

I.K1. Priorities identified for improving the management and availability of collections—institution type

Institution type	Increase funding	Increase capacity of storage space	Improve storage conditions	Improve staff training or expertise	Encourage greater use of collections	Improve finding aids / registration records	Automate description systems	Reformat collections (microfilming, imaging)	Develop policies / procedures for new media	Develop acquisitions policy / selection criteria	Increase solicitation of collections	Preservation / conservation of collections	Develop disaster plan	Process backlog of acquired collections	Increase exhibit space	Other
Archives (n=27)	25 (92.6%)	19 (70.4%)	18 (66.7%)	23 (85.2%)	19 (70.4%)	24 (88.9%)	19 (70.4%)	18 (66.7%)	17 (63.0%)	14 (51.9%)	14 (51.9%)	22 (81.5%)	19 (70.4%)	21 (77.8%)	10 (37.0%)	3 (11.1%)
Library Special Collections (n=201)	184 (91.5%)	169 (84.1%)	139 (69.2%)	166 (82.6%)	164 (81.6%)	162 (80.6%)	135 (67.2%)	129 (64.2%)	110 (54.7%)	100 (49.8%)	134 (66.7%)	162 (80.6%)	141 (70.1%)	134 (66.7%)	106 (52.7%)	16 (8.0%)
Subtotal (n=228)	209 (91.7%)	188 (82.5%)	157 (68.9%)	189 (82.9%)	183 (80.3%)	186 (81.6%)	154 (67.5%)	147 (64.5%)	127 (55.7%)	114 (50.0%)	148 (64.9%)	184 (80.7%)	160 (70.2%)	155 (68.0%)	116 (50.9%)	19 (8.3%)
Art Museums/ Arts Councils (n=49)	47 (95.9%)	36 (73.5%)	32 (65.3%)	40 (81.6%)	44 (89.8%)	30 (61.2%)	26 (53.1%)	14 (28.6%)	18 (36.7%)	22 (44.9%)	29 (59.2%)	40 (81.6%)	28 (57.1%)	17 (34.7%)	25 (51.0%)	1 (2.0%)
Children's Museums (n=8)	7 (87.5%)	5 (62.5%)	6 (75.0%)	6 (75.0%)	6 (75.0%)	4 (50.0%)	3 (37.5%)	2 (25.0%)	2 (25.0%)	4 (50.0%)	3 (37.5%)	5 (62.5%)	3 (37.5%)	2 (25.0%)	6 (75.0%)	1 (12.5%)
Historic House Museums (n=80)	75 (93.8%)	53 (66.3%)	59 (73.8%)	60 (75.0%)	66 (82.5%)	50 (62.5%)	36 (45.0%)	33 (41.3%)	27 (33.8%)	33 (41.3%)	47 (58.8%)	61 (76.3%)	52 (65.0%)	36 (45.0%)	37 (46.3%)	8 (10.0%)
History Museums (n=171)	153 (89.5%)	122 (71.3%)	125 (73.1%)	135 (78.9%)	135 (78.9%)	123 (71.9%)	82 (48.0%)	75 (43.9%)	50 (29.2%)	72 (42.1%)	97 (56.7%)	141 (82.5%)	95 (55.6%)	99 (57.9%)	112 (65.5%)	8 (4.7%)
Science Museums	28	25	24	25	22	16	11	10	7	11	15	20	16	11	21	1

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(n=30)	(93.3%)	(83.3%)	(80.0%)	(83.3%)	(73.3%)	(53.3%)	(36.7%)	(33.3%)	(23.3%)	(36.7%)	(50.0%)	(66.7%)	(53.3%)	(36.7%)	(70.0%)	(3.3%)
Subtotal (n=338)	310 (91.7%)	241 (71.3%)	246 (72.8%)	266 (78.7%)	273 (80.8%)	223 (66.0%)	158 (46.7%)	134 (39.6%)	104 (30.8%)	142 (42.0%)	191 (56.5%)	267 (79.0%)	194 (57.4%)	165 (48.8%)	201 (59.5%)	19 (5.6%)
State Historic Sites (n=18)	18 (100.0%)	15 (83.3%)	15 (83.3%)	18 (100.0%)	17 (94.4%)	11 (61.1%)	8 (44.4%)	5 (27.8%)	7 (38.9%)	6 (33.3%)	7 (38.9%)	13 (72.2%)	8 (44.4%)	7 (38.9%)	13 (72.2%)	1 (5.6%)
State Parks (n=10)	10 (100.0%)	6 (60.0%)	7 (70.0%)	9 (90.0%)	10 (100.0%)	5 (50.0%)	2 (20.0%)	2 (20.0%)	2 (20.0%)	6 (60.0%)	6 (60.0%)	8 (80.0%)	7 (70.0%)	2 (20.0%)	6 (60.0%)	1 (10.0%)
Subtotal (n=28)	28 (100.0%)	21 (75.0%)	22 (78.6%)	27 (96.4%)	27 (96.4%)	16 (57.1%)	10 (35.7%)	7 (25.0%)	9 (32.1%)	12 (42.9%)	13 (46.4%)	21 (75.0%)	15 (53.6%)	9 (32.1%)	19 (67.9%)	2 (7.1%)
Total (n=594)	547 (92.1%)	450 (75.8%)	425 (71.5%)	482 (81.1%)	483 (81.3%)	425 (71.5%)	322 (54.2%)	288 (48.5%)	240 (40.4%)	268 (45.1%)	352 (59.3%)	472 (79.5%)	369 (62.1%)	329 (55.4%)	336 (56.6%)	40 (6.7%)

Responses to “Other” include: long-term financial sustainability, classroom space, enhanced volunteer program, increased staffing, microfilming local newspapers, respect, nurture Board & business aspects, security, sprinkler system, program and outreach in schools, community support, finding a renter, finish restoration, increase visibility of collections, work with schools, construction of a new building, increase the amount of staff, increase public awareness, land to develop facilities, handicap accessibility, restoration, work space, increasing staffing, completion of museum exhibits.

III.K2. Usefulness of cooperative efforts for sharing expense and expertise—institution type

Institution type	Statewide/multi-repository automated cataloging network		Statewide coordination of collecting policies		Cooperative purchasing of archival supplies		Centralized preservation, conservation lab		Centralized microfilming, imaging		Shared storage facilities		Disaster preparedness plan		Other*		Total
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Archives	5 (33.3%)	5 (33.3%)	5 (33.3%)	5 (33.3%)	4 (26.7%)	4 (26.7%)	6 (40.0%)	6 (40.0%)	6 (40.0%)	6 (40.0%)	1 (6.7%)	1 (6.7%)	4 (26.7%)	4 (26.7%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	15 (48.4%)
Library Special Collections	35 (30.4%)	35 (30.4%)	52 (45.2%)	52 (45.2%)	48 (41.7%)	48 (41.7%)	25 (21.7%)	25 (21.7%)	18 (15.7%)	18 (15.7%)	30 (26.1%)	30 (26.1%)	30 (26.1%)	30 (26.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	115 (48.7%)
Subtotal	40 (30.8%)	40 (30.8%)	57 (43.8%)	57 (43.8%)	52 (40.0%)	52 (40.0%)	31 (23.8%)	31 (23.8%)	24 (18.5%)	24 (18.5%)	31 (23.8%)	31 (23.8%)	34 (26.2%)	34 (26.2%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	130 (48.7%)
Art Museums/ Arts Councils	7 (30.4%)	7 (30.4%)	7 (30.4%)	7 (30.4%)	8 (34.8%)	8 (34.8%)	10 (43.5%)	10 (43.5%)	6 (26.1%)	6 (26.1%)	8 (34.8%)	8 (34.8%)	6 (26.1%)	6 (26.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	23 (33.8%)
Children's Museums	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (50.0%)	1 (50.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (50.0%)	1 (50.0%)	1 (50.0%)	1 (50.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (25.0%)
Historic House Museums	8 (25.8%)	8 (25.8%)	8 (25.8%)	8 (25.8%)	7 (22.6%)	7 (22.6%)	10 (32.3%)	10 (32.3%)	8 (25.8%)	8 (25.8%)	9 (29.0%)	9 (29.0%)	8 (25.8%)	8 (25.8%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	31 (29.8%)
History Museums	24 (29.6%)	24 (29.6%)	22 (27.2%)	22 (27.2%)	19 (23.5%)	19 (23.5%)	21 (25.9%)	21 (25.9%)	24 (29.6%)	24 (29.6%)	17 (21.0%)	17 (21.0%)	36 (44.4%)	36 (44.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	81 (34.5%)
Science Museums	2 (15.4%)	2 (15.4%)	5 (38.5%)	5 (38.5%)	6 (46.2%)	6 (46.2%)	2 (15.4%)	2 (15.4%)	1 (7.7%)	1 (7.7%)	4 (30.8%)	4 (30.8%)	3 (23.1%)	3 (23.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	13 (30.2%)
Subtotal	41 (27.3%)	41 (27.3%)	43 (28.7%)	43 (28.7%)	40 (26.7%)	40 (26.7%)	43 (28.7%)	43 (28.7%)	39 (26.0%)	39 (26.0%)	39 (26.0%)	39 (26.0%)	54 (36.0%)	54 (36.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	150 (32.8%)
State Historic Sites	1 (12.5%)	1 (12.5%)	1 (12.5%)	1 (12.5%)	4 (50.0%)	4 (50.0%)	1 (12.5%)	1 (12.5%)	2 (25.0%)	2 (25.0%)	2 (25.0%)	2 (25.0%)	2 (25.0%)	2 (25.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	8 (30.8%)

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	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
State Parks	1 (33.3%)	1 (33.3%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (33.3%)	1 (33.3%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	3 (100.0%)	3 (100.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	3 (30.0%)
Subtotal	2 (18.2%)	2 (18.2%)	1 (9.1%)	1 (9.1%)	5 (45.5%)	5 (45.5%)	1 (9.1%)	1 (9.1%)	2 (18.2%)	2 (18.2%)	2 (18.2%)	2 (18.2%)	5 (45.5%)	5 (45.5%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	11 (30.6%)
Total	83 (28.5%)	83 (28.5%)	101 (34.7%)	101 (34.7%)	97 (33.3%)	97 (33.3%)	75 (25.8%)	75 (25.8%)	65 (22.3%)	65 (22.3%)	72 (24.7%)	72 (24.7%)	93 (32.0%)	93 (32.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	291 (38.2%)

\* Write-in responses to "Other" include; training, cataloging standardization for genealogy books, centralized digitization lab, computer storage space, floating grant funded cataloger/archivist, and programming, funding and money sharing, central access to North Carolina collections, training in archival methods and digitization, advertising, cooperation with tourism, funding to participate in programs, grant sources, publicity, statewide sharing of collection inventories, and work with schools, more internet exposure.

I.K3. Avenues for advice or assistance concerning collections—institution type

Institution type	Federal government agency	State government agency	Local government agency	State Historical Records Advisory Board	Professional organizations	Colleagues in other repositories	Vendors of supplies, equipment	Paid consultants	Other*	Total reporting
Archives	7 (29.2%)	7 (29.2%)	1 (4.2%)	2 (8.3%)	16 (66.7%)	17 (70.8%)	4 (16.7%)	1 (4.2%)	2 (8.3%)	24 (77.4%)
Library Special Collections	19 (10.6%)	98 (54.4%)	18 (10.0%)	16 (8.9%)	69 (38.3%)	135 (75.0%)	39 (21.7%)	22 (12.2%)	21 (11.7%)	180 (76.3%)
Subtotal	26 (12.7%)	105 (51.5%)	19 (9.3%)	18 (8.8%)	85 (41.7%)	152 (74.5%)	43 (21.1%)	23 (11.3%)	23 (11.3%)	204 (76.4%)
Art Museums/ Arts Councils	9 (18.8%)	23 (47.9%)	3 (6.3%)	3 (6.3%)	24 (50.0%)	44 (91.7%)	17 (35.4%)	14 (29.2%)	6 (12.5%)	48 (70.6%)
Children's Museums	1 (14.3%)	1 (14.3%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (14.3%)	3 (42.9%)	5 (71.4%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (14.3%)	1 (14.3%)	7 (87.5%)
Historic House Museums	11 (15.1%)	45 (61.6%)	12 (16.4%)	2 (2.7%)	23 (31.5%)	49 (67.1%)	7 (9.6%)	18 (24.7%)	13 (17.8%)	73 (70.2%)
History Museums	29 (18.7%)	73 (47.1%)	27 (17.4%)	10 (6.5%)	44 (28.4%)	116 (74.8%)	27 (17.4%)	22 (14.2%)	20 (12.9%)	155 (66.0%)
Science Museums	8 (28.6%)	18 (64.3%)	1 (3.6%)	0 (0.0%)	11 (39.3%)	23 (82.1%)	7 (25.0%)	3 (10.7%)	1 (3.6%)	28 (65.1%)
Subtotal	58 (18.6%)	160 (51.4%)	43 (13.8%)	16 (5.1%)	105 (33.8%)	237 (76.2%)	58 (18.6%)	58 (18.6%)	41 (13.2%)	311 (67.9%)
State Historic Sites	2 (11.8%)	16 (94.1%)	2 (11.8%)	1 (5.9%)	4 (23.5%)	6 (35.3%)	1 (5.9%)	2 (11.8%)	0 (0.0%)	17 (65.4%)

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State Parks	1 (10.0%)	8 (80.0%)	3 (30.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (10.0%)	9 (90.0%)	1 (10.0%)	1 (10.0%)	1 (10.0%)	10 (100.0%)
Subtotal	3 (11.1%)	24 (88.9%)	5 (18.5%)	1 (3.7%)	5 (18.5%)	15 (55.6%)	2 (7.4%)	3 (11.1%)	1 (3.7%)	27 (75.0%)
Total	87 (16.1%)	289 (53.3%)	67 (12.4%)	35 (6.5%)	195 (36.0%)	404 (74.5%)	103 (19.0%)	84 (15.5%)	65 (12.0%)	542 (71.2%)

\* Includes Etherington Conservation, friends, local historians and volunteers, advisory boards, colleges, Trustees of the Church, conferences and workshops, online resources, professional conservators, North Carolina Preservation Consortium, and donors, local universities, genealogy email lists, visitors, board members, CAHPT, collectors, *Museum Guide* (American Association of Museum Publication), non-profit agencies, local genealogical and historical societies, regional libraries, SOLINET, and relevant literature.

**I.K4. Most pressing problems identified—institution type**

Institution type	Problems												
	Aging, inadequate physical facility	Collection development	Conservation, Preservation	Digitization	Inadequate funding, budget	Inadequate professional staffing	Inadequate exhibit, storage space	Inadequate volunteer staffing	Increase awareness by public, government	Processing backlog	Security of Collection	No pressing problem	Total reporting
Archives	0 (0.0%)	2 (7.7%)	5 (19.2%)	1 (3.8%)	9 (34.6%)	9 (34.6%)	4 (15.4%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (7.7%)	4 (15.4%)	2 (7.7%)	0 (0.0%)	26 (83.9%)
Library Special Collections	19 (9.9%)	7 (3.6%)	14 (7.3%)	3 (1.6%)	67 (34.9%)	60 (31.3%)	54 (28.1%)	2 (1.0%)	11 (5.7%)	27 (14.1%)	9 (4.7%)	3 (1.6%)	192 (81.4%)
Subtotal	19 (8.7%)	9 (4.1%)	19 (8.7%)	4 (1.8%)	76 (34.9%)	69 (31.7%)	58 (26.6%)	2 (0.9%)	13 (6.0%)	31 (14.2%)	11 (5.0%)	3 (1.4%)	218 (81.6%)
Art Museums/Arts Councils	7 (14.6%)	1 (2.1%)	5 (10.4%)	0 (0.0%)	30 (62.5%)	6 (12.5%)	8 (16.7%)	1 (2.1%)	5 (10.4%)	3 (6.3%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (2.1%)	48 (70.6%)
Children's Museums	1 (12.5%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (12.5%)	0 (0.0%)	5 (62.5%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (25.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (12.5%)	8 (100.0%)
Historic House Museums	7 (9.0%)	0 (0.0%)	5 (6.4%)	2 (2.6%)	35 (44.9%)	15 (19.2%)	7 (9.0%)	10 (12.8%)	15 (19.2%)	3 (3.8%)	2 (2.6%)	4 (5.1%)	78 (75.0%)
History Museums	17 (10.1%)	5 (3.0%)	11 (6.5%)	2 (1.2%)	68 (40.5%)	30 (17.9%)	24 (14.3%)	17 (10.1%)	22 (13.1%)	16 (9.5%)	3 (1.8%)	5 (3.0%)	168 (71.5%)
Science Museums	5 (16.7%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (3.3%)	0 (0.0%)	13 (43.3%)	8 (26.7%)	6 (20.0%)	2 (6.7%)	3 (10.0%)	1 (3.3%)	1 (3.3%)	1 (3.3%)	30 (69.8%)
Subtotal	37 (11.1%)	6 (1.8%)	23 (6.9%)	4 (1.2%)	151 (45.5%)	59 (17.8%)	47 (14.2%)	30 (9.0%)	45 (13.6%)	23 (6.9%)	6 (1.8%)	12 (3.6%)	332 (72.5%)

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	Aging, inadequate physical facility	Collection development	Conservation, Preservation	Digitization	Inadequate funding, budget	Inadequate professional staffing	Inadequate exhibit, storage space	Inadequate volunteer staffing	Increase awareness by public, government	Processing backlog	Security of Collection	No pressing problem	Total reporting
State Historic Sites	1 (5.3%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (5.3%)	0 (0.0%)	10 (52.6%)	5 (26.3%)	2 (10.5%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (10.5%)	1 (5.3%)	2 (10.5%)	0 (0.0%)	19 (73.1%)
State Parks	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (20.0%)	0 (0.0%)	3 (30.0%)	5 (50.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (10.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (10.0%)	10 (100.0%)
Subtotal	1 (3.4%)	0 (0.0%)	3 (10.3%)	0 (0.0%)	13 (44.8%)	10 (34.5%)	2 (6.9%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (6.9%)	2 (6.9%)	2 (6.9%)	1 (3.4%)	29 (80.6%)
Total	57 (9.8%)	15 (2.6%)	45 (7.8%)	8 (1.4%)	240 (41.5%)	138 (23.8%)	107 (18.5%)	32 (5.5%)	60 (10.4%)	56 (9.7%)	19 (3.3%)	16 (2.8%)	579 (76.1%)