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## **2. USE OF ONLINE DATABASES AMONG POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS**

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### **ABSTRACT**

This chapter presents on the use of electronic database among the postgraduate students at the King Abdul Aziz University Library. A total of 88 postgraduate students have used the online databases with more than half accessed from home and about 85% found this information quicker and that the online databases were not difficult of use. However, majority expressed that they need training.

### **2.1 Introduction**

There was a need to understand the use of online databases among postgraduate students. A total of 90 postgraduate students at King Abdul Aziz University Library were selected to provide their opinion on their use of the online databases. There must be an accurate understanding of how members of the learning community are making use of electronic databases (Horwart J, 2002). Respondents were asked three questions on whether they use electronic databases or not, followed by their experience in using electronic databases. Finally, respondents were asked to ascertain the location in which they access the library database.

The scale model "strongly agree" to "disagree" was used in recording the responses of the respondents. This was done in order to measure their perception regarding the difficulty they encountered in using the electronic databases at the Library. It also presents five different experiences by respondents concerning their usage of the