Appendix 1. The top ten of the most cited documents

Title	Country	Type of study	Samp	le	Variables	Results	Source	Citations	Checklist
Sustainability in	Sweden	Scoping	14	articles	Sustainable	The research, through	Scandinavian	51	Not
nursing: A concept		Review	from	1990-	concept and	concept analysis,	Journal of		applicable
analysis (Anåker &			2012		healthcare sector	identified six	Caring		
Elf, 2014)					related to the	attributes of	Sciences		
					role of nursing	sustainability and	(Indexed in		
						nursing. The results	JCR)		
						highly that the topics			
						based on nursing			
						education regarding			
						ecology. The key to			
						achieving it is			
						through nursing			
						academic programs.			
						Additionally, the			
						article emphasizes			

				the relevance of including sustainability in healthcare organizations.
Primary health	Intercontinental Comment	None	None	Primary health care The Lancet 51 Not
care and the	(UK, Brazil,			has. A key role in (Indexed in Applicable
Sustainable Goals	Belgium Ghana			achieving SDGs JCR)
Development	and Australia)			being indispensable
(Pettigrew et al.,				strategies to adapt
2015)				the working
				environment
				Also, it is highlighted
				the relevance of the
				workforce including
				nurses or midwives,
				but there is a scarcity

of a proposed

strategy for

implementation and

its monitoring.

The use of UK	Observational	Thirty nursing	Skill facilitator	The results indicated	Nurse 35	STROBE
evidence-informed	study	students	and	education improves	Education	11/32
sustainability		studying from	environmental	students' perception	Today	(34.38%)
scenarios in the		the second	awareness	regarding the	(Indexed in	
nursing		year.	related to waste	problem of the	JCR)	
curriculum:			production	sustainability. The		
Development and				way to achieve		
evaluation of				awareness is through		
teaching methods				clinically relevant		
(Richardson et al.,				scenarios in skill		
2014)				sessions.		

Nurses'	Sweden	Qualitative	Nurses (N =	Nurses'	Four areas were	Journal of 33	<i>EQUATOR</i>
perceptions of		study	18) were	perceptions	identified:	Advanced	30/32
climate and			recruited from	regarding	incongruence	Nursing	(93.75%)
environmental			hospitals,	climate and	between climate and	(Indexed in	
issues: A			primary care	environmental	environmental issues	JCR)	
qualitative study			and emergency	issues and	and nurse's daily		
(Anåker et al.,			medical	examine how	work; and public		
2015)			services. Eight	nurses perceive	health work is		
			participated in	their role in the	regarded as a health		
			semi-	creation of	co-benefit of climate		
			structured, in-	sustainable	change mitigation.		
			depth	health care			
			individual				
			interviews and				
			10 participated				
			in two focus				
			groups				

Planetary Health USA	Literature	Not identified	Planetary health	The impact of health	Journal of 32	Not
and the Role of	Review		framework	sector and workforce	Nursing	Applicable
Nursing: A Call to				in the energy and	Scholarship	
Action				water consumption,	(Indexed in	
(Kurth, 2017)				highlighting the need	JCR)	
				of sustainable		
				programs in health		
				care environments,		
				especially renewable		
				energies		
Tweet if you want UK and Spain	Qualitative	One hundred	Social media as	The analysis of the	Journal of 28	EQUATOR
to be sustainable:	study:	and nineteen	factor to engage	tweets highlighted	Advanced	27/32
A thematic	constructive	people posted	nurses'	the relevance of	Nursing	(84.38%)
analysis of a	paradigm	nine hundred	awareness and	sustainability for	(Indexed in	
Twitter chat to		and ninety-six	perception	nurses. The most	JCR)	

discuss	Tweets, with	important topics
sustainability in	reach up to	identified were the
nurse education	3,306,368, was	sustainability among
(Richardson,	analysed	nursing/nurses via
Grose, et al., 2016)		education, with
		focused on waste,
		especially plastic
Including European (UK, Observational	First year Sustainability	This survey indicated Nurse 26 STROBE
sustainability Germany,	Students Four Attitudes in	a high score, so it Education 20/32
issues in nurse Spain and	European Nursing Survey	could be highly useful Today (62.5%)
education: A Switzerland)	Universities (SANS_2)	to use it the nurses' (Indexed in
comparative study	(N=916) questionnaire	awareness. There JCR)
of first year	UK n=450 and	were significant
student nurses'	Germany Demographic	differences in
attitudes in four	n=196 characteristics	sustainability
European	Spain n=124	awareness of students
countries		between European

(Richardson,			Switzerland		countries, showing	
Heidenreich, et al	,		n=146		that German nurses'	
2016)					students had higher	
					scores.	
Towards	Finland	Systematic	Selected	Environmental	The papers identified Journal of 23	PRISMA
environmentally		review	papers	issues in nursing	nurses as Advanced	33/53
responsible			(N=11)	science	environmentally Nursing	62.26%
nursing: A critica	al				responsible for (Indexed in	
interpretive					sustainability in JCR)	
synthesis					diverse sectors. They	
(Kangasniemi					need to be targeted as	
et al., 2013)					agents in	
					environmental	
					management and	
					tools for practical	
					environmental	
					responsibility should	

be included and presents in the curriculum.

How the nursing	USA	Scientometrics	N= 29	6 Millennium	The results indicated	Nursing	22	Not
profession can		analysis	documents	development	how nurses'	Management		Applicable
contribute to			identified i	n goals (MDGs	contribution, as	(Indexed in		
sustainable			the topic	and the role of	professionals, has	JCR)		
development goals				nurses in policies	limited their			
(Benton & Shaffer,					contribution to the			
2016)					MDGs link to health			
					Despite not being so			
					active in MDGs,			
					nursing has been			
					more proactive in			
					addressing the SDGs.			

Nursing and the USA	Literature	Not identified	Nurses as agents	The results highlight	American	22	Not
sustainable	Review		to contextual the	the evolution from	Journal	of	Applicable
development			SDGs related to	the identification of	Nursing		
goals: From			the care provided	Florence Nightingale	(Indexed	in	
Nightingale to now			and the system	of the relevance of	JCR)		
(Dossey et al.,				environment to the			
2019)				relevant of			
				sustainability for the			
				care of patients,			
				including nurses and			
				adapting the			
				environment.			