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Preface
Welcome to the 49th edition of the
analysis and practical information
Bowker Annual!
a compilation of informed
of interest to the libraryi¼Œ informationi¼Œ and
book trade communities.
It chronicles a year during which libraries faced both economic hard times
and new challenges posed by government regulationi¼Œ and publishers and book-sellers continued to wrestle with copyright and piracy issues and fought for \"the
freedom to read.\">
 This edition's Special Reports spotlight three areas of current interest.
Thomas M. Susman examines how libraries are coping with concerns
posed by the controversial USA Patriot Acti¼Œ \"a hastily cobbled-together
series of provisions constitutingi¼Œ in some instancesi¼Œ long-standing wish
sts of the federal agencies affected
Nancy R. John and Edward J. Valauskas look at the burgeoning growth
and evolution of Internet-based and digital journalsi¼Œ up from about 4i¼Œ000
five years ago to about 28i¼Œ000 todayi¼Œ and the changes the phenomenon
has brought about.
Evelyn Frangakis explores how libraries and archives are dealing with.
continual challenges in preservation as the range of archived materials--
from paper and audio recordings to moving images and digital content--
steadily expands.
 Part 1 also includes reviews of the year's news and trends in public librariesi¼Œ
school librariesi¼Œ and publishingi¼Œ

and reports on the activities of federal agencies—
federal libraries and national and international library and publishing organizations.
In Part 2 the year's legislation and regulations affecting libraries and publishing are detailed bill by bill followed by reports from grant-making agencies and funding programs.
Part 3 contains professional information for librarians: guides to sources of scholarships and employment; a look at trends in library placements and salaries; and a list of the year's major scholarship and award winners.
Part 4 contains a wealth of research and statistics from a review of current research projects to tables of library acquisition expenditures book and periodicals prices and detailed publishing data.
Reference information makes up Part 5: who won the top literary prizes; how to obtain an ISBN or ISSN or SAN; lists of and statistics on bestsellers; and notable resources for children and young adults.
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