BIENNIAL SURVEY
OF DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES

2011 RESULT HIGHLIGHTS

THE PURPOSE OF THE BIENNIAL SURVEY IS TO REPORT ON THE CONDITIONS IN DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES.

REQUIRED BY LAW (44 USC §1909), THE BIENNIAL SURVEY GATHERS DATA FROM ALL OF THE DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES EVERY 2 YEARS.
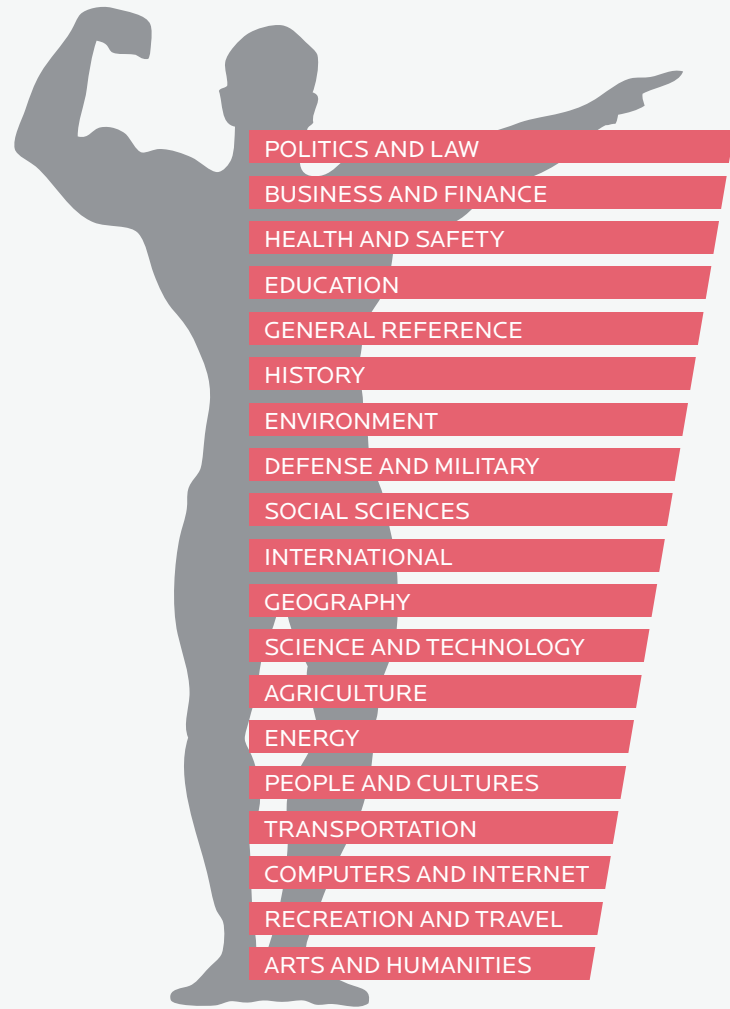
* SENT TO 1,201 DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES PARTICIPATING IN THE FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY PROGRAM (FDLP) AS OF 9.2011.
* SELECT RESULTS APPEAR IN THIS INFOGRAPHIC. A FULL RESULTS REPORT IS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD AT **FDLP.GOV.**
* SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED FROM 1,181 DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES = 98% RESPONSE RATE FROM FDLP PARTICIPANTS.
* ALL DEPOSITORIES WERE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT RESPONSES.

WHAT ARE THE SUBJECT STRENGTHS OF YOUR LIBRARY'S DEPOSITORY?

- POLITICS AND LAW
- BUSINESS AND FINANCE
- HEALTH AND SAFETY
- EDUCATION
- GENERAL REFERENCE
- HISTORY
- ENVIRONMENT
- DEFENSE AND MILITARY
- SOCIAL SCIENCES
- INTERNATIONAL
- GEOGRAPHY
- SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
- AGRICULTURE
- ENERGY
- PEOPLE AND CULTURES
- TRANSPORTATION
- COMPUTERS AND INTERNET
- RECREATION AND TRAVEL
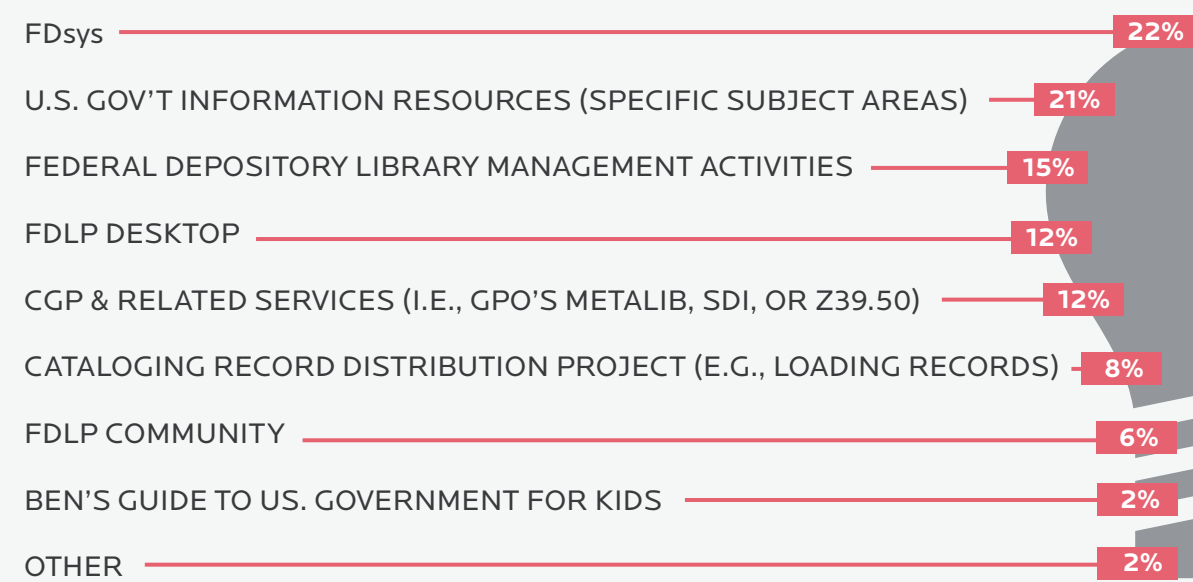- ARTS AND HUMANITIES

15% OF LIBRARIES HAVE OFFICIAL HOUSING AGREEMENTS (SHAS).

92% OF LIBRARIES HAVE ALL TITLES IN THE FDLP BASIC COLLECTION, IN AT LEAST ONE FORMAT, ACCESSIBLE FOR IMMEDIATE USE BY THEIR USERS.

WHAT RESOURCES DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE TRAINING ABOUT DURING THE NEXT TWO YEARS?

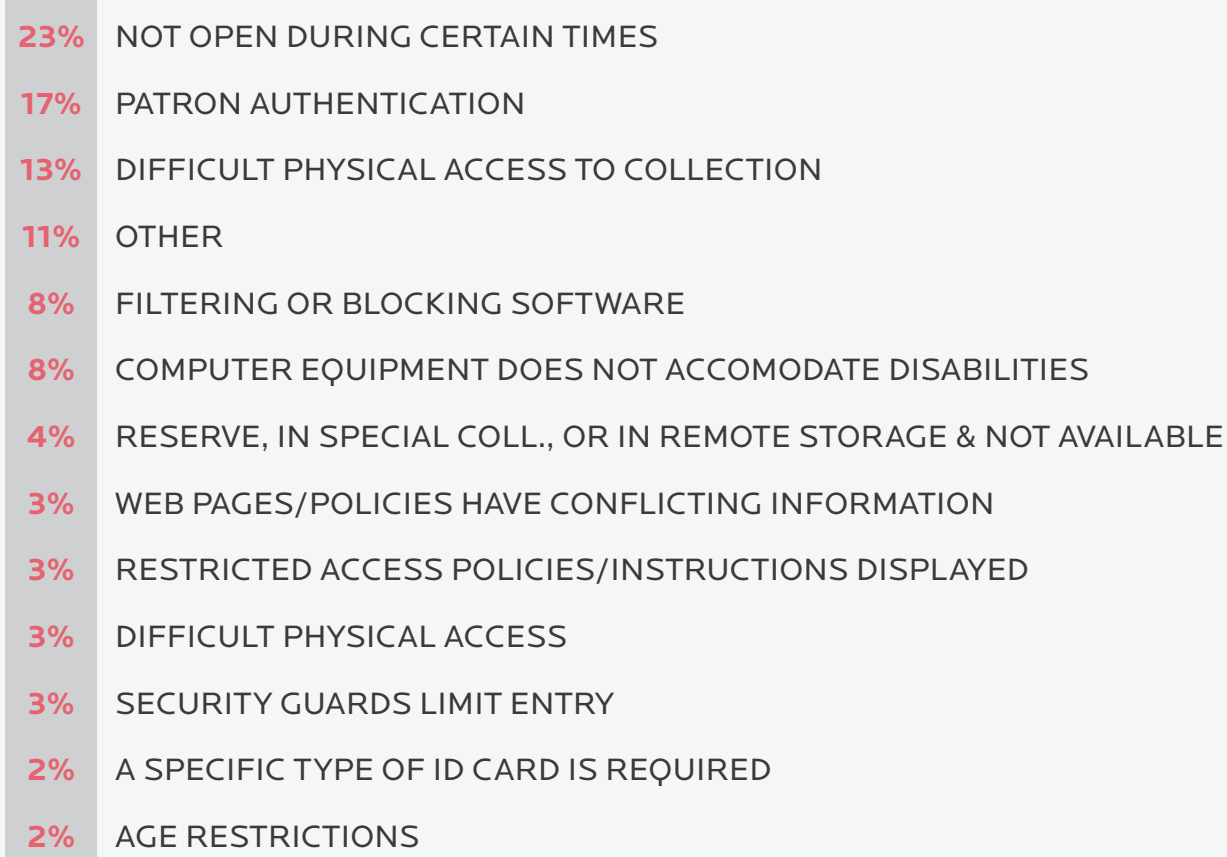| Resource	%
FDsys	22%
U.S. GOV'T INFORMATION RESOURCES (SPECIFIC SUBJECT AREAS)	21%
FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES	15%
FDLP DESKTOP	12%
CGP & RELATED SERVICES (I.E., GPO'S METALIB, SDI, OR Z39.50)	12%
CATALOGING RECORD DISTRIBUTION PROJECT (E.G., LOADING RECORDS)	8%
FDLP COMMUNITY	6%
BEN'S GUIDE TO US. GOVERNMENT FOR KIDS	2%
OTHER	2%

97% OF LIBRARIES ALLOW ANY MEMBER OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC (REGARDLESS OF RESIDENCY IN THE LIBRARY SERVICE AREA, AGE, DISABILITY, OR OTHER STATUS) ACCESS & USE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INFORMATION RESOURCES IN ALL FORMATS & RECEIVE REFERENCE SERVICES FREE OF CHARGE AT THEIR LIBRARY & SELECTIVE HOUSING SITES.

THIS WAS NOT APPLICABLE TO **1%** OF LIBRARIES THAT WERE DESIGNATED AS THE HIGHEST STATE APPELLATE COURT LIBRARY.
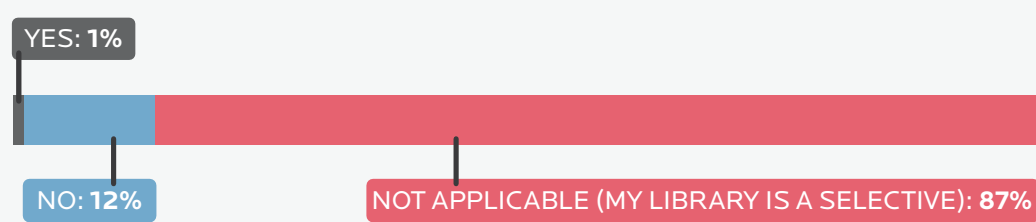
71% OF LIBRARIES MANAGE ONLINE DEPOSITORY PUBLICATIONS BY ADDING PURLS TO EXISTING CATALOG RECORDS REPRESENTING TANGIBLE FORMATS.

ARE THERE ANY ACTUAL OR PERCEIVED BARRIER, PHYSICAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE, TO DEPOSITORY RESOURCES IN ANY FORMAT FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC OR NON-PRIMARY LIBRARY USERS?
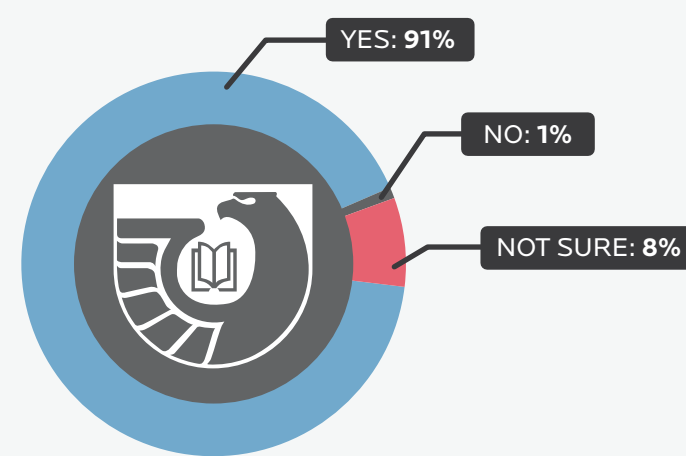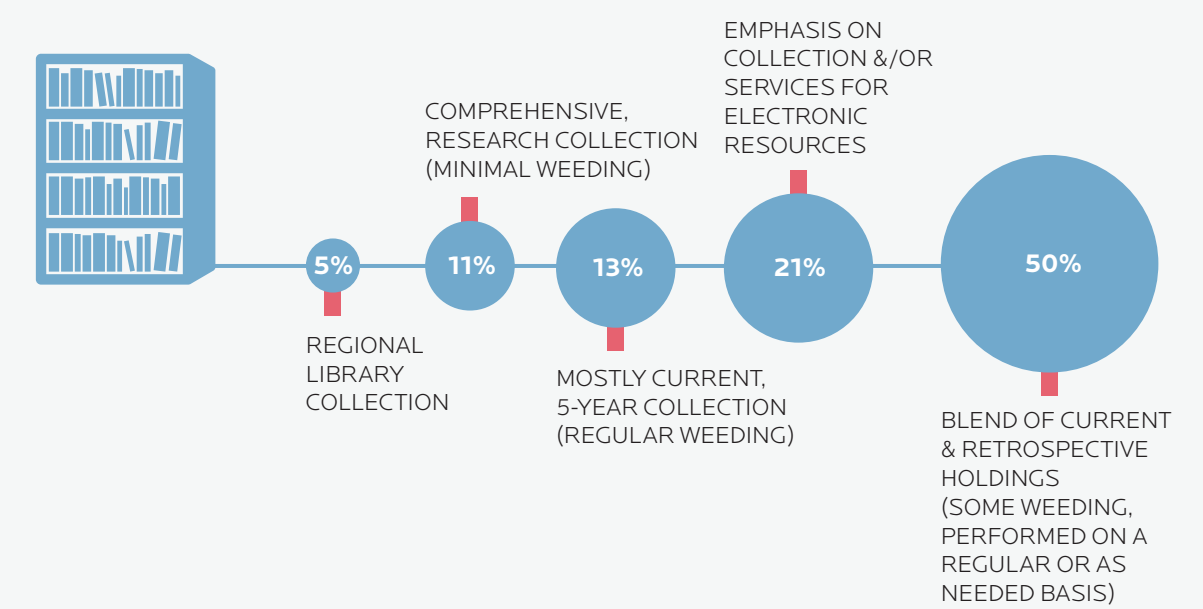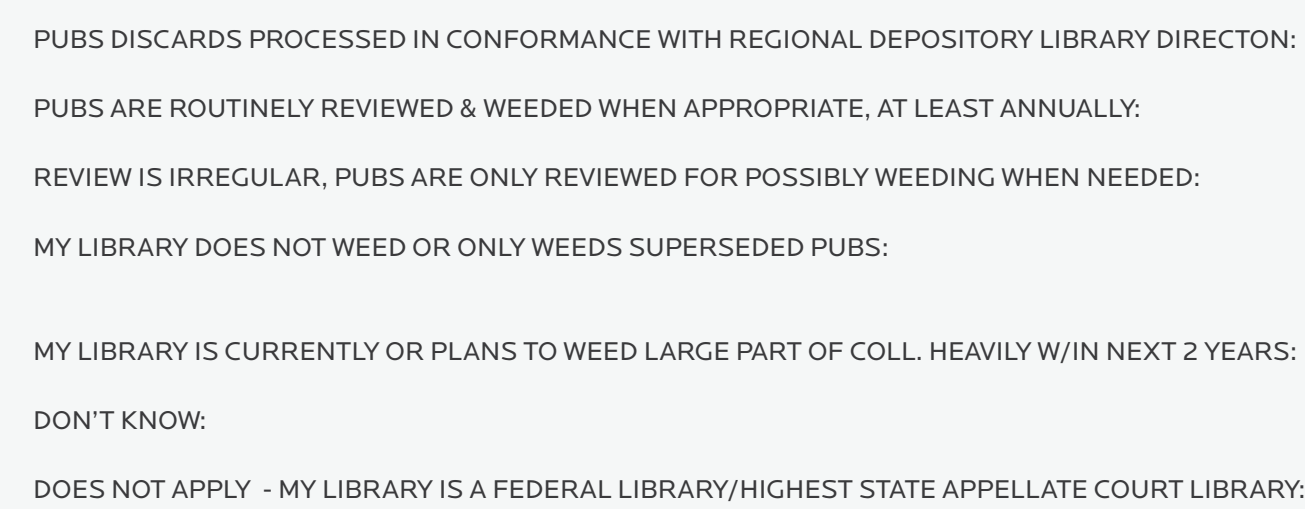
- 23% NOT OPEN DURING CERTAIN TIMES
- 17% PATRON AUTHENTICATION
- 13% DIFFICULT PHYSICAL ACCESS TO COLLECTION
- 11% OTHER
- 8% FILTERING OR BLOCKING SOFTWARE
- 8% COMPUTER EQUIPMENT DOES NOT ACCOMODATE DISABILITIES
- 4% RESERVE, IN SPECIAL COLL., OR IN REMOTE STORAGE & NOT AVAILABLE
- 3% WEB PAGES/POLICIES HAVE CONFLICTING INFORMATION
- 3% RESTRICTED ACCESS POLICIES/INSTRUCTIONS DISPLAYED
- 3% DIFFICULT PHYSICAL ACCESS
- 3% SECURITY GUARDS LIMIT ENTRY
- 2% A SPECIFIC TYPE OF ID CARD IS REQUIRED
- 2% AGE RESTRICTIONS

DOES YOUR LIBRARY PLAN TO REMAIN IN THE FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY PROGRAM?

- YES: 91%
- NO: 1%
- NOT SURE: 8%

DESCRIBE YOUR DEPOSITORY COLLECTION CHARACTERISTICS

- 5% REGIONAL LIBRARY COLLECTION
- 11% COMPREHENSIVE, RESEARCH COLLECTION (MINIMAL WEEDING)
- 13% MOSTLY CURRENT, 5-YEAR COLLECTION (REGULAR WEEDING)
- 21% EMPHASIS ON COLLECTION &/OR SERVICES FOR ELECTRONIC RESOURCES
- 50% BLEND OF CURRENT & RETROSPECTIVE HOLDINGS (SOME WEEDING, PERFORMED ON A REGULAR OR AS NEEDED BASIS)

DESCRIBE YOUR COLLECTION REVIEW PRACTICES RELATED TO WEEDING DEPOSITORY PUBLICATIONS.

	%
PUBS DISCARDS PROCESSED IN CONFORMANCE WITH REGIONAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY DIRECTON	39%
PUBS ARE ROUTINELY REVIEWED & WEEDED WHEN APPROPRIATE, AT LEAST ANNUALLY	15%
REVIEW IS IRREGULAR, PUBS ARE ONLY REVIEWED FOR POSSIBLY WEEDING WHEN NEEDED	22%
MY LIBRARY DOES NOT WEED OR ONLY WEEDS SUPERSEDED PUBS	5%
MY LIBRARY IS CURRENTLY OR PLANS TO WEED LARGE PART OF COLL. HEAVILY W/IN NEXT 2 YEARS	15%
DON'T KNOW	1%
DOES NOT APPLY - MY LIBRARY IS A FEDERAL LIBRARY/HIGHEST STATE APPELLATE COURT LIBRARY	3%

ARE YOU CONSIDERING CHANGING YOUR DESIGNATION FROM REGIONAL TO SELECTIVE?

- YES: 1%
- NO: 12%
- NOT APPLICABLE (MY LIBRARY IS A SELECTIVE): 87%

WHAT ARE THE BIGGEST ISSUES YOUR LIBRARY AS A WHOLE IS FACING?

- LACK OF PUBLIC COMPUTERS/CONNECTIVITY - 2%
- OTHER - 3%
- LIBRARY USER GROUP CHANGES - 5%
- DEMANDS FROM PRIMARY USERS - 6%
- COLLECTION SCOPE CHANGES - 10%
- STAFFING - 21%
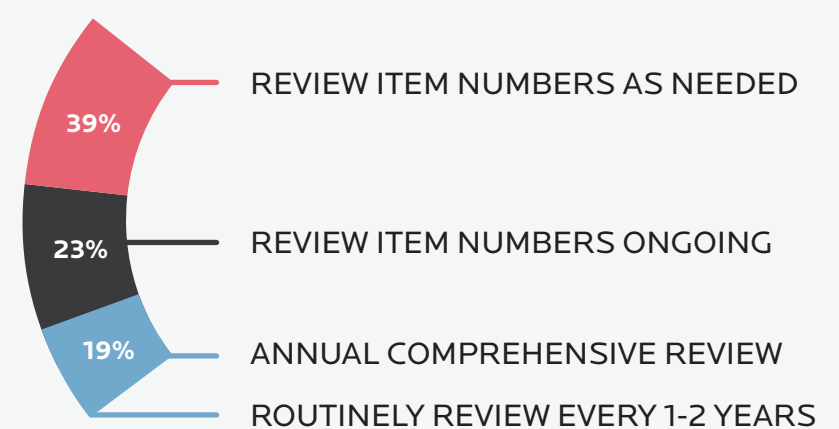- USE OF PHYSICAL SPACE - 21%
- BUDGET CONSTRAINTS - 32%
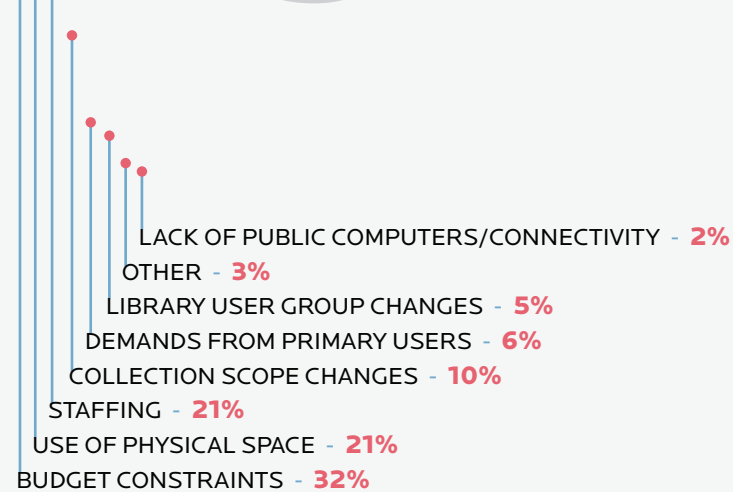
54% OF LIBRARIES REVIEW ELECTRONIC DISCUSSION LISTS, ALERT SERVICES, OR OTHER CURRENT AWARENESS SERVICE(S) FOR ROUTINELY IDENTIFYING ONLINE PUBLICATIONS FOR COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT OR DISCOVERY PURPOSES AT THEIR LIBRARY.

75% OF LIBRARIES USE GPO'S PURLS IN THEIR CATALOGING RECORDS FOR THEIR ILS.

HOW AND FOR WHAT TYPES OF MATERIALS DOES YOUR LIBRARY ROUTINELY CREATE, ACQUIRE, OR UPDATE BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORDS FOR ONLINE PUBLICATIONS?

- 27% COPY CATALOGING
- 22% PURLS ARE ADDED TO EXISTING BIB. RECORDS THAT DESCRIBE A TANGIBLE FORMAT
- 20% VENDOR RECORDS SERVICE(S)
- 18% RECORD FOR BORN DIGITAL PUBS ARE ADDED TO THE CATALOG
- 5% MY LIBRARY DOES NOT CREATE OR OBTAIN BIB. RECORDS FOR ONLINE ONLY PUBS
- 3% CATALOGING RECORD DISTRIBUTION PROJECT
- 3% CGP Z39.50 GATEWAY
- 2% OTHER
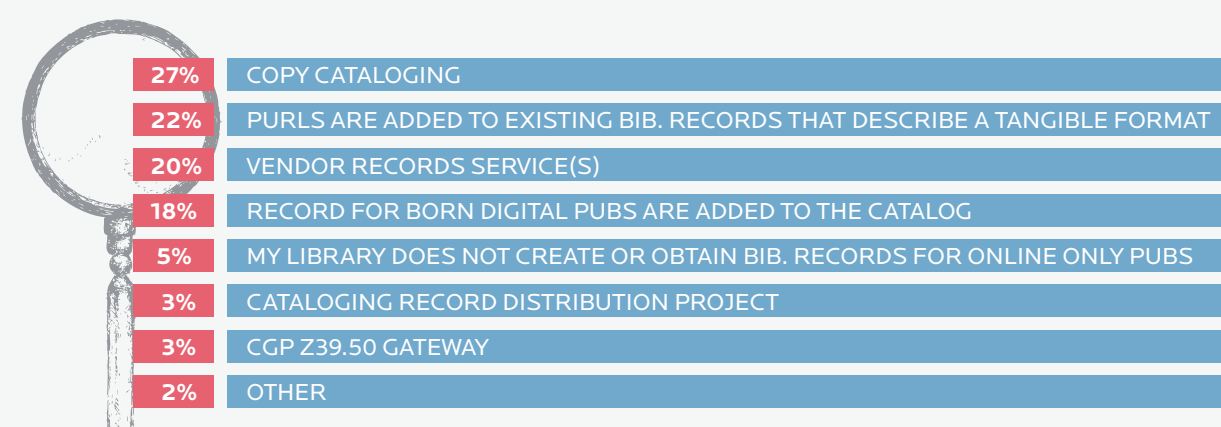
HOW OFTEN DO YOU REVIEW DEPOSITORY ITEM SELECTIONS?

- 39% REVIEW ITEM NUMBERS AS NEEDED
- 23% REVIEW ITEM NUMBERS ONGOING
- 19% ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW
- ROUTINELY REVIEW EVERY 1-2 YEARS

89% OF LIBRARIES FIND THAT DEPOSITORY STAFFING IS ADEQUATE TO FULFILL BASIC DEPOSITORY RESPONSIBILITIES OR FDLP REQUIREMENTS.