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ABSTRACT

World-wide in scope, this directory lists organizations producing braille or Talking Books, maintaining braille libraries, and exchanging resources with organizations serving blind or handicapped people. The directory is arranged in seven geographical sections: Africa, Asia, Australia (including Oceania), Europe (including U.S.S.R.), Middle East (northern Africa and the eastern Mediterranean countries), North America, and South America (including Central America and the Caribbean). Countries are arranged alphabetically within these seven sections and individual organizations alphabetically within their countries. Information about each organization includes five parts: braille production, braille distribution, Talking Books production, Talking Books distribution, and general information. Seven indexes provide access by language (28 languages are represented) and by organizational function. (CL)

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International Directory of Libraries and Production Facilities for the Blind

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Preface

The need for information regarding the availability of reading materials useful to blind and physically handicapped individuals has long been recognized. Therefore, when D. S. Zharkov, Director of the Republican Central Library for the Blind in Moscow, suggested that a project be undertaken to produce a guidebook of such resources the response was both positive and immediate.

The recommendation for the effort, which has resulted in this volume, was made to Donald Roskilly, Royal National Institute for the Blind, London, and to Frank Kurt Cylke, Director, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., during a discussion held in Strbské Pleso, Czechoslovakia, in August 1978 during a meeting of the International Federation of Library Associations.

On his return to the United States Mr. Cylke arranged for Peter Hanke, Director, Talking Books, American Foundation for the Blind, New York, to assume responsibility for development of an appropriate questionnaire and for the collection of data. This effort was funded by UNESCO (Contract 340029) and implemented by Leslie L. Clark and Dina N. Bedi, Baruch College, New York, New York. Editing of the responses and compilation of the final text was coordinated by Krandall Kraus, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

It is obvious that this directory is the product of no single mind, no one organization, and was not a solitary endeavor. Rather, it is the synergistic result of the community of librarians and producers who recognized that if resources are to be used they must be shared. In order to be shared, locations, holdings, and services must be widely known; therefore, this *International Directory of Libraries and Production Facilities for the Blind*.

How to Use the Directory

The directory is arranged in seven geographical sections—Africa, Asia, Australia (including Oceania), Europe (including the U.S.S.R.), Middle East (northern Africa and the eastern Mediterranean countries), North America, and South America (including Central America and the Caribbean). Countries are arranged alphabetically within these seven sections, and individual organizations alphabetically within their countries.

Information about each organization is divided into five parts—braille production, braille distribution, Talking Book production, Talking Book distribution, and general information. Data were taken directly from the questionnaire responses. "None" indicates that the organization does not engage in that particular activity. "No response" indicates that that part of the questionnaire was left blank.

Following the directory listings are indexes to help the reader locate organizations producing braille or Talking Books, maintaining braille libraries, and providing materials in twenty-eight different languages, as well as those organizations willing to exchange braille or Talking Books with other organizations serving blind or handicapped people. An alphabetical list of organizations appearing in the directory follows these indexes.

Each organization appearing in the directory has been assigned a three-digit code number—100s for Africa, 200s for Asia, 300s for Australia, 400s for Europe, 500s for the Middle East, 600s for North America, and 700s for South America.

To locate a particular organization or service, first find the organization's name or the service in the proper index and note the code number next to it; then turn to the section containing that number.

Example 1: To locate information on the American Printing House for the Blind, find it in the index titled "Organizations Listed in the Directory." The code number assigned to this organization is 609. Turn to the 600 section of the directory, which contains listings for North America. American Printing House for the Blind is the ninth listing in this section—number 609.

Example 2: To find out which organizations provide materials in Arabic, turn to the index titled "Organizations Providing Materials in the Following Languages," where world languages are listed alphabetically. "Arabic" is the second language listed in this index. According to the index there are eight organizations world-wide which provide materials in Arabic. One is in Asia (213), one is in Europe (413), and six are in the Middle East (502, 503, 504, 506, 507, and 508).

Africa

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Kenya

**The Hadley School for the Blind
Regional Office for Africa
PO Box 31082
Nairobi, Kenya**

Braille production

1,000 pages per month
specialize in secondary education textbooks
70% by volunteers
hand copying used
38 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
Grade II braille followed

Braille distribution

100% loaned
braille material available:
2,000 recreational titles
1,000 textbooks
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
500 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes not maintained; single copies
recorded only for the use of university students
recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
recorded on full track
maximum program lengths 30 and 45 min. per
side

Talking Book distribution

to university blind students only
100% English
100% textbooks
100% Philips Compact Cassette
patron must return recorded material
machines loaned (by Kenya Society for the Blind)
machines cost more than \$100

General information

patrons are 100% blind university students
amount of material and services produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
established in 1968

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Nigeria

**Nigerian National Advisory Council for the Blind
PO Box 2145
Lagos, Nigeria**

Braille production

400 pages per month
specialize in textbooks in numerous subject areas
10% by volunteers
hand copying used (plate embossing and duplica-
tion projected for the future)
12 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
English Braille followed

Braille distribution

50% sold, 50% loaned
braille material available:
textbooks
vocational material
library maintained
material not exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
20 persons and 6 organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

no response

General information

amount of material and services produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
created by government
established 1959-1960

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Rhodesia

**Jairos Jiri Association
PO Box 1065
Gwelo, Rhodesia**

Braille production

300 pages per month
specialize in braille text teachers' guide books
no volunteers
hand copying used
contracted braille used

Braille distribution

none
braille material available:
textbooks
library maintained
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution limited to Rhodesia
10 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

created by volunteer organizations
established in 1968

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South Africa

Cape Town Civilian Blind Society
45 Salt River Road
Salt River, G.P.
South Africa

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

patrons are 70% elderly, 30% youths and working
people
amount of material and services produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
established in 1929

105

South Africa

School for the Blind

20 Adderley St.
6850 Worcester, South Africa

Braille production

2,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
no volunteers
hand copying, stereograph, plate embossing and
press duplication used
60 titles produced in 1979
both contracted and uncontracted braille used
Standard English Braille and Dic Afrikaanse
Brailleselsel followed

Braille distribution

100% sold
braille material available:
3,000 recreational titles
350 textbooks
1 magazine
vocational material (music)
library maintained
material not exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
250 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

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*South Africa**Talking Book production*

master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and compact
 cassette
 tape speeds 1 7/8 and 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program lengths 30 and 45 min per side
 CCIR equalization used
 250 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution

7,000 titles available
 50% English, 1.5% German, 48% Afrikaans, .5%
 Dutch
 20% textbooks, 80% recreational reading
 12% open reel, 88% compact cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine speeds 1 7/8 and 3 3/4 ips
 machine manufacturers—a wide variety
 mailing containers: metal containers (open reel
 tapes), suitcase carton containers (cassettes)
 maximum 4 open reel tapes or 12 cassettes per
 package
 mailing containers are reusable
 4,500 mailing containers sent out each year
 reel to cassette TELEX 300, 8:1 speed, 9 slaves,
 used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 50% students; 50% professionals,
 elderly, and middle-aged
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1959

South Africa Blind Workers Organisation

**214 Happiness House
 120 Loveday Street
 Braamfontein, Johannesburg 2001
 South Africa**

Braille production

52,000 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas, especially study and
 recreational
 no volunteers
 hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and
 press duplication used
 48 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used
 standard African languages and international
 alphabet followed

Braille distribution

80% sold (at 99% discount)
 20% given free
 braille material available:
 745 recreational titles (500 in Afrikaans, 245 in
 1 of 5 African languages)
 200 text books
 4 magazines
 vocational materials
 other: South African law books, minutes and
 agendas, private documents for individuals
 no library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind
 distribution to other countries allowed
 100 persons or organizations ordered braille
 materials in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by government and volunteer organizations
 established 1953

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South Africa

South African Library for the Blind
PO Box 115, Grahamstown 6140
South Africa

Braille production

1,300 pages per month
specialize in literature relevant to South Africa
(other material imported)
100% volunteers
hand copying used
54 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
Standard English followed

Braille distribution

100% loaned
braille material available:
6,200 recreational titles
1,600 textbooks
47 magazines
vocational material
other: chess, recipes, knitting patterns
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind and handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
610 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution

3,350 titles available
85% English, 15% Afrikaans
10% textbooks, 85% recreational reading, 5%
vocational material
100% Clarke & Smith Tapette
patron must return recorded material
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
machines cost less than \$100
machine speed 1 1/16 ips
machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith
(models 2048/B/2 and 2048/u 2)
mailing containers: padded plastic pouches
maximum one tape per package
mailing containers are reusable
55,000 mailing containers sent out each year
Clarke & Smith, C system, 16:1 speed, 8 slaves,
reel to cassette, used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 60% elderly, 30% adult recreational
readers, 10% students and professionals
amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created both by government and by volunteer
organizations
established in 1919

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South Africa

A.S. Leyva
National Director, Tape Aids for the Blind
14 Mitchell Crescent
Durban 4001
PO Box 47016, Greyville 4023
South Africa

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

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*Swaziland**Talking Book production*

some master tapes maintained, some tapes prepared by studio recording (TEAC X10 open reel machines)

recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape

tape speed 3 3/4 ips

record on half track

maximum program length 45 min. per side

NAB equalization used

500 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

3,800 titles available

88% English, 9% Afrikaan, 3% other

1.2% textbooks, 89.4% recreational reading, 6.8% vocational materials, 2.6% other

100% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return materials

machine is loaned to patron

machine costs less than \$100

machine speed 1 7/8 ips

machine manufacturers include Sanyo, National (model RU 2106), others

mailing containers: fiberboard transit case

containing cassette storage cases

maximum 24 tapes or discs per package

mailing containers are reusable

50,000-55,000 mailing containers sent out each year

Telex 300, 8:1, 9 slaves, used to record sample materials

General information

patrons are 66% elderly

amount of material and services produced and

distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created by volunteer organizations

established in 1958

Mrs. H. Smith

Secretary, Swaziland Society for the Handicapped

PO Box 983

Mbabane, Swaziland

Braille production

50 pages per month

specialize in material for the Resources for the

Blind at the St. Joseph's School, Mzimpotu

no volunteers

hand copying used

5 titles produced in 1979

contracted braille used

Perkins Brailler Machine used

Braille distribution

5% given free, none sold

braille material available:

30 recreational titles

50 textbooks

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution limited to Swaziland

Talking Book production

recorded on Philips Compact Cassette

tape speed 3 3/4 ips

maximum program length 45 min. per side

3 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

5% textbooks, 2% recreational

2% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return recorded material

machine is given to patron

machines cost more than \$100

machine-manufacturers include Perkins (Brailler)

General information

patrons are 100% students

amount of material and services produced and

distributed much higher than 5 years ago

established in 1970

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Zimbabwe

Council for the Blind
Box 506
Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

Braille production

600 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
10% by volunteers
20 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
Standard English Braille followed

Braille distribution

20% sold, 10% loaned, 70% given free
braille material available:
20 recreational titles
230 textbooks
vocational material
other: supplementary readers
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution limited to Zimbabwe
12 organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
maximum program length of 30 min. per side
30 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

50% English, 50% other
50% textbooks, 30% recreational reading, 15%
vocational material, 5% other
100% Philips Compact Cassette
some recordings kept by patron, some must be
returned
machine loaned to patron
machine costs vary
machine speed 3 3/4 rpm
machine manufacturers include Philips (models
N2208 and N2228)
mailing containers: cardboard boxes
maximum 15 tapes or discs per package
mailing containers are reusable
100 mailing containers sent out each year

General information

patrons are 67% students, 33% lawyers and elderly
established in 1965

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Zimbabwe

**National Society for the Blind and Physically
Handicapped**
PO Box 144
Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on Clarke & Smith Tapette cartridge
tape speed 3 3/4 ips
maximum program length 120 min. total cassette
581 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

1,600 titles available
100% English
100% recreational reading
100% Clarke & Smith Tapette
patron must return recorded material
machine loaned to patron
machines cost more than \$100
machine speed 3 3/4 ips
manufacturers include Clarke & Smith (model
Clark I and II)
mailing containers: plastic pouches
maximum 1 tape or cassette per package
mailing containers are reusable

General information

patrons are elderly persons and veterans
amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
established in 1936

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Bangladesh

**Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
International M/S. Library of Bangladesh
3, Mallitola Rd., PO Box 258
G.P.O. Dacca-1
Bangladesh**

Braille production

5,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
50% by volunteers
hand copying used
129 titles produced in 1979
both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

10% sold, 40% loaned, 50% given free
braille material available:
67 recreational titles
112 textbooks
other: braille writing papers, writing
instruments, books and journals in other
languages
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
217 persons and 214 organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

47 titles available
100% English
5% recreational reading, 95% other
30% Philips Compact Cassette, 70% phonograph
disc
patron must return recorded material
patron purchases machine
machines cost more than \$100
machine speeds $1\frac{5}{16}$ ips and $33\frac{1}{3}$ rpm
machine manufacturers include Philips and
National Panasonic
mailing containers are not reusable
450 mailing containers sent out each year

General information

amount of material and services produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
created both by government and by volunteer
organizations
established in 1973

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Hong Kong

**Hong Kong Association of the Blind
402 Caritas Social Centre
134 Boundary St., Kowloon, Hong Kong**

Braille production

specialize in education and Chinese/English
dictionaries
50% by volunteers
thermoform stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication used
both contracted and uncontracted used

Braille distribution

100% sold (non-profit)
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production

master tapes not maintained—material recorded
cassette tape to cassette tape
recorded on compact cassette
tape speed $1\frac{7}{8}$ ips
recorded on full track
maximum program length 45 min. per side
1 title recorded in 1979
not willing to exchange master tape copies with
other organizations

Talking Book distribution

100% Cantonese
5% recreational reading, 10% vocational material,
40% educational material, 25% news, 20%
manuscript
100% Philips Compact Cassette
patron keeps recorded material
patron purchases machine
machine costs vary
machine speed 1 1/2 ips
machine manufacturers include Sanyo, National,
Sony, Hitachi
mailing containers: envelopes
maximum 1 tape per package
mailing containers are not reusable
1,500 mailing containers sent out each year
"Pentagon" cassette tape to cassette tape
duplicator (16:1 speed) used to record sample
material

General information

patrons are 95% blind members, 5% concerned
persons and organizations
created both by government and by volunteer
organizations
established in 1964

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Hong Kong

**The Hong Kong Society for the Blind
Braille and Talking Book Library
33 Granville Road, 6/F
Tsimshatsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong**

Braille production

3,500 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
80% by volunteers
hand copying used
78 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
English Braille Grade II and Cantonese Braille
followed

Braille distribution

3% sold, 92% loaned, 5% given free
braille material available:
420 recreational titles
430 textbooks
1 magazine
other: circulars, minutes, notes, annual reports
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind and handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
360 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips
Compact Cassette
tape speeds 3 3/4 and 7 1/2 ips
recorded on 4 track
maximum program lengths 60 and 90 min. per
side
NAB equalization used
56 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

Talking Book distribution

220 titles available
35% English, 65% Chinese (Cantonese)
34% textbooks, 66% recreational reading
100% Philips Compact Cassette
some recordings kept by patron, some must be
returned
patron purchases machine
machine costs less than \$100
machine speed 1 1/2 ips
mailing containers: paper envelopes
maximum 4 tapes per package
mailing containers are not reusable
6,820 mailing containers sent out each year
Pentagon C32, Otari Duplicator, Philips Tape
Recorder, 16:1 speed, 5 slaves, used to record
sample material

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*India**General information*

patrons are 50% students, 50% young working people
amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
established in 1956

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India

Dehra Dun Training Centre
Uttar Pradesh
India

no response

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India

The Indian Federation of the Blind
Taruval, Thirunelveli 627360
India

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
established in 1964

National Association for the Blind
51 Mahatma Gandhi Rd.
Bombay-1, India

Braille production

96,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
no volunteers
stereograph, plate embossing, and press duplication used
19 titles produced in 1979
both contracted and uncontracted used
British S.E.B. rules followed

Braille distribution

90% sold, 10% given free
braille material available:
53 recreational titles
81 textbooks
3 magazines
other: atlas and picture book
no library maintained
no material exchange with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
100 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape
tape speed 3 3/4 ips
recorded on half track
maximum program length 90 min. per side
equalizations not used
95 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

600 titles available
33% English, 67% Indian languages
40% textbooks, 60% recreational reading
95% Clarke & Smith Tapette, 5% Philips Compact
Cassette
patron must return recorded material
machine loaned to patron
machines cost more than \$100
machine speed 1 1/4 ips
machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith
(Mark I model) and Bush Cassette Recorders
(T.P. 100 model)
mailing containers: metal containers (Mark I) and
cardboard boxes (compact cassettes)
maximum 1 Mark I or 12 compact cassettes per
package
mailing containers are reusable
400 mailing containers sent out each
year

General information

patrons are 67% students, 33% adults and elderly
amount of material and services produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
Braille Press established in 1958, Talking Book
Project in 1963

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India

**Vocational Rehabilitation Training Center for the
Blind
Ludhiana, Punjab, India**

Braille production

3,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
80% by volunteers
hand copying, stereograph, computer embossing,
and press duplication used
both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

25% sold, 25% loaned, 50% given free
braille material available:
500 recreational titles
200 textbooks
vocational material
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
60 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production (proposed)

will record on Philips Compact Cassette and
Clarke & Smith Tapette
maximum program length 90 min. per side
NAB and CCIR equalizations to be used
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

Talking Book distribution (proposed)

50% English, 25% Hindi, 25% Punjab
some recordings kept by patron, some must be
returned
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
machine costs vary
machine manufacturers include Philip, Bush
mailing containers are reusable

General information

patrons are students, lawyers, lecturers,
administrators, and others
created both by government and by volunteer
organizations
established in 1964

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Japan

**Japan Library Association
1-10, 1-Chome
Taishido, Setagaya Ku
Tokyo 154, Japan**

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
established in 1892

Braille distribution

100% sold

braille material available:

48 recreational titles

99 textbooks

2 magazines

vocational material

other: public information, of local self-governing
body, guide map, braille signs, thermo map,
large point books

library maintained

materials not exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

150 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

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Japan

Nippon Lighthouse, Welfare Center for the Blind
4-37, Imazu Naka 2-chome
Tsurumi-ku, Osaka
Japan

Braille production

2,500 pages per month

in numerous subject areas

10% by volunteers

hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication; and computer embossing and
press duplication used

71 titles produced in 1979

both contracted and uncontracted used

Japan Braille Inscribed Law and English Braille

American Edition (1959/revised 1972) followed

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

tape speeds 1 $\frac{7}{8}$, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ips

record on full track (maximum 3 track), half track
(maximum 10 tracks), 2 tracks (maximum 16
tracks), 4 tracks (maximum 3 tracks)

maximum program lengths 30, 45, and 60 min.
per side

NAB and RIAA equalizations used

151 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

211*Korea**Talking Book distribution*

1,473 titles available

100% Japanese

15% textbooks, 75% recreational reading, 5% vocational material, 5% other

3% open reel, 97% phonograph disc

patron must return recorded material

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speeds 1 1/4, 3 3/4 ips

machine manufacturers include Sony, Panasonic, Sanyo, Toshiba, Victor, Aiwa

mailing containers: hard plastic case, leather case

maximum 8 cassettes per hard case or 2 cassettes per leather case

mailing containers are reusable

41,465 mailing containers sent each year

TEAC A-1600 cassette or open reel to cassette,

16:1 speed; 10 slaves, used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 32% students, 41% therapists, 6% professionals

amount of material and services produced and distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago

210*Japan***S. Matsumoto****Director, Railway Welfare Association****5 1 Kojimachi, Chiyoda Ku****Tokyo, Japan**

no response

General Secretary**Korean Nat. Welfare Comm. for the Blind****PO Box 381****Kwang Hwa Moon****Seoul, Korea***Braille production*

700 pages per month

in numerous subject areas, especially the biweekly

Braille News and a Korean/Korean-English dictionary

30% by volunteers

hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and press duplication used

5 titles produced in 1979

Korean Standard Braille system followed

Braille distribution

100% given free

braille material available:

1 magazine

vocational material

recreational titles

other: science, history, etc.

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution limited to Korea

20 organizations ordered braille materials in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

none

212*Malaysia***Executive Director****Malayan Association for the Blind****PO Box 687****Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia****18**

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*Pakistan**Braille production*

2,800 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 10% by volunteers
 hand copying used
 90 titles produced in 1979
 contracted braille used
 Standard English Braille and Malaysian Braille
 Code followed

Braille distribution

10% sold, 90% loaned
 braille material available:
 1,400 recreational titles
 400 textbooks
 7 magazines
 vocational material
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 2 organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes not maintained; volunteers tape
 material on compact cassettes for students in
 institutions of higher learning
 recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
 maximum program lengths 30 and 45 min. per side
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution

100% textbooks
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron keeps recorded material
 machines both purchased by patron and loaned
 machine costs vary
 machine manufacturers include Sony, Philips, JVC
 mailing containers: none

General information

patrons are mostly students
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1951

Hatim Alavi Memorial Braille Library
Ida Rieu Poor Welfare Association
Nizami Road Old Exhibition
Karachi 3, Pakistan

Braille production

300 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 10% by volunteers
 hand copying and computer embossing, press
 duplication used
 58 titles produced in 1979
 contracted braille (Grade 2) used

Braille distribution

100% given free
 braille material available:
 recreational titles
 textbooks
 1 magazine
 library maintained
 materials exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production

maintain taped masters
 recorded on Philips Compact Cassette using Akai
 model GXC-310
 program lengths 30, 45, 60, 90 min. per side
 86 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tapes with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution

86 titles available
 recorded in English, Urdu, and Arabic
 30% textbooks, 70% recreational reading
 patron must return materials
 machine is given to patron
 machine costs over \$100
 machine manufacturers include Philips, National,
 Sanyo, Orion, Ocean
 no mail distribution

General information

amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago created by government and by voluntary organizations established in 1976

214

Philippines

**Institute of Ophthalmology
UP-PGH Compound, Taft Ave.
Metro Manila, 2801 Philippines**

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
created both by government and by volunteer organizations established in 1965

215

Philippines

**Dante M. Capistrano
Special Schools Principal
Philippine National School for the Blind
2620 F.B. Harrison St.
Pasay City, Philippines**

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
none

Talking book distribution
none

General information
created by government established in 1963

216

Singapore

**Singapore Association for the Blind
47 Toa Payoh Rise
Singapore 1129**

Braille production
800-1,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
20% by volunteers
hand copying used
12 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
American and Standard English Braille Grade II followed

Braille distribution

85% loaned, 15% given free

braille materials available:

100 recreational titles

300 textbooks

15 magazines

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

150 persons and organizations ordered braille

material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

recorded on Philips Compact Cassette

tape speed 1 7/8 ips

recorded on full track

maximum program lengths 30 and 45 min. per side

RIAA equalizations used

50 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

50 titles available

100% English

20% textbooks, 60% recreational reading, 20% vocational material

100% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return recorded material

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speeds 1 7/8 ips and 8, 16, and 33 1/3 rpm

manufacturers include Teac Corporation (models 103 and 280)

mailing containers: envelopes

maximum 4 tapes or discs per package

mailing containers are not reusable

100-150 mailing containers sent out each year

cassette duplication system used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 50% students, 50% other

created both by government and by volunteer organizations

established in 1951

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Thailand**Caulfield Memorial Library**

78/2 Tivanond Rd.

Pakkred, Nondaburi, Thailand

Braille production

1,000 pages per month

in numerous subject areas

10% by volunteers

hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and press duplication used

both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

tape speed 3 3/4 ips

record on cassette tape, 2 sides

maximum program length 30 min. per side

55 titles recorded in 1979

not willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

patrons are 90% elderly, 10% students

created by volunteer organizations

established in 1977

Australia and Oceania

301

Australia

The Executive Director
Association for the Blind of W.A., Inc.
61 Kitchener Ave.
Victoria Park W.A. 6100, Australia

Braille production

1,200 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
90% by volunteers
hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication used
69 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
Standard English Braille Notation followed

Braille distribution

2% sold, 98% loaned
braille material available:
450 recreational titles
350 textbooks
15 magazines
other: calendars; informational material such as
directories of services for the blind, list of
postal codes, sporting fixtures; examination
papers
library maintained
materials exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
50 persons and organizations ordered brailled
material between January and March 1980

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
tape speed 1 7/8 ips
recorded on half track, maximum 2 tracks
maximum program length 90 min. per side
RIAA and DIN equalizations used
55 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution

280 titles available
100% English
55% textbooks, 45% recreational reading
100% Philips Compact Cassette
patron must return recorded material
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
machine costs vary
machine speeds 1 5/8 and 1 7/8 ips
machine manufacturers include Telex (model
TBC1) and Hitachi (model TRQ-340)
mailing containers: vinyl envelopes with velcro
sealing strips
maximum 2 tapes per package
mailing containers are reusable
8,000 mailing containers sent out each year
TELEX cassette copier, ser. no. 90, used to record
sample material; Copier I and II duplicate at 30
ips, rewind 60 ips

General information

patrons are 50% students, 50% elderly
amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
established in 1977

302

Australia

Director, Australian National Social Sciences
Library
Canberra A.C.T. 2600, Australia

Braille production

100% loaned

braille material available:

600 recreational titles

200 nonfiction/textbook titles

2 magazines

library maintained

materials not exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind and handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

10 persons and organizations ordered braille materials in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of materials and services produced and distributed is at the same level as 5 years ago
created by government
established in 1960

303**Australia**

Braille and Talking Book Library
31-51 Commercial Rd., South Yarra
Victoria, Australia, 3141

Braille production

500 pages per month

in numerous subject areas

40% by volunteers

hand copying; computer embossing, press

duplication (thermoform) used

60 titles produced in 1979

contracted braille used

Standard English Braille followed

Braille distribution

1% sold, 1% given free, 98% loaned

braille material available:

6,000 recreational titles

500 textbooks

15 magazines

vocational material

other: zip code; metric conversion charts; train, tram, and bus routes; greeting cards; football and cricket fixtures; manuals for household machines

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

400 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape, Philips

Compact Cassette, and Clarke & Smith Tapette cartridge

tape speed 1 7/8 ips

recorded on full track and half track

maximum program lengths 45 and 90 min. per side

NAB equalization used

10 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

10 titles available
 99% English, 1% French (Greek, Italian, Turkish, and Vietnamese proposed for future recordings)
 5% textbooks, 80% recreational reading, 15% vocational material
 40% Clarke & Smith Tapette, 60% Philips
 Compact Cassette
 patron must return material
 machines both purchased by patron and loaned
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine speeds 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ and 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ ips
 machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith (model Mark 4), and Philips (cassette players)
 mailing containers: plastic padded envelopes
 maximum 3 cassettes or 1 Clarke & Smith tape per package
 Clarke & Smith duplication system used to record some sample material; some is recorded by outside contractors

General information

patrons are 63% elderly
 amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1894

304

Australia

Braille Writers Association
Lewis St
N. Hobart 7000, Tasmania
Australia

Braille production

50 pages per month
 specialize in fiction
 100% by volunteers
 hand copying used
 2 titles produced in 1979
 contracted braille used
 Standard English Braille followed

Braille distribution

100% loaned
 braille material available:
 1,400 recreational titles
 2 magazines
 library maintained
 material not exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 4 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

997 titles available
 100% English
 100% recreational reading
 100% Clark & Smith Tapette
 patron must return recorded material
 machine is given to patron
 machine costs more than \$100
 machine speed 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ ips
 machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith (model 2048)
 mailing containers: type 831
 maximum 1 tape per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 7,500 mailing containers sent out each year

General information

patrons are 67% elderly, 33% young
 amount of material and services produced and distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1930

305

Australia

Queensland Braille Writing Association
507, Ipswich Rd.
Annerly, Queensland, 4103
Australia

Braille production

10,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
100% by volunteers (all production and
distribution)
hand copying, thermoform duplication used
647 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
Standard English Braille followed

Braille distribution

80% loaned, 20% given free
braille material available:
 2,000 recreational titles
 1,000 textbooks
 6 magazines
 other: cook books, S.T.D. Post Code, special
 orders (for example, menus for leading hotels)
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
96 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and services produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
established in 1897

306

Australia

Royal Blind Society of New South Wales
PO Box 176
Burwood, N.S.W., 2134, Australia

Braille production

3,009 pages of master sheets, 3,343 pages of
thermoform copies per month
in numerous subject areas
30% by volunteers
hand copying and thermoforming used
256 titles produced
contracted braille used
Standard English Braille followed

Braille distribution

12% sold, 81% loaned, 7% given free
braille material available:
 4,000 recreational titles
 280 textbooks
 30 magazines
 vocational material
 other: special orders, informational material
 such as concert programs, football and cricket
 fixture lists, home appliance instructions,
 seminar programs, minutes of committee
 meetings
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
250 persons and organizations ordered braille in
1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape (Talking
Books) and Philips Compact Cassette (student
material)
tape speeds 1 7/8 ips (student material) and 3 3/4 ips
(Talking Books)
recorded on half track and quarter track
maximum program lengths 45 and 90 min. per
side
NAB equalization used
870 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

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Talking Book distribution

3,000 titles available

99% English, 7 Greek titles

40% textbooks, 45% recreational reading, 3% vocational material, 2% other

30% Clarke & Smith Tapette, 70% Philips

Compact Cassette

some recordings kept by patron, some must be returned

machine is loaned to patron

machines cost more than \$100

machine speeds 1 $\frac{5}{16}$ and 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ ips

machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith, TELEX (model TBC)

mailing containers: plastic pouches and jiffy bags

maximum 1 Clarke & Smith Tapette, 3 Compact Cassettes per package

plastic pouches are reusable, jiffy bags are not

TELEX 300 in cassette copier, 8:1 speed, 18

slaves and TELEX Copier I, in cassette, 12:1

speed, 1 slave, used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 80% elderly, 1% students

amount of material and services produced and

distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created by volunteer organizations

established in 1880, recognized by act of

parliament in 1901

307

*Australia***Royal Guide Dogs for the Blind Associations of Australia**

PO Box 162, Kew

Victoria, 3101 Australia

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

tape speed 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ ips

recorded on half track

maximum program lengths 30, 45, and 60 min. per side

12 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and services produced and

distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago established in 1958

308

*Australia***Royal Society for the Blind of South Australia Inc. Blacks Rd.**

Gilles Plains, 5086, Australia

Braille production

500 pages per month

specialize in fiction

20% by volunteers

hand copying used

19 titles produced in 1979

contracted braille used

English Standard, Grade II, followed

Braille distribution

100% loaned

braille material available:

1,700 recreational titles

350 textbooks

8 magazines

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution limited to Australia

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
1,300 titles available
100% English
5% textbooks, 95% recreational reading
5% open reel, 95% Clarke & Smith Tapette
patron must return recorded material
machine is loaned to patron
machines cost more than \$100
machine speed $1\frac{5}{16}$ ips
machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith
(model Mark 4)
mailing containers: vinyl postal covers
maximum 1 tape per package
mailing containers are reusable
26,000 mailing containers sent out each year

General information
25% young, 75% elderly
amount of material and services produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
established in 1884

309**Australia**

Mrs. Margaret Flalides
Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind
557 St. Kilda Rd.
Melbourne, Victoria, 3004 Australia

Braille production
specialize in educational material
no volunteers
hand copying used
contracted braille used
Standard English Braille followed

Braille distribution
100% loaned
braille material available:
textbooks (extracts)
vocational material
other: Talking Book Catalogues
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
100 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production
master tapes maintained
recorded on $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch open reel tape, Philips
Compact Cassette (2 track or 4 track), and
Clarke & Smith Tapette cartridge
tape speeds $1\frac{1}{8}$ and $3\frac{3}{4}$ ips
record on half track and $\frac{1}{4}$ track
maximum program length 90 min. per side
500 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution
3,250 titles available
100% English
50% textbooks, 50% recreational reading
50% Clarke & Smith Tapette, 50% Philips
Compact Cassette (4 track L.C. compact
cassette)
patron must return material
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
(students subsidized by 50%)
machines cost more than \$100
machine speeds $1\frac{5}{16}$, $1\frac{1}{8}$, $3\frac{3}{4}$ ips
mailing containers: jiffy padded bags and plastic
pouches
maximum 20 tapes per package
mailing containers are reusable
100,000 mailing containers sent out each year
Clarke & Smith Copier, TELEX copies (high
speed), used to record sample material

General information

20% professionals and academy students
amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created both by government and by volunteer
organizations
established in 1867

310**Australia**

Sylvia Maguire, Librarian
University of New South Wales
P.O. Box 1
Kensington 2033, Australia

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

no response

311**Fiji**

Fiji Blind Society
PO Box 1381
Suva-Fiji

Braille production

in numerous subject areas
no volunteers
stereograph, plate embossing and press duplication
used
contracted braille used
American Grade II followed

Braille distribution

50% given free
braille material available:
300 recreational titles
50 textbooks for use in classrooms
library maintained
no exchange of material with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
established in 1970

312**New Zealand**

Homai College
Royal New Zealand Foundation for the Blind
545 Parnell Rd., Auckland, 1
New Zealand

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*New Zealand****Braille production***

8,500 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
70% by volunteers
hand copying used
208 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
English Braille, American edition; Code of Braille
Textbook Formats and Techniques; and Nemeth
Code followed

Braille distribution

95% loaned, 5% given free
braille material available:
1,495 recreational titles
2,519 textbooks
vocational material
other: calendars, knitting patterns, individual
requests
library maintained
material not exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production

no response

Talking Book distribution

no response

General information

patrons are 98% students, grade school through
college
amount of material and services produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
created by government
established in 1943

**Hon. Nat. Sec. Treasurer
New Zealand Association of the Blind and
Partially Blind, Inc.
3 Lauriston Ave.
Remuera, Auckland, 5
New Zealand**

Braille production

300 pages per month
specialize in information pertinent to blind
persons' welfare
90% by volunteers
hand copying used
contracted braille used
English Braille, English edition and American
edition, followed

Braille distribution

90% loaned, 10% given free
braille material available:
1 magazine
other: government agendas, minutes, proceed-
ings, and submissions; documents on
consumerism affecting the handicapped
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
100 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
tape speed 3 3/4 ips
maximum 2 tracks can be recorded
record on half track
maximum program length 45 min. per side
CCIR equalization (usually) used
1 title recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

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Talking Book distribution

1 title available
 100% English
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine speed 1 7/8 ips
 mailing container: vinyl wallet made by London
 Association for the Blind
 maximum 1 tape per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 600 mailing containers sent out each year
 Wollensack Cassette Duplicator, 2 slaves, used to
 record sample material

General information

patrons are 67% elderly, 33% employed
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1945

314

New Zealand

Royal New Zealand Foundation for the Blind
545 Parnell Rd., Auckland, 1
New Zealand

Braille production

none (see Homai College entries)

Braille distribution (see also Homai College entries)

braille material available:

3,000 recreational titles

other: audio tactual braille, correspondence
 course (Lessons in braille)

library maintained

material not exchanged with other organizations

some distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/2-inch open reel tape (masters) and
 Clarke & Smith Tapette cartridge (copies)
 tape speed 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on six tracks plus two index tracks
 maximum program length of 6 hours or 2 hours,
 10 min. per track
 CCIR equalization used
 229 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations within copyright restrictions

Talking Book distribution

3,000 titles available.
 100% English
 0.5% textbooks, 99.5% recreational reading
 100% Clarke & Smith Tapette
 patron must return material
 machines are loaned
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine speed 1 5/16 ips
 machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith
 (model MK IV)
 mailing containers: leatherette single, double, or
 treble, and plastic single
 maximum 1, 2, or 3 tapes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 237,000 cassettes sent out last year
 Clarke & Smith Copier, A and D types (A—30
 ips, D—30 and 60 ips), used to record sample
 material

General information

patrons are 90% elderly (for talking books)
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created both by government and by volunteer
 organizations

Europe

401

Austria

Österreichische Nationalbibliothek
Josefsplatz 1
A-1014, Vienna, Austria

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
established in 1920

Braille distribution

100% loaned

braille material available:

500 recreational titles

700 textbooks

vocational material

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

625 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

tape speed 7½ ips

recorded on half track

maximum program length 45 min. per side

123 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution

510 titles

100% French

20% textbooks, 70% recreational reading, 10%

vocational material

100% open reel

patron must return recorded material

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speed 1¼ ips

mailing containers: cardboard boxes

maximum 12 tapes per package

mailing container is reusable

5,000 mailing containers sent out each year

General information

patrons are 5% children and adolescents, 25%

adults, 70% elderly

amount of material and services produced and

distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created both by government and by volunteer

organizations

established in 1922

402

Belgium

Bibliothèque de l'Oeuvre Nationale des Aveugles
Avenue Dailly 92
1030 Bruxelles, Belgium

Braille production
2,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
40% by volunteers
hand copying used
50 titles produced in 1979
uncontracted braille used

403

Belgium

**Bibliothèque Royale Albert I
Boulevard de l'Empereur 4
B-1000 Bruxelles, Belgium**

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
braille material available:
 recreational reading
 textbooks
no library maintained
material not exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
created by government
established in 1837

405

Belgium

**Studio 2000 V.Z.W.
Limburgse Bandotheek
Leopoldplein 31
B.-3500-Hasselt, Belgium**

Braille production
none (proposed for the future)

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
master tapes maintained (both record their own
 masters and receive masters from others)
record on 1/4-inch open reel tape
tape speeds 3 3/4, 7 1/2, and 15 ips
recorded on full track and half track Mono
 (magazines) and on half track Mono (books)
maximum program lengths 45 and 45 + 3 min.
 per side
NAB equalization used
163 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

404

Belgium

**Director of Cultural Services
La Ligue Braille
Rue D Anderlecht 57 61
1060 Bruxelles, Belgium**

no response

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*Belgium**Talking Book distribution*

471 titles available

10% French, 90% Dutch

40% textbooks (nonfiction), 60% recreational reading (fiction)

100% books and 90% magazines on Philips

Compact Cassette; 10% magazines on tape patron may purchase recorded material or may return it

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speeds 1 7/8 and 3 3/4 ips

machine manufacturers include Philips, Crown, ITT

mailing containers: boxes and containers

(American Printing House for the Blind, Louisville, Kentucky) and plastic pockets

(London Assoc. for the Blind, Great Britain)

maximum 2 tapes per box, 4 cassettes per plastic pocket, 4 cassettes per container

mailing containers are reusable

40,000 periodicals and 9,500 books sent out each year

used to record sample material:

TELEX 300 Mono and TELEX Minnea Polois Minnesota (U.S.A.)—

master reel + 3 slaves, 9 cass. (2x);

master reel + 1 slave, 3 cass. (1x);

master reel + 3 reel slaves, 3 reel (1x)

General information

patrons are 20% students, 40% professionals, 40% others

amount of material produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created both by government and by volunteer organizations

established in August 1974

Vlaamse Bibliotheek Van De Braille-liga**G. Schildknechtstraat 28-52****1020 Brussel, Belgium***Braille production*

60,000 pages per month

specialize in novels and special-order student material

20% by volunteers

hand copying used

100 titles produced in 1979

uncontracted braille used

Dutch braille code followed

Braille distribution

100% loaned

braille material available:

1,275 recreational titles

225 textbooks

vocational material (by special order)

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

100 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

recorded on 1/4-inch open reel (master) and compact cassette (copies)

tape speed 3 3/4 ips

recorded on half track

maximum program length 45 min. per side

536 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

1,500 titles available
100% Dutch
10% textbooks, 90% recreational reading (novels)
5% open reel, 95% compact cassette
some recordings kept by patron, some must be returned
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
machines cost less than \$100
machine speed 1 1/4 ips
machine manufacturers include Philips
mailing containers: US made boxes
maximum 6 cassettes per package
mailing containers are reusable
7,750 containers sent out each year
TELEX cassette duplication, 6 slaves, used to record sample material

General information

amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created both by government and by volunteer organizations
reorganized in 1975

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Belgium

Vlaamse Klank- En Braillebibliotheek
Licht En Liefde
Oudenburgweg 34 A
B-8202 Varsenare-Jabbeke, Belgium

Braille production

90,663 pages per month
in numerous subject areas, especially recreational reading and textbooks
12.71% by volunteers
hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and press duplication used
200 titles produced in 1979
both contracted and uncontracted braille used
Dutch shorthand braille rules followed

Braille distribution

53% sold, 40% loaned, 7% given free
braille material available:
2,000 recreational titles
200 textbooks
3 magazines
vocational material
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
600 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and compact cassette
tape speed 7 1/2 ips
recorded on half track
maximum program length 45 min. per side
NAB equalization used
207 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

2,800 titles available
100% Dutch
20% textbooks, 80% recreational reading
25% open reel, 75% compact cassette
patron must return recorded material
patron purchases machine
machines cost more than \$100
machine speed 1 1/4 ips
mailing containers: plastic containers (cassettes), cardboard boxes (tapes)
maximum 6 cassettes, 5 tapes per package
mailing containers are reusable
20,000 cassette packages and 6,000 tape packages sent out each year
PENTAGON, 16:1 speed, 5 slaves, used to record sample material

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General information

patrons mostly elderly
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteers organizations
 braille library established in 1923; talking book
 library established in 1958

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*Czechoslovakia***Svaz invalidů ČSSR****186 03 Praha 8****Karlínské nám. 12, Czechoslovakia***Braille production*

500,000 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 no volunteers
 hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, press
 duplication; and computer embossing and press
 duplication used
 60 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

10% sold, 60% loaned, 30% given free
 braille material available:
 37 recreational titles
 23 textbooks
 24 magazines
 vocational material
 other: relief pictures and maps, blackprint for
 weak-sighted persons, proceedings, directions,
 instructions, information for functionaries
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other countries
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 3,000 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book Production

recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips
 Compact Cassette
 tape speeds 1 7/8 and 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on 1/4 sound track
 maximum program length 90 min. per side
 modulation chain equalization used
 240 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution

2,300 titles available
 30% textbooks, 63% recreational reading, 5%
 vocational material, 2% other
 90% open reel, 9% Philips Compact Cassette, 1%
 phonograph disc
 patron must return recorded material
 machines both purchased by patron (patron is
 assisted) and loaned
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine speeds 1 7/8 and 3 3/4 ips; 16 and 33 1/3 rpm
 machine manufacturers include TESLA (model B
 700)
 mailing containers: 30 x 20 cm cardboard boxes
 maximum 4 open reel or 12 cassettes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 14,600 mailing containers sent out each year
 high-speed copier (cassettes) and Sony, 8 multiple
 speed, Master machine (cassettes and open reel
 tapes), used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 60% employed, 30% elderly, 10%
 students
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1918

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Denmark

**Hospital Library
Frederiksberg Kommunes Biblioteker
Solbjergvej 21 25
2000 Copenhagen F, Denmark**

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
none (projected start in 1981)

Talking Book distribution
no titles on master tape
100% Danish
100% recreational reading
100% Philips Compact Cassette
patron must return materials
patron purchases machine
machine cost varies

General information
patrons are all elderly
established in 1976

Braille distribution

5% sold, 62% loaned, 33% given free
braille material available:

3,000 recreational titles

400 textbooks

10 magazines

vocational material

other: accounts, reports, minutes (from the
Danish Society of the Blind)

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

1,200 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips
Compact Cassette

tape speeds 1 7/8 and 3 3/4 ips

recorded on half track

maximum program lengths 45 and 90 min. per
side

DIN equalization used

250 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

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Denmark

**Statens Bibliotek og Trykkeri for Blinde
Rønnegade 1
2100 København Ø., Denmark**

Braille production

510,000 pages per mo.
in numerous subject areas
no volunteers

hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication; and computer embossing and
press duplication used

33 titles produced in 1979

both contracted and uncontracted braille used
Danish Braille, 1970 version, followed

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Talking Book distribution

4,200 titles available
 1% English, 99% Danish
 2% textbooks, 96% recreational reading, 2% vocational material
 65% open reel, 35% Philips Compact Cassette
 some recordings kept by patron, some must be returned
 machines loaned to patrons
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine speeds 1 1/4 and 3 3/4 ips
 machine manufacturers include Tandberg (model 15, open reel), BASF (model 9220, cassette), Aiwa (model TP 772, cassette), Clarke & Smith ("toaster" model, cassette)
 mailing containers: plastic boxes
 maximum: 6 tapes or discs per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 730,000 mailing containers sent out each year
 Lyrec open reel TR-22-7, 8:1 and 16:1 speeds, 10 slaves, and Lyrec compact cassette CR 4910, 8:1 speed, 10 or 20 slaves, are used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 10% youths, 80% elderly, 10% students and professionals
 amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by government
 established in 1952

Braille production

3,550 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 no volunteers
 hand copying used
 236 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used
 Standard Danish Braille, Grade II; Standard English Braille, Grade II; and Deutschen Blindenkurzschrift, 1973, followed

Braille distribution

100% given free (to Danish users)
 braille material available:
 3,100 textbooks
 other: raised diagrams and other tactile illustrations
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 100 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape
 tape speed 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program length 45 min. per side
 DIN equalization used
 313 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

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Denmark

Studiehøjsbibliotek For Blinde
Rymarksvej 1-2900 Hellerup
Denmark

Talking Book distribution

2,500 titles available
 1.3% English, 0.3% French, 0.8% German,
 97.6% Danish
 100% textbook
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron may keep recorded material
 machine is given to patron
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine speed 1 7/8 ips
 machine manufacturers include Sanyo (model
 M2508, modified to variable speed)
 mailing containers: millboard-plastic boxes
 maximum 4 tapes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 2,250 containers are sent out each year
 LYREC, 16:1 speed, 10 slaves, used to record
 sample material

General information

patrons are 50% secondary and high school
 students, 50% university and vocational training
 students
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by government
 established in 1971

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*England***Braille House**

Mr. G. L. Bull, Production Director
338 Goswell Rd.
London, EC1V 7JE, England

Braille production

10,500 master pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 30% by volunteers
 hand copying: stereograph, plate embossing, and
 press duplication; and computer embossing and
 press duplication used
 400 titles produced in 1979
 contracted braille used
 Standard English Braille followed

Braille distribution

50% sold, 40% loaned, 10% given free
 braille material available:
 recreational titles
 16,000 textbooks
 26 magazines
 vocational material
 other: games, maps, instruction books, music,
 students' notes, and short documents of
 various kinds
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 6,000-7,000 persons and organizations ordered
 braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on Philips Compact Cassette and Clarke
 & Smith Tapette cartridge
 tape speeds 1 7/8, 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on half track and 6 text, 2 index (8)
 maximum program lengths 45 and 120 min. per
 side
 NAB equalization used
 800 titles recorded in 1979
 not willing to exchange master tape copies with
 other organizations

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Talking Book distribution

9,000 titles available

99% English, .6% French, .2% German, .2%

Spanish

60% textbooks, 40% recreational reading

90% Clarke & Smith Tapette, 10% Philips

Compact Cassette

some readings kept by patron, some must be returned

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speeds $1\frac{1}{16}$, $1\frac{1}{8}$ ips

machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith (model 2048); any commercial compact cassette machines may be used

mailing containers: molded plastic boxes and welded PUC pouch

maximum 6 tapes per plastic box and 1 tape per PUC pouch

mailing containers are reusable

1,350,000 mailing containers sent out each year

TELEX 300, 8:1 speed, 6 slaves, and Clarke & Smith Type D, 16:1 ratio, 12 slaves, used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 90% elderly, 10% other age groups, including teachers, students, and professionals
amount of material and services produced and distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
established in 1868

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

tape speed 2 ips

recorded on four track

maximum program length 120 min. per side

NAB equalization used

40 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations (but use nonstandard tape, speed, and track format)

Talking Book distribution

700 titles available

96½% English, 2% French, 1% German, and ½% Arabic

100% recreational reading

100% open reel ($\frac{1}{2}$ speed, 4 track cassette format soon available)

patron must return material

patron purchases machine

machines cost over \$100

machine speed 2 ips

machine manufacturers include Brenell, Peaufeve (custom made)

mailing containers: fiber boxes

maximum 1 tape per package

mailing container is reusable

3,500 mailing containers sent out each year

custom-made, 8 slave copier (2 off.), 4 times speed, used to record sample material

General information

patrons are all hospital patients
created by volunteer organizations
established in 1960

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England

Executive Secretary, The British Library of Tape
Recordings for Hosp. Patients
12 Lrnt St.
London, SE1 1QR, England

Braille production

none

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England

Mrs. Jo Deaper
4 Southgate St.
Winchester, Hants, England

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape, Philips
 Compact Cassette, 1/2-inch open reel tape,
 Clarke & Smith Tapette cartridge
 tape speeds 1 7/8, 3 3/4, 7 1/2 ips
 recorded on full track and half track
 maximum program lengths of 30, 45, 60, and 90
 min. per side
 NAB, CCIR, and DIN equalizations used
 willing to exchange master copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution
 5% Clarke & Smith Tapette, 95% Philips Compact
 Cassette, very small amount open reel
 patron must return material
 machines both purchased by patron (20%) and
 loaned (80%)
 machines cost less than \$100
 machine speed 1 7/8 ips
 machine manufacturers numerous—more than 100
 types of machines used
 mailing containers: yellow plastic pouches
 specially made by London Association for the
 Blind
 maximum 2 tapes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 2 million mailing containers sent out each year

General information
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 (approx. 100 times higher)
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1974

415

England

The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association
Alexandra House, 9-11 Park St.
Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 1JR, England

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 100% given free
 braille material available:
 1 magazine
 leaflets and notes
 library maintained
 no materials exchanged with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production
 master tapes maintained
 recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
 recorded on full track
 maximum program length 45 min. per side
 2 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution
 2 titles available
 100% English
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 some recordings kept by patron, some must be
 returned
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 mailing containers: yellow plastic posting wallets
 for cassettes
 maximum 1 tape per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 2,000 mailing containers sent out each year

General information
 patrons are 18 years old or older and own guide
 dogs
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1931

416

England

Jewish Blind Society
Mr. M. Vanson, Executive Director
1 Craven Hill
London, W2 3EW, England

Braille production

3,000 pages per month
 specialize in Jewish calendar, membership
 magazine, membership newspaper, Jewish
 chronicle and membership requirements
 100% by volunteers
 transcription used
 5 titles produced in 1979
 contracted braille used
 British Standard Braille followed

Braille distribution

100% given free
 braille material available:
 1,000 recreational titles
 12 magazines
 other: calendar, recipes, knitting patterns, etc.
 library maintained
 materials not exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind and visually impaired
 distribution to other countries allowed
 more than 100 persons and organizations ordered
 braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips
 Compact Cassette
 recorded on full track and half track
 maximum program lengths 30 and 45 min. per
 side
 NAB and DIN equalizations used
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution

220 titles available
 99% English, 1% Yiddish
 100% recreational reading
 100% compact cassette
 patron must return material
 machines both purchased by patron and loaned
 machines cost less than \$100
 machine speeds 3 3/4 ips and 33 1/3 rpm
 mailing containers: plastic wallets and plastic
 boxes
 maximum 6 tapes or discs per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 13,000 plastic wallets and 4,000 plastic boxes
 sent out each year
 Telex, Wollensak equipment used to record
 sample material

General information

patrons are elderly (average age 75)
 established in 1819

417

England

Library Association
7 Ridgmount St.
London, WC1E 7AE, England

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1877

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418

England

National Deaf-Blind Helpers League
18 Rainbow Court, Palsen Ridings
Peterborough, PE4 6UP, England

Braille production
specialize in a quarterly magazine
no volunteers
stereograph, plate embossing, press duplication
and computer embossing and press duplication
used
4 magazine issues produced in 1979
contracted braille used

Braille distribution
100% given free
braille material available
1 magazine
other: committee material, annual report
no library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
300+ persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
amount of material and services produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
created both by government and by volunteer
organizations
established in 1928

Braille production
2,950 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
40% by volunteers
hand copying used
contracted braille used
National Uniform Type followed

Braille distribution
95% loaned, 5% given free
braille material available:
10,000 recreational titles
4,500 textbooks
20 magazines
vocational material
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
6,200 persons and organizations ordered braille in
1979

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
amount of material and services produced and
distributed somewhat lower than 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
established in 1882

420

England

Sir John Wilson, Dir.
Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind
Commonwealth House, Heath Road
Haywards Heath
Sussex, RH16 3AZ, England

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England

National Library for the Blind
Cromwell Rd., Bredbury
Stockport, SK6 2SG, England

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England

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
established in 1975

Public Relations Department
St. Dunstan's
191 Old Marylebone Rd.
London NW1, England

Braille production
100 pages per month
specialize in a monthly house journal, newspaper
and magazine extracts
no volunteers
stereograph, plate embossing, press duplication;
and computer embossing, and press duplication
used
contracted braille used
English grade II Standard followed

Braille distribution
100% given free
braille material available:
2 magazines
library maintained
material not exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
350 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production
master tapes maintained
recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips
Compact Cassette
tape speed 1 7/8 ips
recorded on half track
maximum program lengths 30 and 45 min. per
side
25 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

421

England

School of Librarianship
Loughborough Technical College
Radmoor, Loughborough
Leics, LE11 3BT, England

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
amount of material and services produced and
distributed at same level as 5 years ago
established in 1946

Talking Book distribution

50 titles available

100% English

50% textbooks, 50% recreational reading

100% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return material

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speeds 1 7/8 ips or variable speeds

machine manufacturers vary

mailing containers: plastic postal wallets

maximum 2 tapes per package

mailing containers are reusable

4,800 mailing containers sent out each year

Wollensak FAST COPIER (model 2770 and 2780)

used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 90% retired, 10% manual and professional workers

Limited Company established by charter established in 1915

423*England***J.M. Gill**

University of Warwick

Dept. of Engineering, Coventry

Warwickshire, CV4 2AL, England

Braille production

1,000 pages per month

specialize in bank statements

computer embossing used

contracted braille used

Standard English Braille followed

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and services produced and distributed much lower than 5 years ago (no longer producing by request)

established in 1971

424*Federal Republic of Germany***Aktion Tonband-Zeitung für Blinde e. V.****Postfach 1421****D-3450 Holzminden 1****Federal Republic of Germany***Braille production*

none

Braille distribution

distribution limited to blind or handicapped distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

tape speeds 3 3/4 and 7 1/2 ips

recorded on half and 1/4-track (DIN)

maximum program lengths 45 and 60 min. per side

DIN equalization used

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Talking Book distribution

100% German
 specialize in talking newspapers, no books
 2% open reel, 98% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine speed 3¾ ips
 mailing containers: postal cassette wallets (from
 L.A.B. London)
 maximum 2 tapes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 34,000 mailing containers sent out each year
 3M Wollensak Cassette Copier, AV 2770/2780,
 used to record sample material

General information

created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1976

Talking Book distribution

100% German
 100% textbooks
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine manufacturers include Handersubliche
 (cassetten-recorder)
 mailing containers: Marburger Cassettenboxen
 maximum 10 tapes per package
 60,000 mailing containers sent out each year
 TELEX (Indianapolis), 8:1, 18 slaves, used to
 record sample material

General information

patrons are 75% elderly
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1958

425

Federal Republic of Germany

Bayerische Blindenhörbücherei e. V.
Lothstr. 62
8000 München 2
Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

recorded on ¼-inch open reel tape
 tape speed 1½ ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program length 45 min. per side
 DIN equalization used
 172 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

426

Federal Republic of Germany

Blinden
Schrift-u. Hörbücherei des Borromäusvereins
Wittelsbecherring 9
53 Bonn
Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

no response

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on ¼-inch open reel tape
 tape speed 3¾ ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program length 60 min. per side
 DIN (90 µs + 3180 µs) equalization used
 25 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution

100% German
 100% textbooks
 40% open reel, 60% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine speed 1 7/8 ips
 machine manufacturers include Philips, BASF
 (model 9201)
 maximum 12 tapes per mailing container
 mailing containers are reusable
 18,600 mailing containers sent out each year
 TELEX in cassette duplication (16:1 speed, 6
 slaves; 8:1 speed, 9 slaves) used to record
 sample material

General information

patrons are 66% elderly
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1964

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Federal Republic of Germany

Centralbibliothek für Blinde e. V.
 2 Hamburg 76, Adolfstr. 44-46
 Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production

2,000 pages per month
 specialize in recreational titles
 no volunteers
 hand copying used
 60 titles produced in 1979
 contracted braille used
 German Contracted Braille rules followed

Braille distribution

100% given free
 braille material available
 3,650 recreational titles (includes 650 for
 children
 12 magazines
 vocational material
 other: science
 library maintained
 material not exchanged with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution limited to Federal Republic of Germany
 3,800 persons and organizations ordered braille in
 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
 tape speed 1 7/8 ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program lengths 45 and 60 min. per
 side
 325 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution

3,300 titles available
 100% German
 90% recreational reading; 10% textbooks,
 vocational material and other
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine speed 1 7/8 ips
 mailing containers: Vulkan fiber
 maximum 12 tapes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 55,000 mailing containers sent out each year
 TELEX, 8:1 speed, used to record sample material

General information

amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1905

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Federal Republic of Germany

Christoffel Blindenmission
Nibelungenstrasse 124
D 6140 Bensheim 4
Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
 none

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 established in 1908
 organization funds projects in education and
 rehabilitation of blind and handicapped

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Federal Republic of Germany

Deutsche Bibliothek
Bundesunmittelbare Anstalt des öffentlichen
Rechts
6 Frankfurt am Main 1
Zeppelinallee 4-8
Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
 none

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 no response

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Federal Republic of Germany

Deutsche Blinden-Hörbucherei GGmbH
Postfach 1160, Am Schlag 2 a
D 3550 Marburg/Lahn 1
Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
 master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape
 tape speed 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program length 60 min. per side
 NAB equalization used (TELEX)
 321 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book production
 4,000 titles available
 99.9% German; some English, French, and
 Spanish
 5% textbooks, 60% recreational reading, 10%
 vocational material, 25% other
 25% open reel, 75% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine speed 3 3/4 ips
 mailing containers: vulcanic fiber (open reel),
 plastic (compact cassettes)
 maximum 20 tapes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 70,000 mailing containers sent out each year
 TELEX system used to record sample material

General information
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1954

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431*Federal Republic of Germany*

Deutscher Bibliotheksverband e. V.
Bundesallee 184/185
1000 Berlin 31
Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
 none

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed at same level as 5 years ago

Talking Book production
 instruction manual for BRAILLEX machine only
 recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
 tape speed 1 7/8 ips
 one track of tape is recorded; both tracks of a tape
 are able to be copied at once
 maximum program length 60 min. per side
 willing to exchange master tapes with other
 organizations (in cases whenever required
 material is available)

Talking Book distribution
 instruction manual for BRAILLEX machine only
 100% German
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 some recordings kept by patrons, some must be
 returned
 patron purchases machine
 machines cost over \$100
 machine speeds 1 5/16, 1 7/8 ips
 machine manufacturer is Papenmeier, D-5840
 Schwerte, Federal Republic of Germany
 mailing containers: standard letter or parcel
 mailing containers are not reusable
 Telex used to record sample material

General information
 established in 1956
 service to blind started in 1978

432*Federal Republic of Germany*

F. H. Papenmeier
Elektro-Technik
Talweg 2, PO Box 1620
D-5840 Schwerte
Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 cassette braille only
 100% sold
 braille material available:
 6 recreational titles
 7 textbooks
 vocational materials
 no library maintained
 no exchange of materials with other organizations
 distribution not limited to handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed

433*Federal Republic of Germany*

Fachhochschule fur Bibliothekswesen
Stuttgart
Feuerbacher Heide 38-42
Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
amount of material and services produced and distributed same as 5 years ago
established in 1942; 1945-1946

Braille distribution
50% sold, 50% loaned
braille material available:
recreational titles
textbooks
magazines
vocational material
other: special orders, tactile maps, children's books (braille, inkprint, relief), scientific books
library maintained (Emil-Krückmann-Bücherei, same address)
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
2,000 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979 (another 2,000 used braille through the library)

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
amount of material and services produced and distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
established in 1916

434

Federal Republic of Germany

Deutsche Blindenstudienanstalt (DBSTA)
German Institute for the Blind (GIB)
Am Schlag 8, PO Box 1106
D 3550 Marburg/Lahn
Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production
34,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
no volunteers
hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, press duplication; and computer embossing and press duplication; and computer printout used
53 book titles produced in 1979
both contracted and uncontracted braille used
Deutsche Blindenkurzschrift (reformist) followed

435

Federal Republic of Germany

Deutsche Blindenhorbucherei gGmbH (DBH)
German Talking Book Library
Am Schlag 8, PO Box 1106
D 3550 Marburg/Lahn
Federal Republic of Germany

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

437

Federal Republic of Germany

Talking Book production
 master tapes maintained
 recorded on Philips Compact Cassette and 1/2-inch
 open reel tape (master)
 recorded on full track (master) and half track
 (cassette)
 264 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution
 3,824 titles available
 100% German
 primarily textbooks, with a smaller amount of
 recreational reading and some vocational
 material
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 mailing containers: plastic containers (custom
 designed)
 maximum 8 tapes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 374,361 mailing containers sent out in 1979
 TELEX duplication system used to record sample
 material

General information
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1956

436

Federal Republic of Germany

**Staatsbibliothek der Stiftung
 Preussische Kulturvesitz
 Universitätsstrasse 25
 3550 Marburg-Lahn
 Federal Republic of Germany**

no response

**Westdeutsche Blindenhorbucherei e. V.
 Sentmaringer Weg 71
 D-4400 Munster
 Federal Republic of Germany**

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
 master tapes maintained
 tape speed 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on half track (2)
 maximum program length 60 min. per side
 DIN equalization used
 170 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution
 3,750 titles available
 100% German
 5% textbooks, 90% recreational reading, 5% other
 40% open reel, 60% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine speeds 1 7/8 and 3 3/4 ips
 mailing containers: vulkan fiber boxes
 maximum 12 tapes per package
 mailing containers reusable
 120,000 mailing containers sent out each year
 TELEX 300, 8:1 speed, 24 slaves, used to record
 sample material

General information
 67% elderly, 33% professionals
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1955

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438

Finland

Helen Rantala, Editor
Foreningen Sveriges Blindlarare
Kukkumaentie 27
SF 40600 Jyvaskyla 60, Finland

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
 100% by students in schools for the blind in
 Sweden, Denmark, Norway, and Finland
 Recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
 tape speed 1 7/8 ips
 maximum program length 45 min. per side
 3 issues of *Visus* recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution
 1 Talking Book magazine available 3 times a year
 recorded in Swedish, Danish, and Norwegian
 100% information concerning visual impairment
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron may keep recordings
 machine is given to patron
 machine costs vary
 machine manufacturers include B.A.S.F. (model
 9210), Grundig, Aiwa (model TP 772)
 mailing containers: envelopes
 3 envelopes per patron used each year

General information
 patrons are 90% teachers, 10% parents of blind
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1940

439

Finland

Näkövammaisten kirjasto
Mäkelänkatu 58-60
00510 Helsinki 51, Finland

Braille production
 5,300 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 no volunteers
 hand copying, stereograph, plate embossing, and
 press duplication used
 498 titles produced in 1979
 uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution
 100% loaned
 braille material available:
 2,000 recreational titles
 500 textbooks
 14 magazines
 other: sheet music
 library maintained
 material not exchanged with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 371 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production
 master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape, Philips
 Compact Cassette, and Clarke & Smith tapette
 cartridge
 tape speed 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on half track (compact) and 6 track
 (Clarke & Smith International)
 maximum program lengths 60, 90, and 120 min.
 per side
 NAB equalization used
 618 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book production

6,000 titles available

2% English, 0.5% German, 87.5% Finnish, 10% Swedish

10% textbooks, 59% recreational reading, 1% vocational material, 30% nonfiction

17% open reel, 79% Clarke & Smith Tapette, 4%

Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return recorded material

machine is loaned to patron

machines cost more than \$100

machine speeds 1/16, 1/4, 3/4 ips

machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith

International (model 2048 M/2)

mailing containers: plastic boxes

maximum 1 Clarke & Smith or 6 Philips Compact

Cassettes per package

mailing containers are reusable

170,000 mailing containers sent out each year

4:1 — 8:11 speed duplication system used to

record sample material

General information

patrons are 5% children and students, 95%

professionals and elderly

amount of material and services produced and

distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago

created both by government and by volunteer

organizations

established in 1890; state library established in

1978

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*France***Association "Pour les Aveugles"****Domaine des Ombrages****78160 Marly Le Roi, France***Braille production*

250,000 pages each month

in numerous subject areas

2% by volunteers

hand copying; computer embossing and press

duplication used

both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

80% sold, 19% loaned, 1% given free

braille material available:

1,700 recreational titles

1,700 textbooks

5 magazines

other: embossed maps

library maintained

material not exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed (purchase only)

1,670 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of information and services produced and

distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created both by government and by volunteer

organizations established in 1917

441

*France***Association Valentin Haüy****5 Rue Duroc****75007 Paris, France**

52

Braille production

354,500 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 20% by volunteers
 hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, press
 duplication used
 800 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used
 Abrégé orthographique étenden followed

Braille distribution

80% sold (at less than production cost), 15%
 loaned, 5% given free
 braille material available:
 20,000 recreational titles
 5,000 textbooks
 5 magazines
 vocational material
 other: subway directory, braille music (sold or
 loaned)
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution mostly limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 5,000 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips
 Compact Cassette
 tape speeds 1 7/8 ips (slaves) and 3 3/4 ips (masters)
 record on half track
 maximum program lengths 30 and 45 min. per
 side
 NAB (tape) and DIN (cassette) equalizations used
 400 titles recorded in 1979
 unable to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations for copyright reasons

Talking Book distribution

3,000 titles available
 100% French
 1% textbooks, 84% recreational reading, 15%
 vocational material
 3% open reel, 95.5% Philips Compact Cassette,
 1.5% phonograph disc
 some recordings kept by patron, most must be
 returned
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine speeds 1 7/8 ips (tape) and 3 3/4 ips
 (cassette); 16 and 33 1/3 rpm
 mailing containers: cardboard boxes wrapped in 2
 plastic sheets
 maximum 18 cassettes per package
 mailing container is reusable
 36,000 mailing containers sent out each year
 TELEX 300, 16:1, 1 slave (tape to cassette), and
 TELEX, 16:1, 1 slave (cassette to cassette) used
 to record sample material

General information

patrons are 85% elderly
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1889

442

France

Centre Tobia
Université Paul Sabatier
118, Route de Narbonne
31400 Toulouse, France

Braille production

30,000–35,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
no volunteers
computer embossing used
both contracted and uncontracted braille used
Abrégé orthographique entendu, 1964 édition,
Association Valentin Haüy, followed

Braille distribution

100% sold
braille material available:
recreational titles
textbooks
magazines proposed for the future
vocational material
other: cassettes for the Digicassette
no library maintained
material not exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or disabled
distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and services produced and
distributed at same level as 5 years ago
established in 1977

443

France

**Conservatoire National des Arts et Metiers
Laboratoire de Recherche pour l'Insertion
Sociale des Personnes Handicapées
292, rue Saint Martin
75141 Paris Cedex 03, France**

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of services and material produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
established in 1975

444

France

**English Language Library for the Blind
GIAA-5, Avenue Daniel-Lesueur
75007 Paris, France**

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on compact cassettes (standard 90-min.),
recorded on 1 track, copy on 2 track
maximum program length 45 min. per side
70 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

54

Talking Book distribution

500-600 titles available

100% English

100% recreational reading (includes works of literature for advanced literature courses)

5% open reel, 95% compact cassette

patron must return recorded material

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speed 3 3/4 ips

mailing containers: cardboard boxes

maximum 10 tapes or 22 cassettes per package

mailing containers are reusable

Wollensack Duplicator, 3M Hi-speed, used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 25% students, 12% professionals, 63% housewives, retirees, elderly

amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created by volunteer organizations

established in 1960; present legal status since 1979

445

France**Fédération des Aveugles de France**

58, avenue Bosquet

75007 Paris, France

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

master tape copies maintained

the organization's quarterly journal only

maximum program lengths 60 and 90 min. per side

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and services produced and distributed at same level as 5 years ago

created by volunteer organizations

established in 1917

446

France**Groupement de Intellectuels Aveugles ou Ambylopes**

5 avenue Daniel-Lesueur

75007 Paris, France

Braille production

39,000 pages per month

in numerous subject areas

10% by volunteers

stereograph, plate embossing, and press duplication used

7 reviews produced in 1979

both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Abrégi orthographique française followed

Braille distribution

100% sold

braille material available:

recreational titles

2 magazines

vocational material

other: material for children

library maintained (for children)

material not exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

1,200 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

record on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips

Compact Cassette

tape speeds 1 7/8 and 3 3/4 ips

recorded on half track

maximum program lengths 45 and 60 min. per side

1,200 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

15,000 titles available

3% English, 95% French; some German, Spanish, and others

45% textbooks, 10% recreational reading, 45% vocational material

25% open reel, 74% Philips Compact Cassette, 1% phonograph disc

some recordings kept by patron, some must be returned

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speeds 1 7/8 and 3 3/4 ips, 33 1/3 rpm, and 19 cm/sec

mailing containers: special boxes, free postage

maximum 16 tapes or discs per package

mailing containers are reusable

200 tons of mailing containers sent out each year

TELEX, 3M, Revox, Taren used to record sample material

General informationpatrons are 50% youths, 50% adults; adults are 50% professionals, 50% nonprofessionals
amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
established in 1949

447

*German Democratic Republic***Blinden und Selschwachen Verband der DDR
Zentralvorstand
102 Berlin, Postschließfach 116
German Democratic Republic****Braille production (by Deutsche Zentralbücherei für Blinde, Leipzig)**

7,000 pages per month

in numerous subject areas

no volunteers

hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and press duplication used

250 titles produced in 1979

both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution (by Deutsche Zentralbücherei für Blinde)

40% sold, 55% loaned, 5% given free

braille material available:

5,000 recreational titles

4,500 textbooks

16 magazines

vocational material

other: music (7,000 titles)

no library

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind and handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

3,000 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

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Greece

Talking Book production (by Deutsche Zentralbücherei für Blinde)
 master tapes maintained
 recorded on Philips Compact Cassette and 1/2-inch open reel tape
 maximum program length 45 min. per side
 DIN equalization used
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution (by Deutsche Zentralbücherei für Blinde)
 3,700 titles available
 0.01% English, 99.99% German
 20% textbooks, 75% recreational reading, 5% vocational material
 48% open reel, 52% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine speeds 1 1/4 and 3 3/4 ips
 mailing containers: hard boxes
 maximum 8 tapes per package
 mailing containers are not reusable
 400,000 mailing containers sent out each year

General information
 patrons are 5% students, 60% elderly, 35% professionals
 amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by government and blind organizations
 Deutsche Zentralbücherei für Blinde established in 1957

E. Kefakis
Director, Lighthouse for the Blind
Doiranis 198 Kallithea
Athens, Greece

Braille production
 30,000 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 10% by volunteers
 hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, press duplication used
 45 titles produced in 1979
 uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution
 10% sold, 25% loaned, 65% given free
 braille material available:
 200 recreational titles
 150 textbooks
 1 magazine
 vocational material
 other: Greek Orthodox Church hymnology for church singers, Greek-English and Greek dictionaries
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind and handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 200 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production
 master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips Compact Cassette
 tape speeds 3 3/4 and 7 1/2 ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program lengths of 30, 45, 60, and 90 min. per side
 no equalizations used
 190 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

650 titles available

55% textbooks, 40% recreational reading, 5% vocational material

40% open reel, 60% Philips Compact Cassette
some recordings kept by patron, some must be returned

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speed 3¾ ips

machine manufacturers include Philips, Grundig, TELEX

mailing containers: cardboard boxes

TELEX used to record sample material (5 slaves)

General information

33% students, 33% professionals, 33% workers and elderly

amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created by volunteer organizations

established in 1947

449***Iceland***

Blindrafelagio**Hamrahlio 17****Reykjavik, Iceland*****Braille production***

150–200 pages per month

in numerous subject areas

stereograph, plate embossing, and press

duplication used (Thermoform 55 Braille Duplicator)

10 titles produced in 1979

both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

100% loaned

braille material available:

120 recreational titles

90 textbooks

library maintained

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

150 persons and organizations ordered braille materials in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

recorded on ¼-inch open reel tape

tape speed 3¾ ips

recorded on half track

maximum program length 60 min. per side

DIN equalization used

160 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution

700 titles available

100% Icelandic

75% recreational reading, 24% vocational, 1% textbooks

100% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return materials

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speed 1⅞ ips

mailing containers: plastic "books"

maximum 6 tapes per package

mailing containers are reusable

1,300 mailing containers sent out each year

Telex 300 used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 67% elderly, 33% professionals

created by volunteer organizations

established in 1976

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Italy

**Biblioteca Italiana Per Ciechi
Villa Reale
20052 Monza, Italy**

Braille production

90,850 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
no volunteers
hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication used
92 titles produced in 1979
uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

10% sold, 90% loaned
braille material available:
2,300 recreational titles
500 textbooks
21 magazines
other: illustrated children's books and relief
maps
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
1,538 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

proposed

Talking Book distribution

proposed

General information

amount of material and services produced and
distributed at same level as 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
established in 1928

451

Italy

**Biblioteca Nazionale Centrale Vittorio
Emanuele II
Viale Castro Pretorio
00185 Rome, Italy**

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none
library maintained
material not exchanged with other organizations

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

no response

452

Luxembourg

**President, Assoc. des Aveugles de Luxembourg
60 Rue des Romains
Luxembourg**

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

100% by volunteers
recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
tape speed 6m/min.
maximum program length 60 min. per side
700 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

Talking Book distribution

2 titles available

80% German, 20% French

90% recreational reading and textbooks, 10% journals

100% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return materials

machine is given to patron

machine costs 4000 FB

machine manufacturer is B.A.S.F. (model 9210)

mailing containers: vulkan fieber

maximum 10 tapes per package

mailing containers are reusable

6,000 mailing containers sent out each year

General information

patrons are 2/3 elderly, 1/3 students

amount of material and services produced and

distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created by volunteer organizations

established in 1955

453***Netherlands*****Blindenbibliotheek****Molenpad 2****1016 GM Amsterdam, Netherlands*****Braille production***

9,500 pages per month

in numerous subject areas

80% by volunteers

hand copying used; computer embossing and press

duplication proposed for the future

243 titles produced in 1979

uncontracted braille used

Grade I followed

Braille distribution

5% sold, 95% loaned

braille material available:

5,500 recreational titles

3,150 textbooks

1 magazine

vocational material

other: 8,275 music titles

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

750 persons and organizations ordered braille

material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape

tape speed 3 3/4 ips

recorded on half track

maximum program length 45 min. per side

290 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

8,750 titles available

1.4% English, 1.2% French, 1% German, 0.1%

Spanish, 0.1% Turkish and Esperanto, 96.2%

Dutch

20% textbooks, 72% recreational reading, 8%

vocational material

17% open reel, 83% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return recorded material

patron purchases machine

machines cost more than \$100

machine speeds 1 7/8 ips (cassette) and 3 3/4 ips

(tape)

machine manufacturers include Philips, BASF

mailing containers: fiber boxes

maximum 20 tapes per package

mailing containers are reusable

35,000 mailing containers sent out each year

sample material recorded by Ver. The Talking Weekly, at Grave

General information

patrons are 33-50% elderly
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by government
 established in 1919
 a department of Public Library Amsterdam

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Netherlands

Blindenbibliotheek
Le Sage Ten Broek
Postbus 9042
6500 KB Nijmegen, Netherlands

Braille production

120,574 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 10% by volunteers
 hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, press
 duplication used
 878 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

5% sold, 95% loaned
 braille material available:
 16,000 recreational titles
 1,700 textbooks
 2 magazines
 vocational material
 other: maps and other relief material, catalogues,
 puzzles
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 900 persons ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape
 tape speed 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program length 30 and 45 min. per side
 DIN equalization used
 1,486 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution

18,100 titles available
 95.65% Dutch, small amounts of English, French,
 German, Spanish, Italian, Turkish, and
 Esperanto
 12% textbooks, 88% recreational reading
 20% open reel, 80% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine speeds 1 7/8 (cassettes) and 3 3/4 (reels) ips
 machine manufacturers include BASF (cassette),
 Philips (cassettes and reels), and Grundig (reels)
 maximum 8 cassettes or 7 reels per mailing
 container
 mailing containers are reusable
 71,700 cassettes and 30,000 reels sent out each
 year

General information

patrons are 67% elderly, 33% others
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created both by government and by volunteer
 organizations
 established in 1918

455

Netherlands

Evangelical Library for the Blind
PO Box 131
3850 AC Ermelo, Netherlands

Braille production

7,500 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 30% by volunteers
 hand copying used
 240 titles produced in 1979
 uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

2% sold, 95% loaned, 3% given free
 braille material available:
 2,500 recreational titles
 2,500 textbooks
 10 magazines
 vocational material
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 550 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 tape speed 7½ ips
 recorded on full track (2 tracks)
 maximum program length 45 min. per side
 CCIR equalization used
 325 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution

4,750 titles available
 0.2% English, 0.05% French, 0.2% Spanish,
 0.05% Esperanto, 99.5% Dutch
 30% textbooks, 65% recreational reading, 5%
 vocational material
 22% open reel, 78% Philips Compact Cassette
 some recordings may be sold to patron, some must
 be returned
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine speeds 3¾ ips (open reel) and 1⅞ ips
 (Philips Compact Cassette)
 machine manufacturers include Philips (model
 2219), BASF (model 9201-CrO2), and Clarke &
 Smith (model 1088/B/4)
 mailing containers: plastic containers (cassettes)
 and fiber containers (open reel)
 maximum 10 cassettes or 5 open reel tapes per
 package
 mailing containers are reusable
 70,000 plastic and 50,000 fiber containers sent out
 each year
 used to record sample material:
 Philips LCH 1900/1901, open reel to cassette,
 2:1 speed, 40 slaves
 Philips LCH 1900/1901, open reel to cassette,
 2:1 speed, 16 slaves
 2 x Model Otari DP 4050 ocf, open reel to
 cassette, 8:1 speed, 6 slaves
 Model Otari DP 4050 C2, cassette to cassette,
 8:1 speed, 2 slaves
 2 x Model Telefunken M 28, open reel to open
 reel, 2:1 speed, 7 slaves

General information

patrons are 60% elderly
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1912

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Netherlands

**Koninklijk
Instituut Tot Onderwijs Van Blinden
Amersfoortsestraatweg 180
1272 RR Huizen, Netherlands**

Braille production

6,000 pages per month
specialize in braille material for school and study
20-30% by volunteers
hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication used
75 titles produced in 1979
uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

5% sold, 95% loaned
braille material available:
180 recreational titles
420 textbooks
vocational material
other: geographical maps
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution limited to the Netherlands
250 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes not maintained—mastertape 13 cm on
Tandberg tape recorder; duplicated on compact
cassette with Sony Duplicator
record on Philips Compact Cassette and 1/2-inch
open reel tape
tape speed 3 3/4 ips
recorded on full track
maximum program length 90 min. per side
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

Talking Book distribution

100 titles available
a few recordings in English, French, and German
100% textbooks
5% open reel, 95% Philips Compact Cassette
patron may keep some recorded material, but most
must be returned
patron purchases machine
machine costs vary
machine speed 1 7/8 ips
machine manufacturers include Philips, Aiwa
Tandberg Tape Recorder, Sony Ormio, and Sony
CCP 04 used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 67% scholars, 33% students
amount of material and services produced and
distributed at same level as 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
established in 1932
part of Royal Institute for the Blind

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Netherlands

**Koninklijke Bibliotheek
PO Box 30469
2500 GL The Hague, Netherlands**

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

no response

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Netherlands

Nederlandsche Blindenbibliotheek
Mr. H. Doove, Temp. Director
Zichtenburglaan 260
2544 EB 's-Gravenhage, Netherlands

Braille production

40,250 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
60% by volunteers
hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, press
duplication; and computer embossing and press
duplication used
852 titles produced in 1979
uncontracted braille used
Dutch rules followed

Braille distribution

5% sold, 90% loaned, 5% given free
braille material available:
6,000 recreational titles
5,000 textbooks
10 magazines
vocational material
other: a periodical in Esperanto
library maintained
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips
Compact Cassette
tape speed 3 3/4 ips
recorded on half track
maximum program lengths of 30 and 45 min. per
side
DIN equalization used
778 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

Talking Book distribution

1% English; 2% French, German, Spanish, and
other; 97% Dutch
45% textbooks, 50% recreational reading, 5%
vocational material
15% open reel, 85% Philips Compact Cassette
patron must return recorded material
patron purchases machine
machine costs vary
machine speed 3 3/4 ips
mailing container: custom made by Dutch factory
maximum 6 compact cassettes per mailing
container
mailing containers are reusable
more than 200,000 mailing containers sent out
each year
TELEX Cassette-duplicator 300 (4 master
sections, 72 slaves) used to record sample
material

General information

amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created both by government and by volunteer
organizations
established in 1894

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Netherlands

Vereniging Het Nederlandse Blindenwezen
Kipstraat 54
3011 RT Rotterdam, Netherlands

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

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Talking Book distribution
none

General information

amount of material and services produced and distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago established in 1947

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Norway

The Norwegian Association of the Blind
Statens Bibliotektilsyn
Postboks 8145 DEP
Oslo 1, Norway

Braille production

2,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
10% by volunteers
hand copying used
77 titles produced in 1979
both contracted and uncontracted braille used
New Norwegian system (1975) followed

Braille distribution

98% loaned, 2% given free
braille material available:
3,500 recreational titles
200 textbooks
other: inhouse information for board members and others
2 libraries maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
230 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape
tape speed 3 3/4 ips
recorded on two tracks
maximum program length 60 min. per side
NAB equalization used
410 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

4,047 titles available
0.5% English, 99.5% Norwegian
35% textbooks, 65% recreational reading
1% open reel, 99% phonograph disc
patron must return recorded material
machines are loaned to patron
machines cost more than \$100
machine speed 1 7/8 ips
machine manufacturers include BASF (model 9202), Philips (model 2235), Grundig
mailing containers: plastic boxes
maximum 6 tapes or discs per package
mailing containers are reusable
120,000 mailing containers sent out each year
Lyrec CR 49-10 used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 10% students, 10% professionals, 40% recreational readers under 60 years old, 40% elderly
amount of material and services produced and distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations
Talking Book Library established in 1955;
braille libraries established about 1910

461*Poland*

**Institute for the Blind
Zaklad Dla Niewidomych
W Laskach
05-891 Laski Warszawskie, Poland**

no response

Talking Book production
master tapes maintained
recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape
tape speed 7 1/2 ips
recorded on full track
maximum program length 30 min. per side
NAB equalization used
160 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

462*Poland*

**Polski Zwiazek Niewidomych
Biblioteka Centralna
Konwiktorska 7
00-216 Warsaw, Poland**

Braille production

800,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
no volunteers
stereograph, plate embossing, press duplication used
80 titles produced in 1979
uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

10% sold, 35% loaned, 55% given free
braille material available:
1,600 recreational titles
250 textbooks
9 magazines
vocational material
other: dictionaries, music notes
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind and handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
300 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book distribution

1,100 titles available
100% Polish
2% textbooks, 97% recreational reading, 0.5% vocational material, 0.5% other
20% open reel, 80% Philips Compact Cassette
patron must return recorded material
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
machines cost less than \$100
machine speed 1 7/8 ips
machines are Polish-made cassette tape recorders
mailing containers: cardboard boxes
maximum 15 tapes per package
mailing containers are reusable
20,000 mailing containers sent out each year

General information

patrons are 50% elderly
amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created both by government and by volunteer organizations
established in 1946

463*Portugal*

**Centro Prof. Albuquerque E Castro
Edições Braille
R. Instituto S. Manuel
4000 Porto, Portugal**

Braille production

2,816 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 no volunteers
 stereograph, plate embossing, and press
 duplication used
 40 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

braille material available:
 295 recreational titles
 190 textbooks
 2 magazines
 vocational materials
 no library maintained
 materials exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 89 organizations, 1,500 persons ordered braille
 materials in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

patrons are 60% students, 20% professionals, 20%
 elderly
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 created by government
 established in 1957

Braille production

600 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 10% by volunteers
 stereograph, plate embossing, and press
 duplication used
 20 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used
 Portuguese braille abbreviation system followed

Braille distribution

99% loaned, 1% given free
 braille material available:
 439 recreational titles
 1 magazine
 other: catalogs and lists
 library maintained
 materials exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 930 persons and organizations ordered braille
 materials in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape
 tape speed 3 3/4 ips
 record on fourth track
 maximum program length 90 min. per side
 32 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with
 other organizations

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Portugal

National Library of Lisbon
 Lisbon 2, Portugal

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Talking Book distribution

800 titles available

99% Portuguese, others in French and English

59% recreational reading, 12.5% textbooks, 7.5% vocational, 21% other

over 50% Philips Compact Cassette, others open reel

patron provides the tape for recording, keeps the resulting tape or may return it

patron purchases machine

machines cost over \$100

machine speeds 1 $\frac{5}{16}$, 1 $\frac{7}{8}$, 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ips

machine manufacturers include Grundig, Philips, B.A.S.F.

mailing containers: common paper package

maximum 5 or 6 tapes or discs per package

General information

patrons are 30% students, 20% professionals, 10% elderly, 40% others

amount of material and services produced and distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago

created by government

established in 1970

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*Scotland***Scottish Braille Press****Craigmillar-Park****Edinburgh, EH16 5NB, Scotland***Braille production*

5,000 pages per month

in numerous subject areas

no volunteers

stereograph, plate embossing, and press duplication used

130 titles produced in 1979

contracted braille used

Standard English Braille followed

Braille distribution

100% sold

braille material available:

recreational titles

textbooks

50 magazines

vocational material

other: foreign languages, musical literature, poetry, medical literature, religious material

no library maintained

material not exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

10,000 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and services produced and

distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago

established in 1891

90% of organization staff are handicapped

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*Spain***Nueva Luz****Trafalgar 32-5^o****Madrid 10, Spain***Braille production*

3,000 pages per month

specialize in Bible themes

no volunteers

hand copying, computer embossing, and press duplication used

40 titles produced in 1979

uncontracted braille used

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*Spain**Braille distribution*

50% loaned, 50% given free

braille material available:

15 recreational titles

1 magazine

other: Bible correspondence courses

library maintained

material not exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

2,000 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

tape speed 1 7/8 ips

recorded on four tracks

maximum program lengths of 30, 45, 60, and 90 min. per side

200 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

350 titles available

100% Spanish

100% religious material

10% open reel, 90% Philips Compact Cassette

some recordings kept by patron, some must be returned

patron purchases machine

machine costs vary

machine speed 1 7/8 ips

maximum 20 tapes per mailing container

mailing containers are reusable

Wollensak (3-M) used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 67% students and 33% lawyers and other professionals

amount of material and services produced and

distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago

created by government

established in 1976

Organización Nacional de Ciegos**Jefatura****José Ortega y Gasset, 18****Madrid 6, Spain***Braille production*

693,000 pages per month

in numerous subject areas

no volunteers

hand copying, stereograph, plate embossing and press duplication used

479 titles produced in 1979

both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Estenografía Hispanoamericana, Grade II,

Montevideo, 1964 (reduced version), followed

Braille distribution

5% sold, 90% loaned, 5% given free

braille material available:

20,210 recreational titles

8,913 textbooks

10 magazines

vocational material

other: programs of cultural activities,

organization regulations, texts of laws

affecting the handicapped, material for

higher university study—math, economics,

law, philosophy

library maintained

materials exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

4,829 persons and 100 organizations ordered

braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

tape speed 3 3/4 ips

can record a maximum of 4 tracks

record on half track and quarter track (for working master tapes for Library of Congress cassette system)

maximum program length 45 min. per side

NAB equalization used

600 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

9,000 titles available

3% English, 1% French, 95% Spanish, 1% other
20% textbooks, 80% recreational reading

5% open reel, 60% Clarke & Smith Tapette, 35%

Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return recorded material

machine is loaned to patron

machines cost more than \$100

machine speed 1 7/8 ips

machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith
(model MKI-MK IV) and Philips (cassette
players)

mailing containers: fiber and plastic

maximum 4 tapes per package

mailing containers are reusable

35,000 mailing containers sent out each year

TELEX, Wollensack, Clarke & Smith systems

used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 15% students, 5% professionals,
80% other

amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created by government

established in 1938

468*Sweden***Kungliga Biblioteket****Box 5039****S-102 41 Stockholm, Sweden***Braille production*

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

no response

469*Sweden***Stockholm Stadsbibliotek****Box 6502****113 83 Stockholm, Sweden***Braille production*

none

Braille distribution

100% loaned

braille material available:

10 recreational titles

no library maintained

no material exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

4,000 titles available
 100% recreational reading
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 machine is loaned to patron (by the Organization
 for the Blind)
 machines cost less than \$100
 machine speed 1 7/8 ips
 machine manufacturers include Aiwa (model
 772), BASF (model 9202-9210), Grundig
 (model C450-460), Clarke & Smith (Toaster
 model), and Sony (model TC 150 HHA-HHB-
 BM25)
 mailing containers: plastic boxes
 maximum 6 tapes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 50,000 mailing containers sent out each year

General information

patrons are 50% elderly
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 established about 1928

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Sweden

**Swedish Federation of the Visually Handicapped
 Production Unit for Braille and Talking Books
 S-122 88 Enskede, Sweden**

Braille production

10,000 original print pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 no volunteers
 hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and
 press duplication; and computer embossing and
 press duplication used
 350 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used
 Swedish Braille Code followed

Braille distribution

100% sold
 braille material available:
 14 magazines
 vocational material
 other: invitations and minutes of meetings;
 miscellaneous information generated by the
 Swedish Federation, e.g., reports, summaries
 of relevant investigations, etc.
 no library maintained
 no material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 1,700 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 tape speed 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program length 45 min. per side
 CCIR equalization used
 1,500 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution

10 magazine titles available

General information

amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1952 (braille) and in 1955 (Talking
 Books)

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Sweden

**The Swedish Library of Talking Books and Braille
 S-122 88 Enskede, Sweden**

Braille production

none

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472*Sweden**Braille distribution*

100% loaned

braille material available:

4,800 recreational titles

500 textbooks

vocational material

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production

none

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations (depending on copyright agreements)

Talking Book distribution

14,000 titles available

7% English, 0.3% French, 1% German, 0.4%

Finnish, 91% Swedish

30% textbooks, 65% recreational reading, 5% vocational material

3% open reel, 97% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return recorded material

machine is loaned to patron,

machines cost more than \$100

machine speed 1 7/8 ips

machine manufacturers include Grundig, BASF,

Aiwa

mailing containers: plastic boxes

maximum 6 cassettes per package

mailing containers are reusable

165,000 mailing containers sent out each year

General information

amount of material produced and distributed much

higher than 5 years ago; amount of services

somewhat lower than 5 years ago

created by government

established as state library in 1980

Tomtebodaskolan**Box 1313****S-17125 Solna, Sweden***Braille production*

none

Braille distribution

100% loaned

braille material available:

1,200 recreational titles

library maintained

no material exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution limited to Sweden

60 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and service produced and

distributed at same level as 5 years ago

created by government

established in 1888

473*Switzerland***Bibliotheque Braille Romande****34 Bourg de Fouz****1204 Geneva, Switzerland***Braille production*

1,455 pages per month

in numerous subject areas

100% by volunteers

hand copying used

both contracted and uncontracted braille used

474

*Switzerland**Braille distribution*

100% loaned
 braille material available:
 recreational titles
 textbooks
 magazines (UNESCO)
 other: dictionaries, grammars
 library maintained
 no material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 120 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 tape speed 3¼ ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program length 45 min. per side
 NAB equalization used
 65 titles were recorded in 1979
 not willing to exchange master tape copies with
 other organizations

Talking Book distribution

1,300 titles available
 100% French
 25% textbooks, 75% recreational reading
 25% open reel, 75% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine speed 3¼ ips
 mailing containers: cardboard boxes
 maximum 9 cassettes or 3 open reel tapes per
 package
 mailing containers are reusable

General information

amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years
 ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1901

**Schweizerische Bibliothek für Blinde und
 Sehbehinderte**
Albisriederstr. 399
8047 Zurich, Switzerland

Braille production

1,000 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 10% by volunteers
 hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing,
 and press duplication; and computer
 embossing and press duplication used
 45 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used
 German System followed

Braille distribution

75% sold, 20% loaned, 5% given free
 braille material available:
 50 recreational titles
 100 textbooks
 2 magazines
 vocational material
 other: musical material
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 300 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 copies recorded on ¼-inch open reel tape,
 Philips Compact Cassette, and Clarke &
 Smith Tapette cartridge (6-track)
 tape speed 3¼ ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program lengths 90 and 120 min. per
 side
 CCIR equalization used
 363 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with
 other organizations

Talking Book distribution

3,578 titles available

2% English, 98% German

20% textbooks, 80% recreational reading

1% open reel, 95% Clarke & Smith Tapette,

4% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return recorded material

machines both purchased by patron and loaned

machines cost more than \$100

machine speed 1 1/16 ips

other machine speeds: open reel 4.76, Philips

4.76, CSI Cass. 2.38

machine manufacturers include CSI (models

2048 + 2048U5, and 811)

mailing containers: plastic postal case

maximum 1 CSI-Cassette or 10 Philips cassettes

per package

mailing containers are reusable

53,686 mailing containers sent out in 1979

CSI-4 slaves Tandberg (open reel) and Pentagon

and Wollensack (Philips) used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 60% elderly, 2% students, 28%

professionals, and 10% children

amount of material and services produced and

distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created both by government and by volunteers

established in 1950

475*Switzerland***Schweizerische Landesbibliothek****Hallwylstrasse 15****3003 Bern, Switzerland***Braille production*

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

no response

476*U.S.S.R.***All-Russia Association of the Blind****Central Board****14 Novaya Pl.****Moscow 103672, U.S.S.R.***Braille production*

8,000,000 pages per month

in numerous subject areas, especially manuals for
secondary and high schools, socio-political and
economic literature, music (notes) reviews

no volunteers

hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and

press duplication used

265 titles produced in 1979

both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille system followed

Braille distribution

30% sold, 50% loaned, 20% given free

braille material available:

12,800 recreational titles

69 textbooks

12 magazines

vocational material

other: drawings, technical drawings, schemes,
maps

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

42,000 persons and organizations ordered braille

material in 1979

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*Yugoslavia**Talking Book production*

master tapes maintained
 recorded on ¼-inch open reel tape
 tape speeds 3¼ ips (for original), 2.38 cm/sec (for copies)
 recorded on full track
 maximum program length 260 min. per side
 DIN equalization used
 290 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

3,600 titles available
 100% Russian
 4% textbooks, 73% recreational reading, 9% vocational material, 14% other
 100% open reel
 patron must return material
 machine is loaned to patron
 machines cost less than \$100
 machine speeds 1½, 3¼ ips; 8, 33⅓ rpm
 machine manufacturers include enterprises in Vilnius (Daina model) and Saratov (Disc Player Lider 205)
 mailing containers: plastic boxes
 maximum 8 tapes or discs per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 over 30,000 mailing containers sent out each year
 M73-28 duplication system used to record sample material

General information

patrons are students, lawyers, clerks, workers, elderly people, and professionals
 amount of material and services produced and distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 created both by government and by volunteer organizations
 established in 1925

Jagoš Duretic

Filip Višnjic Inst. for Publishing Activities
Ustanička br. 25/I, PO Box 59
11001 Beograd, Yugoslavia

Braille production

in numerous subject areas
 stereograph, plate embossing, and press duplication used
 150 titles produced in 1979
 uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

100% loaned
 braille material available:
 recreational titles
 100 textbooks
 10 magazines
 vocational material
 other: scientific material
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 2,000-3,000 persons and organizations ordered
 braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on ¼-inch and ½-inch open reel tape, Philips Compact Cassette
 tape speed 7½ ips
 recorded on full track, 4 channel
 maximum program length 90 min. per side
 NAB equalization used
 200 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

2,180 titles available

100% Serbian

10% textbooks, 60% recreational reading, 25% vocational material, 5% other

100% open reel (have just begun using Clarke & Smith Tapette)

patron must return material

machine is loaned to patron

machines cost more than \$100

machine speeds 1⁵/₁₆, 1⁷/₈, 3³/₄ ips

machine manufacturers include Philips (various models), Telex (Model 300), Grundig (various models), and TBC-Player

mailing containers: YU-Containers

maximum 6 open reel tapes per package

mailing containers are reusable

10,000 mailing containers sent out each year

AMPEX for open reel and TELEX for Philips

cassettes are used to record sample material

General information

patronage varied (all ages, education levels)

amount of material and services produced and

distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago

created by government

established in 1917

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Yugoslavia

Savez Slijepih Hrvatske

Republički Odbor

Draskoviceva 80

41000 Zagreb, Yugoslavia

Braille production

350,000 pages per month

specialize in fiction, textbooks, and science literature (history, philosophy, psychology, sociology, pedagogy)

no volunteers

stereograph, plate embossing, and press

duplication used

40 titles produced in 1979

both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

50% sold 25% loaned, 25% given free

braille material available:

60% recreational titles

25% textbooks

4 magazines

vocational material

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

12 persons and organizations ordered braille

material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips

Compact Cassette

tape speeds 3³/₄ ips (copies), 7¹/₂ ips (originals)

recorded on full track

maximum program lengths 45 min. per side

(originals), 90 min. per side (copies)

NAB and DIN equalizations used

100 titles recorded in 1979

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

1,000 titles available

100% Croatian (language courses in English,
German, French, and Italian)

20% textbooks, 70% recreational reading, 10%
vocational material

9% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return material

patron purchases machine

machines cost more than \$100

machine speeds 3¼ ips and 33⅓ rpm; other: 48

machine manufacturers include Philips, Revox
(model A77), Grundig (model TK144), and
Telefunken

mailing containers: plastic boxes (cassettes),
cardboard boxes (braille books), thick cardboard
boxes (tapes)

maximum 10 cassettes, 4 braille books, 8 tapes per
package

mailing containers are reusable

Philips duplication system used to record sample
material

General information

patrons are 67% employed and retired persons.

33% professionals

amount of material and services produced and

distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago

created both by government and by volunteer
organizations

established in 1946

Middle East

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Cyprus

Mr. P. Theophylactou
Headmaster, School for the Blind
Nicosia, Cyprus

Braille production

800 pages per month
specialize in textbooks
no volunteers
stereograph, plate embossing, and press
duplication used
40 titles produced in 1979
both contracted (English books) and uncontracted
(Greek books) braille used
Braille Primer, 1969 Revised Edition, followed

Braille distribution

70% loaned, 30% given free
braille material available:
100 recreational titles
950 textbooks
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
95 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on Philips Compact Cassette and 1/2-inch
open reel tape
tape speed 3 3/4 ips
recorded on 4 tracks
maximum program length 60 min. per side
40 titles recorded in 1979
unwilling to exchange master tape copies with
other organizations

Talking Book distribution

240 titles available
4% English, 96% Greek,
42% textbooks, 58% recreational reading
40% open reel, 60% Philips Compact Cassette
some recordings kept by patron, some must be
returned
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
machine costs vary
machine speed 3 3/4 ips
machine manufacturers include Grundig (model
TK 146-147)
mailing containers: leather cassette wallet
(no special container for reel tapes)
maximum 2 cassettes per package
mailing containers are reusable
1,200 mailing containers sent out each year
Sony, 3 slaves, duplication system used to record
sample material

General information

patrons are 67% students, 33% elderly for open
reel tape, 100% elderly for cassette
amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created both by government and by volunteer
organizations
established in 1929

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Egypt

**The Demonstration Centre for the Rehabilitation
of the Blind**
184 Fareek Aziz El Masry St.
Heliopolis Cairo, Egypt

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*Israel**Braille production*

12,000 pages per month (includes copies)
 specialize in books for schools of the blind in
 Egypt
 no volunteers
 stereograph, plate embossing, and press
 duplication used
 143 titles produced in 1979
 contracted braille used

Braille distribution

100% sold
 braille material available:
 500 magazines
 library maintained
 material not exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or visually impaired
 distribution to other countries allowed
 2 organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

no master tapes maintained--tapes recorded
 directly from voice or bought from a
 commercial producer

Talking Book distribution

100% Arabic
 100% textbooks
 patron keeps recorded material
 machine is loaned to patron
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine manufacturers include National (model
 N.E.C.)

General information

patrons are 90% students
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created both by government and by volunteer
 organizations
 established in 1953

The Central Library for the Blind
4 Histadrut St.
Nathanya, Israel

Braille production

6,000-8,000 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 100% by volunteers
 hand copying used
 250 titles produced in 1979

Braille distribution

90% loaned, 10% given free
 braille material available:
 2,405 recreational titles
 1,600 textbooks
 2 magazines
 other: educational material, special children's
 books, maps
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind and handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 500 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on ¼-inch open reel tape and Philips
 Compact Cassette
 tape speed 3¼ ips
 recorded on half track (2-track)
 maximum program length 45 min. per side
 NAB equalization used
 150 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

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Talking Book distribution

1,617 titles available
 10% Arabic, 80% Hebrew, 10% Yiddish
 20% textbooks, 80% recreational reading
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine speeds 1 7/8, 3 1/4 ips
 machine manufacturers include Sony, Philips
 mailing containers: plastic containers
 maximum 12 cassettes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 TELEX Duplicating Machine, 9 slaves, used to
 record sample material

General information

patrons are 50% elderly, 50% professionals
 amount of material produced and distributed much
 higher to moderately higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1949

504

Israel

**Society of the National Library for the Blind
 Sho'fat
 Jerusalem, Israel**

Braille production

1,500 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 no volunteers
 hand copying used
 75 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

75% loaned, 25% given free
 braille material available:
 recreational titles
 50 textbooks
 vocational material
 library maintained
 material not exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 80 persons and 8 organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
 maximum program length of 30 min. per side
 10 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution

81 titles available
 15% English, 85% Arabic
 30% textbooks, 70% recreational reading
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 machines both purchased by patron and loaned
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine manufacturers include Philips (model 300)
 TELEX system used to record sample material
 (5 slaves)

General information

patrons are 67% students and 33% elderly
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created both by government and by volunteer
 organizations
 established in 1964

505*Lebanon*

F. Ziegler, Director
PO Box 80250
Bourj Hammoud, Lebanon

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 100% loaned
 braille material available:
 200 recreational titles
 150 textbooks
 library maintained
 material not exchanged with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 50 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production
 none

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 amount of material produced and distributed much
 lower than 5 years ago (because of civil war)
 created by government
 established in 1926

506*Libya*

Association for the Blind
PO Box 583
Benghazi, Libya

Braille production
 specialize in textbooks and literature
 no volunteers
 stereograph, plate embossing, and press
 duplication used
 14 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution
 100% given free
 braille material available:
 5 recreational titles
 47 textbooks
 library maintained
 material not exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed

Talking Book production
 master tapes maintained
 recorded on Clarke & Smith Tapette
 tape speed (master tapes) 3¼ ips
 recorded on full track, mono 2 sides
 49 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange master tape copies with other
 organizations

Talking Book distribution
 100% Arabic
 15% textbooks, 85% recreational reading
 100% Clarke & Smith Tapette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine (at 50% of cost)
 machines cost less than \$100
 machine speed 1½ ips
 machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith
 (model 786), Ferrograph (series seven), Sony
 (models CCP-13A and ORM-10)
 no mailing containers (recorded material delivered
 personally)
 Clarke & Smith (11 slaves) and Sony (cass. 3
 slaves) used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 67% students and 33% professionals
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 established both by government and by volunteer
 organizations
 established in 1961

507*Saudi Arabia*

Department of Special Education
Ministry of Education
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Braille production

1,400 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 no volunteers
 stereograph, plate embossing, and press
 duplication used
 60 titles produced in 1979
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used
 The International System followed

Braille distribution

100% given free
 braille material available:
 233 textbooks
 vocational material
 other: embossed maps, diagrams, thermoform
 charts and illustrations, and mathematical
 terms
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 2 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Phillips
 Compact Cassette
 tape speed 1 7/8 ips
 recorded on two tracks (one track on each side)
 maximum program lengths 30 and 45 min. per
 side
 REC equalization used
 700 titles recorded in 1979
 not willing to exchange master tape copies with
 other organizations

Talking Book distribution

700 titles available
 10% English, 90% Arabic
 30% textbooks, 5% recreational reading, 15%
 vocational material, 50% other
 patron keeps recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs vary
 machine speed 1 7/8 ips
 mailing containers: none
 TELEX 300 used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 40% teachers, 60% students
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by government
 established in 1962

508*Tunisia*

National Union for the Blind of Tunisia
81 Avenue de Londras
Tunis, 1000 RP, Tunisia

Braille production

in numerous subject areas
no volunteers
hand copying: stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication used
17-18 titles produced in 1979
both contracted and uncontracted braille used
rules followed: 2 degrees and in Arabic, French,
and English

Braille distribution

30% sold, 25% loaned, 45% given free
braille material available:
35 recreational titles
26 textbooks
vocational material
other: demonstration, cartes, anatomy, science,
mathematics, geography, games
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
4 countries ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
tape speed 3 3/4 ips
record on full track
maximum program lengths 60 and 90 min. per
side
50 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

Talking Book distribution

350 titles available
50% Arabic, 25% French, 15% English, 10%
Spanish
60% vocational material, 25% textbooks, 10%
recreational reading, 5% other
100% Philips Compact Cassette
Some recordings purchased by patron, some must
be returned
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
machines cost over \$100
machine speeds 1 1/4 and 3 3/4 ips
mailing containers: small plastic boxes
maximum 5 cassettes per package
mailing container is reusable
450 mailing containers sent out each year

General information

patrons are students, lawyers, and other
professionals
created both by government and by volunteers
established in 1956

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Canada

Charles Crane Memorial Library
1874 East Mall
University of British Columbia
Vancouver, British Columbia
Canada V6T 1W5

Braille production

100-300 pages per month
in numerous subject areas, especially special order
transcription for university students
IBM braille typewriters used
20-35 titles produced in 1979
both contracted and uncontracted braille used
North American Braille Authority followed

Braille distribution

100% loaned
braille material available:
15,000 recreational titles
30-40 textbooks
45 magazines
vocational material
other: catalogs of the library's collection,
subject updates
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
distribution limited to Canada
1,100 braille items ordered in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape (masters) and
Philips Compact Cassette (duplicates)
tape speed 3 3/4 ips (masters)
recorded on full track and half track
maximum program length 45 min. per side
NAB equalization used
3,500 titles recorded in 1979
willing to exchange master tape copies with other
organizations

Talking Book distribution

33,000 titles available
92% English, 7% French, 1% German
80% textbooks, 20% recreational reading
25% open reel, 75% Philips Compact Cassette
patron must return recorded material
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
machines cost more than \$100
machine manufacturers include Sony (models
TC 110 B, TC 55, TC 105 reel)
mailing containers: APH (L.C.) and custom-made
shippers
maximum 6 cassettes or 4 reels per package
mailing containers are reusable
15,000 mailing containers sent out each year
TELEX 32-1, 18 slaves, used to record sample
material

General information

patrons are 67% students, 33% professionals and
recreational readers
amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
established in 1968

602

Canada

Canadian National Institute for the Blind
1929 Bayview Ave.
Toronto, Ontario
Canada M4G 3E8

Braille production

in numerous subject areas
3,000 pages per month
90% by volunteers
hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication; and computer embossing and
press duplication used
325 titles produced in 1979
both contracted and uncontracted braille used
English Braille, American Edition, followed

Braille distribution

35% sold, 60% loaned, 5% given free

braille material available:

3,200 recreational titles

2,500 textbooks

82 magazines

vocational material

other: government pamphlets and informational material

library maintained

materials exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed (any CNIB-

produced material can be distributed anywhere via interlibrary loan)

1,000 persons and organizations ordered braille materials in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

recorded on open reel tape

tape speed 3¾ ips

recorded on full track, 4-track monaural

maximum program length 90 min. per side

350 titles recorded in 1979 (includes 98 magazine issues)

willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

5,000 titles available

90% English, 10% French

40% textbooks, 50% recreational reading, 10% vocational materials

100% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return materials

patron must purchase machine (student and vocational), or machine is given to patron (recreational)

machines cost over \$100 (Can.)

machine speeds 15/16 ipr, 17/8 ips

machine manufacturers are Telex Corporation

(models CAN 77 & 78), General Electric (model 1502-3)

mailing containers: padded cases designed for CNIB, flap insert, plastic window

maximum 3 tapes per package

mailing containers are reusable

350,000 mailing containers sent out each year

Telex 300 series 8:1, 9 slaves, cassette duplicator used to record sample materials

General information

patrons are 60% elderly, 40% students and vocational

amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago established in 1918

603**Canada****Community Tape Resource Library****Patrick Power Library****Saint Mary's University****Halifax, Nova Scotia****Canada B3H 3C3****Braille production**

none

Braille distribution

none

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*Canada**Talking Book production*

master tapes maintained
 tape speed 1 7/8 ips
 recorded on half track
 maximum program length 45 min. per side
 NAB equalization used
 100 titles recorded in 1979
 willing to exchange (loan) master tape copies with
 other organizations

Talking Book distribution

300 titles available
 97% English, 3% French
 95% textbooks, 5% vocational material
 100% Philips Compact Cassette (C90 two track)
 patron must return recorded material
 machines are loaned to patrons
 machines cost more than \$100
 machine speeds 1 5/16 and 1 7/8 ips
 machine manufacturers include Sony (model
 TC 110B), Hitachi (model TRQ-341), General
 Electric, Sanyo, Philco Ford, Holiday, and
 Panasonic
 mailing containers: jiffy bags
 maximum 12 tapes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 30 mailing containers sent out each year
 Wollensack 2770 AV High Speed Duplicator used
 to record sample material

General information

patrons are 95% students, 5% professionals
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1976

Montreal Association for the Blind

**7000 Sherbrooke St. West
 Montreal, Quebec
 Canada H4B 1R3**

Braille production

400 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 30% by volunteers
 hand copying (Thermoform Reproducer) used
 22 titles produced in 1979
 contracted braille used

Braille distribution

100% loaned
 braille material available:
 350 recreational titles
 105 textbooks
 23 magazines
 vocational material
 other: special orders
 library maintained
 material not exchange. with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 (special exceptions made)
 distribution limited to Quebec
 40 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes not maintained—volunteers tape books
 requested by students
 recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
 tape speed 1 7/8 ips
 recorded on half track (2 track)
 maximum program lengths 30, 45, 60, and 90
 min. per side
 not willing to exchange master copies with othe.
 organizations

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Canada

**Library Development Commission
 203 1525 West 8th Avenue
 Vancouver, British Columbia
 Canada V6T 1T5**

no response

Talking Book distribution

85% English, 15% French
20% textbooks, 75% recreational reading, 5% vocational material
5% open reel, 20% Philips Compact Cassette, 65% phonograph disc, 10% braille
patron must return recorded material
machine is loaned to patron
machines cost more than \$100
machine speeds 1 1/8 ips and 8, 16, and 33 1/3 rpm
machine manufacturers include APH Talking Book Reproducers (model TR-1000) and Sony (cassette 2-track, standard compact)
mailing containers: metal-reinforced heavy duty cardboard
maximum 7 tapes or discs per package
mailing containers are reusable
8,000 mailing containers sent out each year

General information

patrons are 75% adults, 25% students and professionals
amount of material and services produced and distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
created both by government and by volunteer organizations
established in 1908

606*Canada*

Provincial Resource Centre for the Visually Impaired
4196 W. 4th Ave.
Vancouver, British Columbia
Canada, V6R 4J5

Braille production

500 pages per month
specialize in elementary and secondary school textbooks (all subjects)
40% by volunteers
hand copying used
10 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
English Braille, American Edition (APH), followed

Braille distribution

100% loaned
braille materials available:
500 textbooks
library maintained
materials exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution limited to Canada
65 persons and organizations ordered braille materials in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

1,000 titles available
100% English
100% textbooks
100% Philips Compact Cassette
patron must return materials
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
machine costs vary
machine speeds 1 1/8 and 1 3/8 ips
machine manufacturers include G.E. (model 3-5192A)
mailing containers: cartons, cassette albums, compressed paper boxes
maximum 6 tapes per package
mailing containers are reusable
700 mailing containers sent out each year
Alpha System used to record sample materials

General information

patrons are 100% students, K-12th grade
amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created by government
established in 1978

607*Canada*

Ross Macdonald School
G. C. Whetstone, Superintendent
Provincial Centre for the Visually Handicapped
Brantford, Ontario
Canada N3T 3J9

Braille production

in numerous subject areas
no volunteers
hand copying, stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication used
no braille book titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
Library of Congress rules followed

Braille distribution

none (most of the braille material is used by
students at the school)
library maintained
materials not exchanged with other organizations

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape and Philips
Compact Cassette
tape speed 1 7/8 ips
recorded on full track
maximum program length 30 min. per side

Talking Book distribution

none (materials used in the school only)

General information

amount of materials and services produced much
higher than 5 years ago

608*United States*

Leslie L. Clark
Technical Information Unit
American Foundation for the Blind
15 West 16th St.
New York, NY 10011 U.S.A.

no response

609*United States*

American Printing House for the Blind
1839 Frankfort Ave.
Louisville, KY 40206 U.S.A.

Braille production

5,000,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
no volunteers
stereograph, plate embossing, and press
duplication; and computer embossing and press
duplication used
209 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
Standard English Braille, Grade II, followed

610

*United States**Braille distribution*

99% sold, 1% given free

braille material available:

1,000 recreational titles

500 textbooks

100 magazines

vocational material

other: a wide variety

no library maintained

material not exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

2,500 persons and organizations ordered braille

material in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

recorded on Philips Compact Cassette

recorded on full track

maximum program lengths of 30, 45, 60, and

90 min. per side

700 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution

1,000 titles available

100% English

10% textbooks, 80% recreational reading, 10%

vocational material

40% Philips Compact Cassette, 60% phonograph
disc

patron keeps recorded material

machines both purchased by patron and loaned

machine costs vary

machine speeds 1 1/2 ips, 8 rpm

machine manufacturers include APH-GE (model
P.B. 3-5194)

mailing containers: wide variety

maximum 6 tapes or discs per package

mailing containers are reusable

1,100,000 mailing containers sent out each year

Scully-cassette, 16:1 speed, 10 slaves, used to
record sample materials*General information*

patrons are 33% students, 67% adults

amount of material and services produced and

distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago

established in 1858

**The Cassette Library of the Jewish Guild for the
Blind****15 West 65th St.****New York, NY 10023 U.S.A.***Braille production*

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained

tape speed 7 1/2 ips

recorded on half track

maximum program length 30 min. per side

RIAA equalization used

100 titles recorded in 1979

not willing to exchange master tape copies with
other organizations*Talking Book distribution*

no titles available

100% English

100% recreational reading

100% Philips Compact Cassette

patron must return recorded material

machines both purchased by patron and borrowed

machine costs vary

machine speed 1 1/8 ips

mailing containers: American Printing House
containers

maximum 54 tapes per package

mailing containers are reusable

15,000 mailing containers sent out each year

TELEX 300 used to record sample material

*General information*patrons are 75% elderly, 25% professional, and
studentsamount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created by volunteer organizations

established in 1974 (cassette library only)

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United States

Braille, Taping Service
Cleveland Society for the Blind
 1909 East 101st Street
 Cleveland, OH 44106 U.S.A.

Braille production

6,400 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 100% by volunteers (all transcribers are certified)
 hand copying used
 145 titles produced in 1979 (75 for Library of
 Congress, 70 school texts--76,100 pages total)
 both contracted (Grade 2) and uncontracted braille
 used (varies according to patron request)
 Library of Congress and National Braille
 Association code books and manuals followed

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

master tapes sent to Library of Congress or to
 requesting patron
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel or Philips Compact
 Cassette

Talking Book distribution

only to patrons requesting specific recorded
 materials
 75% textbooks, 10% recreational reading, 15%
 vocational material
 10% open reel, 60% Philips Compact Cassette
 some recordings kept by patron, some must be
 returned
 machines both purchased by patron and loaned
 machine costs vary
 machine speeds 1 1/2, 1 3/8, 3 1/4 ips
 machine manufacturers include Sony, General
 Electric
 mailing containers: padded jiffy bags
 maximum 4 7 inch reels per package

General information

braille distribution 50-60% student and job-
 related materials, 40% Library of Congress
 requests
 tape distribution 50% students and schools, 25%
 recreational, 25% professional
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established after World War I as part of Red Cross
 (braille) and in 1967 (taping)

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United States

H.J. Spar
Director, Helen Keller National Center for
Deaf/Blind Youths and Adults
 111 Middle Neck Rd.
 Sands Point, NY 11050 U.S.A.

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

no response

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United States

**Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
State Library Services
Box 30007
Lansing, MI 48909 U.S.A.**

Braille production

25 pages per month by 2 certified braillists
in numerous subject areas (per patron request)
100% by volunteers
hand copying used
contracted braille used
Library of Congress rules followed

Braille distribution

volunteer-produced material given free
library collection loaned (981 braille volumes
loaned in March 1980)
braille material available:
8,591 recreational titles (37,977 volumes)
textbook collection being established in fiscal
year 1980
42 magazines
vocational materials
library maintained
materials exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind and physically handi-
capped
distribution limited to United States
953 individuals, 160 organizations ordered braille
materials in 1979

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
recording speeds 1 1/8, 3 3/4 ips
can record 2 tracks on full track
maximum program length 45 min. per side
400 titles recorded in 1979
will duplicate all tapes but will not exchange
masters with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

8,600 titles available
in English, small number in Finnish
25% textbooks, 75% vocational materials
60% Philips Compact Cassette, 40% phonograph
disc (Library of Congress material only)
patron must return materials
machine is loaned to patron
machine costs less than \$100
machine speeds 1 5/16 and 1 7/8 ips (tape); 8, 16, 33 1/3 rpm
(disc)
machine manufacturers include General Electric
mailing containers: APH design—plastic
maximum 6 tapes or discs per container
recorded sample material produced on narrator's
personal equipment

General information

9,308 individual patrons, including 852 juveniles
9,530 individual patrons in institutions
60% of patrons over age 60
production of materials about same as 5 years ago
distribution of materials much higher than 5 years
ago
an NLS regional library
Michigan legislature mandated library's place
within the state library
established in 1931

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United States

**National Accreditation Council for Agencies
Serving the Blind and Visually Handicapped
79 Madison Ave.
New York, NY 10016 U.S.A.**

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

616*United States*

National Braille Association
654A Godwin Avenue
Midland Park, NJ 07432 U.S.A.

Braille production
 15,000 pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 100% by volunteers
 hand copying used
 50 titles produced in 1979
 contracted braille used
 both contracted and uncontracted braille used for
 foreign language material
 Code of Braille Textbook Formats and Techniques,
 1977, followed

Braille distribution
 100% sold
 braille material available:
 104 recreational titles
 1,000 textbook titles
 vocational materials
 other: music
 no library maintained
 distribution not limited to handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 431 persons or organizations ordered braille
 materials in 1979

Talking Book production
 none

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed somewhat lower than 5 years ago
 established in 1945

Talking Book production
 none

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed same as 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1967

615*United States*

National Association for Visually Handicapped
305 East 24th St.
New York, NY 10010 U.S.A.

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
 none

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 patrons are all partially sighted, use large print
 materials
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1954

North America

United States

617

United States

National Braille Press, Inc.
88 St. Stephen Street
Boston, MA 02115 U.S.A.

Braille production

2 million pages per month
in numerous subject areas
no volunteers used
stereograph, plate and computer embossing, and
press duplication used
8 titles produced in 1979
both contracted and uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

5% sold
95% given free
braille material available:
11 magazines
other: playing cards, business cards, music
reprints, signs, special formats
no library maintained
no exchange of material with other organizations
distribution not limited to handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
2,000 persons or organizations ordered braille
materials in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
established in 1927

618

United States

Mr. K. Jernigan
President, National Federation of the Blind
Randolph Hotel Bldg.
Des Moines, IA 50309 U.S.A.

no response

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United States

National Library Service for the Blind and
Physically Handicapped
The Library of Congress
Washington, DC 20542 U.S.A.

Braille production

40,832 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
60% by volunteers
hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication; and computer embossing and
press duplication used
320 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
English Braille, American Edition, followed

Braille distribution

100% loaned
braille material available:
6,500 recreational titles
34 magazines
vocational material
other: print-braille for juveniles
library maintained
material exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution limited to the United States and to
U.S. citizens living abroad
22,360 persons ordered braille material in 1979

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*United States**Talking Book production*

master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel tape (masters) and
 Philips Compact Cassette (copies)
 tape speeds 1 7/8 (copies) and 3 3/4 (masters) ips
 recorded on half track (masters) and 4 track
 (copies)
 maximum program length 88 min. per side
 DIN equalization (for recording); NLS system
 (playback)
 1,275 titles recorded on cassette in 1979
 willing to discuss, on a one-to-one basis, exchange
 of master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

15,000 titles available
 99% English, a small amount of French, German,
 and Spanish
 no textbooks, 60% recreational reading, 3%
 vocational material, 37% non-fiction
 (instructional)
 63% Philips Compact Cassette, 22% phonograph
 disc, 15% braille
 some recordings kept by patron, some must be
 returned
 machine is loaned to patron
 machines cost less than \$100
 machine speeds 1 7/8 and 1 7/8 ips and 8 1/2, 16 2/3, and
 33 1/3 rpm
 machine manufacturer is NLS (disc machines:
 A-71, 72, 73, 75, 76, 77, 78) (cassette
 machines: C-74, 75, 76, 77, 78)
 mailing containers: NLS-produced
 maximum 6 cassettes or 12 discs per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 15,000,000 mailing containers sent out in 1979

General information

patrons are 60% elderly, 40% students and
 professionals
 amount of services and material produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by government
 established March 3, 1931

Abby Kooth

**Project for Handicapped College Students
 Box 97
 Teachers College, Columbia University
 New York, NY 10027 U.S.A.**

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

none

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

none

621

United States

**Recording for the Blind, Inc.
 215 East 58th St.
 New York, NY 10022 U.S.A.**

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

no response

Talking Book production

master tapes maintained
 recorded 1/4-inch open reel tape
 tape speed 3 3/4 ips
 recorded on quarter track
 NAB equalization used
 maximum program length 60 min. per side
 4,000 titles recorded in 1979
 not willing to exchange master tape copies with
 other organizations

Talking Book distribution

52,000 titles available
 98% English, 2% other (French, German, Spanish, Russian)
 90% textbooks, 5% vocational material, 5% material pertaining to courses or professional work
 100% Philips Compact Cassette
 patron must return recorded material
 patron purchases machine
 machine costs more than \$100
 machine speed 1 1/2 ips
 machine manufacturers include APH/GE (model 3-5193) and Library of Congress (dual speed model)
 mailing containers: soft plastic
 maximum 2 tapes per package
 mailing containers are reusable
 50,000 mailing containers sent out each year
 TELEX 300, 8:1 speed, used to record sample material

General information

patrons are 85% students, 10% professionals, 5% non-student adults
 amount of material and services produced and distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteer organizations
 established in 1951

622

United States

S. Grout
 Exec. V. Pres., The Seeing Eye, Inc.
 P.O. Box 375
 Morristown, NJ 07960 U.S.A.

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
 none

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 established in 1929

623

United States

Sixth District PTA
Braille Transcription Project
101 North Bascom
San Jose, CA 95128 U.S.A.

Braille production
 5,000 master and 20,000 duplicate pages per month
 in numerous subject areas
 100% by volunteers
 thermoform duplicates made
 152 titles produced in 1979
 contracted braille (Grade II) used
 English Braille, American Edition, followed

Braille distribution
 some sold (at cost of materials) and some given free
 braille material available:
 3,000 recreational titles
 1,200 textbooks
 vocational material
 other: everything except religious material
 library maintained
 material exchanged with other organizations
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 35 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1975

625

United States

Talking Book production
 record only on special request
 master tapes maintained
 recorded on 1/4-inch open reel and Philips

Compact Cassette
 tape speed 1 1/2 ips
 recorded on half track
 RIAA equalization used
 3 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 patrons are 75% students, 25% varied population
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 created by volunteers
 established in 1956

Telesensory Systems, Inc.
3408 Hillview Ave., PO Box 10099
Palo Alto, CA 94304 U.S.A.

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 100% given free
 braille material available:
 1 magazine
 other: TSI product brochures
 library maintained
 distribution not limited to blind or handicapped
 distribution to other countries allowed
 5,000 persons and organizations ordered braille
 material in 1979

Talking Book production
 none

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed much higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1971

624

United States

Teachers College Library
Columbia University
New York, NY 10027 U.S.A.

Braille production
 none

Braille distribution
 none

Talking Book production
 none

Talking Book distribution
 none

General information
 no response

626

United States

Veterans Administration
Department of Medicine and Surgery
Washington, DC 20420 U.S.A.

no response

South America, Central America, Caribbean

701

Bahamas

The Salvation A-
PO Box N 205
Nassau, Bahamas

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
5% loaned, 95% given free
braille material available:
25 recreational titles
100 textbooks
other: watches and other items useful to the
blind

library maintained
materials exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
50 persons and organizations ordered braille
materials in 1979

Talking Book production
no master tapes maintained
tape speeds 1 7/8 ips, 3 3/4 ips
recorded on full track
maximum program length 90 min. per side
10 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution
100 titles available
100% English
75% textbooks, 25% recreational reading
some recordings kept by patron, some must be
returned
machine is loaned to patron
machine costs vary
machine speeds 1 5/16, 1 7/8, 3 3/4 ips; 8, 16, 33 1/3 rpm
machine manufacturers are G.E. and Philips (tape
recorders) and Sony (record/tape)
patrons pick up recorded material; no need for
mailing containers
G.E. recorder used to record sample material

General information
patrons are 60% own students, 30% local people,
10% elderly
amount of material and services produced and
distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
created by government
established in 1865 in London, 1931 in the
Bahamas

702

Barbados

Barbados Assoc. for the Blind and Deaf, Inc.
Mrs. A. Forde, Hon. Sec.
The Shrubbery, LR Collymore Rock
St. Michael, Barbados

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
amount of materials and services produced and
distributed is at the same level as 5 years ago
created by volunteer organizations

703

Bermuda

Bermuda Library
Hamilton S 31
Bermuda

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
master tapes maintained
recorded on Philips Compact Cassette
maximum program length 45 min. per side
6 titles recorded in 1979

Talking Book distribution
100 titles available
100% English
95% recreational reading, 5% local reports
100% Philips Compact Cassette
patron must return recorded material
machines both purchased by patron and loaned
machines cost less than \$100
machine manufacturers include Sony, Nordmende,
Hitachi, and Stanfax
mailing containers: plastic
maximum 8 tapes per package
mailing containers are reusable

General information
patrons are mostly elderly
amount of material and services produced and
distributed much higher than 5 years ago
created by government
Bermuda Library established in 1839; Talking
Book service established in 1974

704

Brazil

Fundação Para O Livro Do Cego No Brasil
Rua Dr. Diogo De Faria, 558
04037 Sao Paulo SP, Brazil

Braille production
324,000 pages per month
in numerous subject areas
20% by volunteers
hand copying; stereograph, plate embossing, and
press duplication used
301 titles produced in 1979
contracted braille used
Portuguese Contracted Braille, Grade II, followed

Braille distribution
10% loaned, 90% given free
braille material available:
104 recreational titles
130 textbooks
library maintained
material not exchanged with other organizations
distribution limited to blind or handicapped
distribution to other countries allowed
1,200 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production
master tapes maintained
recorded on Clarke & Smith Tapette cartridge
tape speed 3¾ ips
recorded on one track
maximum program length 120 min. per side
NAB equalization used
72 titles recorded in 1979
not willing to exchange master tape copies with
other organizations

Talking Book distribution
526 titles available
100% Portuguese
95% recreational reading, 5% other
100% Clarke & Smith Tapette
patron must return recorded material
machine is loaned to patron
machine speed 1½ ips
machine manufacturers include Clarke & Smith
mailing containers: Clarke & Smith
maximum 1 tape per package
mailing containers are reusable
1,071 mailing containers sent out each year
Clarke & Smith duplication system used to record
sample material

General information

patrons are 50% students, 50% elderly
 amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 created both by government and by volunteer
 organizations
 established in 1946

705

Costa Rica

Instituto de Rehabilitacion Para Ciegos
Helen Keller
Tribi Ruta 22
Carretera a Desamparados Aptdo 2430
San Jose, Costa Rica

Braille production

80 pages per month
 specialize in material for elementary school (math,
 reading, social studies)
 no volunteers
 hand copying used
 6 titles produced in 1979
 uncontracted braille used

Braille distribution

none (materials used in own school)

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

amount of material and services produced and
 distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 established in 1975

706

El Salvador

Centro de Rehabilitacion Para Ciegos Eugenia
de Duenas
21 Calle Poniente 240
San Salvador, El Salvador

Braille production

materials for classroom use only
 hand copying used
 uncontracted braille used
 O.B.C.I. system followed

Braille distribution

none (used in own school only)
 library maintained

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none

General information

created by government
 established in 1943

707

Guatemala

Comite Nacional Prociegos y Sordomudos de
Guatemala
4a. Avenida 2-23, Zona 1
Guatemala City, Guatemala

Braille production

none

Braille distribution

90% loaned, 10% given free

braille material available:

75 recreational titles

25 textbooks

3 magazines

vocational material

other: The New Testament

library maintained

material not exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution limited to Guatemala

200 persons and organizations ordered braille material in 1979

Talking Book production

none

Talking Book distribution

none (talking book section is being developed)

General information

amount of material and services produced and distributed moderately higher than 5 years ago
 created both by government and by volunteer organizations

708***Panama*****Professor P.A. Salinas****Centro de Rehabilitacion Para Ciegos Andres C. Toro****Apartado Postal 41, Zona 15****Panama, Republic de Panama*****Braille production***

in numerous subject areas

no volunteers

hand copying used

Braille distribution

braille material available:

recreational titles

textbooks

other: Review from Overseas

library maintained

material not exchanged with other organizations

distribution limited to blind or handicapped

distribution limited to Panama

Talking Book production

master tapes not maintained

recorded on Philips Compact Cassette

maximum program lengths 60 and 90 min. per side

not willing to exchange master tape copies with other organizations

Talking Book distribution

8% English, 2% French, 90% Spanish

100% textbooks

100% Philips Compact Cassette

some recordings kept by patron, some must be returned

patron purchases machine

machines cost less than \$100

machine speed 33 1/3 rpm and 45 rpm

machine manufacturers include Sony and National

mailing containers are not reusable

General information

patrons are 100% students

amount of material and services produced and

distributed much higher than 5 years ago

created by government

established in 1952

709***West Indies*****Saint Lucia Blind Welfare Association****P.O. Box 788 Castries****Saint Lucia, West Indies**

100

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
none

Talking Book production
none

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
created by government and by voluntary
organizations
established in 1972

Talking Book distribution
none

General information
patrons are 90% students, 10% former students
amount of material and services produced and
distributed somewhat lower than 5 years ago
created both by government and by volunteer
organizations
established in 1927

710

West Indies

**Salvation Army School for Blind and Visually
Handicapped Children**
PO Box 562
Kingston 8, Jamaica, West Indies

Braille production
none

Braille distribution
90% loaned, 10% given free

Braille material available:

1,500 recreational titles

500 textbooks

library maintained

material exchanged with other organizations

distribution not limited to blind or handicapped

distribution to other countries allowed

75 persons and organizations ordered braille
material in 1979

Talking Book production
none

Organizations Producing Braille

Africa	Australia	419	463	North America
101	301	422	464	601
102	303	423	465	602
103	304	427	466	605
105	305	434	467	606
106	306	439	470	607
107	308	440	473	609
109	309	441	474	611
110	311	442	476	613
	312	446	477	616
Asia	313	447	478	617
201		448		619
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203	402	450	501	
206	406	453	502	South America
207	407	454	503	704
209	408	455	504	705
211	410	456	506	706
212	411	458	507	708
213	412	460	508	
216	416	462		
217	418			

Organizations Maintaining a Braille Library

Africa	306	441	Middle East	South America
101	308	446	501	701
102	309	448	502	704
103	311	449	503	705
105	312	450	504	706
107	313	451	505	707
109	314	453	506	708
110		454	507	710
	Europe	455	508	
Asia	402	456		
201	406	458	North America	
203	407	460	601	
207	408	462	602	
209	410	464	605	
212	411	466	606	
213	412	467	607	
216	415	471	613	
	416	472	619	
Australia	419	473	623	
301	422	474	625	
302	427	476		
303	434	477		
304	439	478		
305	440			

**Organizations Willing to Exchange Braille Materials
with Other Agencies Serving Blind or Handicapped People**

Africa	Australia	410	460	507
101	301	411	462	508
106	303	412	463	
107	305	418	464	North America
109	306	419	467	601
110	308	434	471	602
	309	441	474	613
Asia	313	447	476	619
201		448	477	623
203	Europe	450	478	
207	402	453		South America
212	406	454	Middle East	701
213	407	455	501	710
216	408	456	503	

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Organizations Recording Talking Books

Africa	306	425	458	North America
101	307	426	460	601
105	309	427	462	602
108	313	430	464	603
109	314	432	466	605
110		435	467	607
111	Europe	437	470	609
	402	438	473	610
Asia	405	439	474	611
202	406	441	476	613
203	407	444	477	619
206	408	445	478	621
209	410	446		623
212	411	447	Middle East	
213	412	448	501	South America
216	413	449	502	701
217	414	452	503	703
	415	453	504	704
Australia	416	454	506	708
301	422	455	507	
303	424	456	508	

Organizations Willing to Sell or Exchange Recorded Materials with Other Agencies Serving Blind or Handicapped People

Africa	Australia	422	453	Middle East
105	303	425	454	503
108	306	426	455	504
109	313	427	456	506
110	314	430	458	508
111		432	460	
	Europe	435	462	North America
Asia	405	437	464	601
203	406	438	466	602
206	407	439	467	603
207	410	444	471	613
209	411	446	474	619
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107	105	507	458
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