

# **The Role of the Library and Information Sciences in the Health Sciences**



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# A Little Background



Can you start a Library degree straight out of High School?

What type of bachelors degree would be the most helpful when looking to become a librarian?

Do you need to have an MD degree to become a health sciences librarian?

# More Information



How many Institutions Offer ALA-Accredited Master's Programs in Library and Information Studies?

What state has the most Library Schools?

How many Institutions Offer ALA-Accredited Master's Programs in Library and Information Studies that have a concentration in Health Sciences Librarianship?

Are any of those programs completely online?

# A Little Health Sciences History



How many Academic Medical Libraries are there in the United States and Canada?

How many Librarians work in Academic Medical Libraries?

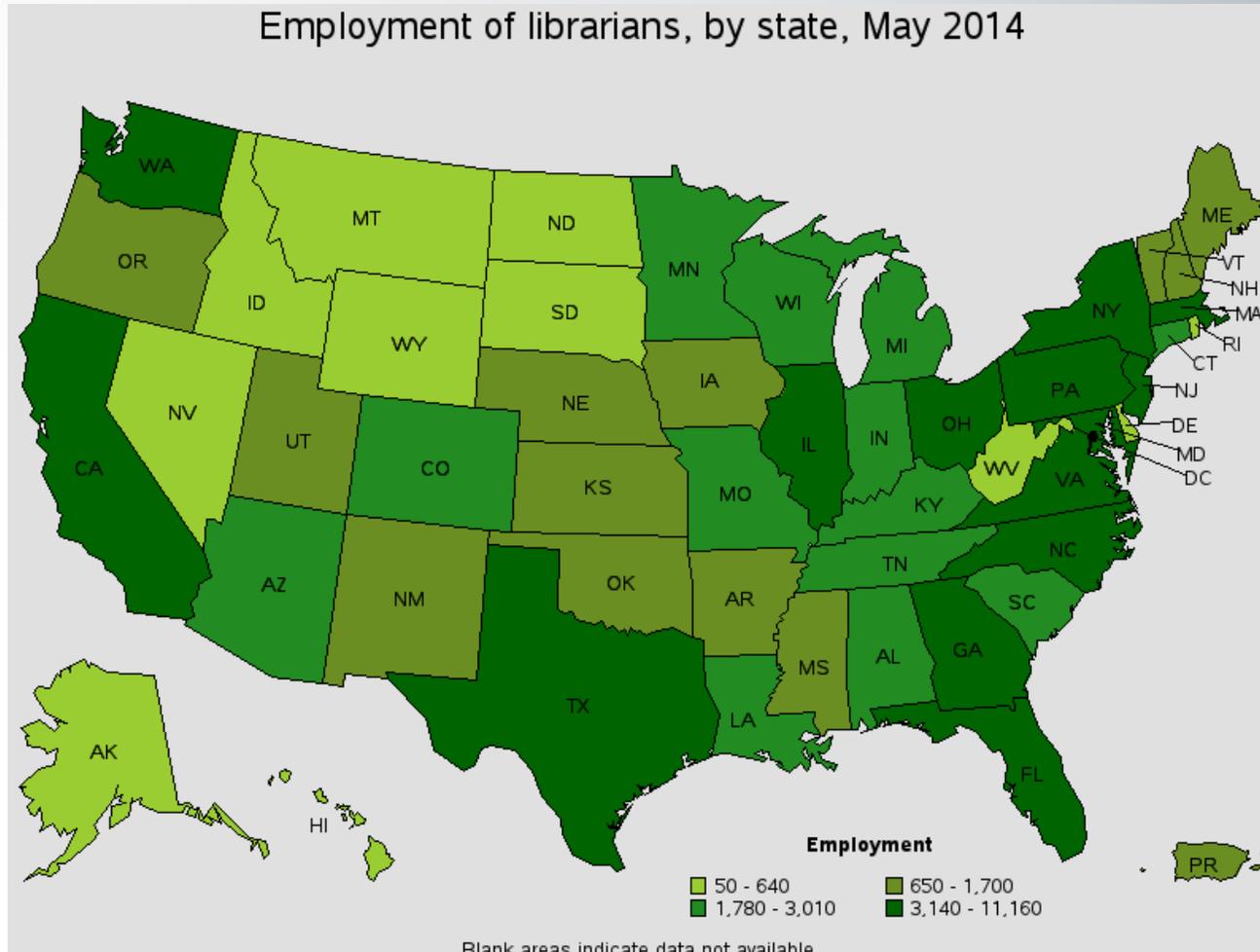
How many students do they serve?

How many Faculty do they serve?

# Employment Outlook



Employment of librarians, by state, May 2014



# Impact of Librarians



Library resources and services help students to learn and faculty to educate.

Library services and quality health information can reduce hospital costs, length of stay, changes in diagnosis and clinical decision making, and improve patient outcomes.

# Sample Library Characteristics



People 31

Volumes 226,462

Circulation 15,120

Databases 183

E-Reserve Use 3,845

Website Visitors 537,900

In Person Reference 6,176

Electronic Reference 1,754

Education Sessions 151

Online Tutorials 49

Interlibrary Activity 1,119

Door Count 238,902

# Limitations



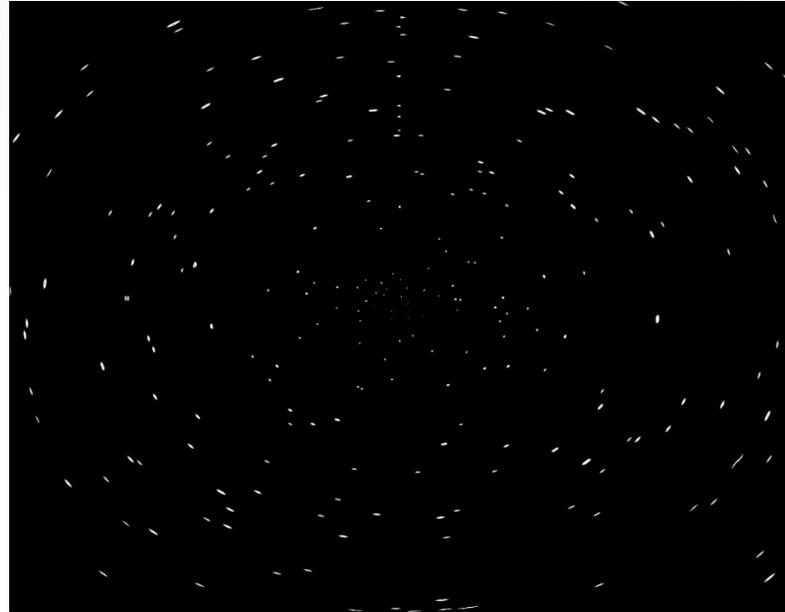
# Budget



# People



# Space



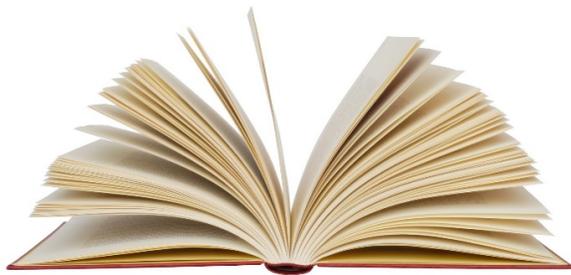
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# Expectations



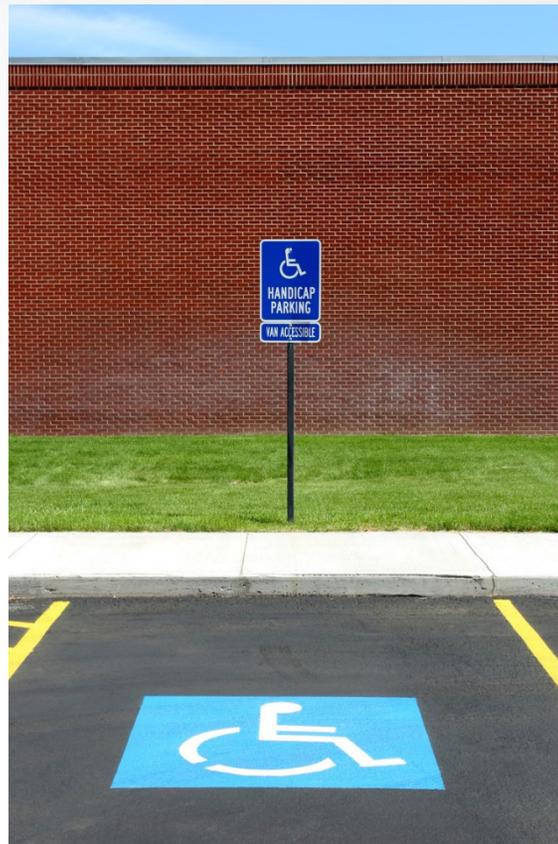
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# Services



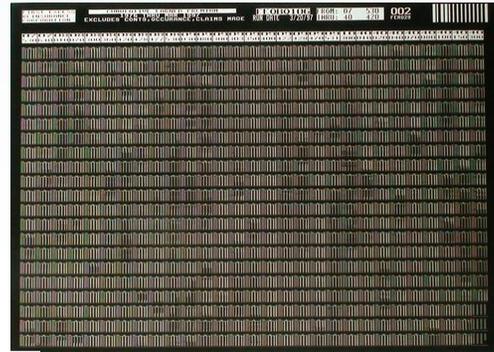
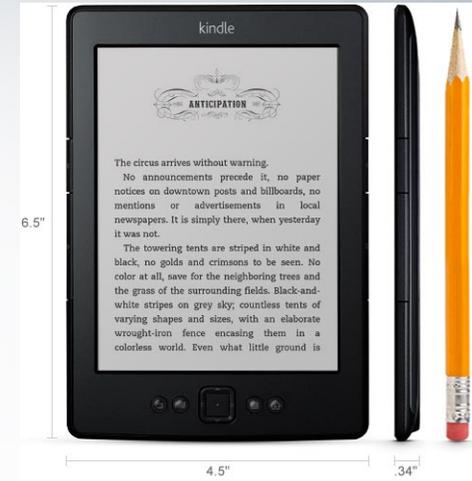
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# Technology



# Format Independent



# Transparent



# Inter-Culturally Adept



# Convergent



# Library Guiding Principles



- Be vital to the mission of the Institution
- Be responsive to the changing and diverse needs of users
- Be flexible and quick to adapt
- Exceed expectations in the provision of high quality collections, services and education

# Vision



Library resources will be available anywhere,  
anytime, to any Library user

# Questions?

