

The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on child protection services through the lens of administrative data: A systematic review

S2 Table 2A

Search Strategy

Search Platform	Database	Search String	Results
Web of Science	Web of Science Core Collection	((TS=(((maltreatment OR abuse OR neglect OR welfare OR violence) NEAR/3 child*)OR "child protect*") AND (covid* or corona?virus or pandemic* or "sars?cov*"))) NOT DT=(Review OR Letter OR Editorial Material OR News Item OR Meeting Abstract OR Meeting Summary)) AND PY=(2020-2023)	647
OvidSP	APA PsycInfo		395
	Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL		523
	ERIC	(((covid* or corona?virus or pandemic* or "sars?cov*") and ((child adj2 protect*) or (child* adj3 maltreatment) or (child* adj3 neglect) or (child* adj3 abuse) or (child* adj3 welfare) or (child* adj3 violence))).mp. and 2020:2023.(sa_year).) not ("Review" or "Letter" or "Comment" or "Editorial").pt. not (systematic review or narrative review or rapid review or scoping review).ti.	56
	Ovid Emcare		413
	Ovid Nursing Database		21
	PSYINDEXplus Literature and Audiovisual Media		29
ProQuest	Sociological Abstracts	summary((((maltreatment OR abuse OR neglect OR welfare OR violence) NEAR/3 child*) OR "child protect*")) AND ((covid* OR corona?virus OR pandemic* OR "sars?cov*"))	410
	Social Services Abstracts		266
	Coronavirus Research Database		145

Note: All searches were performed on October 04, 2023

S2 Table 2B

Search Strategy Updated Search

Search Platform	Database	Search String	Results
Web of Science	Web of Science Core Collection	((TS=(((maltreatment OR abuse OR neglect OR welfare OR violence) NEAR/3 child*)OR "child protect*") AND (covid* or corona?virus or pandemic* or "sars?cov*"))) NOT DT=(Review OR Letter OR Editorial Material OR News Item OR Meeting Abstract OR Meeting Summary)) AND PY=(2023-2025)	369
OvidSP	APA PsycInfo		117
	Ovid MEDLINE(R) ALL		100
	ERIC	(((covid* or corona?virus or pandemic* or "sars?cov*") and ((child adj2 protect*) or (child* adj3 maltreatment) or (child* adj3 neglect) or (child* adj3 abuse) or (child* adj3 welfare) or (child* adj3 violence))).mp. and 2023:2025.(sa_year.) not ("Review" or "Letter" or "Comment" or "Editorial").pt. not (systematic review or narrative review or rapid review or scoping review).ti.	15
	Ovid Emcare		73
	Ovid Nursing Database		8
	PSYDEXplus Literature and Audiovisual Media		22
ProQuest	Sociological Abstracts	summary((((maltreatment OR abuse OR neglect OR welfare OR violence) NEAR/3 child*) OR "child protect*")) AND ((covid* OR corona?virus OR pandemic* OR "sars?cov*"))	77
	Social Services Abstracts		14
	Coronavirus Research Database		35

Note: Searches to update the original search from October 04, 2023 included all publications between October 04, 2023 and July 31, 2025