



**3. ARL Supplementary Statistics 2006-07**

Eliminate the following questions from the supplementary survey:

1. Number of electronic journals purchased. (1) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Number of electronic "full-text" journals purchased. (2) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Number of electronic journals not purchased. (3) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Number of electronic reference sources. (4) \_\_\_\_\_
7. Expenditures for current electronic journals purchased. (7) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Expenditures for electronic "full-text" journals. (8) \_\_\_\_\_
9. Expenditures for electronic reference sources. (9) \_\_\_\_\_

Modify "volumes held collectively" to include not only volumes withdrawn from the local collection, but also those volumes for which the cost was shared at the time of purchase

20. Volumes Held Collectively (20) \_\_\_\_\_

The defining criterion is that the library has devoted financial resources for the purchase of these items and is taking responsibility for their availability through participation in a cooperative that supports shared ownership. The library demonstrates commitment to the shared storage facility by supporting the consortium financially through a legally binding arrangement. Include here volumes originally held and now withdrawn from the local collection because they are held in a "shared" remote storage facility starting with volumes that have been transferred during fiscal year 2005-06. Include volumes purchased collectively where the cost is shared at the time of purchase. Exclude volumes held collectively because they are held by other organizations such as the Center of Research Libraries (CRL) that are supported by membership dues and determination on whether to maintain membership may vary from year to year.

**4. Collect qualitative data to develop a profile of ARL member libraries.**

The members of the Statistics and Assessment Committee will undertake an implementation test collecting descriptive qualitative information for profiling key aspects/features of a library's operations. The profile will be based upon input from the membership as reflected in the interviews conducted and analyzed in 2006 by Yvonna Lincoln including the qualitative criteria in the ARL's Principles of Membership. Upon successful completion of the 2007 phase, we expect that every ARL member library will be asked to contribute a similar description of their operations in 2008.

In addition to the development of the profile, these qualitative descriptive data will be analyzed to identify additional variables to enhance a three-factor index measuring collections, services, and collaborations. Additional variables will be proposed, developed and tested in future data collection activities as they are determined to be useful based upon existing knowledge as well as newly gained insights from the analysis of the qualitative profile information.