

The following chart is based on Chapter 8 of Brook-Hart (2013, pp. 85-86).

# Expressing causes

Causal Phrase	Example	Followed by
Due to	Noun or noun phrase	Due to climate change
Because of	Noun or noun phrase	Because of climate change
Owing to	Noun or noun phrase	Owing to climate change
Cause	Noun (+ infinitive)	Our new process causes less pollution. The bad economic situation caused the factory to close.
Result in	Noun Verb+ing	New laws have resulted in changes to our production process. The scandal resulted in the CEO resigning.
The reason why...is/was	Noun	The reason why people don't shut down their computers is laziness.
Due to the fact that	Noun clause	Due to the fact that it still needs cooling
Because	Noun clause	Because it still needs cooling
Owing to the fact that	Noun clause	Owing to the fact that it is still needs cooling
the reason why...is/was because	Noun clause	The reason why we hired him was because he was the most qualified.