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Learned Societies

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NUMBERS

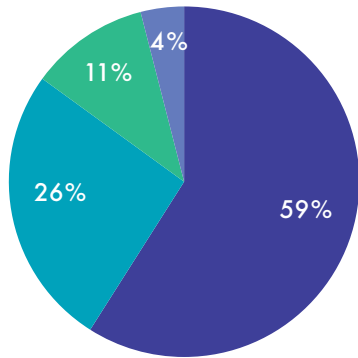
A Survey of
American Council
of Learned
Societies Members
2017



LEARNED SOCIETY REVENUE

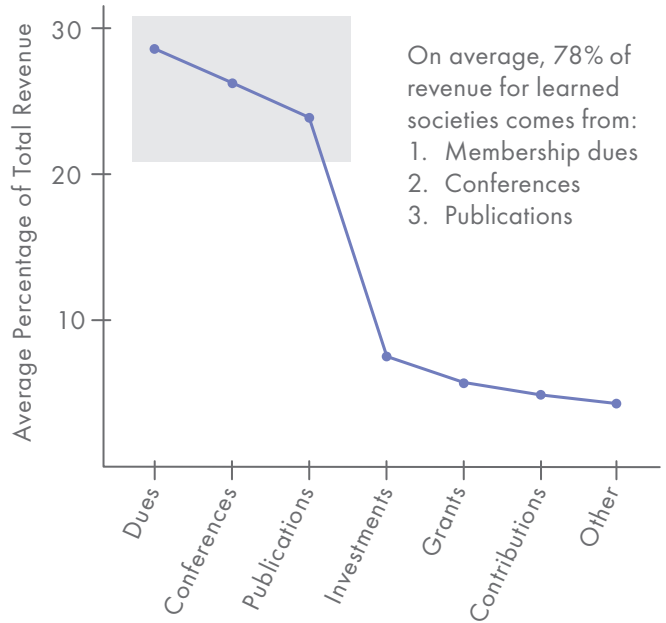
MOST RECENT FY ANNUAL REVENUE

- <\$1 million
- \$1 million-\$4.9 million
- \$5 million-\$10 million
- >\$10 million



OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS, revenue has increased for 72% of learned societies, remained the same for 20%, and decreased for 8%.

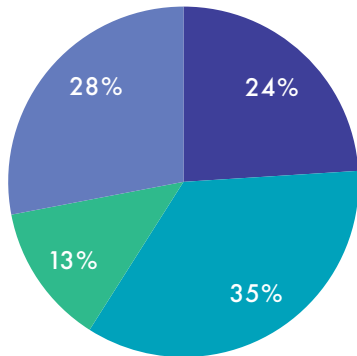
SOURCES OF REVENUE



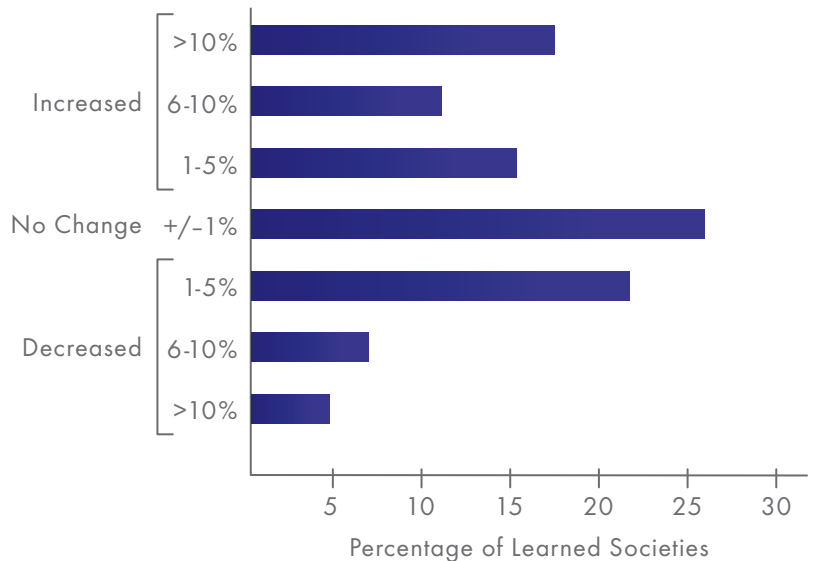
MEMBERSHIP

PREVIOUS YEAR MEMBERSHIP

- <1,000
- 1,000-2,499
- 2,500-6,000
- >6,000



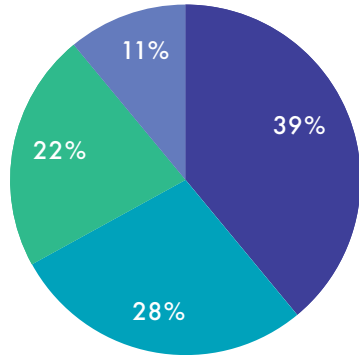
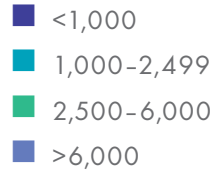
PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS MEMBERSHIP



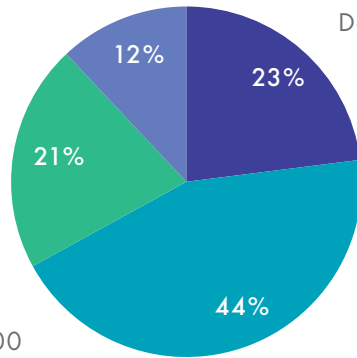
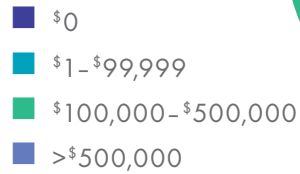
OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS, membership has remained steady at +/-5% for 62% of learned societies. Overall during this period, 42% experienced a membership increase and 32% experienced a decrease.

ANNUAL CONVENTION

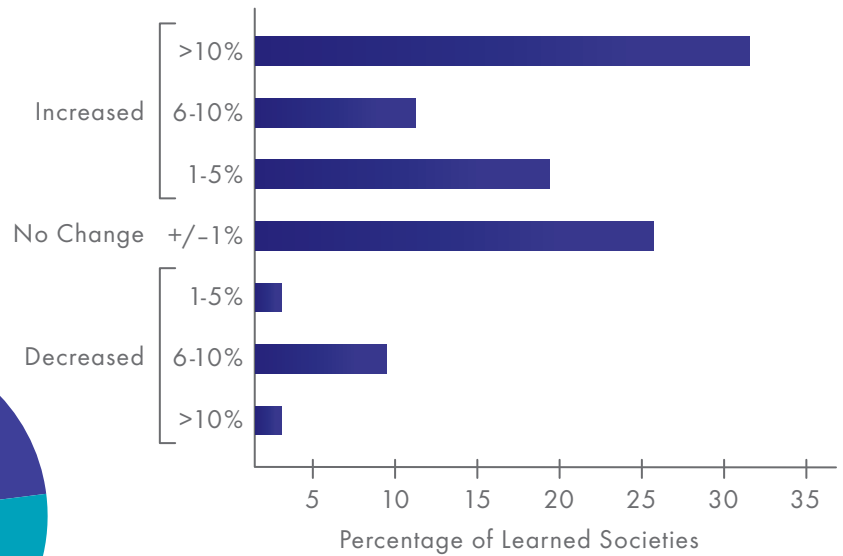
MOST RECENT CONVENTION ATTENDANCE



MOST RECENT CONVENTION NET REVENUE



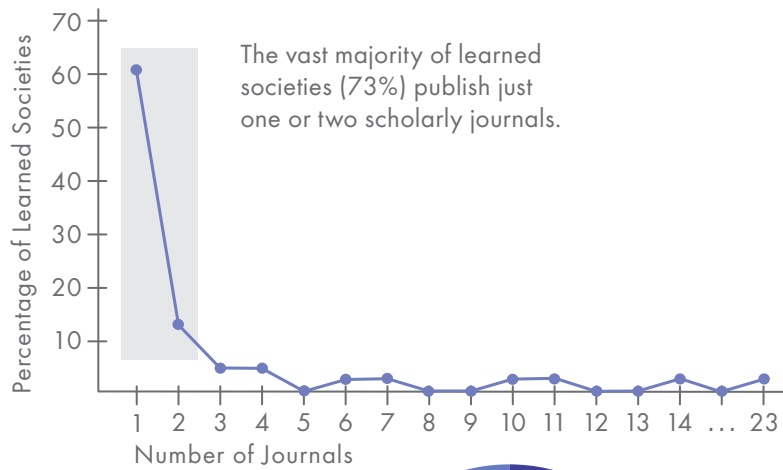
PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS CONVENTION ATTENDANCE



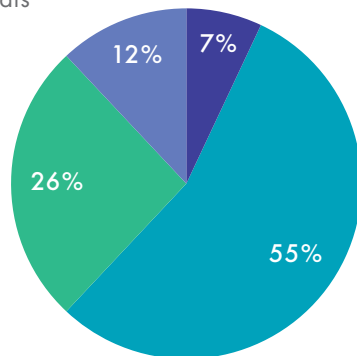
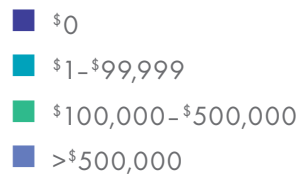
OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS, attendance at 87% of learned society meetings increased or remained steady, with 32% increasing by more than 10%.

PUBLICATIONS

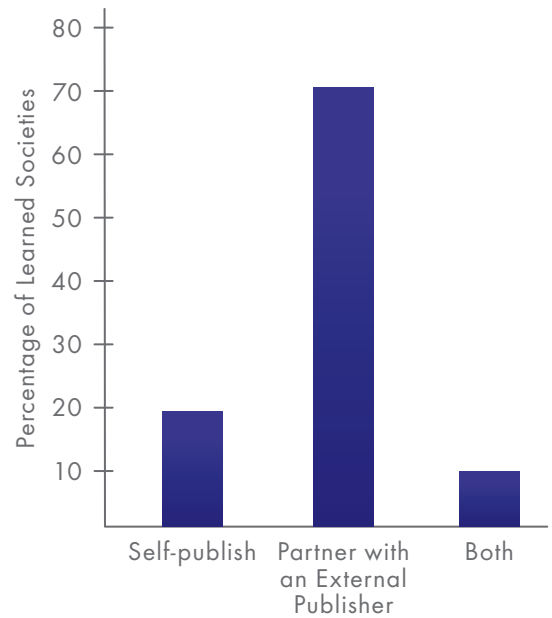
NUMBER OF SCHOLARLY JOURNALS



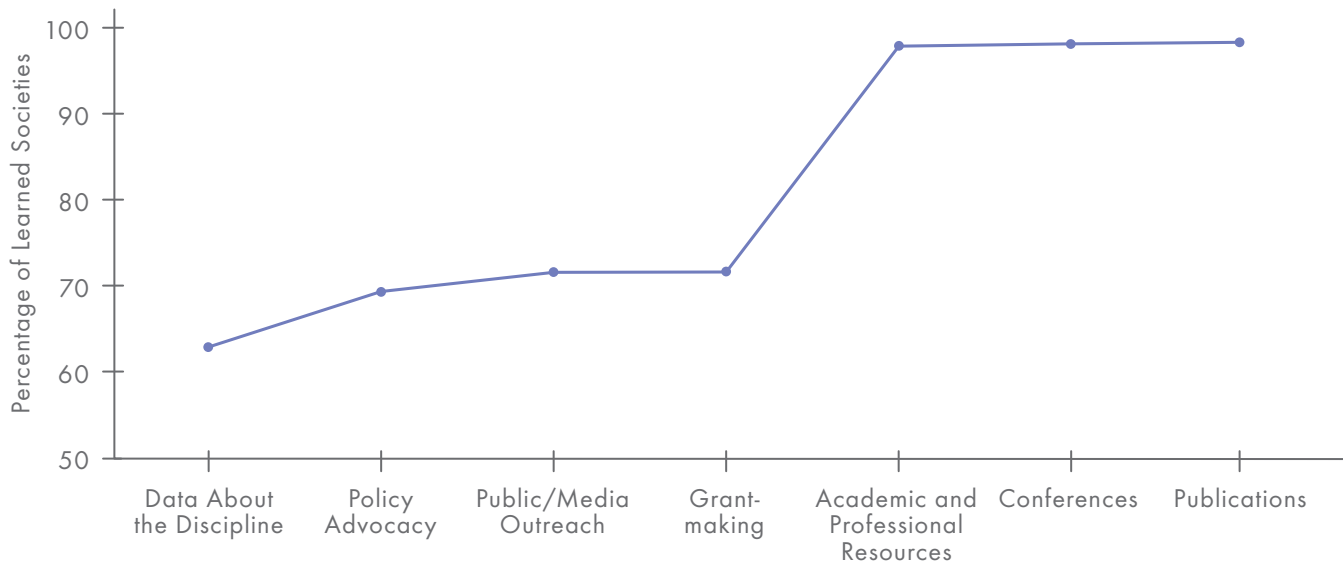
PREVIOUS FY PUBLICATIONS NET REVENUE



PUBLISHER



80% OF LEARNED SOCIETIES PUBLISH all or some of their journals in partnership with an external publisher.



WHO WORKS IN LEARNED SOCIETIES?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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| Full-time paid | 65% |
| Part-time paid | 20% |
| Part-time unpaid | 15% |

FOR THOSE SOCIETIES WITH A FULL-TIME EXECUTIVE

DIRECTOR, median full-time staff is 10 (range 0-102) and median part-time staff is 2 (range 0-26). Societies with part-time Executive Directors have median 0 full-time staff (range 0-1) and median 1 part-time staff (range 0-5).

PARTICIPATING SOCIETIES

American Academy of Religion
 American Anthropological Association
 American Comparative Literature Association
 American Economic Association
 American Folklore Society
 American Historical Association
 American Musicological Society
 American Numismatic Society
 American Oriental Society
 American Philosophical Association
 American Political Science Association
 American Schools of Oriental Research
 American Society for Aesthetics
 American Society for Environmental History
 American Society for Legal History
 American Society of Church History
 American Society of Comparative Law
 American Sociological Association
 American Studies Association
 Archaeological Institute of America
 Association for Jewish Studies
 Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies
 Association for the Advancement of Baltic Studies
 Association of American Law Schools
 Dictionary Society of North America
 Economic History Association
 German Studies Association
 History of Science Society
 International Center of Medieval Art
 Law and Society Association
 Linguistic Society of America
 Medieval Academy of America
 Modern Language Association of America
 National Communication Association
 National Council of Teachers of English
 National Council on Public History
 North American Conference on British Studies
 Oral History Association
 Organization of American Historians
 Rhetoric Society of America
 Shakespeare Association of America
 Sixteenth Century Society and Conference
 Society for American Music
 Society for Cinema and Media Studies
 Society for Ethnomusicology
 Society for Music Theory
 Society for the History of Authorship, Reading and Publishing
 Society of Architectural Historians
 Society of Biblical Literature