

Open access in the humanities and social sciences

Recent trends indicate an **increase** in HSS scholars publishing OA - want to know why?

WHAT IS OPEN ACCESS?



Free, unrestricted online access to scholarly research.



Funders, institutions and governments supported the widespread dissemination and accessibility of research.

TYPES OF OPEN ACCESS...



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- Articles **freely available immediately** upon publication on a publisher's website
- No embargo period**
- Typically a fee called an **Article Processing Charge** is charged to authors to cover the publishing costs



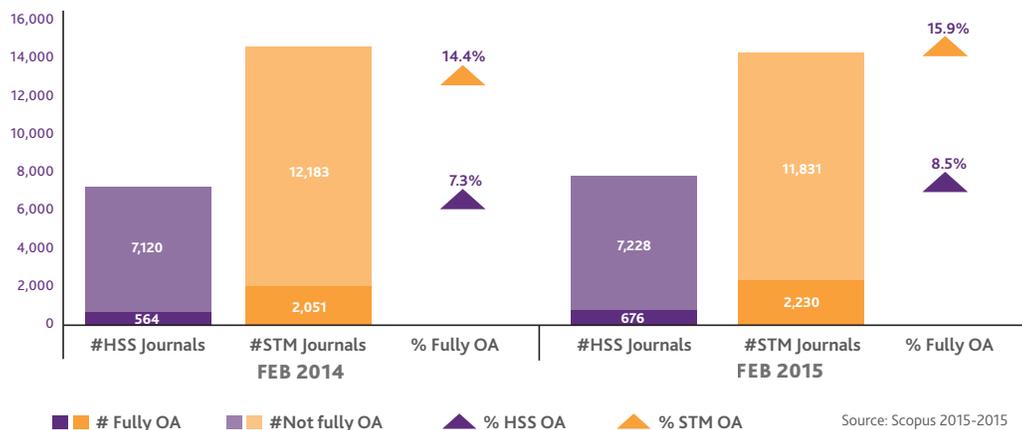
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- Articles or book chapters are made available by **archiving** in an institutional or subject repository
- Embargo periods** may apply, depending on the publisher's self-archiving policy.



OPEN ACCESS IS GROWING...

- HSS saw a greater year-on-year % increase in the number of fully OA journals compared to STM (20% vs 9%)
- Studies show year-on-year increases in the number of fully open access HSS journals and articles
- The number of OA academic peer-reviewed books listed in the DOAB has increased by more than 50% over the last year (March 2015 – March 2016)



FACT

The number of fully open access active HSS journals listed in Scopus has risen from **564** in 2014, to **676** in 2015, an **increase of 20%**.

BENEFITS OF OPEN ACCESS AND IMPORTANCE TO HSS:

- Increased citations and usage
- Faster impact
- Compliance with funder mandates
- Greater public engagement
- Wider collaboration
- Increased interdisciplinary conversation

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As an active participant in the development of sustainable models for open access within the humanities and social sciences (HSS), Palgrave Macmillan offers open access options across all publication formats: journal articles, books/monographs and pivots.

WHY PUBLISH WITH PALGRAVE OPEN?



REPUTATION

All works published open access are delivered to the same high standards as all Palgrave Macmillan publications



QUALITY

Comprehensive and rigorous peer review



DISCOVERABILITY

Inclusion in leading abstracting and indexing services

HSS: changing perceptions on open access

1 FUNDING

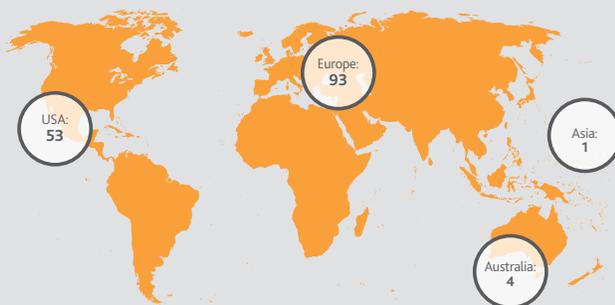
Source: Springer Nature open access funding database



Funding is the **number one** reason authors give for not publishing OA.

Did you know?

There are **over 150 journal open access article processing charge (APC) funds** available to HSS researchers world wide.



FACT

The number of funders and institutions worldwide that make funding available for APCs has increased by 10% since the beginning of 2015.

- **Over 40 research funders** make OA funding available to researchers
- **Over 100 institutions** make funding available to researchers
- **Over 60 further institutions** distribute **open access block grants** on behalf of funding bodies

A number of research funders and institutions now make funding available to support OA monographs.

The Palgrave Macmillan funding support service can provide personal advice on what OA monograph funding is available to you.

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2 CHOICE OF LICENCE

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3 QUALITY OF OA

All research published via Palgrave Open is subject to the same rigorous peer-review processes, and undergoes copyediting and proofreading.

TIMELINE OF OPEN ACCESS AT PALGRAVE MACMILLAN

JUN 2011

Open access available across 18 academic titles; today the portfolio has expanded to include over 40 journals with an open access option.

JAN 2013

The open access option was expanded to include monographs and Palgrave Pivots.

NOV 2013

The first open access monograph was published.

JUL 2014

The first 'hybrid' open access chapter was published.

OCT 2014

The first open access Palgrave Pivot was published.

JAN 2015

Palgrave Communications, the first fully open access multidisciplinary journal was launched.

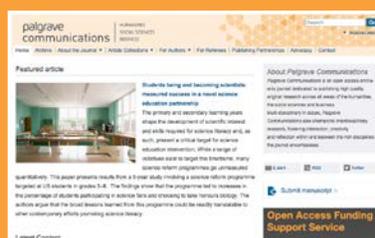
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- Authors pay a **Book Processing Charge**, which is usually paid by research funders
- As with journal articles all open access book content is made **freely available immediately upon publication**
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FACT

On average Palgrave OA books receive **8 times** the usage of non OA books

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Professor James Wilsdon, University of Sheffield and Chair of the Campaign for Social Science, UK

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