



**Approval of 'E'
UNSW experience of
e-preferred approval plans**

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Some benefits:

- Able to adjust each plan to meet the needs to individual faculties
- Able to identify which publisher we only wanted eBooks form

Some constraints:

- We would only receive the eBook instead of the print if it was available on EBL or NetLibrary
- We would only receive the eBook instead of the print if the eBook was published within 8 weeks of the print being published

May 2010

Initial statistics:

- Generally about 19% of materials reviewed for approval are available in an electronic format, which is up from 7% at the end of 2009
- Since our approval plan material started to arrive in February 2010 there had been 134 titles which were e-Books which is about 13% of the titles received

June 2010

- It was decided that we needed to extend our receipt of Approval Plan MARC records to include eBooks. Additional local fields were added:

- 049 \$a LJ1A (location code)
- 506 \$a Restricted to authenticated UNSW users
- 856 \$u <http://info.library.unsw.edu.au/cgi-bin/local/access/access.cgi?url=http://www.netlibrary.com/summary.asp?ID=297488>
- \$z Online access
- 951 \$a ARCHIVAL NOTES
- \$a Purchased with ongoing (perpetual) access
- 959 \$a EBOOK
- 976 \$v NETLIBRARY APPROVAL
- 980 \$a 20100423 (invoice date)
- \$b 199.00 (list price)
- \$d YBP Approval Plan
- \$e 199.00 (net price)
- \$f 00967547 (invoice number)
- \$g 1 (quantity)
- 981 \$b OLRAP7 (fund code)

June 2010

Initial statistics:

- Since our approval plan material started to arrive in February 2010 32% of the titles received have been eBooks
- Expecting this % to increase with the introduction of Ebrary

August 2010

Added Ebrary to the Approval Plan

- eBook platform ordering priority to:
 - Ebrary Multi user access
 - EBL Multi user access
 - Ebrary Single user access
 - NetLibrary Single user access

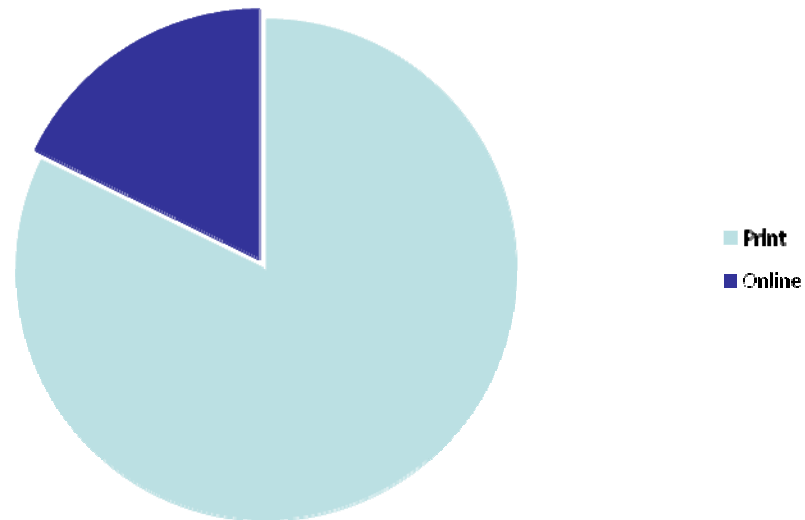
We decided not to display the eBook MARC records in our catalogue and instead use metadata records supplied by Ex Libris link resolver product (SFX). We have continued to receive the eBook MARC records from YBP as a financial record which is suppressed from view.

December 2010

Statistics:

Received 3754 approval plan items in 2010 from YBP and 919 were eBooks
25% were eBooks.

YTD Total Orders via the Approval Plans



December 2010

Statistics:

It was disappointing to find that major publisher were still not able to publish their eBook content within three months of their print

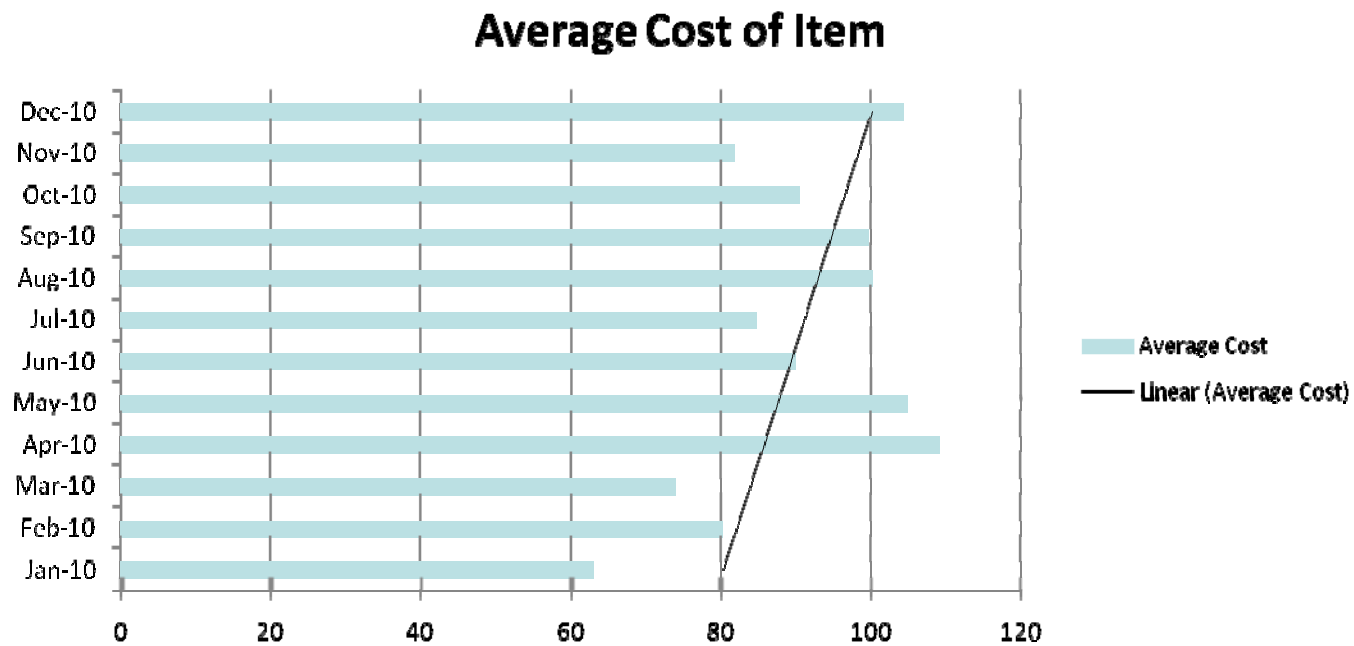
Some examples:

- Springer we received 267 approval plan titles since August 2010 (this was the month were we could accept eBooks from three platforms) and of those 124 were print and 143 were Ebooks. 46% eBooks were still not being published within 8 weeks of their print
- Wiley we received 346 approval plan titles since August 2010 and of those 262 were print and 84 were Ebooks. 75% of the books were still not being published within 8 weeks of their print
- CUP we received 133 approval plan titles since August 2010 and of those 62 were print and 65 were Ebooks. 46% Books were still not being published within 8 weeks of their print

December 2010

Statistics:

The inclusion of eBooks into our Approval Plan meant our average cost per item has gone up significantly from \$85 for print to \$146 for eBooks



December 2010

Statistics:

We reviewed what our usage statistics were for EBL and up to Nov 2010 we had received 605 Approval plan titles

Month	Titles	Titles	% used
APRIL		received	
PRINT	101	196	52%
ELECTRONIC	51	106	48%
MAY			
PRINT	66	101	65%
ELECTRONIC	86	144	60%
JUNE			
PRINT	48	83	58%
ELECTRONIC	29	65	45%

The Future:

- YBP have announced that they will be implementing the Patron Driven option from EBL to their approval plans
- We will be reviewing if we want to continue to receive the print items from the major publisher
- We will be continuing to discuss with the publishers the need to provide the eBooks at the same time they publish the print
- Extended the window for eBooks on approval to 12 weeks
- Hope to expand the platforms that can be added to the approval plan

December 2011:

60%+ of our approval plan material coming as eBooks

eBooks available as patron driven