The Canadian Union Catalogue lists over 10 million volumes in about 300 government, university, public and special libraries in all provinces. New accessions (which numbered over 1.5 million in 1971-72) are reported regularly, and the Union Catalogue thus forms a continuously up-to-date key to the main book resources of the country. During the year ended March 31, 1972, the Reference Division was asked to locate more than 110,000 titles, and it is noteworthy that copies of 78% of them were found in Canadian libraries.

The Library has published a union list of serials in the fields of the humanities and social sciences currently received by Canadian libraries. This list is a first step toward a complete union list of such serials in the humanities and social sciences that will complement the *Union list of scientific serials in Canadian libraries* published by the National Science Library.

A list of books about Canada, prepared by the National Library, appears in Appendix 5.

## 7.5.2.2 The National Science Library

The functions and services of the National Science Library are described in Chapter 9, Section 9.2.1.

## 7.5.2.3 Public libraries

Public libraries in Canada are organized under provincial legislation which specifies the method of establishment, the services to be provided and the means of support. Municipalities may organize and maintain public libraries or join together to form regional libraries according to provincial legislation. Provincial public library agencies advise local and regional libraries and distribute grants as provided.

Table 7.23 gives summary results of the annual public library survey for 1971, with comparable totals for 1970 and 1969. Book circulation was 97.3 million or 4.5 per capita. The current operating payments of all public libraries amounted to \$70.8 million or \$3.28 per capita compared with \$2.91 in the previous year. The full-time staff numbered 5,261 in 1971 of whom 1,252 or 23.8% were professional librarians.

## 7.5.2.4 Libraries in universities and colleges

Libraries in 108 universities (including four-year affiliated or associated institutions) reported, for the academic year 1970-71, a total of 24.1 million volumes or 78.4 per full-time student. Expenditures of university libraries amounted to \$79.7 million or \$259 per full-time student. The total full-time staff of the libraries numbered 6,776, of whom 1,537 or 22.7% were professional librarians. Details by province are given in Table 7.24.

Table 7.24 also shows that libraries in 143 colleges (post-secondary institutions such as community colleges, CEGEPs, colleges of applied arts and technology, teachers' colleges, etc.) reported a total book stock for 1970-71 of 4.3 million volumes or 30.5 per full-time student. Expenditures of these libraries amounted to \$10.5 million or \$73.89 per full-time student. Total library staff was 912 of whom 245, or 26.9%, were professional librarians.

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