

LONG RANGE PLAN

Canaan Town Library

2012–2015





THE CANAAN TOWN LIBRARY MISSION

“To provide access to organized collections of books, educational and recreational materials in order to promote and stimulate knowledge, self-education and pure enjoyment for all.”



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Introduction

The Canaan Town Library has had a long and illustrious history and, in recent years, has enjoyed prominence as a cherished community resource in the midst of the downtown.

In 1804, the Canaan Social Library was founded. During the 1800s, the library moved from house to house. In 1893, with a Town Meeting appropriation of \$25, the library made its home at the Whitney residence on Canaan Street. In 1903, the town voted to spend \$100 to prepare the Academy Building on Canaan Street for library use. The library moved to its present home in the Canaan Community Building in 1978. A significant downtown focal point, this building has been home to the Canaan Municipal Court, the Canaan School hot lunch program, the Canaan Players, a private kindergarten, a recreation center, and town offices.

In 2003, fire code violations threatened closure of the building. In response, a Library Advisory Board of volunteer citizens spent three months gathering community and professional input. They arrived at the following recommendations:

- Keep the library in its present location.
- Make repairs necessary to satisfy fire and safety codes.
- Plan further renovations to increase energy efficiency.
- Ensure that the Canaan Community Building lives up to its name.

A Warrant Article requesting \$225,000 for fire code and safety repairs was posted before the March 2004 Town Meeting. The article was approved by 64 percent of the voters. Subsequently, Canaan Selectmen and Library Trustees entered into a Memorandum of Agreement that assures that the Library will remain in its present location.

As the library underwent repair the downtown revitalization was in full swing, creating safer routes for pedestrians and vehicles and adding function and beauty with sidewalks, street lamps, and landscaping.

At the end of the summer in 2005, work covered by the Warrant Article was completed. The work included replacing the front stairs and railings, insulating the roof, installing a sprinkler system, enclosing the boiler room, reconstructing a stairwell and emergency exits, and rewiring the electrical system. Savings on heating costs and more comfortable summers and winters were being realized.

Once the building became safe and meeting all fire and safety codes, we were ready to move forward with interior renovations:

- A redesigned children's area, almost double its present space
- A reconfiguration of the adult space to increase ease and flexibility of use (non-fiction will move downstairs)
- A public meeting space on the lower level
- A more functional charge desk
- Energy-efficient windows
- An upgraded main entry
- New bookcases, lighting, and furnishings
- Study/tutor areas
- Comfortable seating for reading and quiet conversations
- Tables for chess and other activities

- Additional computer stations
- A handicapped-accessible bathroom

Plans for these improvements were funded by the Lions Club and prepared by Tom Wallace of Tennant/Wallace Architects, AIA, of Manchester, N.H. A member of the Board of Directors of the NH Library Trustees Association, Tom specializes in the design of libraries,

Out of consideration for the taxpayers' burden, an aggressive effort to solicit private donations for this project was undertaken. Costs are estimated at \$300,000. A generous grant from Mascoma Savings Bank and a gift from the Ridge Runners Club provided an encouraging start to this undertaking.

The actual cost for the project was upwards of \$350,000. Thanks to the help and support of the Fundraising Committee, led by Lola Baldwin, and the generosity and commitment of a significant number of community members and friends, the funds were raised over a five year period.

By September of 2009, the newly renovated downstairs section, housing mostly the non-fiction collection, was finally opened to the public. This phase enabled the beginning of the major phase of the renovation project; removing the stage to allow the creation of a new children's area and the rest of the complete renovation of the main floor of the Library. This period was characterized by the need to close the library from time to time and to maintain operations in a veritable construction site. Due to the incredible dedication and adaptability of the Library staff, Library functions remained unchanged for most of this difficult period.

Renovation of the main floor was by far the most difficult and expensive part of the project. The

Library Trustees (Patsy Carter, Tom Guillette, Cindy Neily, Denise Reitsma, and Beth Wolf, along with Library Director, Amy Thurber) spent nearly every Trustee meeting planning, reviewing, and deciding each step of this effort. The success of the project could not have been achieved without the invaluable commitment and support of Matt Dow of MTD and his crew, as well as Chris Wadsworth, architect and friend. They attended nearly every meeting offering ideas and changes to achieve our goals, all the while cognizant of the limited funding we had available.



Finally in 2011, we celebrated the grand opening of the spacious, comfortable and very functional newly renovated Canaan Town Library.

Included in the plans for the physical space of the new Library were many considerations of new technology and new ways the Library can serve its patrons. Nevertheless, the Board of Trustees believed that it was important to lay out a plan for the Library over the next three to five years.

Areas of Strategic Opportunity 2012–2015

In 2011 we asked our patrons to take a survey to determine the community's perception of library services, and to get feedback on services used and potential use of future services. Survey respondents were also provided with opportunities to comment on the various questions. A planning committee, composed of two trustees, the library director and patron volunteers, was tasked with processing the information garnered from the survey and incorporating that information into a plan that would enhance library services to our patrons and provide our community with opportunities to increase active participation at our library.

Hard copies of the survey were available at the circulation desk, the Senior Center and Indian River Nursery School. The survey was also available on the library website. People were made aware that they could fill out the survey online with bookmarks handed out at the circulation desk, by announcements on the library's website and Facebook page, and by email. Contact was made with the Mascoma High School English Department, asking teachers to encourage their students to fill out the survey. A visit was made to the Indian River Middle School to talk with a select group of 5th grade students to get their ideas for the future of the library. We received 117 responses to the survey.

36% of all respondents were between the ages of 51 and 70, the next largest segment of respondents (23%) were between the ages of 36 and 50. The majority of survey respondents also lived in households with family members between the ages of 41 and 65. 75% of survey takers were female and 94% of all survey takers have Canaan Town Library cards. 79% of survey takers were Canaan residents. Half of all survey takers visit the library on a weekly basis.



“Our family loves Canaan library— we would be lost without it! Great librarians, great book selections!”

– Canaan Town Library patron

When it comes to computer connectivity, most survey respondents have DSL or Cable Internet connections at home but almost a quarter of respondents report that they don't have Internet capability at home or have dial up service. The majority of all respondents say that the library's free internet and wifi services are important offerings. The library's online card catalog gets used by approximately half of all respondents.

When it comes to services and programs, the most highly used are book sales, Interlibrary Loan and reference assistance. Other services such as story

time, summer reading programs, photocopier, tax forms, and online access to magazines are used very little.

Respondents had a few suggestions at the library including: more computers, more outlets, Sunday hours, open earlier, open later, and expanded parking.



“I love the library!
They have saved me so
much money on books
and have so much to offer
for the size they are!”

– *Canaan Town Library patron*

Over half of respondents mentioned they would like the library to have more books. Other wishes high on the list were more DVDs, museum passes, more staff recommendations, and more open hours.

The committee, armed with this information and input from library staff, identified three areas of

strategic opportunity, and goals within each area to aim for within the next three years.

Increasing visibility will help us get more people in the library and aware of the services and programs we offer. Improving outreach will allow us to continue to work towards becoming the best library we can by stepping outside of the library and partnering with other community organizations. Enhancing collections will encourage us to streamline and tailor our library to our library users. Completion of these three goals will move our library forward; making it the library that best fits our community now and in the future.

Strategic Goals

VISIBILITY

- Create an email list and an email newsletter format; use these to update patrons on upcoming programs, new books, any ‘happening’ at our library — monthly distribution.
- Library website, Facebook, twitter; update these regularly with new information (use in conjunction with newsletter).
- Traditional communication; use in-house posters, a sandwich board out front, the Valley News Calendar, and flyers posted in local venues to advertise library resources and programs.
- School flyers and newsletters; Contact area schools, determine how they get information out to students and parents, and ask if we can communicate appropriate items of interest in this manner.

OUTREACH

- Partner with outside constituencies
 - Connect with local schools to determine possible programming opportunities.

- Off-site story times; check with local pre-schools, day cares and play groups to determine feasibility.
- Connect with local youth groups; 4H, Boy Scouts, Brownies, etc., and offer assistance with community projects when possible.
- Senior Center; work with Center to offer programs, such as book displays and book discussions.
- Meals on Wheels; explore collaborative effort to facilitate home-delivery of materials.
- Host Workshops; Offer classes for the public on downloadable audiobooks, eBooks, digital photography, etc.
- Develop process to track attendance at programs to better coordinate our outreach efforts and to measure popularity of programs.



“A great library is one of the signs that a place is becoming a community.”

– *Canaan Town Library patron*

COLLECTIONS

- Displays
 - Determine locations and rotation of displays (a possible outreach tool — opportunity for volunteer and patron involvement).
 - National and award lists, patron top-ten, etc., to create display themes.
 - Highlight collections other than print titles when creating displays.
- Museum Passes; determine which venues are both affordable and of interest and implement a borrowing program.
- Signage and genre labels; make collection easier to navigate.
- Access information on collection usage to determine if a shift in purchasing appropriations is warranted.

Conclusion

The success of the Long Range Plan is dependent on many factors, of which the pre-eminent is staff availability. It is possible, even hopeful, that volunteers can be utilized to assist with some of these objectives, at the discretion of the Director.

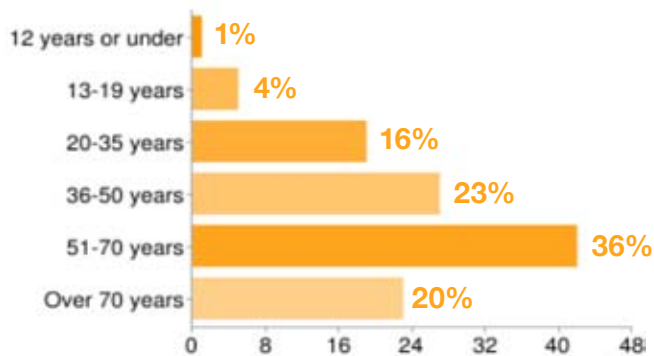
The Director will be responsible for formulating processes to attain these goals and to report to the Trustees both progress on, and hurdles reaching, our stated goals. The Trustees will review on an annual basis the achievement of our goals in our three areas of opportunity.

Appendix A: Canaan Town Library Survey Statistics

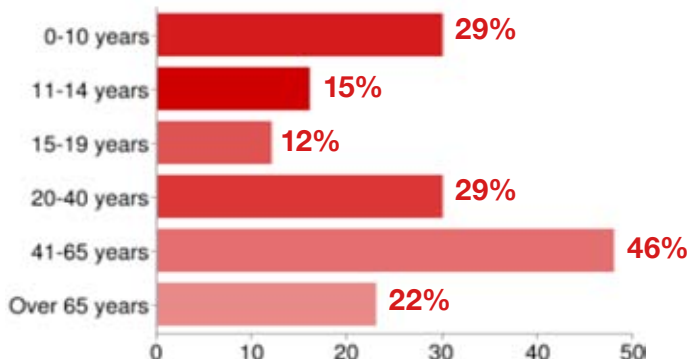
Survey Results, October 2011

Ages of Respondents and their Households

AGES OF RESPONDENTS

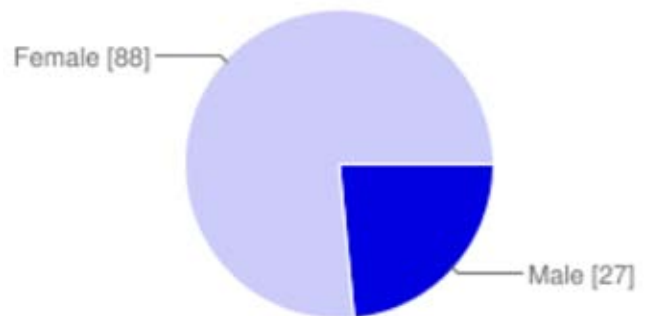


AGES OF FAMILY MEMBERS

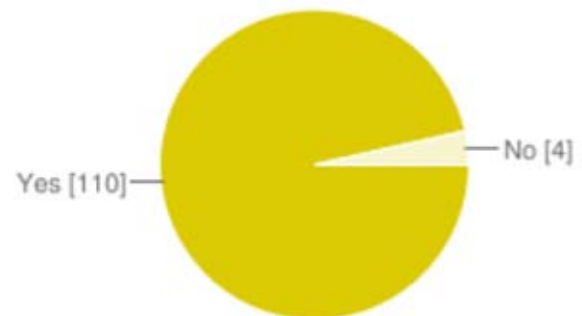


Vital Statistics About Survey Takers

75% ARE FEMALE



94% HAVE LIBRARY CARDS

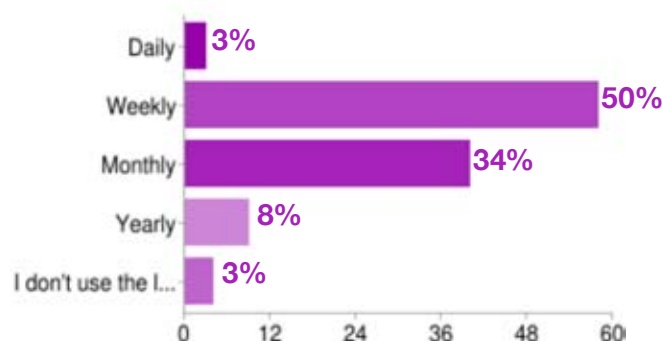


79% are Canaan residents



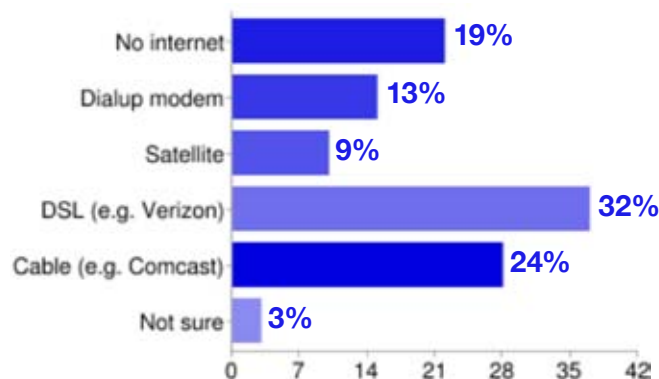
FREQUENCY OF LIBRARY USE

50% of survey takers use the library weekly.



Technology

Most survey respondents have DSL or Cable Internet connection at home. The next largest group has no internet at home, followed by Dialup and Satellite connections.



RESPONDENTS WITH NO INTERNET AT HOME

- 22%** Say wifi works great / they want more
- 36%** Say public computers work great / they want more
- 40%** Say free internet and wifi as a service work great / they want more

RESPONDENTS WITH INTERNET AT HOME

Cable Internet Users:

- 28%** Say wifi works great / they want more
- 35%** Say public computers work great / they want more
- 32%** Say free internet and wifi as a service work great / they want more

DSL Internet Users:

- 29%** Say wifi works great / they want more
- 29%** Say public computers work great / they want more
- 45%** Say free internet and wifi as a service work great / they want more

Dialup Internet Users:

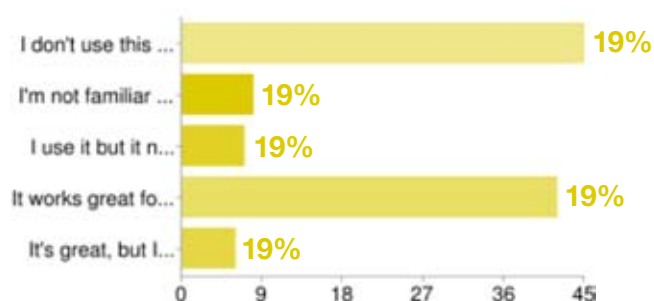
- 40%** Say wifi works great / they want more
- 46%** Say public computers work great / they want more
- 45%** Say free internet and wifi as a service work great / they want more

Satellite Internet Users:

- 30%** Say wifi works great / they want more
- 20%** Say public computers work great / they want more
- 30%** Say free internet and wifi as a service work great / they want more

3 DSL users and 1 Cable user mentioned service needed improvement.

ONLINE CATALOG



- 38%** Do not use online card catalog
- 36%** Say it works great
- 7%** Are not familiar with online catalog
- 6%** Believe it needs improvement
- 5%** Think it's great but want more

Collections

THESE COLLECTIONS WORK GREAT FOR ME

Books:

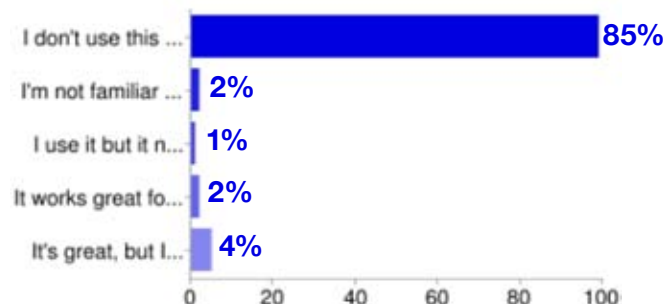
- 59%** These work great for me
- 3%** Not familiar with service

DVDS:

- 33%** These work great for me
- 2%** Not familiar with service

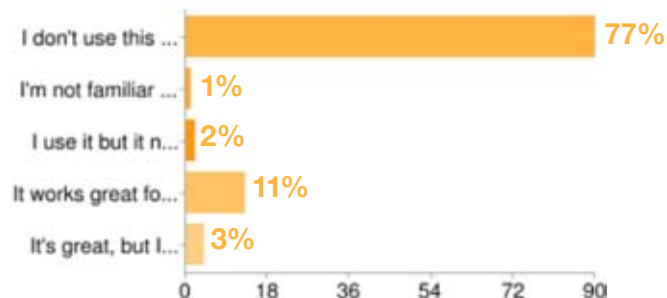
Children's Programming

STORY TIME



- 85%** I don't use this service
- 2%** I'm not familiar with this service
- 1%** I use it but it needs improvement
- 2%** It works great for me
- 4%** It's great, but I want more

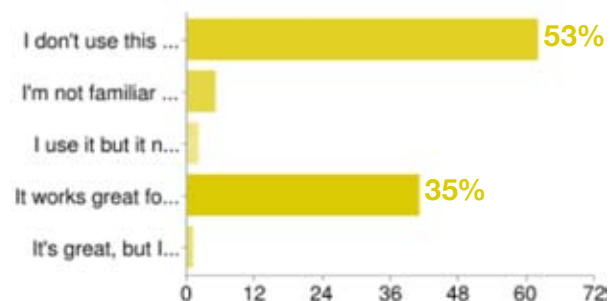
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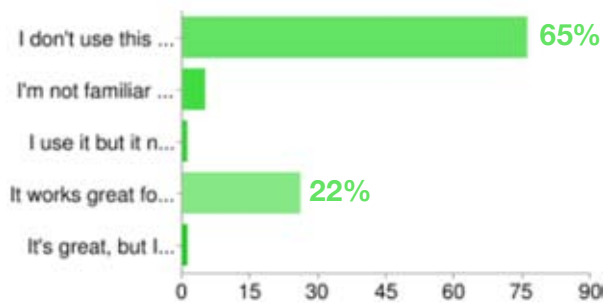
- 77%** I don't use this service
- 1%** I'm not familiar with this service
- 2%** I use it but it needs improvement
- 11%** It works great for me
- 3%** It's great, but I want more

Services

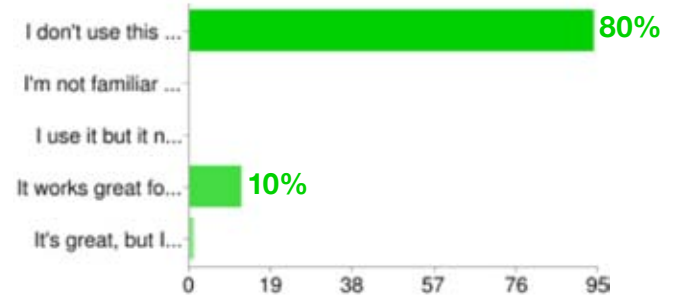
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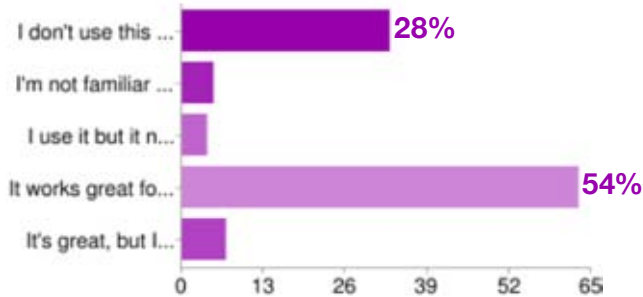
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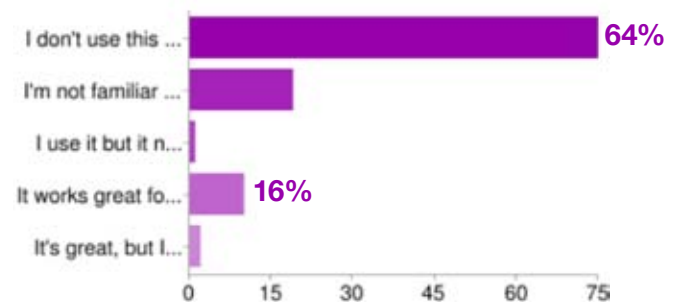
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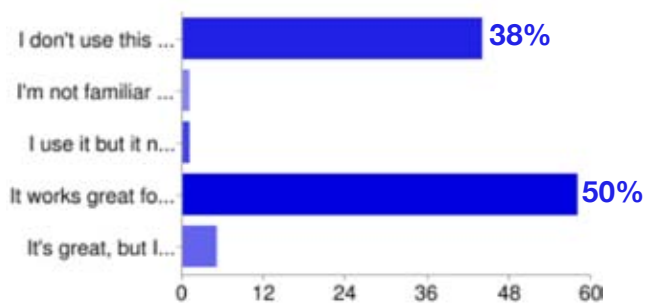
BOOK SALES



ONLINE ACCESS TO MAGAZINES

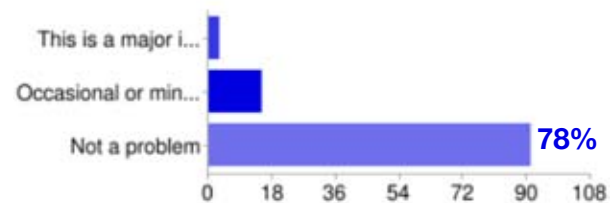


REFERENCE ASSISTANCE

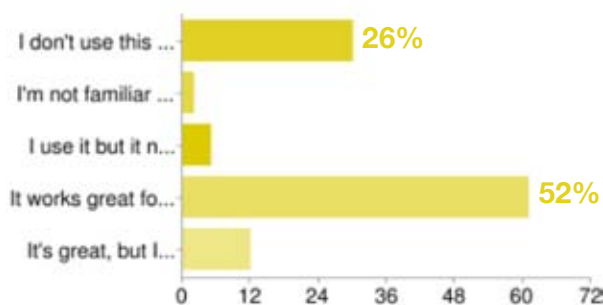


Annoyances at the Library

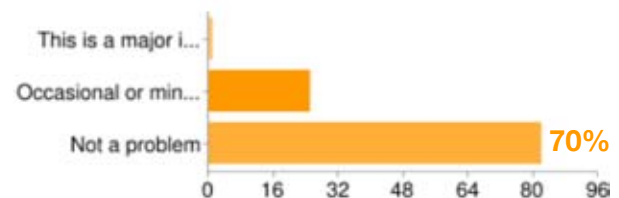
IS THE LIBRARY TOO NOISY?



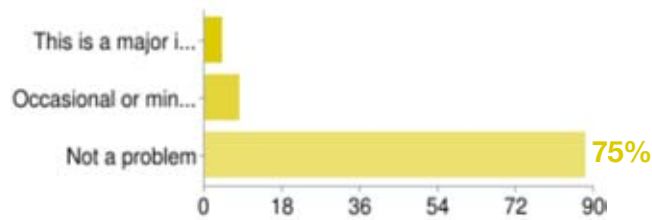
INTERLIBRARY LOAN



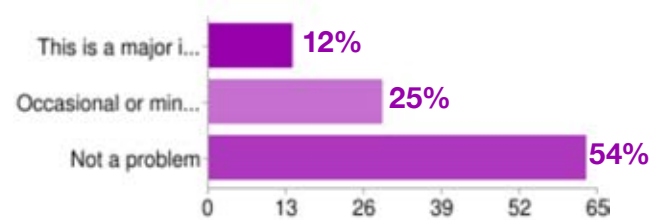
NEED MORE TABLE SPACE?



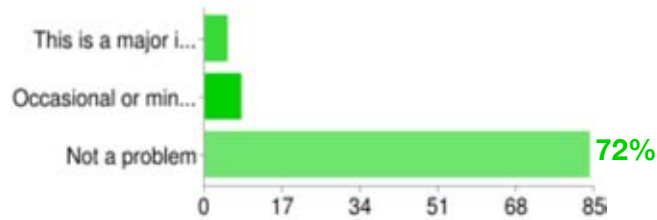
NEED BETTER LIGHTING?



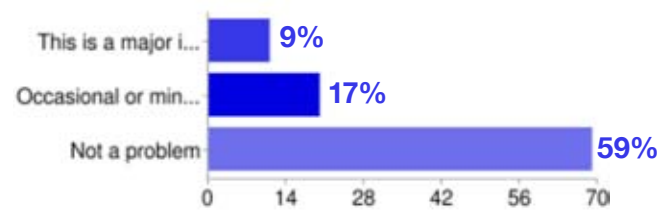
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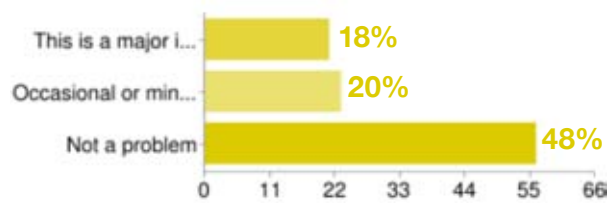
NOT ENOUGH PROGRAMMING?



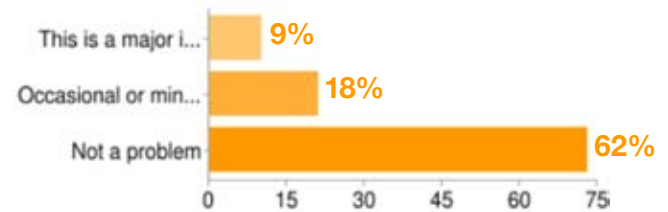
NOT OPEN EARLY ENOUGH?



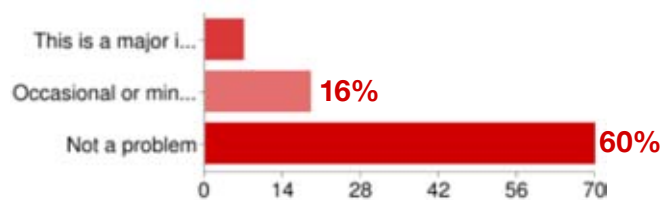
NEED MORE COMPUTERS?



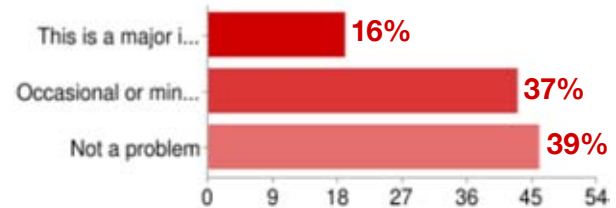
NOT OPEN LATE ENOUGH?



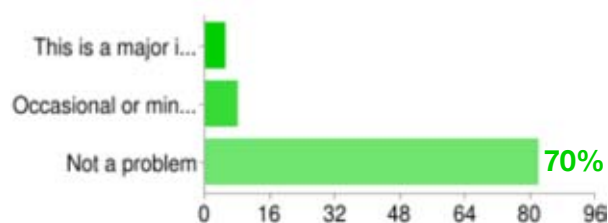
NEED MORE OUTLETS?



NOT ENOUGH PARKING?



COMPUTERS TOO OLD?



Short Term Improvements

I WOULD DEFINITELY USE

54%	More books
21%	More audio books
33%	More DVDs
19%	More online databases
32%	More staff recommendations
32%	Museum passes
26%	More adult programs
26%	More children's programming
9%	Podcasts of book reviews
6%	Podcast of story hour
15%	More seating areas
18%	More computer stations
15%	Tech help
9%	More newspaper subscriptions
41%	More open hours

I WOULDN'T USE

2%	More books
27%	More audio books
17%	More DVDs
29%	More online databases
16%	More staff recommendations
17%	Museum passes
22%	More adult programs
53%	More children's programming
49%	Podcasts of book reviews
57%	Podcast of story hour
27%	More seating areas
33%	More computer stations
32%	Tech help
43%	More newspaper subscriptions
8%	More open hours

Appendix B: Canaan Town Library Information & Statistics

Prepared 11/30/11

CANAAN TOWN LIBRARY

PO BOX 368
1173 US RT 4
Canaan, NH 03741
603-523-9650
www.canaanlibrary.org

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday	3pm-9pm
Tuesday	1pm-5pm
Wednesday	1pm-9pm
Thursday	1pm-5pm
Friday	9am-12pm
Saturday	9am-3pm

LIBRARY OFFERINGS

Audio Books	Home Schooling Retreats	Programming
Adult Book Group	Inter-Library Loan	(author visits, speakers, etc.)
Book Fairs	Kill-A-Watt Meters	Reference Assistance
Book Sales	Knitting Instruction	Rubber Stamps
Children's Craft Programs	Knitting Needles	School Class Visits
Children's Story Hour	Large Print Materials	Story Hour
Community Group Meeting Space	Library Blog	Summer Reading Program (Adult)
Downloadable Audio Books	Library Website	Summer Reading Program (Children)
Downloadable eBooks	Local Artist Exhibits	Tax Materials
DVDS	Meetinghouse Readings	Volunteering Opportunities
Free Cable Internet Access	Online Card Catalog	Wireless Internet Access
Friends of the Library	Online Databases	Writers Group
Genealogy Assistance	Online Encyclopedia	
Handicap Accessibility	Photocopying	

CIRCULATION

(totals in this section are projected through the end of the year based on 11 months of activity)

YEAR	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
TOTAL	28,730	35,186	34,902	30,565	30,593	33,919	42,351	41,544	38,917

INTERNET USAGE

(included in previous circulation figures)

Individual Sessions	2,513
Wireless Sessions	490
Total	3,003

The wireless service is also available when the library is not open, to allow our patrons 24/7 access.

DOWNLOADABLE AUDIO BOOKS

(included in previous circulation figures)

Audio books downloaded	602
eBooks downloaded	245

The library pays to belong to the Downloadable Audio Book Consortium through the NH State Library. Our patrons have access to over 4000 titles.

INTER-LIBRARY LOANS

(included in previous circulation figures)

Loaned to other libraries	554
Borrowed by our patrons	1,337

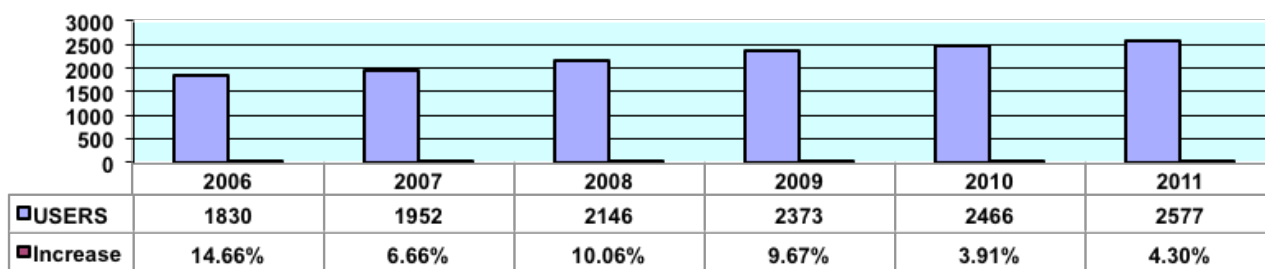
COLLECTIONS

Adult Books	15,377	Adult Audios	503
Juvenile Books	10,585	Juvenile Audios	342
Total Books	25,962	Total Audios	845
Adult Videos	486	Magazines	1,349
Juvenile Videos	214	Music CDs	575
Total Videos	700	Artifacts	82

TOTAL REGISTERED BORROWERS*

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Canaan	1,207 75.60%	1,367 74.90%	1,462 74.90%	1,637 76.20%	1,795 75.64%	1,865 75.62%	1,933 75.01%
Dorchester	43 2.60%	47 2.50%	49 2.50%	59 2.70%	80 3.37%	87 3.52%	95 3.68%
Enfield	39 2.40%	43 2.30%	49 2.50%	49 2.20%	54 2.27%	53 2.14%	60 2.32%
Grafton	210 13.1%	256 14.0%	272 13.9%	283 13%	323 13.61%	339 13.74%	360 13.96%
Orange	89 5.50%	97 5.30%	101 5.00%	110 5.10%	121 5.09%	122 4.94%	129 5.01%
Patron	8 0.50%	11 0.60%	19 0.90%	8 0.30%	0 0.00%	0 0.00%	0 0.00%
TOTAL	1,596	1,824	1,952 (10/3/07)	2,146	2,373	2,466	2,577

*These figures represent number of library cards and do not take into account the many families who have multiple users on one card.



Library Use Value Calculator Can be found at www.canaanlibrary.org

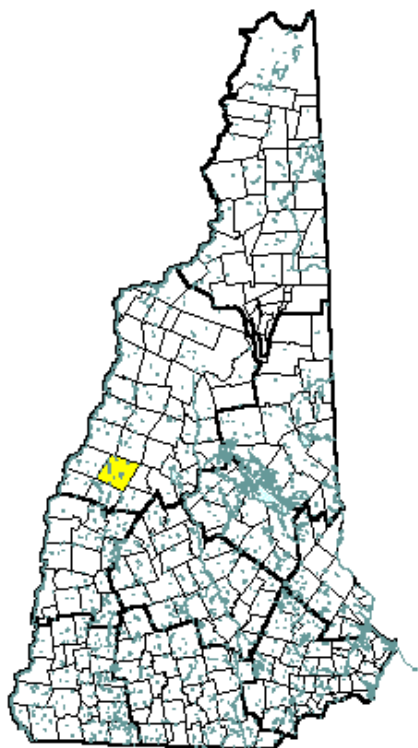
Libraries throughout New Hampshire offer a variety of entertainment and educational materials to tax-payers at a very economical rate. How much would they need to pay out-of-pocket if they purchased their books, movies and other library services in stores? Use our calculator to find out!

The NH Library Use Calculator is based on the spreadsheet developed by the Massachusetts Library Association and adapted for web use by the Maine State Library, the Chelmsford Public Library and the Chelsey Memorial Library. Find out how we calculated these figures.

Users of the Canaan Town Library for the time period of January 1, 2011 to November 30, 2011 would have had to pay \$573,978.00 out of pocket for the services they received from the library.

Appendix C: Town of Canaan, NH Statistics

Canaan, NH



Community Contact

Town of Canaan
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(603) 523-4526

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townadmin@canaannh.org

Web Site

www.canaannh.org

Municipal Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8 am - 4 pm, Tuesday, Thursday, 8 am - 1 pm, and Saturday 8 am - 12 noon

County

Grafton

Labor Market Area

Lebanon NH-VT Micro-NECTA, NH Portion

Tourism Region

Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee

Planning Commission

Upper Valley/Lake Sunapee

Regional Development

Grafton County Economic Development Council

Election Districts

US Congress

District 2

Executive Council

District 1

State Senate

District 2

State Representative

Grafton County District 10

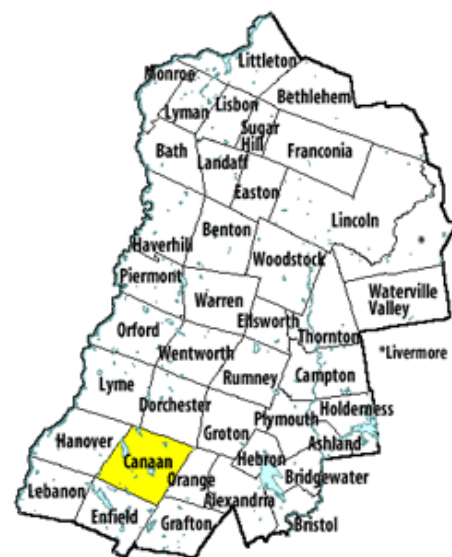
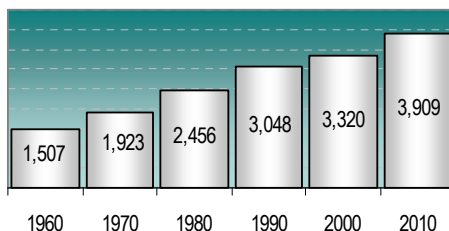
Incorporated: 1761

Origin: First chartered in 1761, the town probably took its name from the hometown of early settlers from Canaan, Connecticut. Not all the grantees became permanent settlers, and a new charter was issued in 1769. According to the Canaan Historical Society, the first train passed through in November 1847 with Daniel Webster on board, and the railroad operations sparked rapid business growth in Canaan Village. In September 1907, Canaan was the site of a tragic train accident, the collision of a passenger train and a freight, resulting in 25 dead and an equal number injured.

Villages and Place Names: Canaan Center, Canaan Street, West Canaan

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 504 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Canaan totaled 2,402 over 50 years, from 1,507 in 1960 to 3,909 in 2010. The largest decennial percent change was a 28 percent increase, which occurred between 1960 and 1970, and also between 1970 and 1980. The 2010 Census estimate for Canaan was 3,909 residents, which tied with Candia, ranking 96th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.



Grafton County

Population Density and Land Area, 2010 (US Census Bureau): 73.4 persons per square mile of land area. Canaan contains 53.3 square miles of land area and 1.8 square miles of inland water area.

Economic & Labor Market Information Bureau, NH Employment Security, 2011. Community Response Received 11/17/2011

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MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2011	\$3,731,584
Budget: School Appropriations, 2011	\$7,065,318
Zoning Ordinance	No Board
Master Plan	2006
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Budget; Library; Cemetery; Trust Funds; Checklist
Appointed:	Conservation; Recreation; Historic District; Capital Improvement; Meeting House Preservation

Public Library **Canaan Town**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full-time
Fire Department	Volunteer
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer

Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Med Ctr, Lebanon	17 miles	371
Alice Peck Day Memorial, Lebanon	15 miles	25

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	NH Electric Coop; National Grid
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Canaan Water Department
Sanitation	Municipal
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	None
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling Program	Voluntary
Telephone Company	Fairpoint
Cellular Telephone Access	Limited
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service:	Business Limited
	Residential Limited

PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2010 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$20.26
2010 Equalization Ratio	100.0
2010 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$20.34
2010 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type	
Residential Land and Buildings	90.7%
Commercial Land and Buildings	6.8%
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	2.4%

HOUSING (ACS 2006-2010)

Total Housing Units	1,912
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	1,368
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	
Two to Four Units in Structure	84
Five or More Units in Structure	18
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	442

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2010	3,909	89,118
2000	3,320	81,826
1990	3,048	74,998
1980	2,456	65,806
1970	1,923	54,914

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2006-2010**Population by Gender**

Male	2,060	Female	1,772
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Population by Age Group

Under age 5	136
Age 5 to 19	938
Age 20 to 34	484
Age 35 to 54	1,402
Age 55 to 64	463
Age 65 and over	409
Median Age	42.2 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	89.6%
Bachelor's degree or higher	23.4%

INCOME, 2010 INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ (ACS 2006-2010)

Per capita income	\$24,886
Median 4-person family income	\$62,973
Median household income	\$60,946

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	\$44,826
Female	\$35,625

Families below the poverty level	2%
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LABOR FORCE

(NHES – ELMI)

Annual Average	2000	2010
Civilian labor force	1,870	2,259
Employed	1,828	2,151
Unemployed	42	108
Unemployment rate	2.2%	4.8%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES – ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	2000	2010
Goods Producing Industries		
Average Employment	122	73
Average Weekly Wage	\$508	\$774
Service Providing Industries		
Average Employment	207	291
Average Weekly Wage	\$410	\$647
Total Private Industry		
Average Employment	329	363
Average Weekly Wage	\$446	\$672
Government (Federal, State, and Local)		
Average Employment	252	253
Average Weekly Wage	\$418	\$713
Total, Private Industry plus Government		
Average Employment	581	617
Average Weekly Wage	\$434	\$689

n = indicates that data does not meet disclosure standards

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE (NH Dept. of Education)

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Mascoma Valley Regional (Canaan, Dorchester, Enfield, Grafton, Orange)** District: **SAU 62**

Career Technology Center(s): **Hartford Career and Technical Center, White River Junction VT** Region: **07**

Educational Facilities	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1	1	1	1
Grade Levels	P K 1-4	5-8	9-12	6-9
Total Enrollment	292	423	439	200

2011 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS – Bureau of Child Care Licensing): Total Facilities: **6** Total Capacity: **79**

Nearest Community/Technical College: **River Valley**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Dartmouth; Colby-Sawyer; Lebanon**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
Mascoma Valley Regional School District	Education	117	
Cardigan School	Private school	50	
Barker Steel	Steel fabrication	40	1999
CLE	Race track	25	
Town of Canaan	Municipal services	20	1761
Mitchell Paddles, Inc.	Canoe paddles	5	1980

TRANSPORTATION *(distances estimated from city/town hall)*

Road Access	US Routes	4
	State Routes	118
Nearest Interstate, Exit	I-89, Exit 17	
	Distance	10 miles

Railroad	No
Public Transportation	Advance Transit

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation	
Lebanon Municipal	Runway 5,496 ft. asphalt
Lighted? Yes	Navigation Aids? Yes

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service	
Lebanon Municipal	Distance 18 miles
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport	1

Driving distance to select cities:	
Manchester, NH	80 miles
Portland, Maine	172 miles
Boston, Mass.	130 miles
New York City, NY	283 miles
Montreal, Quebec	202 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (ACS 2006-2010)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	77.8%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	11.9%
Public transportation	0.4%
Walked	1.0%
Other means	4.3%
Worked at home	4.5%
Mean Travel Time to Work	26.1 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2006-2010

Working in community of residence	32.4%
Commuting to another NH community	61.6%
Commuting out-of-state	6.0%

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X	Municipal Parks
	YMCA/YWCA
	Boys Club/Girls Club
	Golf Courses
	Swimming: Indoor Facility
	Swimming: Outdoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
	Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
	Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
	Bowling Facilities
X	Museums
	Cinemas
	Performing Arts Facilities
	Tourist Attractions
X	Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X	Youth Sports: Baseball
	Youth Sports: Soccer
	Youth Sports: Football
X	Youth Sports: Basketball
	Youth Sports: Hockey
X	Campgrounds
X	Fishing/Hunting
X	Boating/Marinas
X	Snowmobile Trails
X	Bicycle Trails
X	Cross Country Skiing
X	Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
	Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Dartmouth Skiway**

Other: