Library Statistics

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Statistics

- Statistics word coined from Latin word “status”. It refers to a method of dealing with quantitative information involving collection, analysis, presentation and interpretation of data.

- It is a branch of mathematics which appears to have originated in the 18th century.
Characteristics of Statistics

- It is the facts and figures which are presented in tabular or other forms.

- It is regarded as one of the important tools for making decisions.
Objectives of Statistics

- It helps to determine the growth of library.
- It helps to the librarian for comparison between previous and current library activities.
- It helps to controlling all the activities.
- It helps to librarian for evaluation of the staff performance.
- It helps to write the history and reports of library. It helps the librarian in planning and controlling the activities of library.
- It also helps us in comparing a particular library with other library.
Source of Library Statistics

- Diaries
- Daily, weekly, monthly and quarterly reports.
- Gate register
- Written documents of library.
- Library software.
Scope of Library Statistics

- In acquisition section
- In processing section
- In circulation section
- In periodical section
- In reference section