

USER NOTE
PUBLIC LIBRARIES SURVEY REPORT
For Fiscal Year 2008

The Institute of Museum and Library Services program report "Public Libraries Survey Fiscal Year 2008" contains corrections for errors in the state of Kansas. The Kansas errors related to the Collection variables, Electronic Books, State Licensed Databases, Other Licensed Databases, and Current Electronic Serial Subscriptions having the largest changes. Audio, Video, Local Licensed Databases, and Current Print Serial Subscriptions have minor changes. Notification was received after the report was posted on the web and printing was complete. The report and data files are now corrected. These corrections affect Tables 12, 12A, 14, 14A, 15, 15A, A4, and A5.

These changes in reported values for these data elements in Kansas also lead to some changes in imputed values for the same data elements in libraries in Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota. This is because imputed values are calculated based on the characteristics of libraries (administrative entities) in the same geographic region who serve legal service areas of comparable population size. The scale of the changes in these other states depended on the response rates of the libraries in those states for the variables that needed to be imputed. The minor imputed value change for North Dakota did not result in any changes in the publication tables.