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New Serials:

Advances in accounting. HF5601 A62
Teaching education. LB1715 T42

CACD 1979-1989.

The latest AMIGOS CACD is installed in the pc in the old Reference Office. The CD is available in my office. Please contact me if you intend to gather data from this latest issue. On page 2 of this Update you will find some summary data on 'proportions' giving the 1978/79 and the 1979/89 data. I have normalized some of the data for easy comparison.

The following is a ranked list of those subject areas where URI has a collection of at least half of the size of the average ARL library (i.e. collections larger than our overall average of 51.02). Included as well are the figures for the proportions of the 'avg ARL member' and the proportion of URI's collection devoted to that subject area.

Rank	LC	Comp.Size	Avg Member	URI
1	R	90.21	4.01	7.09
2	S	69.93	1.04	1.43
3	Q	65.77	11.26	14.51
4	PR	65.54	3.20	4.11
5	Z	64.32	3.23	4.07
6	H	59.66	16.54	19.34
7	PS	59.31	3.44	4.00
8	T	58.40	6.16	7.05
9.	V	57.34	0.13	0.15
10	B-BJ	54.20	3.22	3.42
11	K	51.96	1.89	1.92
12	PN	51.29	2.57	2.59
13	L	51.22	2.79	2.80

One possible interpretation of the above is that URI has devoted a greater proportion of its resources to maintain larger collections in these particular areas. Proportional anomalies seem to be present in R, Q, and H particularly.