While there is no definitive way to limit your search to quantitative studies, there are some strategies to employ.

**Keyword option**

*Quantitative Studies* is a subject heading in CINAHL. Enter *quantitative studies* into the search box, along with your topic keywords. Set the drop-down menu on the right to *MH Exact Subject Heading*.

Most of the results will be quantitative studies, but check to make sure.

**Limiter: Publication Type option**

Use various Publication Types that represent quantitative research, such as *Meta-analysis, Clinical Trial, Tables & Charts, Statistics, Equations and Formulas*, etc. To select more than one at a time, press *CTRL* key while you highlight the options you want.
Limiter: Tag/Subject (formerly Subject/Thesaurus)

When you have run a broad search resulting in a fairly large group of results, further refine the results by using the Tag/Subject Limiter on the left sidebar. Here you can select from terms like *Quantitative Studies*, *Sampling (statistics)*, *Correlation (statistics)*, etc. if they appear in the list. TIP: Remember to click “Show More” to get the complete list.

![Tag/Subject (More) List](image)

TIP: Once you have a pool of results, review the article abstracts to make sure that the studies are indeed quantitative.