

AUSTRALIAN SPECIAL LIBRARIES

The purpose of the ALIA Special Libraries Study was to gain a better understanding of special libraries in Australia and was a major project for the ALIA Special Libraries Advisory Committee.

In total 380 responses were received with some respondents choosing not to answer all questions.

PROFILE OF AUSTRALIAN SPECIAL LIBRARIANS

60% of survey respondents have worked in the special library sector for more than 10 years	46% of respondents have moved to special libraries from another library sector	92% of respondents have formal library qualifications
88% of respondents are female	73% of respondents are managers of the library service	64% of respondents work full time
54% of respondents are age 50 years or above	32% of respondents earn \$61,000 - \$80,000	23% of respondents earn \$81,000 - \$100,000

[Data source ALIA Special Libraries Survey Report December 2010]