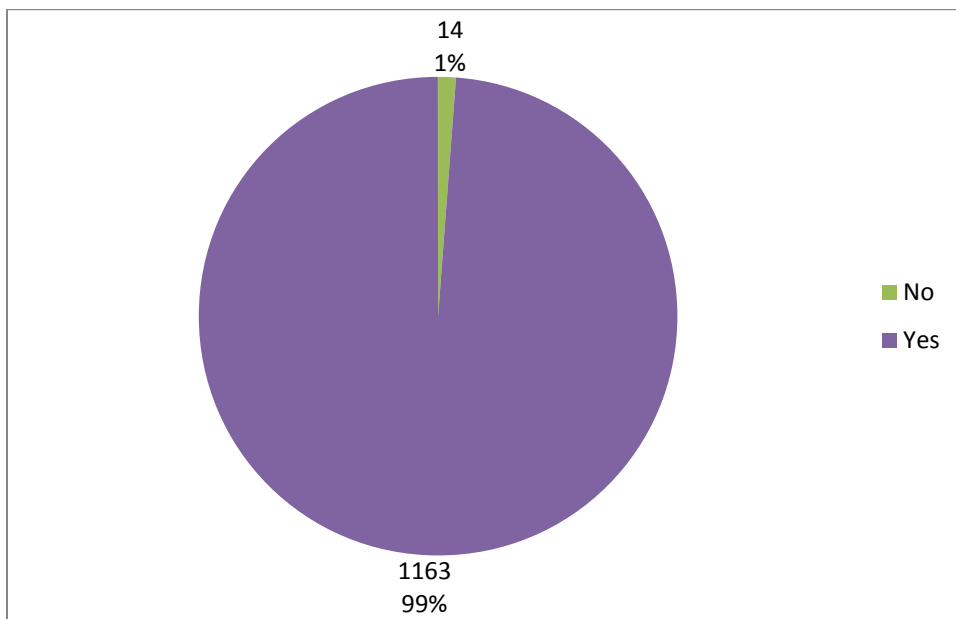


2013 Biennial Survey of Depository Libraries Summary Report

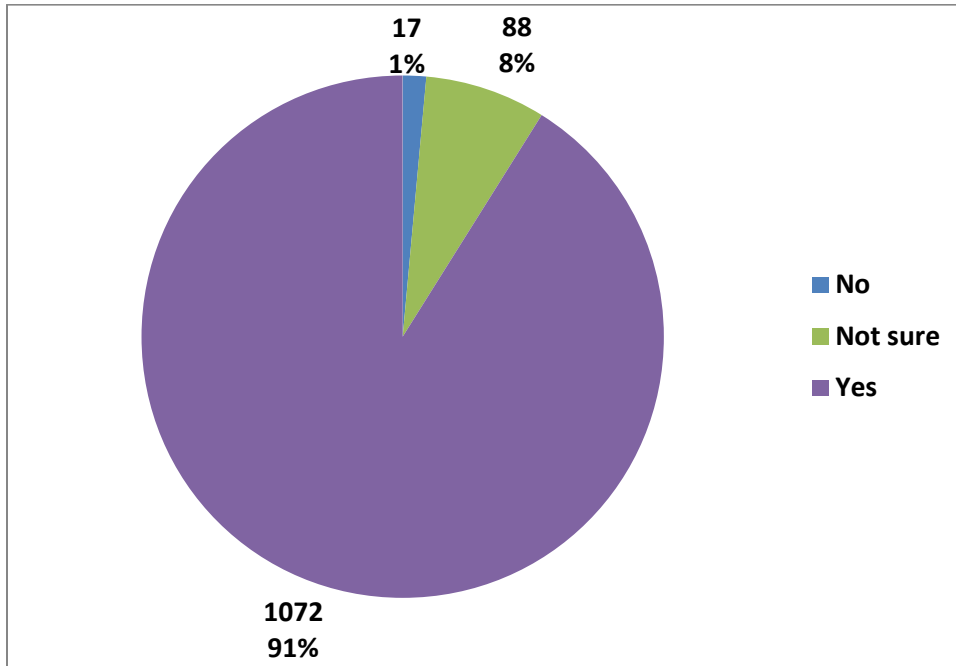
The 2013 Biennial Survey was conducted during the summer of 2013. Following are the preliminary results of this survey, based on responses received from 1,177 Federal depository libraries.

Responses to questions that required Yes, No, or multiple choice answers are represented by charts or tables. Responses to open-ended questions are summarized.

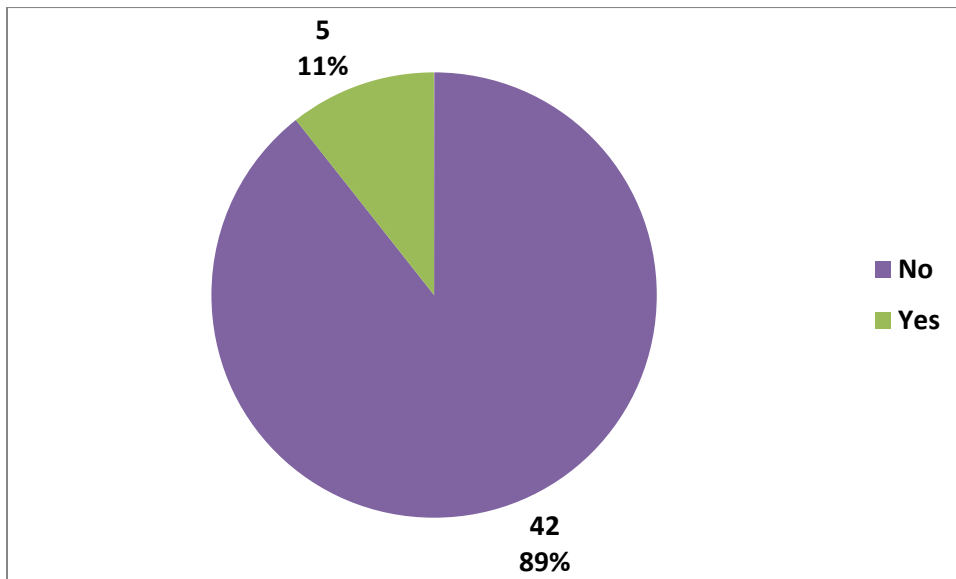
1. I have reviewed my library's information in the Federal Depository Library Directory and it is current and correct.



2. Does your library plan to remain in the Federal Depository Library Program?

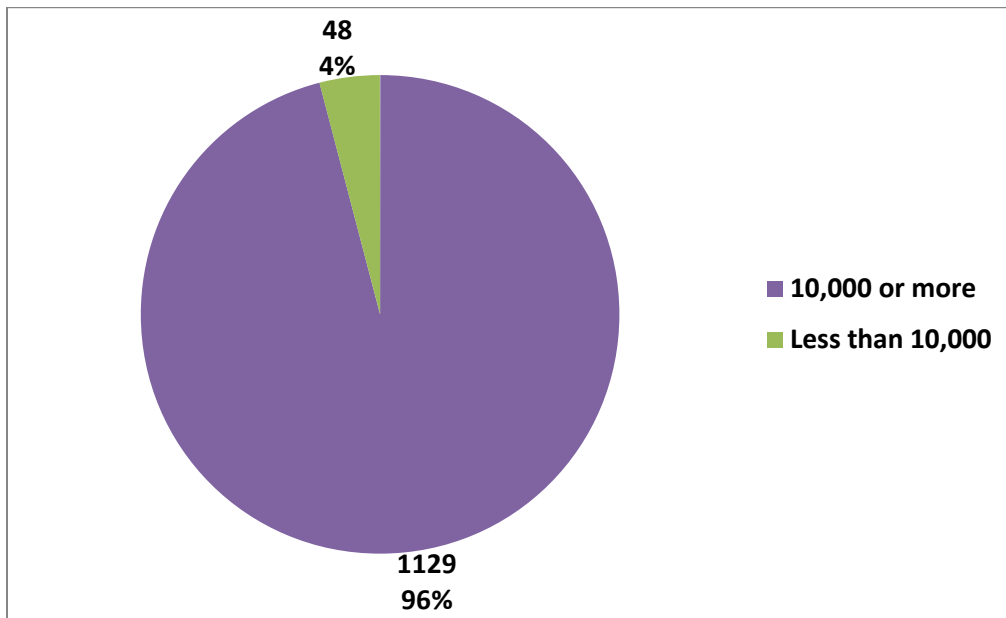


3. Are you considering changing your designation from regional to selective?*



*Only answers from Regional libraries are included.

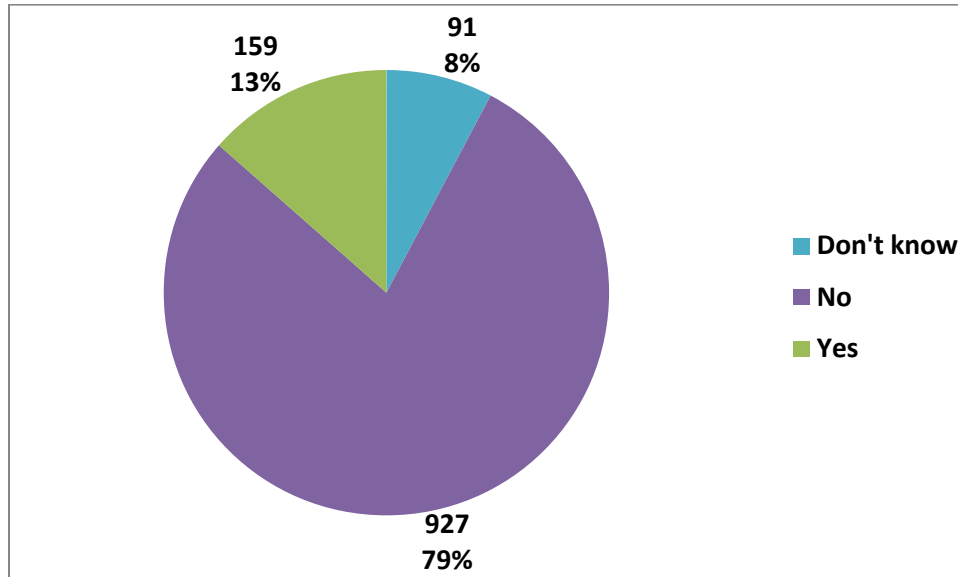
4. How many physical or tangible publications are in your library or library system other than government publications? (Include material in cataloged and uncataloged collections under the purview of your library director).



5. Describe your depository collection characteristics. Select all that apply.

	Do not weed	Comprehensive, research collection	Blend of current and retrospective holdings	Mostly current, 5-year collection	Emphasis on collection and/or services for electronic resources
Academic General	25	79	477	82	220
Academic, Community College	4	0	31	27	24
Academic, Law Library	7	19	126	13	35
Federal Agency Library	1	5	28	4	13
Federal Court Library	3	4	4	0	2
Highest State Court Library	3	9	29	2	4
Public Library	5	9	122	66	63
Service Academy	0	0	4	0	0
Special Library	1	2	9	1	2
State Library	9	7	25	2	8
Total	58	134	855	197	371

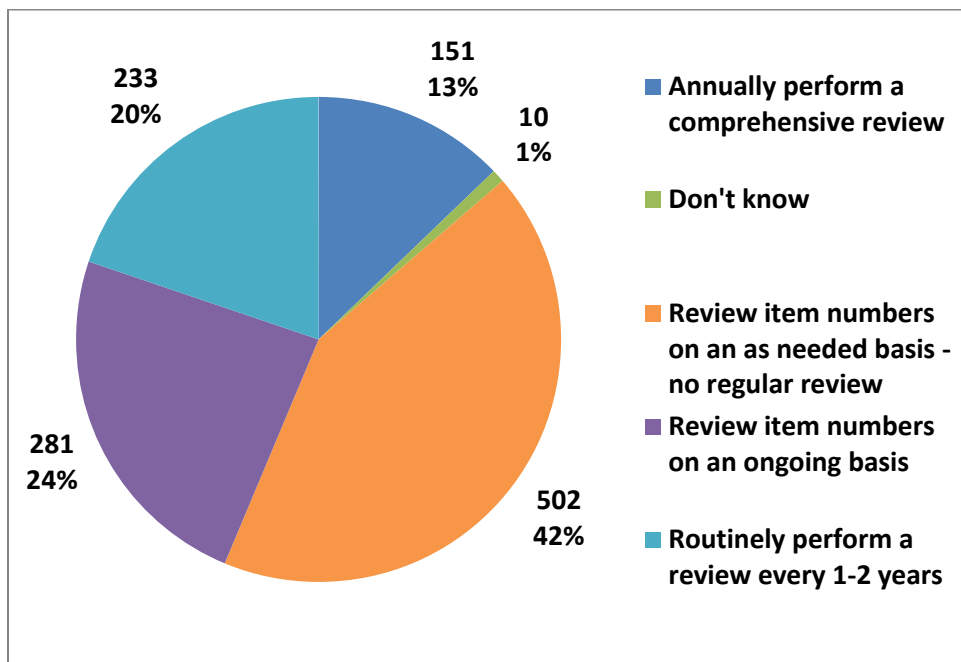
6. Does your library have official selective housing agreements (SHA)?



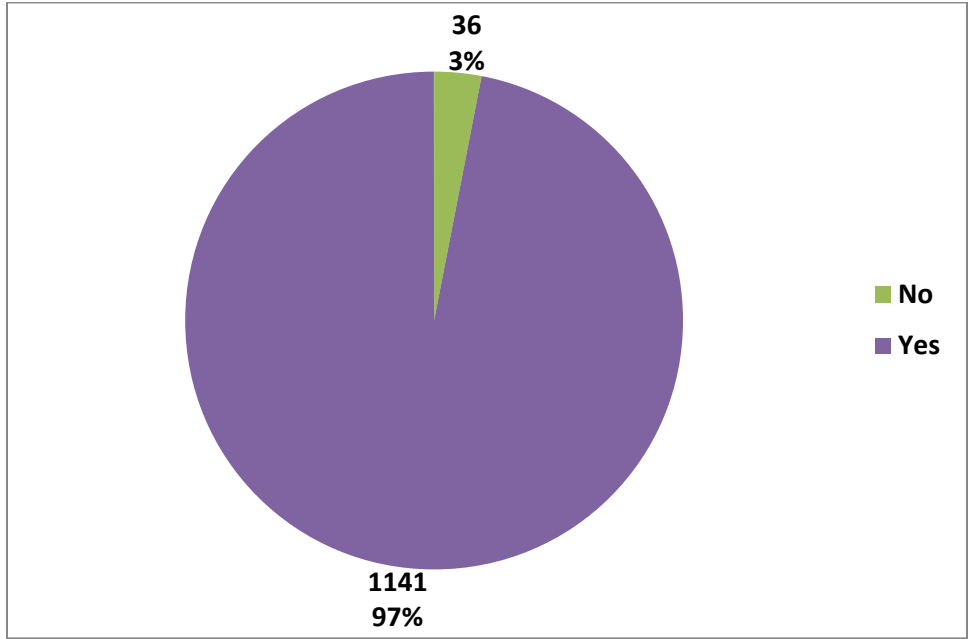
7. Identify the primary strategies you employ to determine the Federal Government information needs of your community.

All 1,177 libraries responded to this question. Answers included such things as analyzing demographic data, keeping track of news important to the community, developing collections based on curriculum, keeping track of patron requests, and analyzing library usage statistics.

8. How often do you review depository item selections?



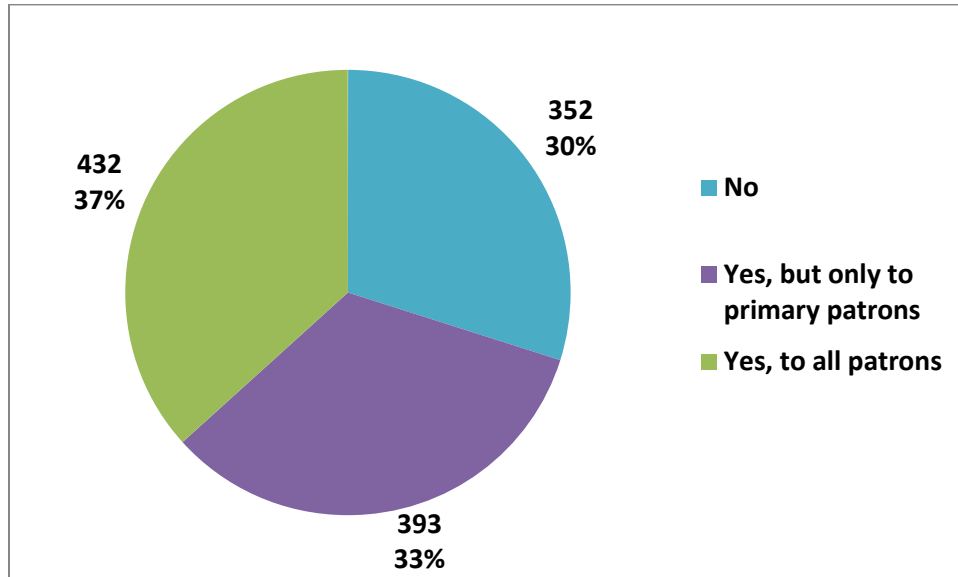
9. Does your library provide public access to all titles in the FDLP Basic Collection, in at least one format?



10. Indicate where tangible Federal depository publications are housed. Select all that apply. Titles are housed in:

	Total
Separate collection	859
Main or general collection	759
Reference collection	796
Periodicals collection	471
Archival collection	105
Special collections	167
Closed stacks	234
Compact shelving	326
Other branches	142
Remote offsite storage	170
Selective housing sites	96
Other location	51
Total	4176

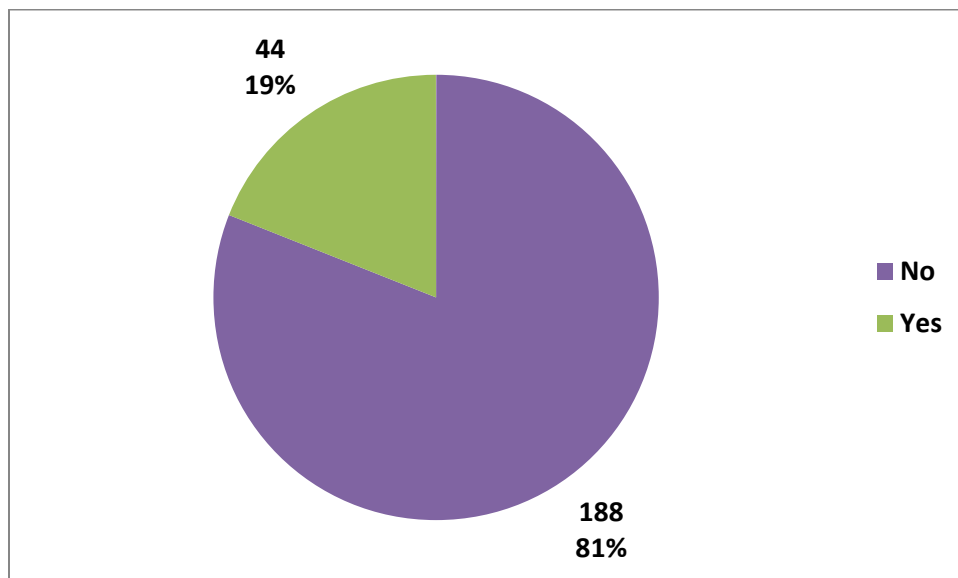
11. Does your library provide access to eBooks (downloadable e-books, and not links to books that are available online)?



If yes, through what mechanism or tool do patrons download the ebooks? For example, through a subscription database, downloaded from a local server, etc.

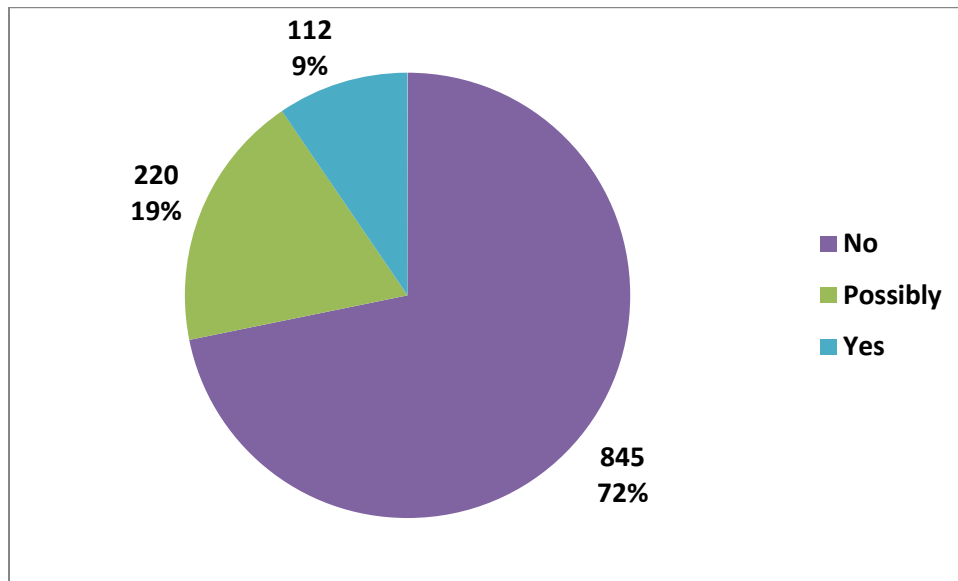
599 libraries provided additional responses to this question. The vast majority of responses indicate that libraries are using vendors and subscriptions for this service.

If no, do you anticipate making eBooks available within the next year?*



*Of the 352 'No' responses, only 232 respondents further clarified their answer.

12. Are you planning to relocate Federal depository collection(s) in the next two years? For example, are there plans to renovate your library and shift collection locations?



13. How does your library create and maintain a piece level inventory for all tangible publications currently being received? Select all that apply.

	Shelflist	Catalog	Other
Academic General	138	589	35
Academic, Community College	12	50	5
Academic, Law Library	28	139	13
Federal Agency Library	8	34	3
Federal Court Library	3	7	4
Highest State Court Library	8	31	7
Public Library	66	165	24
Service Academy	1	4	0
Special Library	2	13	2
State Library	8	38	1
Total	274	1070	94

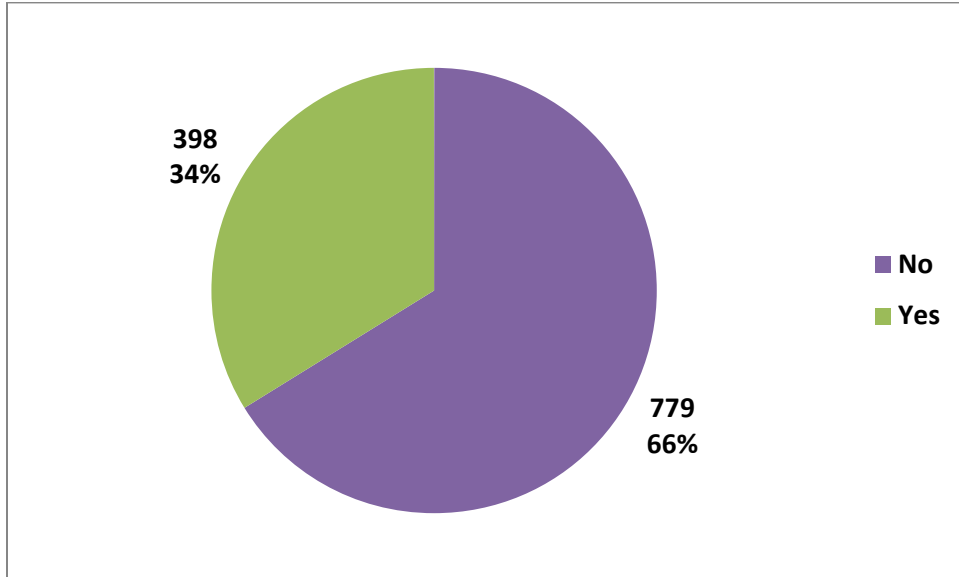
14. How does your library keep and maintain a piece level inventory for all older, previously received tangible publications? Select all that apply.

	Shelflist	Catalog	Other
Academic General	298	541	77
Academic, Community College	17	44	7
Academic, Law Library	35	136	21
Federal Agency Library	8	33	4
Federal Court Library	4	9	3
Highest State Court Library	10	30	7
Public Library	88	135	34
Service Academy	2	4	0
Special Library	3	12	3
State Library	23	34	4
Total	488	978	160

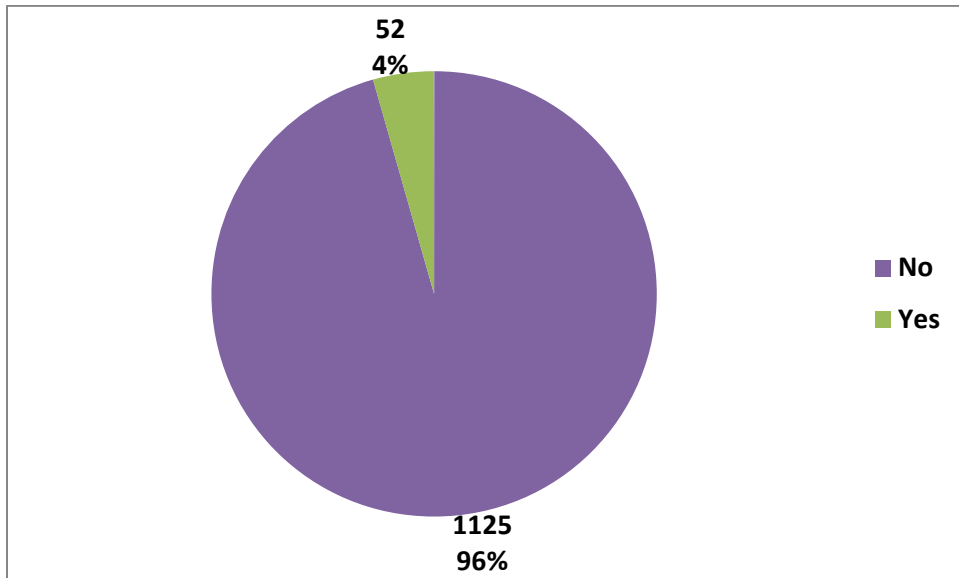
15. Describe access to depository microfiche. Select all that apply.

	Microfiche readers with printing capabilities	Microfiche readers with scanning capabilities	Microfiche readers unable to print	No capabilities	Circulate to patrons
Academic General	547	393	90	18	126
Academic, Community College	34	11	6	14	4
Academic, Law Library	139	111	9	0	13
Federal Agency Library	32	12	2	2	4
Federal Court Library	10	3	1	0	0
Highest State Court Library	31	9	1	5	7
Public Library	178	69	16	10	17
Service Academy	3	1	1	0	0
Special Library	12	2	1	2	2
State Library	37	31	6	0	14
Total	1023	642	133	51	187

16. Has your library conducted a collection condition survey/assessment in which depository materials were included?



17. Since your library became an officially designated Federal Depository library, have significant portions of your historic documents collection been lost due to natural or man-made disasters?



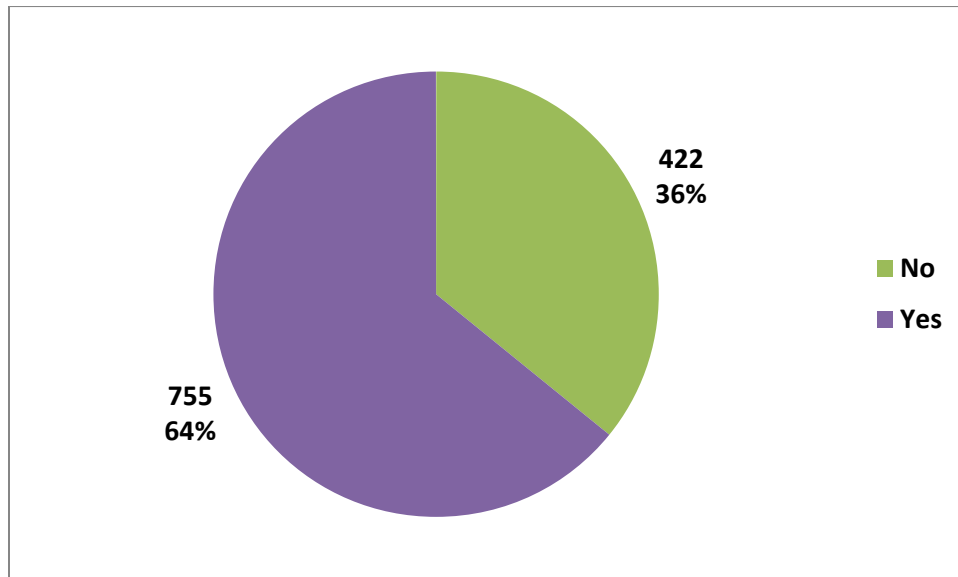
18. Describe the access to depository tangible electronics (i.e., CD-ROMs, DVD-ROMs, etc.). Select all that apply.

	Public workstations with printing or downloading capabilities	Public workstations, unable to print or download	Access through local library network	No capabilities	Circulate to patrons	Copy and circulate	Offer mediated access
Academic General	552	31	38	9	449	58	85
Academic, Community College	48	0	6	2	37	8	5
Academic, Law Library	122	8	7	8	53	4	17
Federal Agency Library	28	1	4	2	19	4	8
Federal Court Library	10	0	0	1	0	2	0
Highest State Court Library	30	0	3	4	20	4	4
Public Library	155	9	13	18	110	11	22
Service Academy	4	1	0	0	3	0	1
Special Library	13	0	1	0	8	2	1
State Library	37	4	0	1	26	5	4
Total	999	54	72	45	725	98	147

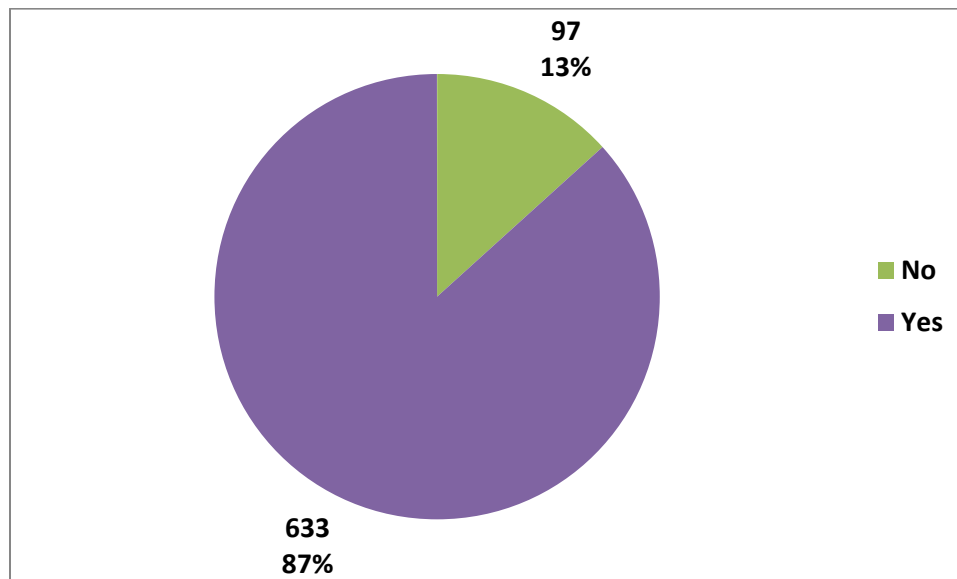
19. Describe your collection review practices related to weeding depository publications. Select all that apply.

Conform with Regional library direction	875
Routinely reviewed and weeded, at least annually	299
Irregular, as-needed	544
Does not weed or weeds only superseded materials	109
Currently weeding a large part of collection or plans to do so within next two years	324
Don't know	6
Does not apply as my library is a Federal library or highest state appellate court library	62
Total	2219

20. Does your library have a preservation/conservation program that includes, but is not limited to activities such as binding, encapsulation, or moving materials to a climate controlled area?



If yes, are preservation activities applied to depository materials?



21. How does your library routinely identify appropriate online publications for your depository collection?

1,177 libraries responded to this question. Answers included such things as participating in a vendor record service, checking NET or WEBTech notes, consulting library literature or email lists, or receiving requests from users.

22. How does your library routinely create, acquire, or update bibliographic records for online publications? Select all that apply.

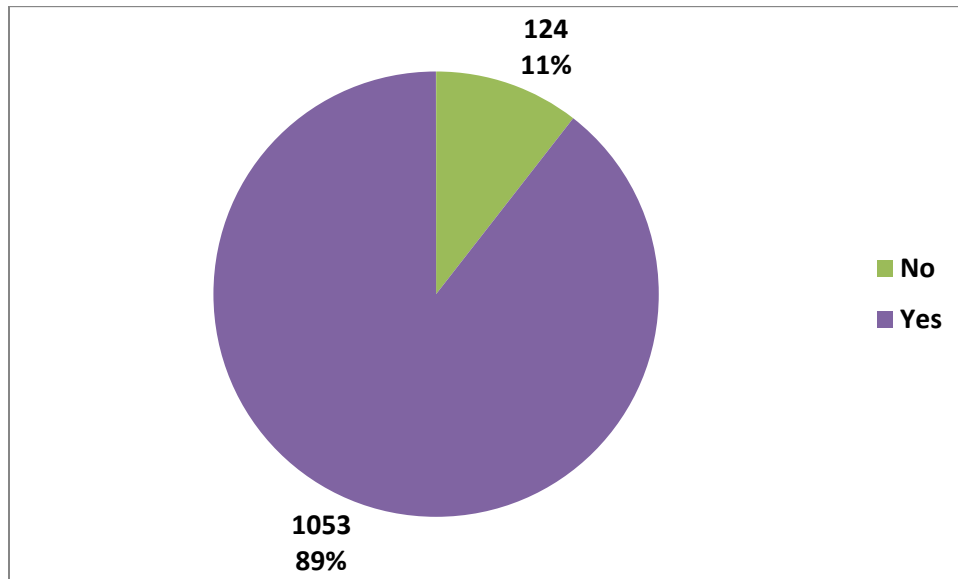
	CGP Z39.50 gateway	Vendor records service(s)	Cataloging Record Distribution Program*	Copy cataloging	Records for born digital publications added to the catalog	PURLs are added to existing records for tangibles	Does not create or obtain these records	Other
Academic General	46	390	65	420	264	334	20	32
Academic, Community College	4	12	8	41	16	21	7	5
Academic, Law Library	15	83	10	119	85	96	5	12
Federal Agency Library	3	4	4	28	15	16	8	1
Federal Court Library	1	0	1	9	5	9	0	1
Highest State Court Library	2	9	1	28	17	20	4	2
Public Library	25	63	27	99	50	82	39	16
Service Academy	0	3	0	4	2	3	0	0
Special Library	0	2	0	11	7	8	2	1
State Library	2	18	7	23	22	20	4	0
Total	98	584	123	782	483	609	89	70

*This program was limited to 80 libraries in FY13

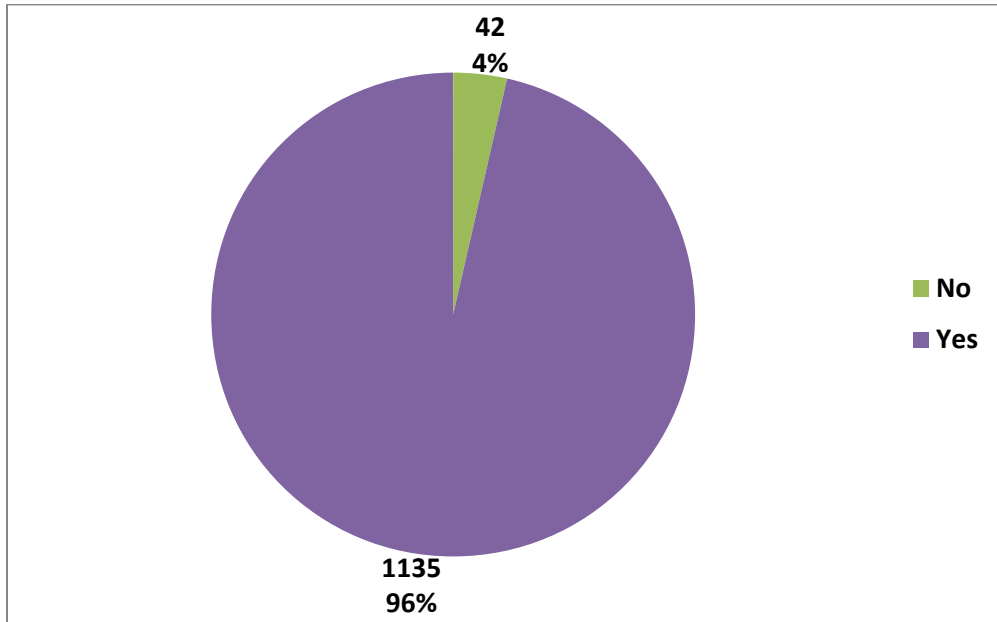
23. How do you provide access to online publications? Select all that apply.

	Catalog records	Web sites	Library guides	Other
Academic General	612	437	496	32
Academic, Community College	46	40	31	1
Academic, Law Library	147	113	99	3
Federal Agency Library	30	24	17	2
Federal Court Library	9	6	6	0
Highest State Court Library	31	23	9	3
Public Library	155	142	55	18
Service Academy	4	4	3	0
Special Library	13	10	7	1
State Library	37	24	11	4
Total	1084	823	734	64

24. Do you find that depository staffing is adequate to fulfill basic depository responsibilities and FDLP requirements?



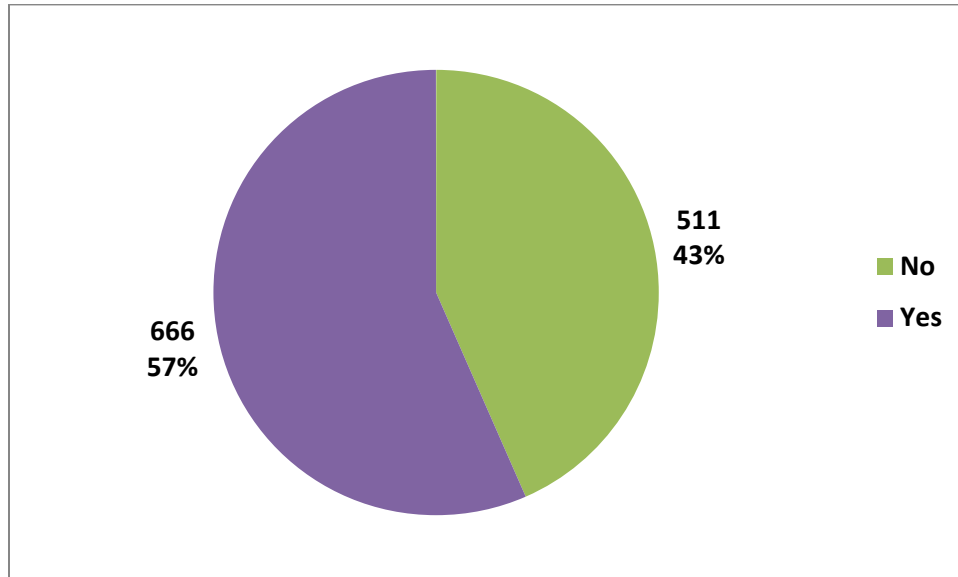
25. Does the library currently have a designated depository coordinator or coordinators or an interim coordinator if the permanent position is vacant?



26. Describe the experience level of staff who work in depository operations. Select all that apply. Please do not include student workers or volunteers.

Beginner	132
Intermediate	631
Expert	725
Total	1488

27. Does anyone at your library identify themselves as an expert in any aspect of depository operations or services? For example, technical services, reference services, subject specialty.



If yes, please specify

Of the 666 libraries that responded 'Yes' to the first part of question 27, a further 656 libraries responded to part 2 of this question. The majority of responses indicate that reference services, technical services, and generic subject specialties are the most common areas of expertise identified by library staff.

28. How is information about the FDLP shared with staff members at your library? For example, new resources of interest, notice of a survey, etc.

1,177 libraries responded to this question. The most common responses included email, staff meetings, word of mouth, staff training, and Web pages.

29. Which GPO provided training formats does your library to expect to utilize in the next two years? Select all that apply.

National in person workshops	249
In person conferences	499
Webinars	1043
Online, self-paced	814
Videos	426
Expect to be a presenter	64
Other	64
Total	3202

30. Which training formats does your library expect to utilize in the next two years from non-GPO sources? Select all that apply.

Local in person workshops	722
National in person workshops	364
In person conferences	685
Webinars	1045
Online, self-paced	785
Videos	453
Expect to be a presenter	122
Other	48
Total	4224

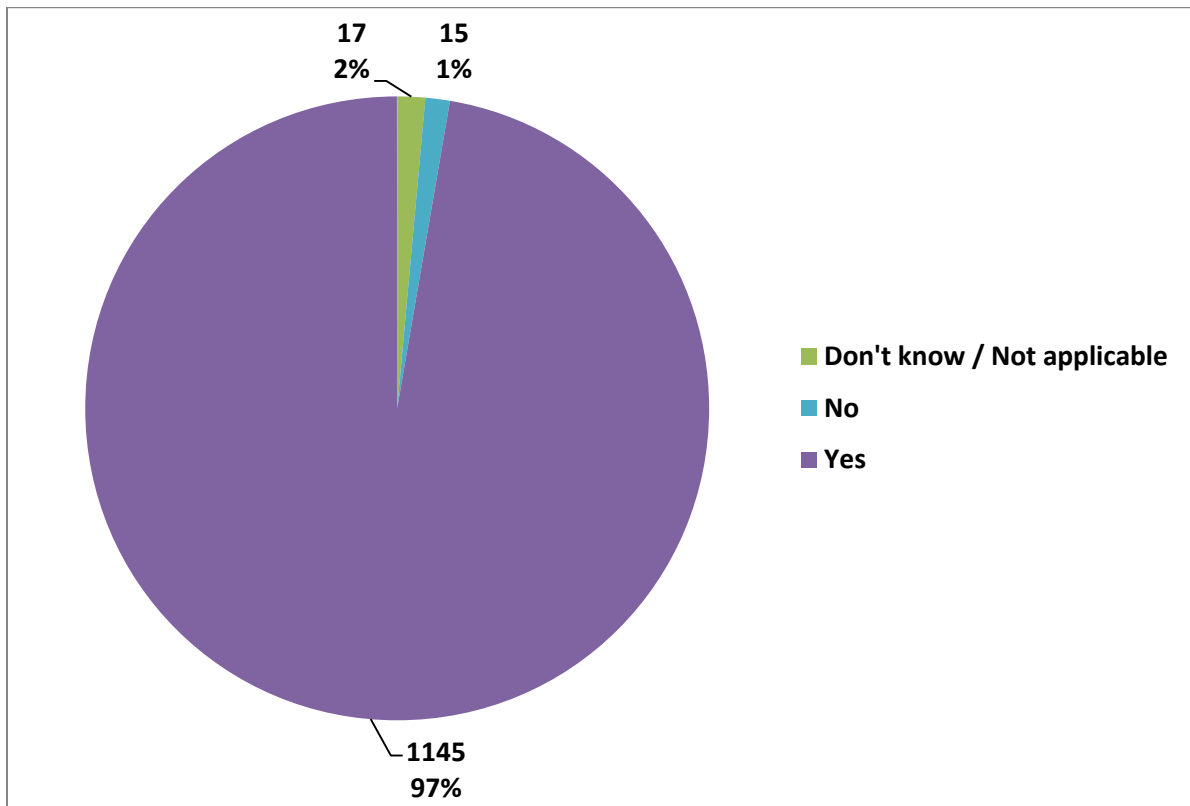
31. What topics are priorities for staff training at your library during the next two years? Please list areas/resources used in depository operations, Federal agencies or their resources, or specific subjects of interest.

This was an optional question answered by 682 libraries. Responses included things such as agency and statistical training, depository management training, and training on FDLP tools.

32. Are there any actual or perceived barriers, physical or administrative, to depository resources in any format for the general public or non-primary library users? Select all that apply.

	Academic General	Academic, Community College	Academic, Law Library	Federal Agency Library	Federal Court Library	Highest State Court Library	Public Library	Service Academy	Special Library	State Library	Total
Difficult physical access to building	27	0	4	1	0	2	6	1	0	3	44
Difficult physical access to collection	83	3	17	1	1	7	32	1	2	13	160
Computer equipment that does not accommodate persons with disabilities	41	0	20	4	3	7	7	0	0	2	84
Computer authentication to non-primary patrons	74	5	10	7	0	1	29	1	1	2	130
Filtering or blocking software	14	0	4	6	1	4	33	3	0	5	70
Not open to general public during certain time periods	139	18	66	21	8	21	39	2	6	29	349
Age restrictions	10	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	14
Security guards limit access	4	0	7	16	1	4	0	1	1	0	34
Conflicting information on Web site	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Restricted access policies are displayed	18	2	14	5	1	0	3	2	0	0	45
Specific ID required and not available to public	10	1	7	11	1	1	7	1	0	0	39
Reserves, special collections, remote storage not available to all patrons	28	2	2	0	0	2	6	0	0	1	41
No problems exist	327	36	60	7	3	5	108	0	7	7	560
Other	80	3	21	10	1	6	23	3	1	8	156

33. May any member of the general public (regardless of residency in the library service area, age, disability, or other status) access and use Federal Government information resources in all formats and receive reference services free of charge at your library and selective housing sites?



34. List the primary ways your library provides public services for depository resources (e.g., reference, instruction within the library, presentations to community groups).

1,177 libraries responded to this question. Responses included such things as providing reference services, conducting library instruction sessions, and creating library guides.

35. Is the eagle emblem, statutory language, or other language indicating the library is a center of Federal information resources prominently displayed? Select all that apply.

Emblem on or near all library entrances	1,086
Emblem and/or language on library home page	478
Emblem and/or language on Web page other than home page	768
Total	2,332

36. What are the biggest issues your library as a whole is facing? Select all that apply.

	Collection scope changes	Library user group changes	Demands from primary users	Staffing	Use of physical space	Lack of computers or connectivity	Budget constraints	Other
Academic General	195	81	114	319	408	22	453	50
Academic, Community College	12	8	7	37	20	4	39	1
Academic, Law Library	42	11	26	73	62	2	123	10
Federal Agency Library	2	0	7	22	17	3	31	4
Federal Court Library	1	0	1	4	3	0	9	0
Highest State Court Library	4	10	4	14	14	2	29	1
Public Library	73	58	37	143	95	15	146	12
Service Academy	1	0	1	4	3	0	4	1
Special Library	3	3	1	5	7	0	11	0
State Library	7	6	4	26	16	3	32	3
Total	340	177	202	647	645	51	877	82