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## ABSTRACT

The result of a comprehensive search for writings about the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) published between 1985 and 1988, this annotated bibliography lists 107 documents and journal articles about ERIC that were entered in the ERIC database during that period. The 1964-1978 edition cited 269 items. The 1979-1984 edition cited 131 items. With the 107 items cited in this 1985-1988 edition, this series of bibliographies now documents a total of 400 items written on the subject of ERIC (e.g., documents of historical interest in the development of ERIC; "How to" items whose object is to initiate the user into the system; cross-database comparisons involving ERIC; user surveys; evaluations of ERIC performance; reports describing particular computer search programs or efforts; ERIC in the context of educational R&D dissemination; reviews of ERIC practices or results; how to teach ERIC; thesaurus development; how ERIC relates to some subset of the educational community; ERIC and microforms; ERIC's current attributes, size, products, etc.). Entries are listed by ERIC accession number with the ED accession numbers (for documents) appearing first, followed by the EJ accession numbers (for journal articles). The usual ERIC abstracts (or annotations) and indexes (subject, author, and institution) are included. (MES)

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An Annotated Bibliography of Documents And  
Journal Articles About ERIC  
1985-1988

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### Introduction

The Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) began operations in the early 1960's. Since that time, there has been a steady production of literature about ERIC. These materials approach ERIC in several different ways: e.g. documents of historical interest in the development of ERIC, "How to" items whose object is to initiate the user into the system, cross-database comparisons involving ERIC, user surveys, evaluations of ERIC performance, reports describing particular computer search programs or efforts, ERIC in the context of educational R&D dissemination, reviews of ERIC practices or results, how to teach ERIC, thesaurus development, how ERIC relates to some subset of the educational community, ERIC and microforms, ERIC's current attributes, size, products, etc. As one of the most economical and frequently searched databases, ERIC has played a major role in the dramatic growth of online searching. As one of the first major bibliographic databases to be offered on compact disk (CD-ROM), ERIC has figured heavily in the evaluations made by librarians and information scientists of this new medium.

These materials are of interest from several points of view. They will often answer a user's question about ERIC; they are essential to any studies of ERIC; some are appropriate to classroom use in the teaching of ERIC; they are indicative of what is considered worth writing about in ERIC.

Given these uses, ERIC has attempted to maintain some degree of bibliographic control over the more substantive materials. This bibliography represents the results of a comprehensive search for documents about ERIC published during the period 1985-1988 that can be found in the ERIC database.

Each item has been screened for suitability. Items that were simply news announcements have been eliminated, as have items of poor quality, bibliographies based on ERIC accessions (but without other ERIC relevance), repetitive brochures explaining the well-known basic facts about ERIC, and general material on the dissemination of educational R&D, but without sufficient ERIC connection.

This is the third bibliography in a series that began in 1978. The first edition, covering 1964-1978, contained 269 entries (arranged by Author) and was first issued in December 1978 (see ED-169 955). This first bibliography was comprehensive in that it was not limited to items found in the ERIC database, however, abstracts were not provided for the entries and there were no indexes. The second bibliography, covering the period 1979-1984, contained 131 entries (arranged by accession number), and was issued in September 1985 (see ED-262 784). In order to be able to provide abstracts and indexes, an effort was made to accession every entry found into the ERIC database so that the system itself could be used to produce its own bibliography.

This third bibliography, covering the period 1985-1988 (except for a few earlier stragglers), contains 107 entries and follows the same methodology. All items found were accessioned into ERIC and the bibliography provides the usual ERIC abstracts (or annotations) and indexes (Subject, Personal Author, Institution). Entries are arranged by their ERIC accession number (ED for documents in Resources in Education (RIE); EJ for journal articles in Current Index to Journals in Education (CIJE), with the ED accessions appearing first, followed by the EJ accessions. Full ERIC records have been printed, including abstract and index terms, in order to make apparent the relevance of each item to ERIC.

These three bibliographies supplement one another. All three together cover the period 1964-1988 and contain a total of 407 citations.

# Document Resumes

## from Resources in Education (RIE)

**ED 145 803** IR 004 873

*Hounsell, Dai And Others*  
**ERIC Feasibility Study: A Small Scale Examination of the Potential Value of the ERIC Data Base to Educationalists in Britain.** Report No. 2. Lancaster Univ. (England). Centre for Educational Research and Development.  
 Spons Agency—British Library, London (England). Research and Development Dept.

Pub Date—Feb 77  
 Note—25p.; British Library Project on Experimental Information Services in Education Project SI/CT/011; Some parts may be marginally legible due to print quality

Pub Type—Reports - Research (143)  
**EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.**  
 Descriptors—\*Computers, \*Data Processing, \*Educational Research, \*Educational Resources, \*Information Retrieval, \*Information Systems, \*International Educational Exchange, \*Relevance (Information Retrieval)  
 Identifiers—\*ERIC, Great Britain

The purpose of this small scale study was to make a preliminary assessment of the potential value of the ERIC data base for educators in Britain. On-line searches of the ERIC data base were conducted for a sample of fourteen users who were asked to comment on the relevance of retrieved materials. Results indicate that ERIC can provide access to relevant information not obtainable from other sources. Also included is a review of the use of computerized ERIC data base retrieval systems in countries other than the United States. (Author/STS)

**ED 152 333** IR 005 915

*Tessier, Judith A. And Others*  
**Feasibility of Maintaining and Providing Access to Data Archives through ERIC. Statistical Data.** Spons Agency—Syracuse Univ., N.Y. ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources.

Pub Date—Dec 77  
 Grant—NIE-R-76-0027  
 Note—1bp.; For related document, see IR 005 914. Best copy available

Pub Type—Numerical/Quantitative Data (110)  
**EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.**  
 Descriptors—Archives, Data, Educational Technology, \*Feasibility Studies, \*Information Networks, \*Information Science, \*Information Services, \*Library Science, \*Questionnaires, \*Shared Services, \*Statistical Analysis, \*Use Studies  
 Identifiers—\*ERIC

This document is a compilation of the data gathering instruments used for a study exploring the feasibility of establishing archive services in ERIC/IR (ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources) for researchers in library and information sciences

and instructional technology. Raw data are displayed on the questionnaires. (JAB)

**ED 168 501** IR 006 991

*The Educational Information System for Ontario. A Guide for Using.* Ontario Inst. for Studies in Education, Toronto  
 Spons Agency—Ontario Dept. of Education, Toronto.

Pub Date—Apr 76  
 Note—14p.; For related documents, see IR 006 633-636 and IR 006 990

Pub Type—Guides - Non-Classroom (055) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
**EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.**

Descriptors—\*Comparative Analysis, \*Glossaries, \*Guides, \*Information Seeking, \*Online Systems, \*Records (Forms)  
 Identifiers—\*Educational Information System for Ontario, ERIC

This general user guide to the Educational Information System for Ontario (EISO) deals with the simple logistics of acquiring material from the system. Since EISO was developed as a way for Ontario citizens to use the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) data base in the United States, a preliminary descriptor of ERIC is provided. Questions answered by the guide include who uses EISO, how to ask a computer question, who/what is a search analyst, how to make a search request, what kind of answer will be given, how long it takes, and how much it costs. A brief explanation of the way the computer links information using Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT) is also provided, as well as a sample request form and computer printout, information for ordering microfiche, and a glossary of terms. (JD)

**ED 168 504** IR 006 995

*Rao, Pal V*  
**ERIC Data Access System (EDAS).**

Pub Date—75  
 Note—13p.; Paper presented at CAUSE National Conference (New Orleans, Louisiana, December 15, 1978)

Pub Type—Reports - Descriptive (141) — Speeches/Meeting Papers (150)  
**EDRS Price - MF01 Plus Postage. PC Not Available from EDRS.**

Descriptors—Computers, \*Information Process.ng, \*Information Services, \*Online Systems, Program Descriptions  
 Identifiers—\*ERIC

The ERIC Data Access System (EDAS) is an information retrieval system developed at Eastern Illinois University to access the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) database, and make it available to Eastern faculty and students in a convenient and timely fashion. This paper describes

briefly why and how Eastern developed and implemented this system, as well as how it is operated at the present time, and some future implications. (Author)

**ED 168 565** IR 007 101

*Brown, Dale W. And Others*  
**Elementary and Secondary Teachers Use ERIC.** Syracuse Univ., N.Y. ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources

Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (DHEW), Washington, D C  
 Report No.—IR-29

Pub Date—78  
 Contract—400-77-0015  
 Note—45p

Available from—Syracuse University Printing Services, 125 College Place, Syracuse, New York 13210 (IR-29, \$3.00)

Pub Type—Reports - Descriptive (141)  
**EDRS Price - MF01/PC02 Plus Postage.**  
 Descriptors—\*Information Retrieval, \*Information Systems, \*Information Utilization, \*Professional Education, \*Program Descriptions, \*Public School Teachers, \*Research Tools, \*Use Studies  
 Identifiers—\*ERIC, \*Information Analysis Products

The experiences with ERIC which are profiled for three public school systems reflect specific user requirements in different environments. In "Meeting Professional Education Information Needs: A Profile of How the Alexandria, Virginia City Public Schools Use the ERIC System," Dale Brown discusses the types of searches used by administrators and teachers at the city school system level. Patricia Mautino, in "Watch ERIC Grow!" describes three levels of ERIC use in New York State, through the Educational Programs and Studies Information Service (EPSIS), which provides state-wide support, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) at the county level, and individual user services at the school level. The use of microforms at East Detroit High School is discussed in Lewis Saks' article, "The Little Grey Cells, The Little Black Cards: An Approach to ERIC Microfiche," as well as a recent study done by Pat Gilmore which surveyed the use and knowledge of ERIC by teachers in the East Detroit School system. (RAO)

**ED 169 955** IR 007 527

*Slawsky, Dorothy A., Ed. Brandhorst, Ted, Ed.*  
**A Bibliography of Publications about the Educational Resources Information Center.**

ERIC Processing and Reference Facility, Bethesda, Md.  
 Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (DHEW), Washington, D C

Pub Date—Dec 78  
 Note—18p.; Small type may be marginally legible

Pub Type—Reference Materials - Bibliographies (131)

**EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.**  
 Descriptors—Annotated Bibliographies, Background, Evaluation, \*Federal Programs, \*Information Centers, \*Information Dissemination, Information Systems, Instructional Materials, Microforms, Publications, Search Strategies, Thesauri, Use Studies  
 Identifiers—\*ERIC

The result of a comprehensive search for documents about ERIC, this bibliography lists 269 entries which approach ERIC in several different ways, e.g., documents of historical interest in the development of the system; "how to" items designed to initiate the user into the system; user surveys; evaluations of ERIC performance; reports describing particular computer search programs or efforts; ERIC in the context of educational R&D dissemination; reviews of ERIC practices or results; how to teach ERIC; ERIC thesaurus development; how ERIC relates to some subset of the educational community; ERIC and microforms, and ERIC's current attributes, including size and products. Each item was reviewed and screened for suitability; those that were simply news announcements were eliminated, as were items of poor quality, bibliographies based on ERIC accessions but without other relevance, repetitive brochures, and general material on dissemination of educational R&D without significant ERIC connection. Brief annotations are provided as needed to augment the titles, and ED (ERIC Document) and EJ (ERIC Journal) numbers are cited when available. (Author/BBM)

ED 180 475

IR 007 949

Markey, Karen

Online Searching of ERIC: Suggestions for Improvement in the Special Project.

Syracuse Univ. N.Y. ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources.

Pub Date—14 Oct 79

Note—23p.; Paper presented at the ERIC Users' Workshop (Minneapolis, MN, October 14, 1979); For related documents, see IR 007 494-495

Pub Type—Opinion Papers (150) — Speeches / Meeting Papers (150)

**EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.**  
 Descriptors—\*Automatic Indexing, Clearinghouses, \*Information Retrieval, Information Services, \*Information Systems, \*Online Systems, Search Strategies

Based on a series of studies performed by ERIC/Information Resources staff and consultants which focused on the activities of over 40 experienced online searchers, this report offers the following suggestions for enhancing certain online retrieval system features and making improvements in ERIC vocabulary: (1) the implementation of an online rotated descriptor display, (2) the introduction of an online rotated identifier display, and (3) the use of links between the controlled vocabulary and free text. A brief history of ERIC online services precedes a cursory look at some current ERIC searching practices. In addition, an appendix provides three overheads which compare several elements of ERIC searching with those used by three commercial bibliographic retrieval services presently marketing the ERIC database. (FM)

ED 235 840

IR 050 541

Educational Documentation: Present and Future. Proceedings of an International Meeting (Florence, Italy, May 31-June 4, 1982).

Biblioteca di Documentazione Pedagogica, Florence (Italy).

Pub Date—83

Note—148p.

Pub Type—Collected Works - Proceedings (021)  
**EDRS Price - MF01/PC06 Plus Postage.**

Descriptors—Cooperation, \*Documentation, \*Educational Technology, \*Information Needs, \*Information Networks, Information Processing, Information Systems, International Educational Exchange

Identifiers—Educational Information, Europe

The Library of Educational Documentation in Florence, Italy began work in 1980 on the establishment of an educational documentation system for Italy. Recognition of its role in this regard was accorded by the Regional Institutes for Educational Research, Innovation and Teacher Training (IRR-SAE) and by the European Centre for Education (CEDE) in Frascati. The library envisages itself as a central point to which all organizations, research-

ers, scholars, and educators who are interested in educational problems can refer, avoiding of finding useful information and thereby avoiding repetitive research. With the acquisition of a large mainframe computer (IBM 370/148) in December 1981, the library began to establish an independent computerized system for the handling of educational documentation. In order to put this beginning effort on the strongest possible basis, the library decided to hold an international meeting on the subject of educational documentation and to invite speakers from other countries that had operational systems in this area. The proceedings of the meeting were envisaged as an opportunity for analysis and comparison that would benefit the Italian developmental efforts. Some of the major papers presented were: (1) A. M. Furtado, "The Present and the Future of the International Network for Educational Information"; (2) W. F. de Regt, "Eudised, a Decentralised System with a Common Thesaurus"; (3) S. Pissarro, "Information et Education: situation actuelle et perspectives. Le role du Centre National de Documentation Pedagogique (France)"; (4) E. Ekman, "Information on Actual Educational Research in Sweden and on Educational Documentation"; (5) W. E. de Regt, "Educational Policy Documentation in the Netherlands"; (6) A. Gwilliam, "Educational Documentation in the United Kingdom: Developments and Research"; (7) C. Hoover and T. Brandhorst, "Development and Current Status of the Educational Resources Information Center. A Model Bibliographic Control System Covering the Literature of Education in the United States"; (8) G. Biondi, "The Educational Documentation System in Italy: First Steps." (WTB)

ED 246 919

IR 050 804

Weller, Carolyn R., Ed. Brandhorst, Ted., Ed.

ERIC Clearinghouse Publications, 1983. An Annotated Bibliography of Information Analysis Products and Other Major Publications of the ERIC Clearinghouses, January-December 1983.

ERIC Processing and Reference Facility, Bethesda, Md., ORI, Inc., Bethesda, Md. Information Systems Div.

Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—Jun 84

Contract—400-81-0003

Note—52p. For related document, see ED 237 098

Pub Type—ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071) — Reference Materials - Bibliographies (131)

**EDRS Price - MF01/PC03 Plus Postage.**

Descriptors—\*Annotated Bibliographies, \*Clearinghouses, \*Education, Educational Research, Federal Programs, Literature Reviews, \*Publications, Resource Materials, \*State of the Art Reviews

Identifiers—Educational Information, \*ERIC

A broad range of education-related topics are addressed in this annotated bibliography, which presents citations and abstracts for 117 publications produced by the 16 ERIC Clearinghouses in 1983. An introduction explains the ERIC system, clearinghouse publications, the organization of this bibliography, and the availability of clearinghouse publications. A statistical summary by year (1968-1983) shows the number of documents included for each clearinghouse in the series of which this bibliography is the most recent. Document resumes are provided from the following clearinghouses: (1) Adult, Career, and Vocational Education; (2) Counseling and Personnel Services; (3) Reading and Communication Skills; (4) Educational Management; (5) Handicapped and Gifted Children; (6) Languages and Linguistics; (7) Higher Education; (8) Information Resources; (9) Junior Colleges; (10) Elementary and Early Childhood Education; (11) Rural Education and Small Schools; (12) Science, Mathematics and Environmental Education; (13) Social Studies/Social Science Education; (14) Teacher Education; (15) Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation; and (16) Urban Education. A listing of ERIC Digests, i.e., short user-oriented reference sheets formerly called Fact Sheets or Short Reports, is also provided. (DMC)

ED 250 015

IR 050 978

Clay, Katherine Davis, James E.

National Education Practice File. Final Report.

Evaluation Report.

San Mateo County Office of Education, Redwood City, CA

Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—Sep 84

Note—430p. Cooperative Agreement #00-CA-82-0001

Pub Type—Reports - Research (143)

**EDRS Price - MF01/PC18 Plus Postage.**

Descriptors—Administrators, Curriculum Guides, \*Databases, \*Elementary School Teachers, Elementary Secondary Education, \*Information Needs, Information Retrieval, Instructional Materials, Learning Activities, \*Online Systems, Program Evaluation, Reference Materials, Search Strategies, \*Secondary School Teachers  
 Identifiers—\*ERIC, \*National Education Practice File

The purpose of the National Education Practice File (NEPF) was to find out from educational practitioners what types of materials would be of value to them; to locate the types of information identified; and to make this information available to them through the development of a computerized file of practitioner-oriented materials. The 2-year, 4-phase project, which took place from October 1, 1982 to September 30, 1984, was conducted by the San Mateo Educational Resources Center (SMERC) with two subcontractors—the Social Science Education Consortium, contractor for the ERIC Clearinghouse on Social Studies/Social Science Education; and the ERIC Processing and Reference Facility. Phase I was concerned with the development of clear and concise specifications of the types of materials needed by practitioners to support improvement efforts at the classroom and building level. The principal activity of Phase II was the creation of a separate computerized test file of all materials already in ERIC that met these specifications. These items were tagged "Practitioners," using a new Target Audience data element developed for NEPF. The development of new sources of practitioner-oriented materials and the addition of such documents to ERIC were the primary activities in Phase III. Evaluation of the file was conducted at nine official test sites in Phase IV. Recommendations based on experiences with and evaluation of the project were made in three major categories: the educational practitioner as audience for ERIC, building a database for practitioners, and outreach. The project resulted in the identification and tagging of 46,344 ERIC documents (RIE) and articles (CIJE) with the new "practitioners" Target Audience tag. Twenty-three appendices to the final report are presented: (1) Report of Working Group Meeting; (2) Search Strategy; (3) ERIC Processing Manual (Guidelines for Applying Target Audience); (4) Revision in Timelines; (5) Acquisitions and Selection Plan, plus Addendum; (6) Document Acquisition and Selection Chart; (7) Agenda-Field Test Site Training; (8) Recordkeeping Forms, Explanatory Materials; (9) Full Text Documents (Guidelines for Processing); (10) Sensing Network Survey and Highlights of Results; (11) New Acquisitions Sources; (12) Journal Articles Compiled (Guidelines for Compiling); (13) Journal Articles Compiled (Guidelines for Processing); (14) Flyers, Letters, Explanatory Materials Used by Clearinghouses; (15) 25 Step Processing Plan; (16) Copyright Laws Implications for ERIC; (17) Acquisitions Sources List; (18) Sample Search Packet; (19) Client Telephone Interview Form; (20) Boulder Valley Information Packet; (21) Interview Form-ERIC Clearinghouse Directors; (22) Interview Form-Practice File Searchers; and (23) Statistics on NEPF Documents (Target Audience, Level of Availability, Number of Microfilm, Length, Type). (SBM)

ED 253 459

SO 016 157

Finding What You Need in ERIC. ERIC Fact Sheet No. 3.

ERIC Clearinghouse for Social Studies/Social Science Education, Boulder, Colo

Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—Aug 81

Contract—400-83-0012

Note—4p

Available from—ERIC/ChESS, 855 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80302.

Pub Type—Guides - Non-Classroom (055) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

**EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.**

Descriptors—Computers, \*Databases, \*Educational Resources, \*Information Retrieval, Library Collections, \*Research Tools, Search Strategies  
 Identifiers—ERIC Fact Sheets

Step-by-step instructions for locating material in the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) database are provided. Following an introduction, information is presented in three main sections—manual searching, computer searching, and using search results. Subdivisions under manual searching describe who can or should do a manual search of ERIC, how to locate ERIC microfiche collections, procedures for conducting a manual search—including how to use and understand notations in the ERIC Thesaurus and ERIC monthly indexes—and searching for a specific document in ERIC. The second section, "Computer Searches," contains subsections on when to do a computer search, types of information that will be retrieved from such a search, cost, tips for getting good results, and computer search turnaround time. The final section, "Using the Results of ERIC Searches," describes how copies of ERIC documents and journal articles can be obtained. A six-entry resource section cites additional ERIC publications on the ERIC system. (LP)

ED 254 209 IR 011 524

Klausmeier, Jane A

Accessing ERIC with Your Microcomputer. ERIC Digest.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, Syracuse, N.Y.

Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—Jul 84

Contract—400-77-0015

Note—3p

Available from—ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, 030 Huntington Hall, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13210 (free).

Pub Type—Guides - General (050) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Computer Software. \*Databases. \*Information Retrieval. \*Microcomputers, Telecommunications

Identifiers—\*ERIC, ERIC Digests

This fact sheet offers basic instructions on connecting to the ERIC database for individuals who own or have access to a microcomputer and are familiar with ERIC and how to search it through a database terminal. Software, hardware, and telephone line components necessary to make a microcomputer act as a database terminal are outlined. The discussion of software describes the need for a terminal emulator and lists desirable features for terminal software, including the capabilities to print and save, access to command mode, format display, default setting, and a status indicator. Considerations in configuring the software to allow interface or access to database vendors is explained and contact telephone numbers for DIALOG, BRS, and SDC (the three major vendors) are listed. The discussion of hardware requirements covers parallel transmission, the communications interface, modems, and data transmission speed. A list of popular microcomputers and the necessary hardware and software components required to access the vendors includes the following models: Apple II, II+, IIe; Atari 400/800; Commodore VIC, Commodore PET/CBM, IBM Personal Computer; Texas Instruments 99/4, 99/4a; and TRS-80 Models I, II, and III. (LMM)

ED 257 464 IR 051 131

Lavender, G.B. Findlay, Margaret A.

Australian Thesaurus of Education Descriptors. A Word-Stock for Indexing and Retrieving Australian Educational Literature.

Australian Council for Educational Research, Hawthorn.

Spons Agency—Australian Education Council, Canberra.

Report No.—ISBN-0-85563-385-9

Pub Date—84

Note—271p.

Available from—Distribution Services, Australian Council for Educational Research, PO Box 210, Hawthorne, Vic. 3122 (Aus \$39.00).

Pub Type—Reference Materials - Vocabulary/Classifications (134)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage. PC Not Available from EDRS.

Descriptors—\*Education, Foreign Countries. \*Indexing. \*Information Retrieval. Information Sources, Information Systems, Online Searching, Online Systems, \*Subject Index Terms, Thesauri. \*Vocabulary

Identifiers—\*Australia. \*Educational Information, ERIC

This core thesaurus of terms suitable for indexing Australian educational literature was developed by the Australian Council for Educational Research by means of a systematic and thorough revision of the "Thesaurus of ERIC Descriptors." Based on the actual terminology of education in Australia, this thesaurus includes: key words and phrases used by indexers as subject headings, or "descriptors," in information retrieval systems; an alphabetical display of all subject index terms (headings); extensive scope notes to clarify meaning and usage of terms, and a full introduction and comprehensive explanatory chapters. Introductory materials include sections on thesaurus development, vocabulary maintenance, the Australian Education Index database, information retrieval search aids, guidelines for indexing, structure, and format of the thesaurus, and descriptor groups. (THC)

ED 258 593 IR 051 206

Pasley, William

Give Us an "E" for Educational Dissemination (ERIC, Experimentation, Extension, Equity).

Pub Date—Oct 80

Note—4p. In: Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science (43rd, Anaheim, CA, October 5-10, 1980) p10-12.

Pub Type—Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Descriptive (141) — Speeches/Meeting Papers (150) EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Databases, Elementary Secondary Education. \*Federal Programs, Higher Education. \*Information Dissemination, Information Science. \*Information Systems. \*Linking Agents. Models, School Districts

Identifiers—Educational Information. \*ERIC. \*Information Equity

Educational dissemination has contributed a number of innovative concepts and strategies to information science. Much-misunderstood ERIC, which combines research reports with policy documents and teaching materials, is one of the first and best examples of a field-oriented rather than discipline-oriented database. Building on ERIC, federal education agencies have experimented continuously with extension or outreach to the school districts. Three extension roles have emerged among agents or specialists who work with the schools: the concept of entitlement helps to explain differences among the roles. Education's strong equity premises have led to the concept of information equity as a prerequisite of equal access and equal treatment. To serve millions of educators in more than 15,000 school districts and 3,000 colleges and universities, innovative dissemination in education should now focus on the concepts of efficiency and economies of scale. (Author)

ED 258 594 IR 051 207

Clark, W. Bruce

MICROsearch-A Project to Extend the ERIC Database to Microcomputers.

Pub Date—Oct 82

Note—4p. In: Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science (45th, Columbus, OH, October 17-21, 1982), p60-62.

Pub Type—Reports - Descriptive (141) — Speeches/Meeting Papers (150)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Databases. \*Information Retrieval, Man Machine Systems. \*Microcomputers, Online Searching, Online Systems. \*Search Strategies

Identifiers—Apple II Plus, \*ERIC, \*Microsearch, User Cordial Interface

A project at the ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources has resulted in the extension of the ERIC database to microcomputer. Small subject-related files for current-awareness purposes are downloaded from the ERIC tapes and are made available for searching with Apple II Plus microcomputers. Since the target audience for this system is non-online searchers, a user interface has been developed which simplifies searching and uses a formatted screen to guide users through the search process. The small amount of material which can be stored on a 5 and 1/4 inch diskette has been compensated for in part by the subject-matter orientation of the individual discs and in part by providing supplementary programs which permit the contents of the discs to be printed, thus producing a bibliography with extensive indexes. Field-testing of MICROsearch has guided its current endeavors—the

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provision of record entry program to permit local files to be created which can also be searched with MICROsearch, and the development of a special user interface for teaching searching (Author)

ED 258 595

IR 051 208

Barnett, Lynn

Indexing in ERIC.

Pub Date—83

Note—44p; Chapter 6 of Indexing Specialized Formats and Subjects, Hilda Feinberg, Ed Metuchen, NJ: Scarecrow Press, 1983 (ISBN-0-8108-1608-3) p109-152.

Pub Type—Guides - General (050) — Reports - Descriptive (141)

Document Not Available from EDRS.

Descriptors—Abstracting. \*Databases, Guidelines, Indexes. \*Indexing. \*Information Retrieval, Information Seeking, Information Services, Information Systems, Online Searching, Search Strategies, Subject Index Terms, Thesauri, Vocabulary

Identifiers—Current Index To Journals In Education, Educational Information, \*ERIC, Manual Searches, Resources In Education

This chapter describes how ERIC addresses the problems resulting from four conditions that make it unique in the indexing field: (1) its subject area includes a wide range of specialists, (2) its clientele is extremely diverse; (3) it has a dual retrieval purpose—for both manual and computer access, and (4) its retrieval is challenged by the inexact language of the social sciences. Since these problems also affect the way ERIC is organized, discussion focuses first on ERIC's functions, activities, and structure. The types of indexes and other products and services it provides are then discussed, and indexing guidelines and aids are described in detail to show not only how the information system coordinates its indexing process, but also how that process affects retrieval. The concluding section describes quality control in ERIC in terms of vocabulary maintenance procedures. Appendices include a listing of the ERIC Clearinghouses with descriptions of their areas of specialization; sample displays from the print indexes; sample ERIC descriptors representing population concepts, sample publication types and their codes; and sample descriptor group codes (BBM)

ED 258 599

IR 051 234

Saba, Virginia Kathleen Joseph

A Comparative Study of Document Retrieval Systems of Nursing Interest.

Pub Date—81

Note—154p, Ed D Dissertation, American University

Available from—University Microfilms International, 300 N Zeeb Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48106 (Order No. AAD81-24656)

Pub Type—Doctoral Dissertations (041)

Document Not Available from EDRS

Descriptors—\*Bibliographies, Comparative Analysis, \*Databases, Indexes. \*Indexing. \*Information Retrieval, Measurement Techniques. \*Nursing, Online Systems, Periodicals. \*Relevance (Information Retrieval)

Identifiers—\*Computer Searches, ERIC, International Nursing Index, Medline, National Health Planning Information Center, Social Science Citation Index

Intended to provide the nursing community with a comparative analysis of four major computerized document retrieval systems and one manual system providing coverage of the nursing literature, this study compares the indexing vocabulary, database coverage, and retrieval performance of the Educational Resource Information Center (ERIC), International Nursing Index (INI), Medical Literature Analysis and Retrieval System On-Line (MEDLINE), National Health Planning Information Center (NHPIC), and Social Science Citation Index (SOCIAL SCISEARCH). Results of searches on the five systems were compared with bibliographies on the same topics—continuing education for nurses, patient classification, problem oriented records, nurse practitioners, and nurse staffing. According to the measures used in this study, MEDLINE had the best coverage of the nursing and non-nursing journals; had the most accurate indexing capability, and produced the most complete retrieval results for nursing topics. Although INI indexed the greatest number of nursing journals, its overall retrieval performance was not as complete as that of MEDLINE, ERIC, NHPIC, and SOCIAL SCISEARCH. Coverage of the nursing literature was found to be

limited in scope and focus, and it was concluded that these systems should be searched in addition to MEDLINE for appropriate topics: nursing education (ERIC), health planning (NHPIC), and journals not usually included in nursing collections (SOCIAL SCISEARCH). (BBM)

ED 258 600 IR 051 235

Sahl, Marilyn Sue

**Terminology of the Social Sciences: The Term "Cognitive Processes" in the Thesauri of Two Discipline-Based Information Systems.**

Pub Date—81

Note—235p.; Ph.D. Dissertation, Case Western Reserve University.

Available from—University Microfilms International, 300 N. Zeeb Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48106 (Order No. AAD81-18804).

Pub Type— Doctoral Dissertations (041)

Document Not Available from EDRS.

Descriptors—Comparative Analysis, Databases, Definitions, Education, Hypothesis Testing, Indexing, \*Information Systems, Psychology, \*Social Sciences, \*Subject Index Terms, Thesauri, \*Vertical Organization

Identifier—\*Conceptual Equivalency

Analysis of current methods for achieving compatibility or convertibility between two or more indexing languages draws attention to the need for a switching language to establish equivalency between concepts, not terms. In order to examine the assumption of the conceptual equivalency of identical terms in the indexing languages of related subject fields, a specific case in which a single term appears to have different meanings in the information systems for two social science disciplines is examined. Hierarchical charts constructed to display the arrays under the term "cognitive processes" in the ERIC Thesaurus and the Thesaurus of Psychological Index Terms demonstrated that the term appears in different hierarchical frameworks in the two indexing languages. Three hypotheses were proposed to account for the observed differences. The first hypothesis, that "cognitive processes" represents different concepts to educationists and psychologists, was rejected by examination of formal definitions. A comparison of textbooks on cognitive processes for the two disciplines did not provide evidence to support the second hypothesis, that educationists and psychologists view the concept within different conceptual frameworks. The third hypothesis, that the two hierarchies represent research interests in the two fields, was rejected following an investigation of current journal articles. The results suggest that the nature of social science terminology and problems associated with its use in indexing languages would prove to be a fruitful area of research with specific ramifications for the design of switching languages. (Author/BBM)

ED 258 601 IR 051 242

Malneu, Denise

**La Base de Données ERIC: Evaluation de Son Utilisation et Discussion des Choix du Système (The ERIC Database: An Evaluation of Its Use and a Discussion of the System Model).**

Pub Date—Oct 83

Note—11p.; For related document, see ED 208 902.

Journal Cit—Brises (Bulletin de Recherches sur l'Information en Sciences Humaines, Economiques et Sociales); n3 p53-62 Oct 1983

Language— French

Pub Type— Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Research (143)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Administrative Organization, Comparative Analysis, Content Analysis, \*Databases, Educational Resources, Expenditures, Foreign Countries, Information Needs, \*Information Networks, Information Services, \*Information Systems, Models, \*Reference Materials, \*Use Studies

Identifiers—Educational Information, \*ERIC, France, United States

This overview of the ERIC system begins with a brief history of the system; a description of the types and numbers of materials contained in the database; sources of types of information for educators that are not processed by ERIC; and the various publications and reference materials produced by and for the system. The analysis of ERIC usage in the United States that follows is based on the final report of the Cost and Usage Study of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) System,

which was conducted by King Research in 1981. This analysis includes data on types of access points for the ERIC system and the services they offer, the level of knowledge of ERIC in the educational community; a qualitative evaluation of ERIC products and services, and ERIC coverage of materials related to disadvantaged groups. The components of the ERIC system and their functions are then described, including relationships among the various units and products and services designed to make ERIC more available to users. System operations, resource allocation, and costs are also discussed. The article concludes with a discussion of cultural, organizational, and policy concerns that would need to be addressed if the ERIC model were to be adapted to meet the needs of French educators. (BBM)

ED 259 872 RC 015 416

Rios, Betty Rose D.

**Migrant Education: A Quick Look at ERIC.**

ERIC Clearinghouse on Rural Education and Small Schools, Las Cruces, N. Mex

Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—Mar 84

Contract—400-83-0023

Note—4p

Pub Type— Guides - Non-Classroom (055) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Clearinghouses, \*Databases, Elementary Secondary Education, \*Information Retrieval, \*Information Services, \*Migrant Education, Postsecondary Education, Reference Services, Search Strategies

Identifiers—\*ERIC, \*ERIC Clearinghouse on Rural Education Small School, ERIC Digests

Written for potential users of ERIC, this digest provides basic facts about the information storage and retrieval system, the migrant education materials available, and the role of the ERIC Clearinghouse on Rural Education and Small Schools (ERIC/CRESS). The following questions are answered: (1) what is ERIC and how does it work, (2) what retrieval terms should be used to find migrant education materials; (3) what types of publications will be found and what audiences will be addressed in ERIC documents about migrant education; (4) where do migrant documents in ERIC come from, and (5) how can ERIC/CRESS assist the person seeking information? Practical suggestions are made for successful computer searches. These include limiting the search to specific years, specific authors, certain kinds of literature, or geographic regions of interest. (JHZ)

ED 261 711 IR 051 287

Weller, Carolyn R., Ed. Brandhorst, Ted, Ed.

**ERIC Clearinghouse Publications, 1984. An Annotated Bibliography of Information Analysis Products and Other Major Publications of the ERIC Clearinghouses, January-December 1984.** ERIC Processing and Reference Facility, Bethesda, Md

Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—Jul 85

Contract—400-81-0003

Note—61p.; For the 1983 edition, see ED 246 919

Pub Type— Reference Materials - Bibliographies (131)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC03 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Abstracts, \*Annotated Bibliographies, \*Clearinghouses, \*Education, Educational Research, Federal Programs, Literature Reviews, \*Publications, \*Resource Materials, \*State of the Art Reviews

Identifiers—Educational Information, \*ERIC

A broad range of education-related topics are addressed in this annotated bibliography, which presents citations and abstracts for 142 publications produced by the 16 ERIC Clearinghouses in 1984. An introduction explains the ERIC system, clearinghouse publications, the organization of this bibliography, and the availability of clearinghouse publications. A statistical summary by year (1968-1984) shows the number of documents included for each clearinghouse in the series of which this bibliography is the most recent. Document resumes are provided from the following clearinghouses: (1) Adult, Career, and Vocational Education; (2) Counseling and Personnel Services; (3) Reading and Communication Skills; (4) Educational Management; (5) Handicapped and Gifted

Children, (6) Languages and Linguistics, (7) Higher Education, (8) Information Resources, (9) Junior Colleges, (10) Elementary and Early Childhood Education, (11) Rural Education and Small Schools, (12) Science, Mathematics, and Environmental Education, (13) Social Studies/Social Science Education, (14) Teacher Education, (15) Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation, and (16) Urban Education. A listing of ERIC Digests, i.e., short user-oriented reference sheets formerly called Fact Sheets or Short Reports, is also provided (THC)

ED 262 784 IR 051 294

Brandhorst, Ted, Ed.

**A Bibliography of Publications about the Educational Resources Information Center. (Covering the Period 1979-1984).**

ERIC Processing and Reference Facility, Bethesda, Md

Spons Agency—Educational Resources Information Center (ED/NIE), Washington, DC

Pub Date—Sep 85

Note—43p.; For an earlier edition, see ED 169 955

Pub Type— Reference Materials - Bibliographies (131)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC02 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Annotated Bibliographies, Background, Clearinghouses, \*Educational Research, Evaluation, \*Federal Programs, \*Information Centers, \*Information Dissemination, Information Systems, Instructional Materials, Microforms, Publications, Search Strategies, Thesauri, Use Studies

Identifiers—Educational Information, \*ERIC

The result of a comprehensive search for documents about the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) published between 1979 and 1984, this bibliography lists 131 entries which approach ERIC in several different ways: documents of historical interest in the development of ERIC, "how to" items whose object is to initiate the user into the system; cross-database comparisons involving ERIC, user surveys, evaluations of ERIC performance; reports describing particular computer search programs or efforts; ERIC in the context of educational research and development dissemination; reviews of ERIC practices or results, how to teach ERIC; thesaurus development, how ERIC relates to some subset of the educational community, ERIC and microforms, and ERIC's current attributes including size and products. This supplement to a 1978 bibliography includes subject, personal author, and institution indexes. The 131 entries are arranged by their ERIC accession numbers (ED for documents in Resources in Education; EJ for journal articles in Current Index to Journals in Education), with the ED accessions appearing first, followed by the EJ accessions. Full records have been printed, including the abstract, in order to make the relevance of each item to ERIC abundantly clear (THC)

ED 262 821 IR 051 332

IFLA General Conference, 1985. Division on Special Libraries. Section on Social Science Libraries and Geography and Map Libraries. Papers. International Federation of Library Associations, The Hague (Netherlands)

Pub Date—Aug 85

Note—122p.; Papers presented at the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) General Conference (51st, Chicago, IL, August 18-24, 1985)

Pub Type— Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Descriptive (141) — Speeches/Meeting Papers (150)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC05 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Archives, \*Databases, Developing Nations, Foreign Countries, \*Geography, Global Approach, \*Government Publications, International Organizations, Library Services, \*Maps, Online Searching, Program Descriptions, Research Libraries, Scientific and Technical Information, \*Social Sciences, \*Special Libraries

Identifiers—Access to Information, ERIC, National Technical Information Service, Universal Availability of Publications

Papers presented on social science and map and geography libraries at the 1985 International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) conference include: (1) "Information for the Developing World. NTIS's (National Technical Information Service) Role in Information Transfer to Developing Countries" (Joseph F. Caponio, United States); (2) "Availability of Social Sciences Information" (Evangeline Mistaras, United States); (3) "Access to Social Science Information Gathered by Govern-



ment Departments in the United Kingdom" (Derek A. Clarke, United Kingdom); (4) "ERIC: Multidisciplinary/Multinational" (Donald P. Ely, United States); (5) "Nordic Cooperation—from the View of Research and Special Libraries" (Tor W. Holm, Finland); (6) "Online Searching of Social Science Information in WILSONLINE and WILSEARCH" (Wilhelm Bartenbach, United States); (7) "UAP (Universal Availability of Publications) Programme and Informational and Bibliographical Activities of VGBIL (All-Union State Library of Foreign Literature) (Social Sciences)" (A. Kasyanenko, USSR); and (8) "International Bibliographic Standards in Cartographic Archives: The National Map Collection, Public Archives of Canada, Experience" (Hugo L. P. Stibbe, Canada). (THC)

**ED 267 099** TM 860 186

Gonzalez-Stupp, Emma Wildemuth, Barbara M. At Home with ERIC: Online Searching from Your Home Computer. "After Dark" Edition.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation, Princeton, N.J.

Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—Oct 85

Contract—400-83-0015

Note—50p.; For a related document, see TM 860 187.

Available from—ERIC Clearinghouse on Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation, Educational Testing Service, Princeton, NJ 08541 (\$5.00).

Pub Type—Guides - General (050) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC02 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Adults. \*Bibliographic Utilities. \*Databases, Educational Research, Information Networks, Microcomputers. \*Online Searching. \*Online Systems. Reference Services. \*Search Strategies

Identifiers—\*Bibliographic Retrieval Services, End Users. \*ERIC

This manual provides information to aid home computer owners in performing literature searches of ERIC and other education and social science databases using the BRS Information Technologies "After Dark" system. Assuming some familiarity with printed ERIC indexes or online searches, this manual is divided into five chapters. It is suggested that potential searchers should study the first two chapters before going online. These chapters cover the basic concepts of developing a search strategy and the commands used by the BRS "After Dark" system. The third chapter discusses various ways to modify the search strategy regarding the retrieval of too few or too many citations. The next chapter explains how to accomplish common types of non-subject searches: specific author, publications from a specific institution, speeches from a specific meeting, or certain types of publications. The final chapter provides basic information concerning other searchable databases. Educational Testing Service Test Collection, Exceptional Child Education Resources; Mental Measurement Yearbook; Psychological Abstracts; and Resources in Computer Education Attachments include Search Strategy Worksheet; ERIC Field Name and Abbreviations; "After Dark" Command Summary. Mandatory Level Descriptors; and Publication Type Codes. (PN)

**ED 267 100** TM 860 187

Gonzalez-Stupp, Emma Wildemuth, Barbara M. At Home with ERIC: Online Searching from Your Home Computer. "Knowledge Index" Edition.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation, Princeton, N.J.

Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—Jan 86

Contract—400-83-0015

Note—50p.; For related document, see TM 860 186.

Available from—ERIC Clearinghouse on Tests, Measurement and Evaluation, Educational Testing Service, Princeton, NJ 08541 (\$5.00).

Pub Type—Guides - General (050) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC02 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Adults. \*Bibliographic Utilities. \*Databases, Educational Research, Information Networks, Microcomputers. \*Online Searching. \*Online Systems. Reference Services. \*Search Strategies

Identifiers—\*DIALOG, End Users. \*ERIC

This manual provides information to aid home

computer owners in performing literature searches of ERIC and other education and social science databases, such as the DIALOG Information Services "Knowledge Index" System. Assuming some familiarity with printed ERIC indexes or online searches, this manual is divided into five chapters. It is suggested that potential searchers should study the first two chapters before going online. These chapters cover the basic concepts of developing a search strategy and the commands used by the DIALOG Information Services "Knowledge Index" system. The third chapter discusses various ways to modify the search strategy regarding the retrieval of too few or too many citations. The next chapter explains how to accomplish some common types of non-subject searches: specific authors or articles from specific journals. The final chapter provides basic information concerning other searchable databases: Psychological Abstracts; Microcomputer Index; and Books in Print. Attachments include: Search Strategy Worksheet; ERIC Field Names and Abbreviations; "Knowledge Index" Command Summary; Mandatory Level Descriptors; and Publication Type Codes. (PN)

**ED 269 035** IR 051 512

Ho, Soo Miang

ERIC: Online, Offline & Without Line. A Summary and a Report on the Staff Interaction Seminar (at the Institute of Education Library) (Singapore, January 18, 1986).

Pub Date—18 Jan 86

Note—20p

Pub Type—Reports - Descriptive (141) — Tests/Questionnaires (160) — Collected Works - Proceedings (021)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Databases. \*Indexes. \*Information Systems. \*Online Searching. Reference Services. Search Strategies

Identifiers—\*ERIC

This presentation at a seminar for library staff and students describes the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) system as an information system designed to provide users with ready access to primarily English-language literature dealing with education by establishing a database, publishing abstracting journals, and reproducing documents in printed and/or microfiche formats. The document includes a description of the organizational composition of ERIC, information on searching ERIC both manually and online, a brief discussion of search strategy development; a description of the format of the two printed abstracting journals, Current Index to Journals in Education (CIJE) and Resources in Education (RIE), estimated costs of computer searches; and procedures for requesting an online search at the Institute of Education Library (IE), Singapore. A brief summary of the results of pre- and post-seminar questionnaires administered to 50 staff and student participants in the staff interaction seminar concludes this document. Appendices include a list of the 16 ERIC clearinghouses with their two letter codes; a sample online search strategy; sample online output; and copies of the pre- and post-seminar questionnaires with tabulated results. (THC)

**ED 270 100** IR 012 220

Klausmeier, Jane A.

Accessing ERIC with Your Microcomputer. ERIC Digest.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, Syracuse, N.Y.

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—Apr 86

Contract—400-85-0001

Note—3p.

Available from—ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, 030 Huntington Hall, Syracuse, New York 13244-2340 (free while supply lasts)

Pub Type—Guides - General (050) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Computer Software, Databases. \*Information Retrieval. \*Microcomputers. \*Online Searching. \*Online Vendors. Telecommunications

Identifiers—\*ERIC, ERIC Digests, Modems

Focusing on how to use a microcomputer as a terminal for searching online databases, this digest addresses the following topics: (1) hardware and software requirements; (2) configuring the software; and (3) basic requirements for specific microcomputers. Special features in communications software

which allow microcomputer users to do database searching are described, such as print commands, save commands, access to command mode, format display, default setting, and status indicator. Suggestions for software configuration include telephone numbers for three major database vendors—DIALOG, BRS (Bibliographic Retrieval Services) and SDC (System Development Corporation). Finally, the hardware necessary to use a computer as a terminal is discussed, including interface modules, modems, modular jacks, acoustic couplers, and internal modems. A list of 10 different microcomputers and the hardware and software necessary to use them as terminals completes this digest. (JB)

**ED 270 101** IR 012 221

Clay, Katherine

ERIC for Practitioners. ERIC Digest.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, Syracuse, N.Y.

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—Dec 85

Contract—400-85-0001

Note—3p

Available from—ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, 030 Huntington Hall, Syracuse, New York 13244-2340 (free while supply lasts).

Pub Type—Reports - Descriptive (141) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Administrators. Cost Effectiveness.

\*Databases. \*Information Dissemination. Information Services. \*Information Sources, Information Storage. Instructional Materials. \*Research Projects. Research Tools. \*Resource Materials.

Teachers

Identifiers—\*ERIC, ERIC Digests, Office of Educational Research and Improvement

Designed to demonstrate that the ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center) database is a useful source of information for educational practitioners at all levels, this digest provides an introduction to the ERIC system and describes the National Education Practice File Project (NEPF). This 2-year project was designed to find out from educational practitioners the kinds of information they would find useful, locate appropriate materials, and make this information easily accessible to its audience through the development of a computerized file of practitioner-oriented materials. An overview of the ERIC system briefly describes its acquisition and processing activities; the creation of computerized files for online searching; the publication of two monthly indexes, Resources in Education (RIE) and Current Index to Journals in Education (CIJE); and the types of materials the system contains. Information on the NEPF includes the purpose of the study, its participants and activities, and the results of an evaluation of the resulting computerized file made up of documents that were already in the ERIC file as well as new acquisitions. Emphasis on practitioner documents since the completion of ERIC is briefly demonstrated, and a study of the cost and usefulness of ERIC that was conducted for the Department of Education is noted. Hints on accessing ERIC are also provided, and a list of four references complete the digest. (JB)

**ED 271 125** IR 051 563

Weller, Carolyn R., Ed. Brandhorst, Ted, Ed.

ERIC Clearinghouse Publications, 1985. An Annotated Bibliography of Information Analysis Products and Other Major Publications of the ERIC Clearinghouses, January-December 1985.

ERIC Processing and Reference Facility, Bethesda, Md.

Spons Agency—Department of Education, Washington, DC

Pub Date—May 86

Contract—400-81-0003

Note—72p., For the 1984 edition, see ED 261 711

Pub Type—Reference Materials - Bibliographies

(131) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC03 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Abstracts, Annotated Bibliographies, \*Clearinghouses. \*Education, Educational Research, Federal Programs, Literature Reviews.

\*Publications. \*Resource Materials. \*State of the Art Reviews

Identifiers—Educational Information. \*ERIC

A broad range of education-related topics are addressed in this annotated bibliography, which presents citations and abstracts for 176 publications produced by the 16 ERIC Clearinghouses in 1985

An introduction explains the ERIC system, clearinghouse publications, the organization of this bibliography, and the availability of clearinghouse publications. A statistical summary by year (1968-1985), shows the number of documents included for each clearinghouse in the series of which this bibliography is the most recent. Document resumes are provided from the following clearinghouses: (1) Adult, Career, and Vocational Education; (2) Counseling and Personnel Services; (3) Reading and Communication Skills; (4) Educational Management; (5) Handicapped and Gifted Children; (6) Languages and Linguistics; (7) Higher Education; (8) Information Resources; (9) Junior Colleges; (10) Elementary and Early Childhood Education; (11) Rural Education and Small Schools; (12) Science, Mathematics, and Environmental Education; (13) Social Studies/Social Science Education; (14) Teacher Education; (15) Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation; and (16) Urban Education. Indexes for subject, author, and institution are provided. A listing of ERIC Digests, i.e. short user-oriented reference sheets formerly called Fact Sheets or Short Reports, is also provided for 1985 (THC)

ED 271 126 IR 051 564

Guthrie, James W. Stoddart, Trish  
Redesigning ERIC: A Modern Information System for Practicing Educators.

Spons Agency—Department of Education, Washington, DC.

Pub Date—May 86

Note—26p.; This paper, commissioned by the ERIC Redesign Study Panel, does not necessarily reflect the final view or recommendations of that panel.

Pub Type—Opinion Papers (120)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC02 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Clearinghouses, \*Databases, \*Educational Research, Federal Programs, Information Networks, \*Information Systems, Position Papers

Identifiers—\*Educational Information, \*ERIC

Asserting that few teachers can provide examples of how they actually used educational research to shape an instructional decision, this position paper argues that as presently structured, the educational research institution does not appear to be effective in communicating products of its work to practitioners. The paper examines obvious barriers to communication between researchers and practitioners including the tendency of researchers to focus on abstractions (hypotheses, theoretical implications, statistical analyses, etc.) versus practitioners' needs for clear descriptions of instructional methods and curriculum materials, including how well they worked and with what types of student. The formation of a Professional Resources Information Network Computerized for Educators (PRINCE) is proposed to provide teachers with practical information and materials directly tailored to meet specific instructional needs. PRINCE would parallel ERIC (the Educational Resources Information Center), the existing information network available to researchers. Following a general discussion of the problem, this document includes the following sections: (1) The Research/Practice Dilemma in ERIC. (2) The Current ERIC System; (3) Barriers to Practitioner Use; (4) Attempts to Make the System More Accessible to Practitioners; (5) Can an Information System Help Improve Schools? and (6) PRINCE: Professional Resources Information Network Computerized for Educators. Eighteen references are listed. (THC)

ED 271 259 IR 051 812

Garnett, Anne. Comp. Hil, Amelita, Comp.  
Searchable Fields in ERIC: A Computer User's Guide via BRS, DIALOG, ORBIT.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Rural Education and Small Schools, Las Cruces, N. Mex.

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—Mar 86

Contract—400-83-0023

Note—7p.

Pub Type—Guides - Non-Classroom (055) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Databases, Information Retrieval, \*Online Searching, Online Systems, \*Online Vendors, Reference Services, \*Search Strategies

Identifiers—Bibliographic Retrieval Services, Current Index to Journals in Education, DIALOG, \*ERIC, ORBIT, Resources in Education, Search Commands

A reference guide for online bibliographic searchers introduces and explains the major computer-searchable fields of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) database. Presents field access labels or commands of three online ERIC database vendors—BRS, DIALOG, and ORBIT and lists the codes necessary for searching particular ERIC fields. The guide briefly describes the ERIC database and documentation and provides names and identifying codes for the 16 ERIC clearinghouses as well as types of publications included in the database and corresponding search codes. Addresses of the three online vendors and addresses for ordering ERIC documents and search tools are provided. (LFL)

ED 272 170 IR 012 229

Brandhorst, Ted  
ERIC on Compact Disc (CD-ROM). A Case Study.

Pub Date—Apr 86

Note—17p., Paper presented at the CD-ROM Based Information Dissemination Conference (Reston, VA, April 13-15, 1986).

Pub Type—Reports - Research (143) — Speeches/Meeting Papers (150)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Case Studies, \*Databases, \*Information Dissemination, Information Retrieval, Information Services, \*Online Systems, \*Optical Disks, Research Tools, Technological Advancement

Identifiers—\*ERIC

ORI, Inc., and SilverPlatter, Inc. have joined together in a joint venture to offer the ERIC database to the public on compact laser disc (CD-ROM). Data from both "Resources in Education" (RIE) and "Current Index to Journals in Education" (CIJE) will be offered on a single disc from January 1983 to the present (with the disc being updated every quarter). Data prior to 1983 will be offered on archival discs (two for RIE; one for CIJE). This case study reviews the various reasons why ERIC is interested in CD-ROM as a method of data dissemination and the reasons ORI chose to link with SilverPlatter in offering such a service. Some of the early experiences in developing the product are related: acquiring market information, configuring the product, developing the retrieval system, alpha testing, allocating corporate responsibilities, pricing, etc. It is noted that ERIC satisfies all five factors that have been cited as determining whether a product is likely to be successful if delivered on CD-ROM technology: (1) large volume of data; (2) stable data not requiring frequent updates; (3) geographically dispersed user community; (4) most users have access to microcomputers; and (5) additional processing enhances the value of the data delivered. (Author/JB)

ED 275 329 IR 051 677

Brandhorst, Ted, Ed. Eustace, Joanna, Ed.  
Directory of ERIC Information Service Providers. Arranged by Geographic Location: Country, State, City.

Educational Resources Information Center (ED), Washington, DC., ERIC Processing and Reference Facility, Bethesda, Md

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—May 86

Note—106p.

Pub Type—Reference Materials - Directories/Catalogs (132)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC05 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Clearinghouses, \*Information Centers, Information Dissemination, \*Information Services, Microfiche, \*Online Searching, \*Reference Services

Identifiers—Current Index to Journals in Education, \*ERIC, Eric Document Reproduction Service, Resources in Education

A consolidation of the Directory of ERIC Microfiche Collections and the Directory of ERIC Search Services, this directory lists organizations that provide their users and clientele with significant access to the ERIC database and its related resources. Included are organizations that provide computerized searches of the ERIC database, have sizeable collections of ERIC microfiche, and subscribe to and collect the various ERIC publications. Material is presented in three sections covering the domestic United States, outlying U.S. territories, and non-U.S. countries. Where applicable, entries are grouped geographically by country, state, and city

within these designations. A sample data entry with explanations is provided, and ERIC information service provider statistics are presented in three tables. Additional information includes a list of ERIC Clearinghouses, a brief discussion of online searching, information for ordering subscriptions to "Resources in Education," an ERIC Fact Sheet, an ERIC Document Reproduction Service order form, and a data input form for the directory. (KM)

ED 277 388 IR 051 731

Sullivan, Michael V. And Others  
Direct Access to Bibliographic Databases by End-Users: Menu Facilitation versus Native Command Language.

Stanford Univ., Calif. Libraries  
Spons Agency—Council on Library Resources, Inc., Washington, D.C.

Pub Date—[85]

Note—222p., Best copy available

Pub Type—Reports - Research (143) — Tests/Questionnaires (160)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC09 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Academic Libraries, Access to Information, Comparative Analysis, Graduate Students, Higher Education, Intermedial Differences, \*Menu Driven Software, \*Online Searching, Online Systems, Questionnaires, \*Relevance (Information Retrieval), Search Strategies, \*Users (Information), \*User Satisfaction (Information)

Identifiers—Bibliographic Data Bases, \*Command Language, DIALOG, ERIC, INSPEC, \*Intermediaries, SciMate

After receiving training in searching INSPEC or ERIC on DIALOG using either the SciMate menu or native commands, 40 doctoral students performed free searches on research topics of their choice. In comparison with 20 control subjects (doctoral students for whom a free search was performed by a skilled librarian), the experimental subjects were equally satisfied with their retrievals, which were smaller but higher in relevance than those produced by the intermediaries, and were more likely to follow up the search by consultation of the references listed. Subjects instructed to use native commands committed fewer errors during training, required less training time, and interacted more with the databases than subjects trained on the SciMate menu. An examination of differences by sex revealed that women indicated that they would actually consult a higher proportion of the references listed than men, and that women tended to assign a higher monetary value to their searches than men. It is concluded that end-users can learn to do their own literature searches effectively, with or without a menu interface. Results are discussed in terms of cognitive and motivational determinants, statistical evidence is displayed in 40 tables, and references are provided. Study questionnaires, quizzes, and end-user searching workbooks are appended. (KM)

ED 277 393 IR 051 736

The Department of Education's Limits on Publications: Saving Money or Censorship? Sixtieth Report by the Committee on Government Operations together with Dissenting and Supplemental Views.

Congress of the U. S., Washington, D. C. House Committee on Government Operations.

Report No.—House-R-99-978

Pub Date—86

Note—38p., Based on a study made by the Intergovernmental Relations and Human Resources Subcommittee.

Pub Type—Legal/Legislative/Regulatory Materials (090) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Evaluative (142)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC02 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Access to Information, \*Censorship, \*Cost Effectiveness, \*Educational Media, Educational Research, Educational Technology, Evaluation Criteria, Evaluation Problems, Government Publications, \*Information Dissemination, Program Effectiveness, Program Evaluation, \*Public Agencies

Identifiers—Department of Education, ERIC, \*Publication and Audio Visual Advisory Council, \*Publications Review Board, Womens Educational Equity Act

This report discusses an oversight investigation of the Department of Education's Publication and Audio Visual Council (PAVAC) and its successor, the Publications Review Board (PRB). Background information is provided about the review process for publications and products; the Women's Educational Equity Act (WEEA) program, educational

laboratories and centers, the PAVAC record; and the modification of the review process. Findings concern rejection of products of the educational laboratories and centers and WEEA, cost of review procedures; training and expertise of PAVAC and PRB members; educators' access to educational equity materials; bias in PAVAC review of WEEA products; lack of consideration of appeals prepared for WEEA products; conflict with the WEEA amendments of 1984; PAVAC review and rejection of publications that it was not required to review, and delays and uncertainty resulting from PAVAC and PRB reviews. As a result of these findings, four conclusions and six recommendations are presented concerning cost-cutting measures, scope of PRB review, dissemination of rejected WEEA products, decisions concerning Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) product dissemination, and the elimination of photocopies and products costing under \$2,500 from the review process. Statements of dissenting and supplemental views are provided. (KM)

ED 277 394 IR 051 737

*Brandhorst, Ted*  
Distributing the ERIC Database on SilverPlatter Compact Disc—A Brief Case History.

Pub Date—5 Nov 86

Note—43p.; Paper presented at the ONLINE '86 Conference (Chicago, IL, November 5, 1986)

Pub Type— Reports - Descriptive (141) — Speeches/Meeting Papers (150)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC02 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Databases,\*Information Dissemination,\*Information Retrieval, Information Technology, Marketing, Online Systems,\*Optical Data Disks, Summative Evaluation, User Needs (Information)

Identifiers—Bibliographic Data Bases, Current Index to Journals in Education,\*ERIC, ORI Inc,\*Product Development, Resources in Education,\*SilverPlatter

This description of the development of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) compact disc by two companies, SilverPlatter and ORI, Inc., provides background information on ERIC and the ERIC database, discusses reasons for choosing to put the ERIC database on compact discs, and describes the formulation of an ERIC CD-ROM team as part of the development process. A review of steps along the way in the development of a CD-ROM version of the ERIC database includes discussions of agreements and contracts; division of labor; marketing information/surveys; product design; conversion/inversion specifications; retrieval system capabilities; alpha test sites; news releases, flyers, letters, status reports, and order forms; publicity (articles, conference exhibits, advertising); and documentation and user manuals. The following information is appended: (1) ORI/SilverPlatter Division of Responsibility; (2) ERIC Database Conversion/Inversion Specifications; (3) Search Features—Comparison of ERIC on SilverPlatter with DIALOG 2; (4) Projected Retrieval System Improvements; (5) SilverPlatter order form and subscription agreement; (6) SilverPlatter pricing information; (7) Resources in Education (RIE) Sample Record; (8) listing of ERIC Clearinghouses, and (9) ERIC Fact Sheet. (KM)

ED 277 565 SE 047 661

*Howe, Robert W*

Survey of Selected ERIC Users—1986.

Council of ERIC Directors; ERIC Clearinghouse for Science, Mathematics, and Environmental Education, Columbus, Ohio.

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—30 Dec 86

Note—57p.

Available from—SMEAC Information Center, The Ohio State Univ., 1200 Chambers Rd., 3rd Floor, Columbus, OH 43212.

Pub Type— ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071) — Reports - Research (143) — Tests/Questionnaires (160)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC03 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Feasibility Studies, Information Science,\*Information Services,\*Information Utilization,\*National Surveys, Opinions, Questionnaires, Surveys,\*User Needs (Information),\*User Satisfaction (Information)

Identifiers—\*ERIC

Several projects were undertaken in 1986 for the purpose of maintaining and improving the ERIC system. This report focuses on one of the projects

that involved two surveys of users of the ERIC system and its products. Survey I consisted of a stratified sample of 500 ERIC Standing Order Customers (SOCs). These sites subscribe to the ERIC microfiche collection and represent the heaviest users of ERIC. The respondents represented all types of SOCs and included 70 percent of the state departments of education and school districts that subscribe to the ERIC microfiche. Survey II was a sample of 200 administrators and teachers selected from a list of 2,800 schools surveyed periodically since 1969 by the SMEAC Information Reference Center at The Ohio State University. In addition, a sample of 50 administrators and teachers were sampled in Ohio. Each survey is described in terms of its: (1) sample population; (2) data collection procedures; and (3) data results and analysis. A summary is provided as well as a discussion of specific user recommendations. Appendices contain survey letters and questionnaires. (ML)

ED 277 654 SP 028 231

The Importance of the Educational Resources Information Center for Health and Physical Education Teacher Candidates. ERIC Digest #9.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Teacher Education, Washington, DC

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—86

Note—4p

Pub Type— Reports - Descriptive (141) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Clearinghouses,\*Databases,\*Educational Resources, Elementary Secondary Education, Higher Education,\*Information Services, Online Vendors,\*Physical Education Teachers,\*Preservice Teacher Education, Research Utilization

Identifiers—\*ERIC Digests

This digest highlights features of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC), explains how to use the system most effectively, and offers suggestions on how health and physical education teacher education faculty can present and use the ERIC system to supplement classroom instruction. Following a description of how resources in ERIC can be helpful to teachers and teacher candidates, a discussion is presented on what teacher candidates should know in order to use ERIC effectively. Some suggested activities for classroom follow-up are listed. (JD)

ED 277 655 SP 028 232

The Importance of the Educational Resources Information Center for Teacher Candidates. ERIC Digest #10.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Teacher Education, Washington, DC

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—86

Note—4p.

Pub Type— Reports - Descriptive (141) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Clearinghouses,\*Databases,\*Educational Resources, Higher Education,\*Information Services,\*Online Vendors,\*Preservice Teacher Education, Research Utilization

Identifiers—\*ERIC Digests

This digest highlights features of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC), explains how to use the system most effectively, and offers suggestions on how teacher education faculty can present and use the ERIC system to supplement classroom instruction. Following a description of how resources in ERIC can be helpful to teachers and teacher candidates, a discussion is presented on what teacher candidates should know in order to use ERIC effectively. Some suggested activities for classroom follow-up are offered. (JD)

ED 278 429 IR 051 933

*Beneivenga, James J And Others*

ERIC Redesign. Papers Issued for Public Comment, 1986-1987.

Educational Resources Information Center (ED), Washington, DC.; Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—Apr 87

Note—60p.

Pub Type— Reports - Evaluative (142)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC03 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Information Dissemination,\*Information Needs, Information Networks, Information Services, Information Systems, Information Utilization,\*Needs Assessment, Position Papers, Systems Analysis

Identifiers—\*ERIC

This compilation consists of various letters and documents issued for public comment during 1986-1987 by the Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI) of the U.S. Department of Education, during its examination of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) system to determine any needed changes and improvements. This compilation includes only the material that was distributed for public comment. It does not include the minutes of meetings of advisory groups formed during 1986 to study ERIC, the background papers that were prepared to stimulate internal discussion, or the many letter reactions that were received from the field in response to these public announcements. The components of this package are: (1) "ERIC in Its Third Decade" (a statement of principles); (2) "Domains or Scope Areas to Be Included in the ERIC System"; and (3) "Summary of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) Redesign" (an implementation paper). Appended to the third component are two position papers: (1) "Access ERIC" (including "ERIC Partners"), by John Collins; and (2) "Adjunct Clearinghouses," by Elizabeth Payer. Except insofar as they may be modified by further public comment or congressional action, it is OERI's intent to proceed to modify ERIC along the lines described in these documents. These changes involve: (1) Merging the Clearinghouses on Teacher Education and Counseling and Personnel Services into a "School Professionals" Clearinghouse; (2) Changing the names of seven Clearinghouses; (3) adding a Clearinghouse on "Education Statistics," to be located within the Center for Education Statistics (CES); (4) Initiating a new ERIC system component called "ACCESS ERIC" to concentrate on marketing, promotion, advertising, public relations, training, system-wide information analysis products, and liaison with other information systems; (5) Initiating a formal users' group to be called "ERIC Partners"; (6) Initiating a new kind of "Adjunct Clearinghouse" that will, at no cost to ERIC, acquire and process for ERIC the educational literature in the distinctive areas (e.g., art) in which their host organizations may have a special interest. (AA)

ED 279 310 IR 012 553

*Smith, Gary R.*

Successes and Failures with Some Data Bases.

Pub Date—13 Mar 86

Note—19p.; Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning (Grand Rapids, MI, March 13, 1986)

Pub Type— Information Analysis (070) — Reports - Evaluative (142) — Speeches/Meeting Papers (150)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Computer Software,\*Databases, Elementary Secondary Education, Higher Education,\*Information Retrieval,\*Information Services, Public Schools, Schools of Education,\*Search Strategies, Statistical Analysis, User Satisfaction (Information)

Identifiers—Computer Based Resource Units, ERIC, Michigan Educational Assessment Program, Michigan Professional Personnel Register,\*Wayne State University MI

Conducted over the past 15 years by the College of Education at Wayne State University (WSU), the studies of several databases that are described in this paper were designed for the specific purpose of providing factual information related to the problems of education in the public schools and in higher education. As a matter of precept the study was carried out on the following lines: (1) only databases that are in the public domain were used; (2) efforts were made to gather the original documents identified by searching the databases; (3) existing software was used with a database when it was available; and (4) descriptive statistics were used in the analysis of data. Descriptions of the use of five databases at WSU—the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC); the Michigan Professional Personnel Register (MPPR); Computer Based Resource Units, the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP); and the WSU College of Education Data Base—include explanations of how they were developed for use at the site, and comments on the successes and failures experienced in their use. The 26

references cited include sources that provide detailed descriptions of various studies conducted at WSU and their results. (DJR)

ED 279 346

IR 051 818

Barnett, Lynn

**Indexing and Retrieval in ERIC: The 20th Year.** ERIC Clearinghouse on Higher Education, Washington, D.C.

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—[86]

Contract—400-86-0017

Note—12p.; This paper appears in the Thesaurus of ERIC Descriptors, 11th Edition—1987.

Pub Type—Guides - General (050) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071) — Reports - Descriptive (141)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Databases, \*Indexing, \*Information Retrieval, Search Strategies, \*Subject Index Terms, \*Thesauri

Identifiers—\*Bibliographic Data Bases, Current Index to Journals in Education, \*ERIC, Resources in Education

This brief review of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) system is intended to make users more aware of (1) the system as a whole, (2) the process of indexing educational literature for the database, and (3) the role of the Thesaurus of ERIC Descriptors in the overall information dissemination process. An overview of the ERIC system is provided, and a discussion of ERIC vocabulary maintenance includes descriptions of the 1977 Vocabulary Improvement Project (VIP) and the Vocabulary Review Group. In addition, information retrieval methods and tools for manual and computer searching are considered; and a discussion of ERIC's indexing provides general guidelines as well as detailed discussions of educational and age level descriptors, identifiers, and publication types. Further hints for relevant retrieval consider non-subject access and the target audience. Also included in the text are a listing of ERIC's searchable fields and vendors' field access labels; sample Resources in Education (RIE) and Current Index to Journals in Education (CIJE) entries; listings of mandatory educational and age level descriptors, publication/document types, and descriptors corresponding to publication type categories; and a guide for assigning pubtype codes. (KM)

ED 279 646

SP 028 648

**Successful ERIC Searching for HPRD Professionals and Students.** ERIC Digest 18.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Teacher Education, Washington, D.C.

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—87

Contract—400-83-0022

Note—4p.

Pub Type—ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071) — Reports - Descriptive (141)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Dance, \*Educational Resources, \*Health Education, \*Information Retrieval, Information Sources, \*Physical Education, \*Recreation, Reference Materials

Identifiers—\*ERIC, ERIC Digests

The Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) offers Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (HPRD) faculty and students access to the largest collection of educational literature available today. This digest discusses how to assess ERIC, the importance of the Thesaurus of ERIC Descriptors, and how to use Thesaurus descriptors, and lists HPRD descriptors from the Thesaurus under the following headings: (1) athletics; (2) dance; (3) health; (4) physical education; (5) recreation; and (6) sports/activities. (JD)

ED 280 510

IR 052 069

**Administrative Procedures and Guidelines for ERIC Clearinghouse Management.**

Educational Resources Information Center (ED), Washington, DC.

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—Nov 83

Note—83p.; "Compiled by Central ERIC Staff for the Guidance of the ERIC Clearinghouses."

Pub Type—Guides - General (050) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071) — Reference Materials (130)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC04 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Administrative Policy, Administrator Guides, Annual Reports, Budgets, \*Clearinghouses, Contracts, Guidelines, Information Services, Personnel Management, Proposal Writing, Publications, Recordkeeping, Records (Forms), Statistical Data

Identifiers—\*ERIC, Site Visits

This loose-leaf manual brings together in a single reference source all administrative requirements common to ERIC clearinghouse operations. Some contain relatively firm guidelines that should be followed closely; others contain more flexible guidelines and suggestions that, in their application, should be considered subject to the discretion of the individual clearinghouses. The manual is divided into nine sections: (1) "Introduction," (2) "Management of Clearinghouse Operations," which covers processing, budget monitoring, major clearinghouse publications monitoring, record keeping, and system support groups; (3) "Personnel Management," which includes job descriptions, functional titles, and staff orientation; (4) "User Services," which covers extent of services, recommended materials, and form letters; (5) "Clearinghouse Publications," i.e., information analysis products (IAPs) and other major publications; (6) "Guidelines for Semiannual Reports," which covers management data, the statistical report, status report on major clearinghouse publications, involvement with professional organizations, and current "cutting edge" topics; (7) "Guidelines for Site Visits to ERIC Clearinghouses," which includes preparation by the clearinghouse for the site visit, conduct of the site visit, and post site visit actions; (8) "Guidelines for the Annual Review," which includes the presentation of the review and review material to government monitors; and (9) "Incremental Funding Requests," which covers requirements for submission, format of the request, business (line item) budget, and performance category budget. A list of ERIC-related acronyms and samples of various forms used by the ERIC clearinghouses are included. (BBM)

ED 281 696

RC 016 208

Garnett, Anne Elise

**Making a Molehill Out of a Mountain: The Reference Guide to the Searchable Fields in ERIC.**

Pub Date—May 87

Note—110p.; Master's Thesis, New Mexico State University.

Pub Type—Master Theses (042) — Reports - Descriptive (141) — Tests/Questionnaires (160)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC05 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Databases, Documentation, Editing, Evaluation Methods, Formative Evaluation, \*Guides, Information Needs, Layout (Publications), \*Material Development, \*Online Searching, Online Vendors, Pamphlets, Questionnaires, Technical Writing, \*User Needs (Information)

Identifiers—\*ERIC

This thesis charts the development of a reference guide to searchable fields in the ERIC online database including identifying a target audience, planning and preparation of drafts, testing drafts with experienced online searchers and students, incorporating suggestions, and preparing and distributing the final version of the guide. The thesis reports that draft test results indicated the guide was successful in introducing and clarifying ERIC's searchable fields for searchers with moderate online experience; novice searchers needed more information about searching strategies than the guide provided. The thesis describes the ERIC database and introduces online searcher problems which prompted production of the guide. A literature review includes findings about the intended reading audience of searchers, background information about user perceptions of the three major online vendors of the ERIC database, and research/advice about developing a concise and clear reference guide. A chapter on methodology describes development of questionnaires to solicit evaluation of the draft from groups of moderately experienced and novice searchers and from other reviewers, patterns which emerged from the responses, and incorporation of responses into the revised guide. Appendices contain copies of draft and final versions of the reference guide, search exercise/questionnaires for reviewers, and reviewers' suggested revisions. (LFL)

ED 283 533

IR 052 005

McLaughlin, Pamela W.

**New Access Points to ERIC—CD-ROM Versions.** ERIC Digest.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, Syracuse, N.Y.

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—May 87

Contract—400-85-0001

Note—4p

Available from—ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, 030 Huntington Hall, Syracuse, NY 13244-2340.

Pub Type—ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071) — Reports - Evaluative (142)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Comparative Analysis, \*Computer Software, Costs, \*Databases, \*Input Output Devices, \*Optical Data Disks, Summative Evaluation

Identifiers—Bibliographic Data Bases, DIALOG OnDisc ERIC, \*ERIC, ERIC Digests, OCLC Search CD450, SilverPlatter ERIC, Vendors

This digest reviews three CD-ROM (compact disc-read only memory) versions of the ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center) database currently being delivered or tested and provides information for comparison. However, no attempt is made to recommend any one product. The advantages and disadvantages of the acquisition of CD-ROM databases are discussed, and the vendor address as well as a description of the database scope and information on software capabilities, hardware requirements, and any notable features are provided for the following products: (1) DIALOG OnDisc ERIC, produced by DIALOG Information Services, Inc.; (2) OCLC Search CD450 for Education, produced by the Online Computer Library Center, and (3) SilverPlatter ERIC, produced by SilverPlatter Information, Inc. In addition, a table presents a comparison of the current disc contents, archival disc contents, hardware, CD drives, and prices of the three products. (KM)

ED 283 535

IR 052 097

Weller, Carolyn R. Ed. Brandhorst, Ted. Ed.

**ERIC Clearinghouse Publications, 1986. An Annotated Bibliography of Information Analysis Products and Other Major Publications of the ERIC Clearinghouses, January-December 1986.**

ERIC Processing and Reference Facility, Bethesda, Md

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—Jul 87

Contract—300-87-0004

Note—89p., For 1985 edition, see: ED 271 125

Pub Type—Reference Materials - Bibliographies (131) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC04 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Abstracts, Annotated Bibliographies, \*Clearinghouses, \*Education, Educational Research, Federal Programs, Literature Reviews, \*Publications, \*Resource Materials, \*State of the Art Reviews

Identifiers—Educational Information, \*ERIC

A broad range of education-related topics are addressed in this annotated bibliography, which presents citations and abstracts for 229 publications produced by the 16 ERIC Clearinghouses in 1986. An introduction describes the ERIC system, clearinghouse publications, the organization of this bibliography, and the availability of clearinghouse publications. A statistical summary by year (1968-1986) shows the number of publications included for each clearinghouse in the series of which this bibliography is the most recent. Document resumes are provided from the following clearinghouses: (1) Adult, Career, and Vocational Education; (2) Counseling and Personnel Services; (3) Reading and Communication Skills; (4) Educational Management; (5) Handicapped and Gifted Children; (6) Languages and Linguistics; (7) Higher Education; (8) Information Resources; (9) Junior Colleges; (10) Elementary and Early Childhood Education; (11) Rural Education and Small Schools; (12) Science, Mathematics, and Environmental Education; (13) Social Studies/Social Science Education; (14) Teacher Education; (15) Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation; and (16) Urban Education. Indexes for subject, author, and institution are provided. A listing of ERIC Digests, i.e., short user-oriented reference sheets formerly called Fact Sheets or Short Reports, is also provided for 1986. Also included is ERIC Ready Reference #9, which provides information on ERIC Digests, the ERIC Digests Online (EDO) database, and how to get connected to EDO and search it online, as well as

a form for ordering ERIC documents from the ERIC Document Reproduction Service (EDRS). (BBM)

ED 284 579 IR 052 046  
Huffman, Robert F.

In Place of Mr. S. Platter and His Marvelous, Magnificent CD ROM Laser Disc Index for ERIC and PSYCHLIT.

Pub Date—[Jul 87]

Note—15p.

Pub Type—Guides - General (050)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Academic Libraries, Autoinstructional Aids, Higher Education, Instructional Materials, \*Library Instruction, \*Online Searching, \*Optical Data Disks, Relevance (Information Retrieval), \*Search Strategies, User Needs (Information)

Identifiers—\*ERIC, \*PSYCHLIT, SilverPlatter Information Inc, University of Missouri Columbia, User Training

These instructions are designed to help patrons of the University of Missouri-Columbia library perform searches on PSYCHLIT, a CD-ROM (compact disc, read only memory) version of the Psych Abstracts database, and a CD-ROM version of the ERIC database, both produced by SilverPlatter Information Services. Basic information is provided about the disk contents, use of the work station function keys, viewing and evaluating records, and printing search results. In addition, a four-part set of instructions, "How to Do a Search on the ERIC/PSYCHLIT CD-ROM Indexes," provides the following information: (1) instructions for performing a practice search using prescribed terms, displaying the retrieved records, and printing the search results; (2) instructions to enable a user to perform a search on a topic of his or her choice and to display and print the results; (3) helpful hints for completing a successful search; and (4) questions and answers about searching. A checklist of 22 items that a patron-trainee should be made aware of in order to use the ERIC and PSYCHLIT CD-ROM indexes and four suggestions for the librarian-trainer is also included. (KM)

ED 286 522 IR 052 127

Rholes, Julia M. Caldwell-Wood, Naomi  
ERIC SilverPlatter: Is It User Friendly?

Pub Date—Jul 87

Note—26p.; Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Library Association (San Francisco, CA, June 27-July 2, 1987).

Pub Type—Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Evaluative (142) — Speeches/Meeting Papers (150)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC02 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Comparative Analysis, Computer Literacy, Education Majors, Evaluation Criteria, Higher Education, Indexes, \*Intermode Differences, \*Library Instruction, Library Surveys, \*Online Searching, \*Optical Disks, Reference Services, Use Studies

Identifiers—Current Index to Journals in Education, \*ERIC, Resources in Education, \*SilverPlatter Information Inc, Texas A and M University, User Preferences

This study conducted at Texas A&M University compares two types of training approaches using ERIC SilverPlatter (ERIC SP). Education students received either: (1) a one hour training session on basic search commands and strategies, or (2) a four page instructional handout that described basic search commands, Boolean logic, and special features with examples. Both groups performed searches using the system and then completed evaluation forms that inquired about academic background, previous computer experience, library experience, and user reactions to ERIC SP. Data obtained from the 73 users who completed the survey indicated that, while many users will need assistance with ERIC SP, the classes are not essential for the successful implementation of an ERIC SP service. The six figures attached to this report include lists of user comments and selected search topics as well as copies of the user survey and the instructional handout. (RP)

ED 286 941 TM 870 608

Stupp, Emma Gonzalez  
Finding Information about Tests, ERIC Digest.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation, Princeton, N.J.

Spons Agency—National Inst. of Education (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—Dec 84

Contract—NIE-400-83-0015

Note—4p.; An ERIC Digest published in the ERIC/TME Update Series

Available from—ERIC Clearinghouse on Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation, Educational Testing Service, Princeton, NJ 08541-0001 (free).

Pub Type—ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Databases, \*Educational Testing, \*Information Retrieval, \*Information Sources, Research Reports, Search Strategies, \*Test Reviews

Identifiers—ERIC, ERIC Digests, Mental Measurements Yearbook, Test Collection (Educational Testing Service)

Recent emphasis on stricter educational accountability measures has resulted in a profusion of educational and psychological tests available in today's market. This ERIC Digest has been prepared to meet educators' needs to find information about tests quickly and easily. Three resources discussed are the Test Collection database, the Mental Measurements Yearbook database, and the ERIC database. Three topics are examined: (1) finding tests and other measurement instruments; (2) finding test reviews; and (3) finding studies about a certain test. The Test Collection database can be searched online for tests, using test-related terms as descriptors or identifiers. The ERIC database can be searched online using publication type codes, using test-related terms as major descriptors, and by combining publication type code and specific test-related descriptors. The Mental Measurements Yearbook database can be searched using subject classifications. Test reviews are also available in ERIC, using the descriptor "Test Reviews," and in the Mental Measurements Yearbook and its monthly updates. A test can also be searched using its specific name (LMO)

ED 287 480 IR 052 157

Mason, Ward S.

ERIC as a Dissemination Agent: A Social System Perspective.

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—Jun 87

Note—22p.

Pub Type—Reports - Evaluative (142)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Clearinghouses, \*Educational Improvement, \*Educational Research, \*Information Dissemination, \*Information Needs, Information Utilization, \*Planning, Systems Analysis, Technology Transfer, User Needs (Information)

Identifiers—\*ERIC

This study examines the conceptual and theoretical issues arising from the planned redesign of ERIC (the Educational Resources Information Center) and its potential new roles in the dissemination system. A three-level definition of the ERIC system is provided; the goal of making ERIC a comprehensive dissemination program is refined to one of making it a comprehensive information service; and the relationship of ERIC to other parts of a comprehensive dissemination system is described. Additional considerations that are discussed include the dilemma of choosing between indirect and direct strategies of service provision, the question of generalization versus specialization, and the value of cooperative relationships with other programs, particularly regional laboratories and research centers. Finally, the role of information in educational improvement is presented from the three perspectives of technology transfer, renewal, and facilitation. It is concluded that it is essential that ERIC become more firmly grounded in a theory of knowledge use, and that studies of ERIC be used in making design decisions. The text is supplemented with two figures, and 27 references are provided. (KM)

ED 287 519 IR 052 267

Oversight Hearing on OERI (The ERIC System). Hearing before the Subcommittee on Select Education of the Committee on Education and Labor, House of Representatives, One Hundredth Congress, First Session.

Congress of the U.S., Washington, D.C. House Committee on Education and Labor.

Pub Date—30 Jul 87

Note—181p.; Serial No. 100-45. For related materials, see "ERIC Redesign. Papers Issued for Public Comment, 1986-1987" (ED 278 429).

Available from—Superintendent of Documents.

Congressional Sales Office, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

Pub Type—Legal/Legislative/Regulatory Materials (090)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC08 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Access to Information, \*Biographic Databases, Clearinghouses, \*Educational Change, Federal Programs, Financial Support, Hearings, \*Information Dissemination, Information Needs, Information Services, \*Information Systems, Program Effectiveness, Technological Advancement, Users (Information)

Identifiers—Congress 100th, Educational Information, \*ERIC

This oversight hearing was held to review the status of the 21-year-old Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) program, which is administered by the Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI) in the U.S. Department of Education, and to hear administration proposals for the redesign of the ERIC system. This report of the hearing begins with an opening statement by the Hon. Major R. Owens, chairman of the subcommittee, who stressed the importance of the successful management of information and the need for adequate funding for the ERIC system. The report also provides transcripts of statements presented at the hearing and discussion of those statements, as well as prepared statements and testimony submitted to the subcommittee. Statements (and prepared statements) are included from: (1) Chester E. Finn, Assistant Secretary for Educational Research and Improvement, U.S. Department of Education; (2) Lynn Barnett, Chair of the ERIC Technical Steering Committee; (3) Donald P. Ely, Director of the ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources; (4) Don Erickson, Director of the ERIC Clearinghouse on Handicapped and Gifted Children; (5) Leslie Bjorncrantz, curriculum librarian and education bibliographer at Northwestern University; (6) Kenneth S. Tollett, distinguished professor of higher education, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Howard University; and (7) Charles W. Hoover, retired Director of ERIC. Additional testimony and prepared statements are also included from Natalie Felsher, Montgomery County (Maryland) Public Schools; Paula Montgomery, Maryland State Department of Education; Robert E. Chesley, an educational consultant and former Director of ERIC, and Laurie Garduque, Director of Governmental and Professional Liaison for the American Educational Research Association. (BBM)

ED 288 528 IR 052 144

McLaughlin, Pamela W.  
Steps in Using ERIC.

ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources,

Syracuse, N.Y.

Pub Date—May 87

Note—4p.

Pub Type—Guides - Classroom - Learner (051)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Databases, Guidelines, \*Indexes, \*Search Strategies, \*Subject Index Terms, \*Thesauri

Identifiers—Current Index to Journals in Education, \*ERIC, Resources in Education

Designed for use in the reading room of the ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, this set of three self-instructional guides provides step-by-step instructions for locating information in the ERIC system. The first instruction sheet explains how to use the Thesaurus of ERIC Descriptors to identify appropriate subject headings, or descriptors, for a given topic. The second and third guides explain how to use these descriptors to look for information in the two monthly indexes of ERIC, i.e., Current Index to Journals in Education (CIJE), which covers the periodical literature, and Resources in Education (RIE), which covers the document literature. The types of materials that are announced in RIE and CIJE are briefly described, as well as the location of journals and the ERIC microfiche collection on the Syracuse University campus. (RP)

ED 288 562 IR 052 298

Brandhorst, Ted. Ed.

ERIC Administrative Bulletin (EAB), 1976-1987.

ERIC Processing and Reference Facility, Bethesda,

Md.

Spons Agency—Educational Resources Information

Center (ED), Washington, DC.

Pub Date—87

Contract—300-87-0004

Note—4,212p., Succeeds "ERIC Management

Notes." The EAB is issued monthly or bi-

monthly, depending on available material. This compilation includes issues published during the 12-year period 1976-1987.

Journal Cit—ERIC Administrative Bulletin; v1-11 1976-1987

Pub Type— Collected Works - Serials (022) — ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071) — Reference Materials (130)

EDRS Price - MF40/PC169 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Clearinghouses, \*Databases, Information Dissemination, Information Services, \*Information Systems, Newsletters  
Identifiers—\*ERIC

The ERIC Administrative Bulletin (EAB) is the internal "house organ" of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC), the nationwide bibliographic information system covering the educational literature. ERIC is sponsored by the Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI) within the U.S. Department of Education. The EAB is prepared by the ERIC Processing and Reference Facility on the basis of material submitted by the ERIC Clearinghouses and other components of the ERIC system. The EAB is issued every month or two, depending on the volume of material available. All EAB articles are reviewed and approved by Central ERIC before publication. The EAB is distributed solely within the ERIC system (approximately 20 contractors) and is intended as an internal newsletter or journal of the ERIC system and a major means for the decentralized components of ERIC to communicate and interact with one another. The EAB is also a permanent record reflecting most of the major events in the life of the ERIC system (such as personnel changes, Standing Order Customer changes, etc.) and providing in printed form essential documents (such as ERIC policy and priority statements, Clearinghouse scope statement modifications, "ERIC Processing Manual" revisions, etc.). Current major categories for announcements are: Action Items; Network News; Personnel; Clearinghouse Publications; Meetings Participated In. All new forms and all major reports commonly are included as Attachments to EAB issues. This compilation consists of 116 issues of the EAB, extending from July 1976 through December 1987, a period of 12 years. (WTB)

ED 289 478

IR 012 945

Smith, Gary R.

Computer-Based Information System Cultivated To Support a College of Education.

Pub Date—15 Jan 87

Note—19p; Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Michigan Educational Research Association (Ann Arbor, MI, January 15, 1987).

Pub Type— Reports - Descriptive (141) — Speeches/Meeting Papers (150)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Computer Uses in Education, \*Databases, Demography, Employment Statistics, Higher Education, Information Retrieval, \*Information Systems, \*Local Area Networks, Program Evaluation, School Registration, \*Schools of Education, \*Student Records

Identifiers—ERIC, Michigan Professional Personnel Register, \*Wayne State University MI

This brief paper discusses four of the computer applications explored at Wayne State University over the past decade to provide alternative solutions to problems commonly encountered in teacher education and in providing support for the classroom teacher. These studies examined only databases that are available in the public domain; obtained original documentation where possible for each database considered; and avoided elaborate analyses of data in favor of descriptive statistics. Successes realized and problems encountered are discussed for each of the four databases described: (1) a student data file from the registration data collected by the university for all students in the College of Education, which provided the foundation for the college's response to an accreditation review of all university programs in 1986; (2) the Michigan Professional Personnel Register, an annual census of the state's public school teachers, administrators, and other professionals, which has been used in studies of the college and its graduates; (3) the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC), which has been mounted on a mainframe computer and made available to students at the university; and (4) the development of a local area network which is to be integrated into the teaching, research, and service functions of the college. Diagrams of the major components of the College of Education's computer-based information systems and the compo-

nents of the local area network are provided as well as 27 references. (RP)

ED 290 500

IR 052 272

MacVean, Donald S.

Use of ERIC Materials by Certified School Personnel in Three Educational Service Regions in West Central Illinois.

Pub Date—87

Note—29p.

Pub Type— Reports - Research (143) — Tests/Questionnaires (160)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC02 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—\*Databases, Educational Practices, Indexes, Information Seeking, \*Information Utilization, \*Librarians, Online Searching, \*Public School Teachers, Questionnaires, \*School Personnel, School Surveys, Use Studies  
Identifiers—\*ERIC, \*Illinois

Designed to determine to what extent the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) products and services are utilized by certified school personnel, this study found that, on the average, 25.1% of the teachers, librarians, counselors, and administrators in three educational service regions in west central Illinois have used Resources in Education, Current Index to Journals in Education, computer searching, and/or ERIC documents. A questionnaire was sent to 2,157 individuals, and the data are based on the 702 usable responses received (a return rate of 33%). Analyses of the data also indicated that: (1) most of the use occurred while respondents were graduate students; (2) respondents used ERIC materials to improve educational practices and for personal research; (3) when job assignment was related to use of ERIC, counselors, administrators, and librarians reported a higher percentage of use than classroom teachers; (4) years of service were generally inversely related to the use of ERIC products; and (5) with one exception, the higher the degree held, the more the individual had used ERIC and performed online database searching. A brief review of the related literature provides additional insight into the degree to which ERIC is used and recognized among school personnel, and some ways to increase awareness of ERIC among school personnel are suggested. A copy of the questionnaire is appended and nine references are listed. (CGD)

ED 291 407

IR 052 307

Goodwin, Bryan Schroeder, Paul

Guide to Sources: Using ERIC on Dialog's On Disc.

Maine Univ., Orono, Raymond H. Fogler Library  
Pub Date—Oct 87

Note—3p.

Pub Type— Guides - Non-Classroom (055)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC01 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Academic Libraries, \*Databases, Higher Education, \*Information Retrieval, Information Sources, Library Research, \*Optical Data Disks, Reference Materials, \*Search Strategies, Users (Information)  
Identifiers—\*DIALOG OnDisc, \*ERIC, University of Maine

This user's guide to conducting a preliminary search of the ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center) database on CD-ROM (Compact Disk Read-Only Memory) begins by briefly describing the types of materials found in ERIC and explains the four steps common to the any computer search: (1) definition of topic elements and formation of concept groups of related terms; (2) gathering of terms of one concept group into a basic set of records; (3) modification of this set by adding new groups of related terms; and (4) display and printing of results. Computer commands and instructions for each of these steps are provided to reinforce the menus that appear on the screen during a search. Other useful commands are also briefly described, and students who wish more thorough searches of ERIC and/or access to information in other areas are advised to speak with the reference librarians. (CGD)

ED 295 685

IR 052 409

Weller, Carolyn R., Ed. Brandhorst, Ted, Ed.

ERIC Clearinghouse Publications, 1987. An Annotated Bibliography of Information Analysis Products and Other Major Publications of the ERIC Clearinghouses, January-December 1987. ERIC Processing and Reference Facility, Bethesda, Md.

Spons Agency—Office of Educational Research and Improvement (ED), Washington, DC

Pub Date—Apr 88

Contract—300-87-0004

Note—53p; For 1986 publications, see ED 283 535

Pub Type— ERIC Information Analysis Products (IAPS) (071) — Reference Materials - Bibliographies (131)

EDRS Price - MF01/PC04 Plus Postage.

Descriptors—Abstracts, Annotated Bibliographies, \*Clearinghouses, \*Education, Educational Research, Federal Programs, Literature Reviews, \*Publications, \*Resource Materials, \*State of the Art Reviews

Identifiers—Educational Information, \*ERIC

A broad range of education-related topics are addressed in this annotated bibliography, which presents citations and abstracts for 239 publications produced by the 16 Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) Clearinghouses in 1987. An introduction describes the ERIC system, clearinghouse publications, the organization of this bibliography, and the availability of clearinghouse publications. A statistical summary by year (1968-1987) shows the number of publications included for each clearinghouse in the series of which this bibliography is the most recent. Document resumes are provided from the following clearinghouses: (1) Adult, Career, and Vocational Education; (2) Counseling and Personnel Services; (3) Reading and Communication Skills; (4) Educational Management; (5) Handicapped and Gifted Children; (6) Languages and Linguistics; (7) Higher Education; (8) Information Resources; (9) Junior Colleges; (10) Elementary and Early Childhood Education; (11) Rural Education and Small Schools; (12) Science, Mathematics, and Environmental Education; (13) Social Studies/Social Science Education; (14) Teacher Education; (15) Tests, Measurement, and Evaluation; and (16) Urban Education. Indexes by subject, author, and institution are provided. The 533 ERIC Digests produced by the clearinghouses through 1987 are also listed. Formerly called Fact Sheets or Short Reports, these short user-oriented reference sheets are arranged by clearinghouse. A directory of ERIC system components with addresses, telephone numbers, and brief descriptions of the clearinghouse scope areas is also provided, as well as a form for ordering microfiche or paper copy of ERIC Clearinghouse publications from the ERIC Document Reproduction Service (CGD)

## Journal Article Resumes from Current Index to Journals in Education (CIJE)

- EJ 143 290** IR 503 680  
*Schorr, Alan*  
"Education Index" and "Current Index to Journals in Education": Do We Really Need Both?  
Pub Date—Jul 76  
Journal Cit—*Journal of Academic Librarianship*; 2; 3; 135-136  
Descriptors—Comparative Analysis, \*Education, \*Indexes, \*Scholarly Journals  
Identifiers—\*Current Index to Journals in Education, \*Education Index  
The significance of "Education Index" as a bibliographic tool is questioned, since 95 percent of all education journal titles are presently covered by "Current Index to Journals in Education." (Author/LS)
- EJ 160 782** IR 504 602  
*Perk, Lawrence J.*  
Secondary Publications in Education: A Study of Duplication  
Pub Date—May 77  
Journal Cit—*College and Research Libraries*; 38; 3  
Descriptors—\*Education, Indexes, Information Retrieval, Librarians, Library Materials, \*Periodicals, \*Publications, \*Reference Materials  
Two educational indexes' overlap of coverage is studied in terms of editorial policy, growth, and size of coverage, cover-to-cover vs. selective indexing, and the subject orientation of the periodicals concerned in order to compare two approaches to the same discipline. (Author/AP)
- EJ 162 646** IR 504 611  
*Knapp, Sara, D. Zych, Maria L.*  
The ERIC Data Base and the Literature of Library and Information Science  
Pub Date—Spr 77  
Journal Cit—*RQ*; 16; 3; 209-212  
Descriptors—Abstracting, \*Citation Indexes, College Libraries, Databases, \*Indexing, \*Information Retrieval, Information Science, Librarians, Library Science, \*Library Services, \*Reference Services  
Identifiers—ERIC  
Presented are the results of a study which examined the scope of the ERIC data base. Recommendations include a more explicitly stated policy for selective indexing of data base and indexing procedures, and also a consideration of indexing, but not abstracting, relevant dissertations. (AP)
- EJ 207 331** TM 504 371  
*Smith, Nick L.*  
The Limitations of ERIC in Reviewing Evaluation Literature.  
Pub Date—79  
Journal Cit—*Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*; v1 n1 p67-73 Jan-Feb 1979
- Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Evaluative (142)  
Descriptors—Bibliographies, Clearinghouses, \*Databases, \*Evaluation, Evaluation Methods, \*Literature Reviews, \*Online Systems, Program Evaluation, \*Relevance (Information Retrieval), \*User Satisfaction (Information)  
Identifiers—\*ERIC  
The utility of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) system is criticized, based upon (1) difficulties in computerized retrieval of literature on evaluation; (2) the fact that few items listed in a bibliography on evaluation (RIE: ED 166 244) were included in the ERIC data base. (See also RIE: ED 160 664). (GDC)
- EJ 209 286** CS 708 710  
*O'Donnell, Bernard*  
ERIC/RCS Report: ERIC at NCTE.  
Pub Date—Sep 79  
Available from—Reprint: UMI  
Journal Cit—*English Journal*; v68 n6 p101-04 Sep 1979  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Historical Materials (060)  
Descriptors—\*Educational History, English Instruction, \*Federal Programs, \*Information Dissemination, \*Information Networks, Language Arts, \*Professional Associations, Reading, Speech Communication  
Identifiers—\*ERIC Clearinghouse on Reading and Commun Skills, ERIC Clearinghouse on the Teaching of English, Information Analysis Products, National Council of Teachers of English  
Traces the history of the ERIC Clearinghouse at the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) headquarters from 1967 (Clearinghouse on the Teaching of English) to 1979 (Clearinghouse on Reading and Communication Skills). (DD)
- EJ 232 726** JC 502 255  
*Frage, August*  
A Two-Level System for Scholarly Writings, or, Is Publishing Necessary?  
Pub Date—80  
Available from—Reprint: UMI  
Journal Cit—*Journal of General Education*; v31 n4 p265-77 Win 1980  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120)  
Descriptors—\*Clearinghouses, Computer Oriented Programs, \*Information Dissemination, Information Retrieval, Public Agencies, \*Publishing Industry, Scholarly Journals, \*Scholarship  
Examines alternative publishing modes used by authors of scholarly manuscripts not acceptable to established publishers: service publishing, on demand publishing, and ERIC. Proposes a national supplementary library of unpublished materials which would make manuscripts available upon demand. Discusses bibliographic control factors and criteria for distinguishing publishable works from those to be entered in the supplementary system (JP)
- EJ 268 619** IR 510 476  
*Sharma, V. S.*  
A Comparative Evaluation of Online Databases in Relation to Welfare and Corrective Services, and Community Development.  
Pub Date—Aug 87  
Journal Cit—*Online Review*, v6 n4 p297-313 Aug 1982  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Research (143)  
Descriptors—Comparative Analysis, Correctional Rehabilitation, Cost Effectiveness, \*Databases, Foreign Countries, \*Online Systems, \*Reference Services, Relevance (Information Retrieval), Welfare Services  
Identifiers—Australia  
Ten online databases were evaluated for their scope, extent of coverage, timeliness, degree of relevance, and overlap using queries dealing with welfare and corrective services. Ten tables of statistical information are included. (JJD)
- EJ 276 821** IR 511 101  
*Atkinson, Steven D. Dolan, Danna R.*  
In Search of Research Studies in Online Databases.  
Pub Date—Mar 83  
Available from—Reprint: UMI  
Journal Cit—*Online*; v7 n2 p51-63 Mar 1983  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
Descriptors—College Libraries, \*Databases, Higher Education, Information Needs, \*Information Retrieval, Online Systems, Reference Services, \*Research Reports, \*Search Strategies, \*Subject Index Terms  
Identifiers—State University of New York Albany  
Suggest strategies for online searching of user requests for research studies on five major databases—BICISIS, ERIC, MEDLINE, PsycINFO, and the National Clearinghouse for Mental Health (NCMH). Special research limitations, locating criticism or support, proposal for an ideal database, and a study of controlled terms across databases are included. (EJS)
- EJ 290 178** IR 511 919  
*Robinson, Sheryl B. McCormick, Regina*  
Finding What You Need in ERIC.  
Pub Date—83  
Journal Cit—*School Library Journal*; v30 n3 p42-43 Nov 1983  
Pub Type—Reports - Descriptive (141)

- Descriptors—\*Databases, \*Information Retrieval, Online Systems, Search Strategies  
Identifiers—Access to Information, \*ERIC  
General information and specific tips for finding resources in the ERIC database highlight advantages and disadvantages of manual searches (who can perform search, location of ERIC collections, procedures for conducting search) and computer searches (results, cost, turnaround time) Procedures for obtaining access to actual copies of ERIC documents are described. (EJS)
- EJ 293 561** IR 512 116  
*Siewert, MaryEllen Boyce, Bert R.*  
**Hedge Trimming and the Resurrection of the Controlled Vocabulary in Online Searching.**  
Pub Date—83  
Journal Cit—Online Review; v7 n6 p489-94 Dec 1983  
Pub Type—Opinion Papers (120)  
Descriptors—Concept Formation, \*Information Retrieval, Online Systems, \*Relevance (Information Retrieval), \*Search Strategies, \*Subject Index Terms, Thesauri  
Identifiers—Thesaurus of ERIC Descriptors  
Examines the changing role of controlled vocabulary in the postcoordinate online search, particularly its current role in the formulation of online search strategies. Effects of controlled vocabulary searching on precision and recall and examples of concept "hedges" from the "Thesaurus of ERIC Descriptors" are discussed. Nine references are listed. (EJS)
- EJ 296 993** IR 512 284  
*Hibbs, Jack E. And Others*  
**How to Use Online Databases to Perform Trend Analysis in Research.**  
Pub Date—84  
Available from—UMI  
Journal Cit—Online; v8 n2 p59-64 Mar 1984  
Pub Type—Guides - General (050) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
Descriptors—\*Databases, \*Information Retrieval, Online Systems, \*Search Strategies, Social Science Research, Statistical Analysis, \*Trend Analysis  
Explores technique which may be used to enhance research by manipulation of databases to determine trends in literature. The online searcher's function supporting research's use of technique is emphasized. An example on the topic of "school desegregation" as covered by various databases, particularly ERIC, is included. Five sources are given. (EJS)
- EJ 305 049** CE 514 813  
*Tauber, Robert T.*  
**ERIC Update.**  
Pub Date—84  
Note—Fifth Annual Teaching Issue  
Available from—UMI  
Journal Cit—VocEd; v59 n5 p48-49 Aug 1984  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120)  
Descriptors—\*Databases, \*Educational Research, Research Tools  
Identifiers—\*Educational Resources Information Center  
Discusses the usefulness of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) database to classroom teachers in keeping current in their profession and solving teaching problems. (SK)
- EJ 307 108** IR 513 197  
*Fabiano, Emily*  
**Testing 1...2...3...: Additional Files Available for Test Information Online.**  
Pub Date—84  
Available from—UMI  
Journal Cit—Online; v8 n5 p59-63,66-71 Sep 1984  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
Descriptors—Comparative Analysis, \*Databases, \*Information Retrieval, Online Systems, \*Search Strategies, \*Tests  
Reviews databases providing information on published, standardized and unpublished, non-standardized test instruments: Educational Testing Service File, Men's Measurements Yearbook Database, Dissertation Abstracts Online, ERIC, and Psychological Abstracts. Search strategies, search examples, and a summary chart of searchable fields for test usage, evaluation, and selection information are provided. (EJS)
- EJ 312 397** IR 513 685  
*Shorthill, Rachel R.*  
**Unexpected Online Sources for Business Information.**  
Pub Date—85  
Available from—UMI  
Journal Cit—Online; v9 n1 p68-78 Jan 1985  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - General (140)  
Descriptors—\*Business, Comparative Analysis, \*Databases, \*Information Retrieval, Interdisciplinary Approach, Online Systems, \*Scholarly Journals, \*Subject Index Terms  
Four databases—PsycINFO, ERIC, Health Planning and Administration, Public Affairs Information Service—were examined to determine percentage of business journals indexed and degree of business terminology included in controlled vocabulary. Sample searches were compared to same search in Management Contents and ABI/INFORM. A list of business journals indexed is appended. (EJS)
- EJ 315 649** IR 513 885  
*Sellen, Mary Tauber, Robert*  
**Selection Criteria for ERIC: A Survey of Clearinghouse Acquisition Coordinators.**  
Pub Date—84  
Journal Cit—Behavioral & Social Sciences Librarian; v3 n4 p25-31 Sum 1984  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Research (143)  
Descriptors—\*Clearinghouses, Comparative Analysis, Databases, \*Evaluation Criteria, \*Media Selection, National Surveys, Periodicals, Qualifications, \*Scholarly Journals  
Identifiers—ERIC, Manuscripts, \*Resources in Education, Reviewers  
Responses to a survey from the acquisition coordinators in 15 of the 16 ERIC clearinghouses indicate that the acceptance rate for unsolicited manuscripts averages approximately 50 percent, and that academic credentials of their reviewers and their selection criteria either parallel or are very similar to those of traditional refereed journals. (9 references) (EJS)
- EJ 315 650** IR 513 886  
*Middleton, Michael R. Di'Orto, Aurora*  
**A Comparison of Indexing Consistency and Coverage in the AEI, ERIC and APAIS Databases.**  
Pub Date—84  
Journal Cit—Behavioral & Social Sciences Librarian; v3 n4 p33-43 Sum 1984  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Research (143)  
Descriptors—\*Citations (References), Comparative Analysis, \*Databases, Foreign Countries, \*Indexing, Research Methodology, \*Subject Index Terms, Tables (Data)  
Identifiers—Australia, Database Overlap, \*Indexing Consistency  
References indexed for Australian Education Index (AEI) were sampled and compared where possible with same references indexed for ERIC and Australian Public Affairs Information Service (APAIS) databases. An analysis of coverage of Australian references reveals indexing consistency figures of 22 percent for ERIC/AEI and 18 percent for AEI/APAIS. Fourteen sources are given. (EJS)
- EJ 316 251** CE 515 480  
*Tauber, Robert T.*  
**ERIC: The Information "Genie" for Vocational Educators.**  
Pub Date—85  
Journal Cit—Canadian Vocational Journal, v20 n4 v21 n1 p16-20 Feb-May 1985  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120)  
Descriptors—\*Clearinghouses, \*Databases, \*Information Networks, Information Retrieval, \*Information Sources, \*Online Systems, Reference Materials, Research Tools, Vocational Education Teachers  
Identifiers—\*Computer Searching, Current Index to Journals in Education, \*Educational Resources Information Center, Resources in Education  
Describes the ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center) system, how it is organized, how to gain access to ERIC, how one uses RIE (Resources in Education) and CIJE (Current Index to Journals in Education), computer searches of ERIC, who publishes in ERIC, and how to learn more about ERIC. A sample ERIC resume is included. (CT)
- EJ 318 732** IR 514 142  
*Klausmeier, Jane*  
**MICROsearch: The Many Uses of a Downloaded Database.**  
Pub Date—85  
Journal Cit—Microcomputers for Information Management: An International Journal for Library and Information Services, v2 n1 p25-32 Mar 1985  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
Descriptors—\*Computer Software, Databases, Design, \*Instructional Materials, \*Microcomputers, \*Online Searching, Use Studies  
Identifiers—Apple II, \*ERIC, ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources, \*MICROsearch  
Addresses uses and benefits ERIC receives from MICROsearch, a program for searching downloaded portions of the ERIC database on floppy disks. Use of MICROsearch as a reference tool and for teaching online searching is described, and its limitations and benefits to the online industry are discussed (MBR)
- EJ 320 462** SP 514 996  
*Tauber, Robert T.*  
**The Credibility of ERIC's Resources in Education.**  
Pub Date—85  
Available from—UMI  
Journal Cit—Journal of Teacher Education, v36 n3 p50-51 May-Jun 1985  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
Descriptors—Databases, Educational Research, \*Evaluation Criteria, Professional Development, \*Research Reports, \*Writing for Publication  
Identifiers—ERIC, \*Resources in Education  
The author argues that publication of unsolicited papers in ERIC's Resources in Education should be assigned at least as much weight by institutions evaluating faculty contributions as papers for recognized national and state conferences. Acceptance rates, qualifications of evaluators, and criteria used by the ERIC clearinghouses are described (MT)
- EJ 321 299** IR 514 268  
*Klausmeier, Jane*  
**ERIC MICROsearch: Searching ERIC on a Microcomputer.**  
Pub Date—85  
Journal Cit—Library Software Review, v4 n2 p63-66 Mar-Apr 1985  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
Descriptors—\*Databases, Display Systems, Information Services, Information Systems, \*Microcomputers, \*Online Searching, \*Online Systems, \*Search Strategies  
Identifiers—ERIC, \*MICROsearch  
Describes microcomputer based search system that provides access to selected portions of the ERIC database using a simplified and guided format and serves as inexpensive tool to teach concepts of online searching and information retrieval Getting started, decision and command lines, help instructions, and availability of database disks are covered (EJS)
- EJ 321 326** IR 514 299  
*Killen, Dana*  
**The National Library's ERIC SDI Service: The First Fifteen Months.**  
Pub Date—76  
Journal Cit—Australian Academic and Research Libraries, v7 n2 p93-99 Jun 1976  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
Descriptors—\*Databases, Foreign Countries, Information Systems, \*Library Services, Library Surveys, \*National Libraries, Online Searching, Questionnaires, \*Selective Dissemination of Information, \*User Satisfaction (Information), Use Studies  
Identifiers—Australia, \*ERIC, \*Library Users  
Assesses results of questionnaire survey of 150 users of National Library of Australia's ERIC Selective Dissemination of Information Services established in 1974 Topics covered include user opinions, communication between service and users, Australian material inclusion, retrospective search, online searches, other ERIC users, document back-up, and decentralization of profile formulation process (EJS)



- EJ 321 328** IR 514 302  
*Jackson, William J.*  
**ONTAP-ERIC: A Critical View.**  
 Pub Date—81  
 Journal Cit—Online Review; v5 n4 p335-38 Aug 1981  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Evaluative (142)  
 Descriptors—\*Databases, Information Services, Information Systems, \*Instructional Materials, \*Online Searching, Online Systems, \*Problems, Relevance (Information Retrieval), \*Training Identifiers—\*ERIC ONTAP, \*Online Training, System Design  
 This article examines each of four purposes of ONTAP ERIC, designed by Dialog Information Systems to provide online training and practice for database searchers and finds only one of them to be fulfilled by the file. Problems discussed include conceptual deficiencies and design faults. Recommendations for improvement are made. (EJS)
- EJ 321 329** IR 514 305  
*Tauber, Robert T.*  
**The Credibility of ERIC's RIE Selection Process.**  
 Pub Date—85  
 Note—Published by the British Educational Research Association.  
 Journal Cit—Research Intelligence; n18 p5-6 1985  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
 Descriptors—\*Clearinghouses, Credibility, \*Databases, \*Evaluation Criteria, Information Services, Information Systems, Qualifications, \*Quality Control, Selection, Surveys  
 Identifiers—\*ERIC, \*Manuscripts, Resources in Education, Reviewers  
 Reports responses of 15 ERIC Clearinghouses to three questions concerning the internal mechanics of evaluating unsolicited manuscripts for "Resources in Education": acceptance rate (average rate was cited as 50%); academic credentials of those who make final evaluation; and selection criteria. Eight sources are given. (EJS)
- EJ 322 295** HE 519 708  
*Barnett, Lynn*  
**Maintaining Advising Excellence: Keeping up with ERIC.**  
 Pub Date—84  
 Available from—UMI  
 Journal Cit—NACADA Journal; v4 n2 p17-32 Oct 1984  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
 Descriptors—Abstracts, \*Academic Advising, Computer Oriented Programs, \*Educational Quality, Higher Education, Information Retrieval, \*Literature Reviews, \*Research Tools, \*Resource Materials  
 Identifiers—\*Educational Resource Information Center (ERIC), \*ERIC Clearinghouse on Higher Education  
 Recent academic advising literature, what it covers, and how advisors can keep up with current issues are discussed. Reasons for keeping up, how to keep up, and current issues are described, and guides to ERIC Clearinghouse and searching in ERIC are provided. (MLW)
- EJ 322 420** IR 514 300  
*Frage, August*  
**Beyond Publishing: A System of Scholarly Writing and Reading.**  
 Pub Date—78  
 Note—Published by U'Mity of Toronto Press, Toronto, Canada, M5S 1A6.  
 Journal Cit—Scholarly Publishing; v9 n4 p291-311 Jul 1978  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
 Descriptors—Databases, Information Centers, \*Information Dissemination, \*Information Services, Models, \*Publishing Industry, Scholarly Journals  
 Identifiers—ERIC, \*Scholarly Writing  
 Discusses on-demand publishing as a solution to the information explosion and cites ERIC, which specializes in unpublished materials, as a model for such a solution. Topics covered include role and functions of scholarly publishing (selection and dissemination), fractional publishing, service publishing, and scholarly journals. Eleven sources are given. (EJS)
- EJ 322 421** IR 514 304  
**Das US-Fachinformationssystem ERIC und die Entwicklung eines Fachinformationssystems Bildung in der Bundesrepublik Deutschland (The American Subject Information System ERIC and the Development of an Information System on Education in the German Federal Republic).**  
 Pub Date—82  
 Note—Published by K. G. Saur (Munich, New York, London, Paris).  
 Journal Cit—Nachrichten für Dokumentation; v33 n1 p9-18 Mar 1982  
 Language—German  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
 Descriptors—Books, Clearinghouses, Education, Foreign Countries, Information Dissemination, \*Information Networks, \*Information Services, \*Information Systems, Instructional Materials, Models  
 Identifiers—\*Educational Information, \*ERIC, West Germany  
 In order to further develop West German information services for education, it is suggested that the ERIC structural model—a coordinating central office and a network of clearinghouses—be developed as a continuation of the existing "Dokumentationsring Pädagogik" (DOPAED) documentation service. (16 references) (EJS)
- EJ 322 443** IR 514 380  
*Fox, Nick And Others*  
**The ERIC Thesaurus: An Analysis.**  
 Pub Date—78  
 Note—Published by Institute of Education Library, University of London.  
 Journal Cit—Education Libraries Bulletin; v21 pt3 p14-30 Aut 1978  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
 Descriptors—Comparative Analysis, Databases, Design, Layout (Publications), \*Online Searching, Online Systems, Opinion Papers, Problems, \*Subject Index Terms, \*Thesaun  
 Identifiers—\*ERIC  
 Includes description of the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC), critical examination of the ERIC Thesaurus' structure and design, and a discussion of its descriptors, scope notes, multiword terms, coverage, and linguistics. Four online searches are described and search subject treatment in three other educational thesauri are compared with ERIC's treatment. (MBR)
- EJ 322 444** IR 514 381  
*Greaves, Monica A.*  
**A Comparative Study of Verbal Subject Data in Information Retrieval Systems in Education.**  
 Pub Date—78  
 Note—Published by University of London, Institute of Education Library (UMI order no. 6975).  
 Journal Cit—Education Librarians Bulletin; v21 pt2 p1-19 Sum 1978  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Research (143)  
 Descriptors—Comparative Analysis, Databases, Differences, Foreign Countries, International Organizations, \*Subject Index Terms, \*Thesaun  
 Identifiers—British National Bibliography, Education Thesaurus, \*ERIC, Multilingual Thesaurus, Thesaurus of ERIC Descriptors  
 Examines the differences between terms used in four major computerized information retrieval systems in education—British National Bibliography (PRECIS); ERIC; European Documentation and Information System for Education (EUDISED); and the International Bureau of Education (IBE) thesaurus. The possibility of standardizing terminology across all systems is discussed. (Author/MBR)
- EJ 322 445** IR 514 382  
*Hounsell, Dai And Others*  
**Searching ERIC: A Small Scale Examination of the Potential Value of the ERIC Database to Educationalists in Britain.**  
 Pub Date—77  
 Note—Published by University of London, Institute of Education Library (UMI order no. 6975).  
 Journal Cit—Education Libraries Bulletin; v20 pt3 p1-19 Aut 1977  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Evaluative (142)  
 Descriptors—Cost Effectiveness, \*Databases, Feasibility Studies, Foreign Countries, Information Utilization, \*Online Searching, Opinions, \*Relevance (Information Retrieval), \*User Satisfaction (Information)
- Identifiers—\*ERIC, \*Great Britain  
 Describes a study of the computer searches performed by 14 education specialists on the ERIC database. Interviews with users indicate they felt retrieved materials were relevant, the database provides access to materials not obtainable through other sources, and the proportion of irrelevant items in the output is not significant. (MBR)
- EJ 324 108** IR 514 503  
*Summers, Edward G.*  
**Microcomputers as a New Technological Innovation in Education: Growth of the Related Journal Literature.**  
 Pub Date—85  
 Available from—UMI  
 Journal Cit—Educational Technology; v25 n8 p5-14 Aug 1985  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Research (143)  
 Descriptors—Diffusion (Communication), Educational Innovation, \*Indexes, Information Sources, Literature Reviews, Media Research, \*Microcomputers, \*Periodicals, Statistical Analysis, \*Subject Index Terms  
 Identifiers—Bibliometrics, Bradford Law of Scatter, \*Computer Uses in Education, ERIC, \*Journal Articles, Professional Literature  
 Reports results of a bibliometric analysis of professional education journals publishing literature on educational microcomputing based on ERIC's Current Index to Journals in Education (CIJE). Cumulative statistics on microcomputer articles in journals and general categories of articles as determined by ERIC descriptor usage indicate an information explosion. (MBR)
- EJ 327 367** SP 515 314  
*Tauber, Robert T.*  
**ERIC: Its Introduction and Usefulness.**  
 Pub Date—85  
 Journal Cit—Journal of Education for Teaching; v11 n3 p213-27 Oct 1985  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
 Descriptors—\*Databases, \*Educational Resources, Higher Education, \*Information Sources  
 Identifiers—\*ERIC  
 All educators need information to make good decisions. Surveys of teachers and education majors reveal that one of the best international databases available, ERIC, is overlooked as an information source. The ERIC system is described in detail, and users are encouraged to become contributors. (Author/MT)
- EJ 336 219** IR 515 316  
*Allen, Robert J.*  
**The CD-ROM Services of SilverPlatter Information, Inc.**  
 Pub Date—85  
 Journal Cit—Library Hi Tech; v3 n4 p49-60 1985  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
 Descriptors—Computer Software, Databases, \*Display Systems, \*Information Services, \*Information Systems, \*Man Machine Systems, Microcomputers, \*Online Searching, \*Online Systems, Search Strategies  
 Identifiers—Compact Digital Discs, Silver Platter Information Inc  
 The SilverPlatter system is a complete, stand-alone system, consisting of an IBM (or compatible) personal computer, compact disc with read-only memory (CD-ROM) drive, software, and one or more databases. Large databases (e.g., ERIC, PsycLIT) will soon be available on the system for "local" installation in schools, libraries, and psychiatrists' offices (EJS)
- EJ 344 080** HE 521 439  
*Barnett, Lynn*  
**"Operator, Get Me ERIC on the Line."**  
 Pub Date—86  
 Journal Cit—Campus Activities Programming; v19 n4 p50-53 Oct 1986  
 Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
 Descriptors—College Students, \*Computer Literacy, \*Databases, Educational Research, Higher Education, Information Dissemination, \*Information Services, Online Searching, \*Online Systems, Student Development  
 Identifiers—\*ERIC  
 ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center), a national database funded by the U S Department of Education, is available on the SilverPlatter system. (EJS)

ment of Education to collect and analyze literature on all areas of education and education-related fields, is described. Samples of student activities literature found in a search of ERIC are provided, along with a list of database vendors. (MLW)

**EJ 344 266** IR 516 028  
*Williams, Martha E.*

**Online Government Databases—An Analysis.**  
Pub Date—86  
Journal Cit—Online Review; v10 n4 p227-36 Aug 1986  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Research (143)  
Descriptors—\*Database Producers, \*Databases, \*Federal Government, Income, Online Searching, Online Vendors, \*Trend Analysis, Use Studies  
Identifiers—ERIC, Information Industry, Information Market Indicators Inc, Market Analysis, MEDLARS, National Technical Information Service

Analyzes data from quarterly surveys of vendors to determine revenues and usage of government databases and identify those receiving high revenues and high usage. It is concluded that the current decline in their market share is due to increasing numbers of databases from the private sector rather than actual usage. (EM)

**EJ 347 579** IR 516 055  
*Lodish, Erica K.*

**Computer Cache: ERIC and the Library Media Specialist.**  
Pub Date—86  
Journal Cit—School Library Media Activities Monthly; v3 n4 p41-42 Dec 1986  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Guides - Non-Classroom (055) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
Descriptors—\*Access to Information, Administrators, Databases, Information Needs, \*Learning Resources Centers, \*Library Role, \*Media Specialists, \*Online Searching, School Libraries, Search Strategies, Teachers, User Needs (Information)  
Identifiers—\*ERIC, ERIC Digests Online

Description of how library media specialists can assist teachers and administrators in retrieving useful information by using ERIC highlights its organization, the types of materials available that are especially useful to classroom teachers, and ways that it can be accessed online. A list of ERIC Clearinghouses with addresses is included. (EM)

**EJ 347 597** IR 516 220  
*Cohen, Elaine Young, Margo*

**Cost Comparison of Abstracts and Indexes on Paper, CD-ROM, and Online.**  
Pub Date—86  
Journal Cit—Optical Information Systems, v6 n6 p485-90 Nov-Dec 1986  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Research (143)  
Descriptors—\*Abstracts, Academic Libraries, Comparative Analysis, Cost Effectiveness, \*Costs, Higher Education, \*Indexes, \*Models, \*Online Systems, Operating Expenses, \*Optical Data Disks, Space, Tables (Data), Use Studies  
Identifiers—Examples, \*Printed Materials

Describes a model enumerating cost factors for comparing costs for paper, online, and CD-ROM indexes and abstracts. The model is applied to start-up and annual costs, and to the cost of storing and providing access to ERIC, Applied Science and Fisheries Abstracts, and Excerpta Medica, based on anticipated academic library usage. (MBR)

**EJ 352 683** HE 522 247  
*Wilson, Robin*

**Plan to Alter Education-Research Network Draws Mixed Reviews; Lawmakers Seek Further Study.**  
Pub Date—87  
Journal Cit—Chronicle of Higher Education; v33 n32 p28 Apr 22 1987  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - General (140)

Descriptors—\*Clearinghouses, Databases, \*Educational Research, Federal Government, Government Role, Higher Education, \*Information Networks, \*Information Services, \*Legislators  
Identifiers—\*Department of Education, \*ERIC  
An Education Department plan to restructure ERIC, the government's network of education-research clearinghouses, has members of Congress concerned and they have asked that the plan not be

put into effect until they can study it further. The department's plan follows a year-long review of ERIC. (MLW)

**EJ 354 372** IR 516 741  
*Severt, MaryEllen Verbeck, Alison*

**The Indexing of the Literature of Online Searching: A Comparison of ERIC and LISA.**  
Pub Date—87  
Journal Cit—Online Review; v11 n2 p95-104 Apr 1987

Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Research (143)  
Descriptors—Comparative Analysis, \*Databases, \*Indexing, \*Online Searching, \*Subject Index Terms  
Identifiers—\*ERIC, \*Library and Information Science Abstracts

A comparison of ERIC and LISA (Library and Information Science Abstracts) indexing of the three journals—Online, Online Review, and Database—revealed some differences but more similarities in number of terms per article and concepts per article. A vocabulary which distinguished the field of online searching did emerge. (Author/EM)

**EJ 357 016** IR 517 044  
*Seiser, Virginia*

**ERIC through the Ages: Searching for Information about Specific Age Groups in the ERIC Database.**  
Pub Date—87  
Journal Cit—Database; v10 n4 p75-82 Aug 1987  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Guides - Non-Classroom (055)

Descriptors—\*Age Groups, Databases, \*Indexing, \*Online Searching, \*Search Strategies, Students, \*Subject Index Terms, Thesauri  
Identifiers—\*ERIC

Describes the organization of the descriptors used in the ERIC database to indicate age, educational, and student levels, and suggests appropriate search strategies for the retrieval of information on specific age groups. (CLB)

**EJ 357 110** IR 517 155  
*Reese, Jean Steffey, Ramona*

**ERIC on CDROM: A Comparison of DIALOG OnDisc, OCLC's Search CD450 and SilverPlatter.**  
Pub Date—87  
Available from—UMI

Journal Cit—Online, v11 n5 p42-54 Sep 1987  
Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Information Analysis (070) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Evaluative (142)  
Descriptors—Comparative Analysis, \*Computer Software, Cost Effectiveness, \*Evaluation Criteria, Information Retrieval, \*Microcomputers, \*Online Searching, \*Optical Data Disks, Search Strategies, \*User Satisfaction (Information), Use Studies  
Identifiers—DIALOG, ERIC, OCLC, SilverPlatter Information Inc, Vanderbilt University TN

Discusses the use of optical disk technology in online searching and compares three versions of the ERIC database currently available on optical disk in terms of hardware requirements, ease of installation, scope and cost of the system, search procedures, displaying and printing results, and documentation and user support. (CLB)

**EJ 361 296** IR 517 443  
*Brundhorst, Ted*

**Distributing the ERIC Database on Compact Disc: A Case History of Private Sector Involvement in the Distribution of Public Sector Data.**  
Pub Date—87  
Journal Cit—Government Publications Review; v14 p541-57 1987

Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Research (143) — Tests/Questionnaires (160)  
Descriptors—Cost Effectiveness, \*Databases, \*Information Dissemination, \*Information Retrieval, Online Systems, \*Online Vendors, \*Optical Data Disks, Questionnaires, Surveys, Tables (Data)  
Identifiers—\*ERIC, \*Market Research, Private Sector, \*Product Development, Public Sector, Silver Platter Information Inc

Describes the partnership between the public and private sectors in developing and marketing the ERIC database in CD-ROM format. Particular emphasis is given to the marketing research and protocols of partnership that were developed (Author/CLB)

**EJ 361 401** IR 517 553  
*McLaughlin, Pamela W*

**New Access Points to ERIC: CD-ROM Versions.**  
Pub Date—87  
Available from—UMI  
Journal Cit—Education Libraries, v12 n3 p73-76 Fall 1987

Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
Descriptors—Access to Information, Comparative Analysis, \*Computer Software, \*Cost Effectiveness, \*Databases, Microcomputers, \*Online Searching, Online Vendors, \*Optical Data Disks  
Identifiers—\*ERIC

Describes and compares three versions of the ERIC database that are available on optical data disks: (1) DIALOG OnDisc ERIC; (2) OCLC Search CD450; and (3) SilverPlatter ERIC The database contents, software and search commands, hardware requirements, notable features, and costs of each version are discussed. (CLB)

**EJ 361 402** IR 517 554  
*Olson, Lucie*

**Experiencing CD-ROM ERIC.**  
Pub Date—87  
Available from—UMI  
Journal Cit—Education Libraries; v12 n3 p77-80 Fall 1987

Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Evaluative (142)  
Descriptors—Databases, Library Services, \*Menu Driven Software, \*Online Searching, \*Optical Data Disks, \*Screens (Displays), \*Search Strategies, User Needs (Information)  
Identifiers—\*DIALOG OnDisc, \*ERIC

Briefly describes DIALOG OnDisc and gives an example of an actual search of the ERIC database using this system. The screen displays and search commands are used to illustrate the differences between the easy menu search method provided for novice users and the command search method provided for experienced users. (CLB)

**EJ 363 828** IR 517 770  
*Dunman, Susan*

**ERIC: An Essential Online Tool for Educators.**  
Pub Date—88  
Journal Cit—Electronic Learning; v7 n4 p45-47 Jan 1988

Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Descriptive (141)  
Descriptors—\*Bibliographic Databases, Cost Effectiveness, \*Database Producers, \*Educational Resources, \*Information Networks, Information Services, \*Online Searching, Online Vendors, Optical Data Disks, Search Strategies  
Identifiers—\*ERIC, Gateway Systems

Describes the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC), a national information network in the field of education. Printed indexes are explained as well as online searching of the ERIC database. Online searching is emphasized, including search strategies, database vendors, cost considerations, gateway services, and CD-ROM versions. (LPW)

**EJ 363 846** IR 517 788  
*Hirsch, Steven*

**ERIC and ECER.**  
Pub Date—87  
Journal Cit—Online Review; v11 n5 p315-21 Oct 1987

Pub Type—Journal Articles (080) — Reports - Descriptive (141) — Reports - Research (143)  
Descriptors—\*Bibliographic Databases, \*Clearinghouses, Comparative Analysis, Exceptional Persons, \*Online Searching  
Identifiers—\*ERIC, ERIC Clearinghouse on Handicapped and Gifted Child, \*Exceptional Child Education Resources

Describes the ERIC system, the ERIC Clearinghouse on Handicapped and Gifted Children (ERIC/CE), and the Exceptional Child Education Resources (ECER) database produced by ERIC/CE's sponsoring agency, the Council for Exceptional Children. Results of a search run on both databases are compared, and ways to avoid duplication of citations are suggested. (MES)

**EJ 365 043** IR 517 798  
*Duggan, Mary Kay*

**A Look at Dialog's First CD-ROM Product.**  
Pub Date—87  
Journal Cit—Optical Information Systems, v7 n6 p401-05 Nov-Dec 1987

Pub Type— Journal Articles (080) — Opinion Papers (120) — Reports - Descriptive (141) — Speeches/Meeting Papers (150)

Descriptors—\*Evaluation Criteria, Higher Education, \*Library Education, \*Online Searching, Online Systems, \*Optical Data Disks

Identifiers—\*DIALOG OnDisc, \*ERIC

Discusses reasons for selecting ERIC with the Dialog OnDisc software for training information professionals in online searching at the University of California, Berkeley, and analyzes some of the features of the CD-ROM software. Pros and cons of online and OnDisc access are summarized, and three references are listed. (Author/MES)

**EJ 366 442** IR 517 965

*Purcell, Royal*  
Electronic ERIC.

Pub Date—88

Journal Cit—Small Computers in Libraries, v8 n2 p18-21 Feb 1988

Pub Type— Journal Articles (080) — Guides - Non-Classroom (055)

Descriptors—Academic Libraries, Computer Software, Higher Education, Microcomputers, \*Online Searching, \*Optical Data Disks

Identifiers—\*ERIC, \*SilverPlatter Information Inc

Provides background on ERIC and describes how to search the compact disc version of the ERIC database using SilverPlatter. (MES)

**EJ 370 739** IR 518 233

*Sabelhaus, Linda*

CD-ROM Use in an Association Special Library: A Case Study.

Pub Date—88

Available from—UMI

Journal Cit—Special Libraries; v79 n2 p148-51 Spr 1988

Pub Type— Journal Articles (080) — Book/Product Reviews (072) — Reports - Research (143)

Descriptors—\*Bibliographic Databases, Comparative Analysis, Cost Effectiveness, Online Searching, \*Optical Data Disks, Professional Associations, Special Libraries

Identifiers—\*ERIC

Describes the experiences of the American Society for Training and Development library with the CD-ROM version of ERIC. The following topics are discussed: (1) installation of the CD-ROM system; (2) CD-ROM vs. online searching; (3) cost/benefit of CD-ROM; (4) patron response; and (5) future plans. (1 reference) (MES)

**EJ 373 753** IR 518 424

*Reese, Jean*

A Comparison and Evaluation of Three CD-ROM Products.

Pub Date—88

Available from—UMI

Journal Cit—Optical Information Systems, v8 n3 p123-26 May-Jun 1988

Pub Type— Journal Articles (080) — Book/Product Reviews (072)

Descriptors—\*Computer Software, Computer Software Reviews, Microcomputers, \*Online Searching, \*Optical Data Disks

Identifiers—\*ERIC

Compares and evaluates three CD-ROM products for the ERIC database: (1) DIALOG OnDISC, (2) OCLC's Search CD450, and (3) SilverPlatter. The focus is on search capabilities and features. (1 reference) (MES)

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The ERIC Data Base and the Literature of Library and Information Science.  
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