

Chicago-Style Citation Quick Guide

The Chicago Manual of Style presents two basic documentation systems, the humanities style (notes and bibliography) and the author-date system.

Notes and bibliography system: preferred for literature, history, and the arts. Notes may be footnotes or endnotes. For notes, indent the first line; in the bibliography, indent the second and subsequent lines (examples [N] and [B], below).

Author-date system: used in the physical, natural, and social sciences. Sources are cited in the text in parentheses, by author's last name, date of publication and page number if needed. Full bibliographic information is provided in a list of references (examples [T] and [R], below). In the reference list, indent the second and subsequent lines.

Online sources that are analogous to print sources (such as articles published in online journals, magazines, or newspapers) should be cited similarly to their print counterparts but with the addition of a URL. Some publishers or disciplines may also require an access date. For online or other electronic sources that do not have a direct print counterpart (such as an institutional Web site or a Weblog), give as much information as you can in addition to the URL.

For examples of additional types of sources, see **chapters 16 and 17** of *The Chicago manual of style*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 15th ed., 2003. **Main Ref Desk Z253 .U69 2003**. The complete *Chicago manual of style* is also available online for Bowdoin College users at <http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/contents.html>

Books

One author

- N: 1. Wendy Doniger, *Splitting the Difference* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1999), 65.
B: Doniger, Wendy. *Splitting the Difference*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1999.
- T: (Doniger 1999, 65)
R: Doniger, Wendy. 1999. *Splitting the difference*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Two authors

- N: 6. Guy Cowlshaw and Robin Dunbar, *Primate Conservation Biology* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2000), 104–7.
B: Cowlshaw, Guy, and Robin Dunbar. *Primate Conservation Biology*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2000.
- T: (Cowlshaw and Dunbar 2000, 104–7)
R: Cowlshaw, Guy, and Robin Dunbar. 2000. *Primate conservation biology*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Four or more authors

- N: 13. Edward O. Laumann et al., *The Social Organization of Sexuality: Sexual Practices in the United States* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1994), 262.
B: Laumann, Edward O., John H. Gagnon, Robert T. Michael, and Stuart Michaels. *The Social Organization of Sexuality: Sexual Practices in the United States*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1994.

- T: (Laumann et al. 1994, 262)
R: Laumann, Edward O., John H. Gagnon, Robert T. Michael, and Stuart Michaels. 1994. *The social organization of sexuality: Sexual practices in the United States*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Editor, translator, or compiler instead of author

- N: 4. Richmond Lattimore, trans., *The Iliad of Homer* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1951), 91–92.
B: Lattimore, Richmond, trans. *The Iliad of Homer*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1951.
T: (Lattimore 1951, 91–92)
R: Lattimore, Richmond, trans. 1951. *The Iliad of Homer*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Chapter, essay or other part of a book

- N: 5. Andrew Wiese, “The House I Live In’: Race, Class, and African American Suburban Dreams in the Postwar United States,” in *The New Suburban History*, ed. Kevin M. Kruse and Thomas J. Sugrue (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2006), 101–2.
B: Wiese, Andrew. “The House I Live In’: Race, Class, and African American Suburban Dreams in the Postwar United States.” In *The New Suburban History*, edited by Kevin M. Kruse and Thomas J. Sugrue, 99–119. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2006.
T: (Wiese 2006, 101–2)
R: Wiese, Andrew. 2006. “The house I live in’’: Race, class, and African American suburban dreams in the postwar United States. In *The new suburban history*, ed. Kevin M. Kruse and Thomas J. Sugrue, 99–119. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Books published electronically

If a book is available in more than one format, you should cite the version you consulted, but you may also list the other formats, as in [B] below. If an access date is required by your publisher or discipline, include it parenthetically at the end of the citation, as in [A] below.

- N: 2. Philip B. Kurland and Ralph Lerner, eds., *The Founders’ Constitution* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1987), <http://press-pubs.uchicago.edu/founders/> (accessed June 27, 2006).
B: Kurland, Philip B., and Ralph Lerner, eds. *The founders’ Constitution*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1987. <http://press-pubs.uchicago.edu/founders/>. Also available in print form and as a CD-ROM.
T: (Kurland and Lerner 1987)
R: Kurland, Philip B., and Ralph Lerner, eds. 1987. *The Founders’ Constitution*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. <http://press-pubs.uchicago.edu/founders/>.

Journals

Scholarly journal (show volume & date)

- N: 8. John Maynard Smith, "The Origin of Altruism," *Nature* 393 (1998): 639.
B: Smith, John Maynard. "The Origin of Altruism." *Nature* 393 (1998): 639–40.
- T: (Smith 1998, 639)
R: Smith, John Maynard. 1998. The origin of altruism. *Nature* 393: 639–40.

Popular magazine article (show date alone)

- N: 29. Steve Martin, "Sports-Interview Shocker," *New Yorker*, May 6, 2002, 84.
B: Martin, Steve. "Sports-Interview Shocker." *New Yorker*, May 6, 2002.
- T: (Martin 2002, 84)
R: Martin, Steve. 2002. Sports-interview shocker. *New Yorker*, May 6.

Newspaper article

Newspapers are more commonly cited in notes or parenthetical references than in bibliographies. A list of works cited need not list newspaper items if these have been documented in the text (e.g., "In an article on rampage killers (*New York Times*, April 10, 2000), Laurie Goodstein and William Glaberson describe...") would NOT require a corresponding entry in a bibliography or reference list. If you do wish to list a newspaper in a bibliography, see these examples; note that page numbers are omitted, since they can vary in different editions of the newspaper.

- N: 10. William S. Niederkorn, "A Scholar Recants on His 'Shakespeare' Discovery," *New York Times*, June 20, 2002, Arts section, Midwest edition.
B: Niederkorn, William S. "A Scholar Recants on His 'Shakespeare' Discovery." *New York Times*, June 20, 2002, Arts section, Midwest edition.
- T: (Niederkorn 2002)
R: Niederkorn, William S. 2002. A scholar recants on his "Shakespeare" discovery. *New York Times*, June 20, Arts section, Midwest edition.

Article in an online journal, magazine or newspaper

Add the article's URL to the basic citation. However, for articles accessed through a third-party database (e.g., JSTOR), list the URL of the "main entrance" page of the database instead of the individual article, e.g. <http://www.jstor.org/> or <http://muse.jhu.edu/> If an access date is required by your publisher or discipline, include it parenthetically at the end of the citation, as in [R] below.

- N: 33. Mark A. Hlatky et al., "Quality-of-Life and Depressive Symptoms in Postmenopausal Women after Receiving Hormone Therapy: Results from the Heart and Estrogen/Progestin Replacement Study (HERS) Trial," *Journal of the American Medical Association* 287, no. 5 (2002), <http://jama.ama-assn.org/issues/v287n5/rfull/joc10108.html#aainfo>.
B: Hlatky, Mark A., Derek Boothroyd, Eric Vittinghoff, Penny Sharp, and Mary A. Whooley. "Quality-of-Life and Depressive Symptoms in Postmenopausal Women after Receiving Hormone Therapy: Results from the Heart and Estrogen/Progestin Replacement Study (HERS) Trial." *Journal of the American Medical Association* 287, no. 5 (February 6, 2002), <http://jama.ama-assn.org/issues/v287n5/rfull/joc10108.html#aainfo>.

- T: (Hlatky et al. 2002)
 R: Hlatky, Mark A., Derek Boothroyd, Eric Vittinghoff, Penny Sharp, and Mary A. Whooley. 2002. Quality-of-life and depressive symptoms in postmenopausal women after receiving hormone therapy: Results from the Heart and Estrogen/Progestin Replacement Study (HERS) trial. *Journal of the American Medical Association* 287, no. 5 (February 6), <http://jama.ama-assn.org/issues/v287n5/rfull/joc10108.html#aainfo> (accessed January 7, 2004).

Web sites

Web sites may be cited in running text (“On its Web site, the Evanston Public Library Board of Trustees states . . .”) instead of in an in-text citation, and they are commonly omitted from a bibliography or reference list as well. The following examples show the more formal versions of the citations. If an access date is required by your publisher or discipline, include it parenthetically at the end of the citation, as in the second example below.

- N: 11. Evanston Public Library Board of Trustees, “Evanston Public Library Strategic Plan, 2000–2010: A Decade of Outreach,” Evanston Public Library, <http://www.epl.org/library/strategic-plan-00.html>
 B: Evanston Public Library Board of Trustees. “Evanston Public Library Strategic Plan, 2000–2010: A Decade of Outreach.” Evanston Public Library. <http://www.epl.org/library/strategic-plan-00.html> (accessed June 1, 2005).
 T: (Evanston Public Library Board of Trustees)
 R: Evanston Public Library Board of Trustees. Evanston Public Library Strategic Plan, 2000–2010: A decade of outreach. Evanston Public Library. <http://www.epl.org/library/strategic-plan-00.html>.

Government documents

The author-date style is generally inappropriate for citing public documents, so examples are shown only for note/bibliographic form. Should conversion to author-date system be necessary, refer to *Chicago Manual of Style* chapter 16 or the examples in section 17.293.

Federal agency with personal author

- N: 5. U.S. Department of the Interior. Minerals Management Service. *An Oilspill Risk Analysis for the Central Gulf (April 1984) and Western Gulf of Mexico (July 1984)*, by Robert P. LaBelle. Open-file report, U.S. Geological Survey. Denver, 1984.
 B: U.S. Department of the Interior. Minerals Management Service. *An Oilspill Risk Analysis for the Central Gulf (April 1984) and Western Gulf of Mexico (July 1984)*, by Robert P. LaBelle. Open-file report, U.S. Geological Survey. Denver, 1984.

Congressional hearing

- N: 1. U.S. Congress. Senate. Committee on Foreign Relations. *Famine in Africa: Hearing before the Committee on Foreign Relations*. 99th Cong., 1st sess., January 17, 1985.
 B: U.S. Congress. Senate. Committee on Foreign Relations. *Famine in Africa: Hearing before the Committee on Foreign Relations*. 99th Cong., 1st sess., January 17, 1985.

Federal Commission / Agency report with corporate author

- N: 6. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards. 1999. *Haze: How air pollution affects the view*. http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/t1/fr_notices/haze.pdf
- B: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards. 1999. *Haze: How air pollution affects the view*. http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg/t1/fr_notices/haze.pdf

Congressional Record

- N: 16. Rep. Anderson (Cal.). "Legislation for the Care of Vietnamese Refugees," *Congressional Record* 121, Pt. 10 (25 Apr. 1975) pp. 12-52.
- B: U.S. Congress. *Congressional Record*. 71st Cong., 2d sess., 1930. Vol. 72, pt.10

[note: unless required to keep all references together in a bibliography, "U.S. Congress" may be omitted.]

Government Periodical

- N: 7. Swann, Christopher. "GDP and the Economy" *Survey of Current Business* 88:8 (August 2008) pp.1-5. (Issued by the US Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis C 56.109)
- B: Swann, Christopher. "GDP and the Economy" *Survey of Current Business* 88:8 (August 2008) pp.1-5. (Issued by the US Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis C 56.109)

U.S. Supreme Court Decision

- N: 8. *Plessy v. Ferguson*, 163 U.S. 537 (1896).
- B: *Plessy v. Ferguson*, 163 U.S. 537 (1896).