



521
million records

3.1
billion holdings

WorldCat gets
one new record

**every
second**

As of December 2021



9,000 catalogers working just for you...

“Records through WorldCat updates have the wonderful effect of making it appear like **9,000 other catalogers are working just for you.**”

Becky Culbertson

Electronic Resources Cataloging Librarian
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OCLC member contributions to WorldCat

Number of WorldCat records enhanced by
OCLC member libraries:

Last year:

1,010,187

(December 2020 - December 2021)

Last month:

83,261

(December 2021)



OCLC Community Center

- Learn from peers in online discussion boards
- Stay informed with updates from OCLC on releases and events
- Collaborate on new ideas and product enhancements
- Get involved with focus groups and feedback sessions

Join the community at oc.lc/community

The power of cooperative cataloging

In the past year, OCLC member libraries copy cataloged

95%

of their items from WorldCat



saving an average of
10 minutes per title

The power of cooperative cataloging

By copy cataloging

17,101,022 titles

libraries collectively saved

2.9 million hours

Virtual AskQC Office Hours

Join OCLC's Metadata Quality staff to learn about WorldCat quality issues and ask questions about cataloging. Each session briefly focuses on a specific topic and then opens for general discussion.

Join us at oc.lc/askqc



OCLC member contributions to WorldCat

Number of records processed through the member merge program:

Last six months:

53,110

(July - December 2021)

Last month:

6,883

(December 2021)



Global library cooperation...

“Encompassing libraries from all sectors, of all sizes, and at various stages of development, **WorldCat epitomizes global library collaboration**, crossing borders, languages, and cultures to provide an unrivalled, unifying bibliographic platform.

Peter Sidorko

Former OCLC Global Council President
The University of Hong Kong



香港大學

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

OCLC member contributions to WorldCat

Number of WorldCat records enriched and replaced by the cataloging community:

Last six months:

1,137,379

(July - December 2021)

Last month:

178,077

(December 2021)

Next provides insight and information about the work being done by and for libraries all over the world.

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WorldCat knowledge base: A new infrastructure for e-resource management



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The WorldCat knowledge base connects library users to the electronic content provided by their libraries. The latest update is the result of a major multi-year investment that strengthens OCLC's foundation and provides benefits across many products and services. To learn more about this effort and our commitment to ongoing innovation, please watch a short video featuring Mary Sauer-Games, OCLC's Vice President of Global Product Management.

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Sources of WorldCat bibliographic records (as of December 2021)



OCLC and member libraries

62.29%

National libraries

23.78%

Vendors/publishers

11.49%

Library of Congress

2.44%

(Items published since 2010)