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2006 Survey Results

The 2006 survey is now posted on the Metropolitan Libraries Section of IFLA:

http://www.ifla.org/VII/s4 6/index.htm

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Changes to the 2007 Survey

Toronto Public Library reviewed all the requested changes for the 2007 survey and will proceed with changes to the following survey questions:

- Section E: Use and Users: We will add age groups of 16c. Child (0-14), and 16d. Adults (15-64) and 16e. Older Adults (65 and over). This is an optional question because not all libraries distinguish age groups in their collection of statistics.
- To the survey questions 18. On-site Loans,
 20. Information Requests, and 21. Visits,
 the survey question will be further clarified with the insertion of the definition of Grossing up methodology as recommended by ISO/DIS 2789.



Funding Request

Toronto Public Library will re-submit a funding request for the purchase of an automated survey instrument in late 2008 to the Metropolitan Libraries Section of IFLA.

Survey 2007 Timeline

Survey distributed to Section Members Beginning of December 2008

Resubmit application for software funding December 2008

Data submissions due Beginning of February 2009

Data compilation, follow-up, analysis May 2009

Presentation at Annual IFLA Conference August 2009



Posting on IFLA website September 2009

Annual review for 2008 survey October-November 2009

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Automated Survey Instrument

For the 2007 survey we are introducing a new automated survey instrument. Automation will permit members to:

- Input responses online
- Automatically compile results
- Enable a variety of calculations to be made section-wide and by individual members.

Counting Opinions, a customer and performance measurement company has generously donated the use of their services for the 2007 IFLA survey.