

## **COLLECTION ANALYSIS: COLLECTION ANALYSIS REPORTS**

Some vendors provide collection analysis reports once your MARC records are exported to them. Library Services exports the NISD library database three times a year, in February, June, and October. Prior to each export, campus library Withdrawn accounts are deleted. Librarians may want to print or make note of any items in this account prior to deletion. Vendor collection analysis is generally available within three weeks after the export.

A collection report from a vendor could provide:

- A breakdown of your collection by 100's in Dewey, plus other categories, giving the average age, number of items, and percentage of each section
- A bar graph showing the average age of each section
- A pie chart showing the percentage of each section to the whole
- A breakdown of your collection by 110's in Dewey, plus other categories, giving the average age, number of items, and percentage of each section
- A bar graph showing the percentage of your sections compared to vendor's recommended percentages
- The number of books you have in decade categories, chart and bar graph form