

### When you look to purchase an eBook how do you go about doing it?

### Which sources do you consult to check on eBook availability?

- 1) N/A
- 2) We only purchase EBSCO eBook collections at this time
- 3) Usually check EBSCO first. Librarians negotiate deals with other vendors occasionally.
- 4) listservs, Google
- 5) None. We just have ebrary and Net books and we promote whatever they offer.
- 6) Search YBP Gobi initially, then EBSCO/ebrary/EBL, and if still not available then seek out the publisher directly.
- 7) Publisher site.
- 8) Determine number of users and aggregator availability using YBP's Gobi3 database. Is a licence in place? Does the licence permit the number of desired users? Place the order.
- 9) Check Gale's website to determine if a print reference title is available as an eBook Baker & Taylor's YBP is also checked, but we do not order non-reference titles as eBook at this time
- 10) Either search Oasis or EBSCO and compare prices and availability
- 11) Look at what is available that students and faculty would use. Talk to faculty, Buy as much as we can afford.
- 12) we are starting to use PDA for all purchasing
- 13) N/A.
- 14) It depends, we tend not to buy title by title. Generally we want unlimited user access and no DRM
- 15) We are glad to find institutional eBooks available for purchase from YBP, and occasionally find good support for academic institutions from other publishers.
- 16) Catalog is reviewed; vendor is approached next
- 17) DawsonEra - depends on course size, cost benefit of purchasing the eBook rather than multiple physical copies.
- 18) Coutts database
- 19) We don't do eBooks much - our students don't use them much
- 20) We use our distributor and vendor interfaces for one off purchases. Packages are generally offered by vendors and then evaluated for relevancy and usability.
- 21) is it available from our vendor
- 22) We use YBP/Gobi, compare print cost to eBook - willing to buy eBooks up to \$50 more than print or up to 50 higher cost but not more than that unless needed for online/distance program
- 23) YBP-GOBI
- 24) check vendor sites for availability, moving to another paper book platform for cross-availability review
- 25) We primarily purchase packages, many through consortia agreements

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- 26) Generally, we start by checking availability with our two major suppliers, ebrary and EBSCO. If the eBook is not available from them, we then check the publisher's website for eBook availability.
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- 34) We don't purchase individual items yet. We buy them in databases.
- 35) we check publishers and distributors
- 36) ebrary, EBSCO, Safari, Books 24x7

**CHAPTER 3 – eBook Formats**

**Table 7.1 Approximately what percentage of the eBook titles your library offers are in PDF format?**

	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum
Entire sample	68,83	80,00	0,00	100,00

**Table 7.2 Approximately what percentage of the eBook titles your library offers are in PDF format? Broken out by College Type**

College Type	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum
Public	74,81	85,00	0,00	100,00
Private	54,89	60,00	0,00	100,00

**Table 7.3 Approximately what percentage of the eBook titles your library offers are in PDF format? Broken out by FTE Enrollment**

FTE Enrollment	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum
less than 3000	53,63	70,00	0,00	100,00
3000 - 7000	85,45	85,00	60,00	100,00
more than 7000	63,27	75,00	2,00	100,00

**Table 7.4 Approximately what percentage of the eBook titles your library offers are in PDF format? Broken out by Annual Tuition Level**

Annual Tuition Level	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum
less than \$6000	79,67	85,00	2,00	100,00
\$6000 - \$20000	62,83	67,50	0,00	100,00
more than \$20000	66,00	80,00	0,00	100,00

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**Table 7.5 Approximately what percentage of the eBook titles your library offers are in PDF format? Broken out by Carnegie Class**

Carnegie Class	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum
Community College / 4-Year College	72,79	80,00	0,00	100,00
MA/PHD Granting / Research University	65,38	82,50	0,00	100,00

**CHAPTER 4 – eBook Distribution**

**Table 8 What percentage of the library's total spending (\$) on eBooks was with the following type of vendor: Aggregators, Individual Publishers?**

For example Amazon or NetLibrary would be considered aggregators while John Wiley & Sons would be an individual publisher?

**Table 8.1.1 What percentage of the library's total spending (\$) on eBooks was with Aggregators?**

	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum
Entire sample	78,21	90,00	0,00	100,00

**Table 8.1.2 What percentage of the library's total spending (\$) on eBooks was with Aggregators? Broken out by College Type**

College Type	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum
Public	80,70	90,00	0,00	100,00
Private	72,50	74,50	21,00	100,00

**Table 8.1.3 What percentage of the library's total spending (\$) on eBooks was with Aggregators? Broken out by FTE Enrollment**

FTE Enrollment	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum
less than 3000	74,64	100,00	0,00	100,00
3000 - 7000	82,17	95,00	1,00	100,00
more than 7000	77,40	85,00	30,00	95,00

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**Table 8.1.4 What percentage of the library's total spending (\$) on eBooks was with Aggregators? Broken out by Annual Tuition Level**

Annual Tuition Level	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum
less than \$6000	92,08	95,00	70,00	100,00
\$6000 - \$20000	65,10	77,50	0,00	100,00
more than \$20000	75,00	79,00	21,00	100,00

**Table 8.1.5 What percentage of the library's total spending (\$) on eBooks was with Aggregators? Broken out by Carnegie Class**

Carnegie Class	Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum
Community College / 4-Year College	84,06	95,00	0,00	100,00
MA/PHD Granting / Research University	72,71	80,00	1,00	100,00