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## A. PEDro update (8 January 2018)

PEDro contains 38,639 records. In the 8 January 2018 update you will find:

- 30,476 reports of randomised controlled trials (29,797 of these trials have confirmed ratings of methodological quality using the PEDro scale)
- 7,526 reports of systematic reviews, and
- 637 reports of evidence-based clinical practice guidelines

For latest guidelines, reviews and trials in physiotherapy visit [Evidence in your inbox](#).

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## B. Support for PEDro comes from industry, physiotherapy organisations and individuals

Support for PEDro comes from industry partners around the globe. The Australian Physiotherapy Association is our Foundation Partner. The Transport Accident Commission, and Chartered Society of Physiotherapy are Partners. Bend+Mend is a practice partner. World Confederation for Physical Therapy Member Organisations from 46 countries are Association Partners.

We also thank the individual physiotherapists who have made a donation to PEDro during 2017.

But PEDro is faces significant financial challenges. We need more partners to help us continue the work we do and keep PEDro free and accessible around the world. From private practices to hospitals, government departments and universities, we can tailor a sponsorship package to suit any organisation. If your organisation would like to invest in the

future of physiotherapy, please [contact us](#).

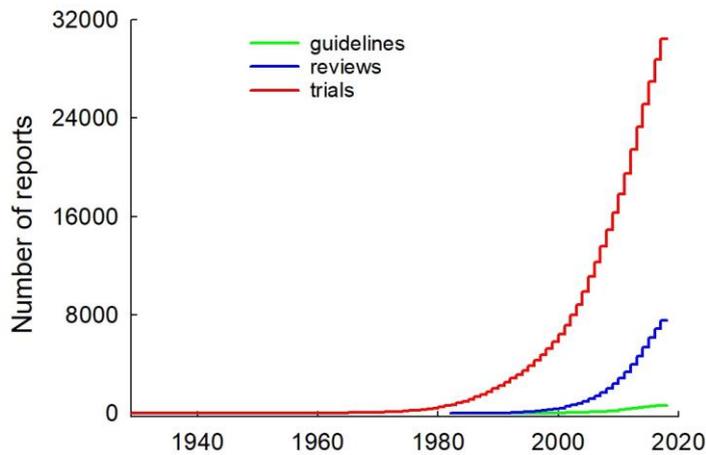
Another way we can pay for PEDro and keep it free is through donations from users. You can choose an amount that suits your budget. We truly appreciate your help.



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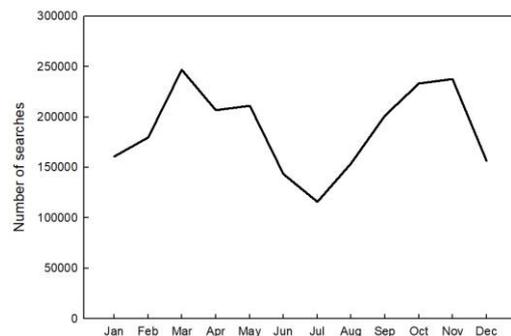
### C. Who used PEDro in 2017?

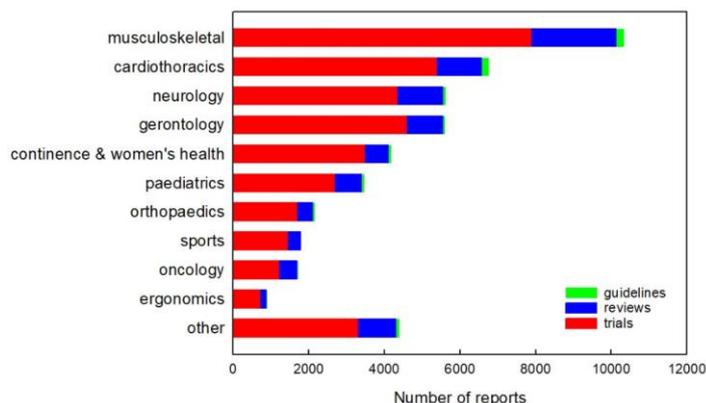
An analysis of the contents of PEDro in the 8 January 2018 update is now available on the [PEDro statistics page](#).



The number of reports of trials has continued to expand at an exponential rate.

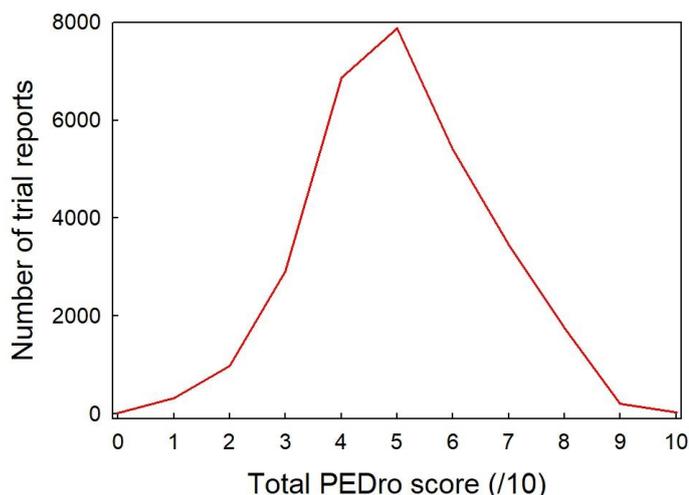
During 2017 PEDro was used to answer 2,246,631 questions. This means that a new search was initiated every 14 seconds, on average, during 2017. PEDro users were from 220 countries. The five countries with the highest usage in 2017 were the Brazil (18%), United States of America (11%), Australia (9%), Spain (8%), and the Germany (4%).





Musculoskeletal and cardiothoracic physiotherapy have the largest quantity of trials, reviews and guidelines indexed on PEDro.

For all trial reports indexed on PEDro, the average total PEDro score is 5.1 (standard deviation 1.6). 36% of trial reports are of moderate to high quality, scoring  $\geq 6/10$  on the PEDro scale.




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## D. Online training in Portuguese for PEDro scale

Building on the success of the English version of the PEDro scale training program, we are pleased to announce that the Portuguese version of the program is now available. In this online training we provide a definition and detailed description, relevant references and answer frequently asked questions (in both text and video formats) plus examples and practice articles for each item of the PEDro scale. The examples are drawn from actual articles to illustrate instances that either meet a specific criterion or, alternatively, do not meet a criterion. The entire training program is in Portuguese.

The program costs AUD 50 for individual subscribers, and institutional subscriptions are also available. All proceeds from the online training will be used to produce and develop the PEDro resource.

<https://training.pedro.org.au>

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## E. Next PEDro update (February 2018)

The next PEDro update is on Monday 5 February 2018.

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