

### OCLC's global library network





## 4.8 million OCLC control numbers added to WorldCat knowledge base titles in the last year





## 26 billion searches on WorldCat annually





## 51+M ebook records as of May 2023





## 13+% of WorldCat records originate from publishers and vendors





### \$162 million invested in WorldCat since 2017





## Resources in 490 languages and 48 scripts





## 90+% of WorldCat records collaboratively created and enriched





# 56 million records enhanced by OCLC Metadata Quality Team since July 2022

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# 349M holdings improved through streamlined holdings updates since program started

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

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### Can you imagine a world without WorldCat?



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WorldCat is a legend—a remarkable achievement in global collaboration. What began as a way for a har has turned into a critical, core asset for libraries around the world.

WorldCat is not just a place for individual libraries to write and store MARC records. Collaboration amor WorldCat to the point where it is a hub for an astonishing volume of library activities every day. The one ensuring that high-quality, library-centric data is available now and in the future.

### Community commitment creates WorldCat scale

WorldCat was originally based on a simple premise: one library worker could contribute a record and satuse the record as part of their local catalog. The more libraries that participate, the more opportunities same network principle has held true for more than 50 years, WorldCat now incorporates thousands of

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### Open everything, everywhere, all at once

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This is the first in a series of blog posts exploring the evolving Open landscape, library roles and OCLC's place within it. This post provides a general overview of Open, sign-posting important categories as they relate to libraries and exploring motivations that draw libraries – and other stakeholders – into this ecosystem. Subsequent posts will describe OCLC's engagement in the Open landscape and examine our distinctive position as a member-driven infrastructure partner.



Hubble Space Telescope image of the Carina Nebula produced by produced by NASA and the Space Telescope Science Institute (STScI) There is tremendous enthusiasm for "Open" initiatives in the library community. While much library activity and investment in this area is concentrated in academic libraries, libraries of all types and sizes have embraced Open – a broad constellation of practices and principles – as a core value proposition.

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