

BREAKING TRAIL

New Directions for the MDLP



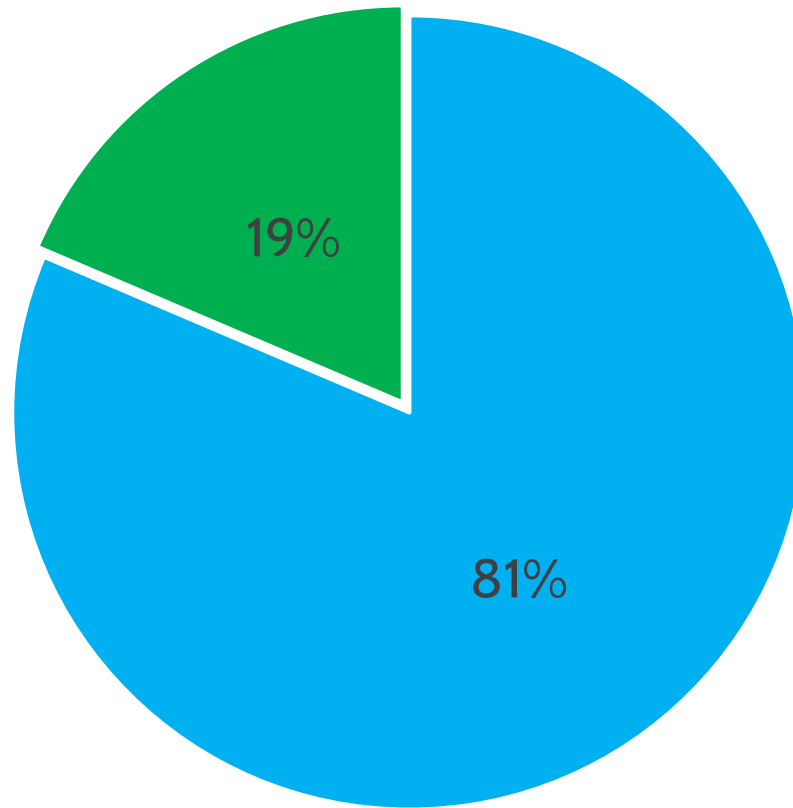
“Almost everyone recognizes the need for more money but our challenge is to determine how libraries can re-tool to do the best we can with the resources available. The interrelationships within the library community are a place to start.”

The Minister's Multitype Library Development Advisory Committee. (1996). *Think globally...search locally: A strategic plan for the implementation of a multitype library system in Saskatchewan.*

The MDLP supports equity of access to online library resources for all Saskatchewan residents, including those who live in small urban, rural, and remote areas.

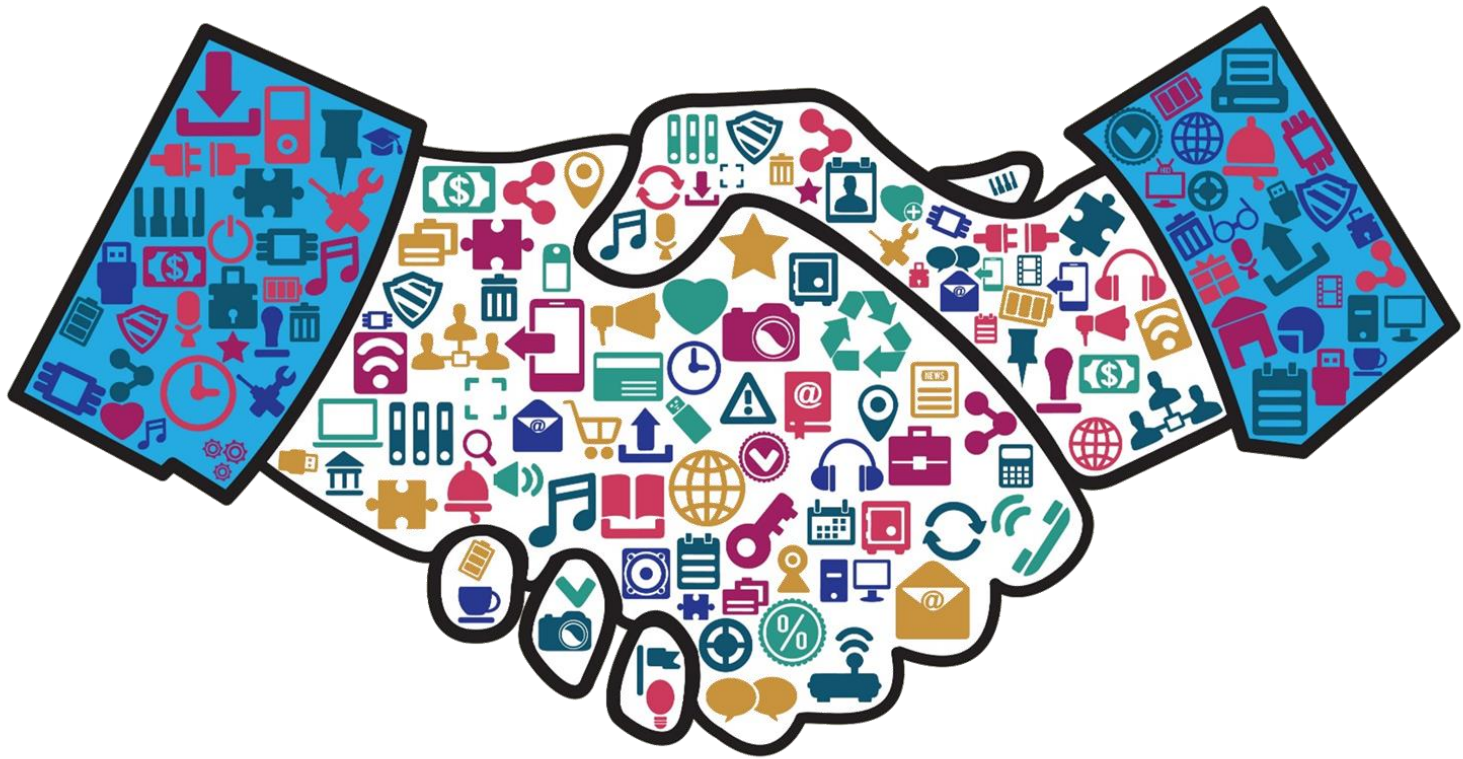
MDLP libraries are helping to close the digital divide, and are working to ensure that all citizens have access to high quality information, a necessity for education, work, and leisure in a global, knowledge-based economy.

MDLP ACCESS IN SASKATCHEWAN



■ population served ■ population not served

COLLABORATION = MORE RESOURCES



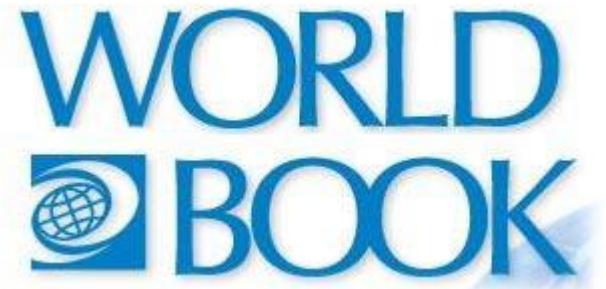
ADDRESSING A CONCERN...

The program does not evolve to meet
changing needs!

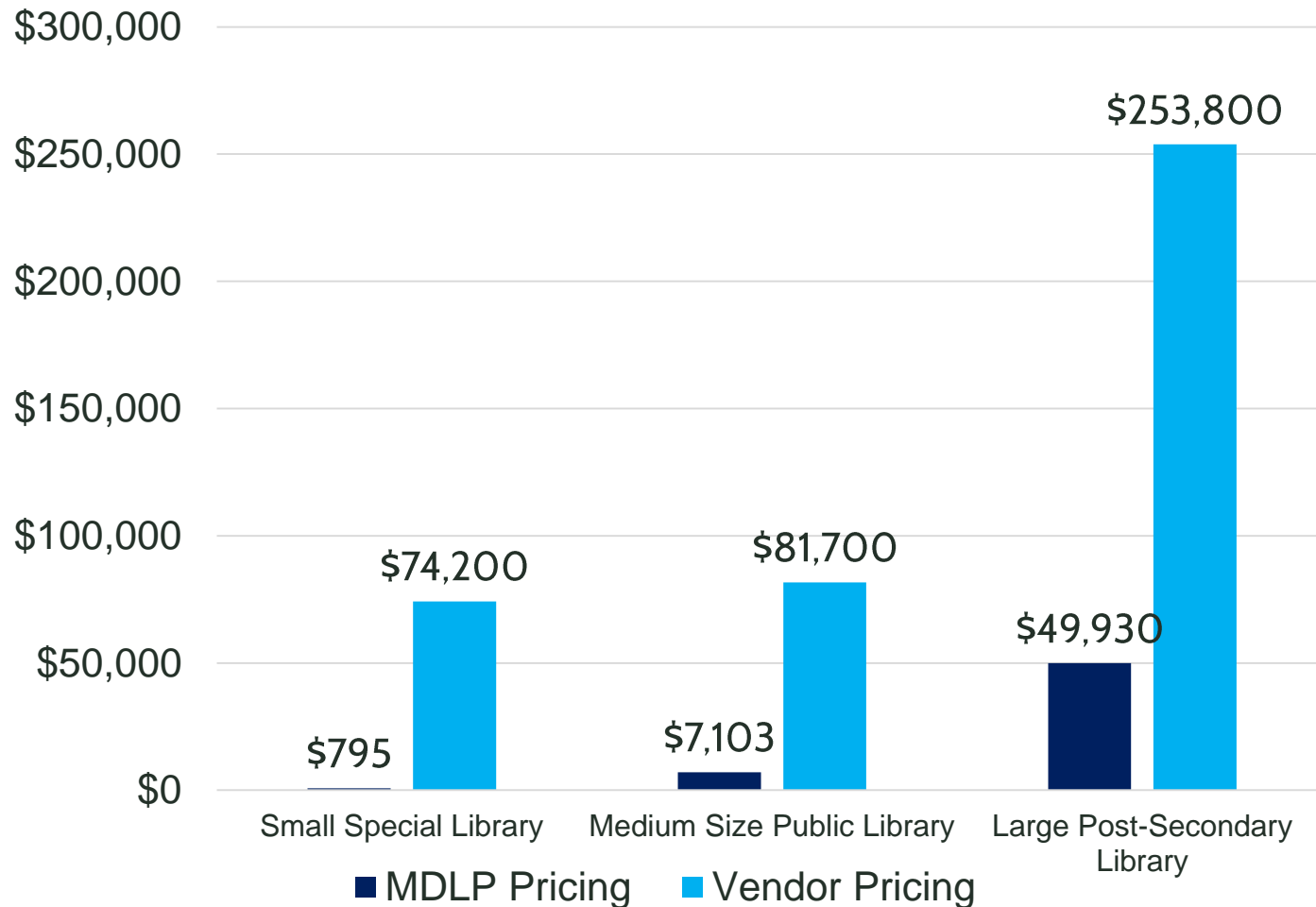
This program has not changed in 20 years!

Is this **ACTUALLY** true?

SUPPLEMENTAL COLLECTION



2015 VENDOR PRICING VS MDLP

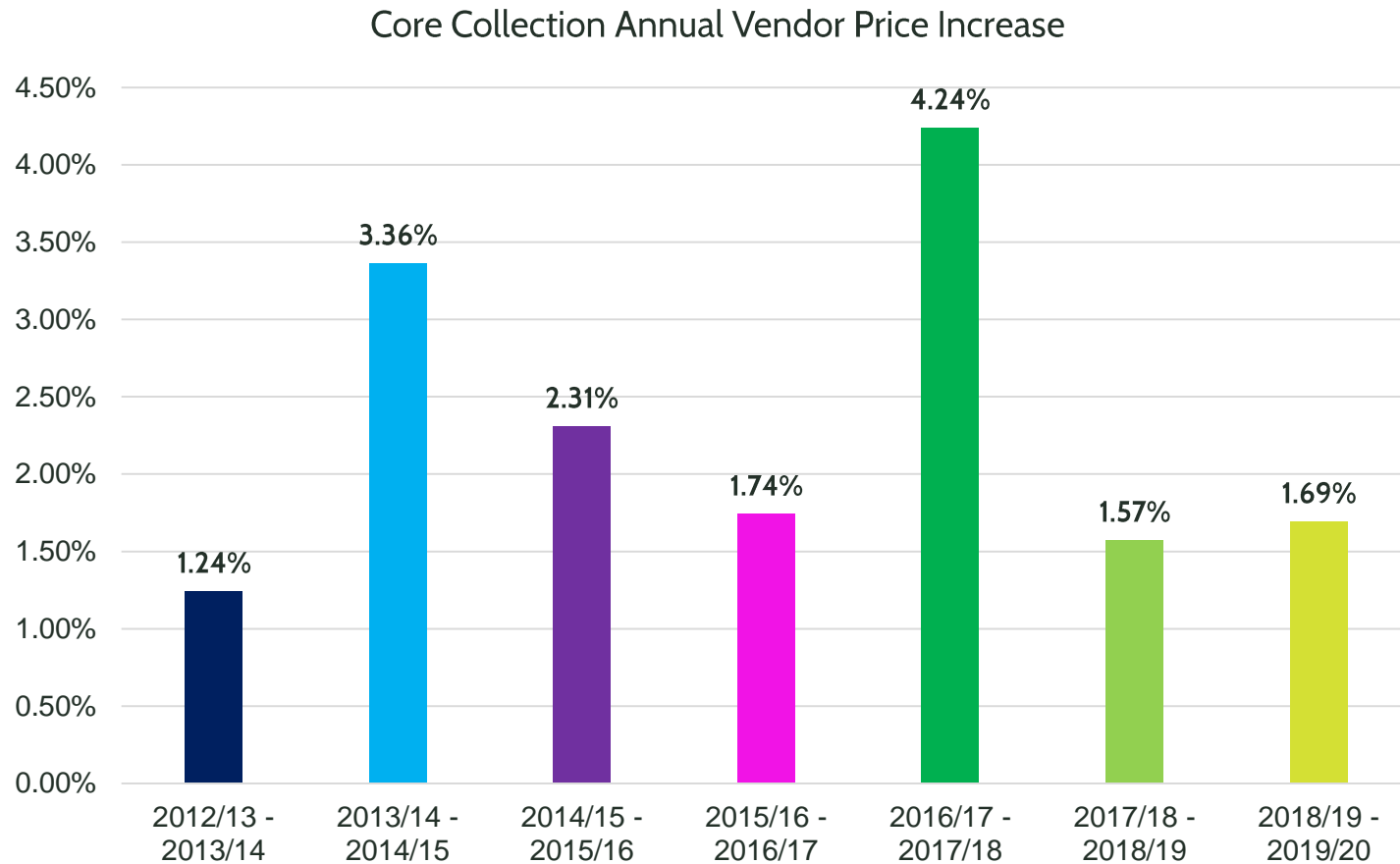


PRODUCTS IN THE COLLECTION 2002/2003 TO PRESENT



- Canadian Major Dailies
- CBCA: Reference, Business, Education
- CPI.Q
- Expanded Academic ASAP
- General OneFile
- General Reference Center Gold
- Health and Wellness Resource Center
- Health Reference Center Academic
- LegalTrac
- Literature Resource Center
- Student Edition

ANNUAL COLLECTION COST INCREASES



ADDRESSING A CONCERN...

The program is not good value for money!

Is this **ACTUALLY** true?

VALUE - COST PER PERSON IN 2019/2020



TAX SAVINGS

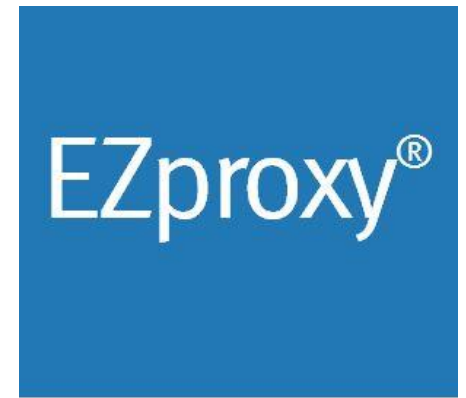
no GST on SK Gov't licenses

PST exempt (2007-) journals, newspapers, books

\$722,200

GST/PST savings from 2007 - 2018

GOVERNMENT SUPPORT



ADDRESSING A CONCERN...

Usage is declining every year!

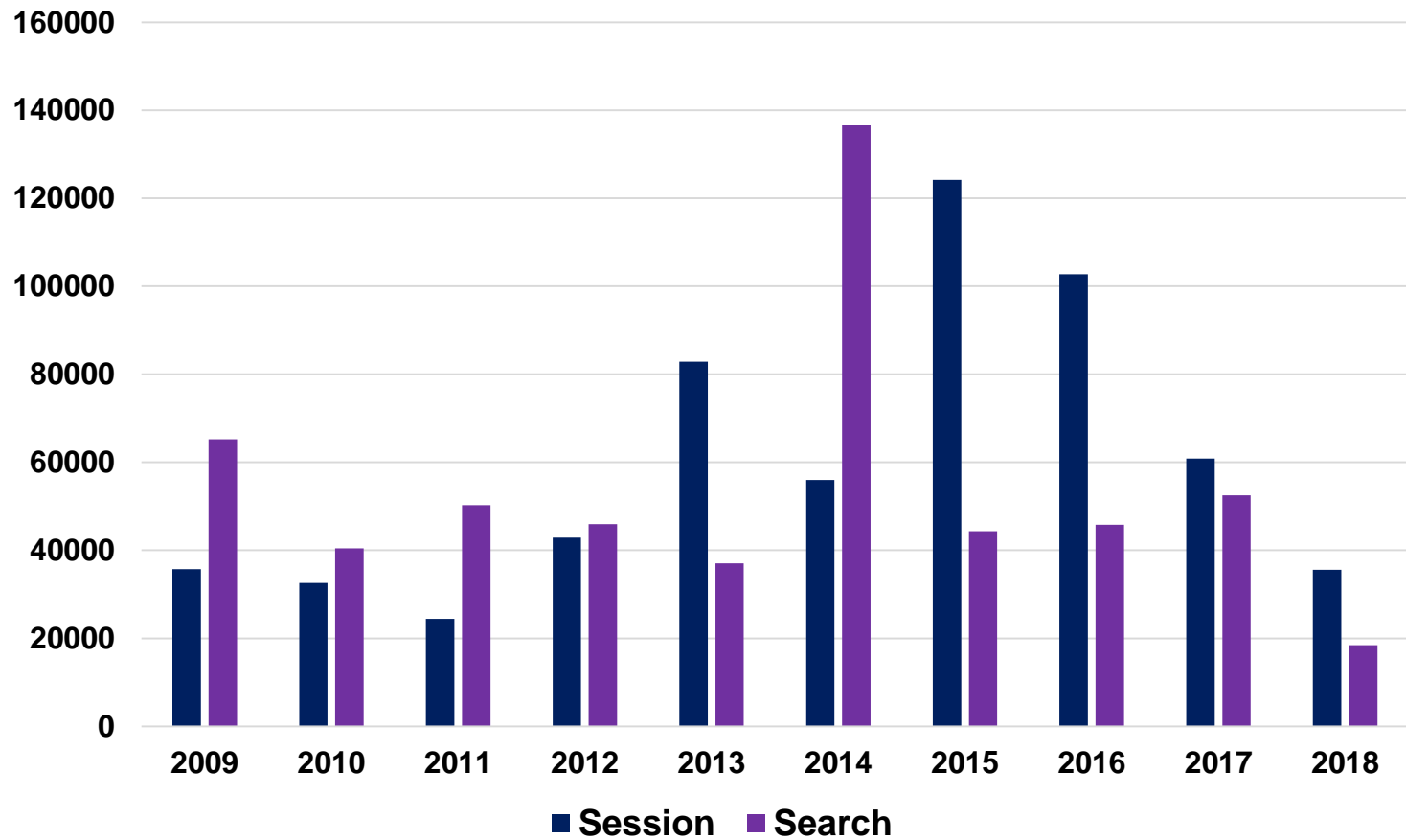
The program is dying!

The sky is falling!

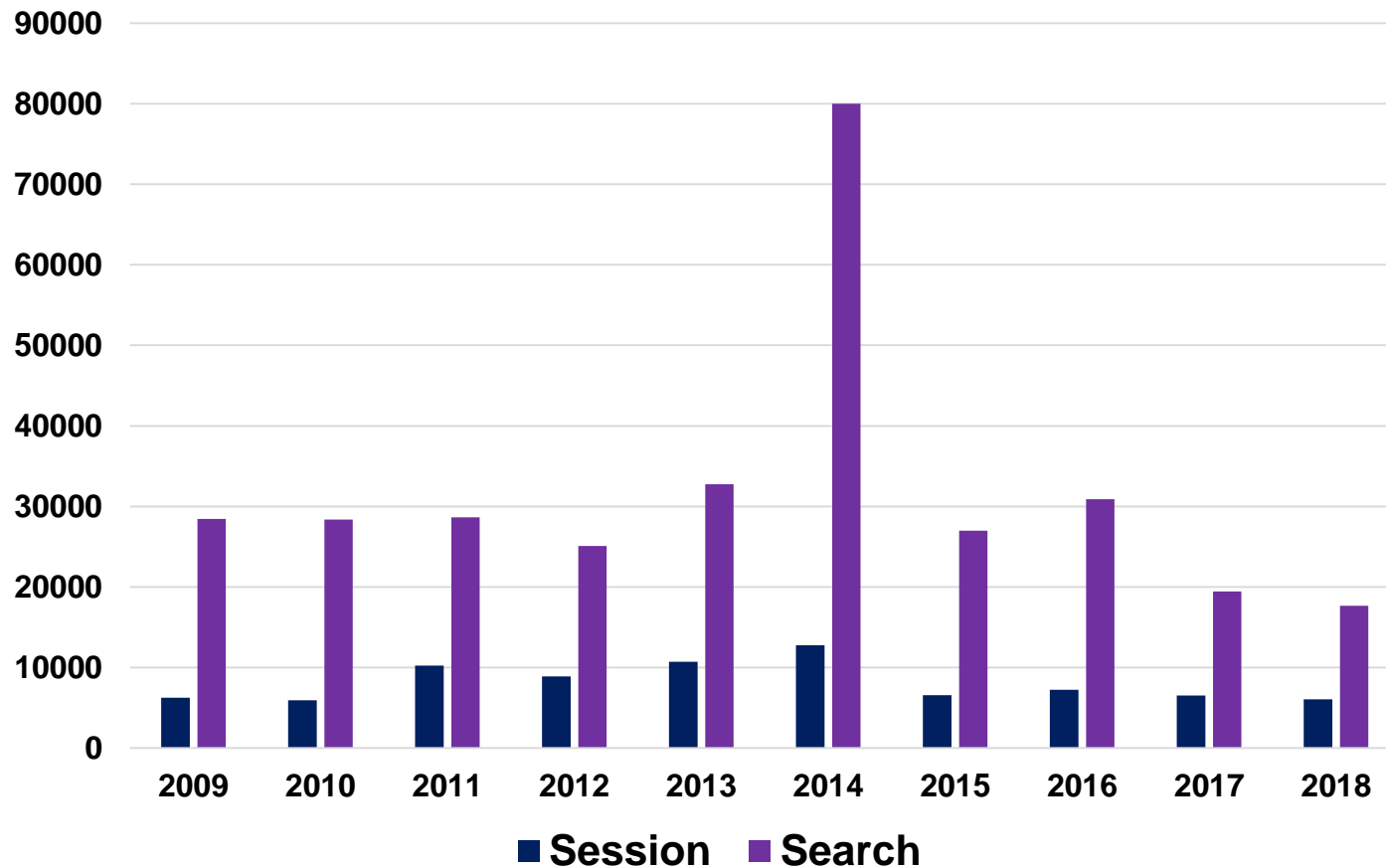
No one uses MDLP resources anymore!

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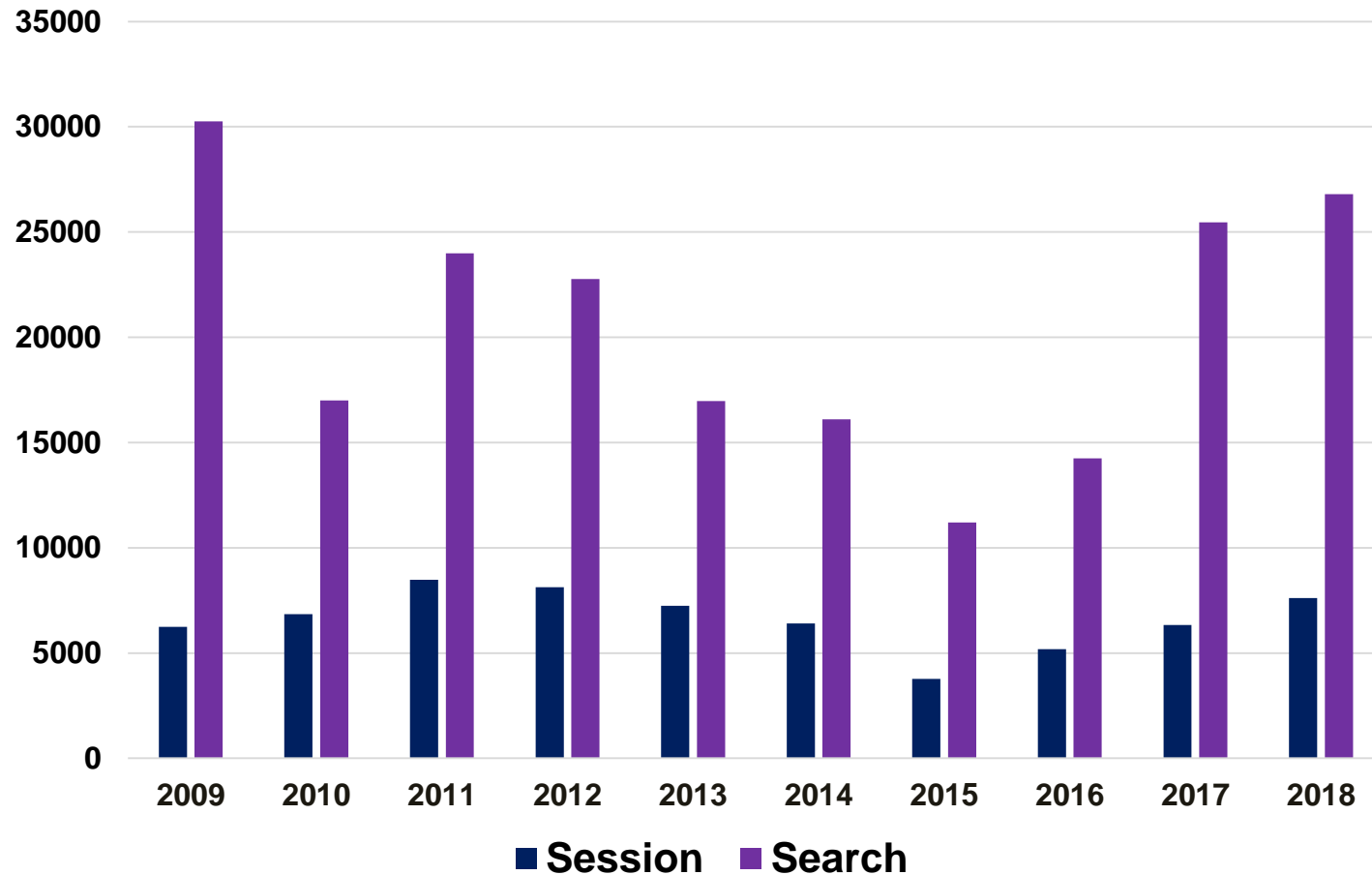
GENERAL ONEFILE: 2009-2018



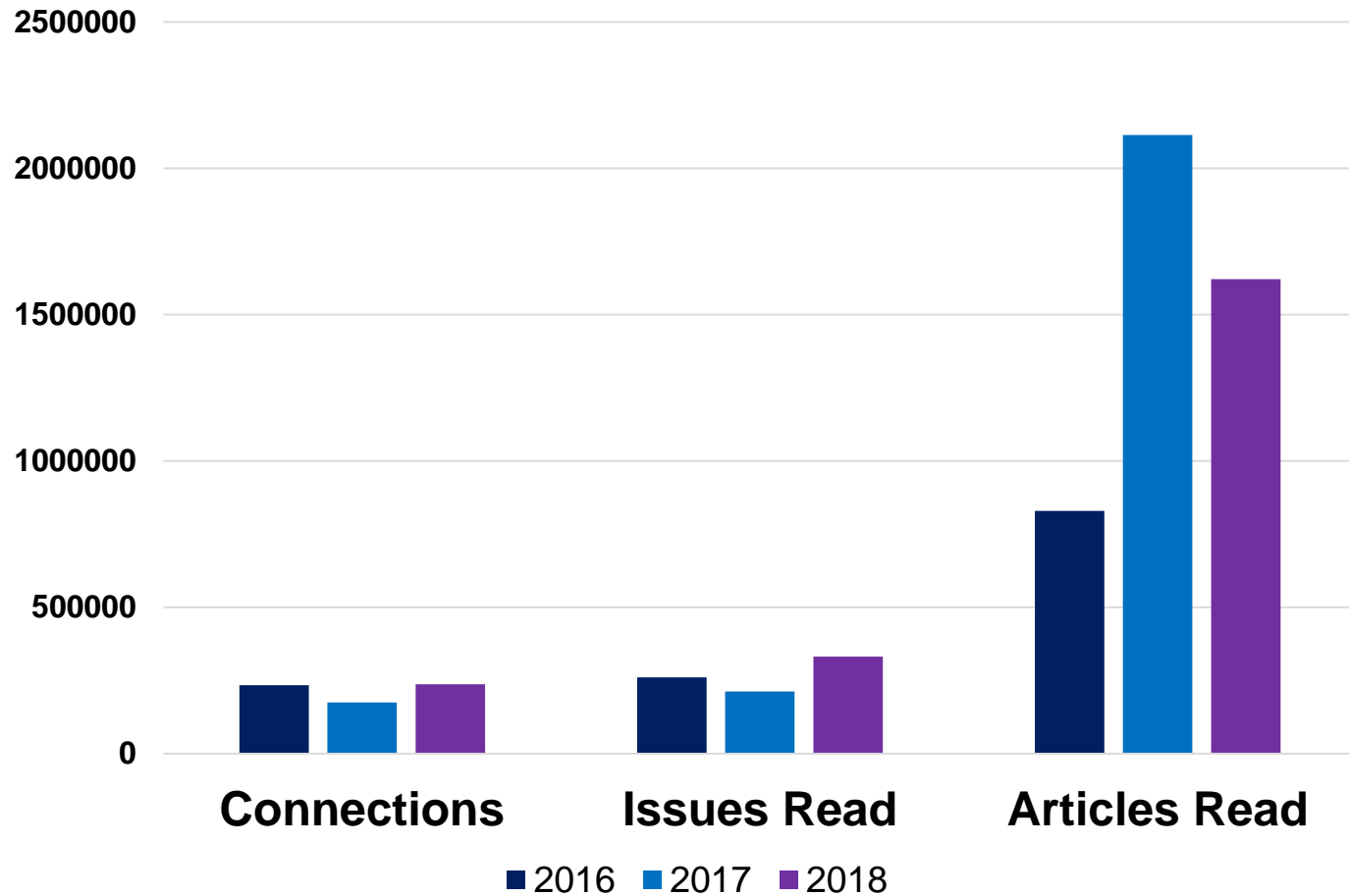
NOVELIST PLUS & K-8: 2009-2018



KIDS INFOBITS: 2009-2018



PRESSREADER: 2016-2018



EXTERNAL PROGRAM REVIEW: PRAXIS REPORT 2018

- Strengthen governance leadership, direction, and oversight;
- Align program structure with partner needs;
- Increase program management functions, capacity, and accountability; and,
- Develop a transparent and adaptable funding formula.

ADDRESSING A CONCERN...

MDLP change is so slow.
The MDLP will never change.
Partners are happy with status quo.

Is this ACTUALLY true?

PROGRAM RENEWAL 2018/2019

Change is happening!

1. developed new committee with sector representation
2. updated terms of reference
3. developed consensus decision making process
4. created a communications document
5. regular updates for partners with meeting minutes
6. stats changed to COUNTER 4
7. completed the core structure review

WHERE WE ARE HEADED IN 2019/2020

August

update
terms of
reference

mid-October

core
collection
evaluation

funding
review
(define
status quo)

policy
creation
(partner
revenue &
exchange
rate fund)

November

partner
meeting

March

policy
creation
(collection
admin)

THANK YOU

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<https://mlb.libguides.com/MDLP>