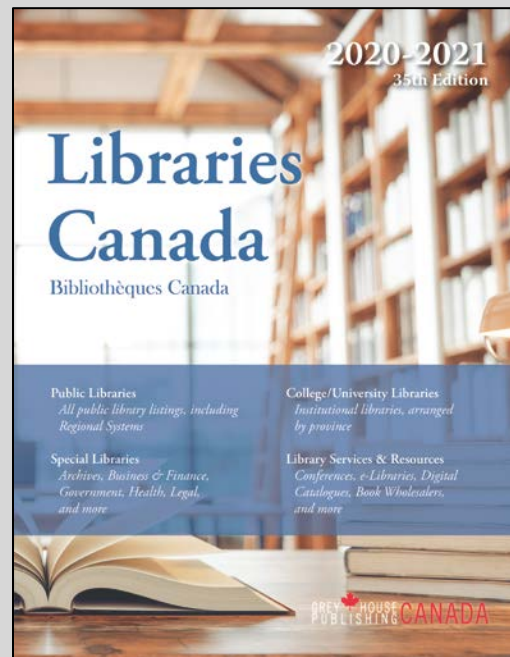


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“*Libraries Canada* (former title *Directory of Libraries in Canada*) is comprised of **6,617 entries** categorized within 5 sections: Public Libraries; College and University Libraries; Special Libraries; Library Services and Resources; and Library Associations and Groups. It also contains six indexes: Entry Name Index; Archive Index; Government Libraries Index; Location Index; Personnel Index; and Subject Index. Its two appendixes consist of: a Directory of Special Collections of Research Value in Canadian Libraries and Depository Libraries of Canadian government information. The Introductory Material section contains a sample entry; list of abbreviations; “Library and Archives Canada 2017-2018 Departmental Plan”; “the State of Digital Publishing in Canada 2016”; “Are You Still Listening: Audio Book Use in Canada 2016”; “2015 Canadian Public Library Statistics”; and “Federal Government Library Closures and Changes.” Each of the chapters representing a type of library is arranged alphabetically by provinces and regions. The chapter on library services and resources is arranged alphabetically by type of resource (e.g., periodicals) and also contains a list of e-libraries and a calendar of events. The section Library Associations, Consortia & Groups is arranged alphabetically and includes a list of regional library systems arranged by province. Each library entry contains name, address, telephone number, fax, email, URL, National Library Symbol, when founded, hours, acquisitions budget, special collections, services, subjects covered, number of personnel, and library administrators. ***Libraries Canada* is an essential source for libraries of Canada and for larger research collections in the United States. It should be included in Library and Information Science collections in the United States and Canada. Highly recommended.**”

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