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Web archiving with and around government in Canada

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Library and Archives Canada – Legal Deposit & Websites

“Sampling from Internet

(2) In exercising the powers referred to in paragraph (1)(a) and for the purpose of preservation, the Librarian and Archivist may take, at the times and in the manner that he or she considers appropriate, a **representative sample of the documentary material of interest to Canada that is accessible to the public without restriction through the Internet or any similar medium.**”

Library and Archives Canada Act. (S.C. 2004, c. 11), 8(2)



The screenshot shows the Library and Archives Canada website. The header includes the Library and Archives Canada logo, a red maple leaf, and the word "Canada". Below the header is a navigation bar with links: "Discover the Collection", "Online Research", "Copies & Visiting", and "Services and programs". A search bar is also present. The main content area is titled "Government of Canada Web Archive" and includes a sidebar with links: "Browse by Institution", "Browse by URL", and "Disclaimers". The main text describes the web archiving program and lists what the GCWA contains: federal government information, federal web pages no longer available, and indices by organization name and URL. There is a search section with buttons for "Browse by Institution" and "Browse by URL". At the bottom, there is a section titled "More on LAC's Web Archiving Program" with links to "Preserving Canada's online presence", "What is web archiving?", "Future access to non-federal collections", and "Contact Web Archiving Program team".

<http://webarchive.bac-lac.gc.ca/>

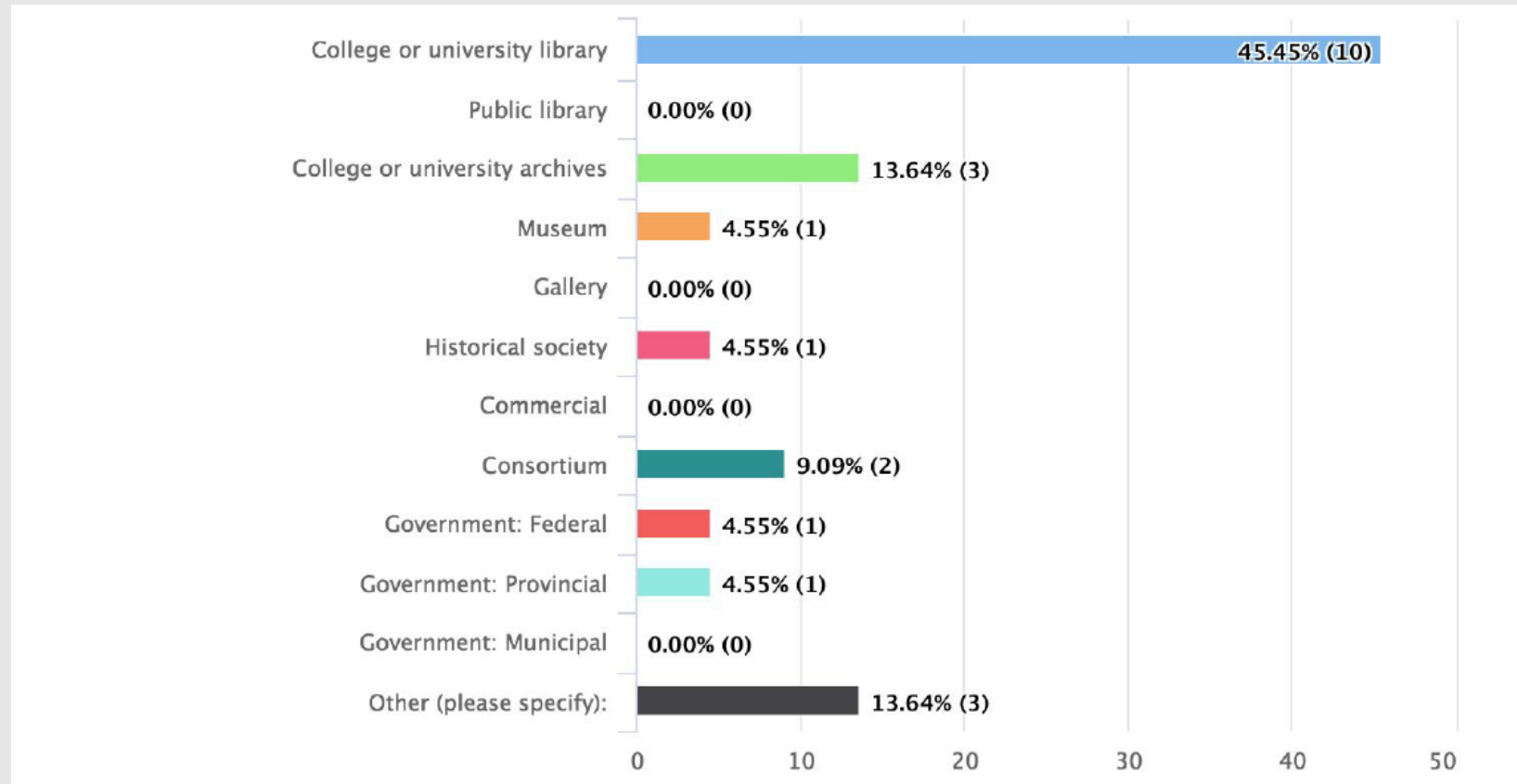
Legal Deposit Exclusions

“The following are not subject to, or are specifically exempted from, legal deposit:

- official publications of Canadian provincial, territorial and municipal governments
- loose-leaf publications with updates in print format
- materials not intended for public sale or distribution...”

Library and Archives Canada, 2017 “Legal Deposit”,
<https://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/services/legal-deposit/Pages/legal-deposit.aspx>

Who is web archiving in Canada?



Corey Davis. "2017 Web Archiving in Canada Survey." Canadian Web Archiving Coalition Inaugural Meeting, Ottawa, September 20th, 2017.



On what basis?

Exceptions

Fair Dealing

Research, private study, etc.

29 Fair dealing for the purpose of research, private study, education, parody or satire does not infringe copyright.

R.S., 1985, c. C-42, s. 29; R.S., 1985, c. 10 (4th Supp.), s. 7; 1994, c. 47, s. 61; 1997, c. 24, s. 18; 2012, c. 20, s. 21.

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Libraries, Archives and Museums in Educational Institutions

Application to libraries, etc. within educational institutions

30.4 For greater certainty, the exceptions to infringement of copyright provided for under sections 29.4 to 30.3 and 45 also apply in respect of a library, archive or museum that forms part of an educational institution.

1997, c. 24, s. 18.

Copyright Act, Part III, 29 & 30.4

<http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/c-42/>



Academic libraries & digital government information in Canada:

- Solid leg to stand on RE: copyright ✓
- Extension of depository stewardship role in digital age ✓
- Addresses need for research material ✓
- Web archiving expertise ✓



Archives Descriptive Database

[Next Record](#)[Previous Record](#)[Return to File and Item Search Results](#)[Return to Full Search Results](#)[New Search](#)[HELP](#)[Save This Record](#)[View Saved Results \(0 Saved Results\)](#)[Clear Saved Items](#)[Share Link](#)

Description of File or Item:

Title	Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services - CSD Annual Report
Class	MCSCS
Dates of Creation	2002-2003
Physical Description	1 file of textual records
File or Item Forms a Part of	<p>This file or item forms a part of the following group of records:</p> <p>RG 33-73 Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services Chief Information Officer's subject and correspondence files</p> <p>Click on the reference code above for information about this group of records.</p>
Restrictions on the Group of Records of which this File/Item forms a Part	Access to these records is governed by the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Requests for access to records 100 years old or less must be submitted in writing to the Information and Privacy Unit of the Archives of Ontario.
Location and ordering information	<p>Item is located in RG 33-73 , barcode B740492.</p> <p>Take note of this information for retrieval of this item. To help you find what you need, also note the File/Item Ref. Code and/or the Creator Ref. shown above.</p>



Barriers for academic libraries archiving Canadian gov sites:

- Confusing or prohibitive copyright statements ✖
- Unclear scope of government domain ✖
- Lack of forums to advocate for archiveability ✖
- Lack of avenues to address technical problems ✖



Working with allied professions within government:

- Extensive knowledge of domain
- Heads up RE: website changes
- Access to communications & web teams
- Partners in advocacy
- Potential for labour sharing





Outstanding issues:

- Informal agreements, no guarantees
- Subject to changing administrations/priorities
- Differing understandings of access & metadata
- Issues of what to capture, different institutional interests
- Documentation & provenance concerns



Questions?

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