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ACRL University Library Statistics 1992-1993 [copy on REF]

The range of institution size in this ACRL group is rather large, so that serious comparison is rather difficult. The great and next to great academic libraries [Harvard, UMass, UConn, Brown, etc] are all in the ARL grouping, and are not part of the ACRL statistical group. The following is a further refinement of an appropriate peer library group, within the 109 libraries included in the ACRL compilation. I have selected these institutions to compare with URI because they are similar in the number of faculty, and/or full time students, PhD fields, PhD degrees awarded. Maine, UNH, and Vermont are added to the comparison group as well. In the early 1980's, Art Young often said that the URI Library was the 130th largest academic library in US [i.e. we were generally ranked around 30 in the ACRL stats, with an additional 100 for ARL libraries]. I suppose we have now dropped to 140-145 or lower?

Name	PhD awarded	PhD Fields	Faculty	Students Full Time
Arkansas	67	21	634	11711
Boston College	102	28	575	11089
Geo. Washington	77	35	723	9897
Georgia State	119	50	769	11157
Maine	40	24	596	8410
Memphis State	52	12	699	12465
Mississippi State	75	24	852	10404
New Hampshire	39	21	581	10218
New Mexico State	59	19	629	9483
URI	102	33	657	10300
Utah State	91	28	569	10493
Vermont	53	19	587	7513

Category	Select group rank[1 of 12]	ACRL rank [1 of 109]
Total vols	8	44
Vols added	7	35
Mono. Purchased	7	42
Serials \$	7	29
Current Serials	7	28
Mforms	9	49
GovPub	5	16
Lib. Materials \$	8	42
Other Operating \$	9	60
Salaries/wages	8	41
Prof. Staff	12	74
Support Staff	9	48
ILL Loan	9	50
Ill Borr	12	57

In the following statistics, the numbers in brackets [] represent the overall ACRL ranking of the libraries within each category.

Volumes in Library

Arkansas	1,392,403	[16]
Boston Coll.	1,318,437	[20]
Geo.Wash.	1,291,356	[22]
Ga. State	1,185,801	[28]
Utah St.	1,177,282	[29]
Vermont	1,105,649	[32]
New Hamp.	1,024,911	[42]
URI	1,019,029	[44]
Memphis	986,699	[45]
New Mex.St.	924,614	[49]
Mississ.St.	859,306	[56]
Maine	826,648	[62]

Volumes Added Gross

Utah St.	42,769	[12]
Boston Coll.	41,913	[14]
Arkansas	36,088	[22]
Ga. State	33,554	[28]
Geo.Wash.	32,637	[31]
Maine	31,571	[33]
URI	30,996	[35]
Vermont	28,523	[43]
New Hamp.	25,174	[52]
New Mex.St.	24,326	[55]
Mississ.St.	17,316	[67]
Memphis	15,222	[72]

Current Serials [take these with a grain of salt!]

Vermont	17,229	[4]	spend \$90,000 more than URI
Arkansas	16,540	[6]	
Boston Coll.	14,619	[9]	
Maine	14,590	[10]	
Utah St.	13,994	[11]	
Ga. State	11,157	[18]	
URI	9,759	[28]	# of titles in SC10 system
Memphis	9,218	[33]	
New Mex.St.	8,389	[41]	
Geo.Wash.	8,020	[44]	
Mississ.St.	7,189	[48]	
New Hamp.	7,000	[51]	spend \$350,000 more than URI

Microform Holdings

Memphis	2,720,450	[2]
Arkansas	2,346,801	[11]
Boston Coll.	2,282,582	[13]
Mississ.St.	2,113,669	[17]
Ga. State	2,008,232	[21]
Utah St.	1,914,127	[25]
Maine	1,847,478	[27]
Vermont	1,385,265	[45]
URI	1,313,011	[49]
Geo.Wash.	1,279,675	[52]
New Hamp.	785,579	[74]
New Mex.St.	341,230	[95]

Government Publications

New Hamp.	1,357,295	[2]
Maine	1,171,972	[6]
Vermont	1,021,482	[7]
Ga. State	677,090	[14]
URI	623,029	[16]
Arkansas	609,644	[17]
Memphis	430,862	[28]
New Mex.St.	408,874	[30]
Mississ.St.	342,451	[39]
Utah St.	170,029	[54]
Boston Coll.	140,290	[59]
Geo.Wash.	0	[77]

Library Materials Expenditures

Boston Coll.	3,740,554	[4]
Arkansas	2,944,244	[11]
Vermont	2,793,611	[14]
Maine	2,255,103	[29]
New Hamp.	2,184,015	[31]
Utah St.	2,061,411	[37]
Ga. State	2,018,089	[39]
URI	1,941,708	[42]
Geo.Wash.	1,854,680	[46]
Mississ.St.	1,852,808	[47]
Memphis	1,751,073	[55]
New Mex.St.	1,655,510	[58]

Salaries and Wages

Boston Coll.	5,206,418	[3]
Ga. State	3,077,195	[20]
Geo.Wash.	3,027,318	[24]
Arkansas	2,685,125	[32]
Vermont	2,506,102	[37]
New Mex.St.	2,499,355	[38]
Memphis	2,389,923	[40]
URI	2,375,550	[41]
Utah St.	1,784,194	[62]
New Hamp.	1,698,293	[65]
Maine	1,662,540	[67]
Mississ.St.	1,498,287	[73]

Other Operating Expenditures [Computers, Binding, etc]

Geo.Wash.	4,732,568	[1]
Boston Coll.	1,028,650	[12]
Arkansas	723,294	[27]
Ga. State	636,260	[30]
Vermont	598,662	[34]
Utah St.	587,979	[35]
Memphis	364,322	[56]
Maine	349,762	[59]
URI	348,095	[60]
Mississ.St.	339,486	[61]
New Hamp.	222,943	[81]
New Mex.St.	152,044	[89]

Total Budget

Boston Coll.	10,126,555	[3]
Geo.Wash.	9,664,566	[5]
Arkansas	6,413,929	[21]
Vermont	5,983,855	[26]
Ga. State	5,785,624	[31]
URI	4,705,571	[44]
Memphis	4,566,437	[46]
Utah St.	4,524,203	[48]
New Mex.St.	4,395,913	[51]
Maine	4,333,979	[53]
New Hamp.	4,136,855	[58]
Mississ.St.	3,748,632	[63]

Monographs Purchased

Ga. State	33,200	[2]
Boston Coll.	23,473	[14]
Utah St.	16,048	[25]
Geo.Wash.	14,984	[31]
Maine	14,406	[36]
Arkansas	13,243	[41]
URI	12,516	[42]
Mississ.St.	11,082	[48]
New Mex.St.	10,233	[54]
New Hamp.	8,812	[57]
Memphis	7,743	[61]
Vermont	U/A	[no rank]

Monographs Expenditures

Boston Coll.	1,149,283	[6]
Vermont	1,050,513	[11]
Arkansas	679,133	[28]
Geo.Wash.	610,145	[35]
Utah St.	565,268	[38]
Ga. State	551,648	[41]
Maine	534,366	[44]
URI	421,694	[56]
Memphis	341,312	[62]
New Mex.St.	324,770	[65]
New Hamp.	219,763	[83]
Mississ.St.	170,430	[92]

Serials Expenditures

Boston Coll.	1,995,406	[8]
New Hamp.	1,798,506	[13]
Arkansas	1,752,744	[14]
Maine	1,619,104	[20]
Mississ.St.	1,593,679	[24]
Vermont	1,549,081	[26]
URI	1,456,782	[29]
Utah St.	1,257,804	[40]
Ga. State	1,252,078	[41]
Memphis	1,251,881	[42]
New Mex.St.	1,248,321	[43]
Geo.Wash.	1,174,535	[48]

ILL Loans

Maine	34,280	[4]
Boston Coll.	13,422	[24]
Ga. State	12,290	[25]
Geo.Wash.	11,546	[30]
Vermont	11,004	[32]
Arkansas	10,293	[37]
New Hamp.	10,017	[39]
Utah St.	9,104	[45]
URI	8,677	[50]
New Mex.St.	8,640	[51]
Mississ.St.	7,497	[60]
Memphis	5,557	[77]

ILL Borrows

Maine	15,613	[6]
New Mex.St.	11,664	[16]
Geo.Wash.	11,546	[18]
Boston Coll.	9,640	[26]
Utah St.	9,537	[27]
Vermont	8,243	[37]
Memphis	7,848	[42]
New Hamp.	7,387	[47]
Mississ.St.	7,315	[48]
Ga. State	6,947	[50]
Arkansas	6,737	[52]
URI	6,306	[57]

Professional Staff

Boston Coll.	63	[2]
Arkansas	44	[13]
Ga. State	42	[16]
Utah St.	34	[32]
New Mex.St.	32	[33]
Vermont	30	[41]
Geo.Wash.	29	[44]
Memphis	28	[49]
Mississ.St.	25	[57]
Maine	23	[63]
New Hamp.	21	[71]
URI	20	[74]

Support Staff

Geo.Wash.	91	[4]
Ga. State	87	[6]
Boston Coll.	85	[9]
Memphis	78	[15]
Vermont	71	[21]
Arkansas	68	[26]
New Hamp.	56	[34]
New Mex.St.	51	[51]
URI	48	[48]
Maine	45	[53]
Mississ.St.	28	[80]
Utah St.	23	[87]

Other Select Statistics

Computer Files:	URI ranks	31
Cartographic:	URI ranks	49
Graphic:	URI ranks	19
MS and Archives:	URI ranks	16
Audio:	URI ranks	80
Video:	URI ranks	34

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