



Big Heads

Physical Materials & Space Crises Survey Results Summary

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About the Survey

Invited participants: Big Heads Libraries

Accepting responses: May 31 to June 15, 2018

Participation from Big Heads Libraries: 60% (18 libraries)

Survey: 24 questions, multiple choice & check boxes

Participating Libraries

- Indiana University
- New York University
- NLM
- Ohio State University
- Princeton University
- Texas A&M University
- UCLA Library
- University of Alberta
- University of British Columbia
- University of Chicago
- University of Michigan
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Southern California
- University of Toronto
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Yale

Institutional Demographics

Big Heads Membership = 30 Libraries

- 24 largest ARL university libraries (including the Canadian libraries);
- one non-ARL university library (Stanford University);
- two public libraries which meet the same criteria as the 24 largest ARL research libraries; and
- three national libraries (standing members)

Survey Participants = 18 Libraries

Type of Institution

- 61% (11) = Public ARL
- 33% (6) = Private ARL
- 5.6% (1) = National Library

Total Student FTE

- 67% (12) = > 40k
- 36% (5) = < 40k
- 5.6% (1) = N/A

Number of Doctoral Degree Fields

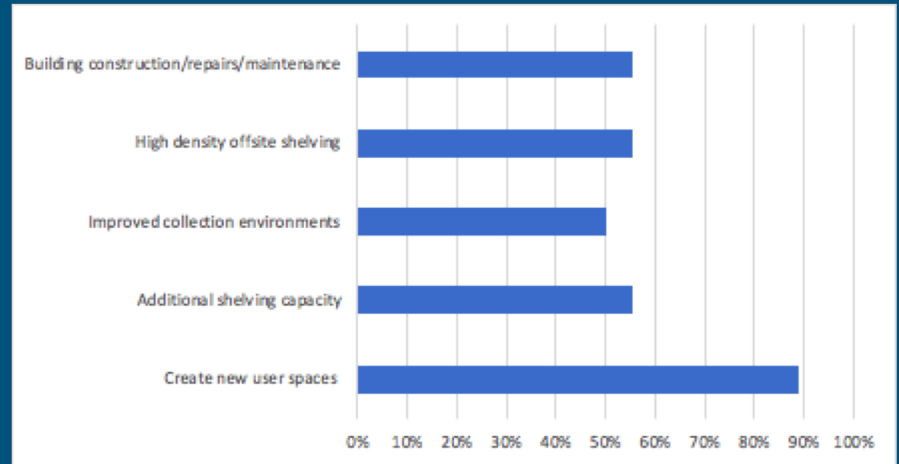
- 22% (4) = > 200
- 44% (8) = 100 - 199
- 33% (6) = < 100 & N/A

Context & Motivations

Trends from Participants

- Everyone (100%) is concerned with space
- 100% respondents currently conducting, planning, or initial phase of planning space/facilities project
- “New user spaces” is the need most frequently identified

What needs initiated this project?



Current Practices

Space Conversations

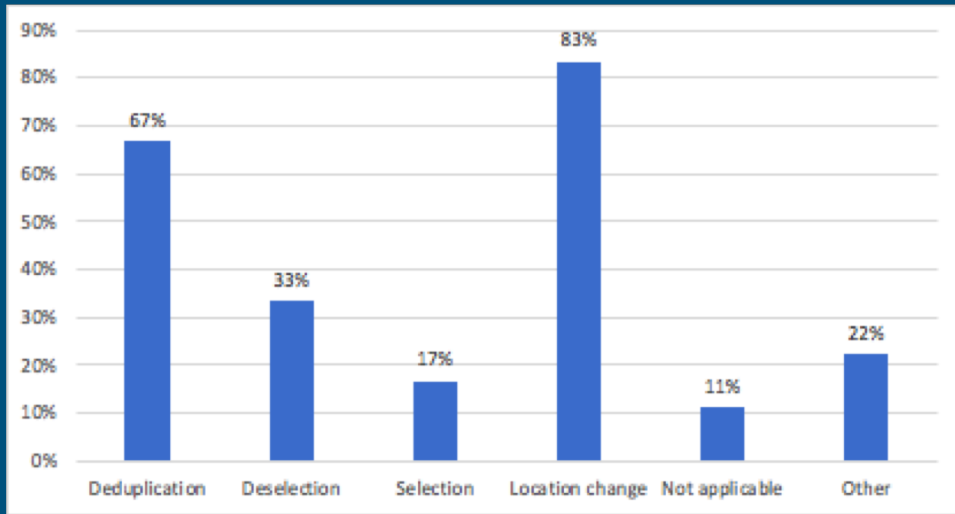
- TS is often included in initial planning conversations (61% of participants)
- Generally TS is included as a member and active participant (89%) and also leading, initiating, and facilitating (44%)
- Library staff is often managing / coordinating the project , in addition to their regular duties (78%)

TS in Space/Facilities Projects

- Library staff members generally carry on TS work in addition to their regular duties (72%)
- 39% rely on Students
- Nearly a third outsource staff (onsite or remote)

Current Practices - continued

Types of TS Space Projects



Other Descriptions

- Massive amounts of shifting
- Generating reports, reclassification, location changes, relabeling, etc
- Correcting and verifying holdings and managing most aspects of the shared print project

Space Project

Description of Criteria

A Few Examples:

- Legacy classification system transferred offsite
 - Criteria varies by project
 - Discard print periodicals when electronic perpetual access available
 - Deselecting content that duplicates a shared print repository.
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94%

Participating in Shared Print

BTAA Shared Print Repository
COPPUL SPAN
EAST
Federal Depository Program
HathiTrust Shared Print
JSTOR
Keep@Downsview
MedPrint - Medical Serials Print
Preservation Program
NLM's MedPrint retention program
SACCOOP Print Retention program.
SCELC Sharen Print
WEST

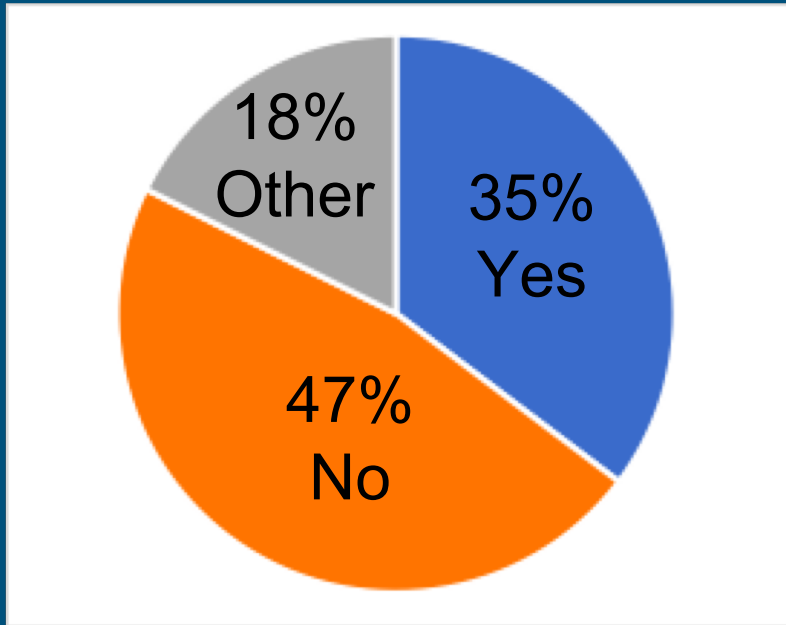
88%

Selecting or committing
retention titles for
shared print program(s)

Selected Comments on Criteria:

- At risk titles; archival back-up copies for e-versions.
- Mediumly-held, circulating, and already in our off-site storage facility.
- If we have titles that the consortia needs someone to retain, we will make the commitment

Are you deduplicating or deselecting physical materials because of participation in shared print program(s)?



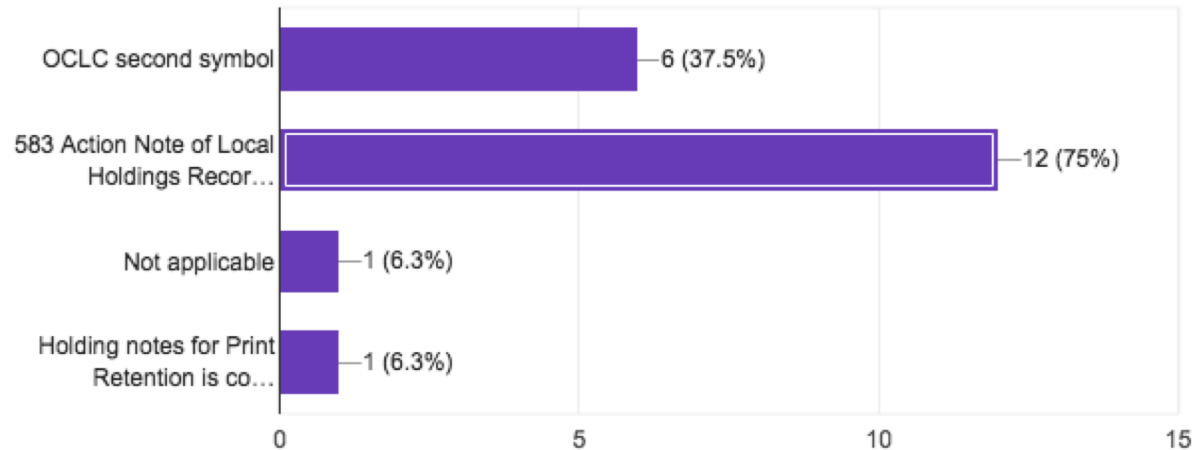
Selected Comments on Criteria:

- Single curated copy in remote storage that is duplicated elsewhere in campus libraries
 - Duplicating serials against BTAA Shared Print, and selected print-secured electronic resources (e.g. JSTOR)
 - We may deduplicate if there are space concerns, but we never discard last print copies
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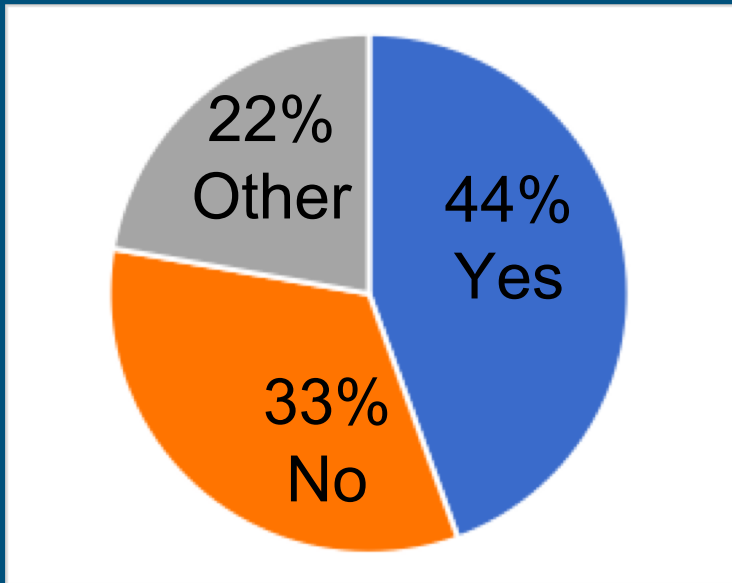
Most BH
Libraries
use the
583 Action
Note for
Disclosure

Where do you disclose your holdings? Check all that apply. (Optional)

16 responses



Are you addressing
last-copy concerns?



Selected Comments:

- We always keep the last copy.
- Titles with zero or relatively little duplication in OCLC's holdings are candidates for retention.
- State-wide level, commitment to retain last copy in the state
- Offsite storage selection and of retention commitments with EAST & HathiTrust.

Big Head Discussion Prompts

- Anything surprising in these findings? Anything missed?
- Are there ways we can potentially work together or share strategies?
- Other concerns?