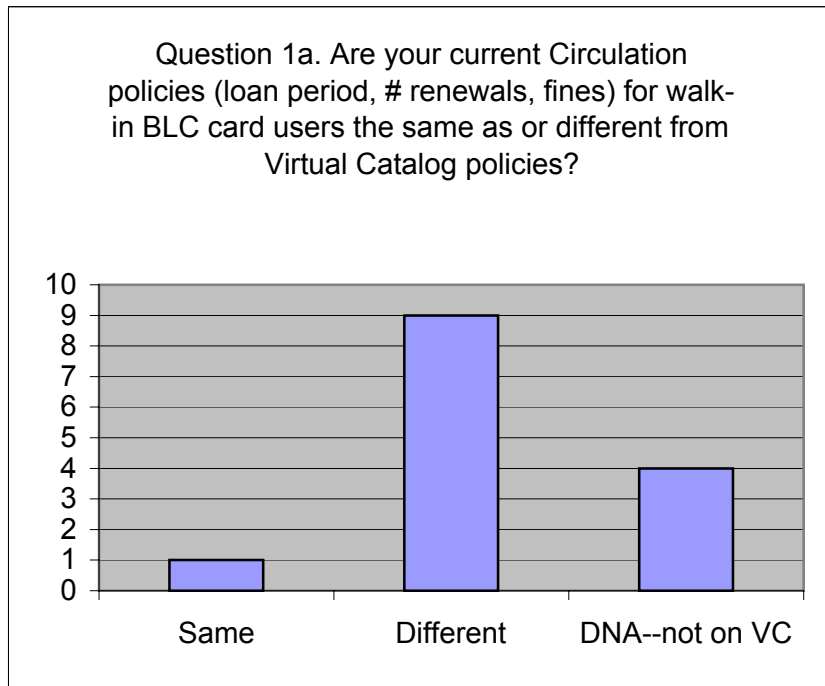


Question 1a. Are your current Circulation policies (loan period, # renewals, fines) for walk-in BLC card users the same as or different from Virtual Catalog policies?

Same	1
Different	9
DNA--not on VC	4

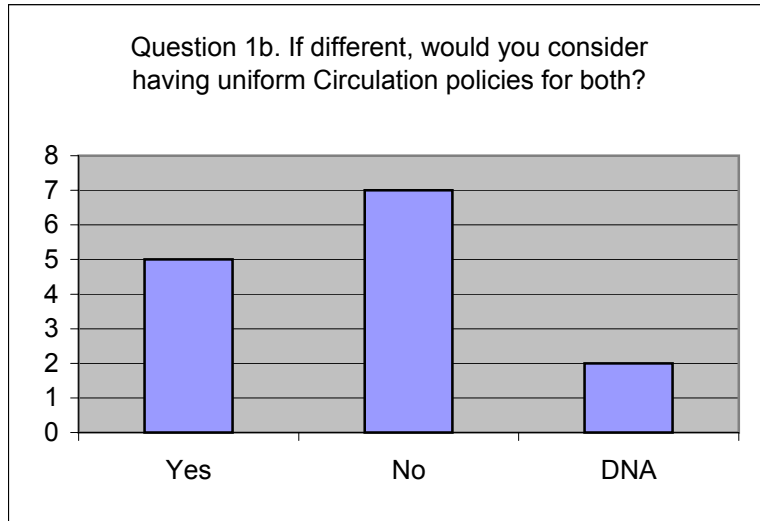


Question 1a Comments

1. N/A. We lend only through ILL. Since we are a member of a library network (C/WMARS), lending solely through ILL will continue after our records are loaded into the virtual catalog.

Question 1b. If different, would you consider having uniform Circulation policies for both?

Yes	5
No	7
DNA	2



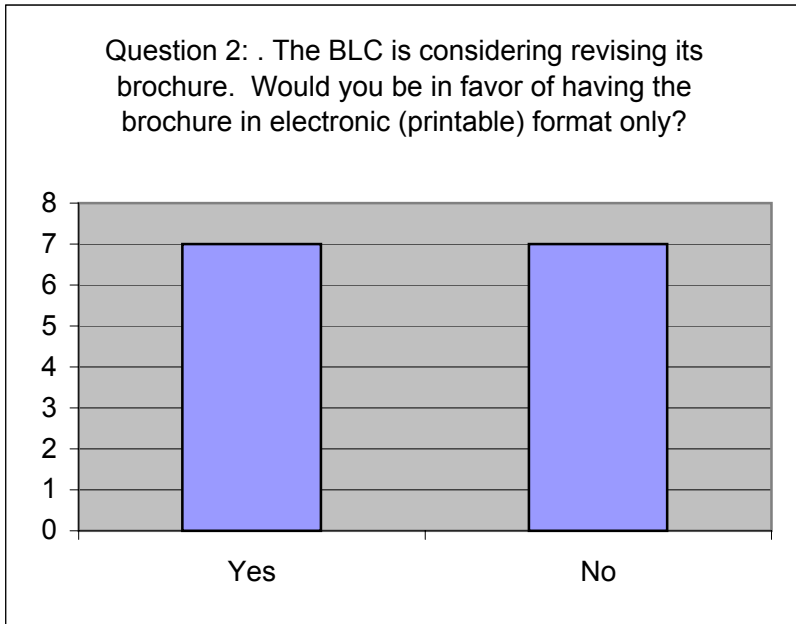
Question 1b Comments:

1. Of course we would “consider it” but they are really very different services, and there are limitations to the possibilities of all the ILS systems. We don’t do much consortium card business; perhaps those libraries that are more impacted should perhaps have more input into the onsite use policies.

2. We have very long loan periods for our patrons & we currently do not loan to BLC walkins (except via ILL and Virtual Catalog). BLC card carriers use the library onsite only.

Question 2: . The BLC is considering revising its brochure. Would you be in favor of having the brochure in electronic (printable) format only?

Yes	7
No	7

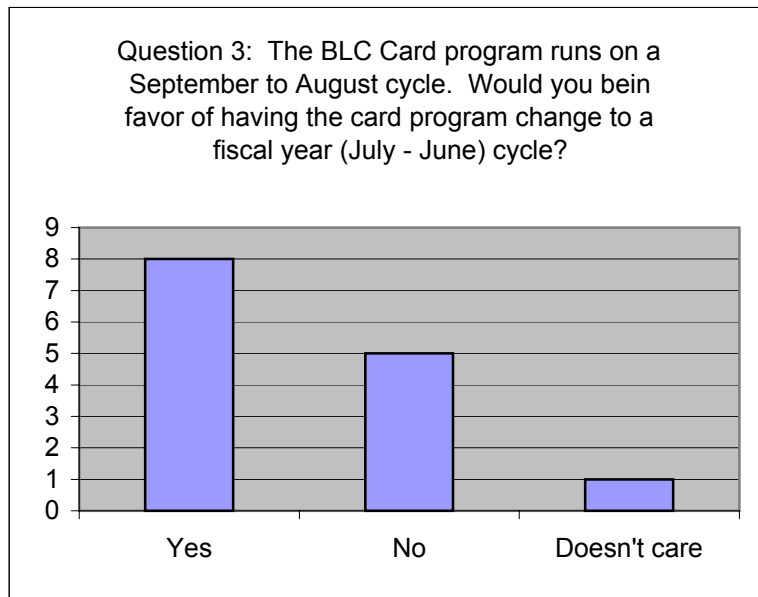


Question 2 Comments

1. I'd like to see a few more years with the printed brochure—it's very handy. But we could live without it if there were significant savings. It would be GREAT if it were on the web also!
2. (Yes) but keep the bookmark!! as I hand them to folks w/their new BLC cards—cheap advertising & something for them to carry away.
3. (No)—I really like being able to hand something to the patron and my institution really can't take on the expense of printing our own brochure.

Question 3: The BLC Card program runs on a September to August cycle. Would you be in favor of having the card program change to a fiscal year (July - June) cycle?

Yes	8
No	5
Doesn't care	1



Comments Question 3.

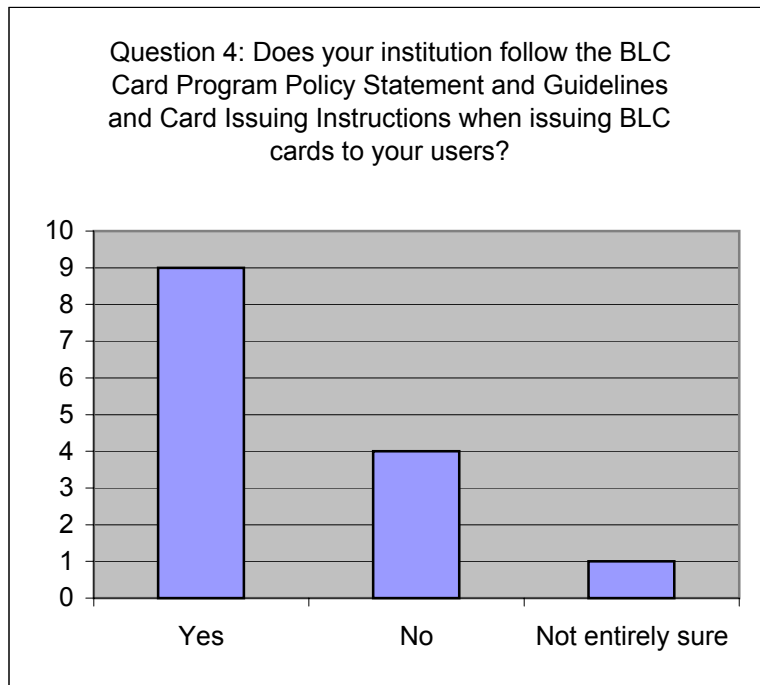
1. Have no preference. If fiscal stats are more useful, we could make the change easily.
2. Easier on the students to have it run on the academic year. (This institution) runs on multiple calendars and the beginning of September is the meeting point where all the calendars come together, so the academic year makes sense for us and the fiscal year would not.
3. Statistics cycle is Fiscal Year—should match either way

4. (This institution) does all of its statistics on an academic year (July-June) basis. However, I think it would be fine to have the expiration date on cards be August 31, but we should begin issuing cards for the next year on July 1—there is a two month period for patrons to get a new card without losing privileges.
5. It would be much simpler to run statistics for the same time period as the university.
6. My fiscal year is Jan-June (sic) so I don't really care; all else in BLC runs July-June though, so that makes more sense?
7. The September to August schedule coincides with the academic calendar. This is far more convenient for both staff and students.

8. (This institution) reports, collects statistics, seeks funding on a fiscal year basis.
9. Uniformity for annual reports; statistics; easier issuing rather than dealing with August expirations; new cards would be available before incoming faculty/students in August/September.
10. It doesn't matter as long as we agree on a standard time period.
11. I think the card program should coincide with the academic year.
12. The normal academic calendar seems better suited for our users.

Question 4: Does your institution follow the BLC Card Program Policy Statement and Guidelines and Card Issuing Instructions when issuing BLC cards to your users?

Yes	9
No	4
Not entirely sure	1

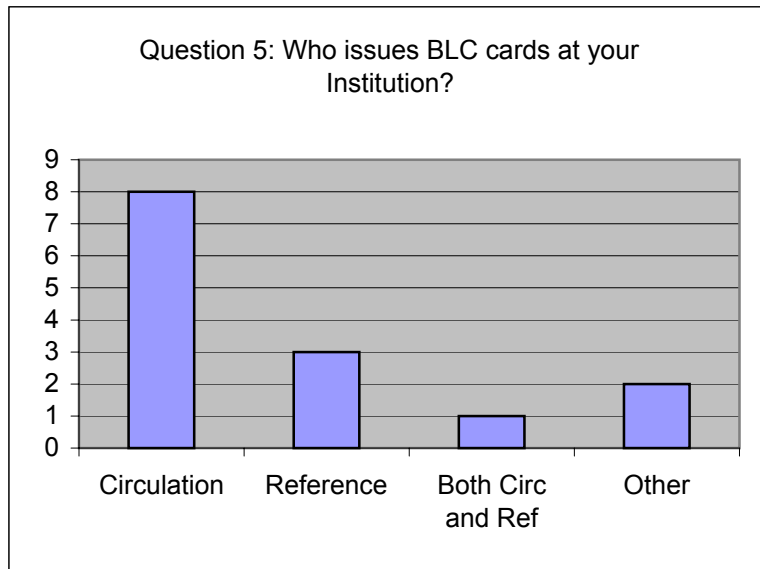


Comments Question 4

1. No—we are somewhat lax with making our students articulate a specific research requirement. They have to say something, but it can be pretty general.
2. Not exactly; we give a card to any student or faculty member who requests it—not much screening. But very few request cards! Otherwise I think we follow the instructions. We have our own modified application form.
3. Yes, I think—I have NO idea what the BLC Card Program Policy Statement is!
4. (This institution) issues the BLC Card to all holders of the (institutional) borrowers card. This includes those cards issued according to BLC policy and, in addition, (the institution's) retirees.

Question 5: Who issues
BLC cards at your
Institution?

Circulation	8
Reference	3
Both Circ and Ref	1
Other	2



Comments Question 5

There were no comments on question 5.

Question 6. Do you have any suggestions for modifying BLC card guidelines?

1. This isn't the right place, but could the card be simplified? There are way too many, way too tiny lines & spaces. How about adding the BLC logo/branding to the flip side of the card.
2. The Virtual Catalog policies are separate from the BLC's. We don't mind renewing our own books for direct borrowers. I realize each library handles renewals differently and has its own rules on renewals, fines, etc., but I think ours works to the benefit of all patrons.
3. No, we are making the assumption that the use of the cards will decline as more libraries use the VC. Hopefully we will be up and running in 2003.
4. To investigate whether there's a way to create and maintain a central BLC database that might allow parts of the process to be done online.