

GPO is pleased to announce the release of the 2005 Essential Titles Survey initial analysis. You may view these results [here](#) . The reports are organized by all respondents and by each library type, as specified in the [Federal Depository Library Directory](#) .

GPO has completed initial analysis on the original data, which is now available on GPO Access. Duplicate entries that occurred due to variant spacing in the class or item number used in "write in" recommendations have been combined. Where a title has separate item numbers for separate geographic areas, recommendations for all geographic areas have been combined to count as recommendations for the title as a whole, instead of counting each geographic area separately. Recommendations of previous titles have been added into recommendations of the current titles to ensure that recommendations are carried forward with title changes. Further information on how the data was analyzed is provided on the [survey web page](#) .

The original data is available [here](#) . This includes four responses added after the survey closed because the libraries involved experienced technical difficulties during the survey.

GPO will utilize this data to further the discussions with the depository community about the Essential Titles list. The discussion of Future Tangible Distribution to Depository Libraries during the Depository Library Council meeting in Albuquerque, NM, on April 18, 2005 will provide yet another opportunity for the depository community to help GPO determine how to move from the survey results to decisions on specific titles for tangible distribution to all or specific types of depository libraries.

The data from the 2003 Essential Titles Survey is also now available [here](#) . GPO thanks the Federal depository libraries that participated in the survey.