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Journalists jailed

At least 375 journalists and media workers are currently behind bars. China is incarcerating the most with 84 journalists in jail, followed by Myanmar (64), Turkey (51), Iran (34), Belarus (33), Egypt (23), Russia and occupied Crimea (29), Saudi Arabia (11), Yemen (10), Syria (9), and India (7).

"67 Journalists Killed so Far in 2022: IFJ Demands Immediate Action," The International Federation of Journalists, December 9, 2022, <https://www.ifj.org/media-centre/news/detail/category/press-releases/article/67-journalists-killed-so-far-in-2022-ifj-demands-immediate-action.html>.



Degrees/certificates by field of study

Title IV degree-granting institutions of higher education in the US awarded 5,005,309 degrees or certificates in the 2020–2021 academic year. The largest share of those (888,353) went to the health professions and related programs. Business and related support services earned 823,270 degrees or certificates. There were 6,519 degrees awarded in the field of library science.

National Center for Education Statistics, "Summary Tables—Completions—Degrees/Certificates by Field of Study," 2022, https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/SummaryTables/report/360?templateId=3600&year=2021&expand_by=0&tt=aggregate&instType=1.



E-books

Key findings of the ACRL report, "The State of Ebooks in Academic Libraries: 2022," include that 85 percent of academic libraries currently hold ebooks and digital audiobooks in their collections, non-curriculum-based ebooks and audiobooks are a rapidly growing segment, and ebook purchasing in most subject areas is up nearly 26 percent. While curriculum support continues to be the dominant element in ebook collection development, survey results indicate that non-curriculum-based ebooks are a rapidly growing portion of academic library digital collections (79 percent of respondents devote up to 10 percent of their collection to pleasure reading, which is a 14 percent increase from 2020).

Andi Barnett, "New Choice Survey Shows Shift in Academic Library Digital Collections toward Popular Fiction and Nonfiction," *OverDrive* (blog), December 7, 2022, <https://company.overdrive.com/2022/12/07/new-choice-survey-shows-shift-in-academic-library-digital-collections-toward-popular-fiction-and-nonfiction>.

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