

**WHAT NOW?  
USING SURVEY DATA TO MAKE MEANINGFUL  
CHANGE IN LIBRARIES**

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# COMMUNICATING SURVEY RESULTS

Telling stories with survey data

Audience types

Analysis of results

# COMMON PRE-COMMUNICATION PITFALLS

Become  
emotionally  
involved

Leave your  
results  
unanalyzed

Address only  
the obvious  
“fires”

STORY TIME |

# Common elements of convincing stories

# EVENTS, SELECTED & ORDERED

Changes

Correlations

Predictions

## FROM OUR LIBRARY

Our library is a popular place to study on campus and we're open later than any other building. In 2014, survey respondents said the library was too far from parking lots and bus stops. We worked with facilities and local transit authorities to move an bus stop closer to the library.

## GROUPS OF 3-4

Review sample data

[Discuss] What do the data suggest?

Can you write a 3-4 sentence story about this need/problem?



Sharing

## COMMUNICATING RESULTS

How have you seen survey results communicated?

# COMMON APPROACHES

Executive  
summary

Presentation

Press  
release

Blog post

Newsletter  
article

Annual  
report

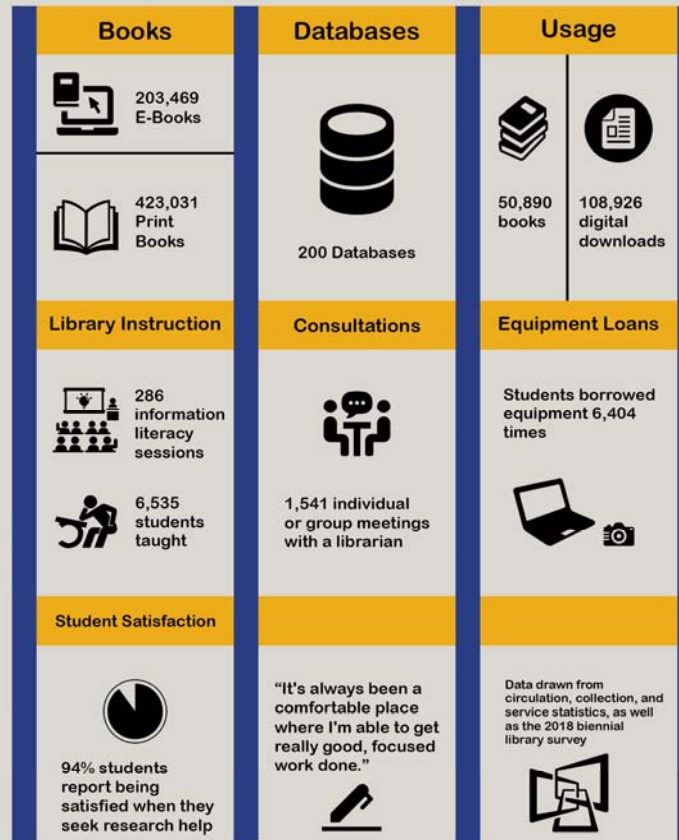
# ALTERNATIVES

Infographics

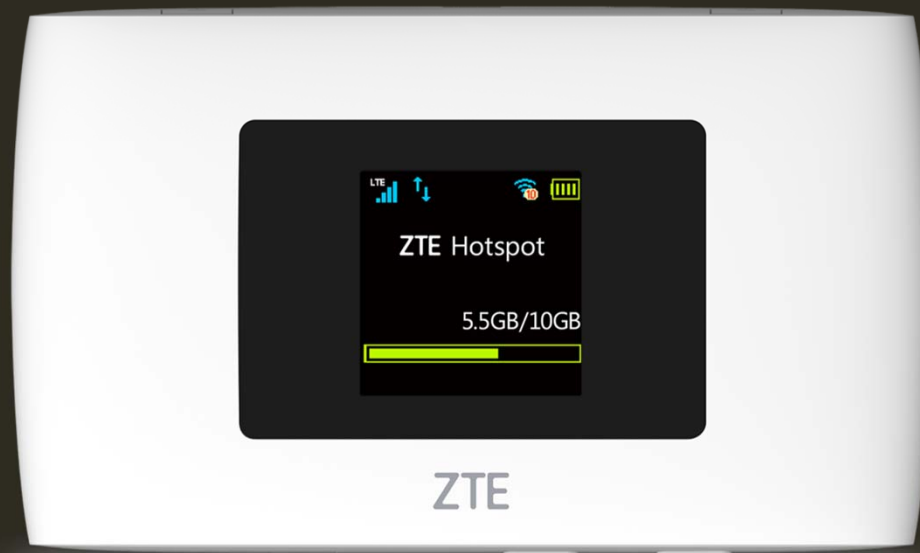
Announcements

# INFOGRAPHIC

## McIntyre Library by the Numbers FY 17-18



# ANNOUNCING A WELCOME CHANGE



**SURVEY ANALYSIS FOR COMMON  
PROBLEMS IN LIBRARIES**

# STRATEGIES TO ANALYZE RESULTS

Descriptive statistics

First pass – broad strokes, obvious patterns

Second pass – closer look, dig deeper

Conclusion



# SATISFACTION WITH LIBRARY POLICIES

## First Pass

Less than 25% of users object to fines and fees

Most people have no trouble with the current borrowing schedule

## Second Pass

Awareness of fines and fees may be low

Almost half of users could use more time with material

# SAFETY

First  
pass

Not much  
concern about  
daytime  
safety

Second  
pass

Non-male users  
are more  
concerned about  
safety, especially  
at night



QUESTIONS? |