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.

	STATEMENTS	DISAGREE	<u>N/0</u>	AGREE	DISAGR EE	<u>N/O</u>	AGREE
		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	10	15	75			
14.	depository libraries in my state or region. 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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	A national public awareness campaign	DISAGREE	N/O	AGREE	DISAGR	N/O	AGREE
15.	coordinated by GPO and focusing on				<u>EE</u>		
	Federal depository library services would	7.5	5	87.5	1.7	10	88.3
	be a benefit.						
	Federal depository library services in my						
16.	state or region would improve if GPO	20	30	50			
	replaced the self- study/inspection						
	process with field consultants located in						
	my or a neighboring regional library.						
	If GPO provided standards and guidance,						
17.	my library would consider partnering	12.5	20	67.5	6.7	28.3	65
	with GPO on an electronic or digital						
	project.						
	My library would consider being a						
18.	regional for selective Federal depository	50	27.5	22.5			
	libraries in a neighboring state.						
	Our library conforms to the GPO						
19.	"Instructions to Depositories" and the	15	12.5	72.5	5	5	90
	"Federal Depository Library Manual,						
	Supplement 2: Guidelines for the Federal						
	Depository Library Program" with						
	respect to staffing and other support.						
	The level of staffing and support for our						
20.	library's government document collection	10	10	80	10	8.3	81.7
	is generally satisfactory (on par) in						
	relationship to the library's support of						
	other collections.						
21	The "Instructions to Depository						
21.	Libraries" and the "Federal Depository	_	15.5	02.5		21.5	(0.2
	Library Manual, Supplement 2:	0	17.5	82.5	0	31.7	68.3
	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. Support from the regional federal					 	
22.	depository library on processing and				16.7	31.7	51.7
22.	collection issues would be a benefit.				10.7	31./	31./
	Training on electronic resources from the		-			 	
23.	regional federal depository library would				10	26.7	63.3
25.	be a benefit.				10	20.7	00.5
					0	15	05
24	Training sessions conducted by GPO in				U	15	85
24.	my state or region would be a benefit.						

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