

ARL Survey of Regional and ARL Selective Depository Libraries – Summary of Likert Analysis

Use of the Likert scale in the ARL Survey of Regional and ARL Selective Federal Depository Libraries provides a current snapshot of Regional and Selective Depository Libraries. Regional respondents were asked to respond to 21 statements, Selectives were asked to respond to 19 statements. The following scale of 1 through 5 was utilized:

Scale 1	Strongly Disagree
Scale 2	Disagree
Scale 3	No Opinion
Scale 4	Agree
Scale 5	Strongly Agree

Scale 1 and 2 were combined as Disagree; Scale 4 and 5 were combined as Agree.

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	STATEMENTS	<u>DISAGREE</u>	<u>N/O</u>	<u>AGREE</u>	<u>DISAGR EE</u>	<u>N/O</u>	<u>AGREE</u>
		1+2	3	4+5	1+2	3	4+5
1.	Space for print and tangible electronic collections is sufficient.	35	10	55	20	3.3	76.7
2.	The department has adequate professional staff.	42.5	15	42.5	30	1.7	68.3
3.	The department has adequate support staff.	37.5	12.5	47.5	30	0	70
4.	The department has adequate temporary staff (students/graduate assistants).	27.5	17.5	47.5	21.6	11.7	66.7
5.	Support to purchase needed supplementary resources and services is adequate.	50	5	45	25	6.7	68.3
6.	Support for operational costs of being a regional/selective Federal depository library is increasing at my library.	50	17.5	32.5	41.6	28.3	28.3
7.	The documents collection/services are frequently used.	7.5	12.5	80	8.4	16.7	75
8.	Promotion of the collection/services by the library would increase use.	2.5	15	82.5	3	16.7	78.4
9.	The staff has adequate support to conduct training sessions on the use of electronic resources for selective Federal depository libraries in my state or region.	45	25	30			
10.	The staff has adequate support to conduct training sessions on processing and collection issues for selective Federal depository libraries in my state or region.	45	25	30			
11.	I am prepared to expand services to the selective Federal depository libraries in my state or region.	35	20	45			
12.	A more electronic GPO has improved public service.	15	5	80	8.3	8.3	80
13.	Training sessions conducted by GPO for regional Federal depository library staff would benefit the selective Federal depository libraries in my state or region.	10	15	75			
14.	Marketing of regional Federal depository library services by GPO to selective Federal depository libraries in my state or region would be a benefit.	10	22.5	65.5			

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15.	A national public awareness campaign coordinated by GPO and focusing on Federal depository library services would be a benefit.	7.5	5	87.5	1.7	10	88.3
16.	Federal depository library services in my state or region would improve if GPO replaced the self- study/inspection process with field consultants located in my or a neighboring regional library.	20	30	50			
17.	If GPO provided standards and guidance, my library would consider partnering with GPO on an electronic or digital project.	12.5	20	67.5	6.7	28.3	65
18.	My library would consider being a regional for selective Federal depository libraries in a neighboring state.	50	27.5	22.5			
19.	Our library conforms to the GPO “Instructions to Depositories” and the “Federal Depository Library Manual, Supplement 2: Guidelines for the Federal Depository Library Program” with respect to staffing and other support.	15	12.5	72.5	5	5	90
20.	The level of staffing and support for our library’s government document collection is generally satisfactory (on par) in relationship to the library’s support of other collections.	10	10	80	10	8.3	81.7
21.	The “Instructions to Depository Libraries” and the “Federal Depository Library Manual, Supplement 2: Guidelines for the Federal Depository Library Program” is in need of significant revision to conform to current practice and the emergence of networked access to government information.	0	17.5	82.5	0	31.7	68.3
22.	Support from the regional federal depository library on processing and collection issues would be a benefit.				16.7	31.7	51.7
23.	Training on electronic resources from the regional federal depository library would be a benefit.				10	26.7	63.3
24.	Training sessions conducted by GPO in my state or region would be a benefit.				0	15	85

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25.	The GPO self-study/inspection process is a benefit to my federal depository library services.				<u>DISAGR</u> <u>EE</u> 11.7	<u>N/O</u> 28.3	<u>AGREE</u> 60
26.	Communication from the Public Printer and/or the Superintendent of Documents to my dean/director is a benefit.				3.4	11.7	85