

# How to Make Sense of Growing Number of Chinese Electronic Resources at Yale Library

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## *How the library organizes electronic resources?*

Database lists

[East Asian Studies Major Database List](#):

A quick way to access the most often used databases.

[Chinese Studies Database List](#):

An A-Z list for Chinese studies;

Information page for each database

[Chinese Studies Subject Guide](#) includes database:

Describes how e-resources relate to printed materials.

## *Why the library chooses to list these resources instead of others?*

Scholarly value of content

Richness of content

Format: is it a searchable database?

Content stability: does it have institutional backing?

\*All of the following databases can be found on the [Chinese Studies Database List](#).

## *Journal Article Index and Full-text Databases (Resources of General Interests)*

### 1. Chinese Academic Journals

- a. Full-text database (humanities, social sciences, and medicine sections)
  - i. English or Chinese search interface;
  - ii. PDF format available;
  - iii. Full text searchable;
  - iv. Search within results option;
  - v. Advanced search option;
  - vi. Search with simplified Chinese input method.
- b. Citation database (also includes science, engineering, agriculture, and information technology sections)

### 2. Renda Baokan Ziliao (人大报刊资料索引及全文), another index and full-text database.

- a. Available on CD-ROM (online database is under evaluation);
- b. Primarily in social sciences and humanities;
- c. Index database started in 1978;
- d. Full-text database started in 1995;
- e. Coverage and methodology different from CAJ.

3. Taiwan Periodical Index (中文期刊篇目索引影像系統)
  - a. Provides citations of Chinese periodical articles in Taiwan;
  - b. Covers 1994 to the present.
4. HKInChiP (香港中文期刊論文索引)
  - a. Indexes Chinese and bilingual periodicals published in Hong Kong;
  - b. Articles on average started in 1990, but some go back to 1950s;
  - c. Before 1998, selectively index articles; after 1998, index all the articles published on these journals.
5. Bibliography of Oriental Studies (東洋学文献類目檢索)
  - a. Based on the printed edition; online version started in 1981;
  - b. Provides citations to Japanese, Chinese, and western language articles;
  - c. Search with Japanese input method.

#### ***Full-text Classics***

6. Siku Quanshu (四库全书)
  - a. Based on the Wenyuange edition of Siku Quanshu;
  - b. Coverage from antiquity to the 18<sup>th</sup> century.
7. CHANT (漢達文庫)
  - a. Based on editions in Sibu Congkan;
  - b. Coverage from antiquity to the 6<sup>th</sup> century (pre-Tang).
8. Scripta Sinica (漢籍電子文獻)
  - a. Including the twenty dynastic histories and thirteen classics.

#### ***Primary Sources***

9. Chinese Archives and Documents on CD-ROM
  - a. From the reign of Kangxi to 1949;
  - b. Unique part of the collection is historical publications associated with the Chinese Communist Party; archives from Qing and Republican periods are available in print in the library;
  - c. Can search title, but can't search full-text.
10. People's Daily Full Text (人民日报全文)
  - a. Coverage: 1946-2003.
11. Chinese Digital Archives (1966-1976)
  - a. Archives associated with the Cultural Revolution, developed by Australian National University.
12. HKBU Library Digital Projects
  - a. Newspaper clippings associated with Chinese Christianity, overseas Chinese, and the transfer of sovereignty of Hong Kong;
  - b. China Inland Missionaries Archives.

#### ***Statistics***

13. China InfoBank
  - a. Search interface in Chinese

## 14. China Data Online

- a. Search interface in English