



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.

New participants

We are delighted to welcome a new library, Nottingham Trent University, and a new publisher, De Gruyter.

We will let you have further information about the availability of De Gruyter usage data in JUSP due course.

JUSP and KB+ interoperability

The JUSP and KB+ development teams are working closely to enable interoperability between the two services. The next KB+ Releases 3.1 and 3.2 will enable institutions to view monthly statistics from JUSP in KB+.

Another aspect that we're currently investigating will enable data exchange between JUSP and KB+. For instance, JUSP libraries currently mark up core titles in the portal and they want to ensure that this work isn't being duplicated in KB+ and vice versa. We're investigating methods of enabling this type of interoperability and we will provide a fuller update shortly.

Webinar on using JUSP with your own data

The slides and audio and video recordings from the latest JUSP webinar are now available on the events page of our website.

<http://jusp.mimas.ac.uk/events.html>

Report of the month – JR1 minus backfiles

Following our recent webinar on using JUSP with your own data, which highlighted some of the lesser-known reports available in JUSP, we are starting a new feature which will each month highlight one of the reports available to JUSP participants.

The JR1 minus backfile usage (<http://jusp.mimas.ac.uk/support/jr1minus.html>) enables you to see the total use of each title in the current deal for a given publisher both directly from the publisher and via intermediaries (ingentaconnect (Publishing Technology, SwetsWise, Ebsco EJS).

The report can be exported to a spreadsheet and used in various usage calculations together with your own data. We provided guidance on this in our recent webinar .

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.

RAPTOR-JUse project

The RAPTOR-JUse project has now completed. This was a Jisc-funded proof of concept project that brought together two separate usage initiatives, with RAPTOR providing authentication data on users, and JUSP providing statistics on journal usage by publisher or platform. Putting these two different sets of data together involved a number of technical challenges, which were overcome in the production of a working demonstrator site.

Regular formal feedback throughout the project was given by the three tester sites (Cardiff, Kent and Manchester), and more informal feedback given by Cranfield and also by Birkbeck, Kings and University of West London following the RAPTOR-JUse workshop in May.

While there was a value in viewing the two sets of data together, there were a number of caveats that had to be borne in mind when drawing conclusions as to who was using which resources from the results shown on the demonstrator site. There remains a strong community interest in finding ways of improving the consistency of authentication and usage data which it is hoped can be addressed at some future date. In the meantime, we will be interested to hear from any RAPTOR users of ways they have brought the two sets of data together at a local level.

10th Northumbria International Conference on Performance Measurement in Libraries and Information Services

Angela Conyers and Jo Lambert were in York for the Northumbria Conference 22-24 July. They presented a paper 'JUSP: building on success' which looked at some of the achievements so far and at future plans. Slides from the presentation can be viewed on the JUSP events page <http://jusp.mimas.ac.uk/events.html>.

They were very pleased to meet up with a number of colleagues from JUSP libraries and to hear of interest in JUSP from other countries.

JUSP Community Advisory Group (CAG)

The JUSP CAG had its second meeting on 1 July.

Among items discussed were pilot trials on e-books and usage profiling, where feedback from CAG members is helping with the identification of issues involved in further development.

The group also discussed new funding and development priorities and plans for a website refresh and setting up of a community support area.

Website refresh

The JUSP team will be undertaking work over the next few months to refresh the existing JUSP website and portal. The purpose of this work is to improve visual identity, navigation, and access to information and support materials.

We're keen to speak to a sample of JUSP libraries to find out about their use of the site and specific requirements and so we're looking for 5 or 6 volunteers who can help with this work by providing feedback during a short interview.

Please could you get in touch via the JUSP helpdesk if you're available to help with this work.

