Report for ARKs-in-the-Open Interest Survey
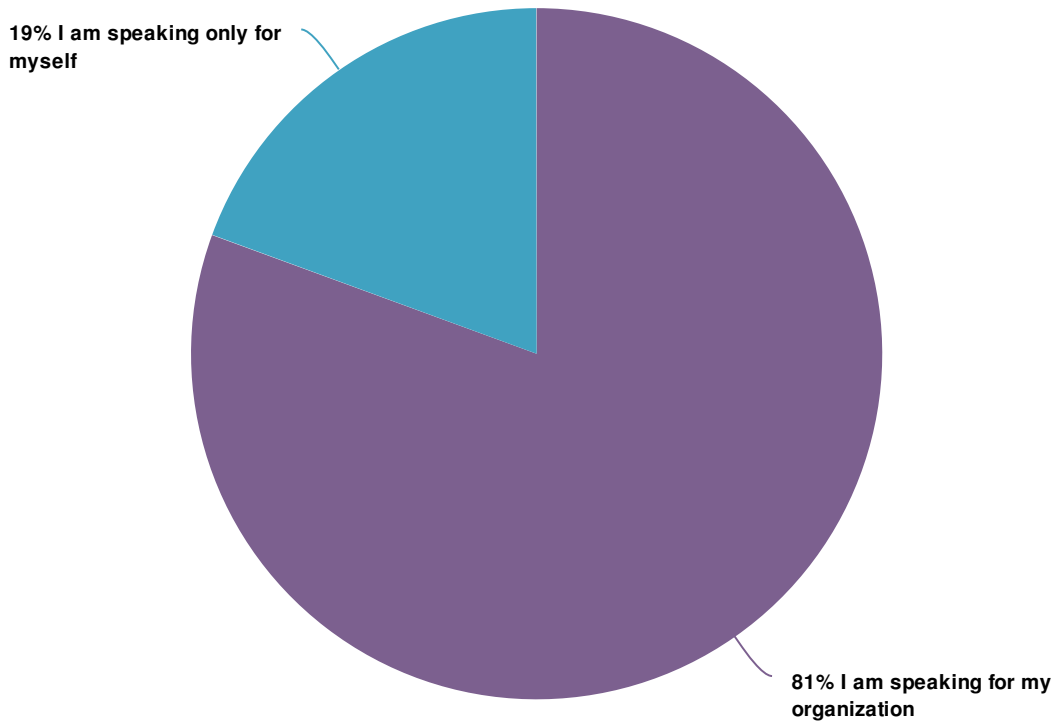
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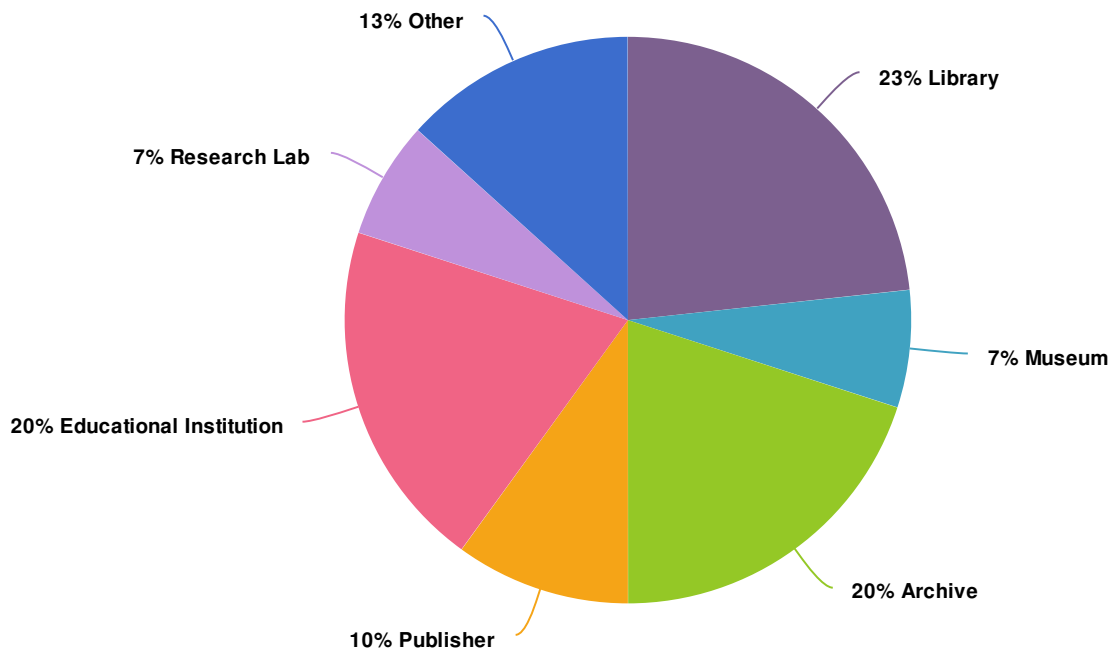
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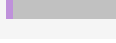
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1. Are you answering this survey on behalf of your organization or speaking only for yourself?

19% I am speaking only for myself

81% I am speaking for my organization

Value		Percent	Responses
I am speaking for my organization		80.6%	25
I am speaking only for myself		19.4%	6

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Totals: 31

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2. What type of organization do you represent?

13% Other

7% Research Lab

20% Educational Institution

10% Publisher

23% Library

7% Museum

20% Archive

Value		Percent	Responses
Library		23.3%	7
Museum		6.7%	2
Archive		20.0%	6
Publisher		10.0%	3
Educational Institution		20.0%	6
Research Lab		6.7%	2
Other		13.3%	4

Totals: 30

3. What is your role within the organization:

27% Executive/Board-level

20% Individual Contributor

53% Manager/Supervisor
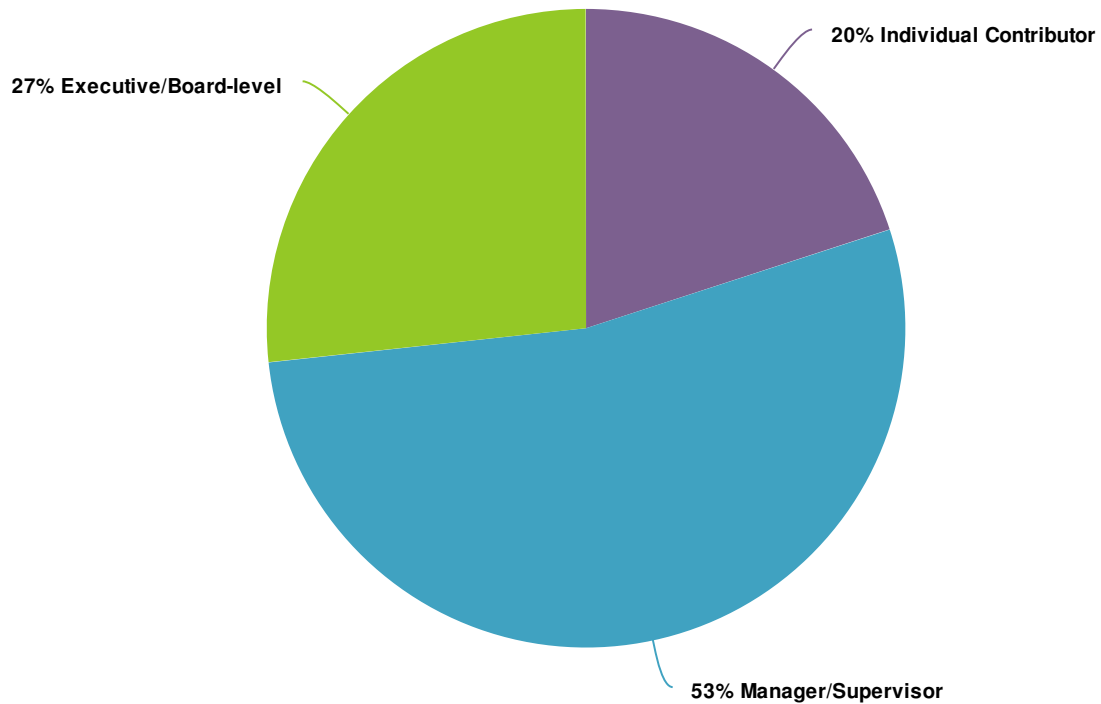
Value		Percent	Responses
Individual Contributor		20.0%	6
Manager/Supervisor		53.3%	16
Executive/Board-level		26.7%	8

Totals: 30

4. Please estimate how many people in your organization (department/group/division) are interested in or already use ARKs?

10% 1000 or more
3% 500 - 999
3% 200 - 499
10% 100 - 199
3% 50 - 99
7% 20 - 49
63% 0 - 19
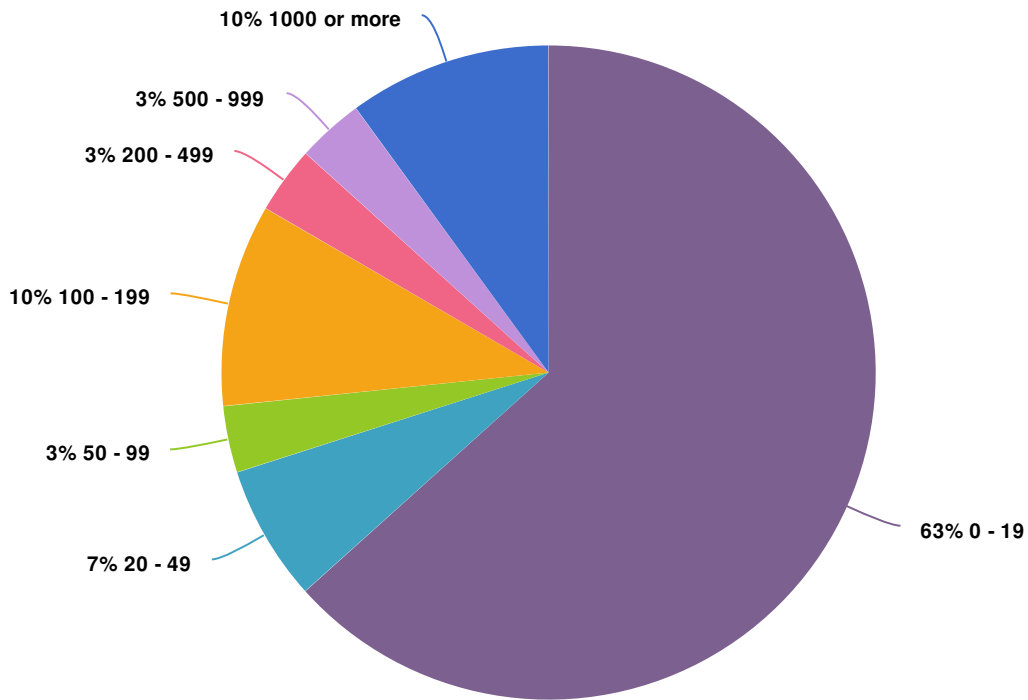
Value		Percent	Responses
0 - 19		63.3%	19
20 - 49		6.7%	2
50 - 99		3.3%	1
100 - 199		10.0%	3
200 - 499		3.3%	1
500 - 999		3.3%	1
1000 or more		10.0%	3

Totals: 30

5. Does your organization currently assign ARKs?

7% Don't Know

13% No

80% Yes
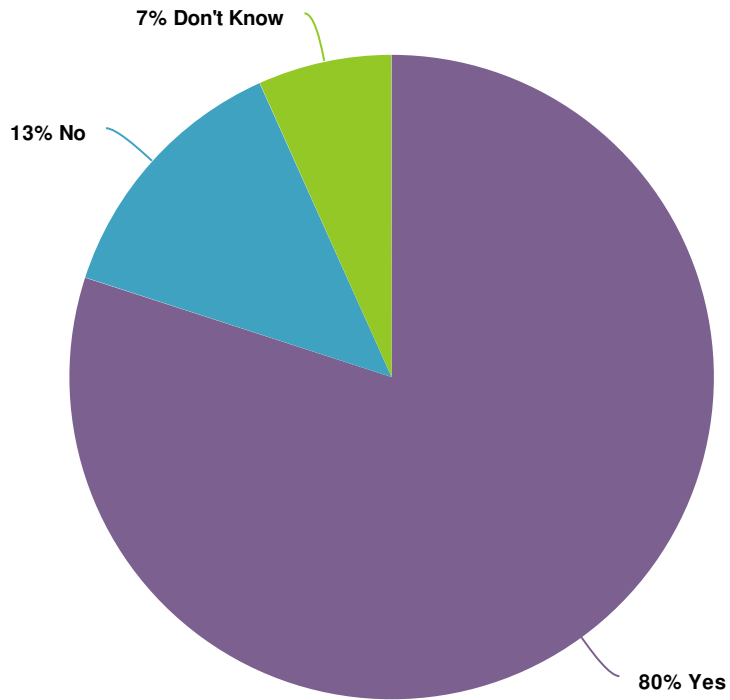
Value		Percent	Responses
Yes		80.0%	24
No		13.3%	4
Don't Know		6.7%	2

Totals: 30

6. Does your organization run its own ARK resolver?

8% Don't Know

46% Yes

46% No
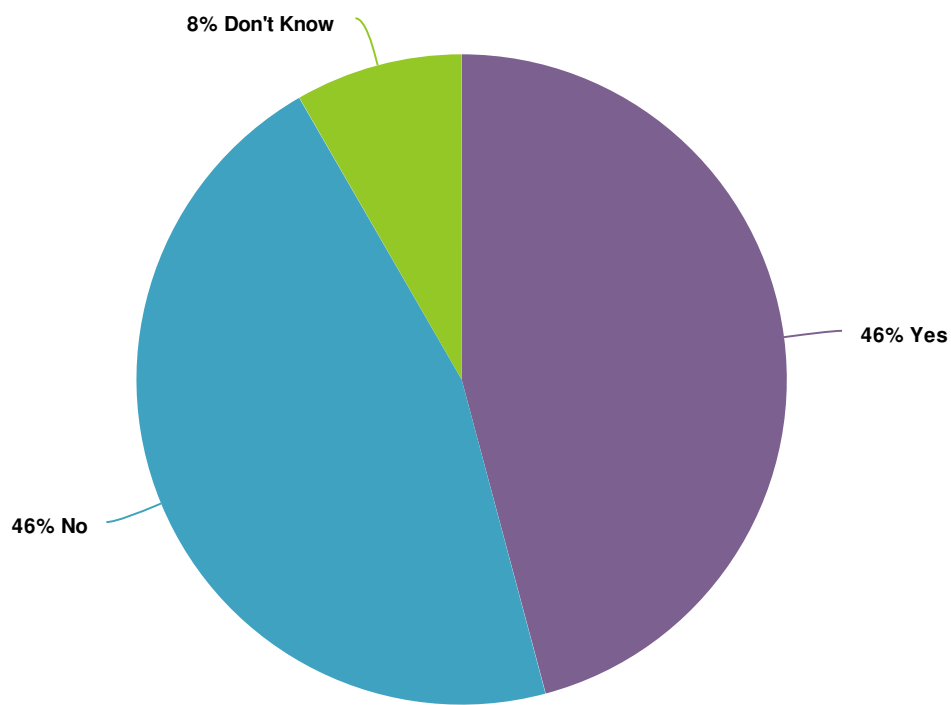
Value		Percent	Responses
Yes		45.8%	11
No		45.8%	11
Don't Know		8.3%	2

Totals: 24

7. The ARKs-in-the-Open (AITO) project would like to ask current and potential ARK users for input on how we should target our initial efforts. From previous feedback, we identified the possibilities shown below. Please rank these in priority order (1=highest) from your perspective.

Item	Overall Rank	Rank Distribution	Score	No. of Rankings
Effort to promote ARK understanding and usage	1		121	29
Effort to coordinate the activities of the newly forming ARK community and provide policy, governance, sustainability and administrative support	2		110	30
Open source development of ARK resolver software (next generation of NOID & N2T.net)	3		104	30
Running a consortial ARK infrastructure based on open source ARK resolver and management software (similar to N2T.net, ezid.cdlib.org) on behalf of the ARK community	4		103	30
Open source development of an ARK management application (similar to ezid.cdlib.org)	5		100	30
Effort to catalog what ARKs are being used to identify	6		90	30

Lowest Rank   Highest Rank

8. Would you contribute effort? - Effort to promote ARK understanding and usage

Value		Percent	Responses
Effort		100.0%	19

9. Would you contribute funding? - Effort to promote ARK understanding and usage

Value		Percent	Responses
Funding		100.0%	3

10. Would you contribute effort? - Effort to catalog what ARKs are being used to identify

Value		Percent	Responses
Effort		100.0%	11

11. Would you contribute funding? - Effort to catalog what ARKs are being used to identify

Value		Percent	Responses
Funding		100.0%	1

12. Would you contribute effort? - Effort to coordinate the activities of the newly forming ARK community and provide policy, governance, sustainability and administrative support

Value		Percent	Responses
Effort		100.0%	8

13. Would you contribute funding? - Effort to coordinate the activities of the newly forming ARK community and provide policy, governance, sustainability and administrative support

Value		Percent	Responses
Funding		100.0%	3

14. Would you contribute effort? - Open source development of ARK resolver software (next generation of NOID & N2T.net)

Value		Percent	Responses
Effort		100.0%	9

15. Would you contribute funding? - Open source development of ARK resolver software (next generation of NOID & N2T .net)

Value		Percent	Responses
Funding		100.0%	1

16. Would you contribute effort? - Open source development of an ARK management application (similar to ezid.cdlib.org)

Value		Percent	Responses
Effort		100.0%	7

17. Would you contribute funding? - Open source development of an ARK management application (similar to ezid.cdlib.org)

Value		Percent	Responses
Funding		100.0%	2

18. Would you contribute effort? - Running a consortial ARK infrastructure based on open source ARK resolver and management software (similar to N2T .net, ezid.cdlib.org) on behalf of the ARK community

Value		Percent	Responses
Effort		100.0%	6

19. Would you contribute funding? - Running a consortial ARK infrastructure based on open source ARK resolver and management software (similar to N2T.net, ezid.cdlib.org) on behalf of the ARK community

Value		Percent	Responses
Funding		100.0%	5

20. Is there an area not listed in the questions above that you feel it is important we focus our initial efforts towards?

ResponseID	Response
3	In our jurisdiction we cannot "contribute" funds to Open Source development activities; we can only pay invoices for services rendered. If the ARK services of CDL are constrained in the future, we would wish to be able to subscribe to "a consortial ARK infrastructure based on open source ARK resolver and management software" as an alternative.
12	No
14	Nothing as of now; we're still pretty new at this. We're a very small organization, and our abilities to contribute to the community at large is limited. All of our work on implementing ARKs will be open source and made available at https://github.com/crkn-rcdr.
15	Maybe this is included in "promoting understanding", but when reading an earlier version of the spec many some of the rules governing ARK structure were obscure to me, for example how the variants were envisioned to be used, especially if using more than one. Also the length-limitations seemed arbitrarily restrictive to me.
21	Don't know
27	Nne. I believe everything has been covered.
28	Precisions on BnF answers: BnF agents have been involved in promoting and raising awareness on persistent identifiers and ARK in particular since 2010, and the organization is willing to carry out this activity at an international level. BnF also interested in the ARKs In the Open project as a way to federate a true global community. At the national French level, BnF is currently discussing with its natural partner on this topic (the French Interministerial Service for archives) to engage an appropriate effort towards the constitution of a formalized Francophone community. Although BnF does not use the EZID service and makes limited use of the n2t.net resolver, it considers the maintenance of these services as vital for the credibility of the identifier and can therefore consider an investment in this direction, although it is less important than the previously mentioned axes. Considering that the identifiers management can hardly be separated from resources management, BnF consid
32	Currently, we use arches for a single cultural mediation project. Our knowledge of the ark is quite limited I'm not sure I can answer the more technical questions Thank you