

Types of Periodicals

Electronic Indexes for all types of periodicals are available from the UTSA Library Webpage under **Databases A – Z**. Need to know if the Library subscribes to a periodical? Check **UCAT**, the Library Catalog for the **title of the periodical or journal** to see if the Library has the item in a printed format and where it is located in the Library. Or check the **E-Journal Locator** to see if the Library has online access to the periodical.

Periodical	Characteristics	UTSA Library Access
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Current information ◆ News stories and commentary ◆ Texts of speeches ◆ Geographic focus 	<p>Newspaper Indexes such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> America's Newspapers Ethnic NewsWatch National Newspapers San Antonio Express-News
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Current events overviews ◆ Non-technical language ◆ Glossy pictures ◆ Advertisements 	<p>General Indexes such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic Search Premier ProQuest Research Library
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Written for practitioners in applied fields ◆ Product information ◆ Current trends and practices 	<p>General or Subject Indexes such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ABI Inform Academic Search Premier Business Source Premier ProQuest Research Library Computer Source
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Written from a political viewpoint ◆ General educated audience ◆ Commentary on politics, society 	<p>General Indexes such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic Search Premier ProQuest Research Library
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Reports of original research ◆ In-depth analysis ◆ Technical vocabulary ◆ May contain: Methods, Results, Statistics, Bibliography 	<p>Subject Indexes such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biological Abstracts EconLit PsycInfo Historical Abstracts Criminal Justice Periodicals ERIC General Science Abstracts PCI FullText JSTOR

Still can't tell the difference? These library resources can help:

Ulrich's International Periodicals Directory / Reference Desk Z6941 .U5 or online.
Magazines for Libraries / Reference Desk Z6941 .K2