



## **How do your collections compare?**

Your library needs strong topic-specific collections to prove value to your users, your administration, and your accreditation organisations. These collections support the institution's curriculum and ensure that students and faculty can rely on the library for the information they need.

How do your topic-specific collections compare with other peer institutions? To gain and maintain accreditation and to attract top-tier faculty and students, you need to be able to benchmark against other collections. This information can also help you make collection development decisions about which resources your users expect you to have.

## **Get the data you need.**

WorldShare Collection Evaluation allows you to make data-driven collection management decisions based on real-world comparisons. Evaluate your current collections against a specific library or a group using the collaborative data in WorldCat®. You can also compare against authoritative lists or accreditation curricula to prioritise collection development activities.

Beyond simple holdings comparisons, Collection Evaluation provides detailed title information, subject analyses, and local circulation information. With easy-to-understand data visualisations, Collection Evaluation can become a regular part of your collection management workflows. Export options allow you to further explore your data or easily share this information with your administration.

**WorldShare Collection Evaluation** compares your library collections to those of another library, a peer group, or a benchmark library group to analyse the strength of your discipline-specific resources and to support decisions about what to buy, license, or borrow.

# Benchmark and compare your collection with others to support collection development decisions for accreditation.

Collection Evaluation helps you easily gather and understand the data you need to meet accreditation requirements, support your university's curriculum, and provide the content your users require **to make breakthroughs possible.**

**Look far and dive deep with WorldCat.** Collection Evaluation relies on the cooperative data in WorldCat to provide quick and accurate information about other libraries' collection data. As the world's most comprehensive database of information about library collections, WorldCat grants you access to the collections of libraries worldwide.

**Compare to the best.** Collection Evaluation includes predefined groups of libraries you may want to benchmark against. For example, you can compare your resources to those held by libraries of a specific type, with a subject specialisation, in a geographic area, with a certain ranking, and more.

**Narrow or broaden your search.** Collection Evaluation also allows you to create custom groups of up to 50 libraries against which you can quickly compare collections on specific subject areas. You can narrow your results by format, language, publication date, and other options. Or, find open-access resources by comparing your collection to HathiTrust.

## **Benchmark against recognised standards.**

Collection Evaluation offers comparisons of your collections to authoritative lists, such as *Choice*, *Booklist*, *Doody's*, *Library Journal*, *Publisher's Weekly*, and *School Library Journal*. You can also evaluate your collection against accreditation standards to support reviews or new institutional programmes.



**"...without requiring technical expertise"**

"WorldShare Collection Evaluation provided us with an overview of the monograph collection quickly and without requiring a great deal of technical expertise."

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**Because what is known must be shared.®**

