

Technical Services Workstations Double Cataloging Production

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As libraries increasingly find themselves operating more like businesses and under pressure to improve their efficiencies, investing in powerful Technical Services Workstations (TSWs) has come to make more and more sense from every perspective. TSWs are defined as a networked personal computer that has been customized for use in technical services departments, but which also includes the entire suite of standard administrative applications. SPEC Kit #213 *Technical Services Workstations* documents the number of titles cataloged annually: the 37 responding institutions with TSWs averaged 65,073, compared to 31,478 in the 21 without. Supporting documentation relating to hardware, software, and ergonomic considerations are also included.

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