statistics service that is free at the point of use to UK academic libraries.

JUSP development priorities for 2013/14 will continue to reflect an emphasis on saving time and money through development of a national service, a focus on community and co-invention, and standards and interoperability.

The general approach to development and work areas will proceed as usual.

Key priorities and additional areas of activity will include the following:

- Continued engagement with publishers and suppliers that aren't currently signed up to JUSP, ultimately making JUSP a 'one-stop shop' for librarians to view and analyse their usage data
- Accommodating COUNTER Release 4 will be a priority
- Extending beyond JR1 and JR1A reports, for example, JR5 and GOA will be investigated as part of R4
- Work will continue to ensure that JUSP development aligns with related projects and services such as KB+
- A website refresh is scheduled for summer 2014
- The majority of JUSP libraries prioritise journal publishers with regard to additional content. Consequently the focus of JUSP will continue to be journal publishers and reports, but work started in 2013 to investigate options for delivering database and ebook statistics will continue into 2014.

Publishers and SUSHI

SUSHI has now been implemented for Karger and their data are available within IUSP.

We are working with Thieme, Portland Press and ScholarlyIQ (for Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)) to implement SUSHI.

We are starting to look at implementing COUNTER release 4 and will be working on this together with publishers.

Contact Us

You can keep up-to-date with project developments by visiting our website www.jusp.mimas.ac.uk. We welcome your views on your experience of using the website and portal. Please get in touch if you have comments, questions or ideas for future developments.

Publisher priorities

Following the recent survey to JUSP institutions, the JUSP team now has a new publisher priority list as focus for 2013. The team is working through the highest priority publishers and is contacting them regarding JUSP to request that they consider coming on board for their UK HE subscribers.

Currently the JUSP team has ensured that all priority publishers have been contacted where the publisher provides JR1 / JR1a reports. We are also contacting some of the lower priority publishers and will be working our way through the full list in due course. We have doubled the number of participating publishers in 2012 and are working toward another considerable increase of participating publishers for 2013.

Recently some high priority publishers have joined JUSP, such as IEEE, Thieme Publishing Group and ACM, and we were delighted to welcome them aboard.

As well as attending UKSG, we will also be attending the Frankfurt Book Fair in October, which is an ideal forum for meeting a large number of non UK based publishers regarding JUSP. Should users wish to contact publishers to express interest in the publisher joining JUSP, please do so, as this enforces our message to the publishers.

Our new JUSP brochure for Publishers is available on the JUSP website, and provides key information to potential JUSP publishers. As always, we will keep JUSP users informed as publishers sign up; we hope to have good news for users each month, within our JUSP newsletter / email list.

Goodbye to Paul Harwood

Paul Harwood has now left his post as Deputy CEO at Jisc Collections to begin a new role at EBSCO as General Manager for the UK and Scandinavia.

The JUSP team is very grateful to Paul for his valuable insight and support which has helped guide the development of JUSP.

We wish him well for the future.

RAPTOR-JUse

The RAPTOR-JUse pilot project is now nearing its end. This has been a 'proof of concept' project that set out to see how JUSP usage data could be shown alongside authentication data from RAPTOR. Though recognising that the two sets of data were not strictly comparable, the idea has been to provide some indication of which departments and schools were making use of particular publishers or platforms.

A successful workshop was held in Birmingham on 8 May, attended by 20 JUSP users who were either RAPTOR users already or interested in finding out more about RAPTOR and RAPTOR-JUse. Three sites (Cardiff, Kent and Manchester) have been acting as testers throughout the project and four more sites (Birkbeck, Cranfield, University of West London and Kings College, London) have also provided helpful feedback.

JUSP at QQML

Angela Conyers and Jo Lambert will be presenting a paper on 'JUSP: a shared approach to measuring usage' during the international conference on qualitative and quantitative methods in libraries (QQML) which will be held in Rome 4-7 June.

This will be an opportunity to present JUSP to an audience drawn from very many different countries and all sharing similar interests.

