

**The Survey of Higher Education Faculty: Use of  
Library Reference, Info Literacy and Subject Specialist Staff**

## Chapter Three: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship?

**Table 3.1: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship?**

	Yes	No
Entire Sample	37.76%	62.24%

**Table 3.2: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out for faculty in the United States or Canada.**

Country	Yes	No
United States	35.79%	64.21%
Canada	59.09%	40.91%

**Table 3.3: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by general Carnegie class of the institutions.**

Carnegie Class of the Institutions	Yes	No
Community College	15.08%	84.92%
BA-Granting Institution	32.37%	67.63%
Specialized College <sup>1</sup>	69.23%	30.77%
MA/PHD Granting College	42.66%	57.34%
Research University	65.26%	34.74%

**Table 3.4: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by faculty in public or private colleges.**

Type of College	Yes	No
Public College	37.70%	62.30%
Private College	38.00%	62.00%

<sup>1</sup> Such as Performing Arts, Seminary, etc.

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**Table 3.5: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by the enrollment level of the colleges.**

Enrollment Level	Yes	No
<1,000	29.03%	70.97%
1,000-2,500	30.95%	69.05%
>2,500-5,000	24.79%	75.21%
>5,000-10,000	34.69%	65.31%
>10,000-20,000	53.33%	46.67%
>20,000	60.92%	39.08%

**Table 3.6: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by the age of a faculty member.**

Age	Yes	No
<30	66.67%	33.33%
31-39	45.07%	54.93%
40-49	38.79%	61.21%
50-59	34.52%	65.48%
60>	37.40%	62.60%

**Table 3.7: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by a professional rank.**

Professional Rank	Yes	No
Lecturer / Instructor	24.47%	75.53%
Associate Professor	42.73%	57.27%
Assistant Professor	42.62%	57.38%
Full Professor	37.77%	62.23%

**Table 3.8: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by the personal political views of a faculty member.**

Political Views	Yes	No
Left of Liberal	45.76%	54.24%
Liberal	44.72%	55.28%
Middle of the Road	32.24%	67.76%
Conservative	27.47%	72.53%
Right of Conservative	0.00%	100.00%

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**Table 3.9: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by the personal income level of a faculty member.**

Personal Income Level	Yes	No
<\$40,000	42.11%	57.89%
\$40,000-\$55,000	29.41%	70.59%
\$56,000-\$75,000	32.18%	67.82%
\$76,000-\$100,000	42.11%	57.89%
>\$100,000	50.00%	50.00%

**Table 3.10: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by the tenure status of a faculty member.**

Tenure Status	Yes	No
Tenured	38.96%	61.04%
On a Tenure Track	44.26%	55.74%
Not on a Tenure Track	30.34%	69.66%

**Table 3.11: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by academic field.**

Academic Field	Yes	No
Finance / Accounting / Economics / Business	37.93%	62.07%
Nursing / Nutrition / Occupational Therapy / Public Health	33.33%	66.67%
Biology & Medicine	40.82%	59.18%
Computer Science / Mathematics / Engineering	42.00%	58.00%
Art & Performing Arts	26.92%	73.08%
Chemistry, Physics	33.33%	66.67%
Psychology & Counseling	33.33%	66.67%
Anthropology, Sociology & Political Science, Law & History	45.45%	54.55%
Education	42.86%	57.14%
Religion & Philosophy	40.00%	60.00%
English, Linguistics, Comp Lit, Languages, Communications	34.33%	65.67%
All Other:	43.75%	56.25%

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**Table 3.12: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by extent of database use within a week.**

<b>Extent of Database Use within a Week</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Never	22.06%	77.94%
1-2 Times	34.90%	65.10%
3-5 Times	50.42%	49.58%
6-9 Times	59.09%	40.91%
10-19 Times	45.65%	54.35%
20+ Times	40.74%	59.26%

**Table 3.13: Does your library have a subject specialist in your area of scholarship? Broken out by frequency of library visits within a month.**

<b>Frequency of Library Visits within a Month</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Never	38.55%	61.45%
1-2 Times	32.77%	67.23%
3-5 Times	40.00%	60.00%
6-9 Times	50.00%	50.00%
10-19 Times	43.75%	56.25%
20+ Times	47.06%	52.94%