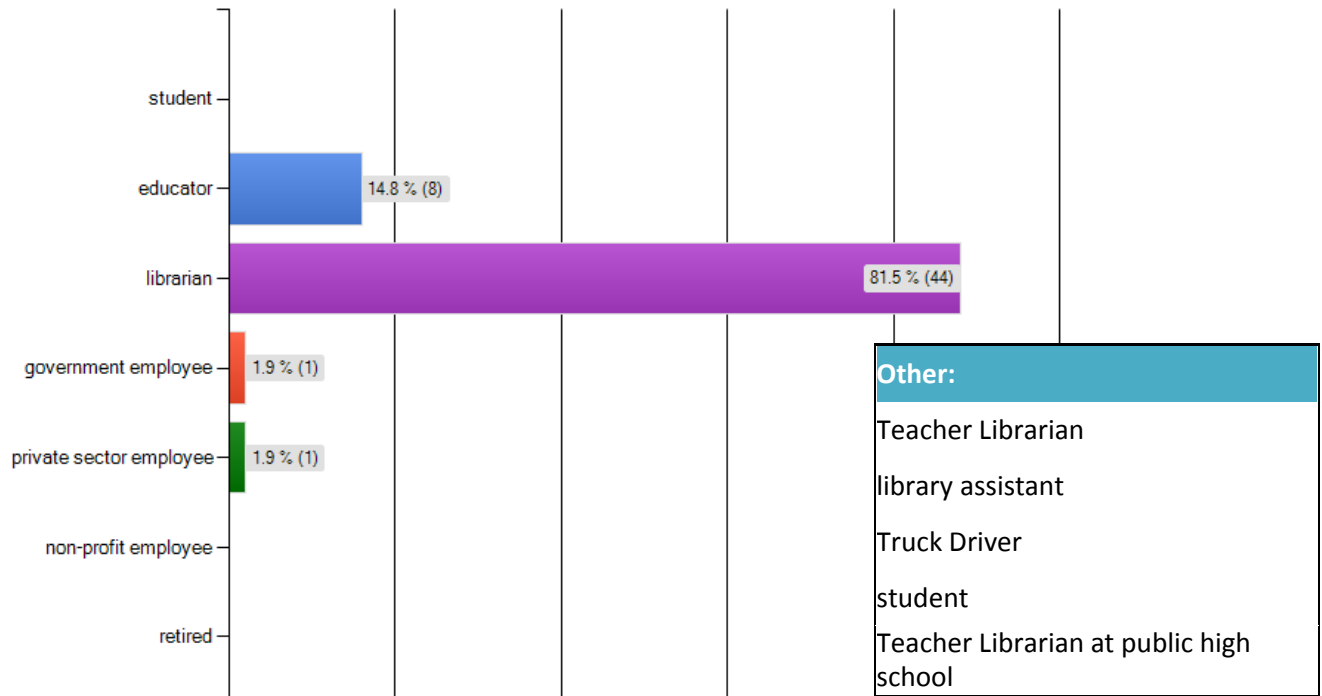
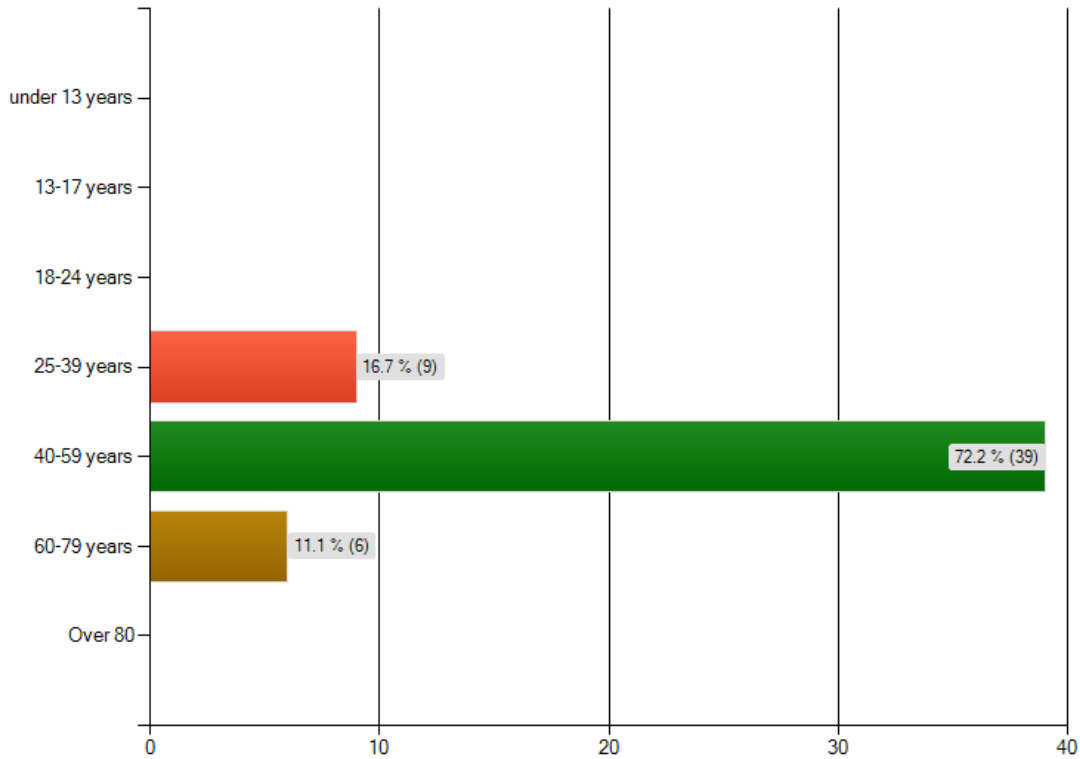


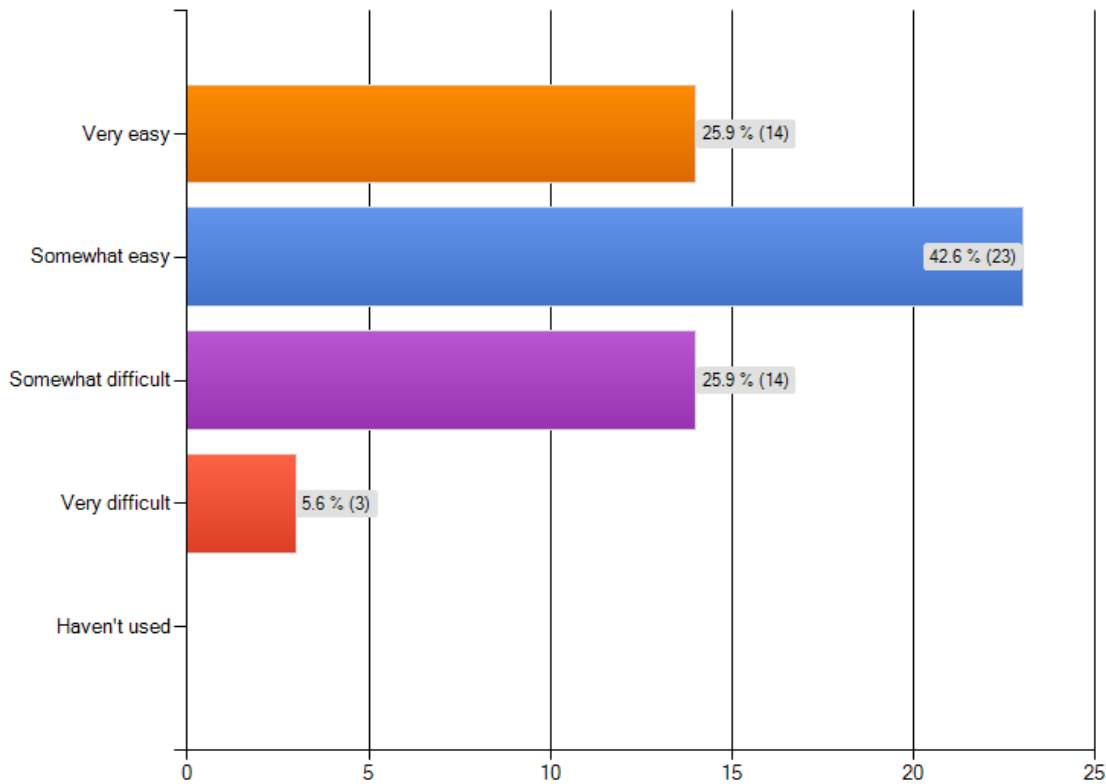
What is your occupation?



What is your age?



Rate the ease of identifying available databases.



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Answer Options

Response Count

30

answered question

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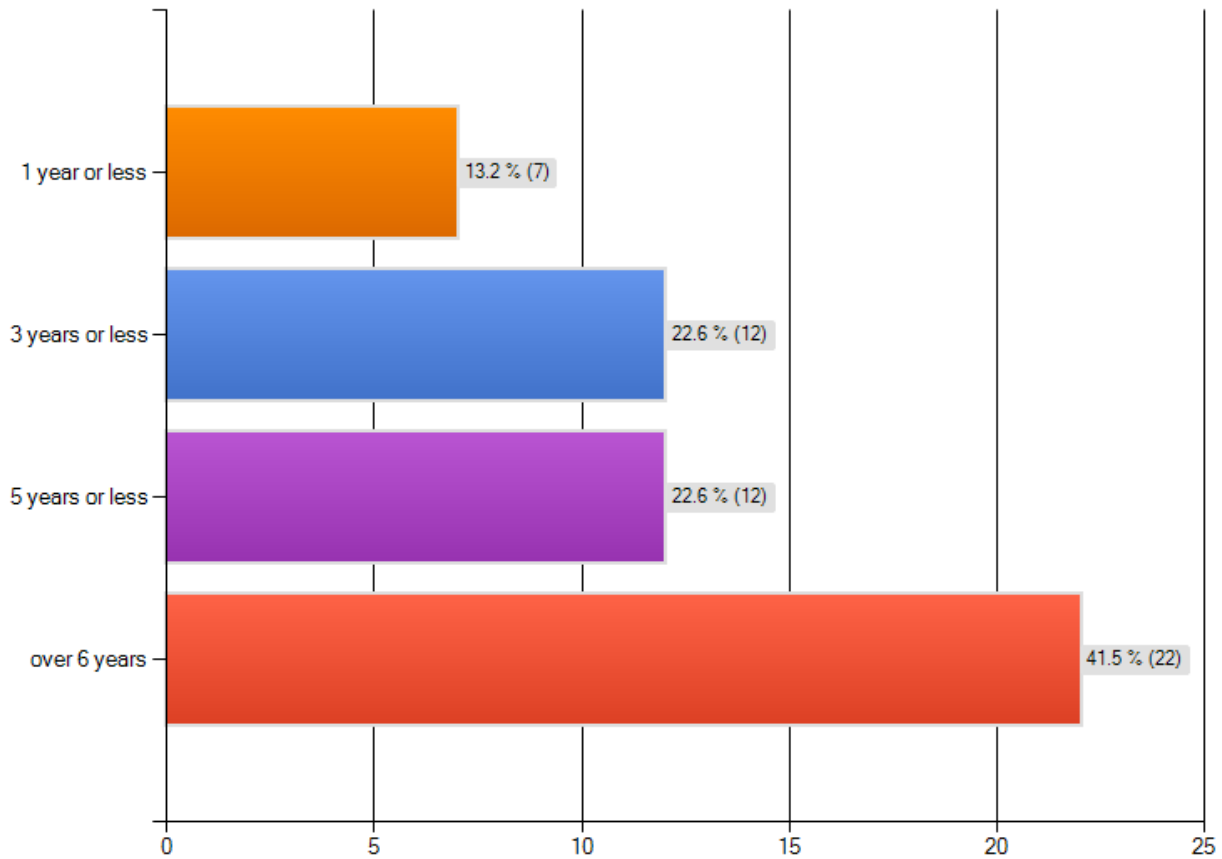
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Number Response Text

- 1 I would like to be able to see what's available, all on one screen, instead of those pull-down boxes.
- 2 I don't know if its the portal that is the problem.
- 3 Only mention each database once, not have multiple listings by subject, alphabetically, etc.
- 4 Data base selection to cryptic. Students often end up in a database that cannot answer their question. Online video tutorials explaining how to use the databases.
- 5 I think it works well as is.
- 6 One search for all databases.
- 7 Not sure if libraries use the portal or just pick off the databases for their own pages. Maybe make it customizable for each library to add additional databases they pay for themselves....
- 8 Login is kind of confusing. Is this my account or some sort of shared account? It's not clear.

- 9** get rid of the list button. It is way too confusing for patrons.
- 10** Mainly, stop changing it. Every time I get used to where everything is, you guys change it and I have to go looking again. Find something that works and leave it alone.
- 11** The list of topics is too long.
- 12** 1. After selecting a topic or vendor for databases clicking the "List" button puzzles people. Make it say "Go" or "Search"
2. Include a link to LiLi Unlimited in the database section. Even if it has to take them to a different log in site.
- 13** short descriptions, for instance, make sure eCurriculum mentions it contains literature and history.
- 14** Sometimes, when we are teaching classes how to use the databases, they don't work because they are "too busy." Can this be rectified?
- 15** The list of databases is quite long, and it is not clear in all cases what they are/what type of information they provide. I chose ABI/Inform Dateline and clicked on Login/Browse and then a page for Proquest appears. No request for login was requested, and I really wasn't sure what to do next.
- 16** If you could just click on the title in the list and not have to click on list again it would save time. Students are very impatient and want to get to their information as quickly as possible
- 17** I like the way you have set the links specific to who will be using them. Our high school students know to click on the students link and find the databases that we have talked about and used.
- 18** Define the databases! Describe the content! Tag it, at least. New users are not psychic. Neither are librarians, though they often need clairvoyant powers to figure out which database to use.
- 19** The data base list is confusing as you have to keep clicking to get to one
- 20** the pulldown menu is not intuitive and is long. Maybe have separate menus that list by vendor or subject
- 21** The icons in e-library curriculum edition are not appealing to high school students.
- 22** It's hard to tell what DATA base to start looking in.
- 23** I am relatively new to LiLi-my students used for their research papers
- 24** I think it's very easy to use.
- 25** The drop down menus are not intuitive for some patrons.
- 26** We don't use the Portal. We have our own logins and go directly to the databases from our school library webpage,
- 27** one less click in the beginning
- 28** one less click in the beginning
- 29** one less click in the beginning
- 30** It may not be possible, but I'd really like to be able to download the eaudiobooks to an iPod. Lots of people own them and even though they want to download the audiobooks, they don't want to buy an MP3 player.

How long have you used the portal?



How would you prefer to browse the list of available LiLI databases?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Alphabetical by database name	23.4%	11
Alphabetical by subject	48.9%	23
By user group (e.g. Kids, Students, eBooks)	25.5%	12
By popularity	2.1%	1
Other (please specify)		14
<i>answered question</i>		47
<i>skipped question</i>		7

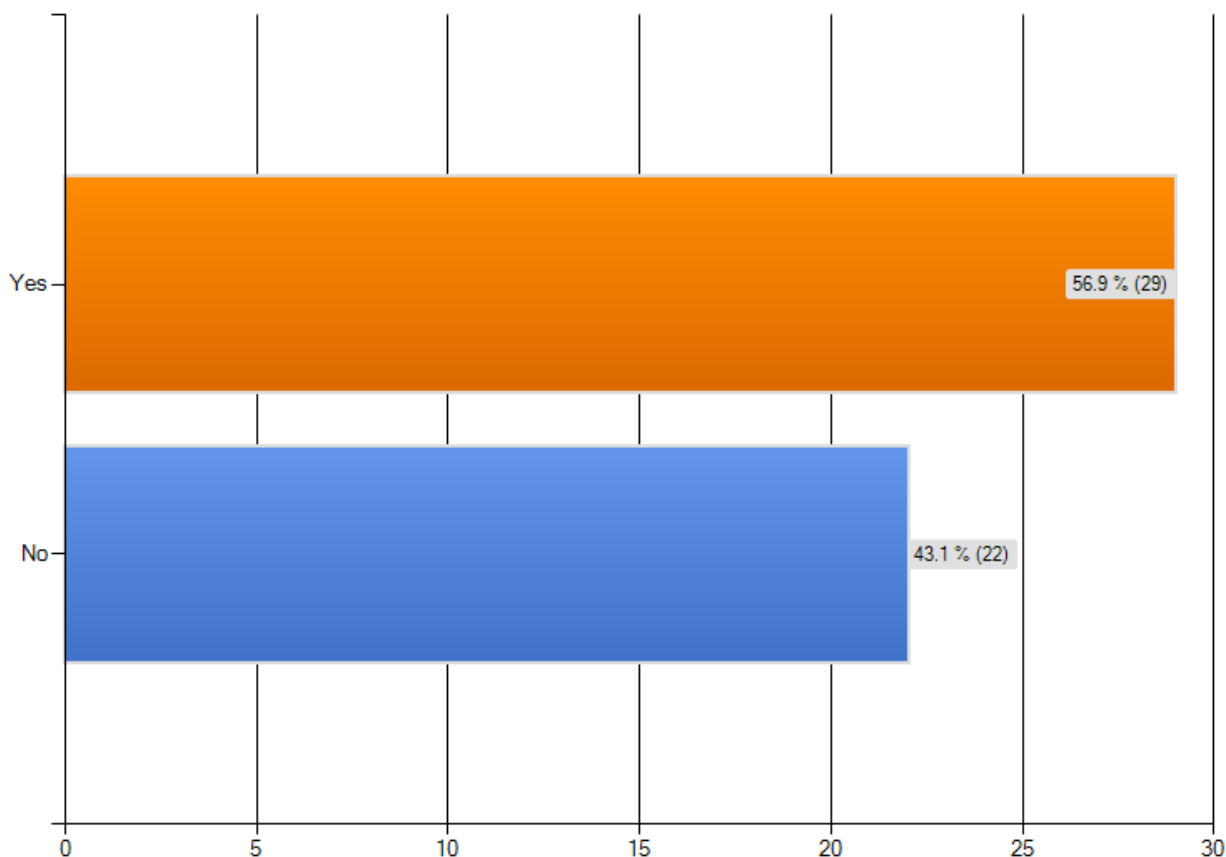
Number Other (please specify)

- 1 All of the above!
- 2 search engine that would display best databases...then a search engine in each
- 3 All of the above.
- 4 By subject area with age level behind it. Science/high school.
- 5 Wouldn't it be cool to have a choice of how you want to browse, i.e by subject or database name?

- 6 I think main categories with subsets would be better. One long list is not terribly helpful. Subject & user groups would be good.
- 7 I do find the User group helpful when I'm demonstrating the high school classes at first. Then I go the the alphabetical and subject list and have them pick which other databases they would like me to show them.
- 8 Database subjects and contents need to be transparent and clear. The database names are not--they are obscure and self-referential. ProQuest means nothing to the average user off the street. Also, it would be really, really handy to have Express links for popular DBs and sources like Consumer Reports, Automotive DB, NYTimes Crossword, Family Health. The vendors are creating unreasonable roadblocks to their own databases by making these sites hard to find.
- 9 I like being able to click on the student icon.

There are so many of the general databases they need to be arranged by subject.
- 10 I like the way it is set now: 3 choices on the first page.
- 11 all
- 12 We group the databases by Company. e.g Proquest, Gale, Ebsco
- 13 I think they are fine the way they are.
- 14 Have the database list available both by subject and by database name

Have you used any of the tip sheets or educator resources available through this site?



How did you learn about LiLI.org?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Found via a web search	0%	0
Library or school web site	44.4%	24
Other web site	1.9%	1
Friend or co-worker	9.3%	5
Librarian or teacher	22.2%	12
Flyer, bookmark, display or other marketing material	5.6%	3
Training	42.6%	23
Other (please specify)		5
<i>answered question</i>		53
<i>skipped question</i>		1

Number	Response Date	Other (please specify)
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- 1 I was told about it when I first arrived at Boise Public and was sent to LiLI training.
- 2 Library Listserve
- 3 Trial and error
- 4 LibIdaho? It's been so long I don't remember specifically how I learned about it.
- 5 ICFL notice and training

What social networking services do you use? Check all that apply.		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Facebook	63.5%	33
Twitter	23.1%	12
MySpace	13.7%	7
YouTube	38.5%	20
Flickr	25.0%	13
Delicious	26.9%	14
None	26.9%	14
Other (please specify)		4
<i>answered question</i>		51
<i>skipped question</i>		3

Number	Other (please specify)
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- 1 Dreamwidth, OpenID, LJ, Picasa
- 2 Our school district blocks these sites.
- 3 Goodreads
- 4 I use Facebook at home - school blocks social networking.

Would like us to follow up with you on your comments or to be contacted about the results of this survey?

