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Where does your shop fall in your library organization?

- Access Services/Public Services/Circ
- Stand Alone
- Collections Management/Development/Acquisitions
- Other

History of Clemson University Libraries Resource Sharing Unit

Resource Sharing & Copy
Services
(ca. 1990 - 2011)

- Copy Services
- Document Delivery
- PASCAL Delivers
- Interlibrary Loan



Interlibrary Loan
(2011 - 2014)

- Interlibrary Loan



Resource Sharing
(2015 - 2022)

- Interlibrary Loan
- PASCAL Delivers
- Document Delivery
- Offsite Storage
- Mail and Library Courier



Resource Sharing
(2022 - ?)

- Interlibrary Loan
- PASCAL Delivers, print and digital
- Document Delivery
- Offsite Storage
- Mail and Library Courier
- Collection Management

Why this question now?

2018

- New leadership to assess organizational structure
- Moving more collections to remote storage impacted ILL Lending and Scan & Deliver Services
- Began using ILL requests as suggested purchase requests

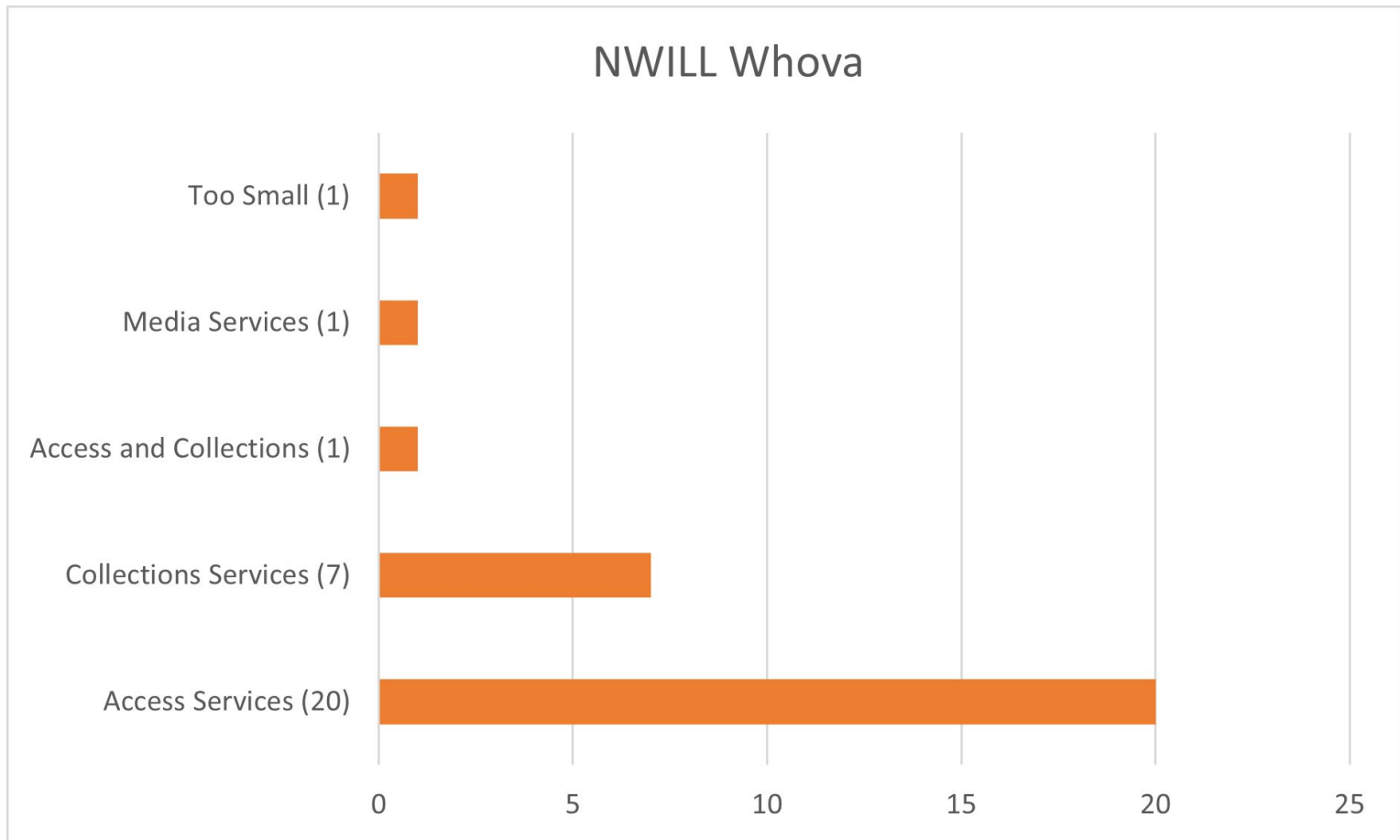
2022

- New leadership to implement reorganization
- Additional collection moves and no staff to manage
- Increased leverage of borrowing stats for collection development
- Increased usage of ILL to fill collection gaps

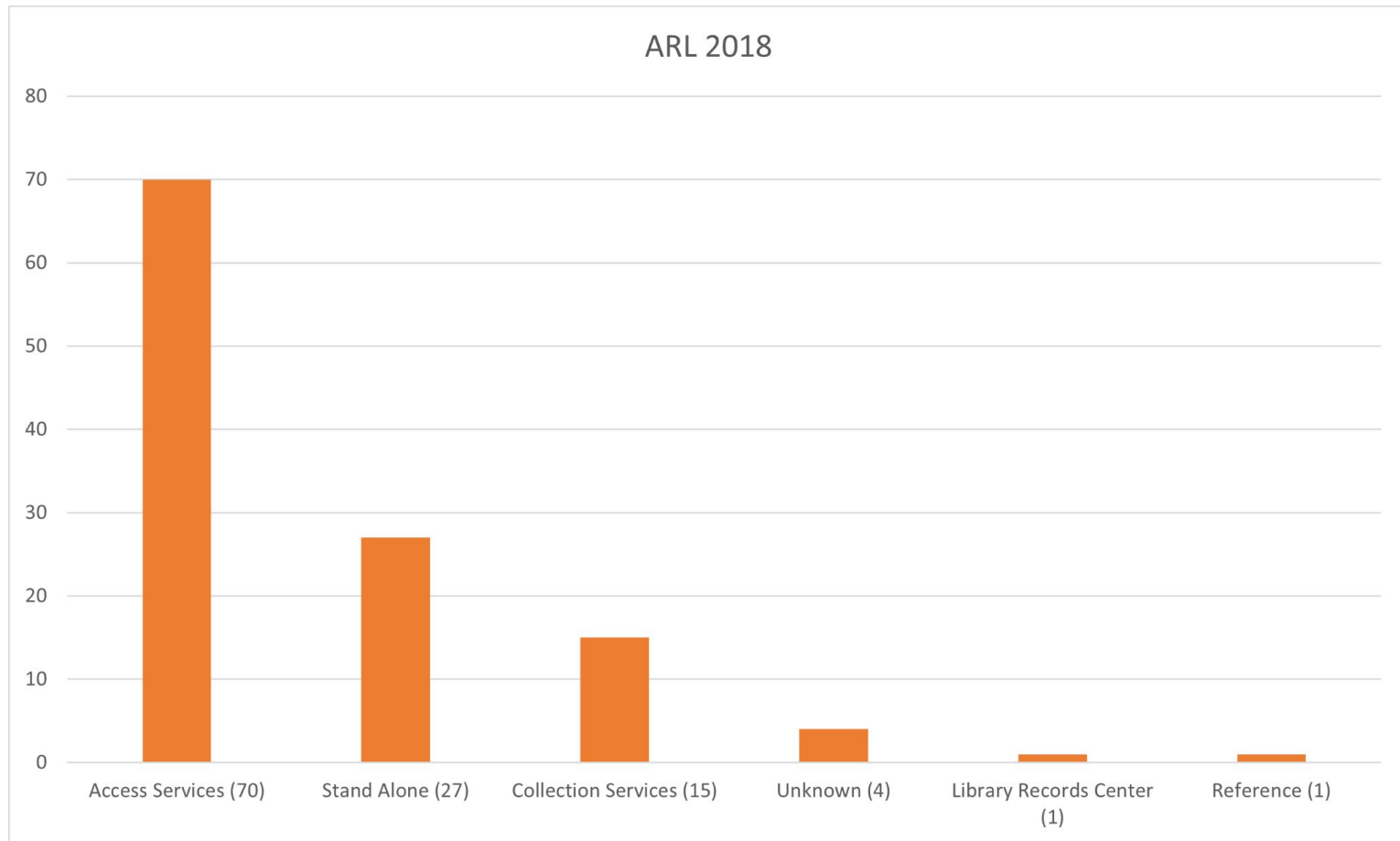
What about everyone else?

- NWILL Whova Board
- ARL
 - Visited websites of all academic libraries in North America
 - Directories, Org Charts, Department Pages, OCLC Policies Directory
- Terminology used

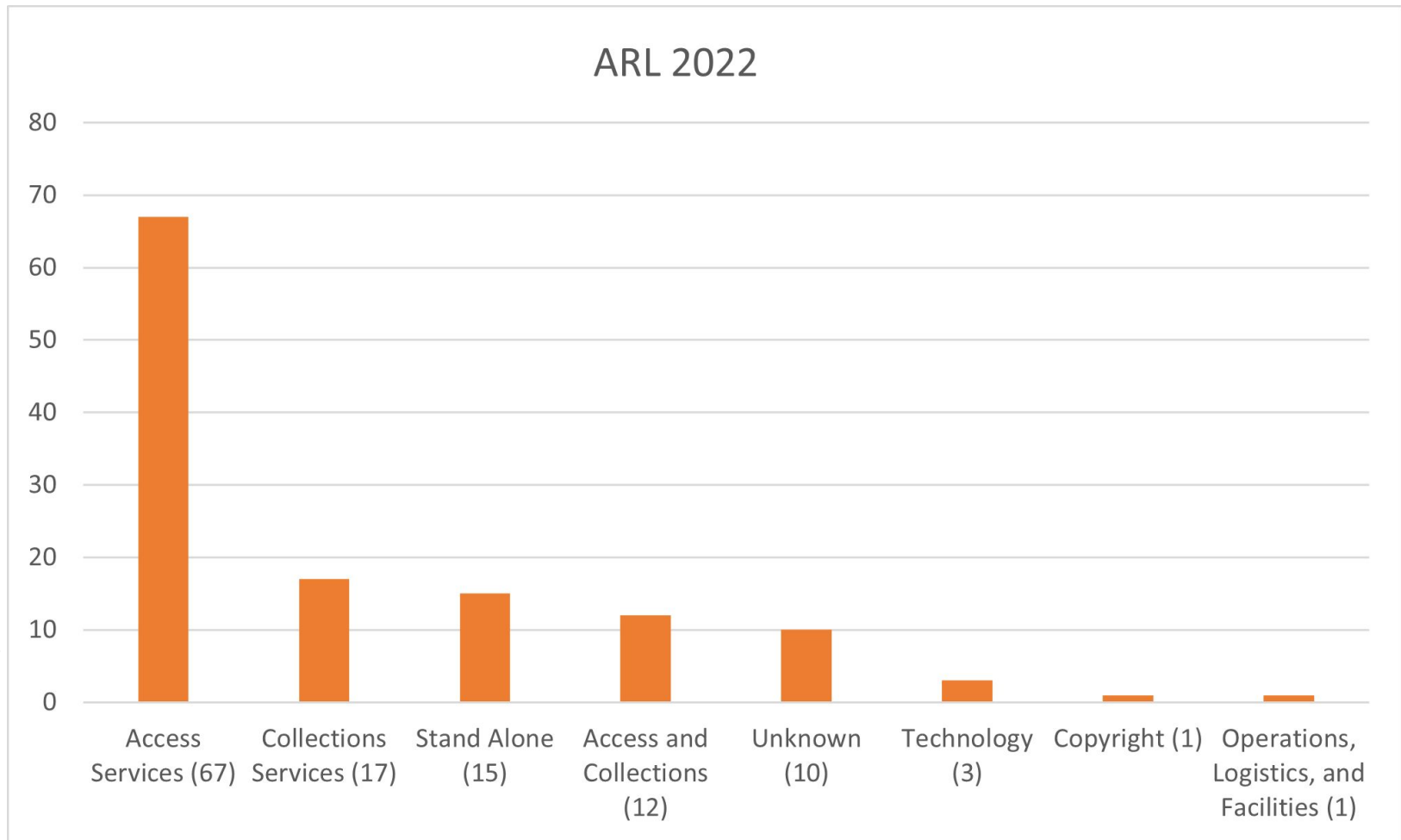
Where is everyone according to Whova?



ARL Libraries in 2018



ARL Libraries in 2022



Observations & Questions

- Access Services still reigns supreme!
- ILL with Collections remains the same
- More pairing of Access Services and Collections Services
- Fewer stand alone departments
- More unknown departments

Observations & Questions

- The landscape is (always) changing
 - 2018: Increased use of remote storage, changes in subject liaison roles, on demand purchasing was increasing
 - 2022: Focus on shared print collections, increase in Controlled Digital Lending, ILL used as collection gap filler
- Did the pandemic have an effect on this shift?

See you in 2026?
Thank you!

Questions or comments?
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