

COUNTER Code of Practice

Abstract

COUNTER's library and content provider members have contributed to the development of Release 5 (R5) of the COUNTER Code of Practice.

The Code of Practice enables content providers to produce consistent, comparable and credible usage data for their online content. This allows librarians and other interested parties to compare the usage data they receive, and to understand and demonstrate the value of the electronic resources to which they subscribe.

Release 5 is the current Code of Practice and the requirement for COUNTER compliance effective from January of 2019.

This is an archived version of the Code of Practice, for reference only. The current [Code of Practice is Release 5.0.2](#).