

# BDI-2® Sunset FAQ

## LOGISTICS

### 1. When is the last time I can purchase BDI-2 materials?

- The last day to purchase BDI-2 Data Manager licenses and all BDI-2 kits is 6/1/2023.
- The last day to purchase all BDI-2 paper Record Forms is 12/31/2023.
- There will be no exceptions. Our systems and warehouses will not support these purchases after these dates.

### 2. What will no longer be sold by Riverside Insights?

The following BDI-2 items no longer be available for purchase.

#### ● Last Day 6/1/23:

BDI-2 Data Manager Software Kit (Web) Single (1029586)  
BDI-2 Data Manager (Web) Single Renewal (1-year) (1048475)  
BDI-2 Complete Kit with Manipulatives (924573)  
BDI-2 Screener Kit with Manipulatives (924634)  
BDI-2 Spanish Complete Kit with Manipulatives (1503930)  
BDI-2 Spanish Screener Kit with Manipulatives (1511766)  
BDI-2 Carrying Case (924599)  
BDI-2 Complete E-Kit with Manipulatives & MDS (1474711)  
BDI-2 Screener E-Kit with Manipulatives & MDS (1502461)  
BDI-2 NU Premium Kit (1654694)  
BDI-2 NU Standard Kit (1654679)  
BDI-2 NU Basic Kit (1654697)  
BDI-2 NU Screener and Manipulatives Kit (1654701)  
BDI-2 NU Upgrade Kit (1654705)  
BDI-2 NU Premium Spanish Kit (1654696)  
BDI-2 NU Standard Spanish Kit (1654691)  
BDI-2 NU Basic Spanish Kit (1654699)  
BDI-2 NU Spanish Screener and Manipulatives Kit (1654703)  
BDI-2 Complete Manipulatives Kit (924580)  
BDI-2 Specialized Manipulatives Kit (1050055)  
BDI-2 NU Complete eKit with Manipulatives & MDS (1655608)  
BDI-2 NU Screener eKit with Manipulatives & MDS (1654707)  
MDS Upgrade License (1486934)  
BDI-2 NU Basic Spanish Kit (1654699)

#### ● Last Day 12/31/23:

BDI-2 Screener Test Record Forms Pkg 30 (924595)  
BDI-2 Spanish Complete Record Forms Pkg. 15 (924619)  
BDI-2 Spanish Screener Test Record Forms Pkg 30 (924620)  
BDI-2 Workbooks Pkg 15 (924597)  
BDI-2 Examiner's Manual (924586)  
BDI-2 Data Manager Web Electronic Record Forms (ERFs) Pkg 30 (1034354)  
BDI-2 BDI-2 NU Complete Record Forms Pkg 15 (1652637)



### 3. Why is BDI-2 going out of print?

- BDI-2 NU was updated with the release of BDI-3 in 2020. Industry standard is to release a new version of an assessment every 10-12 years. According to the Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing, assessments should be revised and standardized whenever significant changes in the research are made that make the test less reliable or valid, regardless of the passage of time.
- Since the publication of the BDI-2® and the subsequent BDI-2® NU, there have been significant changes in the demographic characteristics of the U.S. population. Changes in population demographics, updated state standards, new research in early childhood development, and other factors such as a need for new, more child-friendly artwork have resulted in the third edition of the BDI.
- The BDI-3 is a substantive revision of the Normative Update and includes revised and expanded content, a new layout and art design, and a true contemporary normative sample that is representative of the predicted 2020 United States Census. The Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing (AERA, APA, NCME, 2014) further states, "If an older version of a test is used when a newer version has been published or made available, test users are responsible for providing evidence that the older version is as appropriate as the new version for that particular test use." This is an important call out, as many practitioners continue to use older outdated assessments far longer than desirable, and find discrepancies among the data, therefore over-qualifying or under-qualifying children in certain categories, which is a disservice to the children being assessed. [Learn more about the Why.](#)

## PLANNING

### 1. How can I best prepare my organization for the upcoming change?

- Purchase any needed BDI-2 materials before the end dates. Kits and Data Manager will no longer be available after 6/1/23, and record forms will no longer be available after 12/31/23. Please consult the list above for each.
- Download your data from Data Manager. This NEEDS to be saved before your Data Manager expiration date. A data Manager renewal will not be sold after 6/1/23, and Data Manager will not be supported by Riverside Insights after 12/31/24.
- Plan for your Entrance and Exit Exams, and make sure you have the materials needed.
- Purchase BDI-3 for the most valid and reliable data. [Make the switch now.](#)

### 2. How can I best prepare my organization for the upcoming change?

You can continue to use your non digital items (Kits and paper record forms), but they cannot be replenished past 12/31/23. We do not offer a recycling program, but we advise customers to shred and recycle any unwanted materials.

### 3. What if I have a State Contract?

If you are a part of a State Contract currently using BDI-2, please reach out to Van Mabie for more information. This change will not affect the terms of your contract.



#### 4. How should I plan for my entrance and exit exams

Typical practice is to complete your exit exams with the same assessment as your entrance exam. Take inventory of your current materials and check to make sure you can complete your exit exams for all children that had a BDI-2 Entrance Exam. Consult with your district or organization on guidelines for Entrance and Exit exams.

#### 5. What should I do with my data from Data Manager?

Data Manager will not be supported by Riverside Insights past December 31, 2024. All data needs to be downloaded and stored locally on your device. You will NOT be able to retrieve your data after this date!

#### 6. How do I export my data?

To export your data from Data Manager, follow the steps in [this attachment](#).

*\*Importing instructions are not applicable if you have not purchased the BDI-3.*

#### 7. How can I purchase my last BDI-2 materials?

BDI-2 materials can be purchased through current means through June 1, 2023. Kits will no longer be available on Ecommerce as of 3/1/23; if you need to purchase another kit, please contact your sales consultant or contact customer support. POs will still be accepted for BDI-2 purchases.

#### 8. How can I switch to BDI-3?

Switching to BDI-3 is easy. [Follow this document](#) to understand pricing and process for all BDI-3 purchases. Buy now and get 10% on your BDI-3 Kit purchase. BDI-3 purchases can be made online through the Riverside Insights website or by contacting your sales consultant. Discount Code: **RIVCLY90PB**



## BDI-2 VS. BDI-3

### 1. What are the [main updates](#) from the second to the third edition?

- **Demographic differences** - enhanced normative data is designed to serve as a basis on which eligibility and placement decisions can reliably be made.
- **Test Blueprint** - Test items were repositioned in different domains or subdomains, or in a different order within a subdomain, with greater attention to standards and guidelines put forth by states, federal programs, professional and other groups, and scientific researchers.
- **Test Content** - With new item content and development, each subdomain now contains different content from the previous version that better aligns to new theories and research on the developmental abilities of children at each age level.
- **Item Scoring** - Revisions were made to the item scoring criteria in the BDI-3 to add greater objectivity and precision to the scoring rubrics.
- **Score Differences** - The tests are not directly comparable, and the new BDI-3 is better aligned to more accurately assess developmental milestones based on the most recent literature and data available.
- [Explore our extended comparison chart](#)

### 2. Is BDI-2 still valid to use?

The Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing (AERA, APA, NCME, 2014) further states, "If an older version of a test is used when a newer version has been published or made available, test users are responsible for providing evidence that the older version is as appropriate as the new version for that particular test use." The BDI-3 has been enhanced to be more representative of current demographics today and more aligned with current research.

### 3. Can I compare BDI-2 results with BDI-3?

No. They are different assessments that operate independently of each other. The scores of based on different test items, normative sample, test content, and item scoring criteria. It would be comparing [apples to oranges](#).