

## Brief Symptom Inventory (BSI)

<b>Name of instrument</b>	<b>Brief Symptom Inventory (BSI)</b>
<b>Summary overview</b>	The Brief Symptom Inventory (BSI) is a 53-item, self-report symptom inventory designed to reflect the psychological systems of psychiatric, medical, and normal individuals. It is a brief form of the SCL-90 and is designed to provide a multidimensional symptom measurement in about 10 minutes.
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<b>Source contact information</b>	Order by Phone: 1-800-627-7271, ext. 3225 Order by Fax: 1-800-632-9011 For information: <a href="http://www.pearsonassessments.com">www.pearsonassessments.com</a>
<b>Access information</b>	Available for purchase (not in public domain)
<b>Pricing information</b>	<b>System Software:</b> Starter Kit with Interpretive Reports (does NOT include MICROTEST software) = \$54 Starter Kit with Profile Reports (does NOT include MICROTEST Q software) = \$39 <b>Mail-In:</b> Starter Kit with Interpretive Reports = \$540 Starter Kit with Profile Reports = \$39 <b>Hand-Scoring Materials:</b> Starter Kit = \$113
<b>How to obtain instrument</b>	See above source contact information
<b>Self vs. other administered</b>	Self-administered
<b>Method of administration</b>	Paper and pencil, audiocassette, or computer administration
<b>Time for administration</b>	Completion time: 8 –10 minutes (53 items; 5-point rating scale)
<b>Time for scoring</b>	Hand scoring, mail-in scoring, or MICROTEST Q Assessment System Software
<b>Staff training level needed for administration</b>	Master's in Psychology or Health Specialization Degree (i.e., nurse)
<b>Staff training level needed for scoring and reporting</b>	Master's in Psychology or Health Specialization Degree and formal training in the ethical administration, scoring, and interpretation of clinical assessments
<b>How are reports generated?</b>	Scoring options: MICROTEST Q Assessment System Software Mail-In Scoring Service Hand Scoring Optical Scan Scoring
<b>Languages available</b>	Currently only English and Spanish
<b>Scales (if appropriate)</b>	9 primary dimensions: Somatization, Obsessive-compulsive, Interpersonal Sensitivity, Depression, Anxiety, Hostility, Phobic Anxiety, Paranoid Ideation, Psychoticism; plus 3 global indices: Global Severity Index, Positive Symptom Distress Index, Positive Symptom Total
<b>Appropriate clinical population(s)</b>	Psychiatric; medical
<b>Appropriate level(s) of care</b>	All levels
<b>Stand-alone instrument vs. system</b>	Stand-alone instrument
<b>Age range</b>	Individuals 13 years and older