Article metrics aim to quantify and monitor the importance of published research. Dimensions provides a data-rich environment that supports the development and dissemination of article metrics driven by and developed for the research community.

Within Dimensions you can find a range of useful citation and alternative metrics that provide additional context and insight:

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<td>Citation Counts</td>
<td>The number of times a publication has been cited by other publications in the database. Citing publications can be of any publication type such as articles, chapters, or monographs.</td>
<td>Citations capture the academic impact of a publication. Be sure to check the citing documents to understand the context of the reference.</td>
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<td>Citation Recency</td>
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<td>This metric is useful for seeing if an article is currently being cited, and how fast it is accumulating citations.</td>
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<td>With FCR you can identify publications or researchers in any given discipline that have received an above-average number of citations.</td>
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