

Knowledge and Information Centre (KIC)

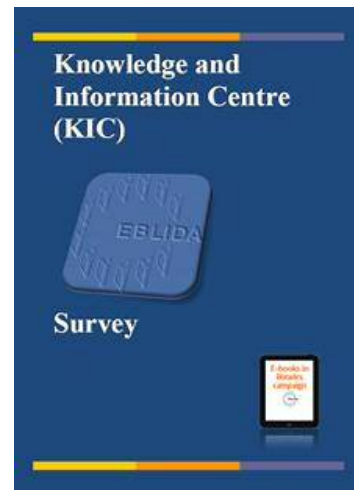


Survey



Knowledge and Information Centre (KIC) Survey

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Introduction

As a central part of its strategy, EBLIDA is committed to the idea of establishing an online Knowledge and Information Centre (KIC) for the library community within the European Union to help Libraries argue for access for all to the benefits of the information society in all formats. Therefore EBLIDA invited Library Associations to participate in a multi-country survey covering 35 European nations in order to help develop the Knowledge and Information Centre.

Survey

The survey offers statistics over libraries and describes the number of Public and Academic Libraries (including National and University Libraries) their number of registered users, media stocks, number of loans, number of visits, e-visits and number of staff.

Furthermore we wanted to know, is there a library act in the country and is there a fixed book price (with or without reduced VAT) existing.

First round

Out of the 36 Countries approached (27 EU, 6 EU Candidate and 3 EFTA Countries) 25 countries participated in this survey.

Participating Countries:

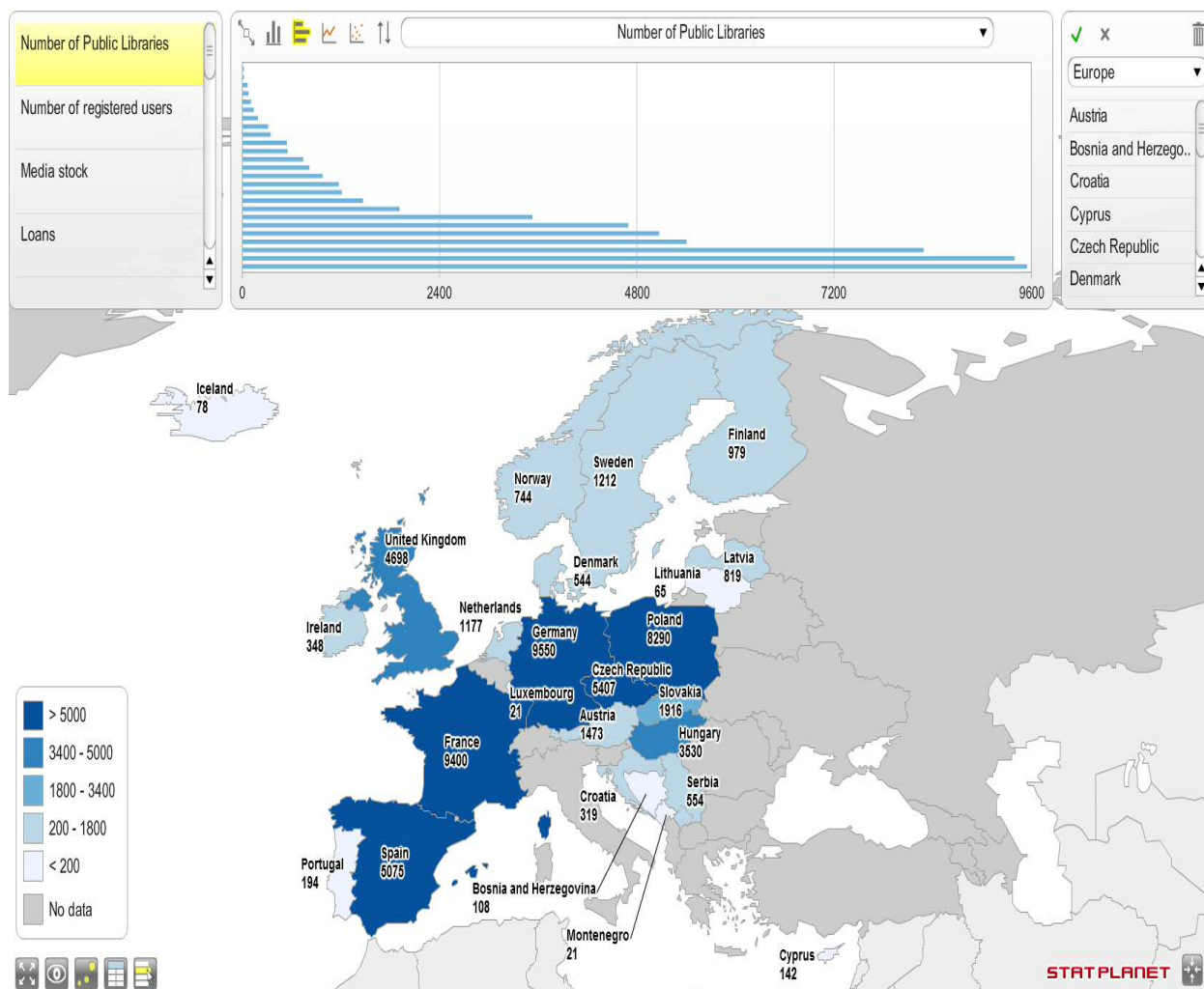
Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden and United Kingdom.

The return rate of the questionnaire and the limitations of the national data collection efforts for libraries made it impossible to give a Europe wide overview at the first round.

Despite the shortcomings, the KIC Survey does serve the purpose of describing Public and Academic Libraries in a sustainable way. It shows their value and importance in this competitive information service providers environment.

Public Libraries Map & Infographic

<http://www.eblida.org/activities/kic/public-libraries-statistics.html>



EBLIDA - KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION CENTRE (KIC) SURVEY PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Public library users (% of population)



Number of Inhabitants per Public Library



Staff employed per Public Library



Library Legislation, Fixed book price & Reduced VAT

Library within the country Fixed book price Reduced VAT



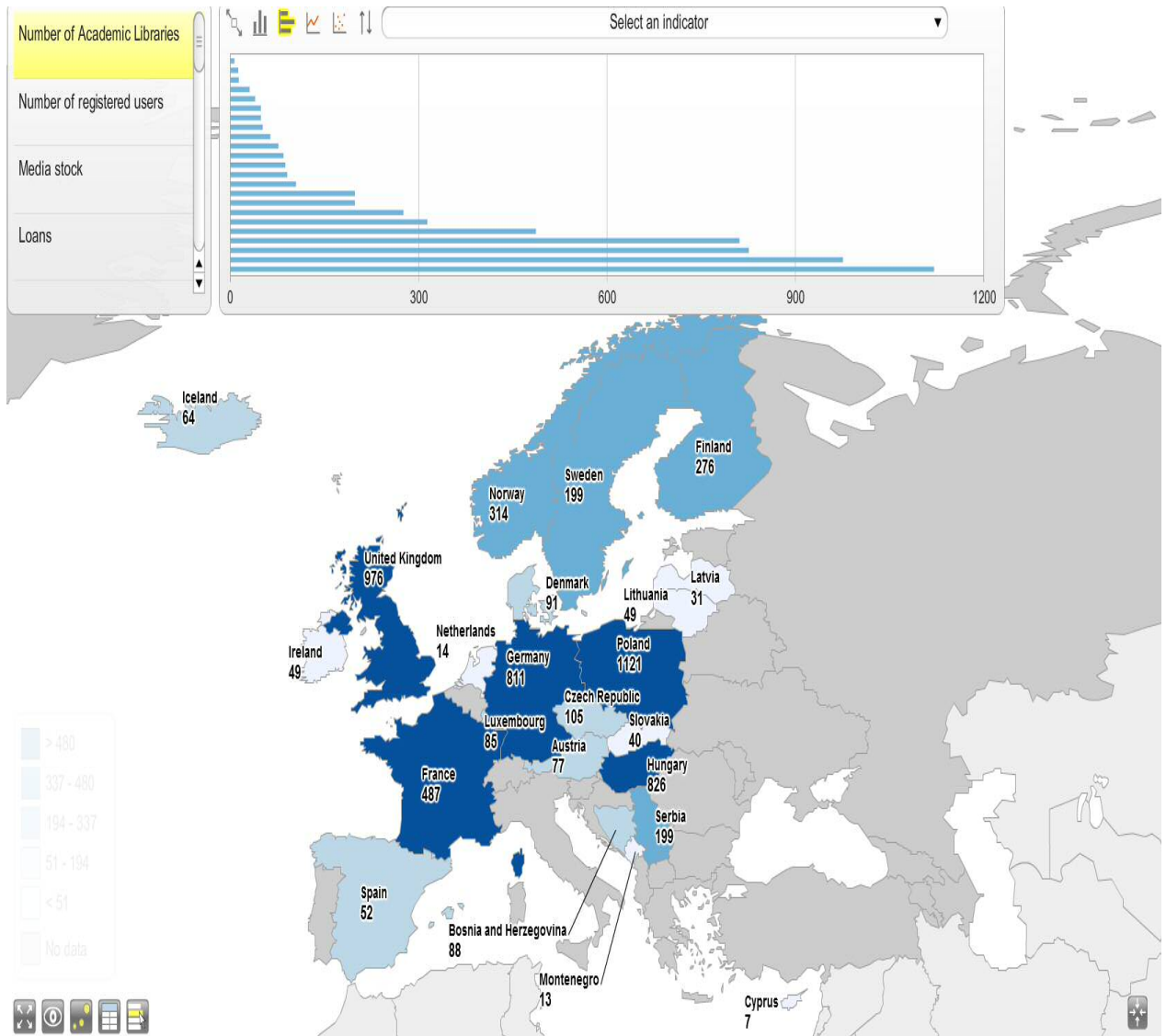
★ **65,044**
Total Number of Public Libraries

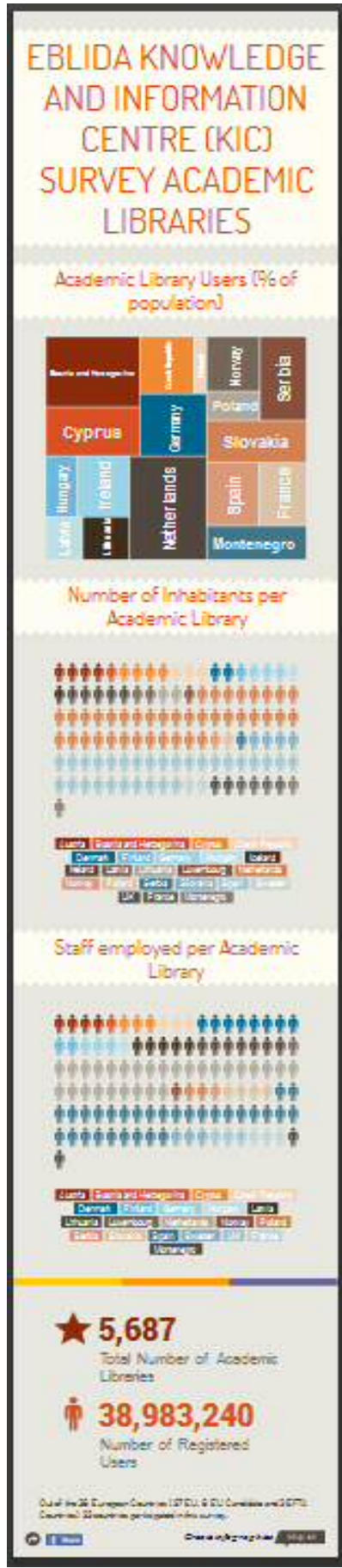
81,006,280
Number of Registered Users

Out of the 28 European Countries 27 EU, 1 EU Candidate and 2 EFTA Countries 22 have answered the survey

Academic Libraries Map & Infographic

(including National and University)





Survey results by Country

Country	Web-sites of National Statistical Offices
 Austria	Statistics Austria
 Bosnia and Herzegovina	Statistical Council
 Croatia	Croatian Bureau of Statistics
 Cyprus	Statistical Service of Cyprus
 Czech Republic	Czech Statistical Office
 Denmark	Danmarks Statistik
 Finland	Statistics Finland
 Germany	Statistisches Bundesamt
 France	National Institute of Statistics (INSEE)
 Hungary	Hungarian Central Statistical Office
 Iceland	Statistics Iceland
 Ireland	Central Statistic Office
 Latvia	Latvijas Statistika
 Lithuania	Statistics Lithuania
 Luxembourg	Statec - Statistics Portal
 Montenegro	Statistical Office Montenegro (MONSTAT)
 Netherlands	CBS – Statistics Netherlands
 Norway	Statistics Norway
 Poland	Central Statistical Office
 Portugal	Statistics Portugal
 Serbia	Републички завод за статистику
 Slovakia	Statistical Office
 Spain	National Statistics Institute
 Sweden	Statistics Sweden
 United Kingdom	UK National Statistics

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Survey Excel sheet:

<http://www.eblida.org/Activities/KIC/EBLIDA-KIC-Survey-Excel-sheets-September-2014.pdf>

Thank you for your contribution

EBLIDA would like to thank the following participating Library Associations for their support and contributions for making this data collection possible:

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Association of Library and Information Professionals of the Czech Republic
Danish Library Association, Denmark
Finnish Library Association, Finland
Association des bibliothécaires de France (ABF), France
Federal Union of German Library and Information Associations, Germany
AHL/MKE Association of Hungarian Librarians, Hungary
Information - The Icelandic Library and Information Science Association, Iceland
Library Association of Ireland, Ireland
Library Association of Latvia, Latvia
Lithuanian Research Library Consortium, Lithuania
Luxembourgish Librarian, Archivist and Documentalist Association, Luxembourg
FOBID Netherlands Library Forum, Netherlands
Montenegrin Library Association, Montenegro
Norwegian Library Association, Norway
Polish Librarians' Association, Poland
Portuguese Association of Librarians, Archivists and Documentalists, Portugal
National Library of Serbia, Serbia
Slovak Library Association, Slovakia
Spanish Federation of Archives, Libraries, Documentation and Museum Associations, Spain
Swedish Library Association, Sweden
CILIP, The Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals, United Kingdom

The work on KIC will continue and we hope that the community of participating Library Associations will grow!

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