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Printing

Xerox estimates that 44.5 percent of documents are printed for one-time use and 25 percent of all documents printed get recycled the same day. Lyra Research estimates that 15.2 trillion pages are printed worldwide per year, a figure that will grow 30 percent over the next 10 years.

Michael Kanellos, "New way to save energy: Disappearing ink, CNET News.com, April 29, 2008, www.news.com/8301-11128_3-9930674-54.html. Accessed April 29, 2008.



Use of libraries and museums

The public trusts libraries and museums more than other sources of information including government, commercial and private individual Web sites. People who visit public libraries and museums in-person value the information they find with greater trust than those who visit via the Internet. Ninety percent of remote online visitors to museums and 91 percent of remote online visitors to public libraries are also in-person visitors. Public library in-person visits per capita have increased 26 percent over the past 13 years. Uses of traditional public library services (circulation and reference transactions) have increased in transactions per capita over the past 13 years.

José-Marie Griffiths and Donald W. King, "Interconnections: The IMLS National Study on the Use of Libraries, Museums and the Internet" (February 28, 2008), interconnectionsreport.org/reports/. Accessed May 14, 2008.



Data curation

Sayed Choudhury, in a discussion of data curation, mentions "Peter Murray Rust, a researcher in Britain, conducted a study with his colleagues in which they estimated that up to 80 percent of data cited in publications are gone. It's not that you can't find them, or that they're really hard to get, or that you don't want to give them to me. They just don't exist anymore: They were in someone's hard drive, on a Web site that went away when the person left that institution, or in some medium that doesn't work anymore . . ."

"How to Channel the Data Deluge in Academic Research," *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, April 4, 2008, Volume 54, Issue 30, Page B24, chronicle.com/weekly/v54/i30/30b02401.htm Accessed May 1, 2008.



Search engine share

Google has hit a new high, while Microsoft and Yahoo hit all-time lows in search engine use. Google accounted for 67.90 percent of all U.S. searches in the four weeks ending April 26, 2008. Yahoo! Search, MSN Search, and Ask.com each received 20.28, 6.26, and 4.17 percent respectively. The remaining 45 search engines in the Hitwise Search Engine Analysis Tool accounted for 1.40 percent of U.S. searches.

"Google Receives Nearly 68 Percent of U.S. Searches in April 2008," Hitwise, May 14, 2008, www.hitwise.com/press-center/hitwiseHS2004/google-receives-us-searches.php. Accessed May 14, 2008.

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