

RUSSIA

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF RUSSIA
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STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 2002:

Collections (1 January 2002)	33,110,230 items (6,058,418 in foreign languages)
• Reader seats	1,634
• Reader visits	1,401,319
• Exhibitions	1,377
• Lectures, reports, conferences	203

ADMINISTRATION

NLR carried out analysis of the Library activities in 1996-2000. As a result pre-project document on main tendencies of the Library development in 2001-2007 was developed.

In 2001 National Service for RUSMARC formats was created on the basis of NLR; its function is development and updating of RUSMARC for various types of materials.

LEGISLATION

NLR participated in further development legislative documents in the field of librarianship and also in revising number of state standards of the Russian Federation: «Conservation of documents. General requirements», «Conservation of documents. Terms and definitions», «Bibliographic description of non-book materials», «Bibliographic record. Representation of data elements in Russian MARC-formats».

BUILDINGS

In 2001 the Library continued moving part of the collections to the new building. The Social and Economics Literature reading room and The Literature and Arts reading room were opened.

Local network installation for the new building is in progress.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND NETWORKS

Scanning General Author/Title Catalogue of Books in Russian was completed, and now it is available for users at the NLR web-site. Also following catalogues and databases are available: Current Books in Russian, Publications in Foreign Languages, Foreign Journals/Serials, Russian Eighteenth-Century Civil Printed Book, Books in Western-European Languages Published in Russia in 1701-1800, etc.

NLR continued development of the authority files: corporate body names (130,000 records), personal names (12,000 records), uniform titles (18,000 records), subject headings (1,300,000 records).

With financial support of Ministry of Culture of Russian Federation NLR is working on creation of data base of trophy German materials in NLR collections. Currently the database includes 4,300 records.

THE DIGITAL LIBRARY

In total 4,650 images from the NLR collections were digitized (151 Gb) in 2001.

NLR continued to work in the "Meeting on Frontiers" project. Currently number of editions digitized in the project are available at the web-site of the Library of Congress.

LEGAL DEPOSIT OF MATERIALS

There is a quite evident tendency to growth of legal deposit. In 2001 number of editions received from the Russian Book Chamber was more than 303,000 items.

ACQUISITIONS

Acquisitions in 2001	359,766 items (40,677 in foreign languages)
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Including:

Books	182,208
Serials and periodicals	151,743
Newspapers	7,989
International book exchange	6,300 books, 17,000 issues of periodicals, 1,600 serials.
Subscription for periodicals for 2002	450 titles.

Now all new acquisitions are processed using the library automatic system regardless of their source (legal deposit, purchase, gift).

PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION

About 54,819 items were bound in 2001.

More than 16,000,000 documents were processed while moving part of NLR collection to the new building.

SERVICES TO READERS

In 2001:

Reader visits	1,401,319
New readers	79,337
Document deliveries	13,402,547 (including interlibrary loan)

Information Service Center was opened in 2001 with financial support of the World Bank.

More that 6,000 titles of full-text electronic journals are available to NLR users.

CULTURAL EVENTS, EXHIBITIONS AND PUBLISHING

50 titles were published by the NLR Publishing Office (circulation in total – 26,420 items), among them – “National Library of Russia. Legal Status”, “The Public Library Service: IFLA/UNESCO Guidelines for Development” (in Russian), etc.

Internet-shop was opened at the NLR web-site.

LIBRARY COOPERATION

NLR works in co-operation with Russian and foreign libraries in the Germany, USA, United Kingdom, Poland, etc.

NLR is a member of international organizations: IFLA, CDNL, CENL, CERL, LIBER, “Biblioteka Baltica”, etc. In March, 2002 NLR hosted annual meeting of IFLA Permanent UNIMARC Committee.

NLR continues to work with CERL to develop HPB (Hand Press Book) database. Currently number of NLR records in HPB is about 10,000 records.

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