InCites database - how can I compare my performance to peers globally?

What to consider before you start
- Only data for publications indexed in the Web of Science database will be included in InCites reports
- Do you have an InCites/Web of Science account or ResearcherID profile? Sign In to get access to all the UniSA datasets or Register for an account
- Has the author published under variations of their name or another name? For example – Jones, Craig; Jones, C; Jones, Craig A.
- What discipline area does the author publish in? If you are unsure of the subject areas you may want to create a Subject Ranking report – see Step 1 in the How can I compare my performance to peers in Australia quick guide?

My Datasets - Select the appropriate dataset before you run any reports. Check the InCites’s My Datasets web page for details of data coverage. Contact your Academic Library team if you need assistance
- National Citation Report: Australia = use if the author has published in any Australian institutions and is indexed in Web of Science
- University of South Australia: Address Search = use if the author’s publications have a UniSA affiliation and are indexed in Web of Science
- University of South Australia: Author Profile (2002 onwards) = a small dataset of publications by UniSA researchers indexed in Web of Science (in development)

Note: InCites is not updated as regularly as Web of Science so recent publications may not appear.

InCites does not include a report that allows you to compare individual authors, but you can create either a:
1. Source Articles report for an author in a selected Web of Science subject area/s OR
2. Global Comparison report and author Summary Metrics report to compare cites per document data against the World, or selected countries/groups.

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1. To create a Source Articles report:
   - Go to My Datasets and select the appropriate dataset (this example uses the UniSA Address Search dataset)
   - From the Research Performance Profiles page > Select Create a report
   - Select Report Type - Source Articles Listing
   - Select a Time Period
   - Search using the Authors list and the Search tab option
   - Select the Author, then
   - Select the Subject Areas link. Search for the Subject Area/s and then select
   - Create Report
   - Compare the Journal Expected Citations data to the Times Cited data to determine the author’s performance – see example overleaf. An option is available to Sort by Journal Expected Citations
   - You can also calculate a ratio of the article’s citation count in a category by dividing the Category Actual by the Category Expected. A ratio greater than 1 indicates that the article’s citation count is better than the category average.
2. To create a **Global Comparison** report and author **Summary Metrics** report and compare the author’s **cites per document** data against the World, or selected countries/groups:

- Go to **Global Comparisons**
- Select **National Comparisons**
- Under **Countries/Territories/Groups**, select **World**, then **World** in the listing
- Under **Subject Area Schemes** select a **Web of Science Subject Area/s** e.g. **CHEMISTRY**,
  **PHYSICAL**
- Select a **Time Period**
- **Create Report** – see example below with Cites per Document data

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- Now create an author **Summary Metrics** report
- Go to **My Datasets** and select the appropriate dataset (this example uses the **UniSA Address Search** dataset)
- From the **Research Performance Profiles** page > Select **Create a report**
- Select Report Type - **Summary Metrics**
- Search the **Authors** list and select the author/s then **+**
- Browse or Search for a **Subject Area** and select a subject area/s and then **+**
- Select a **Time Period**
- **Create Report** – see example below with Cites per Document data

**Citation Metrics**
- Times Cited: 4,484
- Web of Science Documents: 213
- Cites per Document: 20.86
- Median Cites: 14

- Compare the **Cites per Document** data from the **Global Comparisons** and author **Summary Metrics** reports.

**Need more information?**

- **Citation and Journal Metrics** (unisa.libguides.com/citation_journal_metrics)
- **Publishing** (unisa.libguides.com/publishing)
- **InCites glossary** (incites-help.isiknowledge.com/incitesLive/glossaryGroup/glossaryOnePageFull.html)

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