

Finding peer-reviewed articles for Procurement and Acquisitions Management using the Business Source Complete database

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Let's explore how to find subject terms and use them as keywords to find articles in the Business Source Complete database.

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One of the learning outcomes for Webster University procurement program is to explain important terminology. Understanding the terminology used in library databases will also help one to be a more efficient and effective searcher.

SEARCH THE THESAURUS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE SUBJECT TERMS USED IN Business Source Complete

1. Select the “Thesaurus “ tab

2. In the “Browsing: Business Thesaurus” box, type in a word or short phrase. In the example at right, we are using *procurement*

You might also want to browse other terms, for example, *logistics*, to see if and how they are used as subjects.

3. Bullet the “Relevancy Ranked” radio button to show the widest set of results.

4. Click Browse.

5. Click a term to display the details of how and when that subject term is used.

The screenshot shows the EBSCO Thesaurus interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: "New Search", "Publications", "Thesaurus" (highlighted with a red dashed box), "Author Profiles", and "More". Below the tabs, the search bar contains "Business Source Complete" and "Choose Databases >". There are links for "Basic Search", "Advanced Search", "Visual Search", and "Search History".

The main content area has three tabs: "Subjects", "Places", and "People". Under "Subjects", there is a search box labeled "Browsing: Business Thesaurus" containing the word "procurement". To the right of the search box is a "Browse" button (highlighted with a red dashed box). Below the search box are three radio buttons: "Term Begins With", "Term Contains", and "Relevancy Ranked" (which is selected, highlighted with a red dashed box, and has a red arrow pointing to it from the instructions).

Below the radio buttons, there is a "Page: Previous | Next" section and a "Select term, then add to search using:" section with a dropdown menu set to "OR" and an "Add" button. Below this is a list of terms with checkboxes:

- ELECTRONIC procurement
- GOVERNMENT purchasing
- INDUSTRIAL procurement
- CHIEF procurement officers
- INTERNET-based procurement
- COLLECTION agencies
- BUY national policy
- COLLECTING of accounts
- COMMUNITY food services
- INFORMATION resources management
- PURCHASING
- SHOPPING

At the bottom, there are several rows of related terms with "Use" buttons:

- E-procurement Use ELECTRONIC procurement
- GOVERNMENT procurement Use GOVERNMENT purchasing
- PROCUREMENT, Government Use GOVERNMENT purchasing
- PROCUREMENT, Industrial Use INDUSTRIAL procurement
- PUBLIC procurement Use GOVERNMENT purchasing

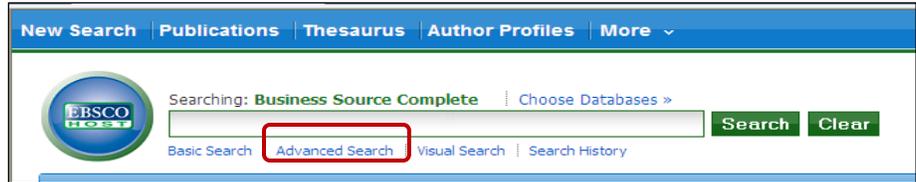
The screenshot shows the detailed view for the term "INDUSTRIAL procurement". At the top, there is a "Select term, then add to search using:" section with a dropdown menu set to "OR" and an "Add" button. Below this is a table with four columns: "Scope Note", "Broader Terms", "Narrower Terms", and "Related Terms".

Scope Note	Broader Terms	Narrower Terms	Related Terms
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TO SEARCH FOR ARTICLES IN Business Source Complete

Note that many of these keyword search conventions will work in other article databases, such as ABI/Inform (Proquest).

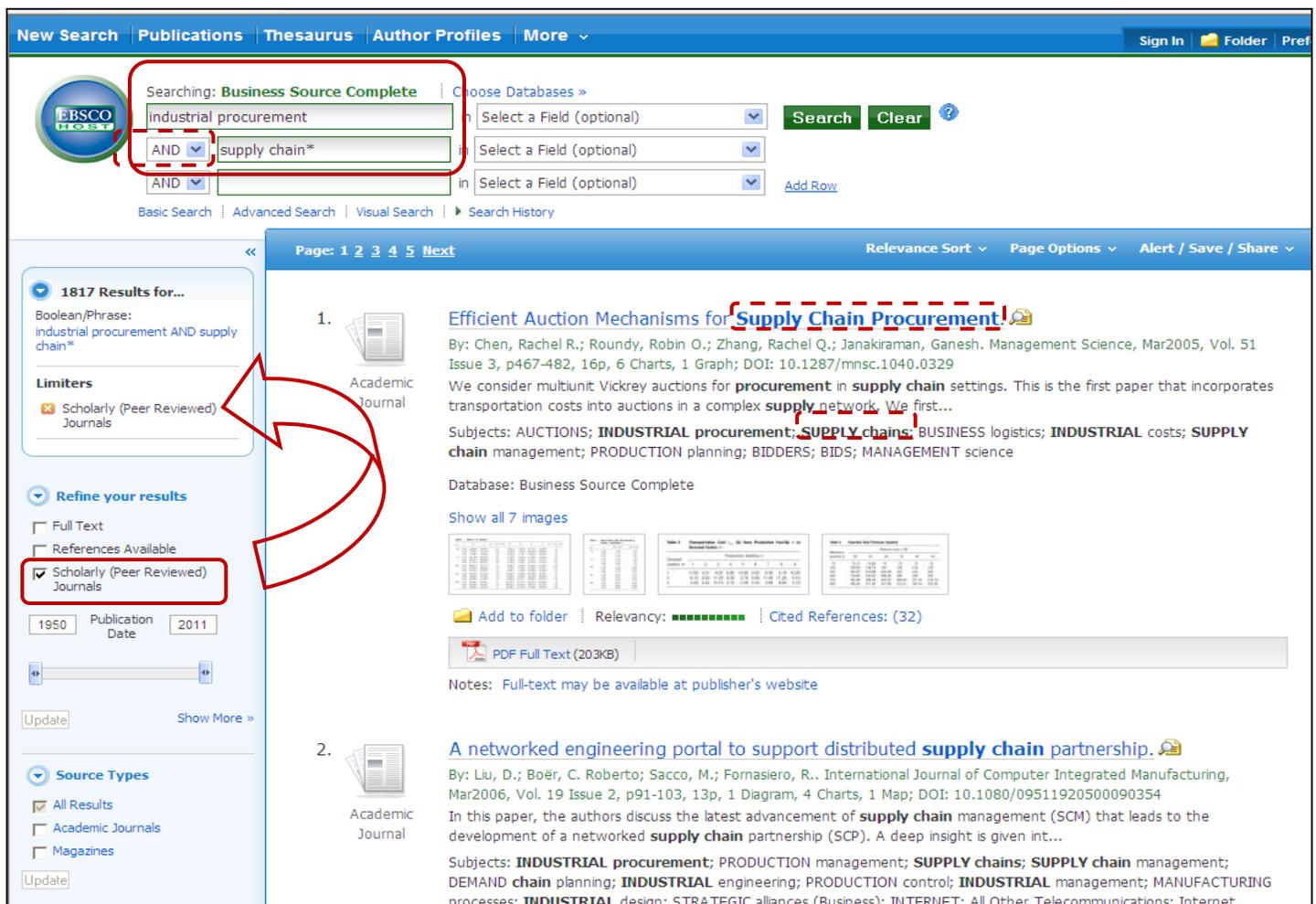
If needed, return to the “Advanced Search” form.



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with 'New Search', 'Publications', 'Thesaurus', 'Author Profiles', and 'More'. Below this is the EBSCO logo and a search bar containing 'Business Source Complete'. To the right of the search bar are 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons. Below the search bar are links for 'Basic Search', 'Advanced Search' (highlighted with a red box), 'Visual Search', and 'Search History'.

Enter your keywords or phrases into the search form.

- Each word/phrase is entered on a separate line.
- **AND** combines your words/phrases so your search will retrieve less, though more focused, articles.
- **OR** searches for either word/phrase (see *EDI or electronic data interchange* in search below)
- ***** (asterisk) is the truncation symbol which searches for variant word endings. For example:
 - **supply chain*** finds either supply chains (plural) or supply chain (singular)
 - **suppl*** finds supply, supplies, suppliers, etc.
- “**Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals**” check box (on the menu bar on the left) refines/limits your search to articles from academic journals (as opposed to general or trade magazines).
- Use the date slider to refine/limit the date of the articles. (See second search below.)



The screenshot shows the search results page for 'Business Source Complete'. The search criteria are 'industrial procurement AND supply chain*'. The 'Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals' filter is checked. The first result is 'Efficient Auction Mechanisms for Supply Chain Procurement!' by Chen, Rachel R.; Roundy, Robin O.; Zhang, Rachel Q.; Janakiraman, Ganesh. The second result is 'A networked engineering portal to support distributed supply chain partnership.' by Liu, D.; Boër, C. Roberto; Sacco, M.; Fornasiero, R..

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Searching: **Business Source Complete** Choose Databases »

Industrial procurement in Select a Field (optional) Search

AND EDI or electronic data interchange Select a Field (optional) Clear

AND in Select a Field (optional) Add Row

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1. **Enabling the benefits of Supply Chain Management Systems: an empirical study of Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) in manufacturing.**

By: Craighead, C. W.; Patterson, J. W.; Roth, P. L.; Segars, A. H.. International Journal of Production Research, 1/1/2006, Vol. 44 Issue 1, p135-157, 23p, 1 Diagram, 3 Charts; DOI: 10.1080/00207540500161019

Although informative, the literature related to Supply Chain Management Systems (SCMS) needs to be developed further to provide insight related to the realized benefits of adopting firms. Specifi...

Subjects: SUPPLY chains; **INDUSTRIAL procurement**; PRODUCTION management; INFORMATION technology; **ELECTRONIC data interchange**

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2. **Determinants of EDI Adoption and Integration by U.S. and Japanese Automobile Suppliers.**

By: Kurokawa, Sam; Manabe, Seiji; Rassameethes, Bordin. Journal of Organizational Computing & Electronic Commerce, Jan-Mar2008, Vol. 1 Issue 18, p1-33, 33p, 2 Diagrams, 8 Charts; DOI: 10.1080/10919390701807459

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4. **Supply chain replenishment: before-and-after t**

By: Lori N.K. Leonard; Christine Clemons Davis. Supply Chain Purpose ? This study seeks to determine whether **electron** more successful than non-electronic supply chains using man

Subjects: SUPPLY chains; **INDUSTRIAL procurement**; ELE **ELECTRONIC procurement**; DATA transmission systems; B

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5. **"100% EDI-connected suppliers" projects: An e**

By: Agi, Maher; Ballot, Eric; Molet, Hugues. Journal of Purcha 115, 9p; DOI: 10.1016/j.pursup.2005.10.008

Abstract: **Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)** is becoming **EDI suppliers'** capabilities are emerging. Therefore, taking ad

Subjects: **ELECTRONIC data interchange**; WEB site devel **INDUSTRIAL procurement**; PURCHASING; CORPORATE pu

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Author: Leonard, Lori N.K.
Journal: Supply chain management
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