

The Summon Discovery Tool

Its Implementation and Impact on Usage Statistics at Maynooth University

The Implementation Process

Implementation



Tender for Link Resolver and Discovery Tool
 Awarded to Proquest November 2013: Summon and 360 Link
 Change of Link Resolver from SFX to 360 Link
 Fully implemented Summer 2014

Impact

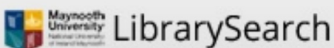


Data and Configuration
 Automated routines to export LMS data to Summon
 Harvest content of Maynooth University ePrints (IR) into Summon
 Link to subscribed resources only
 Information Literacy and Training Preparation

Customisation



New Website
 National University of Ireland, Maynooth (NUIM) rebranded as Maynooth University
 Summon named locally as "LibrarySearch"



LibrarySearch



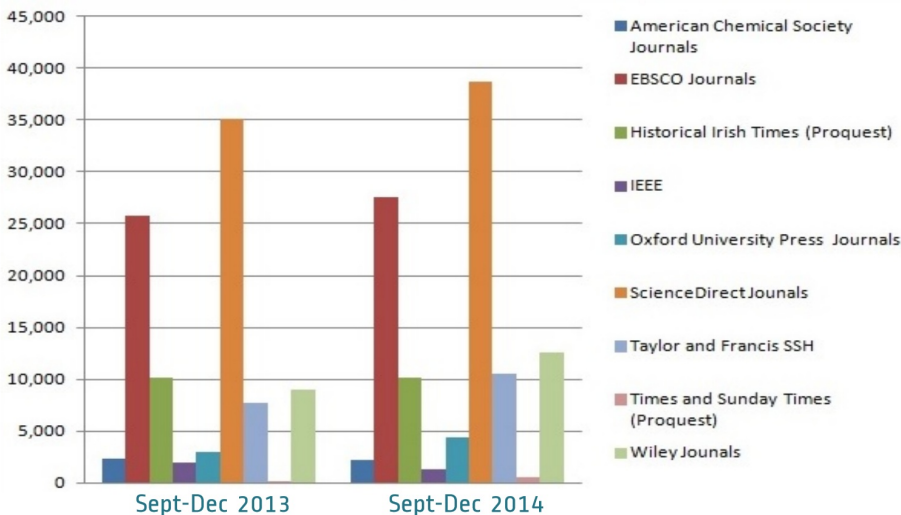
Search the library for books articles and more

Type your search here

Search

LibrarySearch portal on MU Library homepage

Usage Statistics



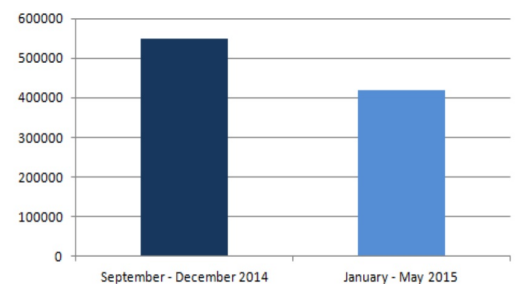
Total Databases: 321

Total Unique Titles:

Books - 502,304

Journals - 82,517

Total Searches



User Feedback

Bless you for doing this!
 You find stuff you didn't know to look for
 Everything is in one place, great not having to search in different places

Don't like it linking to Wikipedia
 Need to always clear filters from previous search
 Couldn't figure out the list
 It wasn't obvious how to save an article

Library Staff Feedback

Know item searching difficult
 Fantastic overview of collections
 How did we ever manage without it?
 Information overload
 Usability needs work!

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