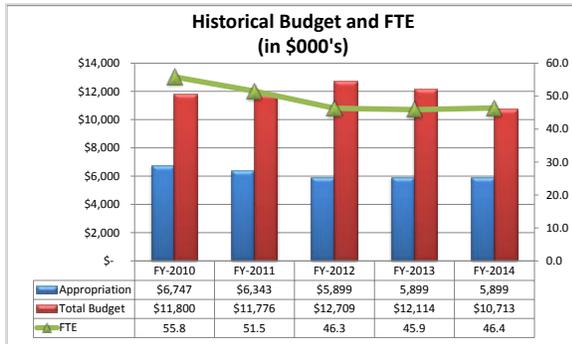


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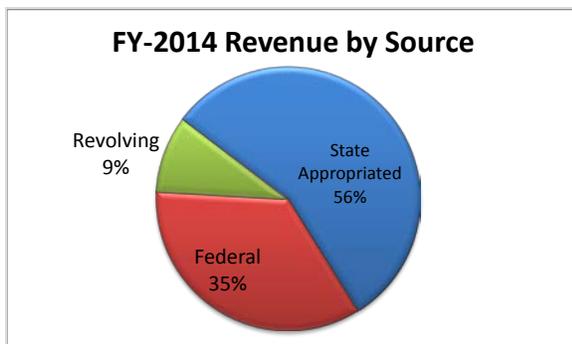
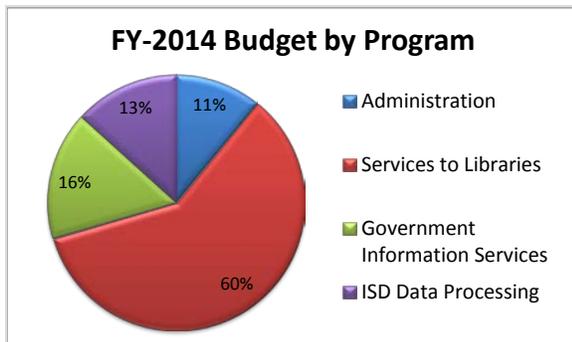


Mission

The Oklahoma Department of Libraries (ODL) serves the citizens of Oklahoma by providing excellent information services and preserving unique government information resources.

Programs

For more information about ODL, visit [their website](#).



Accomplishments over Past Year

- Completed implementation of a Broadband Technology Opportunities Program Grant:

- Customers of 44 rural public libraries enjoyed higher broadband speeds and videoconferencing capabilities. During FY-2013, these libraries used videoconferencing to offer classes, seminars, continuing education, job certification opportunities and health and safety programs to almost 1,500 Oklahomans.
- Increased digital access to state government information:
 - State government publications were viewed or downloaded more than 650,000 times via Documents.OK.Gov in FY-2013, the first full year of this legislatively-mandated service. Through Forms.Ok.Gov, state government forms have been viewed or downloaded almost 24,000 times. ODL and OMES were honored with a national library award for creation of the state government information portal.
- Completed four-year federal grant project to improve services and resources in Native American archives, libraries, and museums:
 - “Preserving Tribal Language, Memory, and Lifeways: A Continuing Education Project for the 21st Century” offered 64 distinct continuing education opportunities and events that helped improve the knowledge and skills of more than 6,800 library, archival and museum staff from across Oklahoma and the nation.
- Moved Health Literacy Initiative forward:
 - Following a successful state Health Literacy Summit, where more than 200 participants learned strategies to communicate health information to low-level readers, ODL provided program and outreach grants to five literacy councils. According to circulation, listenership, and viewership statistics, promotional activities increased awareness about health literacy issues for up to 370,000 people.

Goals for Upcoming Year

- Encourage adoption of new online benchmark tool, the ‘Edge Initiative,’ to increase public library support of community goals:
 - Edge is a tool to help America’s public libraries assess their vital public access technology (PAT) services for customers, and plan for the future. ODL is one of only