“And the Survey Says”...OK but the DATA says!

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Original Format Summary: CUL: 2007511

Reel

A.) Less Than 30 Minutes
B.) Between 30 min. and 1 hour
C.) Between 1 hour and 1.5 hours
D.) Between 1.5 hours and 2 hours
E.) More than 2 hours
F.) 0.5 hour increments over 2 hours

1
6
10
23
48
115
Distribution of Objects

- Reels: 48%
- Cassettes: 41%
- MiniDiscs: 5%
- Analog Discs: 1%

GBA/V Total Objects: 327,699

Legend:
- Reels
- Cassettes
- MiniDiscs
- Discs
- Other
Columbia
35,766
Total
Objects

- Reels 35%
- Cassettes 50%
- Analog Discs 14%
- MiniDiscs .01%
- Other 0.21%
Harvard
3,839 Total
Objects

MiniDiscs 0.04%
Analog Discs 1%
Reels 23%
Cassettes 70%
Indiana 364,867
Total Objects

- Analog Discs: 47%
- Reels: 25%
- Cassettes: 9%
- MiniDiscs: 0%
- Other: 19%
Indiana
145,484 Unique / Rare Audio Objects, Not Commercially available
Sticky Shed = 6%

TEMP: 65F
RH: 35%

Mold < 1%
82.58% 112.97%
• 92% are TYPE I
• 50% With record tabs intact
• 3% of Cassette shells replaced
Cassettes and Mold

- 0.76% of GBAV assessed cassettes were moldy
- 92% of moldy cassettes from Puerto Rican Institution had opaque shells
- Correlation is not causation!
Average Durations

Audiocassette: 53 Minutes
Reel: 50 Minutes
MiniDisc: 60 Minutes
Analog Disc: 6 Minutes
Microcassette: 30 Minutes
DAT: 69 Minutes
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