World Bank eLibrary vs. Open Knowledge Repository (OKR)

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The World Bank eLibrary is a subscription-based website designed for the unique needs of researchers and libraries. Built on a state- of-the-art publishing platform, the World Bank eLibrary offers a number of value-added features and functionality for easier discovery, access, and use of World Bank publications and research. It contains the full collection of all World Bank books, journals, flagship reports, and working papers since the 1990s plus country and regional data from World Development Indicators.

openknowledge.worldbank.org

The World Bank Open Knowledge Repository (OKR) is the World Bank's official open access repository for its research outputs and knowledge products. It is built on a repository platform that meets open access standards for inter-operability with other repositories. The OKR not only collects, disseminates, and permanently preserves Bank's intellectual output, it also serves as the portal for the general public to freely access recent World Bank research.

Research Tools and Conveniences





Full text search	V	
Browse by region or country	V	
Faceted search and browse	V	V
Chapter-level search results for books since 2013	✓	
Integrated eReader with offline access	V	
Related WDI data displayed with search results	✓	
Citation tools and exporting to Zotero, EndNote, RefWorks, and others	✓	
Reference Linking	✓	
Exporting, emailing and sharing search results	V	
"Cited by" for all content	✓	
CC BY license for all World Bank content	✓	✓
Digital Object Identifiers (DOIs) displayed	✓	
URI handles		V
Recommended Readings on popular topics	V	
Save search results and bookmark content in personal account for future reference	V	
New content alerts based on user preferences and saved search criteria	✓	
"Trending" content (most accessed)	V	V
Title recommendations and related content	forthcoming	V
Multilingual interface (Spanish and French)		V
Filter, browse and search by language	V	V
Altmetric scores (based on social media engagement, blogs, media mentions, etc.)	V	V
Social media links for sharing content	✓	✓
Author Profiles and ORCID (when available)		V
Mobile access	✓	V

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Administrator Tools





Indexed in discovery services (e.g., Serials Solutions, Syndetic Solutions, ExLibris Primo, and WorldCat)	~	
MARC Records and KBART holdings	V	
Email alerts when monthly MARC records are added	✓	
Designed for easy integration with federated search, OPACs, and other library-specific systems	V	
COUNTER 4 and COUNTER 5-compliant usage statistics and reports for consortia (SUSHI)	V	
Link resolver (Open URL)	V	
Self-generated institutional usage statistics	✓	
Self-service institutional profile and IP updates	✓	
Institutional branding for subscribers	✓	
Customer service and training (including tutorials)	✓	
Athens and Shibboleth authentication	V	

Content





World Bank Books	All since 1990	Since 2000
World Bank books available by chapter	Since 2013	
World Bank Policy Research Working Papers (PRWP)	All since 1995	Since 2000
World Bank Research Observer and World Bank Economic Review published journal articles	All since 1996 with NO embargo	Since 2007 with 18-month embargo
Background information on regions, countries, and topics	✓	
Links to related World Bank websites, projects, blogs and data	✓	
Top indicators from World Development Indicators (WDI)	V	
Economic Outlooks (Serials)	V	✓
Economic and Sector Work (ESWs)	Since 2016	Since 2000
Knowledge Notes (short briefing notes with lessons from World Bank experiences)		✓
Links to WB content published externally, after publisher's embargo		✓
Selected translated books	V	✓
Perpetual use of downloaded content	V	✓

Formats





PDF	All content	All content
HTML (full text)	Selected chapters since 2014	
ePub	Books since 2009	