

Japanese Article Databases Summary

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Databases/ Features	<i>MagazinePlus</i> (by subscription)	<i>NDL Japanese Periodicals Index</i> http://opac.ndl.go.jp/	<i>CiNii</i> http://ci.nii.ac.jp/	占領期新聞雑誌情報データベース http://prangedb.kicx.jp/	明治・大正・昭和前期雑誌記事索引集成 http://www.libro-koseisha.co.jp/top01/main01.html
Database Provider	Nichigai Associates	National Diet Library (NDL)	National Institute of Informatics (NII)	Institute of 20th Century Media/Committee for the Preservation of Magazines Published during the Occupation	Koseisha
Holdings Information	No holdings information provided	NDL	No holdings information provided	Gordon W. Prange Collection, University of Maryland	No holdings information provided
Database Size	Over 10 million records	Over 8.7 million records	Over 11 million records	Over 2 million records	Ca. 1 million citations (350,000 in humanities, 650,000 in social sciences)
Database Coverage	1) <i>NDL Japanese Periodicals Index</i> since 1948; 2) Popular Japanese magazines since 1981; and 3) essays in festschrift, conference papers, and books, annuals, and research reports published by research organizations since 1945. List of journals, magazines, etc. covered is found at: http://magissuelist.nichigai.co.jp/	18,349 academic periodicals covering all subjects since 1948* to present (10,097 current; 8,252 ceased), mostly in Japanese and some English journals published in Japan. A complete list of journals covered is available at http://www.ndl.go.jp/jp/data/sakuin/sakuin_index.html . *From the above, RSS feed is available.	Academic periodicals from Japan, originally covered by different databases: http://ci.nii.ac.jp/cinii/pages/cinii-db.html 1) <i>NII-ELS/ELS</i> : journals by academic societies with full text access: http://ci.nii.ac.jp/journal/society/all_jp.html ; 2) <i>Citation Database for Japanese Publications</i> : mostly science journals; 3) <i>NDL Japanese Periodicals Index</i> since 1948.	Time coverage: 1945-1949. The database covers 10,980 magazine titles (as of July 2006) and 12 newspapers (as of Mar. 2007) included in the Prange Collection, originally belonged to the Civil Censorship Detachment, a unit within GHQ, which covers a wide range of subjects: politics, economics, sociology, education, history, philosophy, religion, art, language, literature, etc.	The database provides an author index to a print publication <i>Meiji, Taishō, Shōwa zenki zasshi kiji sakuin shūsei</i> , which reproduces various periodical indexes originally published during the Meiji (1868-1912) through 1948, covering humanities and social sciences, as well as specialized areas such as hygiene, urban problems, and youths and women labors.
Update Frequency	Weekly	Weekly	No information	No information	N/A
Database Hours	24/7	Mon.-Sat. 7:00-29:30 (i.e. next day 5:30) Sun. 7:00-25:00 (i.e. next day 1:00)(to 22:00 on the 3rd Sundays) ¹	24/7	24/7	24/7
Romanization System for Searching Japanese Words	N/A	<i>Kunrei</i> and Modified Hepburn with additional "u" and "o" for long vowels, e.g., Man'yōshū Automatic conversion from Romanized	N/A	N/A	N/A

		words to Japanese Kana is available from "Detailed setting."			
Searching Capability in Japanese	Yes. Different styles of the character are mapped. e.g., 文藝 vs. 文芸	Yes. Different styles of the character are mapped. e.g., 文藝 vs. 文芸	Yes. Different styles of the character are mapped. e.g., 文藝 vs. 文芸	Yes. Different styles of the character are mapped. e.g., 文藝 vs. 文芸	Yes. Different styles of the character are mapped. e.g., 文藝 vs. 文芸
Reference Headings Availability in Name Search (Variant names of the same person/body are referred to the single unified form of heading)	No	No	No	No	No
Multiple Database Search Option	No	Yes, with <i>Digital Archive Portal</i> (http://porta.ndl.go.jp/portal/dt) which covers full-text books, digital archives, limited article citations, etc.	Yes, from GeNii (http://ge.nii.ac.jp). 4 databases, <i>CiNii</i> , <i>WebcatPlus</i> , <i>Kaken</i> , and <i>Academic Research Database Repository</i> can be searched at once.	No	No
DD (Document Delivery) Request Possibility	Once a library that holds the issue in question is identified with library catalogs/union lists, follow local DD procedures for submitting an article copy request.	NDL accepts DD requests from U.S. libraries. Follow local DD procedures for submitting an article copy request.	Once a library that holds the issue in question is identified with library catalogs/union lists, follow local DD procedures for submitting an article copy request.	Besides the Prange Collection at Maryland, Harvard Yenching, Michigan, and Yale hold microform reproductions of the Prange magazine and/or newspaper collections. Harvard may accept DD requests for article copies.	Once you find articles of your interest in <i>Taishō</i> , <i>Shōwa zenki zasshi kiji sakuin shūsei</i> , <i>Jinbun kagaku hen</i> and <i>Shakai kagaku hen</i> , check library catalogs/union lists for holding libraries of the issue.
E-Mail Capability	No	No	No	No	No
View/Modify Previous Searches	Yes, but only the very last search	Yes, but only the very last search	No, but you can modify the current search in the search result screen	No	No
Sort Options	By article title, journal title, author, publication date, or publisher name	By publication date, article title, author, or journal title	By year, author, journal title, or number of items cited	N/A	N/A
Other features	Browsing table of contents of the latest issues (within the past week) entered to the database		Full text access to ca. 1,000 journals; tracing capability of articles that were referred to in the article, and articles that cite the article, covering mostly sciences	Censorship information by the Civil Censorship Detachment is provided regarding each article.	

1 The database content is available 24/7 at Digital Archive Portal at: <http://porta.ndl.go.jp/portal/dt/>