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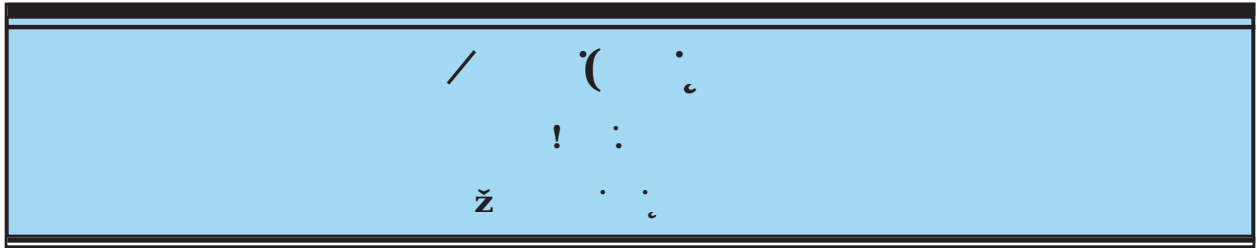
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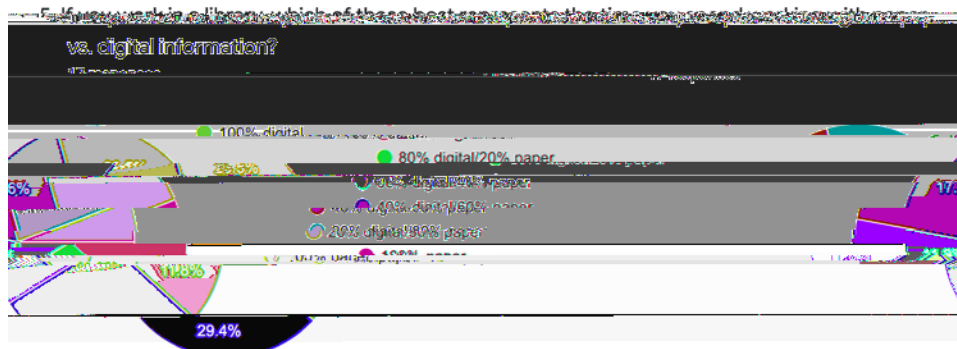
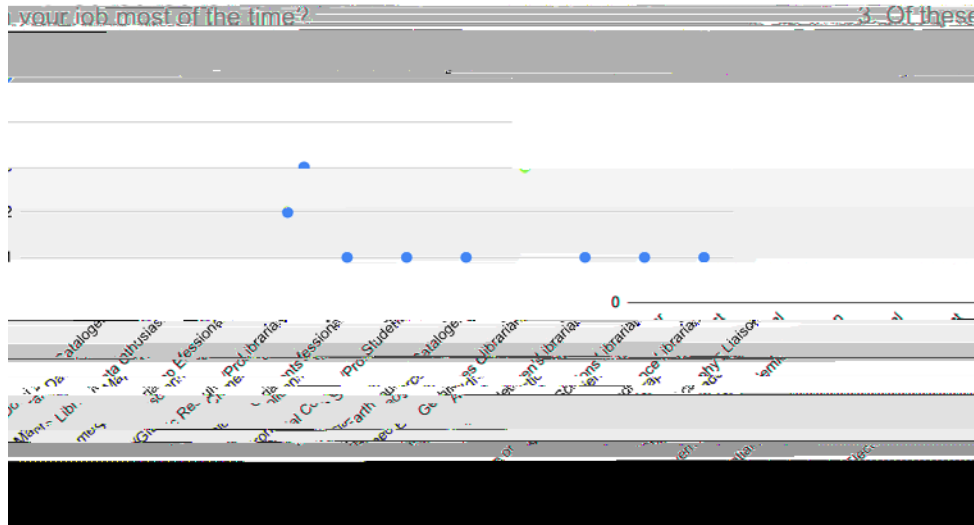
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# MAGIRT Website Redesign Member Survey Report

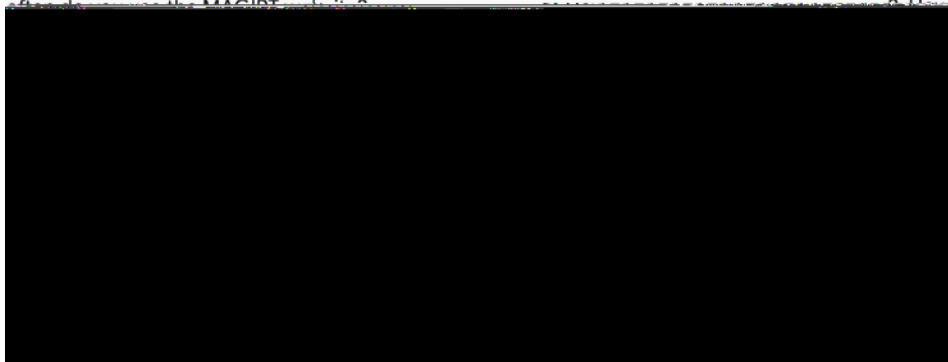
Summary: Feedback on website content

# I. Respondent characteristics





## II. Respondent website usage



## III. Feedback on website content



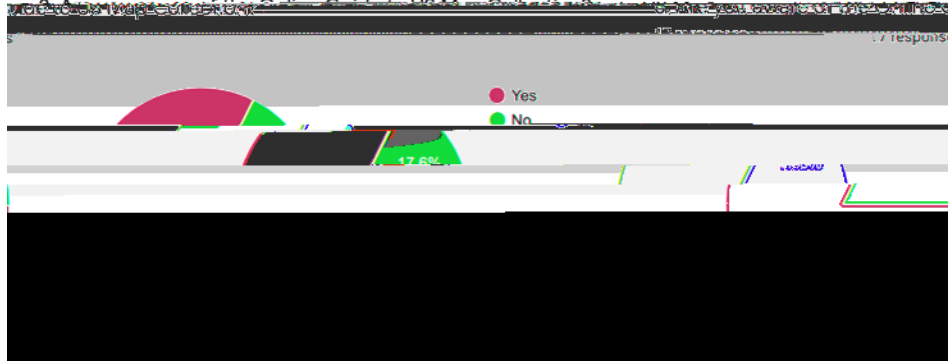
**4. What content would be most useful to a student or new professional in the field?**

- "Accidental maps librarian" content... a way for librarians with different levels of experience to get acclimated to maps librarianship.
- Jargon explanations; resources to refer to; nutshell description/guidance for common on-the-job tasks and situations
- A resources page linking out to things like the Map Librarian's Toolbox, the new best practices guide, etc. It doesn't need to be a fleshed out portal, but something like a "top ten resources to get you started" page would be nice since so many map librarians and catalogers don't come from cartographic or geospatial backgrounds.
- Cataloging & metadata
- How to get involved in the field, webinars and other helpful resources, ALAConnect
- Quick links/FAQ for ready access tools and information resources related to our profession
- Ways to get involved that include meeting established peers, Ways to learn new skills, Knowing core competencies, Chance

**6. Rank the following areas of MAGIRT's web presence in order of how useful they are to you. 1 = most useful; 7 = least useful**

ALA Connect	Online Guide to US Map Collections	Publications	Webinars	Conferences	Get Involved With MAGIRT	Administrative content (information on committees, chairs, and policies)
2	6	4	1	3	7	5
1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	2	5	4	6	7	1
2	4	1	2	1	4	5
2	4	1	5	6	7	3
5	6	2	3	4	7	1
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1	4	3	5	2	6	7
6	4	5	2	1	7	3
5	3	2	4	6	7	1
4	1	4	3	3	1	3
6	7	4	1	2	5	3
7	1	2	4	5	3	6
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#### IV. Online Guide to US Map Collections



9. What information from the Online Guide to US Map Collections do you find most useful, and what could be improved?

- Robust information about institutions! Improvement on geographical and subject strength searching
- Noticed a few from my region are missing, eg GMU and Mount Vernon
- What I find most useful is that it makes it easy for me to find the contact person for collections around the country - I think an improvement would be expanding to include Canada
- More faceted / filtered searching to locate by subject specialty, size of collection, etc.
- locations of collections and contacts for those collections.
- Inclusion of smaller collections.
- Larger menu; more helpful links leading to related up to date information (news and feature stories, etc.)
- I find the map very helpful and that it is online. Some instructions on how to search by keyword would be helpful. Searching for "topographic" in the only search box I saw got one result.
- Links to the institutions/collections on the map would be extremely helpful



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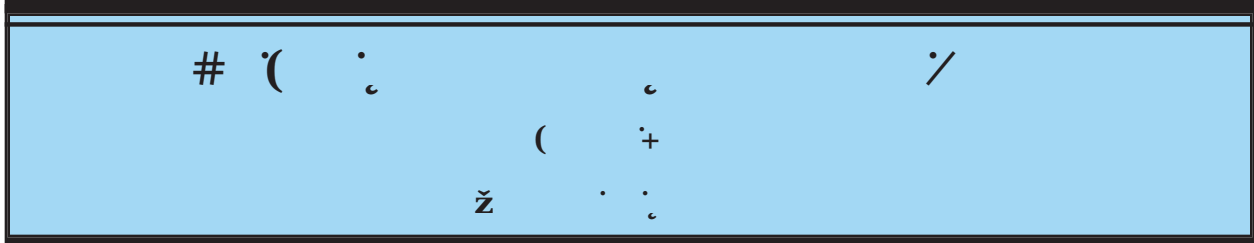
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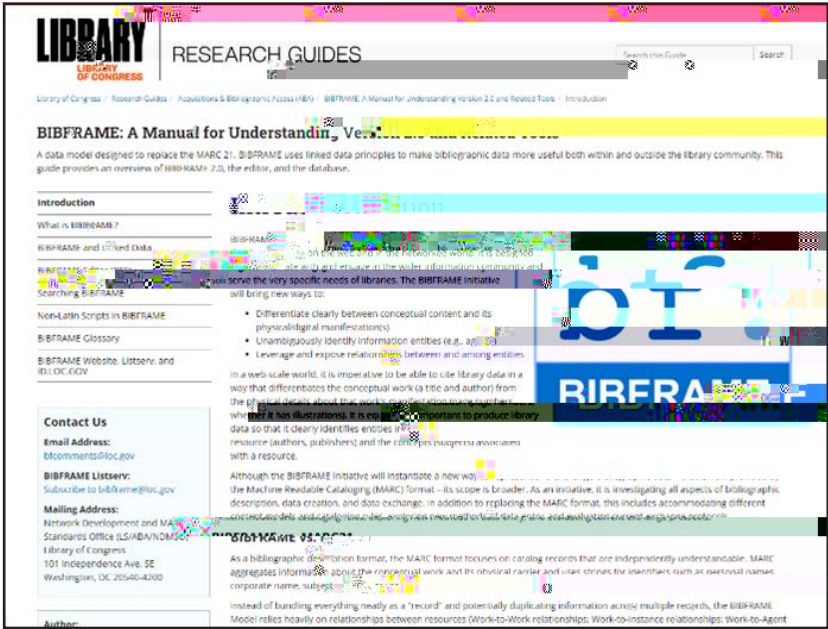
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***BIBFRAME: A Manual for Understanding Version 2.0 and Related Tools***

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***Geography and Map Division Celebrates GIS Day 2021 with a Cartographic Look at the 2020 U.S. Census***



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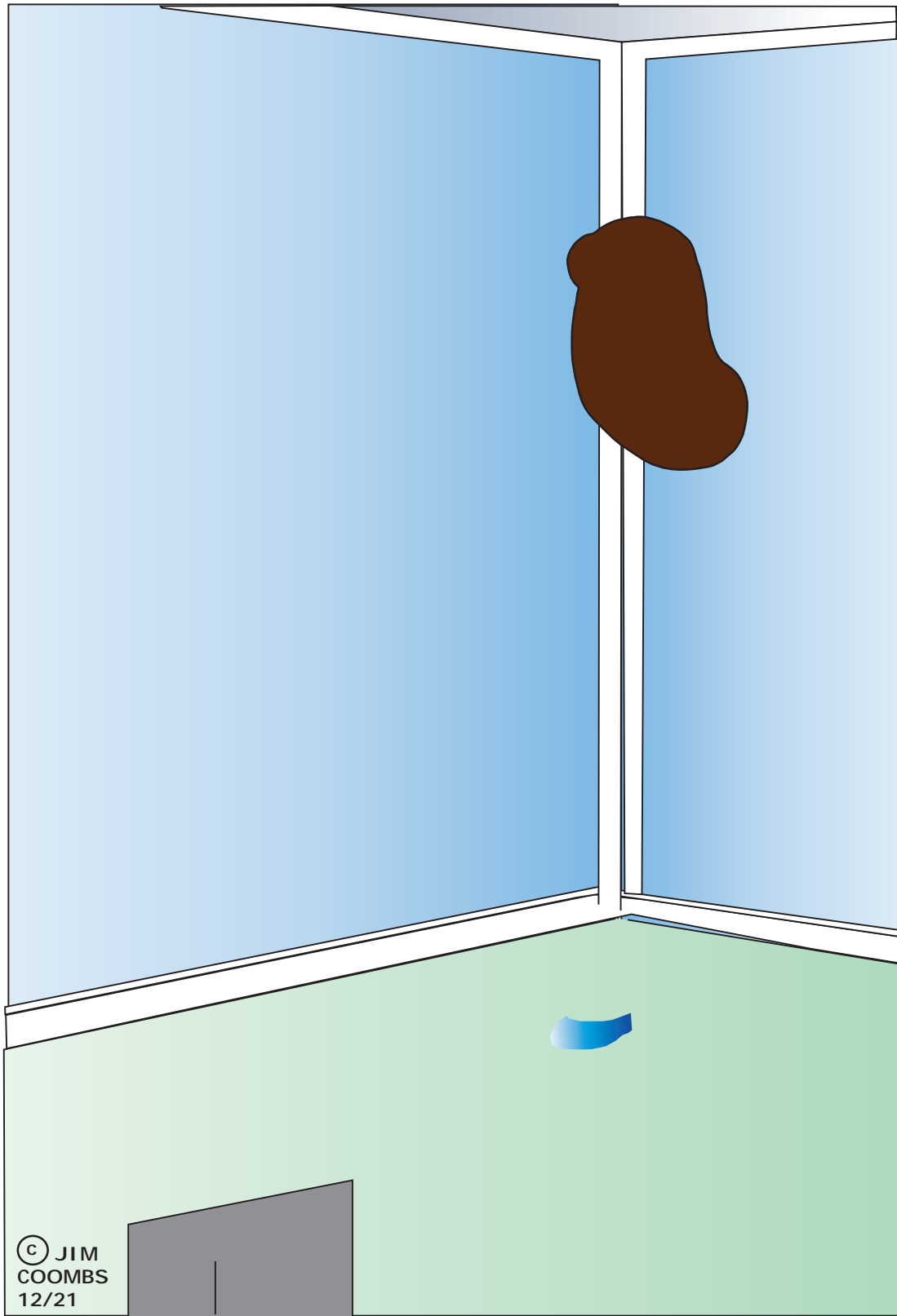
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