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## Introduction and Methodology

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The Connecting to Collections Care (C2C Care) Online Community offers a variety of information resources and services for those in the museum, library, archives, conservation, and related fields. As part of its continuing efforts to address users’ needs, C2C Care implemented the *2018 C2C Care User Survey*. The major goals of the survey were to:

- Understand awareness of Connecting to Collections Care among cultural heritage professionals.
- Determine user satisfaction with the Connecting to Collections Care site structure and content.
- Identify opportunities to improve the site structure.
- Identify future topics to present in workshop, webinar, and/or online courses.
- Measure the impact of Connecting to Collections Care.

The survey underwent a series of review/revision cycles to balance the need for a robust data collection platform with a manageable and efficient survey length. The final version of the survey instrument is provided in Appendix A.

The survey was fielded as an online form which was accessible beginning in early-July 2018. This report is based on the responses received by August 6, 2018. The survey form remained open past that date since one aspect of the survey was to allow those who are unfamiliar with C2C Care to request information about its resources and services.

A total of 1,703 individuals accessed the form. After removing substantially incomplete responses, duplicate responses, and the 20 individuals who were screened out of the survey due to their not being involved in the museum, library, archives, conservation, and related fields, the analysis sample consisted of 1,621 individuals. Responses by collection channel are summarized in the sidebar.

| Collector name              | Count | Sample percentage |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| Email to webinar/forum list | 1,254 | 77.4%             |
| External listserv           | 184   | 11.4%             |
| C2C Care listserv           | 168   | 10.4%             |
| Web banner                  | 8     | 0.5%              |
| C2C social media            | 7     | 0.4%              |
| n=                          | 1,621 |                   |

The full sample of 1,621 has an overall margin of sampling error of plus/minus 2.4% at a 95% confidence level. Note, however, that some respondents (total of 226) were screened out of the survey early due to the fact that, while they were in the museum, library, archives, conservation or related fields, they were either not aware of C2C Care or have never used the community in any fashion. This leaves a “working” sample of 1,395 individuals. The margin of sampling error for the working sample is slightly greater: plus/minus 2.6% at a 95% confidence level. Even

within the working sample, not all questions were asked of all individuals, and not all respondents completed every question that was presented. Samples with fewer than 1,395 responses may have a greater margin of sampling error. The sample size is listed within each table in the report, and should be taken into account when interpreting the survey findings.

This report is structured as two volumes. Volume 1 (this volume) provide an analysis of the quantitative data collected. Volume 2 provides a listing of the responses to the open-ended questions. Both volumes provide significant insight into the survey sample, and should be used in combination with each other for best results.

Volume 1 is organized into the following major sections:

- **Segmentation Criteria** — a synopsis of the major segmentation criteria used throughout the analysis.
- **Sample Profile** — these tables address the demographics of the sample, such as age, work setting, years of experience, location and chief work responsibility areas/fields.
- **Awareness of C2C Care** — these tables explore the overall awareness and usage of the C2C Care online community. Non-users are queried as to the reasons why they are non-users and their interest in learning more about the online community.
- **Overarching Opinions of C2C Care** — these tables explore the overall value of C2C Care, the benefits received, and feedback regarding basic C2C Care usability metrics.
- **Discussion Forum Feedback** — these tables center on the Discussion Forum, exploring usage, perceived value, and suggested improvements.
- **Webinars** — these tables examine webinar preferences, webinar usage (both from C2C Care and other providers) and suggested improvements. The major component of this section is topic preferences, where the respondents provide feedback as to the topics of greatest interest for future webinars.
- **Appendix A: Survey Instrument** — a hard copy rendition of the online survey form is provided.

Within each section, references are made to appropriate open-ended questions covered in Volume 2.

## Segmentation Criteria

Listed below are the segmentation variables used throughout this report, and the counts for each of the categories within each variable. Two sets of counts are used:

- ▶ Full sample — this is the full sample of respondents who are involved in the museum, library, archives, conservation or related fields.
- ▶ “Working” sample — this encompasses only those respondents who have used the C2C Care online community. As noted in the Introduction, respondents who are unaware of C2C Care or who have never used it were asked a few follow-up questions, and were then exited from the survey. The “working” sample consists of respondents who were presented with the bulk of the survey questions.

### Age

This is a traditional segmentation point, with the categories selected to best illuminate generational differences.

|       | Full sample |                   | “Working” sample |                   |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|       | Count       | Sample percentage | Count            | Sample percentage |
| <31   | 240         | 14.9%             | 200              | 14.4%             |
| 31–40 | 428         | 26.6%             | 370              | 26.7%             |
| 41–55 | 487         | 30.2%             | 426              | 30.7%             |
| >55   | 456         | 28.3%             | 390              | 28.1%             |
| n=    | 1,611       |                   | 1,386            |                   |

### Experience

This is another traditional segmentation point, with the categories selected to take maximum advantage of the subsample sizes plus highlight “career growth” groupings. The data are based on years of experience in either a for-pay or volunteer role in the museum, library, archives, conservation, or related fields.

|             | Full sample |                   | “Working” sample |                   |
|-------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|             | Count       | Sample percentage | Count            | Sample percentage |
| <6 years    | 265         | 16.6%             | 208              | 15.1%             |
| 6–10 years  | 394         | 24.7%             | 343              | 24.9%             |
| 11–20 years | 499         | 31.2%             | 432              | 31.4%             |
| >20 years   | 440         | 27.5%             | 394              | 28.6%             |
| n=          | 1,598       |                   | 1,377            |                   |

## Setting

This data breakout is essential to the analysis, but is challenging. While all settings are unique, the subsample sizes for many are insufficient to serve as the basis for a sound analysis. Thus, the settings were condensed into the five listed below.

|  | Full sample |                   | “Working” sample |                   |
|--|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|  | Count       | Sample percentage | Count            | Sample percentage |
| Museum/Historical Society                  | 942         | 59.8%             | 811              | 59.8%             |
| Library                                    | 168         | 10.7%             | 145              | 10.7%             |
| Archive                                    | 207         | 13.1%             | 178              | 13.1%             |
| Private Practice/Regional Conservation Lab | 71          | 4.5%              | 65               | 4.8%              |
| All others                                 | 187         | 11.9%             | 158              | 11.6%             |
| n=   | 1,575       |                   | 1,357            |                   |

The “all others” category encompasses the following settings:

- University, college or other educational institution (exclusive of a museum or library)
- Government institution (federal, state or local) that is not a museum, library, or any of other choices
- Other non-profit organization not listed above
- Other (see page 10 for a listing)

## Institution size

Institution size is based on a self-categorization by having the respondents describe their institution as one that is “very small,” “small,” “medium-size,” “large,” or “very large.” While this is not as precise as using a numeric metric such as budget or number of staff, it is a far more economical – and intuitive – method to delineate institution size.

|                  | Full sample |                   | “Working” sample |                   |
|------------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|                  | Count       | Sample percentage | Count            | Sample percentage |
| Very Small       | 212         | 13.5%             | 178              | 13.1%             |
| Small            | 515         | 32.7%             | 443              | 32.6%             |
| Medium           | 483         | 30.7%             | 421              | 31.0%             |
| Large/Very Large | 364         | 23.1%             | 315              | 23.2%             |
| n=               | 1,574       |                   | 1,357            |                   |

## Banner variable relationships: Age

|                  |                      | <31          | 31–40        | 41–55        | >55          | n=           |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Overall</b>   |                      | <b>14.9%</b> | <b>26.6%</b> | <b>30.2%</b> | <b>28.3%</b> | <b>1,611</b> |
| Experience       | <6 years             | 51.0%        | 24.0%        | 10.3%        | 14.8%        | 263          |
|                  | 6–10 years           | 21.8%        | 48.5%        | 16.8%        | 12.9%        | 394          |
|                  | 11–20 years          | 1.0%         | 33.6%        | 42.9%        | 22.5%        | 497          |
|                  | >20 years            | 0.0%         | 0.7%         | 41.2%        | 58.1%        | 434          |
| Setting          | Museum/Hist. Society | 17.5%        | 28.6%        | 27.7%        | 26.2%        | 938          |
|                  | Library              | 4.2%         | 24.6%        | 37.1%        | 34.1%        | 167          |
|                  | Archive              | 11.3%        | 27.5%        | 35.3%        | 26.0%        | 204          |
|                  | Private Practice/RCL | 12.7%        | 29.6%        | 22.5%        | 35.2%        | 71           |
|                  | All others           | 11.4%        | 20.0%        | 37.3%        | 31.4%        | 185          |
| Institution size | Very Small           | 17.0%        | 26.4%        | 19.8%        | 36.8%        | 212          |
|                  | Small                | 14.6%        | 24.8%        | 30.1%        | 30.5%        | 512          |
|                  | Medium               | 14.1%        | 27.9%        | 33.5%        | 24.5%        | 481          |
|                  | Large/Very Large     | 12.5%        | 29.5%        | 33.7%        | 24.2%        | 359          |

## Banner variable relationships: Experience

|                  |                      | <6 years     | 6–10 years   | 11–20 years  | >20 years    | n=           |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Overall</b>   |                      | <b>16.6%</b> | <b>24.7%</b> | <b>31.2%</b> | <b>27.5%</b> | <b>1,598</b> |
| Age              | <31                  | 59.6%        | 38.2%        | 2.2%         | 0.0%         | 225          |
|                  | 31–40                | 14.9%        | 45.0%        | 39.4%        | 0.7%         | 424          |
|                  | 41–55                | 5.6%         | 13.6%        | 43.9%        | 36.9%        | 485          |
|                  | >55                  | 8.6%         | 11.2%        | 24.7%        | 55.5%        | 454          |
| Setting          | Museum/Hist. Society | 17.9%        | 25.9%        | 29.4%        | 26.8%        | 942          |
|                  | Library              | 8.9%         | 25.0%        | 33.9%        | 32.1%        | 168          |
|                  | Archive              | 18.4%        | 25.1%        | 32.4%        | 24.2%        | 207          |
|                  | Private Practice/RCL | 16.9%        | 22.5%        | 26.8%        | 33.8%        | 71           |
|                  | All others           | 15.0%        | 20.3%        | 37.4%        | 27.3%        | 187          |
| Institution size | Very Small           | 21.7%        | 29.2%        | 26.4%        | 22.6%        | 212          |
|                  | Small                | 19.4%        | 25.2%        | 29.3%        | 26.0%        | 515          |
|                  | Medium               | 14.3%        | 24.8%        | 34.0%        | 26.9%        | 483          |
|                  | Large/Very Large     | 12.9%        | 22.0%        | 32.7%        | 32.4%        | 364          |



## Banner variable relationships: Setting

|                     |                  | Museum/<br>Hist. Soc | Library      | Archive      | Private<br>Practice/<br>RCL | All others   | n=           |
|---------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|                     | <b>Overall</b>   | <b>59.8%</b>         | <b>10.7%</b> | <b>13.1%</b> | <b>4.5%</b>                 | <b>11.9%</b> | <b>1,575</b> |
| Age                 | <31              | 73.2%                | 3.1%         | 10.3%        | 4.0%                        | 9.4%         | 224          |
|                     | 31–40            | 63.4%                | 9.7%         | 13.2%        | 5.0%                        | 8.7%         | 423          |
|                     | 41–55            | 54.3%                | 12.9%        | 15.0%        | 3.3%                        | 14.4%        | 479          |
|                     | >55              | 56.0%                | 13.0%        | 12.1%        | 5.7%                        | 13.2%        | 439          |
| Experience          | <6 years         | 64.5%                | 5.7%         | 14.5%        | 4.6%                        | 10.7%        | 262          |
|                     | 6–10 years       | 62.2%                | 10.7%        | 13.3%        | 4.1%                        | 9.7%         | 392          |
|                     | 11–20 years      | 56.5%                | 11.6%        | 13.7%        | 3.9%                        | 14.3%        | 490          |
|                     | >20 years        | 58.5%                | 12.5%        | 11.6%        | 5.6%                        | 11.8%        | 431          |
| Institution<br>size | Very Small       | 59.9%                | 4.2%         | 11.3%        | 16.0%                       | 8.5%         | 212          |
|                     | Small            | 63.3%                | 9.1%         | 13.0%        | 3.3%                        | 11.3%        | 515          |
|                     | Medium           | 65.0%                | 11.0%        | 12.4%        | 1.9%                        | 9.7%         | 483          |
|                     | Large/Very Large | 48.1%                | 16.2%        | 15.1%        | 3.0%                        | 17.6%        | 364          |

## Banner variable relationships: Institution size

|                |                      | Very small   | Small        | Medium       | Large/Very Large | n=           |
|----------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| <b>Overall</b> |                      | <b>13.5%</b> | <b>32.7%</b> | <b>30.7%</b> | <b>23.1%</b>     | <b>1,574</b> |
| Age            | <31                  | 16.1%        | 33.5%        | 30.4%        | 20.1%            | 224          |
|                | 31–40                | 13.2%        | 30.0%        | 31.7%        | 25.1%            | 423          |
|                | 41–55                | 8.8%         | 32.2%        | 33.7%        | 25.3%            | 478          |
|                | >55                  | 17.8%        | 35.5%        | 26.9%        | 19.8%            | 439          |
| Experience     | <6 years             | 17.6%        | 38.2%        | 26.3%        | 17.9%            | 262          |
|                | 6–10 years           | 15.8%        | 33.2%        | 30.6%        | 20.4%            | 392          |
|                | 11–20 years          | 11.4%        | 30.8%        | 33.5%        | 24.3%            | 490          |
|                | >20 years            | 11.2%        | 31.2%        | 30.2%        | 27.4%            | 430          |
| Setting        | Museum/Hist. Society | 13.5%        | 34.6%        | 33.3%        | 18.6%            | 942          |
|                | Library              | 5.4%         | 28.0%        | 31.5%        | 35.1%            | 168          |
|                | Archive              | 11.7%        | 32.5%        | 29.1%        | 26.7%            | 206          |
|                | Private Practice/RCL | 47.9%        | 23.9%        | 12.7%        | 15.5%            | 71           |
|                | All others           | 9.6%         | 31.0%        | 25.1%        | 34.2%            | 187          |

## Sample Profile

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**Which of the following best describes your involvement in the museum, library, archives, conservation or related fields?**

|  | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample percentage</b> |
|--|--------------|--------------------------|
| Employed in a paid position in the field   | 1,463        | 89.2%                    |
| Serve as a volunteer, intern, or other non-paid position in the field  | 112          | 6.8%                     |
| Am a private collector, genealogist or family historian (either in a paid position or as a volunteer/individual basis) | 23           | 1.4%                     |
| Am a student pursuing a degree in one or more of these fields  | 23           | 1.4%                     |
| I am not involved in the museum, library, archives, conservation or related fields (1)                                 | 20           | 1.2%                     |
| n=   | 1,641        |                          |

1 = These respondents were sent to the survey exit upon completion of the above question.

**Which of the following best describes your primary employment (or volunteer) setting in the museum, library, archives, conservation or related fields?**

|   | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample percentage</b> |
|---|--------------|--------------------------|
| Museum  | 832          | 52.8%                    |
| Archive   | 207          | 13.1%                    |
| Library   | 168          | 10.7%                    |
| Historical society  | 110          | 7.0%                     |
| Government institution (federal, state or local) that is NOT a museum, library, or any of the above choices   | 73           | 4.6%                     |
| Private practice/for-profit company   | 57           | 3.6%                     |
| University, college or other educational institution (NOTE: If you are employed at a museum or library at a university/college, select one of the above choices.) | 53           | 3.4%                     |
| Other non-profit organization not listed above  | 37           | 2.3%                     |
| Regional conservation center/lab  | 14           | 0.9%                     |
| Other (1)   | 24           | 1.5%                     |
|   | n=           | 1,575                    |

1 = The "other" responses are:

- Art Gallery.
- Collection Manager at private collection.
- Collections repository.
- Corporate Collection.
- Curator's office with decorative arts collection.
- Federal govt curation facility and museum.
- Foundation holding a fine art collection.
- Foundation with programs, archives, gallery, not yet a museum.
- Government funding agency.
- Government Museum Support Center.
- Hospital.
- I work with my local Girl Scouts historical collection doing a little of everything.
- International organization.
- Legal counsel.
- Local Arts Agency.
- Management of private collection.
- Museum professional organization.
- Museums Association of Montana.
- Non-profit museum support agency.
- Primary: commercial gallery, secondary: institution/gallery.
- Private family collection.
- Regional museums advisory service (govt funded).
- State park system.
- University Art Collections Curator.

### Responses segmented by work status

|   | Overall | Employed in a paid position | Serving in a non-paid position |
|---|---------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Museum  | 52.8%   | 53.9%                       | 38.4%                          |
| Archive   | 13.1%   | 13.1%                       | 14.3%                          |
| Library   | 10.7%   | 11.3%                       | 2.7%                           |
| Historical society  | 7.0%    | 5.5%                        | 26.8%                          |
| Government institution (federal, state or local) that is NOT a museum, library, or any of the above choices | 4.6%    | 4.9%                        | 1.8%                           |
| Private practice/for-profit company   | 3.6%    | 3.6%                        | 3.6%                           |
| University, college or other educational institution  | 3.4%    | 3.3%                        | 3.6%                           |
| Other non-profit organization not listed above  | 2.3%    | 2.1%                        | 6.3%                           |
| Regional conservation center/lab  | 0.9%    | 0.9%                        | 0.9%                           |
| Other   | 1.5%    | 1.5%                        | 1.8%                           |
| n=  | 1,575   | 1,463                       | 112                            |

## Which of the following best describes your museum setting:

| Data limited to those employed in a museum or historic house site setting | Count | Sample percentage |
|---|-------|-------------------|
| History Museum  | 224   | 26.9%             |
| Historic House/Site   | 153   | 18.4%             |
| Art Museum  | 141   | 16.9%             |
| General Museum  | 138   | 16.6%             |
| Natural History/Anthropology Museum                                       | 79    | 9.5%              |
| Specialized Museum  | 61    | 7.3%              |
| Science/Technology Museum   | 15    | 1.8%              |
| Living Collection (Aquarium, Botanic Garden, Zoo)                         | 6     | 0.7%              |
| Children's/Youth Museum   | 2     | 0.2%              |
| Other (1)   | 13    | 1.6%              |
| n=  | 832   |                   |

1 = The "other" responses are:

- Archaeology.
- Design Museum and Special Collections Library.
- Five State museums, History Museum, Fine Art Museum, Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, Museum of International Folk Art, and Palace of the Governors Historic House, and 9 State Monuments
- Government museum, library, and archives.
- Historic Astronomical Observatory.
- Historic house and history museum(two separate entities).
- Municipal Museum.
- Museum and Living History Village.
- Museum Ship.
- Nature and Heritage Center.
- Public Display Garden - 100+ year old property.
- Railroad.
- Textile.

### Responses segmented by work status

|   | Overall | Employed in a paid position | Serving in a non-paid position |
|---|---------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| History Museum                                    | 26.9%   | 26.7%                       | 30.2%                          |
| Historic House/Site                               | 18.4%   | 18.0%                       | 25.6%                          |
| Art Museum  | 16.9%   | 17.6%                       | 4.7%                           |
| General Museum                                    | 16.6%   | 16.5%                       | 18.6%                          |
| Natural History/Anthropology Museum               | 9.5%    | 9.8%                        | 4.7%                           |
| Specialized Museum                                | 7.3%    | 7.0%                        | 14.0%                          |
| Science/Technology Museum                         | 1.8%    | 1.8%                        | 2.3%                           |
| Living Collection (Aquarium, Botanic Garden, Zoo) | 0.7%    | 0.8%                        | 0.0%                           |
| Children's/Youth Museum                           | 0.2%    | 0.3%                        | 0.0%                           |
| Other   | 1.6%    | 1.6%                        | 0.0%                           |
| n=  | 832     | 789                         | 43                             |

**If you were to describe the size of your institution/organization/company to a colleague, would you say it is:**

|            | Count | Sample percentage |
|------------|-------|-------------------|
| Very small | 212   | 13.5%             |
| Small      | 515   | 32.7%             |
| Medium     | 483   | 30.7%             |
| Large      | 240   | 15.2%             |
| Very large | 124   | 7.9%              |
| n=         | 1,574 |                   |

Please indicate the area(s)/field(s) that comprise a significant portion of your responsibilities (select all that apply).

Which ONE area/field do you consider to be your primary responsibility (e.g., the area/field in which you spend the most time)?

| <i>Data sorted by primary responsibility area/field</i> | <b>All significant areas/fields</b> |              | <b>Primary responsibility area/field</b> |              |                          |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------|--|--------------|--------------------------|
|   | <b>Area/Field</b>                   | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample percentage</b>                 | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample percentage</b> |
|   | Collections management              | 1,156        | 73.4%                                    | 481          | 30.6%                    |
|   | Administration (staff level)        | 617          | 39.2%                                    | 173          | 11.0%                    |
|   | Archives management                 | 704          | 44.7%                                    | 163          | 10.4%                    |
|   | Collections care                    | 1,175        | 74.6%                                    | 127          | 8.1%                     |
|   | Conservation                        | 584          | 37.1%                                    | 120          | 7.6%                     |
|   | Registration                        | 599          | 38.0%                                    | 115          | 7.3%                     |
|   | Curation                            | 630          | 40.0%                                    | 91           | 5.8%                     |
|   | Librarian                           | 305          | 19.4%                                    | 69           | 4.4%                     |
|   | Education                           | 440          | 27.9%                                    | 51           | 3.2%                     |
|   | Administration (board-level)        | 134          | 8.5%                                     | 38           | 2.4%                     |
|   | Research                            | 743          | 47.2%                                    | 31           | 2.0%                     |
|   | Records management                  | 659          | 41.8%                                    | 29           | 1.8%                     |
|   | Historic preservation               | 343          | 21.8%                                    | 15           | 1.0%                     |
|   | Site/facilities management          | 380          | 24.1%                                    | 10           | 0.6%                     |
|   | Development                         | 244          | 15.5%                                    | 9            | 0.6%                     |
|   | Staff/volunteer training            | 594          | 37.7%                                    | 2            | 0.1%                     |
|   | Other (1)                           | 115          | 7.3%                                     | 46           | 2.9%                     |
|   | n=                                  | 1,575        |  | 1,570        |                          |

1 = The “other” responses are listed on the following page.



1 = the “other” responses are:

- Advertising, Marketing, and Social Media Management.
- Advising, training.
- Arrangement & Description of archival materials.
- Arrangement, description, re-formatting.
- Bookkeeper/treasurer.
- Bookkeeping with some time for collections management.
- Collections Database Administration.
- Consulting; Collections moves and offsite storage/management.
- Copyright.
- Creating and displaying new temporary exhibits.
- Custodial and grant writing and PR and photographer.
- Data Management.
- Database (CMS) management.
- Digital records management.
- Digitization. *{5 mentions}*
- Digitization and digital preservation.
- Digitization, cataloging.
- Digitizing the collection.
- Disaster response.
- Disaster, teacher, assessor, consultant.
- Documentation of cultural heritage.
- Education.
- Emergency Management.
- Event planning/running (festivals, farm camp, brunches using foods from the garden, a full range!).
- Events planning; fundraising; website; publicity.
- Exhibit Design / Installation Management.
- Exhibit design, event planning.
- Exhibit design, interpretation, tour guide, graphics content, grant writing.
- Exhibit development & installation.
- Exhibit development and other interpretive projects.
- Exhibit preparation.
- Exhibition.
- Exhibition Coordination.
- Exhibition Development.
- Exhibition fabrication.
- Exhibition Installation.
- Exhibitions.
- Exhibitions and loans.
- Exhibitions Manager.
- Exhibitions planning.
- Exhibitions, transportation.
- Exhibits. *{4 mentions}*
- Exhibits, Programs.
- Field Services.
- Field services - outreach to local history organizations.
- Field services to museums and historical societies.
- Field services/consulting to other museums .
- Helping coordinate relationships and joint projects with related institutions; some event planning.
- Historic grounds/landscape management.
- Historical research services.
- I advise museums on a variety of issues including collection care.
- Image permissions.
- Insurance+Appraisal.
- Involved in State emergency response for cultural and historic resources.
- IT management on-site.
- IT Management, Membership.
- Laboratory technician.
- Legal. *{2 mentions}*
- Management of electronic collections.
- MAP at AAM.
- Marketing, Facebook, TV promotions, Events.
- Marketing/design.
- Move planning.
- Multimedia technician.
- Museum planning, volunteer administration, educational programming, team member where another is archivist.
- Newsletter writer.
- Newsletter writer; website.
- Oral Historian.
- Oral History.
- Oral History, Photography and video documenting today.
- Outreach activities.
- Outreach activities to the field.
- Outreach; Local Historical Society Services.
- Photography of museum artifacts-digitization of photo archives.
- Policy development.
- Policy, Promotion/Education of organization.
- Preservation Administration.
- Preservation Assessor in Libraries, Museums, Historical Societies, Archives.
- Preservation management.
- Processing. *{2 mentions}*
- Program coordination.
- Program planning.
- Programs.
- Project planning and management.
- Public service.
- Reference and Technical Services.
- Reference services.
- Removing rats from toilets; bookkeeping; Other Duties As Assigned.
- Rental coordinator.
- Research & archives management.
- Rights & Reproduction.
- Scanning and File Management.
- Security.
- Social Media. *{2 mentions}*
- Social Media, Rights and Reproductions, Budgeting, Exhibition Management.
- Technician.
- Teen Services Coordinator.
- Tour guide.
- Translation.
- User engagement, crowdsourcing management, contracts management, board communications .
- Vertebrate Paleontology preparation.
- Visitor services.
- Volunteer coordination.
- Volunteer recruitment, housekeeping.
- Website, Social Media.

## Responses segmented by age

| Primary responsibility       | Overall | < 31  | 31–40 | 41–55 | 65+   |
|------------------------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Collections management       | 30.6%   | 42.9% | 33.6% | 27.7% | 25.2% |
| Administration (staff level) | 11.0%   | 6.7%  | 7.3%  | 12.2% | 15.4% |
| Archives management          | 10.4%   | 6.3%  | 9.7%  | 13.0% | 10.3% |
| Collections care             | 8.1%    | 8.0%  | 8.5%  | 7.5%  | 8.3%  |
| Conservation                 | 7.6%    | 3.1%  | 9.5%  | 9.4%  | 6.0%  |
| Registration                 | 7.3%    | 13.4% | 9.2%  | 6.5%  | 3.4%  |
| Curation                     | 5.8%    | 4.5%  | 6.9%  | 5.7%  | 5.7%  |
| Librarian                    | 4.4%    | 2.7%  | 3.8%  | 4.8%  | 5.5%  |
| Education                    | 3.2%    | 4.5%  | 2.8%  | 2.9%  | 3.4%  |
| Administration (board-level) | 2.4%    | 1.3%  | 1.2%  | 2.1%  | 4.6%  |
| Research                     | 2.0%    | 2.7%  | 2.8%  | 0.8%  | 2.1%  |
| Records management           | 1.8%    | 0.9%  | 1.2%  | 1.9%  | 3.0%  |
| Historic preservation        | 1.0%    | 0.4%  | 0.5%  | 0.8%  | 1.8%  |
| Site/facilities management   | 0.6%    | 0.0%  | 0.5%  | 1.0%  | 0.7%  |
| Development                  | 0.6%    | 0.4%  | 0.2%  | 0.2%  | 1.4%  |
| Staff/volunteer training     | 0.1%    | 0.0%  | 0.2%  | 0.0%  | 0.2%  |
| Other                        | 2.9%    | 2.2%  | 2.1%  | 3.4%  | 3.0%  |
| n=                           | 1,570   | 224   | 423   | 477   | 436   |

## Responses segmented by experience

| Primary responsibility       | Overall | <6 years | 6–10 years | 11–20 years | 20+ years |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| Collections management       | 30.6%   | 37.0%    | 34.2%      | 28.2%       | 26.2%     |
| Administration (staff level) | 11.0%   | 9.9%     | 6.1%       | 10.2%       | 17.1%     |
| Archives management          | 10.4%   | 9.2%     | 11.2%      | 12.7%       | 7.7%      |
| Collections care             | 8.1%    | 10.7%    | 7.1%       | 8.2%        | 7.3%      |
| Conservation                 | 7.6%    | 4.6%     | 6.6%       | 7.4%        | 10.8%     |
| Registration                 | 7.3%    | 8.8%     | 7.4%       | 7.4%        | 6.3%      |
| Curation                     | 5.8%    | 4.2%     | 6.1%       | 6.1%        | 6.1%      |
| Librarian                    | 4.4%    | 2.3%     | 5.1%       | 5.1%        | 4.2%      |
| Education                    | 3.2%    | 4.6%     | 4.6%       | 2.2%        | 2.3%      |
| Administration (board-level) | 2.4%    | 1.9%     | 2.0%       | 2.7%        | 2.8%      |
| Research                     | 2.0%    | 1.9%     | 3.3%       | 1.0%        | 1.9%      |
| Records management           | 1.8%    | 1.5%     | 2.3%       | 2.0%        | 1.4%      |
| Historic preservation        | 1.0%    | 0.4%     | 0.5%       | 1.4%        | 1.2%      |
| Site/facilities management   | 0.6%    | 0.0%     | 0.8%       | 0.6%        | 0.9%      |
| Development                  | 0.6%    | 0.4%     | 0.3%       | 1.0%        | 0.5%      |
| Staff/volunteer training     | 0.1%    | 0.0%     | 0.0%       | 0.4%        | 0.0%      |
| Other                        | 2.9%    | 2.7%     | 2.3%       | 3.3%        | 3.3%      |
| n=                           | 1,570   | 262      | 392        | 489         | 427       |

## Responses segmented by setting

| Primary responsibility       | Overall | Setting               |         |         |                             |            |
|------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|-----------------------------|------------|
|                              |         | Museum/<br>Hist. Soc. | Library | Archive | Private<br>Practice/<br>RCL | All others |
| Collections management       | 30.6%   | 39.3%                 | 7.8%    | 18.8%   | 8.5%                        | 29.0%      |
| Administration (staff level) | 11.0%   | 12.4%                 | 10.8%   | 5.8%    | 5.6%                        | 12.4%      |
| Archives management          | 10.4%   | 3.0%                  | 14.4%   | 40.6%   | 4.2%                        | 12.9%      |
| Collections care             | 8.1%    | 7.6%                  | 7.2%    | 9.7%    | 11.3%                       | 8.6%       |
| Conservation                 | 7.6%    | 5.4%                  | 10.2%   | 6.3%    | 42.3%                       | 4.8%       |
| Registration                 | 7.3%    | 10.8%                 | 0.6%    | 1.0%    | 4.2%                        | 4.3%       |
| Curation                     | 5.8%    | 8.0%                  | 1.8%    | 1.0%    | 2.8%                        | 4.8%       |
| Librarian                    | 4.4%    | 0.7%                  | 33.5%   | 1.4%    | 0.0%                        | 1.6%       |
| Education                    | 3.2%    | 3.3%                  | 2.4%    | 1.0%    | 5.6%                        | 5.4%       |
| Administration (board-level) | 2.4%    | 2.8%                  | 1.2%    | 1.9%    | 1.4%                        | 2.7%       |
| Research                     | 2.0%    | 1.4%                  | 1.8%    | 3.9%    | 4.2%                        | 2.2%       |
| Records management           | 1.8%    | 0.9%                  | 1.8%    | 4.8%    | 4.2%                        | 2.7%       |
| Historic preservation        | 1.0%    | 0.4%                  | 2.4%    | 1.0%    | 0.0%                        | 2.7%       |
| Site/facilities management   | 0.6%    | 0.9%                  | 0.6%    | 0.0%    | 0.0%                        | 0.5%       |
| Development                  | 0.6%    | 0.9%                  | 0.0%    | 0.0%    | 0.0%                        | 0.5%       |
| Staff/volunteer training     | 0.1%    | 0.1%                  | 0.0%    | 0.0%    | 0.0%                        | 0.5%       |
| Other                        | 2.9%    | 2.3%                  | 3.6%    | 2.9%    | 5.6%                        | 4.3%       |
| n=                           | 1,570   | 939                   | 167     | 207     | 71                          | 186        |

## Responses segmented by institution size

| Primary responsibility       | Overall | Very Small | Small | Medium | Large/<br>Very Large |
|------------------------------|---------|------------|-------|--------|----------------------|
| Collections management       | 30.6%   | 32.5%      | 29.8% | 35.1%  | 24.9%                |
| Administration (staff level) | 11.0%   | 15.6%      | 14.6% | 8.3%   | 6.6%                 |
| Archives management          | 10.4%   | 7.1%       | 10.7% | 10.6%  | 11.6%                |
| Collections care             | 8.1%    | 5.7%       | 8.0%  | 7.5%   | 10.5%                |
| Conservation                 | 7.6%    | 7.5%       | 3.3%  | 6.8%   | 14.9%                |
| Registration                 | 7.3%    | 3.8%       | 6.2%  | 9.3%   | 8.3%                 |
| Curation                     | 5.8%    | 3.8%       | 7.0%  | 6.0%   | 5.0%                 |
| Librarian                    | 4.4%    | 3.3%       | 4.9%  | 5.0%   | 3.6%                 |
| Education                    | 3.2%    | 4.2%       | 3.5%  | 2.9%   | 2.8%                 |
| Administration (board-level) | 2.4%    | 5.2%       | 2.5%  | 2.1%   | 1.1%                 |
| Research                     | 2.0%    | 3.8%       | 1.6%  | 1.9%   | 1.7%                 |
| Records management           | 1.8%    | 3.3%       | 1.9%  | 0.8%   | 2.2%                 |
| Historic preservation        | 1.0%    | 0.9%       | 1.2%  | 0.4%   | 1.4%                 |
| Site/facilities management   | 0.6%    | 0.9%       | 1.2%  | 0.0%   | 0.6%                 |
| Development                  | 0.6%    | 0.0%       | 0.8%  | 0.8%   | 0.3%                 |
| Staff/volunteer training     | 0.1%    | 0.0%       | 0.4%  | 0.0%   | 0.0%                 |
| Other                        | 2.9%    | 2.4%       | 2.3%  | 2.5%   | 4.7%                 |
| n=                           | 1,570   | 212        | 513   | 482    | 362                  |

**How many years of experience (either in a for-pay position or as a volunteer) do you have in the museum, library, archives, conservation, or related fields?**

|                    | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample percentage</b> |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Less than 1 year   | 9            | 0.6%                     |
| 1-5 years          | 256          | 16.0%                    |
| 6-10 years         | 394          | 24.7%                    |
| 11-15 years        | 280          | 17.5%                    |
| 16-20 years        | 219          | 13.7%                    |
| 21-30 years        | 274          | 17.1%                    |
| More than 30 years | 166          | 10.4%                    |
| Average            | 14.7 years   |                          |
| n=                 | 1,598        |                          |

Average computed from range midpoints

**What is your age?**

|             | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample percentage</b> |
|-------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Under 21    | 3            | 0.2%                     |
| 21 to 25    | 33           | 2.0%                     |
| 26 to 30    | 204          | 12.7%                    |
| 31 to 35    | 220          | 13.7%                    |
| 36 to 40    | 208          | 12.9%                    |
| 41 to 45    | 181          | 11.2%                    |
| 46 to 50    | 153          | 9.5%                     |
| 51 to 55    | 153          | 9.5%                     |
| 56 to 60    | 169          | 10.5%                    |
| 61 to 65    | 150          | 9.3%                     |
| 66 to 70    | 82           | 5.1%                     |
| 71 or older | 55           | 3.4%                     |
| Average     | 45.7 years   |                          |
| n=          | 1,611        |                          |

Average computed from range midpoints.

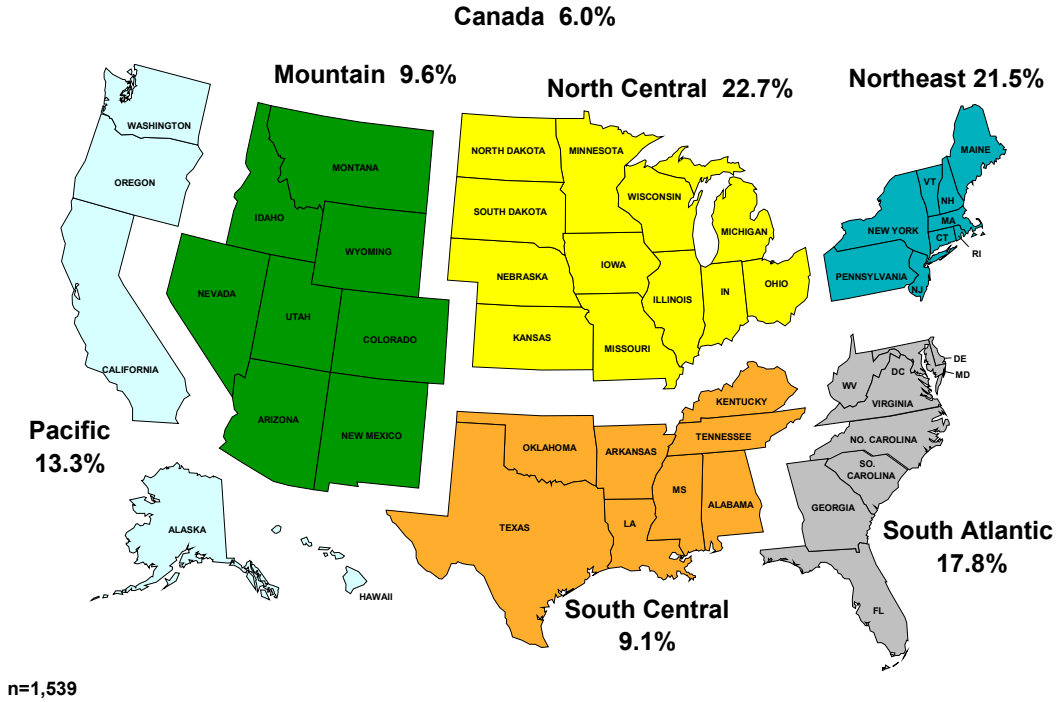
Please indicate the country where you are located. If you divide your time between more than one country, please select the one that you consider to be your "home base":

|                   | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample percentage</b> |                        | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample percentage</b> |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| United States     | 1,449        | 89.4%                    | Barbados               | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Canada            | 92           | 5.7%                     | Belgium                | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| United Kingdom    | 15           | 0.9%                     | Canary Islands         | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Australis         | 5            | 0.3%                     | Chile                  | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Brazil            | 5            | 0.3%                     | Denmark                | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Spain             | 5            | 0.3%                     | Europe                 | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Argentina         | 4            | 0.2%                     | France                 | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Israel            | 4            | 0.2%                     | Germany                | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Trinidad & Tobago | 4            | 0.2%                     | Greece                 | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Belize            | 3            | 0.2%                     | Indonesia              | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Mexico            | 3            | 0.2%                     | Lithuania              | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Switzerland       | 3            | 0.2%                     | Pakistan               | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| The Netherlands   | 3            | 0.2%                     | Peru                   | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Caribbean         | 2            | 0.1%                     | Philippines            | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Italy             | 2            | 0.1%                     | Scotland               | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| New Zealand       | 2            | 0.1%                     | Sweden                 | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Portugal          | 2            | 0.1%                     | Turks & Caicos Islands | 1            | 0.1%                     |
| Balkans           | 1            | 0.1%                     | n=                     | 1,621        |                          |

Note: A small number of respondents provided a geographic area rather than a specific country.

You indicated you are located in North America. Please indicate the state/province where you are located:

# US/Canada Regional Distribution



## Top represented states/provinces

|                | Count | Sample percentage |            | Count | Sample percentage |
|----------------|-------|-------------------|------------|-------|-------------------|
| New York       | 107   | 7.0%              | Illinois   | 49    | 3.2%              |
| California     | 106   | 6.9%              | Florida    | 45    | 2.9%              |
| Pennsylvania   | 71    | 4.6%              | Ontario    | 45    | 2.9%              |
| North Carolina | 62    | 4.0%              | Ohio       | 44    | 2.9%              |
| Massachusetts  | 61    | 4.0%              | Michigan   | 40    | 2.6%              |
| Texas          | 59    | 3.8%              | Washington | 40    | 2.6%              |
| Virginia       | 54    | 3.5%              | Missouri   | 39    | 2.5%              |
| Colorado       | 49    | 3.2%              |            |       |                   |

All other states/provinces each account for 2.4% or less of the US/Canada sample (total of 1,539 responses).



## Awareness of C2C Care

Which of the following best describes your usage/awareness of the Connecting to Collections Care online community?

|   | Count | Sample percentage |
|---|-------|-------------------|
| I use it regularly                              | 209   | 12.9%             |
| I use it occasionally                           | 788   | 48.6%             |
| I've used it, but only rarely                   | 398   | 24.6%             |
| I've heard of it, but have never used it (1)    | 140   | 8.6%              |
| I've never heard of it prior to this survey (1) | 86    | 5.3%              |
| n=  | 1,621 |                   |

1 = These individuals were asked a few follow-up questions, and were then sent to the end of the survey.

|                  | Regularly            | Occasionally | Rarely       | Heard of, never used | Never heard of | n=           |     |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------|-----|
| <b>Overall</b>   | <b>12.9%</b>         | <b>48.6%</b> | <b>24.6%</b> | <b>8.6%</b>          | <b>5.3%</b>    | <b>1,621</b> |     |
| Age              | <31                  | 10.8%        | 48.3%        | 24.2%                | 9.2%           | 7.5%         | 240 |
|                  | 31–40                | 11.9%        | 50.2%        | 24.3%                | 9.6%           | 4.0%         | 428 |
|                  | 41–55                | 13.8%        | 47.6%        | 26.1%                | 8.6%           | 3.9%         | 487 |
|                  | >55                  | 14.0%        | 48.0%        | 23.5%                | 7.5%           | 7.0%         | 456 |
| Experience       | <6 years             | 12.1%        | 43.0%        | 23.4%                | 12.1%          | 9.4%         | 265 |
|                  | 6–10 years           | 11.7%        | 51.8%        | 23.6%                | 7.6%           | 5.3%         | 394 |
|                  | 11–20 years          | 12.0%        | 50.7%        | 23.8%                | 9.4%           | 4.0%         | 499 |
|                  | >20 years            | 16.1%        | 47.0%        | 26.4%                | 6.6%           | 3.9%         | 440 |
| Setting          | Museum/Hist. Society | 14.0%        | 48.6%        | 23.5%                | 9.2%           | 4.7%         | 942 |
|                  | Library              | 11.9%        | 48.8%        | 25.6%                | 5.4%           | 8.3%         | 168 |
|                  | Archive              | 12.1%        | 45.4%        | 28.5%                | 9.7%           | 4.3%         | 207 |
|                  | Private Practice/RCL | 11.3%        | 56.3%        | 23.9%                | 7.0%           | 1.4%         | 71  |
|                  | All others           | 11.8%        | 50.8%        | 21.9%                | 8.6%           | 7.0%         | 187 |
| Institution size | Very Small           | 9.9%         | 45.3%        | 28.8%                | 8.5%           | 7.5%         | 212 |
|                  | Small                | 13.4%        | 50.3%        | 22.3%                | 8.7%           | 5.2%         | 515 |
|                  | Medium               | 13.3%        | 48.9%        | 25.1%                | 9.1%           | 3.7%         | 483 |
|                  | Large/Very Large     | 14.6%        | 48.9%        | 23.1%                | 8.0%           | 5.5%         | 364 |

**Why have you not used the Connecting to Collections Care online community?  
(Check all that apply.)**

*(Note: this question was asked only of the respondents who indicated “I’ve heard of it, but have never used it” in the previous question.)*

|  | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample<br/>percentage</b> |
|--|--------------|------------------------------|
| I forget about it  | 77           | 55.0%                        |
| No particular reason   | 40           | 28.6%                        |
| I don’t know how to use it   | 30           | 21.4%                        |
| Do not have the time to use it                                       | 28           | 20.0%                        |
| Others in my organization use it and provide me with the information | 6            | 4.3%                         |
| I do not have a need for collections care information                | 2            | 1.4%                         |
| It’s too complicated for my needs                                    | 0            | 0.0%                         |
| Other (1)  | 15           | 10.7%                        |
| No reason stated   | 1            | 0.7%                         |
| n=   | 140          |                              |

1 = The “other” responses are:

- Don't have enough info about what is available.
- Have a number of other collections care resources available.
- Haven't needed it but interested in developing skill.
- I am not aware of what C2C is.
- I have knowledge and other resources that fill this need.
- I haven't really looked into it much.
- I research online or inquire of knowledgeable others when needed.
- I was only recently promoted to my managerial position.
- I'm interested in using it.
- Lack of awareness of how I can use it to benefit my position.
- Prefer webinars to community interaction.
- Really didn't know about it.
- Site is not easy to find or user friendly, doesn't seem to cover questions that I need answered.
- The time I tried to watch a webinar we were denied access by our IT.
- While I do not have current need, I may in future.

| Reasons for non-usage |                      | Forget       | No particular reason | Don't know how to use | No time      | Others use it | No need     | Other        | n=         |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
|                       |                      |              |                      |                       |              |               |             |              |            |
|                       | <b>Overall</b>       | <b>55.0%</b> | <b>28.6%</b>         | <b>21.4%</b>          | <b>20.0%</b> | <b>4.3%</b>   | <b>1.4%</b> | <b>10.7%</b> | <b>140</b> |
| Age                   | <31                  | 77.3%        | 31.8%                | 36.4%                 | 4.5%         | 4.5%          | 4.5%        | 0.0%         | 22         |
|                       | 31–40                | 63.4%        | 29.3%                | 14.6%                 | 19.5%        | 4.9%          | 0.0%        | 4.9%         | 41         |
|                       | 41–55                | 45.2%        | 21.4%                | 16.7%                 | 26.2%        | 0.0%          | 2.4%        | 11.9%        | 42         |
|                       | >55                  | 44.1%        | 35.3%                | 26.5%                 | 20.6%        | 8.8%          | 0.0%        | 20.6%        | 34         |
| Experience            | <6 years             | 56.3%        | 18.8%                | 28.1%                 | 18.8%        | 6.3%          | 3.1%        | 9.4%         | 32         |
|                       | 6–10 years           | 73.3%        | 30.0%                | 6.7%                  | 20.0%        | 3.3%          | 0.0%        | 6.7%         | 30         |
|                       | 11–20 years          | 46.8%        | 29.8%                | 25.5%                 | 19.1%        | 0.0%          | 0.0%        | 8.5%         | 47         |
|                       | >20 years            | 48.3%        | 34.5%                | 17.2%                 | 24.1%        | 10.3%         | 3.4%        | 20.7%        | 29         |
| Setting               | Museum/Hist. Society | 59.8%        | 27.6%                | 17.2%                 | 20.7%        | 5.7%          | 0.0%        | 11.5%        | 87         |
|                       | Library              | 55.6%        | 66.7%                | 22.2%                 | 11.1%        | 0.0%          | 0.0%        | 11.1%        | 9          |
|                       | Archive              | 50.0%        | 15.0%                | 30.0%                 | 30.0%        | 0.0%          | 5.0%        | 10.0%        | 20         |
|                       | Private Practice/RCL | 60.0%        | 20.0%                | 20.0%                 | 20.0%        | 0.0%          | 20.0%       | 20.0%        | 5          |
|                       | All others           | 37.5%        | 31.3%                | 25.0%                 | 12.5%        | 6.3%          | 0.0%        | 6.3%         | 16         |
| Institution size      | Very Small           | 77.8%        | 27.8%                | 33.3%                 | 27.8%        | 0.0%          | 0.0%        | 5.6%         | 18         |
|                       | Small                | 57.8%        | 33.3%                | 13.3%                 | 20.0%        | 2.2%          | 2.2%        | 13.3%        | 45         |
|                       | Medium               | 52.3%        | 18.2%                | 25.0%                 | 22.7%        | 4.5%          | 0.0%        | 13.6%        | 44         |
|                       | Large/Very Large     | 44.8%        | 37.9%                | 17.2%                 | 10.3%        | 10.3%         | 3.4%        | 6.9%         | 29         |

**Would you like to receive more information about the Connecting to Collections Care online community?**

|     | Heard of, never used |                   | Never heard of |                   |
|-----|----------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|
|     | Count                | Sample percentage | Count          | Sample percentage |
| Yes | 103                  | 74.1%             | 69             | 82.1%             |
| No  | 36                   | 25.9%             | 15             | 17.9%             |
|     | n= 139               |                   | n= 84          |                   |

- ▶ Of the 172 total respondents who indicated “yes,” 167 (97.1%) provided their contact information (name and email address).
- ▶ Of the “heard of, never used” subsample of 103 who indicated “yes,” 102 (99%) provided their contact information.
- ▶ Of the “never heard of” subsample of 69 who indicated “yes,” 65 (94.2%) provided their contact information.

## Overarching Opinions of C2C Care

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Overall, how valuable is the Connecting to Collections Care online community to you as a resource for your work in the museum, library, archives, conservation or related fields?

|   | Count | Sample percentage |
|---|-------|-------------------|
| It is an essential tool                                     | 146   | 10.5%             |
| It is an important tool                                     | 829   | 59.4%             |
| It is worthwhile, but other tools offer more value/benefits | 171   | 12.3%             |
| It offers only a little value                               | 34    | 2.4%              |
| It has no value for me                                      | 3     | 0.2%              |
| I have not used it enough to have an opinion of its value   | 212   | 15.2%             |
| Average score   | 3.91  |                   |
| n=  | 1,395 |                   |

Average score is based on a 1-to-5 scale where 5 is “essential tool” and 1 is “no value.” Those with no opinion are omitted from average score calculations.

| Perceived value of C2C Care |                      | Essential | Important | Worth-while | Little value | No value | No opinion | Average score | n=   |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|----------|------------|---------------|------|
|                             |                      | Overall   | 10.5%     | 59.4%       | 12.3%        | 2.4%     | 0.2%       | 15.2%         | 3.91 |
| Age                         | <31                  | 11.5%     | 59.0%     | 12.0%       | 2.5%         | 0.0%     | 15.0%      | 3.94          | 200  |
|                             | 31–40                | 9.5%      | 57.8%     | 13.2%       | 2.4%         | 0.3%     | 16.8%      | 3.89          | 370  |
|                             | 41–55                | 10.3%     | 59.9%     | 12.9%       | 2.3%         | 0.0%     | 14.6%      | 3.91          | 426  |
|                             | >55                  | 11.0%     | 60.5%     | 11.0%       | 2.6%         | 0.5%     | 14.4%      | 3.92          | 390  |
| Experience                  | <6 years             | 12.0%     | 58.2%     | 11.1%       | 2.4%         | 0.0%     | 16.3%      | 3.95          | 208  |
|                             | 6–10 years           | 10.5%     | 58.3%     | 12.2%       | 1.7%         | 0.0%     | 17.2%      | 3.94          | 343  |
|                             | 11–20 years          | 9.0%      | 60.6%     | 13.4%       | 2.8%         | 0.2%     | 13.9%      | 3.88          | 432  |
|                             | >20 years            | 11.4%     | 60.7%     | 11.7%       | 2.8%         | 0.5%     | 12.9%      | 3.92          | 394  |
| Setting                     | Museum/Hist. Society | 11.3%     | 60.9%     | 12.5%       | 1.7%         | 0.1%     | 13.4%      | 3.94          | 811  |
|                             | Library              | 10.3%     | 60.0%     | 11.0%       | 2.8%         | 0.7%     | 15.2%      | 3.90          | 145  |
|                             | Archive              | 9.0%      | 54.5%     | 13.5%       | 3.9%         | 0.0%     | 19.1%      | 3.85          | 178  |
|                             | Private Practice/RCL | 9.2%      | 61.5%     | 9.2%        | 3.1%         | 1.5%     | 15.4%      | 3.87          | 65   |
|                             | All others           | 7.6%      | 61.4%     | 10.8%       | 4.4%         | 0.0%     | 15.8%      | 3.86          | 158  |
| Institution size            | Very Small           | 11.2%     | 56.2%     | 8.4%        | 3.4%         | 0.6%     | 20.2%      | 3.93          | 178  |
|                             | Small                | 12.4%     | 60.9%     | 10.8%       | 1.4%         | 0.2%     | 14.2%      | 3.98          | 443  |
|                             | Medium               | 9.0%      | 61.8%     | 13.1%       | 1.9%         | 0.1%     | 14.0%      | 3.90          | 421  |
|                             | Large/Very Large     | 8.9%      | 58.7%     | 14.6%       | 4.4%         | 0.0%     | 13.3%      | 3.83          | 315  |

**Briefly describe the one main benefit you (or your organization) have gained through the use of the Connecting to Collections Care online community:**

**[Open-ended responses are provided in Volume 2, Exhibit 1]**

**Which of the following benefits have you (or your organization) gained through the use of the Connecting to Collections Care online community? (Select all that apply.)**

|  | Count | Sample percentage |
|--|-------|-------------------|
| It has helped support professional development for me/my organization  | 821   | 72.5%             |
| It has informed collections care policies at my organization   | 591   | 52.2%             |
| It has helped me better understand my job/field  | 500   | 44.1%             |
| It has helped soften the impact of limited resources of my organization for professional development fees and travel | 487   | 43.0%             |
| A practice/procedure at my organization has been modified based on information from Connecting to Collections Care   | 423   | 37.3%             |
| It has helped to train staff at my organization  | 421   | 37.2%             |
| It has helped me/my organization approach collections care differently   | 357   | 31.5%             |
| I/we received an answer to a specific question through Connecting to Collections Care                                | 355   | 31.3%             |
| It has facilitated networking with allied professionals  | 257   | 22.7%             |
| It has given me the opportunity to escape my daily tasks   | 230   | 20.3%             |
| It has helped to train volunteers at my organization   | 218   | 19.2%             |
| It has sparked greater interest of collections care within my organization   | 209   | 18.4%             |
| It has helped foster a sense of community among allied professionals   | 168   | 14.8%             |
| It has helped foster a sense of community among our staff and volunteers   | 87    | 7.7%              |
| It has helped our Board better understand the complexities of our institution and mission                            | 67    | 5.9%              |
| I/my organization have not gained any benefits from the Connecting to Collections Care program                       | 4     | 0.4%              |
| Other (1)  | 31    | 2.7%              |
|  | n=    | 1,133             |

1 = The "other" responses consist of:

- Affirmed knowledge already have.
- Although it has not answered a specific question, it did give me a review and more information on specific subjects.
- Have not used the Online Community specifically.
- Helped bring awareness to "powers at be" and get buy-in. (Getting them to understand, "I'm not just making this up to make your life complicated").
- Helped gather information to conduct research and write articles.
- Helped me articulate an argument for collections grant.
- I am fairly new but have learned more about archival care.
- I can communicate my concerns about our collections more effectively.
- I have been able to recommend this site to staff at smaller institutions needing guidance that I either did not have time or expertise to give. It is a wonderful community resource.
- I have been able to share out C2C resources with other museums statewide.

*{Listing continued on following page}*

- I refer clients to you who have specific training/informational needs.
- I refer others to this as a resource.
- Increased confidence and given support in tackling new and intimidating project types through knowing there are good free resources on C2C.
- It has allowed me to learn about, deepen and refresh my knowledge on collections care.
- It has helped me refresh knowledge on lesser-used topics and skills.
- It has helped me to gain a better understanding of areas in preservation/conservation of collections.
- It has provided advice for members and colleagues.
- It has provided an accessible tool for me to get orgs to start thinking about museum standards differently.
- It has provided opportunity to confirm my current practices or to revamp my practices as needed. Sometimes as a "lone arranger" you need to hear what others are doing to confirm that you are on the right track.
- It is a valuable reference resource.
- Offers refreshers on topics of collections care.
- Our Preservation Outreach uses C2C webinars as referrals.
- Referring organizations to C2C resources.
- Shared webinar information with other staff/departments.
- Sometime 2-3 curatorial staff are viewing a webinar together and we have discussions afterwards.
- The original collection of books and pamphlets have been shared with the staff & community.
- The realization that small or large we share the same tasks.
- The variety of topics and excellent presentation of material make this program invaluable and indispensable.
- The webinars provide excellent care information for museums in rural areas who don't have the resources to send attendees to conferences. It also provides contact information to professionals they can contact for further information.
- We have no budget for professional development so with out this resource there would be none.



| <b>Benefits gained by age</b>  | <b>Overall</b> | <b>&lt; 31</b> | <b>31–40</b> | <b>41–55</b> | <b>65+</b> |
|--|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| It has helped support professional development for me/my organization  | 72.5%          | 79.5%          | 76.8%        | 74.4%        | 63.4%      |
| It has informed collections care policies at my organization   | 52.2%          | 62.1%          | 49.8%        | 50.3%        | 50.9%      |
| It has helped me better understand my job/field  | 44.1%          | 55.9%          | 44.8%        | 42.0%        | 40.0%      |
| It has helped soften the impact of limited resources of my organization for professional development fees and travel | 43.0%          | 44.1%          | 42.8%        | 42.0%        | 43.4%      |
| A practice/procedure at my organization has been modified based on information from Connecting to Collections Care   | 37.3%          | 36.0%          | 35.7%        | 35.9%        | 40.9%      |
| It has helped to train staff at my organization  | 37.2%          | 31.7%          | 36.4%        | 39.9%        | 37.5%      |
| It has helped me/my organization approach collections care differently   | 31.5%          | 36.0%          | 31.0%        | 30.7%        | 29.7%      |
| I/we received an answer to a specific question through Connecting to Collections Care                                | 31.3%          | 34.8%          | 34.7%        | 28.2%        | 29.4%      |
| It has facilitated networking with allied professionals  | 22.7%          | 14.3%          | 18.9%        | 23.3%        | 29.4%      |
| It has given me the opportunity to escape my daily tasks   | 20.3%          | 28.0%          | 27.9%        | 19.8%        | 10.0%      |
| It has helped to train volunteers at my organization   | 19.2%          | 21.1%          | 17.5%        | 17.8%        | 20.9%      |
| It has sparked greater interest of collections care within my organization   | 18.4%          | 18.6%          | 16.5%        | 17.2%        | 21.6%      |
| It has helped foster a sense of community among allied professionals   | 14.8%          | 13.0%          | 15.2%        | 12.6%        | 17.2%      |
| It has helped foster a sense of community among our staff and volunteers   | 7.7%           | 8.1%           | 6.4%         | 7.2%         | 9.1%       |
| It has helped our Board better understand the complexities of our institution and mission                            | 5.9%           | 3.1%           | 3.0%         | 5.7%         | 10.0%      |
| I/my organization have not gained any benefits from the Connecting to Collections Care program                       | 0.4%           | 0.0%           | 0.3%         | 0.6%         | 0.3%       |
| Other  | 2.7%           | 0.0%           | 2.4%         | 2.3%         | 5.0%       |
| n=   | 1,133          | 161            | 297          | 348          | 320        |

| Benefits gained by experience  | Overall | Experience |            |             |           |
|--|---------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------|
|  |         | <6 years   | 6–10 years | 11–20 years | 20+ years |
| It has helped support professional development for me/my organization  | 72.5%   | 74.5%      | 74.8%      | 73.4%       | 67.7%     |
| It has informed collections care policies at my organization   | 52.2%   | 60.6%      | 53.6%      | 47.6%       | 52.6%     |
| It has helped me better understand my job/field  | 44.1%   | 60.0%      | 49.3%      | 43.1%       | 32.0%     |
| It has helped soften the impact of limited resources of my organization for professional development fees and travel | 43.0%   | 39.4%      | 43.1%      | 43.6%       | 44.1%     |
| A practice/procedure at my organization has been modified based on information from Connecting to Collections Care   | 37.3%   | 35.2%      | 35.8%      | 38.8%       | 38.4%     |
| It has helped to train staff at my organization  | 37.2%   | 30.9%      | 36.5%      | 36.3%       | 42.3%     |
| It has helped me/my organization approach collections care differently   | 31.5%   | 39.4%      | 34.7%      | 28.9%       | 28.1%     |
| I/we received an answer to a specific question through Connecting to Collections Care                                | 31.3%   | 34.5%      | 32.8%      | 30.6%       | 29.0%     |
| It has facilitated networking with allied professionals  | 22.7%   | 15.2%      | 17.9%      | 21.8%       | 30.5%     |
| It has given me the opportunity to escape my daily tasks   | 20.3%   | 21.8%      | 23.4%      | 20.7%       | 16.6%     |
| It has helped to train volunteers at my organization   | 19.2%   | 20.0%      | 21.5%      | 18.1%       | 18.1%     |
| It has sparked greater interest of collections care within my organization   | 18.4%   | 22.4%      | 19.0%      | 15.0%       | 19.3%     |
| It has helped foster a sense of community among allied professionals   | 14.8%   | 7.3%       | 16.4%      | 11.9%       | 19.9%     |
| It has helped foster a sense of community among our staff and volunteers   | 7.7%    | 7.3%       | 9.1%       | 6.2%        | 8.2%      |
| It has helped our Board better understand the complexities of our institution and mission                            | 5.9%    | 7.9%       | 6.2%       | 4.2%        | 6.6%      |
| I/my organization have not gained any benefits from the Connecting to Collections Care program                       | 0.4%    | 0.0%       | 0.0%       | 0.8%        | 0.3%      |
| Other  | 2.7%    | 1.2%       | 1.8%       | 2.5%        | 4.5%      |
| n=   | 1,133   | 165        | 274        | 353         | 331       |

| Benefits gained by setting   | Overall | Museum/<br>Hist. Soc. | Library | Archive | Private<br>Practice/<br>RCL | All others |
|--|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|-----------------------------|------------|
|  |         |                       |         |         |                             |            |
| It has helped support professional development for me/my organization  | 72.5%   | 71.9%                 | 77.6%   | 73.7%   | 72.5%                       | 69.5%      |
| It has informed collections care policies at my organization   | 52.2%   | 55.2%                 | 53.4%   | 49.6%   | 45.1%                       | 44.5%      |
| It has helped me better understand my job/field  | 44.1%   | 43.3%                 | 49.1%   | 46.0%   | 45.1%                       | 39.8%      |
| It has helped soften the impact of limited resources of my organization for professional development fees and travel | 43.0%   | 46.8%                 | 39.7%   | 45.3%   | 35.3%                       | 30.5%      |
| A practice/procedure at my organization has been modified based on information from Connecting to Collections Care   | 37.3%   | 40.0%                 | 35.3%   | 32.8%   | 29.4%                       | 33.6%      |
| It has helped to train staff at my organization  | 37.2%   | 37.7%                 | 41.4%   | 38.0%   | 17.6%                       | 40.6%      |
| It has helped me/my organization approach collections care differently   | 31.5%   | 32.1%                 | 29.3%   | 33.6%   | 33.3%                       | 31.3%      |
| I/we received an answer to a specific question through Connecting to Collections Care                                | 31.3%   | 32.6%                 | 25.9%   | 31.4%   | 25.5%                       | 32.0%      |
| It has facilitated networking with allied professionals  | 22.7%   | 20.8%                 | 25.0%   | 18.2%   | 37.3%                       | 25.8%      |
| It has given me the opportunity to escape my daily tasks   | 20.3%   | 22.0%                 | 12.9%   | 20.4%   | 21.6%                       | 18.8%      |
| It has helped to train volunteers at my organization   | 19.2%   | 22.0%                 | 12.1%   | 17.5%   | 7.8%                        | 17.2%      |
| It has sparked greater interest of collections care within my organization   | 18.4%   | 18.9%                 | 19.8%   | 20.4%   | 13.7%                       | 14.1%      |
| It has helped foster a sense of community among allied professionals   | 14.8%   | 14.0%                 | 20.7%   | 10.9%   | 25.5%                       | 13.3%      |
| It has helped foster a sense of community among our staff and volunteers   | 7.7%    | 8.6%                  | 7.8%    | 5.1%    | 9.8%                        | 3.9%       |
| It has helped our Board better understand the complexities of our institution and mission                            | 5.9%    | 6.9%                  | 5.2%    | 2.9%    | 5.9%                        | 3.9%       |
| I/my organization have not gained any benefits from the Connecting to Collections Care program                       | 0.4%    | 0.1%                  | 0.0%    | 0.7%    | 0.0%                        | 1.6%       |
| Other  | 2.7%    | 2.1%                  | 1.7%    | 3.6%    | 3.9%                        | 5.5%       |
| n=   | 1,133   | 677                   | 116     | 137     | 51                          | 128        |

| Benefits gained by institution size  | Overall    |       |        |                      |       |
|--|------------|-------|--------|----------------------|-------|
|  | Very Small | Small | Medium | Large/<br>Very Large |       |
| It has helped support professional development for me/my organization  | 72.5%      | 67.7% | 72.6%  | 71.5%                | 76.1% |
| It has informed collections care policies at my organization   | 52.2%      | 63.2% | 56.7%  | 52.4%                | 42.0% |
| It has helped me better understand my job/field  | 44.1%      | 44.4% | 47.9%  | 42.7%                | 39.8% |
| It has helped soften the impact of limited resources of my organization for professional development fees and travel | 43.0%      | 51.9% | 45.8%  | 42.7%                | 37.1% |
| A practice/procedure at my organization has been modified based on information from Connecting to Collections Care   | 37.3%      | 39.1% | 43.6%  | 38.9%                | 26.1% |
| It has helped to train staff at my organization  | 37.2%      | 25.6% | 33.2%  | 42.4%                | 43.2% |
| It has helped me/my organization approach collections care differently   | 31.5%      | 39.1% | 35.9%  | 30.0%                | 25.4% |
| I/we received an answer to a specific question through Connecting to Collections Care                                | 31.3%      | 33.8% | 32.9%  | 32.9%                | 26.1% |
| It has facilitated networking with allied professionals  | 22.7%      | 21.1% | 18.4%  | 23.3%                | 26.9% |
| It has given me the opportunity to escape my daily tasks   | 20.3%      | 24.1% | 20.8%  | 15.9%                | 24.2% |
| It has helped to train volunteers at my organization   | 19.2%      | 20.3% | 19.2%  | 19.0%                | 18.9% |
| It has sparked greater interest of collections care within my organization   | 18.4%      | 22.6% | 18.6%  | 18.2%                | 16.3% |
| It has helped foster a sense of community among allied professionals   | 14.8%      | 12.8% | 12.9%  | 15.0%                | 18.2% |
| It has helped foster a sense of community among our staff and volunteers   | 7.7%       | 10.5% | 3.6%   | 10.7%                | 7.6%  |
| It has helped our Board better understand the complexities of our institution and mission                            | 5.9%       | 12.0% | 6.8%   | 5.5%                 | 1.9%  |
| I/my organization have not gained any benefits from the Connecting to Collections Care program                       | 0.4%       | 0.8%  | 0.5%   | 0.0%                 | 0.4%  |
| Other  | 2.7%       | 2.3%  | 2.5%   | 2.6%                 | 3.4%  |
| n=   | 1,133      | 133   | 365    | 347                  | 264   |

**Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements as they pertain to the Connecting to Collections Care program:**

| <b>Full response range</b>                             | Strongly agree | Some-what agree | Neutral | Some-what disagree | Strongly disagree | No opinion | Average score |
|--|----------------|-----------------|---------|--------------------|-------------------|------------|---------------|
| It is a trusted source of collections care information | 70.9%          | 21.3%           | 4.2%    | 0.2%               | 0.5%              | 3.0%       | 4.67          |
| It is easy to use                                      | 50.6%          | 31.0%           | 9.2%    | 1.7%               | 0.3%              | 7.2%       | 4.40          |
| It is easy to find the information I need              | 34.7%          | 39.7%           | 14.8%   | 2.2%               | 0.4%              | 8.1%       | 4.16          |
| It fills a need that is not met elsewhere              | 35.9%          | 37.5%           | 17.0%   | 1.9%               | 0.5%              | 7.4%       | 4.15          |

The average score is based on a 1-to-5 scale where 1.0 = “strongly disagree” and 5.0 = “strongly agree.” No opinion values are excluded from average score calculations.

n=1,327

| <b>Condensed response range</b>                        | Agree | Neutral | Disagree | No opinion | Average score |
|--|-------|---------|----------|------------|---------------|
| It is a trusted source of collections care information | 92.2% | 4.2%    | 0.6%     | 3.0%       | 4.67          |
| It is easy to use                                      | 81.7% | 9.2%    | 2.0%     | 7.2%       | 4.40          |
| It is easy to find the information I need              | 74.5% | 14.8%   | 2.6%     | 8.1%       | 4.16          |
| It fills a need that is not met elsewhere              | 73.3% | 17.0%   | 2.3%     | 7.4%       | 4.15          |

The average score is based on a 1-to-5 scale where 1.0 = “strongly disagree” and 5.0 = “strongly agree.” No opinion values are excluded from average score calculations.

n=1,327

### Is a trusted source of collections care information

|                  |                      | Agree        | Neutral     | Disagree    | No opinion  | Average score | n=           |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| <b>Overall</b>   |                      | <b>92.2%</b> | <b>4.2%</b> | <b>0.6%</b> | <b>3.0%</b> | <b>4.67</b>   | <b>1,327</b> |
| Age              | <31                  | 94.7%        | 3.2%        | 0.0%        | 2.1%        | 4.70          | 188          |
|                  | 31–40                | 93.0%        | 4.2%        | 0.8%        | 2.0%        | 4.63          | 355          |
|                  | 41–55                | 90.3%        | 5.0%        | 0.5%        | 4.2%        | 4.69          | 404          |
|                  | >55                  | 92.2%        | 3.8%        | 0.8%        | 3.2%        | 4.69          | 373          |
| Experience       | <6 years             | 89.6%        | 7.3%        | 0.0%        | 3.1%        | 4.65          | 192          |
|                  | 6–10 years           | 90.3%        | 5.7%        | 0.3%        | 3.6%        | 4.61          | 331          |
|                  | 11–20 years          | 95.1%        | 1.7%        | 1.0%        | 2.2%        | 4.72          | 409          |
|                  | >20 years            | 91.8%        | 4.0%        | 0.8%        | 3.4%        | 4.68          | 378          |
| Setting          | Museum/Hist. Society | 93.8%        | 3.5%        | 0.4%        | 2.3%        | 4.71          | 777          |
|                  | Library              | 92.0%        | 1.5%        | 2.2%        | 4.4%        | 4.69          | 137          |
|                  | Archive              | 87.1%        | 7.1%        | 1.2%        | 4.7%        | 4.59          | 170          |
|                  | Private Practice/RCL | 91.8%        | 3.3%        | 0.0%        | 4.9%        | 4.66          | 61           |
|                  | All others           | 91.8%        | 6.1%        | 0.0%        | 2.0%        | 4.60          | 147          |
| Institution size | Very Small           | 95.2%        | 3.6%        | 0.0%        | 1.2%        | 4.64          | 166          |
|                  | Small                | 92.7%        | 5.2%        | 0.5%        | 1.6%        | 4.72          | 425          |
|                  | Medium               | 91.7%        | 3.5%        | 0.3%        | 4.5%        | 4.70          | 399          |
|                  | Large/Very Large     | 91.4%        | 3.3%        | 1.7%        | 3.6%        | 4.62          | 302          |

The average score is based on a 1-to-5 scale where 1.0 = “strongly disagree” and 5.0 = “strongly agree.” No opinion values are excluded from average score calculations.

### Is easy to use

|                  |                      | Agree        | Neutral     | Disagree    | No opinion  | Average score | n=           |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| <b>Overall</b>   |                      | <b>81.7%</b> | <b>9.2%</b> | <b>2.0%</b> | <b>7.2%</b> | <b>4.40</b>   | <b>1,327</b> |
| Age              | <31                  | 86.7%        | 9.6%        | 0.5%        | 3.2%        | 4.40          | 188          |
|                  | 31–40                | 84.5%        | 7.3%        | 1.7%        | 6.5%        | 4.41          | 355          |
|                  | 41–55                | 77.7%        | 11.6%       | 2.0%        | 8.7%        | 4.38          | 404          |
|                  | >55                  | 80.7%        | 8.3%        | 2.9%        | 8.0%        | 4.41          | 373          |
| Experience       | <6 years             | 83.3%        | 12.0%       | 1.6%        | 3.1%        | 4.35          | 192          |
|                  | 6–10 years           | 81.6%        | 10.6%       | 1.5%        | 6.3%        | 4.37          | 331          |
|                  | 11–20 years          | 83.9%        | 7.1%        | 1.7%        | 7.3%        | 4.47          | 409          |
|                  | >20 years            | 78.8%        | 8.5%        | 2.9%        | 9.8%        | 4.38          | 378          |
| Setting          | Museum/Hist. Society | 84.3%        | 8.0%        | 1.4%        | 6.3%        | 4.44          | 777          |
|                  | Library              | 81.0%        | 9.5%        | 0.7%        | 8.8%        | 4.43          | 137          |
|                  | Archive              | 80.0%        | 8.2%        | 2.9%        | 8.8%        | 4.39          | 170          |
|                  | Private Practice/RCL | 80.3%        | 6.6%        | 3.3%        | 9.8%        | 4.42          | 61           |
|                  | All others           | 76.2%        | 14.3%       | 3.4%        | 6.1%        | 4.27          | 147          |
| Institution size | Very Small           | 78.3%        | 13.3%       | 3.0%        | 5.4%        | 4.29          | 166          |
|                  | Small                | 84.0%        | 6.4%        | 1.6%        | 8.0%        | 4.46          | 425          |
|                  | Medium               | 81.7%        | 9.5%        | 1.5%        | 7.3%        | 4.41          | 399          |
|                  | Large/Very Large     | 82.8%        | 8.9%        | 2.0%        | 6.3%        | 4.42          | 302          |

The average score is based on a 1-to-5 scale where 1.0 = “strongly disagree” and 5.0 = “strongly agree.” No opinion values are excluded from average score calculations.

### Is easy to find the information I need

|                  |                      | Agree        | Neutral      | Disagree    | No opinion  | Average score | n=           |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| <b>Overall</b>   |                      | <b>74.5%</b> | <b>14.8%</b> | <b>2.6%</b> | <b>8.1%</b> | <b>4.16</b>   | <b>1,327</b> |
| Age              | <31                  | 81.4%        | 12.2%        | 2.1%        | 4.3%        | 4.16          | 188          |
|                  | 31–40                | 75.5%        | 14.6%        | 2.5%        | 7.3%        | 4.13          | 355          |
|                  | 41–55                | 72.3%        | 16.6%        | 2.5%        | 8.7%        | 4.15          | 404          |
|                  | >55                  | 72.1%        | 14.5%        | 2.9%        | 10.5%       | 4.19          | 373          |
| Experience       | <6 years             | 74.0%        | 17.7%        | 2.6%        | 5.7%        | 4.13          | 192          |
|                  | 6–10 years           | 72.8%        | 17.2%        | 2.4%        | 7.6%        | 4.10          | 331          |
|                  | 11–20 years          | 78.5%        | 13.0%        | 1.7%        | 6.8%        | 4.21          | 409          |
|                  | >20 years            | 71.7%        | 13.5%        | 3.4%        | 11.4%       | 4.16          | 378          |
| Setting          | Museum/Hist. Society | 76.4%        | 14.0%        | 1.9%        | 7.6%        | 4.16          | 777          |
|                  | Library              | 73.0%        | 13.1%        | 2.9%        | 10.9%       | 4.20          | 137          |
|                  | Archive              | 74.1%        | 14.7%        | 2.9%        | 8.2%        | 4.17          | 170          |
|                  | Private Practice/RCL | 73.8%        | 16.4%        | 3.3%        | 6.6%        | 4.12          | 61           |
|                  | All others           | 70.1%        | 18.4%        | 3.4%        | 8.2%        | 4.15          | 147          |
| Institution size | Very Small           | 70.5%        | 20.5%        | 3.6%        | 5.4%        | 4.01          | 166          |
|                  | Small                | 76.7%        | 12.9%        | 1.9%        | 8.5%        | 4.24          | 425          |
|                  | Medium               | 75.7%        | 13.3%        | 2.3%        | 8.8%        | 4.18          | 399          |
|                  | Large/Very Large     | 73.8%        | 15.6%        | 2.6%        | 7.9%        | 4.13          | 302          |

The average score is based on a 1-to-5 scale where 1.0 = “strongly disagree” and 5.0 = “strongly agree.” No opinion values are excluded from average score calculations.



**It fills a need that is not met elsewhere**

|                  |                      | Agree        | Neutral      | Disagree    | No opinion  | Average score | n=           |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| <b>Overall</b>   |                      | <b>73.3%</b> | <b>17.0%</b> | <b>2.3%</b> | <b>7.4%</b> | <b>4.15</b>   | <b>1,327</b> |
| Age              | <31                  | 76.6%        | 17.0%        | 1.6%        | 4.8%        | 4.12          | 188          |
|                  | 31–40                | 73.8%        | 17.5%        | 2.0%        | 6.8%        | 4.10          | 355          |
|                  | 41–55                | 69.8%        | 20.5%        | 2.7%        | 6.9%        | 4.13          | 404          |
|                  | >55                  | 75.1%        | 12.6%        | 2.7%        | 9.7%        | 4.23          | 373          |
| Experience       | <6 years             | 72.9%        | 21.9%        | 0.5%        | 4.7%        | 4.14          | 192          |
|                  | 6–10 years           | 74.6%        | 16.6%        | 2.4%        | 6.3%        | 4.11          | 331          |
|                  | 11–20 years          | 74.1%        | 16.9%        | 2.0%        | 7.1%        | 4.15          | 409          |
|                  | >20 years            | 72.5%        | 14.6%        | 3.7%        | 9.3%        | 4.19          | 378          |
| Setting          | Museum/Hist. Society | 76.7%        | 16.0%        | 1.9%        | 5.4%        | 4.17          | 777          |
|                  | Library              | 69.3%        | 17.5%        | 3.6%        | 9.5%        | 4.17          | 137          |
|                  | Archive              | 68.8%        | 18.8%        | 2.4%        | 10.0%       | 4.13          | 170          |
|                  | Private Practice/RCL | 70.5%        | 13.1%        | 6.6%        | 9.8%        | 4.09          | 61           |
|                  | All others           | 68.0%        | 20.4%        | 0.7%        | 10.9%       | 4.12          | 147          |
| Institution size | Very Small           | 77.1%        | 15.7%        | 3.0%        | 4.2%        | 4.16          | 166          |
|                  | Small                | 76.5%        | 15.1%        | 1.4%        | 7.1%        | 4.23          | 425          |
|                  | Medium               | 70.7%        | 17.5%        | 2.8%        | 9.0%        | 4.13          | 399          |
|                  | Large/Very Large     | 71.5%        | 19.2%        | 2.3%        | 7.0%        | 4.08          | 302          |

The average score is based on a 1-to-5 scale where 1.0 = “strongly disagree” and 5.0 = “strongly agree.” No opinion values are excluded from average score calculations.

**How can we make the Connecting to Collections Care program better? (Please be as specific as possible.)**

**[Open-ended responses are provided in Volume 2, Exhibit 2]**

## Discussion Forum Feedback

How often do you access the Discussions Forum, either by reading posts by others or by posting your own questions?

|              | Count | Sample percentage |
|--------------|-------|-------------------|
| Regularly    | 48    | 3.6%              |
| Occasionally | 266   | 20.0%             |
| Rarely       | 466   | 35.1%             |
| Never        | 548   | 41.3%             |
| n=           | 1,328 |                   |

|                  |                      | Regularly   | Occasionally | Rarely       | Never        | n=           |
|------------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Overall</b>   |                      | <b>3.6%</b> | <b>20.0%</b> | <b>35.1%</b> | <b>41.3%</b> | <b>1,328</b> |
| Age              | <31                  | 1.6%        | 16.4%        | 36.5%        | 45.5%        | 189          |
|                  | 31–40                | 2.0%        | 14.1%        | 35.2%        | 48.7%        | 355          |
|                  | 41–55                | 4.5%        | 22.4%        | 32.1%        | 41.0%        | 402          |
|                  | >55                  | 5.3%        | 24.8%        | 37.3%        | 32.5%        | 375          |
| Experience       | <6 years             | 1.6%        | 21.9%        | 39.6%        | 37.0%        | 192          |
|                  | 6–10 years           | 2.7%        | 19.1%        | 33.0%        | 45.2%        | 330          |
|                  | 11–20 years          | 3.4%        | 20.0%        | 32.4%        | 44.1%        | 410          |
|                  | >20 years            | 5.8%        | 20.3%        | 37.5%        | 36.4%        | 379          |
| Setting          | Museum/Hist. Society | 3.5%        | 21.0%        | 35.8%        | 39.8%        | 777          |
|                  | Library              | 5.8%        | 15.2%        | 34.1%        | 44.9%        | 138          |
|                  | Archive              | 1.8%        | 20.0%        | 32.9%        | 45.3%        | 170          |
|                  | Private Practice/RCL | 6.6%        | 21.3%        | 32.8%        | 39.3%        | 61           |
|                  | All others           | 4.1%        | 19.0%        | 36.1%        | 40.8%        | 147          |
| Institution size | Very Small           | 6.6%        | 19.9%        | 33.7%        | 39.8%        | 166          |
|                  | Small                | 3.7%        | 21.1%        | 35.1%        | 40.0%        | 427          |
|                  | Medium               | 2.5%        | 19.8%        | 35.5%        | 42.3%        | 400          |
|                  | Large/Very Large     | 3.7%        | 19.0%        | 35.3%        | 42.0%        | 300          |

## Why do you not use the Discussions Forum? (Check all that apply.)

|   | Count | Sample percentage |
|---|-------|-------------------|
| I was not aware of it   | 354   | 64.8%             |
| I forget about it when I have questions                                       | 88    | 16.1%             |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere (1)                    | 72    | 13.2%             |
| No particular reason  | 62    | 11.4%             |
| I'm not sure what it can be used for  | 25    | 4.6%              |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable with posting my questions publicly          | 24    | 4.4%              |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                            | 23    | 4.2%              |
| I don't have a need for the Discussions Forum                                 | 20    | 3.7%              |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Discussions Forum | 14    | 2.6%              |
| The format was confusing  | 9     | 1.6%              |
| Other (2)   | 33    | 6.0%              |
| n=  | 546   |                   |

Sample limited to those who indicated they “never” use the Discussion Forum in the previous question.

1 = The other sources mentioned are:

- AAM collections stewardship listserv.
- AAM CS listserv.
- AAM Forum and NEMP Facebook Page.
- AAM, books, internet, colleagues.
- AASLH.
- AASLH web site, list servs, LinkedIn groups, colleagues, etc.
- AIC and AAM .
- AIC Dist List and OSG-L.
- AIC lists.
- Canadian Conservation Institute.
- CCI Notes, Conserv-o-grams, books.
- CCI notes, CoOL, PACIN.
- Colleagues , specific resource sites i.e.: CCI or museum associations.
- Colleagues in my community.
- Colleagues in my field.
- Colleagues, literature.
- Colleagues, Nh-coll list-serv.
- Conservators in the field.
- Contacting specific individuals I know in the field; Contacting staff conservators.
- CoOL.
- CoOL DistList (searching for answer rather than posting questions); JStor; BCIN.ca; Consult privately colleagues or friends in the fields.
- CSAAM.
- CS-AAM list serve; Museum-L.
- CSAAM listserv. {3 mentions}
- CSAAM listserv or ask colleagues directly
- CS-list serv.
- Fellow Big Ten archivists listserv.
- Google, listserves, colleagues.
- I am a photograph conservator and many of the questions find answer at the Image Permanence Institute Resources.
- I am in Canada so I use Canadian sources for information - Ontario Museum Association or Canadian Conservation Institute.
- I belong to the Museum-L listserv as well as multiple section groups within the Society of American Archivists, which also operate listservs on specific topics.
- I have professional connections at a large institution where I work one day per week, and they are very generous with their knowledge when I have questions about collections best practices.
- I primarily use the Collections Stewardship Committee of the AAM list serv and that's partially because I get the emails all the time so I'm always aware of what's going on. I should use the CCC discussion board though! It looks like there are some great questions and answers!
- I usually look to AIC periodicals and books in the field.
- I would either use the Resources tab on C2C or potent.
- Listservs - Collections specific.
- List-servs, websites, books.
- Local archives community.
- local museum community.
- Museum-L or Collections Stewardship Committee list or call conservators that I work with.
- Museum-L; colleagues in the field.
- National Parks Conserve-O-grams, CCI Notes, and other similar resources.
- NEDCC.
- NEDCC and CCAHA websites.

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- NEDCC, colleagues.
- NEDCC, googling.
- Nhcoll-1, SPNHC website.
- NPS museum handbook, Image Permanence, AAM registration handbook, colleagues, Canadian Conservation.
- NPS Museum Handbooks.
- Other conservators in the field. AIC forums other than the C2C Discussion Forum. Cons Dis List, OSG, WAG, AIC Community Digest.
- Other listservs.
- Other list-servs and facebook groups.
- Print resources.
- Professional literature, colleagues, specialists or others that I meet through conferences and symposia.
- Professional network, AIC OSG.
- RCAAM list serve, directly contacting specific colleagues with questions or for advice, professional reference books, other web sites.
- RC-AAM list-serv.
- Registrars list-serv.
- Registrar's Listserv, now called the Collections Stewardship Committee of AAM listserv.
- Registration listserv.
- SAA listservs. {2 mentions}
- Select group of conservators; AIC wiki; AATA for Conservation Literature
- Society of American Archivists website and listserv (before it was discontinued at the end of last year)
- SPNHC (NHCOLL) and Geological Curators' Group (UK).
- The CS-AAM list serve and the TMS list serve.
- Trusted colleagues at other institutions.

2 = the "other" responses are:

- A list serve format is more convenient (sent directly to email).
- Already getting enough email.
- Difficult to access.
- I am a trained conservator, and my questions are more specific. Also, I have a vast network and usually reach out to individuals first.
- I am not directly responsible for collections care therefore I rarely/almost never have questions.
- I am not sure what it is - I belong to an archives listserv for questions.
- I deal primarily with film & media, so I lean more heavily on the AMIA listserv.
- I do better with a daily/weekly post like Museum Connection. Do not have time to browse and visit sites, but if I get an email about something, I am more likely to take the time to look at it if the topic is relevant.
- I don't have time.
- I frequently recommend it to the public as a first stop for info and a valuable resource all around.
- I generally refrain from posting on internet forums. It is a hard habit for me to break.
- I have been archiving only one day a week. No time. Now I am expanding to 3 days so hope to connect more.
- I have to log onto the website to see responses, I have not found a way for those to be emailed to me in a digest form. I use to when the email communication was happening.
- I tend to use the Registrars listserv for the types of questions I would submit.
- I tend to use the Society of American Archivists' Forums more as they are sent directly to my email.
- I use CSAAM more regularly.
- I use the RCAAM listserv as well as PACCIN's listserv
- I use the SPNHC or Geological Curators' Group listserv to connect with a specific community.
- I will look into this, did not aware C2C has this services online.
- I would use the conservation-specific list servers first.
- I'm not part of the intended community.
- It doesn't seem like professionals are using it, just volunteers, etc who don't know what they are doing.
- It wasn't clear how to sign up.
- Lack of time.
- Minimal applicability to my current position in records mgmt.
- My former colleague used it.
- Not needed to use it yet.
- Not sure I know how to access this or if I have even set up an account.
- Not sure if I need to be a member or supporter to have access?
- So busy wearing different hats at the museum that I don't take the time.
- The forum is not very active in terms of the number of people involved and responses.
- This is not the way I source reliable information.
- We have a staff conservator so I tend to go directly to that person.

| <b>Non-usage reasons by age</b>   | Overall | < 31  | 31–40 | 41–55 | 65+   |
|---|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| I was not aware of it   | 64.8%   | 64.0% | 69.8% | 63.0% | 61.2% |
| I forget about it when I have questions                                       | 16.1%   | 18.6% | 14.0% | 20.6% | 11.6% |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere                        | 13.2%   | 8.1%  | 13.4% | 17.0% | 11.6% |
| No particular reason  | 11.4%   | 15.1% | 11.0% | 7.3%  | 14.9% |
| I'm not sure what it can be used for  | 4.6%    | 2.3%  | 5.2%  | 4.2%  | 5.0%  |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable with posting my questions publicly          | 4.4%    | 4.7%  | 4.1%  | 6.1%  | 1.7%  |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                            | 4.2%    | 7.0%  | 3.5%  | 4.2%  | 2.5%  |
| I don't have a need for the Discussions Forum                                 | 3.7%    | 4.7%  | 3.5%  | 4.2%  | 2.5%  |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Discussions Forum | 2.6%    | 4.7%  | 2.3%  | 0.6%  | 3.3%  |
| The format was confusing  | 1.6%    | 3.5%  | 1.2%  | 0.0%  | 3.3%  |
| Other   | 6.0%    | 2.3%  | 2.9%  | 9.1%  | 9.1%  |
| n=  | 546     | 86    | 172   | 165   | 121   |

| <b>Non-usage reasons by experience</b>  | Overall | <6 years | 6–10 years | 11–20 years | 20+ years |
|---|---------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| I was not aware of it   | 64.8%   | 67.6%    | 70.9%      | 64.6%       | 56.9%     |
| I forget about it when I have questions                                       | 16.1%   | 14.1%    | 16.9%      | 17.1%       | 15.3%     |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere                        | 13.2%   | 2.8%     | 12.8%      | 14.4%       | 17.5%     |
| No particular reason  | 11.4%   | 11.3%    | 8.8%       | 12.7%       | 10.9%     |
| I'm not sure what it can be used for  | 4.6%    | 4.2%     | 7.4%       | 2.8%        | 4.4%      |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable with posting my questions publicly          | 4.4%    | 1.4%     | 4.1%       | 7.2%        | 2.9%      |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                            | 4.2%    | 5.6%     | 4.7%       | 3.3%        | 3.6%      |
| I don't have a need for the Discussions Forum                                 | 3.7%    | 5.6%     | 1.4%       | 3.9%        | 3.6%      |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Discussions Forum | 2.6%    | 1.4%     | 2.7%       | 2.8%        | 2.2%      |
| The format was confusing  | 1.6%    | 2.8%     | 2.0%       | 1.1%        | 1.5%      |
| Other   | 6.0%    | 8.5%     | 0.7%       | 7.7%        | 8.8%      |
| n=  | 546     | 71       | 148        | 181         | 137       |

| Non-usage reasons by setting  | Overall | Private Practice/     |         |         |       |            |
|---|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|-------|------------|
|   |         | Museum/<br>Hist. Soc. | Library | Archive | RCL   | All others |
| I was not aware of it   | 64.8%   | 62.8%                 | 70.5%   | 69.7%   | 58.3% | 65.0%      |
| I forget about it when I have questions                                       | 16.1%   | 18.1%                 | 14.8%   | 11.8%   | 16.7% | 15.0%      |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere                        | 13.2%   | 16.8%                 | 6.6%    | 6.6%    | 16.7% | 8.3%       |
| No particular reason  | 11.4%   | 11.3%                 | 13.1%   | 7.9%    | 12.5% | 10.0%      |
| I'm not sure what it can be used for  | 4.6%    | 3.9%                  | 4.9%    | 7.9%    | 12.5% | 1.7%       |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable with posting my questions publicly          | 4.4%    | 3.6%                  | 0.0%    | 5.3%    | 0.0%  | 11.7%      |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                            | 4.2%    | 3.2%                  | 6.6%    | 2.6%    | 0.0%  | 8.3%       |
| I don't have a need for the Discussions Forum                                 | 3.7%    | 2.3%                  | 3.3%    | 3.9%    | 12.5% | 5.0%       |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Discussions Forum | 2.6%    | 2.6%                  | 0.0%    | 2.6%    | 0.0%  | 5.0%       |
| The format was confusing  | 1.6%    | 1.6%                  | 0.0%    | 1.3%    | 4.2%  | 3.3%       |
| Other   | 6.0%    | 5.2%                  | 8.2%    | 7.9%    | 8.3%  | 6.7%       |
| n=  | 546     | 309                   | 61      | 76      | 24    | 60         |

| Non-usage reasons by institution size   | Overall | Large/Very Large |       |        |       |
|---|---------|------------------|-------|--------|-------|
|   |         | Very small       | Small | Medium | Large |
| I was not aware of it   | 64.8%   | 60.6%            | 62.4% | 69.2%  | 64.0% |
| I forget about it when I have questions                                       | 16.1%   | 15.2%            | 17.1% | 17.8%  | 14.4% |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere                        | 13.2%   | 12.1%            | 10.6% | 16.0%  | 13.6% |
| No particular reason  | 11.4%   | 12.1%            | 10.6% | 10.7%  | 11.2% |
| I'm not sure what it can be used for  | 4.6%    | 7.6%             | 7.1%  | 2.4%   | 3.2%  |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable with posting my questions publicly          | 4.4%    | 7.6%             | 4.1%  | 1.2%   | 6.4%  |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                            | 4.2%    | 6.1%             | 2.9%  | 1.8%   | 7.2%  |
| I don't have a need for the Discussions Forum                                 | 3.7%    | 1.5%             | 4.1%  | 3.0%   | 4.0%  |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Discussions Forum | 2.6%    | 3.0%             | 2.9%  | 0.6%   | 4.0%  |
| The format was confusing  | 1.6%    | 6.1%             | 2.4%  | 0.0%   | 0.8%  |
| Other   | 6.0%    | 6.1%             | 5.3%  | 7.1%   | 6.4%  |
| n=  | 546     | 66               | 170   | 169    | 125   |

## Have you ever posted a question to the Discussion Forum?

|     | Count | Sample percentage |
|-----|-------|-------------------|
| Yes | 131   | 16.8%             |
| No  | 649   | 83.2%             |
| n=  | 780   |                   |

|                                  |                      | Yes          | No           | n=         |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| <b>Overall</b>                   |                      | <b>16.8%</b> | <b>83.2%</b> | <b>780</b> |
| Age                              | <31                  | 15.5%        | 84.5%        | 103        |
|                                  | 31–40                | 15.4%        | 84.6%        | 182        |
|                                  | 41–55                | 15.2%        | 84.8%        | 237        |
|                                  | >55                  | 20.2%        | 79.8%        | 253        |
| Experience                       | <6 years             | 13.2%        | 86.8%        | 121        |
|                                  | 6–10 years           | 17.1%        | 82.9%        | 181        |
|                                  | 11–20 years          | 18.8%        | 81.2%        | 229        |
|                                  | >20 years            | 15.8%        | 84.2%        | 241        |
| Setting                          | Museum/Hist. Society | 16.9%        | 83.1%        | 468        |
|                                  | Library              | 18.4%        | 81.6%        | 76         |
|                                  | Archive              | 18.3%        | 81.7%        | 93         |
|                                  | Private Practice/RCL | 8.1%         | 91.9%        | 37         |
|                                  | All others           | 14.9%        | 85.1%        | 87         |
| Institution size                 | Very Small           | 19.0%        | 81.0%        | 100        |
|                                  | Small                | 18.8%        | 81.3%        | 256        |
|                                  | Medium               | 13.9%        | 86.1%        | 231        |
|                                  | Large/Very Large     | 15.5%        | 84.5%        | 174        |
| Discussion Forum usage frequency | Regularly            | 52.1%        | 47.9%        | 48         |
|                                  | Occasionally         | 21.8%        | 78.2%        | 266        |
|                                  | Rarely               | 10.3%        | 89.7%        | 466        |

**Please rate your satisfaction with the following aspects of posting a question:**

|   | Fully satisfied | Mostly satisfied | Not satisfied | No opinion | Average score |
|---|-----------------|------------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| Overall ease of posting a question            | 55.7%           | 35.1%            | 3.8%          | 5.3%       | 2.55          |
| Being able to review/edit the posted question | 42.7%           | 32.8%            | 6.1%          | 18.3%      | 2.45          |
| Knowing when a response was received          | 41.2%           | 37.4%            | 9.2%          | 12.2%      | 2.37          |
| Receiving useful information                  | 47.3%           | 38.9%            | 4.6%          | 9.2%       | 2.47          |

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**Overall ease of posting a question**

|                                  | Fully satisfied      | Mostly satisfied                        | Not satisfied | No opinion  | Average score | n=         |    |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|---|---------------|-------------|---------------|------------|----|
| <b>Overall</b>                   | <b>55.7%</b>         | <b>35.1%</b>                            | <b>3.8%</b>   | <b>5.3%</b> | <b>2.55</b>   | <b>131</b> |    |
| Age                              | <31                  | 50.0%                                   | 25.0%         | 12.5%       | 12.5%         | 2.43       | 16 |
|                                  | 31–40                | 50.0%                                   | 42.9%         | 0.0%        | 7.1%          | 2.54       | 28 |
|                                  | 41–55                | 63.9%                                   | 36.1%         | 0.0%        | 0.0%          | 2.64       | 36 |
|                                  | >55                  | 54.9%                                   | 33.3%         | 5.9%        | 5.9%          | 2.52       | 51 |
| Experience                       | <6 years             | 50.0%                                   | 25.0%         | 18.8%       | 6.3%          | 2.33       | 16 |
|                                  | 6–10 years           | 54.8%                                   | 41.9%         | 0.0%        | 3.2%          | 2.57       | 31 |
|                                  | 11–20 years          | 55.8%                                   | 37.2%         | 2.3%        | 4.7%          | 2.56       | 43 |
|                                  | >20 years            | 60.5%                                   | 31.6%         | 2.6%        | 5.3%          | 2.61       | 38 |
| Setting                          | Museum/Hist. Society | 55.7%                                   | 34.2%         | 6.3%        | 3.8%          | 2.51       | 79 |
|                                  | Library              | 64.3%                                   | 28.6%         | 0.0%        | 7.1%          | 2.69       | 14 |
|                                  | Archive              | 41.2%                                   | 52.9%         | 0.0%        | 5.9%          | 2.44       | 17 |
|                                  | Private Practice/RCL | <i>Insufficient data for tabulation</i> |               |             |               |            | 3  |
|                                  | All others           | 69.2%                                   | 23.1%         | 0.0%        | 7.7%          | 2.75       | 13 |
| Institution size                 | Very Small           | 52.6%                                   | 31.6%         | 10.5%       | 5.3%          | 2.44       | 19 |
|                                  | Small                | 52.1%                                   | 33.3%         | 4.2%        | 10.4%         | 2.53       | 48 |
|                                  | Medium               | 53.1%                                   | 43.8%         | 3.1%        | 0.0%          | 2.50       | 32 |
|                                  | Large/Very Large     | 66.7%                                   | 33.3%         | 0.0%        | 0.0%          | 2.67       | 27 |
| Discussion Forum usage frequency | Regularly            | 64.0%                                   | 36.0%         | 0.0%        | 0.0%          | 2.64       | 25 |
|                                  | Occasionally         | 63.8%                                   | 31.0%         | 1.7%        | 3.4%          | 2.64       | 58 |
|                                  | Rarely               | 41.7%                                   | 39.6%         | 8.3%        | 10.4%         | 2.37       | 48 |

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### Being able to review/edit the posted question

|                                  |                      | Fully satisfied                         | Mostly satisfied | Not satisfied | No opinion   | Average score | n=         |   |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|---|------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|------------|---|
|                                  | <b>Overall</b>       | <b>42.7%</b>                            | <b>32.8%</b>     | <b>6.1%</b>   | <b>18.3%</b> | <b>2.45</b>   | <b>131</b> |   |
| Age                              | <31                  | 56.3%                                   | 6.3%             | 12.5%         | 25.0%        | 2.58          | 16         |   |
|                                  | 31–40                | 39.3%                                   | 42.9%            | 10.7%         | 7.1%         | 2.31          | 28         |   |
|                                  | 41–55                | 44.4%                                   | 38.9%            | 0.0%          | 16.7%        | 2.53          | 36         |   |
|                                  | >55                  | 39.2%                                   | 31.4%            | 5.9%          | 23.5%        | 2.44          | 51         |   |
| Experience                       | <6 years             | 43.8%                                   | 12.5%            | 18.8%         | 25.0%        | 2.33          | 16         |   |
|                                  | 6–10 years           | 41.9%                                   | 51.6%            | 0.0%          | 6.5%         | 2.45          | 31         |   |
|                                  | 11–20 years          | 44.2%                                   | 32.6%            | 7.0%          | 16.3%        | 2.44          | 43         |   |
|                                  | >20 years            | 42.1%                                   | 28.9%            | 2.6%          | 26.3%        | 2.54          | 38         |   |
| Setting                          | Museum/Hist. Society | 46.8%                                   | 27.8%            | 7.6%          | 17.7%        | 2.48          | 79         |   |
|                                  | Library              | 50.0%                                   | 28.6%            | 0.0%          | 21.4%        | 2.64          | 14         |   |
|                                  | Archive              | 17.6%                                   | 58.8%            | 5.9%          | 17.6%        | 2.14          | 17         |   |
|                                  | Private Practice/RCL | <i>Insufficient data for tabulation</i> |                  |               |              |               |            | 3 |
|                                  | All others           | 46.2%                                   | 30.8%            | 0.0%          | 23.1%        | 2.60          | 13         |   |
| Institution size                 | Very Small           | 42.1%                                   | 21.1%            | 15.8%         | 21.1%        | 2.33          | 19         |   |
|                                  | Small                | 41.7%                                   | 37.5%            | 4.2%          | 16.7%        | 2.45          | 48         |   |
|                                  | Medium               | 37.5%                                   | 37.5%            | 3.1%          | 21.9%        | 2.44          | 32         |   |
|                                  | Large/Very Large     | 51.9%                                   | 29.6%            | 3.7%          | 14.8%        | 2.57          | 27         |   |
| Discussion Forum usage frequency | Regularly            | 60.0%                                   | 28.0%            | 0.0%          | 12.0%        | 2.68          | 25         |   |
|                                  | Occasionally         | 43.1%                                   | 36.2%            | 3.4%          | 17.2%        | 2.48          | 58         |   |
|                                  | Rarely               | 33.3%                                   | 31.3%            | 12.5%         | 22.9%        | 2.27          | 48         |   |

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### Knowing when a response was received

|                                  |                      | Fully satisfied                         | Mostly satisfied | Not satisfied | No opinion   | Average score | n=         |   |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|---|------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|------------|---|
|                                  | <b>Overall</b>       | <b>41.2%</b>                            | <b>37.4%</b>     | <b>9.2%</b>   | <b>12.2%</b> | <b>2.37</b>   | <b>131</b> |   |
| Age                              | <31                  | 43.8%                                   | 25.0%            | 12.5%         | 18.8%        | 2.38          | 16         |   |
|                                  | 31–40                | 35.7%                                   | 46.4%            | 7.1%          | 10.7%        | 2.32          | 28         |   |
|                                  | 41–55                | 38.9%                                   | 47.2%            | 8.3%          | 5.6%         | 2.32          | 36         |   |
|                                  | >55                  | 45.1%                                   | 29.4%            | 9.8%          | 15.7%        | 2.42          | 51         |   |
| Experience                       | <6 years             | 56.3%                                   | 12.5%            | 18.8%         | 12.5%        | 2.43          | 16         |   |
|                                  | 6–10 years           | 32.3%                                   | 48.4%            | 12.9%         | 6.5%         | 2.21          | 31         |   |
|                                  | 11–20 years          | 37.2%                                   | 44.2%            | 7.0%          | 11.6%        | 2.34          | 43         |   |
|                                  | >20 years            | 47.4%                                   | 34.2%            | 2.6%          | 15.8%        | 2.53          | 38         |   |
| Setting                          | Museum/Hist. Society | 41.8%                                   | 35.4%            | 10.1%         | 12.7%        | 2.36          | 79         |   |
|                                  | Library              | 50.0%                                   | 35.7%            | 0.0%          | 14.3%        | 2.58          | 14         |   |
|                                  | Archive              | 29.4%                                   | 52.9%            | 11.8%         | 5.9%         | 2.19          | 17         |   |
|                                  | Private Practice/RCL | <i>Insufficient data for tabulation</i> |                  |               |              |               |            | 3 |
|                                  | All others           | 46.2%                                   | 46.2%            | 0.0%          | 7.7%         | 2.50          | 13         |   |
| Institution size                 | Very Small           | 52.6%                                   | 15.8%            | 21.1%         | 10.5%        | 2.35          | 19         |   |
|                                  | Small                | 35.4%                                   | 41.7%            | 6.3%          | 16.7%        | 2.35          | 48         |   |
|                                  | Medium               | 43.8%                                   | 40.6%            | 6.3%          | 9.4%         | 2.41          | 32         |   |
|                                  | Large/Very Large     | 40.7%                                   | 44.4%            | 7.4%          | 7.4%         | 2.36          | 27         |   |
| Discussion Forum usage frequency | Regularly            | 40.0%                                   | 40.0%            | 4.0%          | 16.0%        | 2.43          | 25         |   |
|                                  | Occasionally         | 50.0%                                   | 36.2%            | 6.9%          | 6.9%         | 2.46          | 58         |   |
|                                  | Rarely               | 31.3%                                   | 37.5%            | 14.6%         | 16.7%        | 2.20          | 48         |   |

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### Receiving useful information

|                                  |                      | Fully satisfied                         | Mostly satisfied | Not satisfied | No opinion  | Average score | n=         |   |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|---|------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|------------|---|
|                                  | <b>Overall</b>       | <b>47.3%</b>                            | <b>38.9%</b>     | <b>4.6%</b>   | <b>9.2%</b> | <b>2.47</b>   | <b>131</b> |   |
| Age                              | <31                  | 50.0%                                   | 25.0%            | 6.3%          | 18.8%       | 2.54          | 16         |   |
|                                  | 31–40                | 50.0%                                   | 46.4%            | 3.6%          | 0.0%        | 2.46          | 28         |   |
|                                  | 41–55                | 50.0%                                   | 38.9%            | 8.3%          | 2.8%        | 2.43          | 36         |   |
|                                  | >55                  | 43.1%                                   | 39.2%            | 2.0%          | 15.7%       | 2.49          | 51         |   |
| Experience                       | <6 years             | 75.0%                                   | 18.8%            | 0.0%          | 6.3%        | 2.80          | 16         |   |
|                                  | 6–10 years           | 38.7%                                   | 51.6%            | 6.5%          | 3.2%        | 2.33          | 31         |   |
|                                  | 11–20 years          | 44.2%                                   | 37.2%            | 9.3%          | 9.3%        | 2.38          | 43         |   |
|                                  | >20 years            | 47.4%                                   | 39.5%            | 0.0%          | 13.2%       | 2.55          | 38         |   |
| Setting                          | Museum/Hist. Society | 46.8%                                   | 39.2%            | 5.1%          | 8.9%        | 2.46          | 79         |   |
|                                  | Library              | 64.3%                                   | 21.4%            | 0.0%          | 14.3%       | 2.75          | 14         |   |
|                                  | Archive              | 52.9%                                   | 47.1%            | 0.0%          | 0.0%        | 2.53          | 17         |   |
|                                  | Private Practice/RCL | <i>Insufficient data for tabulation</i> |                  |               |             |               |            | 3 |
|                                  | All others           | 38.5%                                   | 38.5%            | 15.4%         | 7.7%        | 2.25          | 13         |   |
| Institution size                 | Very Small           | 42.1%                                   | 42.1%            | 0.0%          | 15.8%       | 2.50          | 19         |   |
|                                  | Small                | 54.2%                                   | 29.2%            | 6.3%          | 10.4%       | 2.53          | 48         |   |
|                                  | Medium               | 50.0%                                   | 43.8%            | 3.1%          | 3.1%        | 2.48          | 32         |   |
|                                  | Large/Very Large     | 40.7%                                   | 44.4%            | 7.4%          | 7.4%        | 2.36          | 27         |   |
| Discussion Forum usage frequency | Regularly            | 48.0%                                   | 40.0%            | 4.0%          | 8.0%        | 2.48          | 25         |   |
|                                  | Occasionally         | 56.9%                                   | 34.5%            | 3.4%          | 5.2%        | 2.56          | 58         |   |
|                                  | Rarely               | 35.4%                                   | 43.8%            | 6.3%          | 14.6%       | 2.34          | 48         |   |

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**Please describe how the question posting process could be improved. Please be as specific as possible.**

**[Open-ended responses are provided in Volume 2, Exhibit 3]**

## Why have you not posted a question to the Discussion Forum? (Check all that apply.)

|   | Count | Sample percentage |
|---|-------|-------------------|
| No particular reason  | 287   | 44.6%             |
| I forget about it when I have questions                           | 189   | 29.3%             |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere (1)        | 113   | 17.5%             |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Forum | 75    | 11.6%             |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable posting my questions publicly   | 53    | 8.2%              |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                | 33    | 5.1%              |
| The format was confusing  | 22    | 3.4%              |
| Other (2)   | 85    | 13.2%             |
| n=  | 644   |                   |

Sample limited to those who indicated they have not posted a question to the Discussion Forum.

1 = The other sources specified are:

- A mentor I can contact personally.
- AAM Collections listserv.
- AAM listservs.
- AAM Museum Junction Forum, and colleagues at CCAHA and local museums.
- AIC.
- AIC Dist List and colleagues.
- AIC website.
- Arcan-L (Canadian Archival List-serv).
- ARCS listserv, direct questions to colleagues.
- As we advise clients on collections care (at the national level), we locate the information using internal or external publications before drawing on expertise of colleagues, so we are able to locate answers before having to post publicly.
- Books.
- Canadian museum listserv Emerging Museum Professional facebook group.
- CCI Notes, NEDCC resources, NPS Conserve-O-Grams.
- CCI website, NPS website, ConservationOnLine/Conservation DistList and topic-specific listserves I subscribe to, and the CAPC discussion forum are usually my first place to look as my needs are often beyond an introductory level of knowledge.
- CCI, Studies in Conservation, Journals etc
- Colleagues. {2 mentions}
- Colleagues in the area, other resources like the Collections bookshelf.
- Colleagues within my department.
- Colleagues, private conservators.
- Colleagues, textbooks.
- Collections listserv.
- Collections Stewardship Committee of the AAM.
- Collections Stewardship Committee of the American Alliance of Museums listserv (CSAAM).
- Collections Stewardship list serve.
- Conservation DistList.
- Conservator doing workshops at our museum or working on preservation projects.
- Consult directly with one or more people in my professional network.
- CoOL.
- Cool, AIC specialty groups discussion list, Cameo, Getty, etc., etc.
- CS-AAM. {3 mentions}
- CSAAM (RCAAM) listserv, ARCS forum.
- CSAAM listserv. {4 mentions}
- CS-AAM listserv (formerly RC-AAM).
- CS-AAM listserv, MRM5.
- Direct peer to peer contact.
- Direct responses from peers.
- Directly from colleagues in the field, particularly through the Midwest Registrars Committee (of which I am a member).
- Discussions with peers in the field.
- Distlists primarily.
- Email listservs, directly ask peers in my network.
- E-mail or call pertinent individuals or organizations
- Experienced colleagues.
- Facebook groups and listservs.
- Greater Hudson Heritage Network, N.Y., LOC.
- [Http://cool.conservation-us.org/byform/mailling-lists/cdl/Conservation DistList](http://cool.conservation-us.org/byform/mailling-lists/cdl/Conservation DistList).
- I am registered to the AAM Collections Stewardship listserv and I usually am able to seek information from that forum.
- I directly contact colleagues.
- I have either asked other staff members with specific knowledge to the topic at hand, or searched Google or YouTube to find general answers.
- I often go directly to people I know and trust or post questions on the padg (preservation administrators discussion group) listserv.

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- I reach out to colleagues I've used for CAPS, classmates from Attingham & Vic Soc and curators at institutions like the Frick Museum and the Met.
- I run search engine searches on the topic I'm looking for and find the blogs and resources of other museums.
- I seek advice from other collection managers in natural history and don't feel there are many involved in C2C.
- I use the CS-AAM Listserv. Quicker response.
- I used the resources and archives sections of Connecting to Collections Care and various online resources - Library of Congress, NEDC, Illinois Collections Preservation Network.
- I usually use RCAAM listserv or Museum junction forum.
- Internet everything from NEDCC, LC. AIC, Smithsonian, colleagues, text books like Museum Registration Methods, etc.
- Internet websites.
- Listserves, particularly CSAAM (and previously, RCAAM).
- Listservs. Colleagues in my area.
- Listservs for various organizations, the internet, and published sources.
- Listservs of professional organizations such as the Registrar's Committee of AAM or the Society of American Archivists.
- Literature - printed & online: - Icon (Institute of Conservation) - JSTOR - AATA - IADA - ICOM etc.
- Local archivists.
- Local people or institutions I know personally.
- Long-term professionals in the field - other publications/articles.
- Mentor.
- Mostly individual colleagues or mentors, sometimes the ConsDistlist.
- Museum and archives listservs.
- Museum-L Listserv. {2 mentions}
- Museum-L or AAM collections care (formerly registrars) listserv.
- My mentors or CCI and NPS docs.
- National Park Service, Northeast Document Conservation Center, AIC, others I cannot think of immediately.
- New England archivists Listserv and New England Museum Assoc Listserv.
- NHCOLL listserv, SPNHC.
- Nhcoll-L; AIC-OSG list serve, Pestlist.
- On site conservator.
- On site conservators and other staff at our museum
- Online and published resources.
- Other colleagues, other conservation platforms on social media.
- Other websites or sources like Lyrisis.
- Own institution or Google.
- PACCIN.
- Personal network.
- Personal network, conserve o grams, registrars listserv
- Print resources in my library; NEDCC pages.
- Professional colleagues.
- Professional colleagues or CSAAM listserv
- Publications.
- Publications, periodicals, professional sites (SAA, AAM, ALA, etc.).
- RCAAM listserv and a local listserv of registrars in my county.
- SAA, AIC, conservograms and nps, coworkers or other colleagues, other printed or online resources.
- Society of American Archivists affinity groups - Lone Arrangers, Museum Archives, Archives Management, etc.
- Society of American Archivists, National Park Service, blogs, journal articles.
- The C2C bookshelf or similar resources.
- The CCI is local to me.
- The Curator on sight at the Museum.
- Various Listserves.
- We have our own conservators to ask questions of -- If I can't find the answer to my question, then I ask them.
- YouTube, NEDCC, or Smithsonian.

2 = The "other" responses are:

- Any question I had was posted and answered by others.
- Didn't know the forum existed.
- Didn't realize it was there.
- Discouraged by supervisory staff.
- Doing 15,000 things.
- Don't usually post Q on listservs or discussion boards - usually research or ask specific people.
- Found answers to questions by searching forum.
- Generally too busy to take the time out to go online to do so.
- Hard to tell what is the audience to direct a question to.
- Have colleagues in the field close by.
- Have had bad experiences posting.
- Have not had the need to post.
- Haven't used it enough to become familiar.
- I am on CS-AAM list serve. Get 95% of information this way.
- I am on so many online fora that I can barely keep them straight, and mostly work with my SAA affinity groups' fora.
- I am required to use our state collections personnel for answers to my questions.
- I am specifically knowledgeable about collections care
- I am usually doing something at the same time and am interrupted...being able to refer to the archived presentations is very helpful.
- I can't remember if I've used it. I usually go to RCAAM listserv.
- I don't always get in on the forum live.
- I don't always have internet access.
- I don't want to read rude and/or uninformative comments related to my questions. I ask specific people when necessary.
- I find others have already asked the same question.
- I found the answer.
- I generally go to my personal circle of contacts when I have a question/issue rather than any sort of forum.
- I had a hard time accessing it whenever trying to get back in.
- I have found needed info, so no need to post.
- I have frequently been able to find answers to my questions in existing discussions.
- I have often found my question already posted and with great answers.
- I have served as a moderator and expert in the past.
- I haven't had the opportunity to check the Discussion Forum.
- I haven't personally but my staff has.
- I honestly did not know one existed.

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- I just generally don't participate in lots of discussion forums.
- I looked in the forum archives & found the information I needed!
- I may have. I do not remember whether or not I have ever posted.
- I might ask our Collections Manager to post it.
- I mostly look the forum or webinars as conformation of information I've gotten from MRM5, COOL, Stash C. etc.
- I need to more and thank you for reminding me about how valuable their resources are!!
- I need to update my email, and become more active in my usage.
- I often ask a specific person via email. However, the Discussion Forum is a resource I want to get into the habit of tapping more often.
- I often found similar questions had already been asked
- I oftentimes get more immediate feedback from other sources.
- I provide answers, don't ask questions.
- I really don't like to hear unvetted information from sources that may or may not be knowledgeable.
- I refer my staff to the network, but am personally more focused on administration at this point, so have less need to refer to it.
- I refer others with questions to post directly.
- I use the CSAAM listserv instead.
- I've used another listserv for questions.
- I'm a volunteer and defer to professional staff to post questions.
- I'm not sure I haven't posted.
- Information found on the site.
- I've always been able to find the information I need to deal with an issue.
- Just too busy actually. But it is a great resource that I hope to use in the future.
- Just too busy, directorially, to prioritize this particular professional forum.
- Lack of time to follow up with multiple forums.
- Limited time; sorry to say I usually bumble along doing the best I can.
- My go-to peer resource is the CS-AAM listserv - I ask questions there.
- My level of English language.
- My questions are not basic and the answer always will start with "I depends ..."
- No personal time to even review the boards.
- Not enough time.
- Not my usual mode, but I will look into it.
- Not pertinent to my current job.
- Not sure how to do it, but there are times I thought it would be helpful.
- Often ask local people or institutions these questions instead.
- Often my questions are a little more conservation specific/technical so I reach out to specific colleagues first. However, if I did not get a satisfactory response via those channels it could be very helpful to pose it to the wider C2C audience.
- On site conservator available.
- Our collections manager poses the questions on the forum.
- So much of the forum seems to be European museum based which do not operate in the same fashion as US museums.
- Some answers aren't from the experience level I need.
- Some of my questions were answered by reading other questions on the forum.
- That's just not me.
- The answer was already available in the forum.
- The questions posted and following discussion gave the answers to questions we didn't know we had! :)
- Time.
- Time restrictions on my part.
- Time. Lack of time. I am so busy just running from one spot fire to the next. Posting and reading is a luxury.
- Too busy.
- Typically I go looking for specific questions and have found that they've already been answered!
- usually I would just search for my issue and see what was already posted.
- Usually someone in the field is experiencing the same issues and it is just easier to follow a string of conversation to build on later.
- Very busy in the field.
- Very often, the answers to questions I have have already been asked and I can reference that discussion.
- We have a conservator in the system.

| <b>Non-posting reasons by age</b>                                 | Overall | < 31  | 31–40 | 41–55 | 65+   |
|---|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| No particular reason  | 44.6%   | 47.1% | 40.9% | 41.4% | 49.0% |
| I forget about it when I have questions                           | 29.3%   | 32.2% | 32.5% | 28.3% | 27.5% |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere            | 17.5%   | 20.7% | 23.4% | 18.7% | 11.0% |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Forum | 11.6%   | 17.2% | 9.7%  | 9.6%  | 12.0% |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable posting my questions publicly   | 8.2%    | 9.2%  | 7.8%  | 8.6%  | 8.0%  |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                | 5.1%    | 3.4%  | 5.2%  | 7.6%  | 3.0%  |
| The format was confusing  | 3.4%    | 6.9%  | 3.9%  | 2.5%  | 2.5%  |
| Other   | 13.2%   | 6.9%  | 11.7% | 18.2% | 12.5% |
| n=  | 644     | 87    | 154   | 198   | 200   |

| <b>Non-posting reasons By experience</b>                          | Overall | <6 years | 6–10 years | 11–20 years | 20+ years |
|---|---------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| No particular reason  | 44.6%   | 43.8%    | 44.3%      | 43.2%       | 46.5%     |
| I forget about it when I have questions                           | 29.3%   | 35.2%    | 24.8%      | 33.5%       | 26.0%     |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere            | 17.5%   | 15.2%    | 20.1%      | 16.8%       | 17.5%     |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Forum | 11.6%   | 12.4%    | 15.4%      | 7.0%        | 12.5%     |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable posting my questions publicly   | 8.2%    | 7.6%     | 8.1%       | 9.2%        | 7.0%      |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                | 5.1%    | 7.6%     | 4.0%       | 4.9%        | 5.0%      |
| The format was confusing  | 3.4%    | 2.9%     | 8.1%       | 1.1%        | 2.5%      |
| Other   | 13.2%   | 9.5%     | 12.8%      | 14.6%       | 14.5%     |
| n=  | 644     | 105      | 149        | 185         | 200       |

| Non-posting reasons by setting                                    | Overall | Private Practice/ RCL |         |         |       |            |
|---|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|-------|------------|
|   |         | Museum/<br>Hist. Soc. | Library | Archive | RCL   | All others |
| No particular reason  | 44.6%   | 46.1%                 | 43.5%   | 36.0%   | 38.2% | 49.3%      |
| I forget about it when I have questions                           | 29.3%   | 29.9%                 | 25.8%   | 29.3%   | 38.2% | 26.8%      |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere            | 17.5%   | 18.3%                 | 16.1%   | 13.3%   | 29.4% | 11.3%      |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Forum | 11.6%   | 12.1%                 | 11.3%   | 12.0%   | 11.8% | 9.9%       |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable posting my questions publicly   | 8.2%    | 8.8%                  | 9.7%    | 6.7%    | 2.9%  | 7.0%       |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                | 5.1%    | 3.6%                  | 4.8%    | 8.0%    | 5.9%  | 9.9%       |
| The format was confusing  | 3.4%    | 4.4%                  | 1.6%    | 1.3%    | 2.9%  | 1.4%       |
| Other   | 13.2%   | 12.6%                 | 12.9%   | 18.7%   | 11.8% | 14.1%      |
| n=  | 644     | 388                   | 62      | 75      | 34    | 71         |

| Non-posting reasons by institution size                           | Overall | Large/Very Large |       |        |       |
|---|---------|------------------|-------|--------|-------|
|   |         | Very small       | Small | Medium | Large |
| No particular reason  | 44.6%   | 48.1%            | 42.2% | 43.4%  | 47.6% |
| I forget about it when I have questions                           | 29.3%   | 28.4%            | 31.1% | 31.8%  | 24.8% |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere            | 17.5%   | 21.0%            | 10.7% | 18.2%  | 23.4% |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Forum | 11.6%   | 9.9%             | 12.6% | 11.6%  | 11.7% |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable posting my questions publicly   | 8.2%    | 7.4%             | 11.2% | 6.6%   | 6.2%  |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                | 5.1%    | 8.6%             | 5.3%  | 3.5%   | 4.8%  |
| The format was confusing  | 3.4%    | 3.7%             | 4.4%  | 3.0%   | 2.1%  |
| Other   | 13.2%   | 8.6%             | 15.5% | 16.2%  | 9.7%  |
| n=  | 644     | 81               | 206   | 198    | 145   |



| Non-posting reasons by Discussion Forum usage frequency           |         |           |              |        |
|---|---------|-----------|--------------|--------|
|   | Overall | Regularly | Occasionally | Rarely |
| No particular reason  | 44.6%   | 63.6%     | 47.8%        | 42.0%  |
| I forget about it when I have questions                           | 29.3%   | 22.7%     | 24.9%        | 31.9%  |
| I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere            | 17.5%   | 0.0%      | 10.7%        | 21.8%  |
| I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Forum | 11.6%   | 4.5%      | 15.1%        | 10.3%  |
| I am embarrassed or uncomfortable posting my questions publicly   | 8.2%    | 4.5%      | 12.7%        | 6.2%   |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site                | 5.1%    | 9.1%      | 2.9%         | 6.0%   |
| The format was confusing  | 3.4%    | 4.5%      | 1.5%         | 4.3%   |
| Other   | 13.2%   | 4.5%      | 12.7%        | 13.9%  |
| n=  | 644     | 22        | 205          | 417    |

## Do you receive automatic notifications from the Discussion Forum?

|          | Count | Sample percentage |
|----------|-------|-------------------|
| Yes      | 109   | 14.1%             |
| No       | 459   | 59.3%             |
| Not sure | 206   | 26.6%             |
| n=       | 774   |                   |

|                                   |                      | Yes          | No           | Not sure     | n=         |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| <b>Overall</b>                    |                      | <b>14.1%</b> | <b>59.3%</b> | <b>26.6%</b> | <b>774</b> |
| Age                               | <31                  | 5.8%         | 77.7%        | 16.5%        | 103        |
|                                   | 31–40                | 7.2%         | 70.0%        | 22.8%        | 180        |
|                                   | 41–55                | 15.7%        | 56.4%        | 28.0%        | 236        |
|                                   | >55                  | 20.4%        | 46.8%        | 32.8%        | 250        |
| Experience                        | <6 years             | 6.6%         | 71.1%        | 22.3%        | 121        |
|                                   | 6–10 years           | 10.0%        | 67.2%        | 22.8%        | 180        |
|                                   | 11–20 years          | 15.4%        | 59.5%        | 25.1%        | 227        |
|                                   | >20 years            | 20.2%        | 47.5%        | 32.4%        | 238        |
| Setting                           | Museum/Hist. Society | 13.9%        | 59.2%        | 26.8%        | 466        |
|                                   | Library              | 14.5%        | 56.6%        | 28.9%        | 76         |
|                                   | Archive              | 12.0%        | 67.4%        | 20.7%        | 92         |
|                                   | Private Practice/RCL | 19.4%        | 58.3%        | 22.2%        | 36         |
|                                   | All others           | 14.0%        | 57.0%        | 29.1%        | 86         |
| Institution size                  | Very Small           | 14.1%        | 59.6%        | 26.3%        | 99         |
|                                   | Small                | 15.0%        | 58.7%        | 26.4%        | 254        |
|                                   | Medium               | 11.7%        | 59.3%        | 29.0%        | 231        |
|                                   | Large/Very Large     | 15.7%        | 61.6%        | 22.7%        | 172        |
| Discussion Forum usage frequency  | Regularly            | 64.6%        | 18.8%        | 16.7%        | 48         |
|                                   | Occasionally         | 19.3%        | 53.0%        | 27.7%        | 264        |
|                                   | Rarely               | 5.8%         | 67.1%        | 27.1%        | 462        |
| Discussion Forum question posting | Have posted          | 27.7%        | 38.5%        | 33.8%        | 130        |
|                                   | Have not posted      | 11.3%        | 63.5%        | 25.2%        | 644        |

**Overall, how valuable is the Discussion Forum for your needs?**

|                        | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample percentage</b> |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Highly valuable (5)    | 48           | 6.2%                     |
| (4)                    | 150          | 19.3%                    |
| (3)                    | 340          | 43.8%                    |
| (2)                    | 158          | 20.3%                    |
| Little to no value (1) | 81           | 10.4%                    |
| Average score          | 2.90         |                          |
| n=                     | 777          |                          |

Average score is based on a 1-to-5 scale where 1 = “little or no value” and 5 = “highly valuable.”

| Discussion Forum value               |                      | High value<br>(rating 4 or 5) | Moderate value<br>(rating 3) | Low value<br>(rating 1 or 2) | Average<br>score | n=   |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------|
|                                      |                      | Overall                       | 25.5%                        | 43.8%                        | 30.8%            | 2.90 |
| Age                                  | <31                  | 27.5%                         | 47.1%                        | 25.5%                        | 2.96             | 102  |
|                                      | 31–40                | 22.0%                         | 42.3%                        | 35.7%                        | 2.77             | 182  |
|                                      | 41–55                | 25.0%                         | 44.1%                        | 30.9%                        | 2.92             | 236  |
|                                      | >55                  | 27.8%                         | 43.3%                        | 29.0%                        | 2.97             | 252  |
| Experience                           | <6 years             | 26.7%                         | 40.8%                        | 32.5%                        | 2.90             | 120  |
|                                      | 6–10 years           | 25.4%                         | 40.9%                        | 33.7%                        | 2.85             | 181  |
|                                      | 11–20 years          | 26.6%                         | 47.2%                        | 26.2%                        | 3.00             | 229  |
|                                      | >20 years            | 24.2%                         | 43.8%                        | 32.1%                        | 2.86             | 240  |
| Setting                              | Museum/Hist. Society | 25.1%                         | 46.3%                        | 28.7%                        | 2.93             | 467  |
|                                      | Library              | 30.3%                         | 38.2%                        | 31.6%                        | 2.92             | 76   |
|                                      | Archive              | 26.9%                         | 35.5%                        | 37.6%                        | 2.83             | 93   |
|                                      | Private Practice/RCL | 21.6%                         | 56.8%                        | 21.6%                        | 2.97             | 37   |
|                                      | All others           | 24.4%                         | 39.5%                        | 36.0%                        | 2.85             | 86   |
| Institution size                     | Very Small           | 29.0%                         | 48.0%                        | 23.0%                        | 3.07             | 100  |
|                                      | Small                | 28.7%                         | 39.8%                        | 31.5%                        | 2.93             | 254  |
|                                      | Medium               | 22.9%                         | 47.6%                        | 29.4%                        | 2.89             | 231  |
|                                      | Large/Very Large     | 22.4%                         | 42.5%                        | 35.1%                        | 2.81             | 174  |
| Discussion Forum<br>usage frequency  | Regularly            | 75.0%                         | 22.9%                        | 2.1%                         | 4.06             | 48   |
|                                      | Occasionally         | 43.2%                         | 46.6%                        | 10.2%                        | 3.41             | 264  |
|                                      | Rarely               | 10.3%                         | 44.3%                        | 45.4%                        | 2.50             | 465  |
| Discussion Forum<br>question posting | Have posted          | 62.3%                         | 31.5%                        | 6.2%                         | 3.75             | 130  |
|                                      | Have not posted      | 18.1%                         | 46.2%                        | 35.7%                        | 2.73             | 647  |

Average score is based on a 1-to-5 scale where 1 = “little or no value” and 5 = “highly valuable.”

**Please describe any improvements or changes you would like to see made to the Discussion Forum to make it more valuable for your needs:**

**[Open-ended responses are provided in Volume 2, Exhibit 4]**

## Webinars

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In general, which of the following online video/webinar learning formats do you prefer?

|  | Count | Sample percentage |
|--|-------|-------------------|
| A live webinar on a single, specific topic     | 184   | 13.9%             |
| A pre-recorded video available on demand       | 213   | 16.1%             |
| Both formats are about equally appealing       | 908   | 68.6%             |
| Neither — I do not like online videos/webinars | 18    | 1.4%              |
| n=   | 1,323 |                   |

| Preferred webinar format                       |                      | Live webinar | Pre-recorded video | Both equally appealing | Neither | n=   |
|--|----------------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------------|---------|------|
|  |                      | Overall      | 13.9%              | 16.1%                  | 68.6%   | 1.4% |
| Age  | <31                  | 12.8%        | 13.8%              | 72.9%                  | 0.5%    | 188  |
|  | 31–40                | 16.4%        | 13.3%              | 69.8%                  | 0.6%    | 354  |
|  | 41–55                | 14.8%        | 14.5%              | 69.0%                  | 1.8%    | 400  |
|  | >55                  | 10.7%        | 21.9%              | 65.2%                  | 2.1%    | 374  |
| Experience                                     | <6 years             | 13.1%        | 15.2%              | 70.7%                  | 1.0%    | 191  |
|  | 6–10 years           | 17.3%        | 17.3%              | 65.3%                  | 0.0%    | 329  |
|  | 11–20 years          | 12.5%        | 13.9%              | 72.1%                  | 1.5%    | 409  |
|  | >20 years            | 12.4%        | 18.0%              | 66.9%                  | 2.6%    | 378  |
| Setting  | Museum/Hist. Society | 14.1%        | 15.9%              | 68.4%                  | 1.7%    | 775  |
|  | Library              | 14.6%        | 15.3%              | 70.1%                  | 0.0%    | 137  |
|  | Archive              | 14.7%        | 16.5%              | 68.2%                  | 0.6%    | 170  |
|  | Private Practice/RCL | 8.2%         | 19.7%              | 70.5%                  | 1.6%    | 61   |
|  | All others           | 13.7%        | 13.7%              | 71.9%                  | 0.7%    | 146  |
| Institution size                               | Very Small           | 12.0%        | 22.9%              | 63.3%                  | 1.8%    | 166  |
|  | Small                | 14.2%        | 17.5%              | 67.5%                  | 0.9%    | 424  |
|  | Medium               | 13.8%        | 14.3%              | 70.8%                  | 1.3%    | 400  |
|  | Large/Very Large     | 14.7%        | 11.7%              | 72.2%                  | 1.3%    | 299  |
| Frequency of viewing videos on C2C Care        | Regularly            | 19.7%        | 7.6%               | 72.7%                  | 0.0%    | 249  |
|  | Occasionally         | 13.0%        | 14.7%              | 71.9%                  | 0.4%    | 730  |
|  | Rarely               | 12.3%        | 21.1%              | 63.0%                  | 3.5%    | 284  |
|  | Never                | 8.3%         | 45.0%              | 38.3%                  | 8.3%    | 60   |
| Frequency of viewing videos on other providers | Regularly            | 23.8%        | 5.7%               | 69.7%                  | 0.8%    | 122  |
|  | Occasionally         | 14.3%        | 15.5%              | 70.1%                  | 0.2%    | 666  |
|  | Rarely               | 10.7%        | 17.8%              | 68.9%                  | 2.7%    | 411  |
|  | Never                | 13.5%        | 24.3%              | 58.6%                  | 3.6%    | 111  |

## How often do you participate in/view a live or previously recorded webinar via Connecting to Collections Care?

|              | Count | Sample percentage |
|--------------|-------|-------------------|
| Regularly    | 249   | 18.8%             |
| Occasionally | 730   | 55.2%             |
| Rarely       | 284   | 21.5%             |
| Never        | 60    | 4.5%              |
| n=           | 1,323 |                   |

|  |                      | Regularly    | Occasionally | Rarely       | Never       | n=           |
|--|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
|  | <b>Overall</b>       | <b>18.8%</b> | <b>55.2%</b> | <b>21.5%</b> | <b>4.5%</b> | <b>1,323</b> |
| Age  | <31                  | 13.8%        | 67.6%        | 17.0%        | 1.6%        | 188          |
|  | 31–40                | 20.6%        | 57.3%        | 21.5%        | 0.6%        | 354          |
|  | 41–55                | 18.0%        | 54.0%        | 23.0%        | 5.0%        | 400          |
|  | >55                  | 20.3%        | 48.7%        | 22.2%        | 8.8%        | 374          |
| Experience                                     | <6 years             | 20.9%        | 56.5%        | 19.4%        | 3.1%        | 191          |
|  | 6–10 years           | 17.0%        | 60.5%        | 20.4%        | 2.1%        | 329          |
|  | 11–20 years          | 17.6%        | 57.5%        | 21.0%        | 3.9%        | 409          |
|  | >20 years            | 20.9%        | 47.4%        | 24.1%        | 7.7%        | 378          |
| Setting  | Museum/Hist. Society | 19.1%        | 57.9%        | 19.4%        | 3.6%        | 775          |
|  | Library              | 16.8%        | 51.1%        | 27.0%        | 5.1%        | 137          |
|  | Archive              | 22.9%        | 48.2%        | 22.4%        | 6.5%        | 170          |
|  | Private Practice/RCL | 16.4%        | 54.1%        | 26.2%        | 3.3%        | 61           |
|  | All others           | 17.1%        | 54.1%        | 24.0%        | 4.8%        | 146          |
| Institution size                               | Very Small           | 16.9%        | 51.8%        | 27.1%        | 4.2%        | 166          |
|  | Small                | 17.5%        | 57.8%        | 19.8%        | 5.0%        | 424          |
|  | Medium               | 20.5%        | 52.8%        | 23.3%        | 3.5%        | 400          |
|  | Large/Very Large     | 20.4%        | 57.2%        | 18.1%        | 4.3%        | 299          |
| Frequency of viewing videos on other providers | Regularly            | 61.5%        | 20.5%        | 13.1%        | 4.9%        | 122          |
|  | Occasionally         | 16.1%        | 67.0%        | 14.3%        | 2.7%        | 666          |
|  | Rarely               | 13.4%        | 48.7%        | 34.3%        | 3.6%        | 411          |
|  | Never                | 9.9%         | 44.1%        | 27.9%        | 18.0%       | 111          |

## Why do you not participate in/view webinars (either live or recorded) via Connecting to Collections Care? (Check all that apply.)

|   | Count | Sample percentage |
|---|-------|-------------------|
| I did not know webinars/online videos were available            | 18    | 30.8%             |
| I don't have time to participate in/view a webinar/online video | 17    | 28.8%             |
| I forget to do so   | 12    | 20.3%             |
| I use other sources (1)   | 10    | 16.9%             |
| No particular reason  | 6     | 10.2%             |
| I do not like the webinar/online course format in general       | 5     | 8.5%              |
| Topics/content are too introductory for my needs                | 5     | 8.5%              |
| I didn't want to create a user account on the site              | 3     | 5.1%              |
| Topics/content are too advanced for my needs                    | 2     | 3.4%              |
| There are no topics of interest to me                           | 2     | 3.4%              |
| I don't have the ability to stream videos                       | 0     | 0.0%              |
| Other (2)   | 10    | 16.9%             |
| n=  | 59    |                   |

Sample limited to those who selected "never" in the preceding question. Due to the small sample size, breakouts by segment are not feasible.

1 = The other sources specified are:

- AAM.
- AASLH and Wisconsin Historical Society's free webinars.
- AMIA; ALCTS; Image Permanence Institute; NEDCC.
- I'd go to a group's website and see what media they have, or just look to Youtube and what might be there. As I said, though, written dialogue format is more interactive and just better for my learning style. More people with knowledge and/or experience can just post their info, and anyone can follow up and ask questions. Discussion threads are the most helpful to me.
- iDigBio and Symbiota users webinars.
- Library of Congress, NEDCC, vendors.
- Too numerous to name.

2 = The "other" responses are:

- As a lone arranger, it's nearly impossible to attend a live webinar.
- I didn't know it existed and am unsure how to find it.
- I think online communities that can support ongoing written dialogues is a better way to capture information and for others to share.
- I want to say "more convenient timing"--but after thinking about it, I'm not sure when "more convenient timing" would be!
- I'm not entirely sure. As mentioned, I need to update my email so I receive notice via my work email, and not my personal email.
- iDigBio and Symbiota users webinars.
- If there are costs, my museum is unable to provide support.
- Not applicable to my current job.
- Time constraints.
- Time of day not convenient.



**How often do you participate in/view a webinar (either live or recorded) on collections care topics from providers OTHER THAN Connecting to Collections Care?**

|              | <b>Count</b> | <b>Sample percentage</b> |
|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Regularly    | 122          | 9.3%                     |
| Occasionally | 666          | 50.8%                    |
| Rarely       | 411          | 31.4%                    |
| Never        | 111          | 8.5%                     |
| n=           | 1,310        |                          |

|   |                      | Regularly   | Occasionally | Rarely       | Never       | n=           |
|---|----------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| <b>Overall</b>                          |                      | <b>9.3%</b> | <b>50.8%</b> | <b>31.4%</b> | <b>8.5%</b> | <b>1,310</b> |
| Age                                     | <31                  | 8.0%        | 48.4%        | 33.5%        | 10.1%       | 188          |
|   | 31–40                | 9.7%        | 52.4%        | 33.0%        | 4.8%        | 351          |
|   | 41–55                | 9.9%        | 53.9%        | 28.6%        | 7.6%        | 395          |
|   | >55                  | 8.7%        | 47.2%        | 32.0%        | 12.2%       | 369          |
| Experience                              | <6 years             | 9.5%        | 49.5%        | 28.4%        | 12.6%       | 190          |
|   | 6–10 years           | 9.8%        | 51.7%        | 30.6%        | 8.0%        | 327          |
|   | 11–20 years          | 9.4%        | 49.8%        | 33.9%        | 6.9%        | 404          |
|   | >20 years            | 8.6%        | 52.5%        | 30.6%        | 8.3%        | 373          |
| Setting                                 | Museum/Hist. Society | 7.9%        | 49.7%        | 33.8%        | 8.6%        | 769          |
|   | Library              | 11.7%       | 60.6%        | 21.9%        | 5.8%        | 137          |
|   | Archive              | 13.7%       | 54.8%        | 24.4%        | 7.1%        | 168          |
|   | Private Practice/RCL | 10.0%       | 31.7%        | 35.0%        | 23.3%       | 60           |
|   | All others           | 9.8%        | 52.4%        | 33.6%        | 4.2%        | 143          |
| Institution size                        | Very Small           | 10.4%       | 42.1%        | 36.6%        | 11.0%       | 164          |
|   | Small                | 7.1%        | 52.0%        | 31.9%        | 9.0%        | 423          |
|   | Medium               | 11.3%       | 50.8%        | 30.7%        | 7.3%        | 398          |
|   | Large/Very Large     | 9.6%        | 54.8%        | 28.4%        | 7.2%        | 292          |
| Frequency of viewing videos on C2C Care | Regularly            | 30.2%       | 43.1%        | 22.2%        | 4.4%        | 248          |
|   | Occasionally         | 3.5%        | 61.9%        | 27.8%        | 6.8%        | 720          |
|   | Rarely               | 5.7%        | 33.6%        | 49.8%        | 11.0%       | 283          |
|   | Never                | 10.2%       | 30.5%        | 25.4%        | 33.9%       | 59           |

**What changes/improvements, if any, would you like made to the Connecting to Collections Care webinars (either live or recorded) to make them more valuable for your needs?**

**Improve live webinars by:**

**Improve the archive of past webinars by:**

**[Open-ended responses are provided in Volume 2, Exhibit 5]**

**Which of the following subject areas are you interested in learning more about through a Connecting to Collections Care webinar (either live or recorded) in the next 12 months?**

Listed below are the topics you selected in the previous question. Please indicate which you are **MOST** interested in. You can select up to **THREE** topics. If there's a topic of interest that is not listed, you can specify it by selecting "Other" and describing the topic:

| Full list, alpha sort by topic   | All topics of interest |                   | Top three topics |                   |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|  | Count                  | Sample percentage | Count            | Sample percentage |
| Administration — engaging a board or parent organization in collections care | 213                    | 16.3%             | 70               | 5.3%              |
| Administration — fundraising for collections care                            | 330                    | 25.2%             | 113              | 8.6%              |
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| Collections care — furnishings  | 209                    | 16.0%             | 18               | 1.4%              |
| Collections care — historical objects   | 363                    | 27.7%             | 45               | 3.4%              |
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| Collections management — object loans   | 223                    | 17.0%             | 19               | 1.5%              |
| Collections management — procedures and policies                              | 395                    | 30.2%             | 73               | 5.6%              |
| Collections management — writing condition reports                            | 298                    | 22.7%             | 38               | 2.9%              |
| Digital asset management — developing a digital preservation policy           | 511                    | 39.0%             | 165              | 12.6%             |
| Digital asset management — digitization of collections                        | 542                    | 41.4%             | 145              | 11.1%             |
| Digital asset management — protecting "born digital" collections              | 497                    | 37.9%             | 160              | 12.2%             |
| Disaster planning and recovery — climate change and disaster planning         | 294                    | 22.4%             | 54               | 4.1%              |
| Disaster planning and recovery — identifying risks                            | 278                    | 21.2%             | 25               | 1.9%              |
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| Exhibits — lighting   | 344                    | 26.3%             | 56               | 4.3%              |
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|  | Count                  | Sample percentage | Count            | Sample percentage |
| Legal issues — abandoned property                        | 430                    | 32.8%             | 110              | 8.4%              |
| Legal issues — copyright                                 | 483                    | 36.9%             | 115              | 8.8%              |
| Legal issues — deeds of gift                             | 334                    | 25.5%             | 41               | 3.1%              |
| Shipping — working with a fine arts shipper              | 185                    | 14.1%             | 30               | 2.3%              |
| Storage — crating time management/project prioritization | 217                    | 16.6%             | 33               | 2.5%              |
| Storage — making boxes                                   | 372                    | 28.4%             | 57               | 4.4%              |
| Storage — selecting storage materials                    | 383                    | 29.2%             | 36               | 2.8%              |
| Storage — storing difficult-to-store objects             | 532                    | 40.6%             | 102              | 7.8%              |
| None of these topics are of interest                     | 8                      | 0.6%              | 8                | 0.6%              |
| Other ( <i>see listing below</i> )                       |                        |                   | 51               | 3.9%              |
|  | n= 1,310               |                   | 1,309            |                   |

The “other” topics are:

- A topic that should be considered is Risk Assessment.
- A lot of these are (i.e. building topics) are just of interest to me and not a job responsibility. others are valuable to other staff members in my organization, which includes a mixed collection museum, an archives, and an art gallery. We also have significant collections n long term loan to Historic Sites.
- Ancillary collections--managing archival material and photographs associated with physical collections.
- Audiovisual collections cold storage born digital.
- Audiovisual preservation.
- Best storage and packing materials for paintings.
- Care and cleaning of painted wooden objects and art work on wood.
- Care and preservation of metal.
- Care for industrial equipment that has unknown (possibly hazardous) materials within.
- Care of computer and electronics collections.
- Caring for plastic materials (and those materials stored near them) on exhibit and off.
- Collections care - motion picture formats (film and video Digital asset management - digitization of video and motion picture film.
- Collections Care - outdoor objects, Industrial Collections.
- Collections policies re: animals.
- Comparing Digital Preservation services such as Preservica, DuraSpace, Contentdm's Digital Archive Service. State-funded digital preservation repositories (eg. California Revealed/ CPP, UC Merritt Repository). Costs, benefits, comparisons.
- Conservation workflow; conservation assessments; offsite storage; audits; project management; collection statistics.
- Couriering.
- Creating low cost manikins to use when exhibiting clothing or accessories.
- Demonstrations of disaster response - how to physically handle wet archives materials (including art on paper, manuscripts, books and photos) after a flood to minimize damage and prepare them for conservation treatment.
- Determining provenance of collections to identify illegal items.
- Developing an education program (In my museum, this is part of my responsibilities, and I find it difficult to find resources on this topic.)
- Digitizing of Collections - Specifically non-archival materials.
- Disaster planning - mitigating risks.
- Disposition of deaccessioned objects. Methods - Sale at Public Auction, Transfers, sale to another institution, witnessed destruction (when/why/how), archaeological artifacts, Native American, provenance issues, etc.
- Document management and retention policies for collections and exhibitions including legal issues.
- Exhibition of Fine Art / New Art / and Art made from unconventional materials.
- Grant writing and funding opportunities.
- Hazardous materials in collections.

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- Hazards in natural history collections.
- I selected many of these topics so that my colleagues could hear about best practices. And, recently I have been involved with NHR training or giving presentations for Texas Association of Museums and I observed that many smaller institutions need help with all aspects of emergency response.
- I simply do not have time from all my other activities to sit and watch a video.
- Industrial Collections - Hazard management.
- Information on preservation and lighting of large murals permanently installed in building.
- Ins and outs of provenance research.
- Integrating collections in an educational/interpretive capacity for adult and youth groups.
- Job-finding resources.
- Legal issues (licenses, permits, regulatory compliance).
- Managing collections with multiple numbering systems.
- Metadata.
- Musical instruments in collection.
- Organizing, describing and caring for architectural drawings.
- Packing for collection move.
- Processing nitrate negative collections (vendors for storing/digitizing/destruction and laws around storage/handling/destruction).
- Promoting & advertising digital collections.
- Quality assurance - with staff, students, and volunteers - policies and workflows.
- Sound preservation.
- The role of the conservator in the design of new facilities and a major collections move.
- Understanding NAGPRA.
- Using modern materials and conserving them.

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### Top three topics by age

(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)

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| Digital asset management — developing a digital preservation policy           | 12.6%   | 8.6%  | 12.8% | 15.6% | 11.4% |
| Digital asset management — protecting "born digital" collections              | 12.2%   | 9.1%  | 13.4% | 14.6% | 10.0% |
| Digital asset management — digitization of collections                        | 11.1%   | 10.2% | 9.4%  | 9.3%  | 14.6% |
| Collections management — balancing access with collections care               | 8.9%    | 8.6%  | 10.2% | 9.8%  | 6.5%  |
| Legal issues — copyright  | 8.8%    | 9.7%  | 11.9% | 8.1%  | 6.2%  |
| Administration — fundraising for collections care                             | 8.6%    | 6.5%  | 11.9% | 6.5%  | 8.9%  |
| Legal issues — abandoned property   | 8.4%    | 16.1% | 10.2% | 7.3%  | 4.1%  |
| Exhibits — mountmaking  | 8.3%    | 9.1%  | 9.4%  | 8.8%  | 6.5%  |
| Archiving — archival processing   | 8.1%    | 8.6%  | 6.8%  | 7.6%  | 9.5%  |
| Storage — storing difficult-to-store objects                                  | 7.8%    | 9.7%  | 10.2% | 6.5%  | 6.0%  |
| Collections care — digital collections  | 7.0%    | 8.1%  | 6.5%  | 7.1%  | 6.8%  |
| Collections management — collections databases                                | 6.7%    | 5.4%  | 6.3%  | 7.8%  | 6.8%  |
| Collections care — photographs  | 6.1%    | 4.3%  | 4.8%  | 5.3%  | 9.2%  |
| Collections management — labeling objects (especially on difficult materials) | 6.0%    | 5.4%  | 4.8%  | 6.3%  | 7.3%  |
| Administration — project management   | 6.0%    | 2.7%  | 9.7%  | 6.5%  | 3.8%  |
| Collections management — accessioning and deaccessioning                      | 5.7%    | 6.5%  | 5.7%  | 5.3%  | 6.0%  |
| Building care — HVAC solutions  | 5.7%    | 4.8%  | 5.1%  | 6.5%  | 5.7%  |
| Collections management — procedures and policies                              | 5.6%    | 9.1%  | 4.0%  | 5.3%  | 5.7%  |
| Disaster planning and recovery — writing a disaster plan                      | 5.5%    | 8.1%  | 4.8%  | 6.0%  | 4.3%  |
| Archiving — finding aids  | 5.5%    | 3.8%  | 4.3%  | 4.5%  | 8.7%  |
| Collections management — collections insurance                                | 5.4%    | 9.1%  | 8.5%  | 3.5%  | 2.7%  |
| Administration — engaging a board or parent organization in collections care  | 5.3%    | 7.0%  | 6.3%  | 6.0%  | 3.0%  |
| Collections management — collections surveys/inventories                      | 5.3%    | 3.8%  | 5.4%  | 5.5%  | 5.7%  |
| Administration — strategic planning   | 5.0%    | 3.2%  | 4.0%  | 4.8%  | 7.0%  |
| Collections care — paper and archives   | 4.8%    | 2.7%  | 4.8%  | 4.5%  | 6.0%  |
| Collections care — textiles and garments                                      | 4.7%    | 3.8%  | 5.1%  | 2.8%  | 7.0%  |
| Building care — balancing environmental sustainability with collections care  | 4.7%    | 3.2%  | 5.7%  | 4.5%  | 4.9%  |
| Exhibits — care of objects on exhibit   | 4.6%    | 5.4%  | 4.5%  | 5.8%  | 3.0%  |
| Collections care — book repair  | 4.5%    | 4.3%  | 4.3%  | 4.3%  | 5.1%  |
| Storage — making boxes  | 4.4%    | 5.9%  | 4.3%  | 4.8%  | 3.0%  |
| Exhibits — lighting   | 4.3%    | 3.8%  | 3.4%  | 5.8%  | 3.8%  |
| Collections management — barcoding collections                                | 4.3%    | 4.3%  | 4.5%  | 4.5%  | 3.8%  |

### Top three topics by age

(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)

|   | Overall | < 31 | 31–40 | 41–55 | 65+  |
|---|---------|------|-------|-------|------|
| Disaster planning and recovery — climate change and disaster planning | 4.1%    | 3.2% | 6.3%  | 3.8%  | 3.0% |
| Administration — training staff/volunteers in collections care        | 4.0%    | 1.6% | 5.7%  | 5.0%  | 2.4% |
| Collections management — cataloguing                                  | 3.4%    | 3.2% | 3.4%  | 4.3%  | 2.7% |
| Collections care — historical objects                                 | 3.4%    | 4.3% | 1.7%  | 2.8%  | 5.4% |
| Collections care — paper-based materials                              | 3.1%    | 1.6% | 3.1%  | 2.0%  | 4.6% |
| Collections management — nomenclature                                 | 3.1%    | 5.9% | 2.3%  | 3.0%  | 2.4% |
| Legal issues — deeds of gift  | 3.1%    | 7.0% | 1.1%  | 2.8%  | 3.5% |
| Collections care — archaeological materials                           | 2.9%    | 2.7% | 2.6%  | 5.0%  | 1.1% |
| Collections management — writing condition reports                    | 2.9%    | 2.2% | 3.4%  | 2.8%  | 3.0% |
| Storage — selecting storage materials                                 | 2.8%    | 2.2% | 3.1%  | 2.5%  | 3.0% |
| Building care — pest identification and control                       | 2.6%    | 1.6% | 4.0%  | 2.3%  | 2.2% |
| Storage — crating time management/project prioritization              | 2.5%    | 4.8% | 2.3%  | 4.0%  | 0.0% |
| Exhibits — planning for preservation                                  | 2.4%    | 0.0% | 2.3%  | 3.0%  | 3.0% |
| Shipping — working with a fine arts shipper                           | 2.3%    | 3.2% | 3.7%  | 1.5%  | 1.1% |
| Collections care — natural history collections                        | 2.3%    | 3.2% | 2.0%  | 2.8%  | 1.6% |
| Administration — volunteer management                                 | 2.0%    | 3.8% | 2.3%  | 1.8%  | 1.1% |
| Building care — historic preservation                                 | 2.0%    | 1.1% | 0.9%  | 3.0%  | 2.4% |
| Disaster planning and recovery — identifying risks                    | 1.9%    | 1.6% | 1.7%  | 1.3%  | 3.0% |
| Collections care — framed materials                                   | 1.8%    | 2.2% | 1.1%  | 2.0%  | 1.9% |
| Building care — identifying building problems                         | 1.7%    | 1.6% | 2.0%  | 2.0%  | 1.1% |
| Administration — hiring a consultant                                  | 1.6%    | 2.2% | 1.1%  | 1.3%  | 2.2% |
| Collections management — object loans                                 | 1.5%    | 3.8% | 2.0%  | 1.0%  | 0.3% |
| Building care — building maintenance                                  | 1.5%    | 1.1% | 1.7%  | 2.3%  | 0.8% |
| Collections care — cemeteries and tombstones                          | 1.5%    | 1.6% | 0.6%  | 1.5%  | 2.2% |
| Administration — security   | 1.4%    | 1.6% | 0.6%  | 2.0%  | 1.4% |
| Collections care — furnishings  | 1.4%    | 0.5% | 1.1%  | 1.8%  | 1.6% |
| Building care — housekeeping  | 1.3%    | 2.2% | 1.1%  | 1.3%  | 1.1% |
| Collections care — biological specimen                                | 1.0%    | 2.2% | 0.9%  | 1.0%  | 0.3% |
| None of these topics are of interest                                  | 0.6%    | 0.0% | 0.3%  | 0.3%  | 1.6% |
| Other   | 3.9%    | 2.2% | 2.3%  | 4.0%  | 5.7% |
| n=  | 1,309   | 186  | 352   | 397   | 369  |

### Top three topics by experience

(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)

|   | Overall | <6 years | 6–10 years | 11–20 years | 20+ years |
|---|---------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| Digital asset management — developing a digital preservation policy           | 12.6%   | 12.8%    | 9.1%       | 14.5%       | 13.7%     |
| Digital asset management — protecting "born digital" collections              | 12.2%   | 8.0%     | 11.3%      | 14.8%       | 12.4%     |
| Digital asset management — digitization of collections                        | 11.1%   | 11.8%    | 11.0%      | 11.1%       | 10.5%     |
| Collections management — balancing access with collections care               | 8.9%    | 8.6%     | 8.2%       | 9.6%        | 8.3%      |
| Legal issues — copyright  | 8.8%    | 11.2%    | 9.1%       | 8.6%        | 7.5%      |
| Administration — fundraising for collections care                             | 8.6%    | 5.9%     | 11.6%      | 8.6%        | 7.8%      |
| Legal issues — abandoned property   | 8.4%    | 10.2%    | 10.4%      | 7.4%        | 7.3%      |
| Exhibits — mountmaking  | 8.3%    | 5.9%     | 9.5%       | 8.6%        | 7.5%      |
| Archiving — archival processing   | 8.1%    | 9.6%     | 7.3%       | 7.9%        | 8.6%      |
| Storage — storing difficult-to-store objects                                  | 7.8%    | 8.6%     | 8.5%       | 6.9%        | 8.1%      |
| Collections care — digital collections  | 7.0%    | 5.9%     | 6.1%       | 8.9%        | 6.5%      |
| Collections management — collections databases                                | 6.7%    | 5.9%     | 5.2%       | 7.6%        | 7.5%      |
| Collections care — photographs  | 6.1%    | 7.0%     | 5.5%       | 7.9%        | 4.6%      |
| Collections management — labeling objects (especially on difficult materials) | 6.0%    | 6.4%     | 5.2%       | 6.4%        | 6.2%      |
| Administration — project management   | 6.0%    | 5.3%     | 5.8%       | 6.9%        | 5.9%      |
| Collections management — accessioning and deaccessioning                      | 5.7%    | 8.6%     | 3.7%       | 6.4%        | 5.6%      |
| Building care — HVAC solutions  | 5.7%    | 1.1%     | 6.4%       | 5.9%        | 7.3%      |
| Collections management — procedures and policies                              | 5.6%    | 8.0%     | 6.1%       | 5.2%        | 4.3%      |
| Disaster planning and recovery — writing a disaster plan                      | 5.5%    | 5.3%     | 4.3%       | 6.2%        | 6.2%      |
| Archiving — finding aids  | 5.5%    | 6.4%     | 5.2%       | 4.4%        | 6.5%      |
| Collections management — collections insurance                                | 5.4%    | 8.0%     | 7.6%       | 4.9%        | 2.7%      |
| Administration — engaging a board or parent organization in collections care  | 5.3%    | 7.5%     | 5.5%       | 4.4%        | 5.4%      |
| Collections management — collections surveys/inventories                      | 5.3%    | 5.9%     | 6.1%       | 4.4%        | 5.4%      |
| Administration — strategic planning   | 5.0%    | 4.3%     | 3.7%       | 4.7%        | 7.0%      |
| Collections care — paper and archives   | 4.8%    | 4.3%     | 6.7%       | 4.4%        | 4.0%      |
| Collections care — textiles and garments                                      | 4.7%    | 8.0%     | 4.9%       | 5.2%        | 2.2%      |
| Building care — balancing environmental sustainability with collections care  | 4.7%    | 3.2%     | 4.9%       | 3.2%        | 7.0%      |
| Exhibits — care of objects on exhibit   | 4.6%    | 5.9%     | 5.2%       | 4.4%        | 3.8%      |
| Collections care — book repair  | 4.5%    | 3.7%     | 5.8%       | 3.7%        | 4.6%      |
| Storage — making boxes  | 4.4%    | 5.9%     | 5.8%       | 3.7%        | 3.2%      |
| Exhibits — lighting   | 4.3%    | 3.2%     | 4.3%       | 3.2%        | 6.2%      |
| Collections management — barcoding collections                                | 4.3%    | 5.3%     | 4.9%       | 3.4%        | 4.3%      |

### Top three topics by experience

(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)

|   | Overall | <6 years | 6–10 years | 11–20 years | 20+ years |
|---|---------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| Disaster planning and recovery — climate change and disaster planning | 4.1%    | 3.2%     | 4.3%       | 4.7%        | 3.8%      |
| Administration — training staff/volunteers in collections care        | 4.0%    | 2.1%     | 5.2%       | 4.2%        | 3.8%      |
| Collections management — cataloguing                                  | 3.4%    | 5.3%     | 3.7%       | 3.9%        | 1.6%      |
| Collections care — historical objects                                 | 3.4%    | 4.3%     | 3.0%       | 2.7%        | 4.0%      |
| Collections care — paper-based materials                              | 3.1%    | 2.7%     | 2.4%       | 3.2%        | 3.5%      |
| Collections management — nomenclature                                 | 3.1%    | 2.7%     | 3.7%       | 3.2%        | 2.4%      |
| Legal issues — deeds of gift  | 3.1%    | 5.9%     | 1.8%       | 3.0%        | 3.2%      |
| Collections care — archaeological materials                           | 2.9%    | 1.6%     | 3.7%       | 2.7%        | 2.7%      |
| Collections management — writing condition reports                    | 2.9%    | 2.7%     | 1.5%       | 3.9%        | 3.0%      |
| Storage — selecting storage materials                                 | 2.8%    | 2.7%     | 3.4%       | 2.5%        | 2.4%      |
| Building care — pest identification and control                       | 2.6%    | 2.1%     | 3.7%       | 3.2%        | 1.3%      |
| Storage — crating time management/project prioritization              | 2.5%    | 3.7%     | 2.7%       | 2.2%        | 1.9%      |
| Exhibits — planning for preservation                                  | 2.4%    | 2.1%     | 1.5%       | 3.0%        | 2.7%      |
| Shipping — working with a fine arts shipper                           | 2.3%    | 3.2%     | 1.8%       | 2.5%        | 1.9%      |
| Collections care — natural history collections                        | 2.3%    | 2.7%     | 2.1%       | 1.0%        | 3.2%      |
| Administration — volunteer management                                 | 2.0%    | 1.6%     | 3.7%       | 1.2%        | 1.6%      |
| Building care — historic preservation                                 | 2.0%    | 3.2%     | 1.8%       | 1.2%        | 2.2%      |
| Disaster planning and recovery — identifying risks                    | 1.9%    | 1.1%     | 2.4%       | 1.7%        | 2.2%      |
| Collections care — framed materials                                   | 1.8%    | 0.5%     | 2.4%       | 2.5%        | 1.3%      |
| Building care — identifying building problems                         | 1.7%    | 1.1%     | 1.8%       | 1.7%        | 1.6%      |
| Administration — hiring a consultant                                  | 1.6%    | 0.5%     | 1.8%       | 2.0%        | 1.6%      |
| Collections management — object loans                                 | 1.5%    | 1.6%     | 2.1%       | 1.0%        | 1.1%      |
| Building care — building maintenance                                  | 1.5%    | 1.6%     | 1.5%       | 1.7%        | 1.3%      |
| Collections care — cemeteries and tombstones                          | 1.5%    | 0.0%     | 1.5%       | 1.5%        | 1.9%      |
| Administration — security   | 1.4%    | 0.5%     | 0.6%       | 1.7%        | 2.2%      |
| Collections care — furnishings  | 1.4%    | 1.1%     | 1.2%       | 1.2%        | 1.9%      |
| Building care — housekeeping  | 1.3%    | 0.5%     | 2.1%       | 1.5%        | 0.8%      |
| Collections care — biological specimen                                | 1.0%    | 2.1%     | 0.6%       | 0.2%        | 1.1%      |
| None of these topics are of interest                                  | 0.6%    | 0.0%     | 0.3%       | 0.5%        | 1.3%      |
| Other   | 3.9%    | 1.1%     | 2.7%       | 4.4%        | 5.1%      |
| n=  | 1,309   | 187      | 328        | 406         | 372       |

| Top three topics by setting<br>(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)  | Overall | Private Practice/<br>RCL |         |         |       |            |
|---|---------|--------------------------|---------|---------|-------|------------|
|   |         | Museum/<br>Hist. Soc.    | Library | Archive | RCL   | All others |
| Digital asset management — developing a digital preservation policy           | 12.6%   | 11.6%                    | 17.6%   | 14.3%   | 8.5%  | 14.4%      |
| Digital asset management — protecting "born digital" collections              | 12.2%   | 9.1%                     | 12.5%   | 23.8%   | 5.1%  | 19.2%      |
| Digital asset management — digitization of collections                        | 11.1%   | 10.1%                    | 13.2%   | 16.7%   | 6.8%  | 10.3%      |
| Collections management — balancing access with collections care               | 8.9%    | 10.1%                    | 5.1%    | 7.1%    | 3.4%  | 10.3%      |
| Legal issues — copyright  | 8.8%    | 9.4%                     | 8.1%    | 10.1%   | 3.4%  | 8.2%       |
| Administration — fundraising for collections care                             | 8.6%    | 10.6%                    | 6.6%    | 3.6%    | 8.5%  | 8.2%       |
| Legal issues — abandoned property   | 8.4%    | 10.2%                    | 4.4%    | 7.1%    | 5.1%  | 7.5%       |
| Exhibits — mountmaking  | 8.3%    | 9.5%                     | 2.9%    | 5.4%    | 8.5%  | 8.9%       |
| Archiving — archival processing   | 8.1%    | 6.0%                     | 8.8%    | 16.7%   | 5.1%  | 8.9%       |
| Storage — storing difficult-to-store objects                                  | 7.8%    | 10.1%                    | 5.9%    | 1.8%    | 6.8%  | 6.8%       |
| Collections care — digital collections  | 7.0%    | 5.7%                     | 6.6%    | 13.1%   | 3.4%  | 8.9%       |
| Collections management — collections databases                                | 6.7%    | 6.1%                     | 5.1%    | 10.7%   | 6.8%  | 6.2%       |
| Collections care — photographs  | 6.1%    | 4.4%                     | 11.8%   | 9.5%    | 11.9% | 4.1%       |
| Collections management — labeling objects (especially on difficult materials) | 6.0%    | 8.1%                     | 2.2%    | 5.4%    | 3.4%  | 1.4%       |
| Administration — project management   | 6.0%    | 6.0%                     | 5.1%    | 5.4%    | 6.8%  | 8.2%       |
| Collections management — accessioning and deaccessioning                      | 5.7%    | 6.4%                     | 2.9%    | 7.7%    | 3.4%  | 4.8%       |
| Building care — HVAC solutions  | 5.7%    | 6.4%                     | 5.1%    | 3.6%    | 8.5%  | 4.8%       |
| Collections management — procedures and policies                              | 5.6%    | 4.8%                     | 11.8%   | 3.6%    | 5.1%  | 6.2%       |
| Disaster planning and recovery — writing a disaster plan                      | 5.5%    | 5.7%                     | 6.6%    | 3.6%    | 6.8%  | 5.5%       |
| Archiving — finding aids  | 5.5%    | 4.7%                     | 7.4%    | 8.9%    | 1.7%  | 4.8%       |
| Collections management — collections insurance                                | 5.4%    | 7.0%                     | 2.9%    | 2.4%    | 1.7%  | 3.4%       |
| Administration — engaging a board or parent organization in collections care  | 5.3%    | 5.6%                     | 2.2%    | 6.0%    | 8.5%  | 6.2%       |
| Collections management — collections surveys/inventories                      | 5.3%    | 4.7%                     | 5.1%    | 7.7%    | 11.9% | 4.1%       |
| Administration — strategic planning   | 5.0%    | 5.1%                     | 5.1%    | 3.6%    | 3.4%  | 7.5%       |
| Collections care — paper and archives   | 4.8%    | 3.5%                     | 8.8%    | 7.1%    | 6.8%  | 4.1%       |
| Collections care — textiles and garments                                      | 4.7%    | 5.6%                     | 0.7%    | 1.2%    | 5.1%  | 6.2%       |
| Building care — balancing environmental sustainability with collections care  | 4.7%    | 5.5%                     | 4.4%    | 1.2%    | 10.2% | 2.7%       |
| Exhibits — care of objects on exhibit   | 4.6%    | 4.3%                     | 5.1%    | 4.8%    | 8.5%  | 4.1%       |
| Collections care — book repair  | 4.5%    | 2.6%                     | 13.2%   | 7.1%    | 1.7%  | 4.1%       |
| Storage — making boxes  | 4.4%    | 4.2%                     | 4.4%    | 7.7%    | 5.1%  | 2.1%       |
| Exhibits — lighting   | 4.3%    | 5.2%                     | 4.4%    | 1.8%    | 1.7%  | 4.1%       |

| Top three topics by setting<br>(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.) | Overall | Private Practice/<br>RCL |         |         |       |            |
|--|---------|--------------------------|---------|---------|-------|------------|
|  |         | Museum/<br>Hist. Soc.    | Library | Archive | RCL   | All others |
| Collections management — barcoding collections                               | 4.3%    | 4.7%                     | 1.5%    | 5.4%    | 1.7%  | 3.4%       |
| Disaster planning and recovery — climate change and disaster planning        | 4.1%    | 3.1%                     | 6.6%    | 2.4%    | 10.2% | 5.5%       |
| Administration — training staff/volunteers in collections care               | 4.0%    | 3.7%                     | 4.4%    | 5.4%    | 3.4%  | 4.8%       |
| Collections management — cataloguing   | 3.4%    | 2.6%                     | 7.4%    | 2.4%    | 6.8%  | 3.4%       |
| Collections care — historical objects  | 3.4%    | 4.3%                     | 0.7%    | 1.2%    | 3.4%  | 3.4%       |
| Collections care — paper-based materials                                     | 3.1%    | 2.1%                     | 8.1%    | 4.2%    | 5.1%  | 0.0%       |
| Collections management — nomenclature  | 3.1%    | 4.2%                     | 2.2%    | 1.2%    | 0.0%  | 1.4%       |
| Legal issues — deeds of gift   | 3.1%    | 2.7%                     | 5.9%    | 3.0%    | 0.0%  | 4.8%       |
| Collections care — archaeological materials                                  | 2.9%    | 3.5%                     | 0.0%    | 1.2%    | 1.7%  | 4.1%       |
| Collections management — writing condition reports                           | 2.9%    | 2.9%                     | 2.2%    | 1.2%    | 10.2% | 2.7%       |
| Storage — selecting storage materials  | 2.8%    | 3.0%                     | 2.9%    | 0.6%    | 5.1%  | 2.7%       |
| Building care — pest identification and control                              | 2.6%    | 3.3%                     | 2.2%    | 0.6%    | 3.4%  | 1.4%       |
| Storage — crating time management/project prioritization                     | 2.5%    | 3.4%                     | 0.7%    | 1.8%    | 0.0%  | 1.4%       |
| Exhibits — planning for preservation   | 2.4%    | 2.6%                     | 2.2%    | 1.2%    | 5.1%  | 1.4%       |
| Shipping — working with a fine arts shipper                                  | 2.3%    | 2.2%                     | 1.5%    | 1.2%    | 5.1%  | 2.1%       |
| Collections care — natural history collections                               | 2.3%    | 2.9%                     | 0.7%    | 0.6%    | 1.7%  | 2.1%       |
| Administration — volunteer management  | 2.0%    | 2.3%                     | 1.5%    | 1.2%    | 0.0%  | 2.7%       |
| Building care — historic preservation  | 2.0%    | 2.1%                     | 1.5%    | 0.0%    | 1.7%  | 2.1%       |
| Disaster planning and recovery — identifying risks                           | 1.9%    | 2.0%                     | 1.5%    | 1.2%    | 5.1%  | 1.4%       |
| Collections care — framed materials  | 1.8%    | 1.4%                     | 2.2%    | 0.6%    | 1.7%  | 4.1%       |
| Building care — identifying building problems                                | 1.7%    | 2.1%                     | 0.7%    | 1.2%    | 1.7%  | 0.7%       |
| Administration — hiring a consultant   | 1.6%    | 1.3%                     | 1.5%    | 1.2%    | 1.7%  | 3.4%       |
| Collections management — object loans  | 1.5%    | 1.3%                     | 2.2%    | 0.6%    | 0.0%  | 2.7%       |
| Building care — building maintenance   | 1.5%    | 1.7%                     | 1.5%    | 1.8%    | 0.0%  | 1.4%       |
| Collections care — cemeteries and tombstones                                 | 1.5%    | 1.3%                     | 1.5%    | 0.6%    | 1.7%  | 2.7%       |
| Administration — security  | 1.4%    | 1.7%                     | 1.5%    | 0.6%    | 1.7%  | 0.7%       |
| Collections care — furnishings   | 1.4%    | 2.1%                     | 0.7%    | 0.6%    | 0.0%  | 0.0%       |
| Building care — housekeeping   | 1.3%    | 1.7%                     | 2.2%    | 0.6%    | 0.0%  | 0.0%       |
| Collections care — biological specimen                                       | 1.0%    | 1.0%                     | 0.7%    | 0.0%    | 0.0%  | 1.4%       |
| None of these topics are of interest   | 0.6%    | 0.5%                     | 0.7%    | 1.2%    | 1.7%  | 0.0%       |
| Other  | 3.9%    | 4.0%                     | 2.2%    | 3.6%    | 6.8%  | 2.1%       |
| n=   | 1,309   | 766                      | 136     | 168     | 59    | 146        |



**Top three topics by institution size**  
(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)

|   | Overall | Very small | Small | Medium | Large/<br>Very Large |
|---|---------|------------|-------|--------|----------------------|
| Digital asset management — developing a digital preservation policy           | 12.6%   | 11.6%      | 12.6% | 13.4%  | 12.9%                |
| Digital asset management — protecting "born digital" collections              | 12.2%   | 6.1%       | 11.4% | 15.7%  | 12.9%                |
| Digital asset management — digitization of collections                        | 11.1%   | 9.8%       | 12.6% | 11.6%  | 9.2%                 |
| Collections management — balancing access with collections care               | 8.9%    | 6.7%       | 9.7%  | 8.4%   | 9.5%                 |
| Legal issues — copyright  | 8.8%    | 7.3%       | 10.2% | 9.9%   | 6.8%                 |
| Administration — fundraising for collections care                             | 8.6%    | 7.9%       | 9.7%  | 9.1%   | 7.8%                 |
| Legal issues — abandoned property   | 8.4%    | 4.3%       | 8.8%  | 11.6%  | 6.8%                 |
| Exhibits — mountmaking  | 8.3%    | 9.8%       | 8.3%  | 6.8%   | 8.8%                 |
| Archiving — archival processing   | 8.1%    | 6.7%       | 10.0% | 7.8%   | 6.1%                 |
| Storage — storing difficult-to-store objects                                  | 7.8%    | 8.5%       | 5.9%  | 7.6%   | 11.2%                |
| Collections care — digital collections  | 7.0%    | 5.5%       | 5.5%  | 8.6%   | 8.1%                 |
| Collections management — collections databases                                | 6.7%    | 7.9%       | 8.3%  | 5.1%   | 5.8%                 |
| Collections care — photographs  | 6.1%    | 9.8%       | 5.2%  | 7.6%   | 3.7%                 |
| Collections management — labeling objects (especially on difficult materials) | 6.0%    | 9.8%       | 6.9%  | 4.3%   | 5.4%                 |
| Administration — project management   | 6.0%    | 4.9%       | 5.7%  | 5.8%   | 7.8%                 |
| Collections management — accessioning and deaccessioning                      | 5.7%    | 4.9%       | 6.7%  | 5.1%   | 6.4%                 |
| Building care — HVAC solutions  | 5.7%    | 7.3%       | 2.6%  | 9.1%   | 5.1%                 |
| Collections management — procedures and policies                              | 5.6%    | 6.1%       | 5.5%  | 5.1%   | 6.1%                 |
| Disaster planning and recovery — writing a disaster plan                      | 5.5%    | 7.3%       | 7.4%  | 3.5%   | 4.7%                 |
| Archiving — finding aids  | 5.5%    | 9.8%       | 6.7%  | 4.1%   | 3.1%                 |
| Collections management — collections insurance                                | 5.4%    | 3.7%       | 6.4%  | 5.8%   | 4.1%                 |
| Administration — engaging a board or parent organization in collections care  | 5.3%    | 5.5%       | 6.4%  | 5.1%   | 4.7%                 |
| Collections management — collections surveys/inventories                      | 5.3%    | 5.5%       | 5.2%  | 5.8%   | 5.1%                 |
| Administration — strategic planning   | 5.0%    | 7.9%       | 5.7%  | 3.8%   | 4.4%                 |
| Collections care — paper and archives   | 4.8%    | 4.9%       | 4.8%  | 5.3%   | 4.1%                 |
| Collections care — textiles and garments                                      | 4.7%    | 7.9%       | 5.0%  | 3.8%   | 3.1%                 |
| Building care — balancing environmental sustainability with collections care  | 4.7%    | 3.7%       | 3.1%  | 4.1%   | 8.5%                 |
| Exhibits — care of objects on exhibit   | 4.6%    | 5.5%       | 3.3%  | 4.6%   | 6.1%                 |
| Collections care — book repair  | 4.5%    | 3.0%       | 5.0%  | 4.1%   | 5.1%                 |
| Storage — making boxes  | 4.4%    | 6.1%       | 6.7%  | 3.3%   | 2.0%                 |
| Exhibits — lighting   | 4.3%    | 2.4%       | 4.8%  | 4.8%   | 4.4%                 |
| Collections management — barcoding collections                                | 4.3%    | 2.4%       | 4.8%  | 3.3%   | 5.4%                 |

**Top three topics by institution size**
*(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)*

|   | Overall | Very small | Small | Medium | Large/<br>Very Large |
|---|---------|------------|-------|--------|----------------------|
| Disaster planning and recovery — climate change and disaster planning | 4.1%    | 4.9%       | 2.1%  | 4.1%   | 6.1%                 |
| Administration — training staff/volunteers in collections care        | 4.0%    | 6.7%       | 5.9%  | 1.3%   | 3.7%                 |
| Collections management — cataloguing                                  | 3.4%    | 4.9%       | 4.8%  | 2.8%   | 1.4%                 |
| Collections care — historical objects                                 | 3.4%    | 5.5%       | 3.1%  | 3.3%   | 2.7%                 |
| Collections care — paper-based materials                              | 3.1%    | 2.4%       | 2.4%  | 2.8%   | 4.1%                 |
| Collections management — nomenclature                                 | 3.1%    | 2.4%       | 3.6%  | 2.8%   | 3.1%                 |
| Legal issues — deeds of gift  | 3.1%    | 3.0%       | 3.6%  | 3.0%   | 3.1%                 |
| Collections care — archaeological materials                           | 2.9%    | 2.4%       | 1.9%  | 3.8%   | 3.1%                 |
| Collections management — writing condition reports                    | 2.9%    | 5.5%       | 2.6%  | 2.3%   | 2.7%                 |
| Storage — selecting storage materials                                 | 2.8%    | 2.4%       | 3.1%  | 3.3%   | 1.7%                 |
| Building care — pest identification and control                       | 2.6%    | 1.8%       | 1.9%  | 3.0%   | 3.4%                 |
| Storage — crating time management/project prioritization              | 2.5%    | 2.4%       | 2.4%  | 3.0%   | 2.0%                 |
| Exhibits — planning for preservation                                  | 2.4%    | 1.8%       | 1.4%  | 3.3%   | 2.7%                 |
| Shipping — working with a fine arts shipper                           | 2.3%    | 1.2%       | 2.4%  | 2.0%   | 2.4%                 |
| Collections care — natural history collections                        | 2.3%    | 2.4%       | 1.2%  | 2.8%   | 2.7%                 |
| Administration — volunteer management                                 | 2.0%    | 1.8%       | 2.6%  | 1.5%   | 2.0%                 |
| Building care — historic preservation                                 | 2.0%    | 1.8%       | 1.7%  | 2.0%   | 1.4%                 |
| Disaster planning and recovery — identifying risks                    | 1.9%    | 4.3%       | 1.4%  | 1.3%   | 2.0%                 |
| Collections care — framed materials                                   | 1.8%    | 1.2%       | 1.2%  | 2.3%   | 2.0%                 |
| Building care — identifying building problems                         | 1.7%    | 1.2%       | 1.9%  | 1.3%   | 2.0%                 |
| Administration — hiring a consultant                                  | 1.6%    | 1.8%       | 1.4%  | 1.5%   | 1.7%                 |
| Collections management — object loans                                 | 1.5%    | 1.2%       | 1.0%  | 1.0%   | 2.7%                 |
| Building care — building maintenance                                  | 1.5%    | 2.4%       | 2.1%  | 1.3%   | 0.7%                 |
| Collections care — cemeteries and tombstones                          | 1.5%    | 3.7%       | 1.4%  | 0.8%   | 1.0%                 |
| Administration — security   | 1.4%    | 0.6%       | 0.5%  | 2.3%   | 2.0%                 |
| Collections care — furnishings  | 1.4%    | 0.6%       | 0.7%  | 1.3%   | 3.1%                 |
| Building care — housekeeping  | 1.3%    | 0.6%       | 1.2%  | 2.3%   | 0.7%                 |
| Collections care — biological specimen                                | 1.0%    | 1.2%       | 0.0%  | 1.0%   | 1.7%                 |
| None of these topics are of interest                                  | 0.6%    | 0.0%       | 1.0%  | 0.8%   | 0.3%                 |
| Other   | 3.9%    | 3.0%       | 2.1%  | 3.5%   | 6.4%                 |
| n=  | 1,309   | 164        | 421   | 395    | 295                  |

**Top three topics by C2C webinar usage**  
(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)

|   | Overall | Regularly | Occasion-ally | Rarely | Never |
|---|---------|-----------|---------------|--------|-------|
| Digital asset management — developing a digital preservation policy           | 12.6%   | 15.1%     | 12.0%         | 12.9%  | 8.6%  |
| Digital asset management — protecting "born digital" collections              | 12.2%   | 12.7%     | 12.1%         | 13.2%  | 6.9%  |
| Digital asset management — digitization of collections                        | 11.1%   | 10.6%     | 11.2%         | 9.6%   | 19.0% |
| Collections management — balancing access with collections care               | 8.9%    | 8.6%      | 8.5%          | 11.4%  | 1.7%  |
| Legal issues — copyright  | 8.8%    | 8.2%      | 9.6%          | 8.6%   | 1.7%  |
| Administration — fundraising for collections care                             | 8.6%    | 8.6%      | 8.8%          | 8.2%   | 8.6%  |
| Legal issues — abandoned property   | 8.4%    | 8.6%      | 9.2%          | 6.8%   | 5.2%  |
| Exhibits — mountmaking  | 8.3%    | 9.8%      | 8.7%          | 6.1%   | 8.6%  |
| Archiving — archival processing   | 8.1%    | 9.8%      | 6.9%          | 9.3%   | 10.3% |
| Storage — storing difficult-to-store objects                                  | 7.8%    | 10.2%     | 9.0%          | 3.6%   | 3.4%  |
| Collections care — digital collections  | 7.0%    | 6.9%      | 7.3%          | 7.1%   | 1.7%  |
| Collections management — collections databases                                | 6.7%    | 7.3%      | 6.1%          | 6.8%   | 12.1% |
| Collections care — photographs  | 6.1%    | 5.3%      | 6.3%          | 6.4%   | 5.2%  |
| Collections management — labeling objects (especially on difficult materials) | 6.0%    | 10.2%     | 5.0%          | 5.7%   | 3.4%  |
| Administration — project management   | 6.0%    | 3.3%      | 6.5%          | 6.1%   | 12.1% |
| Collections management — accessioning and deaccessioning                      | 5.7%    | 2.4%      | 7.0%          | 5.4%   | 5.2%  |
| Building care — HVAC solutions  | 5.7%    | 5.7%      | 5.9%          | 5.7%   | 1.7%  |
| Collections management — procedures and policies                              | 5.6%    | 6.5%      | 5.5%          | 4.6%   | 6.9%  |
| Disaster planning and recovery — writing a disaster plan                      | 5.5%    | 4.5%      | 6.1%          | 5.4%   | 3.4%  |
| Archiving — finding aids  | 5.5%    | 6.1%      | 5.8%          | 4.3%   | 5.2%  |
| Collections management — collections insurance                                | 5.4%    | 8.6%      | 4.7%          | 5.4%   | 1.7%  |
| Administration — engaging a board or parent organization in collections care  | 5.3%    | 5.3%      | 6.3%          | 3.6%   | 1.7%  |
| Collections management — collections surveys/inventories                      | 5.3%    | 8.6%      | 5.0%          | 3.2%   | 5.2%  |
| Administration — strategic planning   | 5.0%    | 6.5%      | 4.0%          | 5.7%   | 6.9%  |
| Collections care — paper and archives   | 4.8%    | 3.7%      | 5.2%          | 5.4%   | 1.7%  |
| Collections care — textiles and garments                                      | 4.7%    | 4.5%      | 5.2%          | 3.9%   | 3.4%  |
| Building care — balancing environmental sustainability with collections care  | 4.7%    | 5.3%      | 5.0%          | 4.6%   | 0.0%  |
| Exhibits — care of objects on exhibit   | 4.6%    | 6.5%      | 3.6%          | 5.4%   | 5.2%  |
| Collections care — book repair  | 4.5%    | 4.1%      | 3.9%          | 6.4%   | 5.2%  |
| Storage — making boxes  | 4.4%    | 3.3%      | 5.6%          | 2.5%   | 1.7%  |
| Exhibits — lighting   | 4.3%    | 2.4%      | 5.0%          | 4.3%   | 3.4%  |
| Collections management — barcoding collections                                | 4.3%    | 4.9%      | 5.1%          | 2.1%   | 1.7%  |

**Top three topics by C2C webinar usage**  
*(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)*

|   | Overall | Regularly | Occasion-ally | Rarely | Never |
|---|---------|-----------|---------------|--------|-------|
| Disaster planning and recovery — climate change and disaster planning | 4.1%    | 5.3%      | 4.0%          | 3.9%   | 1.7%  |
| Administration — training staff/volunteers in collections care        | 4.0%    | 2.9%      | 4.7%          | 3.2%   | 3.4%  |
| Collections management — cataloguing                                  | 3.4%    | 4.1%      | 2.6%          | 4.3%   | 6.9%  |
| Collections care — historical objects                                 | 3.4%    | 2.9%      | 2.9%          | 4.6%   | 6.9%  |
| Collections care — paper-based materials                              | 3.1%    | 2.4%      | 3.6%          | 2.5%   | 1.7%  |
| Collections management — nomenclature                                 | 3.1%    | 5.7%      | 2.5%          | 1.8%   | 5.2%  |
| Legal issues — deeds of gift  | 3.1%    | 2.9%      | 3.4%          | 2.5%   | 3.4%  |
| Collections care — archaeological materials                           | 2.9%    | 2.0%      | 2.8%          | 3.6%   | 5.2%  |
| Collections management — writing condition reports                    | 2.9%    | 2.4%      | 3.0%          | 3.2%   | 1.7%  |
| Storage — selecting storage materials                                 | 2.8%    | 1.6%      | 2.9%          | 3.6%   | 1.7%  |
| Building care — pest identification and control                       | 2.6%    | 2.0%      | 3.2%          | 2.1%   | 0.0%  |
| Storage — crating time management/project prioritization              | 2.5%    | 2.4%      | 2.5%          | 3.2%   | 0.0%  |
| Exhibits — planning for preservation                                  | 2.4%    | 1.6%      | 1.7%          | 5.4%   | 0.0%  |
| Shipping — working with a fine arts shipper                           | 2.3%    | 2.0%      | 2.5%          | 2.1%   | 1.7%  |
| Collections care — natural history collections                        | 2.3%    | 3.7%      | 2.1%          | 1.4%   | 3.4%  |
| Administration — volunteer management                                 | 2.0%    | 2.4%      | 2.1%          | 1.1%   | 3.4%  |
| Building care — historic preservation                                 | 2.0%    | 3.3%      | 1.7%          | 1.4%   | 3.4%  |
| Disaster planning and recovery — identifying risks                    | 1.9%    | 1.6%      | 2.5%          | 1.1%   | 0.0%  |
| Collections care — framed materials                                   | 1.8%    | 2.0%      | 1.9%          | 1.1%   | 3.4%  |
| Building care — identifying building problems                         | 1.7%    | 1.6%      | 1.8%          | 1.4%   | 1.7%  |
| Administration — hiring a consultant                                  | 1.6%    | 1.2%      | 1.9%          | 1.1%   | 1.7%  |
| Collections management — object loans                                 | 1.5%    | 1.2%      | 1.7%          | 1.1%   | 1.7%  |
| Building care — building maintenance                                  | 1.5%    | 1.2%      | 1.2%          | 2.5%   | 1.7%  |
| Collections care — cemeteries and tombstones                          | 1.5%    | 0.8%      | 1.7%          | 1.4%   | 1.7%  |
| Administration — security   | 1.4%    | 1.2%      | 1.7%          | 0.7%   | 1.7%  |
| Collections care — furnishings  | 1.4%    | 2.0%      | 1.2%          | 1.1%   | 1.7%  |
| Building care — housekeeping  | 1.3%    | 1.6%      | 1.4%          | 1.1%   | 0.0%  |
| Collections care — biological specimen                                | 1.0%    | 2.0%      | 0.6%          | 1.1%   | 1.7%  |
| None of these topics are of interest                                  | 0.6%    | 0.0%      | 0.3%          | 1.4%   | 3.4%  |
| Other   | 3.9%    | 3.3%      | 3.4%          | 4.6%   | 8.6%  |
| n=  | 1,309   | 245       | 726           | 280    | 58    |

**Top three topics by other provider webinar usage**  
(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)

|   | Overall | Regularly | Occasion-ally | Rarely | Never |
|---|---------|-----------|---------------|--------|-------|
| Digital asset management — developing a digital preservation policy           | 12.6%   | 12.4%     | 14.0%         | 11.5%  | 8.2%  |
| Digital asset management — protecting "born digital" collections              | 12.2%   | 12.4%     | 12.2%         | 12.7%  | 9.1%  |
| Digital asset management — digitization of collections                        | 11.1%   | 13.2%     | 10.3%         | 10.5%  | 14.5% |
| Collections management — balancing access with collections care               | 8.9%    | 8.3%      | 8.1%          | 10.8%  | 6.4%  |
| Legal issues — copyright  | 8.8%    | 7.4%      | 10.2%         | 7.6%   | 6.4%  |
| Administration — fundraising for collections care                             | 8.6%    | 10.7%     | 8.4%          | 9.3%   | 6.4%  |
| Legal issues — abandoned property   | 8.4%    | 8.3%      | 9.4%          | 8.6%   | 2.7%  |
| Exhibits — mountmaking  | 8.3%    | 8.3%      | 7.9%          | 8.6%   | 10.0% |
| Archiving — archival processing   | 8.1%    | 5.8%      | 8.8%          | 8.6%   | 4.5%  |
| Storage — storing difficult-to-store objects                                  | 7.8%    | 10.7%     | 7.8%          | 7.8%   | 3.6%  |
| Collections care — digital collections  | 7.0%    | 5.8%      | 7.1%          | 8.1%   | 3.6%  |
| Collections management — collections databases                                | 6.7%    | 5.8%      | 5.8%          | 6.1%   | 14.5% |
| Collections care — photographs  | 6.1%    | 8.3%      | 5.5%          | 5.9%   | 9.1%  |
| Collections management — labeling objects (especially on difficult materials) | 6.0%    | 6.6%      | 4.6%          | 6.6%   | 11.8% |
| Administration — project management   | 6.0%    | 3.3%      | 7.1%          | 5.9%   | 2.7%  |
| Collections management — accessioning and deaccessioning                      | 5.7%    | 5.8%      | 5.8%          | 6.1%   | 4.5%  |
| Building care — HVAC solutions  | 5.7%    | 5.8%      | 6.5%          | 4.6%   | 4.5%  |
| Collections management — procedures and policies                              | 5.6%    | 6.6%      | 5.5%          | 5.4%   | 6.4%  |
| Disaster planning and recovery — writing a disaster plan                      | 5.5%    | 6.6%      | 5.6%          | 5.9%   | 2.7%  |
| Archiving — finding aids  | 5.5%    | 3.3%      | 5.9%          | 6.1%   | 3.6%  |
| Collections management — collections insurance                                | 5.4%    | 4.1%      | 4.7%          | 7.6%   | 3.6%  |
| Administration — engaging a board or parent organization in collections care  | 5.3%    | 9.1%      | 5.8%          | 4.2%   | 3.6%  |
| Collections management — collections surveys/inventories                      | 5.3%    | 5.8%      | 5.8%          | 4.9%   | 3.6%  |
| Administration — strategic planning   | 5.0%    | 9.1%      | 5.6%          | 3.7%   | 1.8%  |
| Collections care — paper and archives   | 4.8%    | 3.3%      | 5.9%          | 3.4%   | 3.6%  |
| Collections care — textiles and garments                                      | 4.7%    | 5.0%      | 4.0%          | 5.1%   | 8.2%  |
| Building care — balancing environmental sustainability with collections care  | 4.7%    | 0.0%      | 6.2%          | 4.2%   | 3.6%  |
| Exhibits — care of objects on exhibit   | 4.6%    | 5.8%      | 4.6%          | 3.7%   | 5.5%  |
| Collections care — book repair  | 4.5%    | 5.8%      | 5.3%          | 2.9%   | 4.5%  |
| Storage — making boxes  | 4.4%    | 7.4%      | 4.7%          | 2.9%   | 4.5%  |
| Exhibits — lighting   | 4.3%    | 1.7%      | 4.7%          | 4.9%   | 1.8%  |
| Collections management — barcoding collections                                | 4.3%    | 3.3%      | 4.6%          | 3.7%   | 5.5%  |

**Top three topics by other provider webinar usage**  
*(Topics selected by 8% or more in highlight.)*

|   | Overall | Regularly | Occasion-ally | Rarely | Never |
|---|---------|-----------|---------------|--------|-------|
| Disaster planning and recovery — climate change and disaster planning | 4.1%    | 3.3%      | 4.1%          | 4.9%   | 1.8%  |
| Administration — training staff/volunteers in collections care        | 4.0%    | 2.5%      | 4.7%          | 3.4%   | 3.6%  |
| Collections management — cataloguing                                  | 3.4%    | 3.3%      | 2.4%          | 3.9%   | 6.4%  |
| Collections care — historical objects                                 | 3.4%    | 4.1%      | 2.6%          | 4.2%   | 5.5%  |
| Collections care — paper-based materials                              | 3.1%    | 3.3%      | 4.0%          | 2.0%   | 0.9%  |
| Collections management — nomenclature                                 | 3.1%    | 5.0%      | 2.4%          | 3.9%   | 0.9%  |
| Legal issues — deeds of gift  | 3.1%    | 5.8%      | 3.2%          | 2.7%   | 1.8%  |
| Collections care — archaeological materials                           | 2.9%    | 0.8%      | 2.7%          | 2.7%   | 7.3%  |
| Collections management — writing condition reports                    | 2.9%    | 0.8%      | 2.4%          | 3.4%   | 6.4%  |
| Storage — selecting storage materials                                 | 2.8%    | 2.5%      | 2.0%          | 3.7%   | 4.5%  |
| Building care — pest identification and control                       | 2.6%    | 0.8%      | 2.7%          | 2.2%   | 5.5%  |
| Storage — crating time management/project prioritization              | 2.5%    | 0.8%      | 3.0%          | 2.7%   | 0.9%  |
| Exhibits — planning for preservation                                  | 2.4%    | 0.8%      | 2.1%          | 2.2%   | 6.4%  |
| Shipping — working with a fine arts shipper                           | 2.3%    | 2.5%      | 2.1%          | 3.2%   | 0.0%  |
| Collections care — natural history collections                        | 2.3%    | 4.1%      | 1.7%          | 3.4%   | 0.0%  |
| Administration — volunteer management                                 | 2.0%    | 3.3%      | 2.0%          | 1.5%   | 2.7%  |
| Building care — historic preservation                                 | 2.0%    | 4.1%      | 1.7%          | 1.2%   | 3.6%  |
| Disaster planning and recovery — identifying risks                    | 1.9%    | 1.7%      | 2.1%          | 1.7%   | 1.8%  |
| Collections care — framed materials                                   | 1.8%    | 0.8%      | 1.4%          | 2.7%   | 1.8%  |
| Building care — identifying building problems                         | 1.7%    | 2.5%      | 1.5%          | 1.7%   | 1.8%  |
| Administration — hiring a consultant                                  | 1.6%    | 2.5%      | 2.0%          | 1.0%   | 0.9%  |
| Collections management — object loans                                 | 1.5%    | 0.8%      | 1.4%          | 1.2%   | 3.6%  |
| Building care — building maintenance                                  | 1.5%    | 2.5%      | 1.7%          | 0.7%   | 2.7%  |
| Collections care — cemeteries and tombstones                          | 1.5%    | 2.5%      | 1.5%          | 0.7%   | 1.8%  |
| Administration — security   | 1.4%    | 0.8%      | 1.5%          | 1.7%   | 0.0%  |
| Collections care — furnishings  | 1.4%    | 0.8%      | 1.7%          | 0.7%   | 2.7%  |
| Building care — housekeeping  | 1.3%    | 0.8%      | 1.7%          | 0.7%   | 1.8%  |
| Collections care — biological specimen                                | 1.0%    | 1.7%      | 0.5%          | 2.0%   | 0.0%  |
| None of these topics are of interest                                  | 0.6%    | 0.8%      | 0.0%          | 1.5%   | 0.9%  |
| Other   | 3.9%    | 5.8%      | 3.3%          | 3.4%   | 7.3%  |
| n=  | 1,309   | 121       | 658           | 409    | 110   |

| Condensed topic list by major category (alpha sort) | All topics of interest |                   | Top three topics |                   |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
|   | Count                  | Sample percentage | Count            | Sample percentage |
| Administration                                      | 757                    | 57.8%             | 354              | 27.0%             |
| Archiving   | 507                    | 38.7%             | 155              | 11.8%             |
| Building care                                       | 688                    | 52.5%             | 223              | 17.0%             |
| Collections care                                    | 1081                   | 82.5%             | 450              | 34.4%             |
| Collections management                              | 1088                   | 83.1%             | 600              | 45.8%             |
| Digital asset management                            | 777                    | 59.3%             | 389              | 29.7%             |
| Disaster planning and recovery                      | 518                    | 39.5%             | 136              | 10.4%             |
| Exhibits  | 733                    | 56.0%             | 226              | 17.3%             |
| Legal issues  | 689                    | 52.6%             | 231              | 17.6%             |
| Shipping  | 185                    | 14.1%             | 30               | 2.3%              |
| Storage   | 775                    | 59.2%             | 213              | 16.3%             |
| None of these topics are of interest                | 8                      | 0.6%              | 8                | 0.6%              |
| Other   | N/A                    |                   | 51               | 3.9%              |
| Average number of topics selected                   | 14.9                   |                   | N/A              |                   |
| n=  | 1,310                  |                   | 1,309            |                   |

| <b>Condensed topic list by age: all topics</b> | Overall | < 31  | 31–40 | 41–55 | 65+   |
|--|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Collections management                         | 83.1%   | 87.6% | 88.1% | 82.4% | 76.8% |
| Collections care                               | 82.5%   | 89.2% | 84.9% | 80.6% | 78.9% |
| Digital asset management                       | 59.3%   | 64.0% | 62.8% | 58.7% | 54.6% |
| Storage  | 59.2%   | 62.9% | 67.0% | 59.2% | 49.7% |
| Administration                                 | 57.8%   | 54.8% | 64.8% | 56.7% | 53.5% |
| Exhibits                                       | 56.0%   | 61.8% | 60.8% | 55.4% | 48.6% |
| Legal issues                                   | 52.6%   | 64.0% | 59.1% | 53.4% | 40.0% |
| Building care                                  | 52.5%   | 53.8% | 57.1% | 54.9% | 44.9% |
| Disaster planning and recovery                 | 39.5%   | 45.2% | 43.5% | 40.1% | 32.4% |
| Archiving                                      | 38.7%   | 38.2% | 37.8% | 36.8% | 42.2% |
| Shipping                                       | 14.1%   | 19.9% | 19.0% | 14.6% | 5.7%  |
| None of these topics are of interest           | 0.6%    | 0.0%  | 0.3%  | 0.3%  | 1.6%  |
| Average number of topics selected              | 14.9    | 17.3  | 16.5  | 14.5  | 12.7  |
| n=   | 1,310   | 186   | 352   | 397   | 370   |

| <b>Condensed topic list by age: top three topics</b> | Overall | < 31  | 31–40 | 41–55 | 65+   |
|--|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Collections management                               | 45.8%   | 50.5% | 48.9% | 45.8% | 40.9% |
| Collections care                                     | 34.4%   | 35.5% | 31.8% | 33.2% | 37.4% |
| Digital asset management                             | 29.7%   | 24.7% | 28.1% | 32.0% | 31.2% |
| Administration                                       | 27.0%   | 22.0% | 33.0% | 28.0% | 23.3% |
| Legal issues   | 17.6%   | 26.9% | 21.0% | 15.9% | 11.9% |
| Exhibits   | 17.3%   | 16.1% | 17.3% | 20.7% | 14.4% |
| Building care  | 17.0%   | 14.0% | 18.5% | 19.1% | 15.2% |
| Storage  | 16.3%   | 21.0% | 19.0% | 16.6% | 10.8% |
| Archiving  | 11.8%   | 10.8% | 9.7%  | 10.1% | 16.3% |
| Disaster planning and recovery                       | 10.4%   | 11.3% | 11.1% | 10.1% | 9.8%  |
| Shipping   | 2.3%    | 3.2%  | 3.7%  | 1.5%  | 1.1%  |
| None of these topics are of interest                 | 0.6%    | 0.0%  | 0.3%  | 0.3%  | 1.6%  |
| Other  | 3.9%    | 2.2%  | 2.3%  | 4.0%  | 5.7%  |
| n=   | 1,309   | 186   | 352   | 397   | 369   |



| Condensed topic list by experience:<br>all topics |         |          |            |             |           |
|---|---------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|
|   | Overall | <6 years | 6–10 years | 11–20 years | 20+ years |
| Collections management                            | 83.1%   | 88.8%    | 85.4%      | 83.3%       | 77.7%     |
| Collections care                                  | 82.5%   | 86.1%    | 86.9%      | 82.8%       | 75.9%     |
| Digital asset management                          | 59.3%   | 57.2%    | 61.0%      | 63.3%       | 54.7%     |
| Storage   | 59.2%   | 62.6%    | 61.9%      | 59.9%       | 53.9%     |
| Administration                                    | 57.8%   | 55.1%    | 62.2%      | 56.4%       | 57.9%     |
| Exhibits  | 56.0%   | 58.8%    | 60.7%      | 53.7%       | 52.0%     |
| Legal issues                                      | 52.6%   | 56.1%    | 56.4%      | 54.9%       | 45.0%     |
| Building care                                     | 52.5%   | 47.6%    | 57.0%      | 50.2%       | 53.6%     |
| Disaster planning and recovery                    | 39.5%   | 46.5%    | 40.2%      | 37.7%       | 37.5%     |
| Archiving   | 38.7%   | 36.9%    | 45.1%      | 36.5%       | 37.0%     |
| Shipping  | 14.1%   | 19.3%    | 15.2%      | 11.1%       | 12.3%     |
| None of these topics are of interest              | 0.6%    | 0.0%     | 0.3%       | 0.5%        | 1.3%      |
| Average number of topics selected                 | 14.9    | 16.2     | 16.4       | 14.7        | 13.3      |
| n=  | 1,310   | 187      | 328        | 406         | 373       |

| Condensed topic list by experience:<br>top three topics |         |          |            |             |           |
|---|---------|----------|------------|-------------|-----------|
|   | Overall | <6 years | 6–10 years | 11–20 years | 20+ years |
| Collections management                                  | 45.8%   | 50.3%    | 45.4%      | 48.0%       | 41.4%     |
| Collections care  | 34.4%   | 32.1%    | 37.2%      | 34.7%       | 32.0%     |
| Digital asset management                                | 29.7%   | 26.2%    | 26.8%      | 32.8%       | 30.4%     |
| Administration  | 27.0%   | 20.9%    | 30.2%      | 26.6%       | 29.0%     |
| Legal issues  | 17.6%   | 21.9%    | 19.2%      | 16.5%       | 15.9%     |
| Exhibits  | 17.3%   | 16.0%    | 18.0%      | 17.0%       | 17.2%     |
| Building care   | 17.0%   | 11.2%    | 19.8%      | 16.0%       | 18.8%     |
| Storage   | 16.3%   | 19.3%    | 19.2%      | 15.0%       | 13.7%     |
| Archiving   | 11.8%   | 13.4%    | 10.4%      | 11.1%       | 13.4%     |
| Disaster planning and recovery                          | 10.4%   | 9.1%     | 10.4%      | 10.6%       | 11.0%     |
| Shipping  | 2.3%    | 3.2%     | 1.8%       | 2.5%        | 1.9%      |
| None of these topics are of interest                    | 0.6%    | 0.0%     | 0.3%       | 0.5%        | 1.3%      |
| Other   | 3.9%    | 1.1%     | 2.7%       | 4.4%        | 5.1%      |
| n=  | 1,309   | 187      | 328        | 406         | 372       |

| Condensed topic list by setting:<br>all topics | Overall | Private Practice/<br>RCL |         |         |       |            |
|--|---------|--------------------------|---------|---------|-------|------------|
|  |         | Museum/<br>Hist. Soc.    | Library | Archive | RCL   | All others |
| Collections management                         | 83.1%   | 86.4%                    | 75.7%   | 81.1%   | 78.0% | 78.8%      |
| Collections care                               | 82.5%   | 82.6%                    | 81.6%   | 86.4%   | 71.2% | 80.8%      |
| Digital asset management                       | 59.3%   | 59.1%                    | 61.8%   | 65.7%   | 47.5% | 60.3%      |
| Storage  | 59.2%   | 63.2%                    | 47.8%   | 52.7%   | 66.1% | 54.1%      |
| Administration                                 | 57.8%   | 58.0%                    | 55.1%   | 59.2%   | 57.6% | 63.0%      |
| Exhibits                                       | 56.0%   | 62.4%                    | 46.3%   | 41.4%   | 61.0% | 45.2%      |
| Legal issues                                   | 52.6%   | 56.4%                    | 49.3%   | 49.7%   | 42.4% | 45.2%      |
| Building care                                  | 52.5%   | 57.0%                    | 44.9%   | 40.2%   | 62.7% | 47.9%      |
| Disaster planning and recovery                 | 39.5%   | 40.1%                    | 40.4%   | 33.1%   | 52.5% | 38.4%      |
| Archiving                                      | 38.7%   | 35.0%                    | 50.0%   | 54.4%   | 25.4% | 34.9%      |
| Shipping                                       | 14.1%   | 15.3%                    | 8.1%    | 8.9%    | 23.7% | 11.0%      |
| None of these topics are of interest           | 0.6%    | 0.5%                     | 0.7%    | 1.2%    | 1.7%  | 0.0%       |
| Average number of topics selected              | 14.9    | 15.7                     | 13.4    | 14.0    | 14.6  | 14.1       |
| n=   | 1,310   | 766                      | 136     | 169     | 59    | 146        |

| Condensed topic list by setting:<br>top three topics | Overall | Private Practice/<br>RCL |         |         |       |            |
|--|---------|--------------------------|---------|---------|-------|------------|
|  |         | Museum/<br>Hist. Soc.    | Library | Archive | RCL   | All others |
| Collections management                               | 45.8%   | 48.7%                    | 41.2%   | 43.5%   | 40.7% | 41.1%      |
| Collections care                                     | 34.4%   | 31.6%                    | 39.0%   | 36.9%   | 30.5% | 39.7%      |
| Digital asset management                             | 29.7%   | 26.4%                    | 36.8%   | 42.3%   | 16.9% | 33.6%      |
| Administration                                       | 27.0%   | 28.2%                    | 25.0%   | 24.4%   | 25.4% | 31.5%      |
| Legal issues   | 17.6%   | 19.7%                    | 15.4%   | 16.7%   | 8.5%  | 17.1%      |
| Exhibits   | 17.3%   | 19.2%                    | 14.0%   | 10.1%   | 20.3% | 16.4%      |
| Building care  | 17.0%   | 19.8%                    | 15.4%   | 8.9%    | 20.3% | 11.6%      |
| Storage  | 16.3%   | 18.9%                    | 13.2%   | 11.3%   | 16.9% | 13.0%      |
| Archiving  | 11.8%   | 9.7%                     | 12.5%   | 22.0%   | 5.1%  | 12.3%      |
| Disaster planning and recovery                       | 10.4%   | 10.1%                    | 13.2%   | 6.5%    | 20.3% | 8.9%       |
| Shipping   | 2.3%    | 2.2%                     | 1.5%    | 1.2%    | 5.1%  | 2.1%       |
| None of these topics are of interest                 | 0.6%    | 0.5%                     | 0.7%    | 1.2%    | 1.7%  | 0.0%       |
| Other  | 3.9%    | 4.0%                     | 2.2%    | 3.6%    | 6.8%  | 2.1%       |
| n=   | 1,309   | 766                      | 136     | 168     | 59    | 146        |

| Condensed topic list by institution size:<br>all topics |         |            |       |        |                  |
|---|---------|------------|-------|--------|------------------|
|   | Overall | Very small | Small | Medium | Large/Very Large |
| Collections management                                  | 83.1%   | 86.0%      | 85.3% | 83.6%  | 78.6%            |
| Collections care  | 82.5%   | 81.1%      | 82.4% | 83.8%  | 80.7%            |
| Digital asset management                                | 59.3%   | 62.8%      | 58.4% | 65.4%  | 52.9%            |
| Storage   | 59.2%   | 55.5%      | 59.1% | 60.6%  | 59.7%            |
| Administration  | 57.8%   | 58.5%      | 60.3% | 53.8%  | 61.7%            |
| Exhibits  | 56.0%   | 56.1%      | 53.0% | 59.3%  | 55.3%            |
| Legal issues  | 52.6%   | 48.2%      | 55.3% | 56.3%  | 47.1%            |
| Building care   | 52.5%   | 52.4%      | 49.6% | 55.3%  | 53.9%            |
| Disaster planning and recovery                          | 39.5%   | 39.6%      | 38.2% | 39.9%  | 41.0%            |
| Archiving   | 38.7%   | 38.4%      | 43.7% | 40.9%  | 28.8%            |
| Shipping  | 14.1%   | 11.0%      | 12.8% | 13.4%  | 16.3%            |
| None of these topics are of interest                    | 0.6%    | 0.0%       | 1.0%  | 0.8%   | 0.3%             |
| Average number of topics selected                       | 14.9    | 15.1       | 15.0  | 15.4   | 14.3             |
| n=  | 1,310   | 164        | 421   | 396    | 295              |

| Condensed topic list by institution size:<br>top three topics |         |            |       |        |                  |
|---|---------|------------|-------|--------|------------------|
|   | Overall | Very small | Small | Medium | Large/Very Large |
| Collections management  | 45.8%   | 47.0%      | 50.4% | 42.0%  | 44.4%            |
| Collections care  | 34.4%   | 35.4%      | 30.2% | 38.0%  | 33.2%            |
| Digital asset management                                      | 29.7%   | 26.2%      | 29.9% | 33.7%  | 27.1%            |
| Administration  | 27.0%   | 29.3%      | 30.2% | 23.5%  | 28.5%            |
| Legal issues  | 17.6%   | 12.8%      | 20.4% | 21.0%  | 13.6%            |
| Exhibits  | 17.3%   | 18.3%      | 15.7% | 17.0%  | 19.0%            |
| Building care   | 17.0%   | 17.1%      | 12.8% | 20.0%  | 19.0%            |
| Storage   | 16.3%   | 18.3%      | 16.9% | 15.9%  | 15.9%            |
| Archiving   | 11.8%   | 14.0%      | 15.0% | 10.1%  | 7.8%             |
| Disaster planning and recovery                                | 10.4%   | 15.2%      | 9.7%  | 8.4%   | 10.8%            |
| Shipping  | 2.3%    | 1.2%       | 2.4%  | 2.0%   | 2.4%             |
| None of these topics are of interest                          | 0.6%    | 0.0%       | 1.0%  | 0.8%   | 0.3%             |
| Other   | 3.9%    | 3.0%       | 2.1%  | 3.5%   | 6.4%             |
| n=  | 1,309   | 164        | 421   | 395    | 295              |

| Condensed topic list by C2C webinar<br>usage: all topics |         |           |              |        |       |
|--|---------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------|
|  | Overall | Regularly | Occasionally | Rarely | Never |
| Collections management                                   | 83.1%   | 93.1%     | 84.6%        | 73.2%  | 69.0% |
| Collections care   | 82.5%   | 86.6%     | 84.0%        | 77.5%  | 70.7% |
| Digital asset management                                 | 59.3%   | 64.6%     | 59.8%        | 54.6%  | 53.4% |
| Storage  | 59.2%   | 70.3%     | 61.4%        | 46.8%  | 43.1% |
| Administration   | 57.8%   | 64.6%     | 58.4%        | 50.7%  | 55.2% |
| Exhibits   | 56.0%   | 66.3%     | 56.2%        | 47.1%  | 51.7% |
| Legal issues   | 52.6%   | 59.3%     | 55.0%        | 43.2%  | 39.7% |
| Building care  | 52.5%   | 62.2%     | 52.6%        | 44.6%  | 48.3% |
| Disaster planning and recovery                           | 39.5%   | 43.1%     | 41.5%        | 32.1%  | 36.2% |
| Archiving  | 38.7%   | 45.1%     | 38.0%        | 34.6%  | 39.7% |
| Shipping   | 14.1%   | 18.7%     | 13.6%        | 12.1%  | 10.3% |
| None of these topics are of interest                     | 0.6%    | 0.0%      | 0.3%         | 1.4%   | 3.4%  |
| Average number of topics selected                        | 14.9    | 17.7      | 15.3         | 12.3   | 11.4  |
| n=   | 1,310   | 246       | 726          | 280    | 58    |

| Condensed topic list by C2C webinar<br>usage: top three topics |         |           |              |        |       |
|--|---------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------|
|  | Overall | Regularly | Occasionally | Rarely | Never |
| Collections management   | 45.8%   | 53.9%     | 44.4%        | 43.9%  | 39.7% |
| Collections care   | 34.4%   | 33.9%     | 34.4%        | 35.0%  | 32.8% |
| Digital asset management                                       | 29.7%   | 32.7%     | 28.7%        | 30.0%  | 29.3% |
| Administration   | 27.0%   | 25.3%     | 28.7%        | 23.6%  | 31.0% |
| Legal issues   | 17.6%   | 16.7%     | 19.0%        | 16.4%  | 10.3% |
| Exhibits   | 17.3%   | 18.0%     | 16.8%        | 18.2%  | 15.5% |
| Building care  | 17.0%   | 18.4%     | 17.8%        | 16.1%  | 6.9%  |
| Storage  | 16.3%   | 16.3%     | 18.9%        | 11.4%  | 6.9%  |
| Archiving  | 11.8%   | 14.3%     | 10.9%        | 11.8%  | 13.8% |
| Disaster planning and recovery                                 | 10.4%   | 9.8%      | 11.2%        | 10.0%  | 5.2%  |
| Shipping   | 2.3%    | 2.0%      | 2.5%         | 2.1%   | 1.7%  |
| None of these topics are of interest                           | 0.6%    | 0.0%      | 0.3%         | 1.4%   | 3.4%  |
| Other  | 3.9%    | 3.3%      | 3.4%         | 4.6%   | 8.6%  |
| n=   | 1,309   | 245       | 726          | 280    | 58    |

| Condensed topic list by other provider<br>webinar usage: all topics |         |           |              |        |       |
|---|---------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------|
|   | Overall | Regularly | Occasionally | Rarely | Never |
| Collections management  | 83.1%   | 85.1%     | 83.5%        | 82.6%  | 80.0% |
| Collections care  | 82.5%   | 81.0%     | 83.9%        | 80.9%  | 81.8% |
| Digital asset management  | 59.3%   | 70.2%     | 60.7%        | 57.0%  | 45.5% |
| Storage   | 59.2%   | 62.8%     | 61.6%        | 57.5%  | 46.4% |
| Administration  | 57.8%   | 55.4%     | 60.4%        | 57.7%  | 47.3% |
| Exhibits  | 56.0%   | 58.7%     | 53.6%        | 58.7%  | 55.5% |
| Legal issues  | 52.6%   | 50.4%     | 55.4%        | 53.8%  | 35.5% |
| Building care   | 52.5%   | 49.6%     | 53.7%        | 51.6%  | 50.9% |
| Disaster planning and recovery                                      | 39.5%   | 43.0%     | 41.6%        | 37.9%  | 30.9% |
| Archiving   | 38.7%   | 35.5%     | 41.9%        | 35.9%  | 34.5% |
| Shipping  | 14.1%   | 14.9%     | 14.1%        | 14.7%  | 10.9% |
| None of these topics are of interest                                | 0.6%    | 0.8%      | 0.0%         | 1.5%   | 0.9%  |
| Average number of topics selected                                   | 14.9    | 16.7      | 15.2         | 14.4   | 13.2  |
| n=  | 1,310   | 121       | 659          | 409    | 110   |

| Condensed topic list by other provider<br>webinar usage: top three topics |         |           |              |        |       |
|---|---------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------|
|   | Overall | Regularly | Occasionally | Rarely | Never |
| Collections management  | 45.8%   | 45.5%     | 43.2%        | 47.7%  | 53.6% |
| Collections care  | 34.4%   | 37.2%     | 34.2%        | 33.3%  | 37.3% |
| Digital asset management  | 29.7%   | 31.4%     | 30.1%        | 29.3%  | 25.5% |
| Administration  | 27.0%   | 28.1%     | 30.5%        | 24.0%  | 18.2% |
| Legal issues  | 17.6%   | 18.2%     | 19.8%        | 16.4%  | 10.0% |
| Exhibits  | 17.3%   | 15.7%     | 16.6%        | 17.4%  | 20.9% |
| Building care   | 17.0%   | 14.0%     | 19.6%        | 13.2%  | 20.0% |
| Storage   | 16.3%   | 18.2%     | 16.9%        | 15.6%  | 12.7% |
| Archiving   | 11.8%   | 7.4%      | 12.6%        | 13.2%  | 7.3%  |
| Disaster planning and recovery  | 10.4%   | 9.9%      | 10.8%        | 11.2%  | 5.5%  |
| Shipping  | 2.3%    | 2.5%      | 2.1%         | 3.2%   | 0.0%  |
| None of these topics are of interest                                      | 0.6%    | 0.8%      | 0.0%         | 1.5%   | 0.9%  |
| Other   | 3.9%    | 5.8%      | 3.3%         | 3.4%   | 7.3%  |
| n=  | 1,309   | 121       | 658          | 409    | 110   |

**One final question: Please share any comments, suggestions, or thoughts about Connecting to Collections Care in general, or any of the topics raised in this survey:**

**[Open-ended responses are provided in Volume 2, Exhibit 6]**

## Appendix A: Survey Instrument

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1. Which of the following best describes your involvement in the museum, library, archives, conservation or related fields? *(If more than one choice is applicable, please select the ONE choice that best describes your situation.)*
  - Employed in a paid position in the field
  - Serve as a volunteer, intern, or other non-paid position in the field
  - Am a private collector, genealogist or family historian (either in a paid position or as a volunteer/ individual basis) [SKIP TO Q7]
  - Am a student pursuing a degree in one or more of these fields [SKIP TO Q8]
  - I am not involved in the museum, library, archives, conservation or related fields [EXIT SURVEY]
  
2. Which of the following best describes your primary employment (or volunteer) setting in the museum, library, archives, conservation or related fields? Please note the following:
  - If you are employed/volunteer at multiple settings, please select the ONE setting that accounts for the greatest share of your income and/or time in these fields.
  - Please limit your answer to your work in the museum, library, archives, conservation and related fields.
  - Museum or historic house/site [GOTO Q3; ALL OTHER CHOICES SKIP TO Q4]
  - Historical society
  - Library
  - Archive
  - University, college or other educational institution *(NOTE: If you are employed at a museum or library at a university/college, select one of the above choices.)*
  - Government institution (federal, state/provincial or local) that is NOT a museum, library, or any of the above choices
  - Other non-profit organization not listed above
  - Regional conservation center/lab
  - Private practice/for-profit company *(This category includes those who are self-employed or solo practitioners in the museum, library, archives, conservation and related fields.)*
  - Other (please specify)
  
3. Which of the following best describes your museum setting:
  - Art Museum
  - Children's/Youth Museum
  - General Museum (A museum with collections representing two or more disciplines equally, such as art and history.)
  - Historic House/Site
  - History Museum
  - Living Collection (Aquarium, Botanic Garden, Zoo) Natural History/Anthropology Museum
  - Science/Technology Museum
  - Specialized Museum
  - Other museum (please specify)
  
4. If you were to describe the size of your institution/organization/company to a colleague, would you say it is:
  - Very small
  - Small
  - Medium
  - Large
  - Very large

5. Please indicate the area(s)/field(s) that comprise a significant portion of your responsibilities: (Select all that apply.)
- Administration (staff level)
  - Administration (board-level)
  - Archives management
  - Collections management
  - Conservation
  - Curation
  - Development
  - Education
  - Staff/volunteer training
  - Historic preservation
  - Librarian
  - Records management
  - Registration
  - Research
  - Site/facilities management
  - Other (please specify)
6. Which ONE area/field do you consider to be your primary responsibility (e.g., the area/field in which you spend the most time)?
- Administration (staff level)
  - Administration (board-level)
  - Archives management
  - Collections management
  - Conservation
  - Curation
  - Development
  - Education
  - Staff/volunteer training
  - Historic preservation
  - Librarian
  - Records management
  - Registration
  - Research
  - Site/facilities management
  - Other (please specify)
7. How many years of experience (either in a for-pay position or as a volunteer) do you have in the museum, library, archives, conservation, or related fields?
- Less than 1 year
  - 1 to 5 years
  - 6 to 10 years
  - 11 to 15 years
  - 16 to 20 years
  - 21 to 30 years
  - More than 30 years



8. What is your age?

- Under 21
- 21 to 25
- 26 to 30
- 31 to 35
- 36 to 40
- 41 to 45
- 46 to 50
- 51 to 55
- 56 to 60
- 61 to 65
- 66 to 70
- 71 or older

9. Please indicate the country where you are located. If you divide your time between more than one country, please select the one that you consider to be your "home base":

- United States
- Canada
- Mexico [SKIP TO Q11]
- Other (please specify) [SKIP TO Q11]

10. Please indicate the state or province where you are located:

[List of states/provinces]

11. The Connecting to Collections Care online community encompasses a wide range of resources, including webinars, videos, discussion boards, and other features to provide information and resources for collections care.

Which of the following best describes your usage/awareness of the Connecting to Collections Care online community?

- I use it regularly [SKIP TO Q15]
- I use it occasionally [SKIP TO Q15]
- I've used it, but only rarely [SKIP TO Q15]
- I've heard of it, but have never used it
- I've never heard of it prior to this survey [SKIP TO Q13]

12. Why have you not used the Connecting to Collections Care online community? (Check all that apply.)

- Do not have the time to use it
- I forget about it
- It's too complicated for my needs
- I do not have a need for collections care information
- I don't know how to use it
- Others in my organization use it and provide me with the information
- No particular reason
- Other (please specify)

Connecting to Collections Care is an online resource for small and mid-sized collecting institutions, including museums, libraries, and archives.

The Connecting to Collections Care website allows you to:

- Search for information related to collections care and collections management using a robust search tool
- Ask a specific question using the expert-monitored Discussions forum
- Learn more about specific topics through live and recorded webinars

You can explore the website at [www.connectingtocollections.org](http://www.connectingtocollections.org).

Connecting to Collections Care is a program of the Foundation of the American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works and is funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

13. Would you like to receive more information about the Connecting to Collections Care online community?

- Yes  
 No

14. To receive more information about the Connecting to Collections Care online community, please enter your name and email address below:

Name:  
Email Address:

***Survey end for respondents who have not used Connecting To Collections Care***

15. Overall, how valuable is the Connecting to Collections Care online community to you as a resource for your work in the museum, library, archives, conservation or related fields?

- It is an essential tool  
 It is an important tool  
 It is worthwhile, but other tools offer more value/benefits  
 It offers only a little value  
 It has no value for me [SKIP TO Q18]  
 I have not used it enough to have an opinion of its value [SKIP TO Q18]

16. Briefly describe the one main benefit you (or your organization) have gained through the use of the Connecting to Collections Care online community:

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17. Which of the following benefits have you (or your organization) gained through the use of the Connecting to Collections Care online community? (Select all that apply.)

- It has informed collections care policies at my organization
- It has helped support professional development for me/my organization
- A practice/procedure at my organization has been modified based on information from Connecting to Collections Care
- It has facilitated networking with allied professionals
- I/we received an answer to a specific question through Connecting to Collections Care
- It has helped me better understand my job/field
- It has helped our Board better understand the complexities of our institution and mission
- It has helped to train staff at my organization
- It has helped to train volunteers at my organization
- It has helped foster a sense of community among our staff and volunteers
- It has helped foster a sense of community among allied professionals
- It has helped me/my organization approach collections care differently
- It has sparked greater interest of collections care within my organization
- It has helped soften the impact of limited resources of my organization for professional development fees and travel
- It has given me the opportunity to escape my daily tasks
- I/my organization have not gained any benefits from the Connecting to Collections Care program
- Other (please specify)

18. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements as they pertain to the Connecting to Collections Care program:

|  | Strongly<br>agree | Somewhat<br>agree | Neutral | Somewhat<br>disagree | Strongly<br>disagree |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|---------|----------------------|----------------------|
| It is a trusted source of collections care information |                   |                   |         |                      |                      |
| It is easy to use                                      |                   |                   |         |                      |                      |
| It is easy to find the information I need              |                   |                   |         |                      |                      |
| It fills a need that is not met elsewhere              |                   |                   |         |                      |                      |

19. How can we make the Connecting to Collections Care program better? (Please be as specific as possible.)

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20. The Discussion Forum is a service on the Connecting to Collections Care Online Community where you can post questions, receive responses, and interact with other professionals in the field.

How often do you access the Discussions Forum, either by reading posts by others or by posting your own questions?

- Regularly
- Occasionally
- Rarely
- Never [GOTO Q21, THEN SKIP TO Q30]

21. Why do you not use the Discussions Forum?(Check all that apply.)

- I was not aware of it
- I forget about it when I have questions
- I'm not sure what it can be used for
- I don't have a need for the Discussions Forum
- The format was confusing
- I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Discussions Forum
- I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere
- I didn't want to create a user account on the site
- I am embarrassed or uncomfortable with posting my questions publicly
- No particular reason
- Other (please specify)

22. You selected "I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere" in the previous question. Please specify the source(s) you use instead of Connecting to Collections Care:

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23. Have you ever posted a question to the Discussion Forum?

- Yes
- No [SKIP TO Q26]

24. Please rate your satisfaction with the following aspects of posting a question:

|                    |                     |               |               |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Fully<br>satisfied | Mostly<br>satisfied | Not satisfied | No<br>opinion |
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Overall ease of posting a question

Being able to review/edit the posted question

Knowing when a response was received

Receiving useful information

25. Please describe how the question posting process could be improved. Please be as specific as possible:

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26. Why have you not posted a question to the Discussion Forum?(Check all that apply.)

- The format was confusing
- I forget about it when I have questions
- I needed an answer sooner than I thought I might get on the Forum
- I didn't want to create a user account on the site
- I am embarrassed or uncomfortable with posting my questions publicly
- I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere
- No particular reason
- Other (please specify)

27. You selected "I seek answers to collections care questions elsewhere" in the previous question. Please specify the source(s) you use instead of Connecting to Collections Care:

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28. Do you receive automatic notifications from the Discussion Forum?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

29. Overall, how valuable is the Discussion Forum for your needs?

Highly valuable (5) (4) (3) (2) Little to no value (1)

30. Please describe any improvements or changes you would like to see made to the Discussion Forum to make it more valuable for your needs:

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31. In general, which of the following online video/webinar learning formats do you prefer?

- A live webinar on a single, specific topic
- A pre-recorded video available on demand
- Both formats are about equally appealing
- Neither — I do not like online videos/webinars

32. How often do you participate in/view a live or previously recorded webinar via Connecting to Collections Care?

- Regularly
- Occasionally
- Rarely
- Never [GOTO Q33; ALL OTHERS SKIP TO Q35]

33. Why do you not participate in/view webinars (either live or recorded) via Connecting to Collections Care? (Check all that apply.)

- There are no topics of interest to me
- I do not like the webinar/online course format in general
- Topics/content are too introductory for my needs
- Topics/content are too advanced for my needs
- I didn't want to create a user account on the site
- I don't have time to participate in/view a webinar/online video
- I don't have the ability to stream videos
- I forget to do so
- I did not know webinars/online videos were available
- I use other sources
- No particular reason
- Other (please specify)

34. You selected "I use other sources" in the previous question. Please specify the source(s) you use for webinars (either live or recorded) instead of Connecting to Collections Care:

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35. How often do you participate in/view a webinar (either live or recorded) on collections care topics from providers OTHER THAN Connecting to Collections Care?

- Regularly
- Occasionally
- Rarely
- Never

36. What changes/improvements, if any, would you like made to the Connecting to Collections Care webinars (either live or recorded) to make them more valuable for your needs?

Improve live webinars by: \_\_\_\_\_

Improve the archive of past webinars by: \_\_\_\_\_

37. Which of the following subject areas are you interested in learning more about through a Connecting to Collections Care webinar (either live or recorded) in the next 12 months?

- Administration — engaging a board or parent organization in collections care
- Administration — fundraising for collections care
- Administration — hiring a consultant
- Administration — project management
- Administration — security
- Administration — strategic planning
- Administration — training staff/volunteers in collections care
- Administration — volunteer management
- Archiving — archival processing
- Archiving — finding aids
- Building care — balancing environmental sustainability with collections care
- Building care — building maintenance
- Building care — historic preservation
- Building care — housekeeping
- Building care — HVAC solutions
- Building care — identifying building problems
- Building care — pest identification and control
- Collections care — archaeological materials
- Collections care — biological specimen
- Collections care — book repair
- Collections care — cemeteries and tombstones
- Collections care — digital collections
- Collections care — framed materials
- Collections care — furnishings
- Collections care — historical objects
- Collections care — natural history collections
- Collections care — paper and archives
- Collections care — paper-based materials
- Collections care — photographs
- Collections care — textiles and garments
- Collections management — accessioning and deaccessioning
- Collections management — balancing access with collections care
- Collections management — barcoding collections
- Collections management — cataloguing
- Collections management — collections databases
- Collections management — collections insurance
- Collections management — collections surveys/inventories
- Collections management — labeling objects (especially on difficult materials)
- Collections management — nomenclature
- Collections management — object loans
- Collections management — procedures and policies
- Collections management — writing condition reports
- Digital asset management — developing a digital preservation policy
- Digital asset management — digitization of collections
- Digital asset management — protecting "born digital" collections
- Disaster planning and recovery — climate change and disaster planning
- Disaster planning and recovery — identifying risks
- Disaster planning and recovery — writing a disaster plan
- Exhibits — care of objects on exhibit
- Exhibits — lighting
- Exhibits — mountmaking
- Exhibits — planning for preservation
- Legal issues — abandoned property
- Legal issues — copyright
- Legal issues — deeds of gift

- Shipping — working with a fine arts shipper
- Storage — crating time management/project prioritization
- Storage — making boxes
- Storage — selecting storage materials
- Storage — storing difficult-to-store objects
- None of these topics are of interest

38. Listed below are the topics you selected in the previous question. Please indicate which you are MOST interested in. You can select up to THREE topics. If there's a topic of interest that is not listed, you can specify it by selecting "Other" and describing the topic:

[Selections from Q37 listed plus an “other” choice]

39. One final question: Please share any comments, suggestions, or thoughts about Connecting to Collections Care in general, or any of the topics raised in this survey:
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