

**The Survey of American College Students: Student Use of Academic Library
Reference Department Services**

**Chapter Nine: Percentage of Students Who Feel that
they are Well Versed in Library Research Sources in
their Major or Intended Major Field of Study**

Table 9.1: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Entire Sample	5.78%	27.39%	54.52%	12.31%

**Table 9.2: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Age of the Student**

Years of Age	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
19 or younger	7.74%	29.68%	54.19%	8.39%
20-21	3.03%	24.24%	59.85%	12.88%
22-24	3.13%	25.00%	62.50%	9.38%
25-30	9.09%	29.55%	36.36%	25.00%
over 30	8.00%	32.00%	44.00%	16.00%

**Table 9.3: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Population Intensity of the Place of Origin**

Population Intensity of Place of Origin of the Student	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
City with more than 350,000	6.17%	27.16%	52.47%	14.20%
Small or Medium Sized City with less than 350,000	5.04%	23.53%	58.82%	12.61%
Suburban Area	9.09%	22.73%	50.00%	18.18%
Rural Area	5.38%	34.41%	52.69%	7.53%

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**Table 9.4: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Geographic Region of Origin of the Student**

Region of the Country Where the Student Grew Up	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
South	6.81%	28.51%	52.34%	12.34%
Northeast	4.72%	22.64%	60.38%	12.26%
Midwest	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
West	2.70%	29.73%	54.05%	13.51%

**Table 9.5: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors & Seniors**

Year or Grade in School	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Freshmen	4.44%	28.44%	55.56%	11.56%
Sophomores	10.29%	23.53%	57.35%	8.82%
Juniors	10.00%	50.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Seniors	5.32%	24.47%	52.13%	18.09%

**Table 9.6: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Income Level of the Student's Family of Origin**

Annual Income of Student's Family of Origin	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Less than \$40,000	3.72%	26.98%	56.28%	13.02%
\$40,00 to \$75,000	9.52%	26.98%	53.17%	10.32%
\$75,000+ to \$150,000	8.33%	33.33%	41.67%	16.67%
More than \$150,000	5.00%	30.00%	52.50%	12.50%

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**Table 9.7: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Level of Religiosity of the Student**

Level of Religiosity	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I practice a religion thoroughly and consider my religion to be a very important part of my life	7.35%	26.47%	53.92%	12.25%
I practice a religion and try to attend regular services and to participate as much as I can	3.37%	29.21%	53.93%	13.48%
I identify with a religion but can't say I put a lot of effort into practicing it	0.00%	52.94%	41.18%	5.88%
I don't really believe in or practice an organized religion	5.88%	23.53%	58.82%	11.76%

**Table 9.8: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Political Views of the Student**

Political Views of the Student	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Very Left Wing	5.07%	26.81%	57.97%	10.14%
Liberal	7.14%	23.81%	55.56%	13.49%
Middle of the Road	0.00%	50.00%	31.25%	18.75%
Conservative	6.67%	30.48%	51.43%	11.43%
Very Right Wing	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	16.67%

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**Table 9.9: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Grade Point Average or Equivalent**

Grades of the Student	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
A- or Better	6.15%	25.64%	55.38%	12.82%
B- to B+	5.61%	28.06%	54.08%	12.24%
C- to C+	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
D or Less	0.00%	75.00%	25.00%	0.00%

**Table 9.10: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Academic Major or Focus**

Major or Focus	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Business, Economics, Finance, Engineering, Math	5.66%	28.93%	55.35%	10.06%
Fine or Performing Arts	8.11%	37.84%	37.84%	16.22%
Hard Sciences	5.48%	20.55%	65.75%	8.22%
Education	8.00%	44.00%	44.00%	4.00%
English, Communications, Languages or Journalism	9.09%	27.27%	40.91%	22.73%
Social Sciences	1.37%	21.92%	58.90%	17.81%

**Table 9.11: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Gender of the Student**

Gender of the Student	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Male	4.86%	25.69%	52.78%	16.67%
Female	6.30%	28.35%	55.51%	9.84%

**Table 9.12: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Public and Private College Students**

Attends Public or Private College	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Attends Public College	6.25%	28.82%	53.47%	11.46%
Attends Private College	4.59%	23.85%	57.80%	13.76%

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**Table 9.13: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Type of College Living Arrangement**

Living Arrangement of the Student	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
At home with my parents or guardian	5.13%	24.36%	56.41%	14.10%
Off campus with others who are not my parents or guardian	5.98%	29.06%	50.43%	14.53%
Off campus alone	0.00%	40.00%	40.00%	20.00%
In Fraternity or Sorority Supplied Housing	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%
On campus in the dorms or college-provided suites	7.02%	29.82%	57.02%	6.14%

**Table 9.14: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Student Employment**

Student Employment Situation	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Doesn't Have a Full or Part Time Job	4.57%	26.90%	54.31%	14.21%
Has a Part Time Job	7.11%	26.90%	55.33%	10.66%
Has a Full Time Job	0.00%	75.00%	25.00%	0.00%

**Table 9.15: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Type of College**

Type of College	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Community College	7.79%	23.38%	58.44%	10.39%
BA-Level	0.00%	24.32%	62.16%	13.51%
MA-Level	5.68%	27.27%	57.95%	9.09%
PHD Level	9.30%	32.56%	46.51%	11.63%
Research University	3.81%	27.62%	52.38%	16.19%

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**Table 9.16: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Size of Enrollment of College**

Total Enrollment of College Attended by the Student	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Less than 2,000	7.84%	17.65%	62.75%	11.76%
2,000-5,000	4.05%	31.08%	58.11%	6.76%
5,001-10,000	0.00%	30.43%	55.07%	14.49%
10,001-25,000	6.54%	26.17%	55.14%	12.15%
More than 25,000	10.00%	30.00%	45.56%	14.44%

**Table 9.17: Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: I am well versed in the library research sources in my major or intended major?
Broken Out by Publicly Claimed Mean SAT Acceptance Score of the College Attended**

Mean SAT Acceptance Score of College Attended by Student	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Less than 1500	6.72%	26.12%	56.72%	10.45%
1500 to 1649	7.32%	26.02%	49.59%	17.07%
1650 to 1799	2.78%	30.56%	53.70%	12.96%
1800 to 1950	5.56%	38.89%	55.56%	0.00%
More than 1950	8.33%	16.67%	75.00%	0.00%