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Data Sources - Yale University Library

Circulating Collections

- Voyager (Yale Catalog)
- ILLIAD / RELAIS
 (Resource
 sharing
 management
 systems)

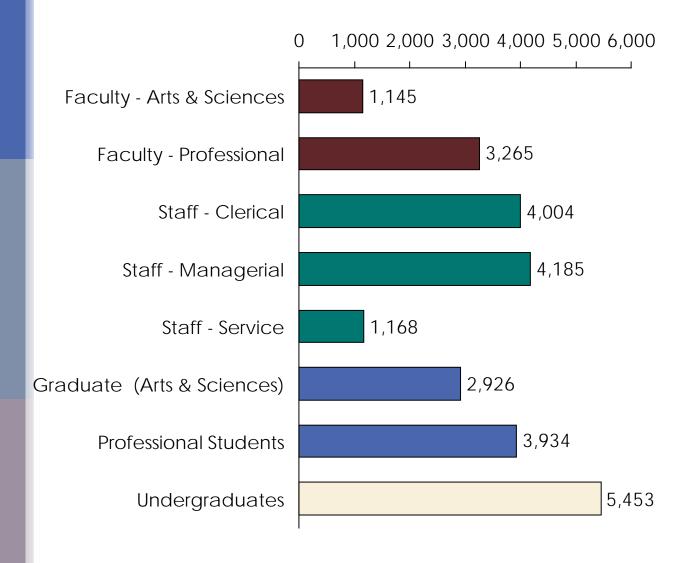
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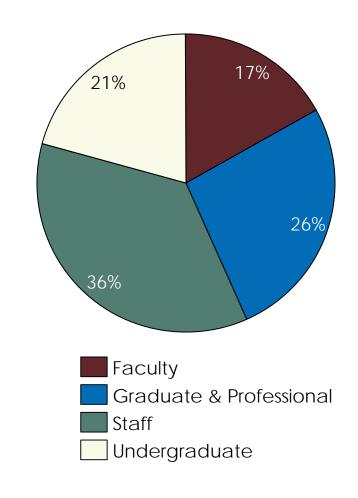
 COUNTER data for ebooks, ejournals, databases

Special Collections

- Aeon (Special collections management system)
- Google Analytics (digitized collections)

Yale University Community – 2014





Source: Yale – Institutional Research 2014-2015 Factsheet

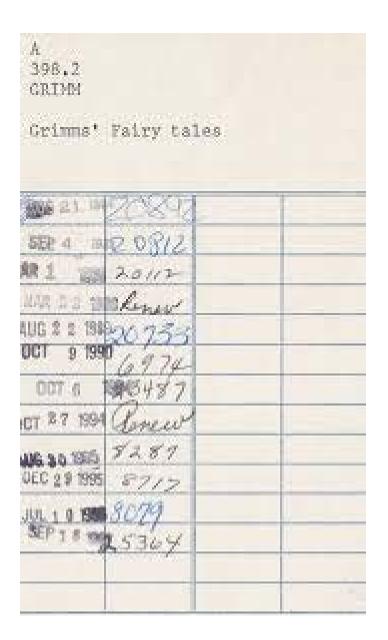
Yale College - BA/BS Degrees Awarded



Circulation

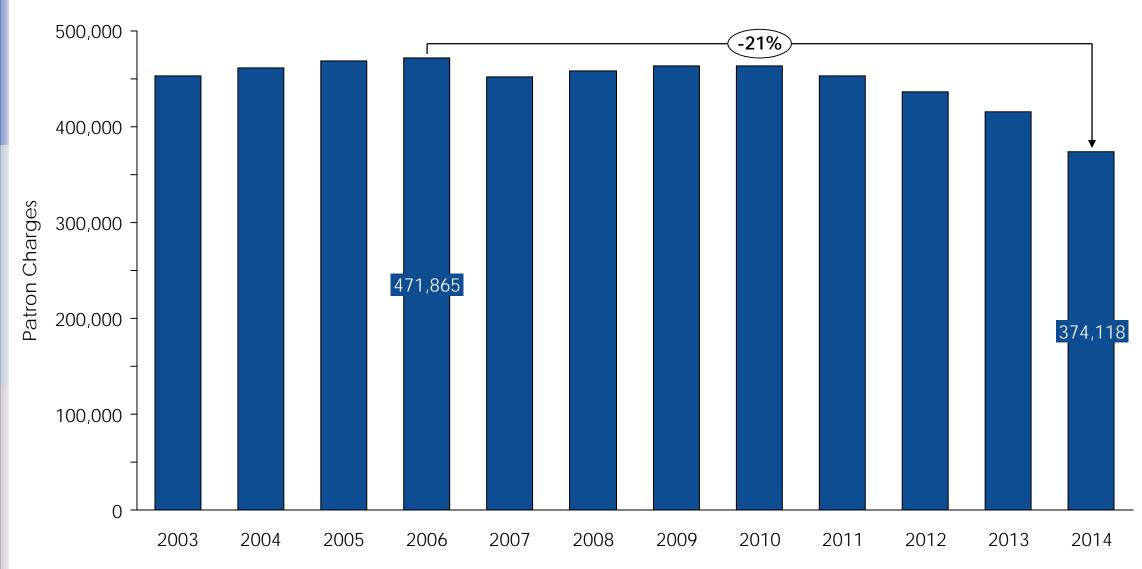
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Yale University Library Circulation

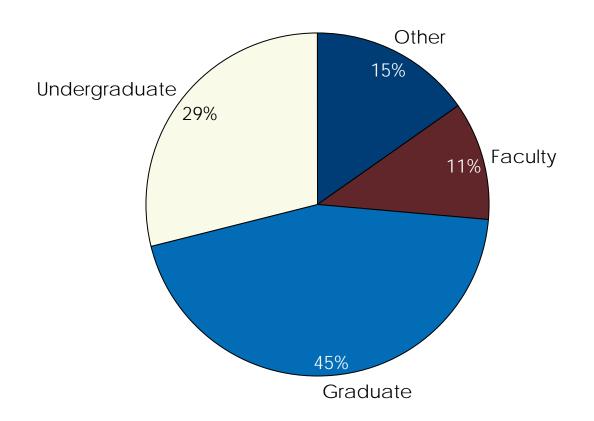


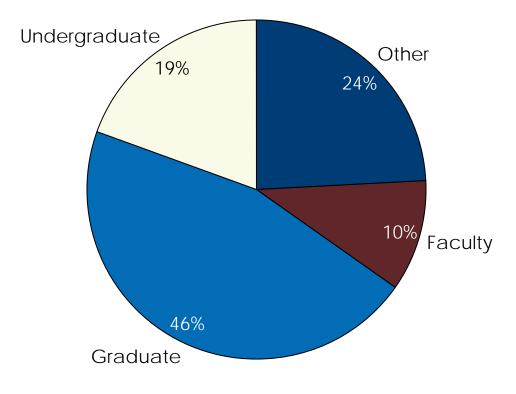
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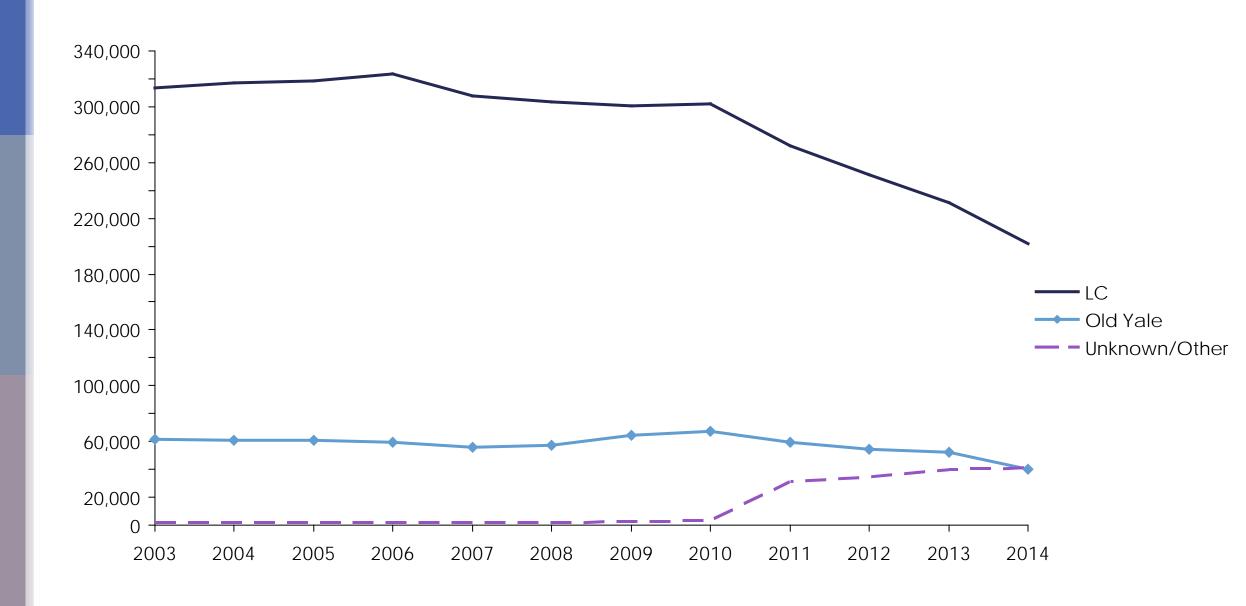
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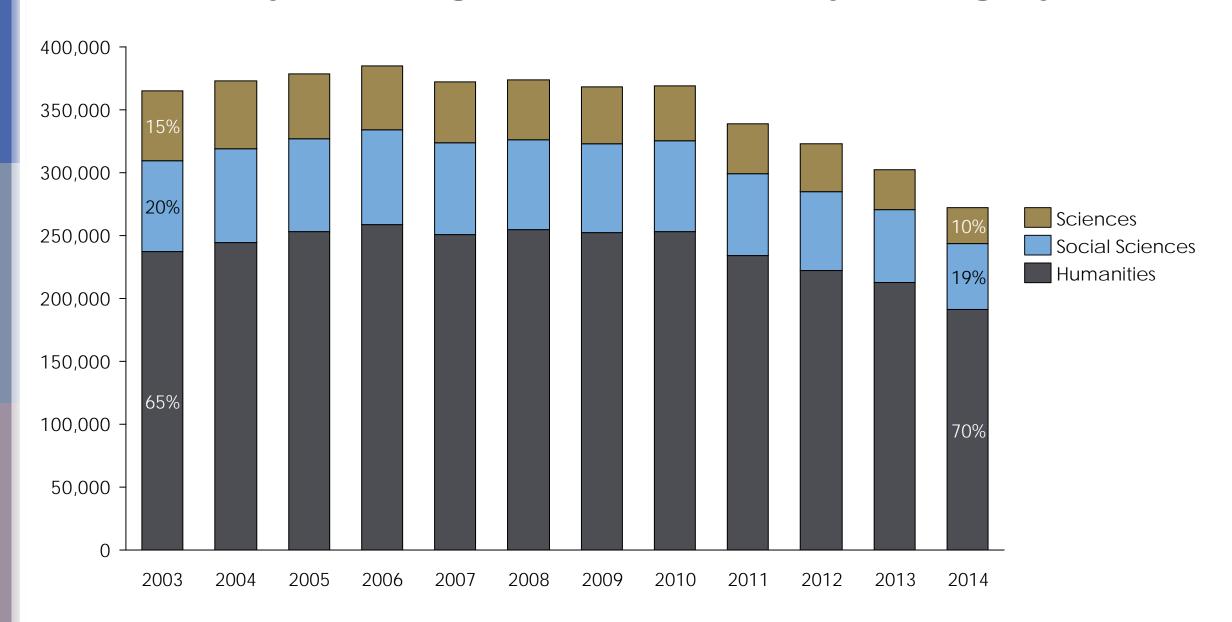




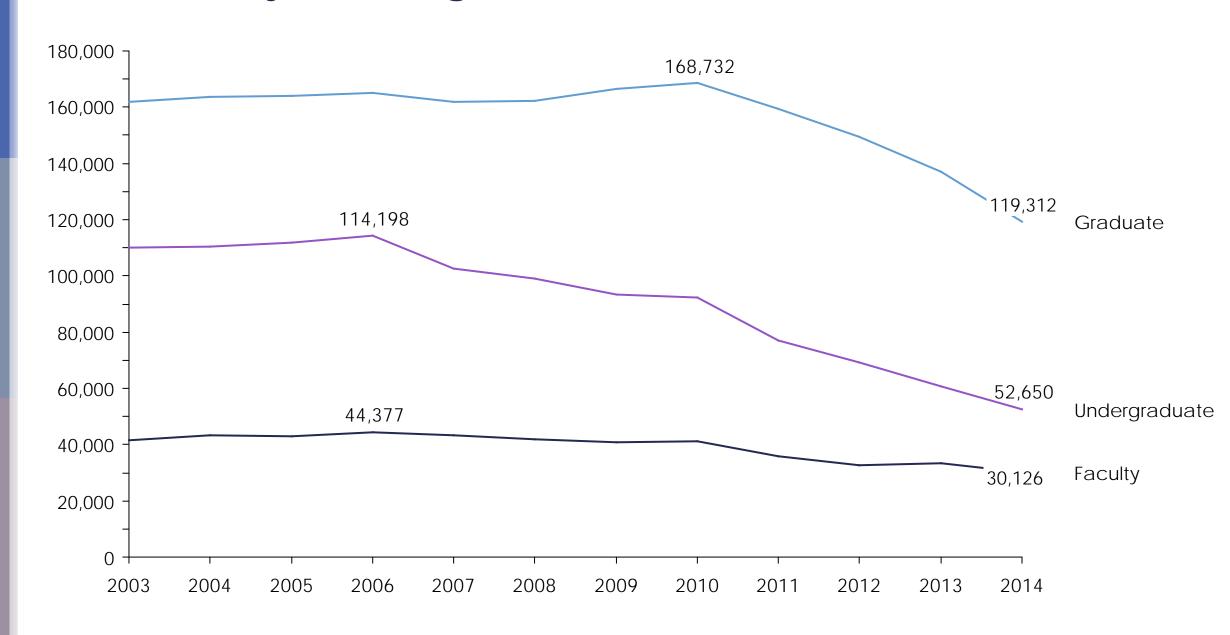
Yale - Circulation by Collection Classification



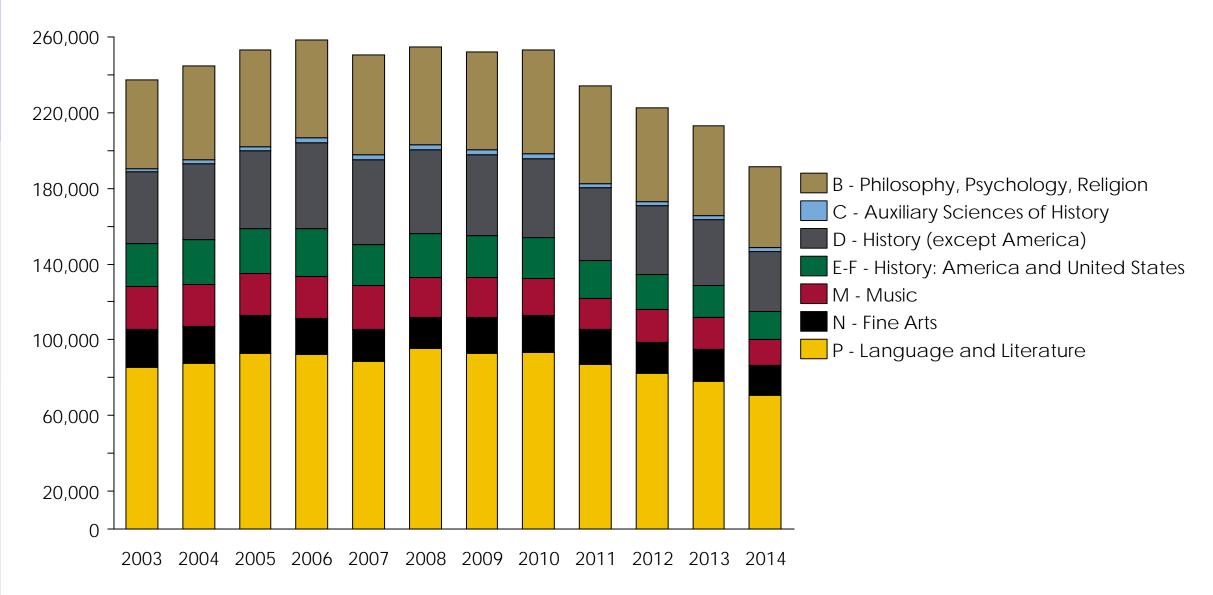
Yale - Library of Congress Collections by Category



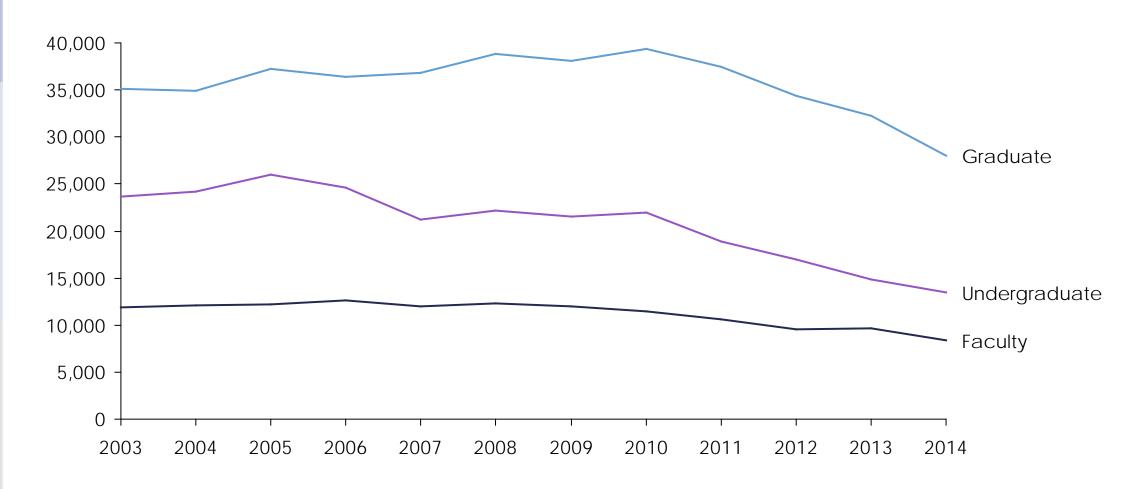
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Humanities Circulation: LC Breakdown

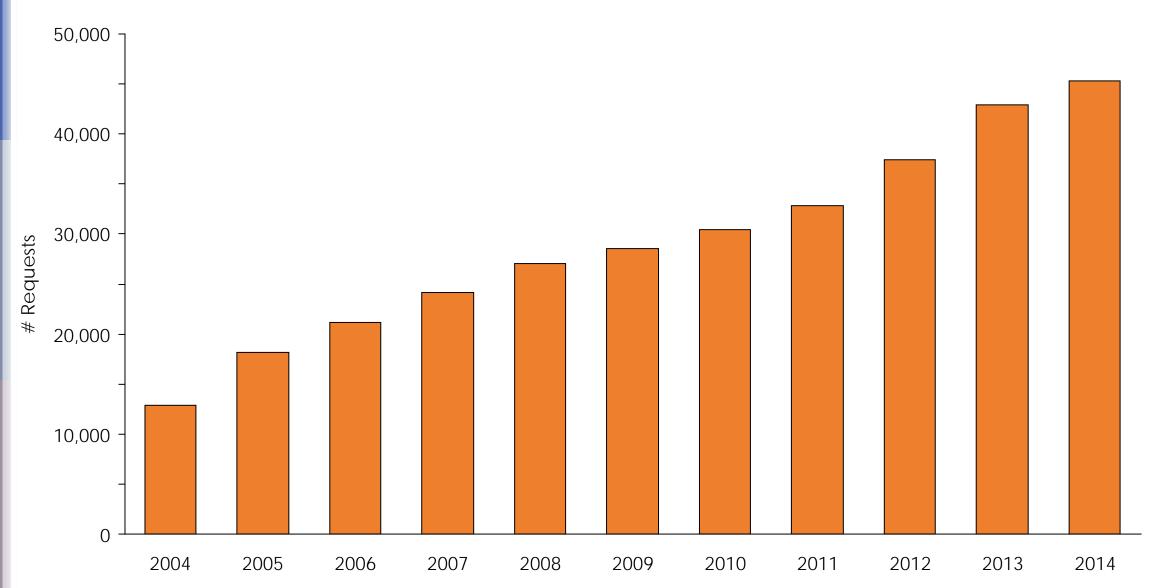


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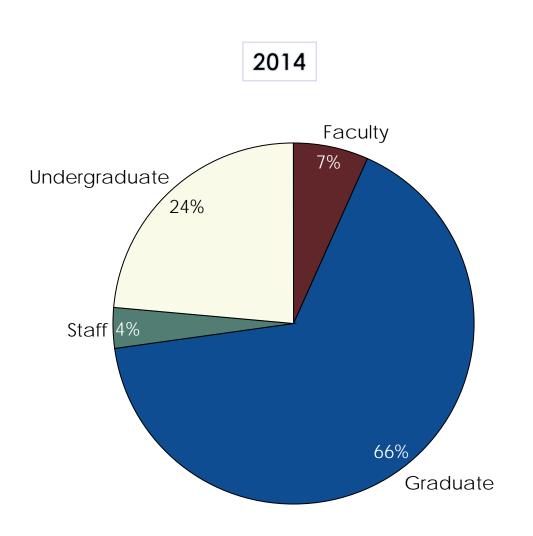


Borrow Direct - Requests by Yale Patrons





Yale Borrow Direct - Requests by Status



Electronic Resources

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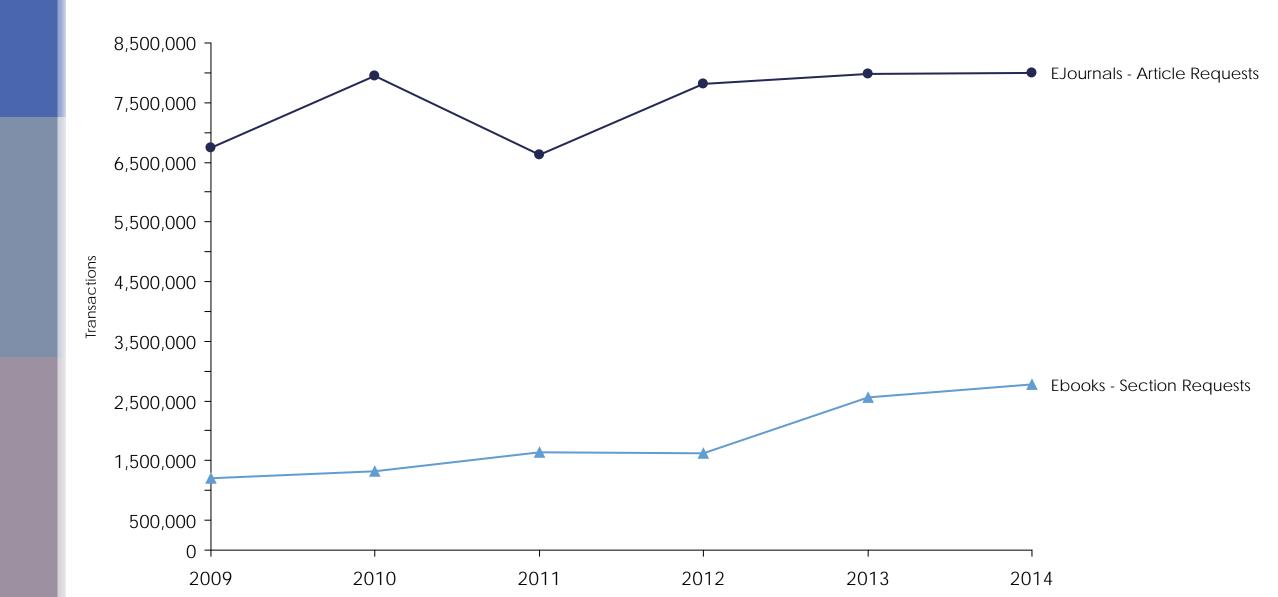
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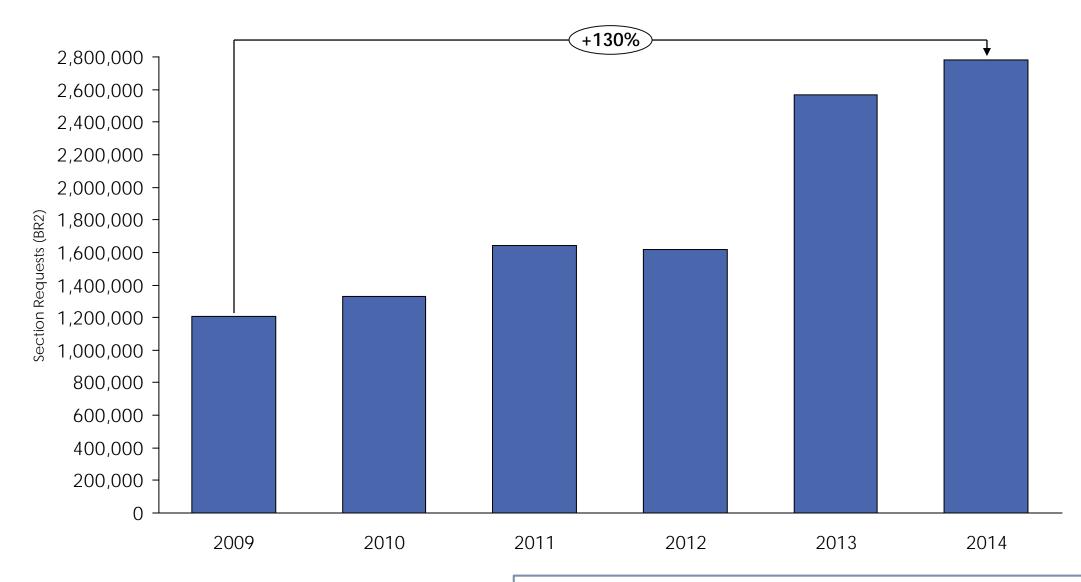
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- Subject metadata



Yale Library - Electronic Resources



Yale Library – Ebook Activity

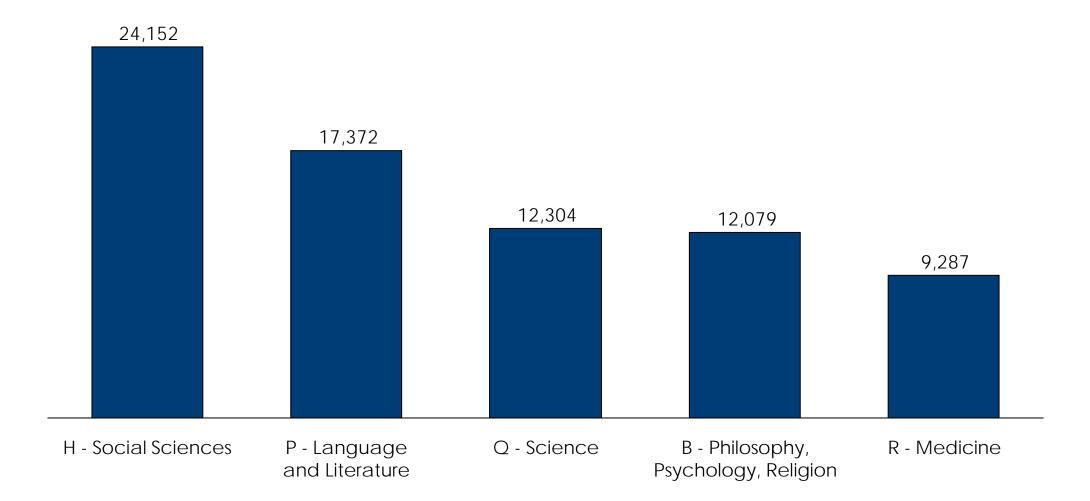


Source: Vendor reports; COUNTER (BR2) - Section Requests



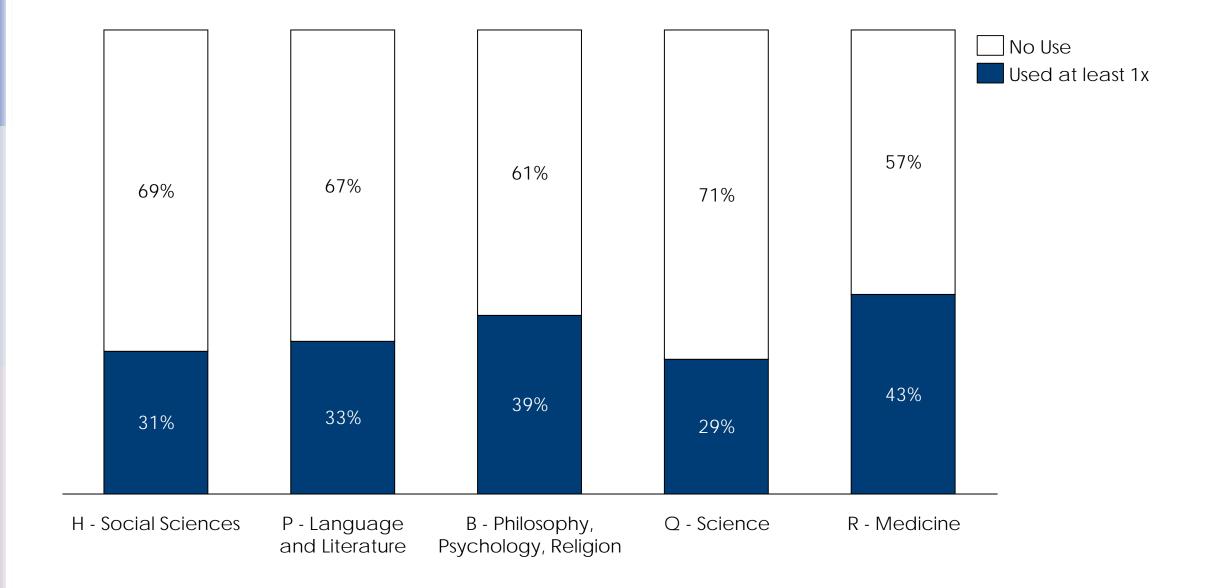
Ebooks: Ebrary Academic Complete

- Ebook collection licensed by Yale since 2003
- Over 119,000 titles, all subject areas





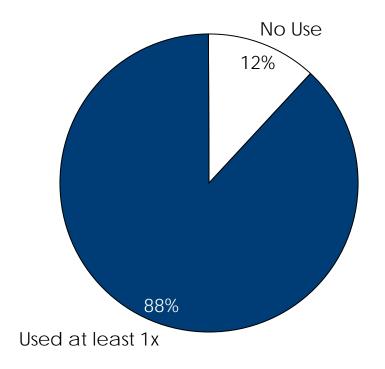
Ebrary Usage Frequency: Top 5 LC Classes



Usage Frequency Comparison: Online / Print Cambridge University Press

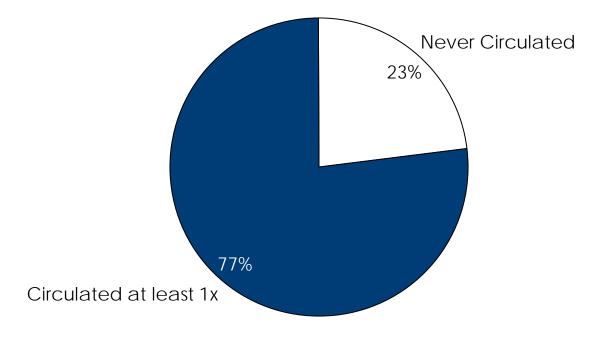
Ebrary - Academic Complete

1,824 titles



Print - Yale Library Holdings

• 9,360 titles



Why?

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Policy

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Thank You

Questions? Comments?

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