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Comments Received:

I oppose the plan to eliminate the Academic Libraries survey. I am an advocate with the American Library Association, and I work for a digital library research platform that serves academic libraries around the nation and world. The unique long-range data of the Academic Libraries survey provides crucial information about changes and trends in college and university libraries. The survey has been instrumental in recognizing patterns across the span of many years that has helped shape the growth of academic library responsibilities. The loss of data implies the loss of support for the movement of academic libraries into the future. I strongly encourage that the Academic Libraries survey remain intact to continue gathering the relevant data that underlines the application of libraries and their impacts on academia.