



Canadian Repositories Now:

a national snapshot

Where Next for Repositories?
November 10th, 2016
Ottawa, Ontario

Short survey

- November 9th IR manager meeting at University of Ottawa
- Wanted a quick snapshot of measurable things that would be difficult to get a sense of on meeting day
- Focused on items, item types, and software
- Added question about concerns to try and ensure major themes could be covered at meeting

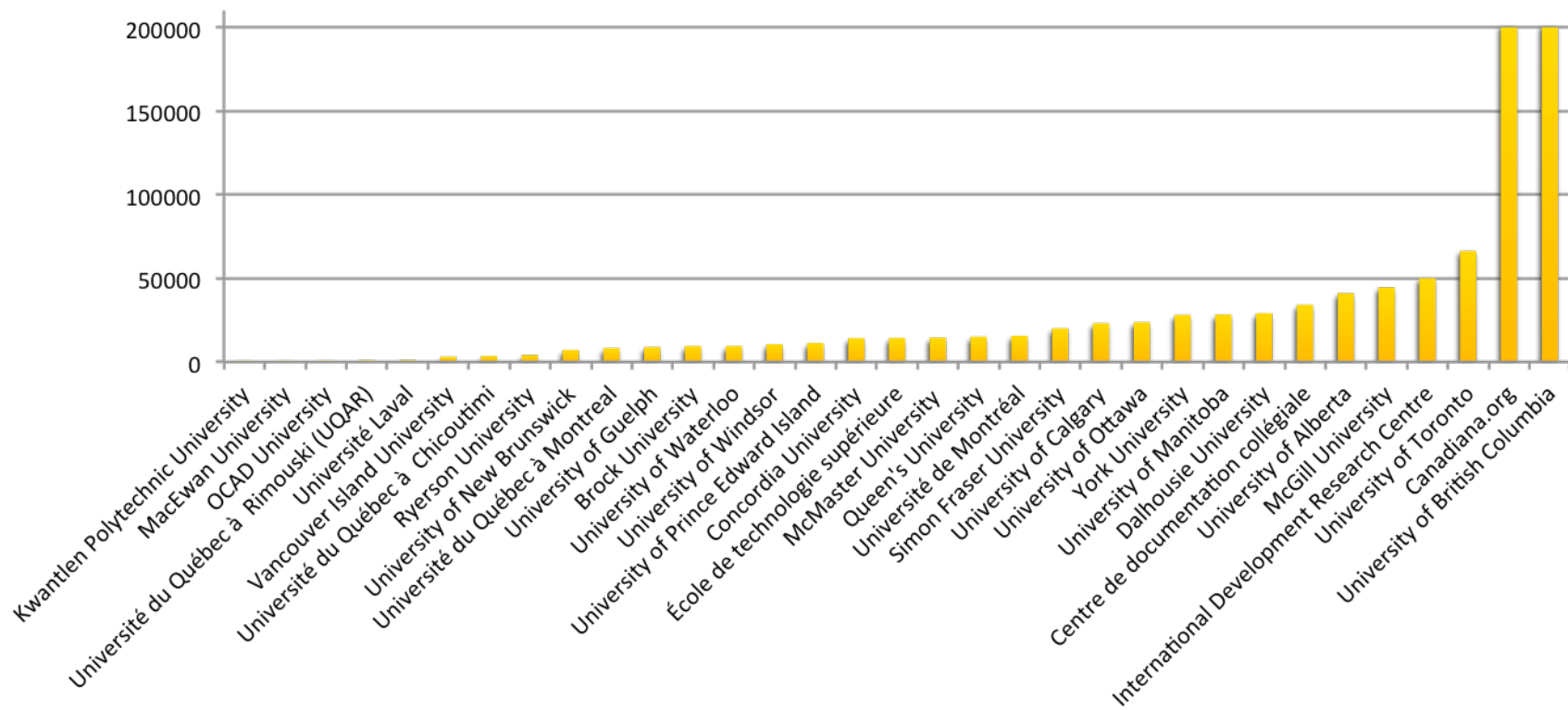
2004 – by the numbers

- 7 CARL institutions reported having an operational repository
 - 7 implementing, 8 planning/no immediate plans
- 5/7 had 200 items or less
- TSpace was the third largest DSpace repository in the world in terms of content
 - 2400 records

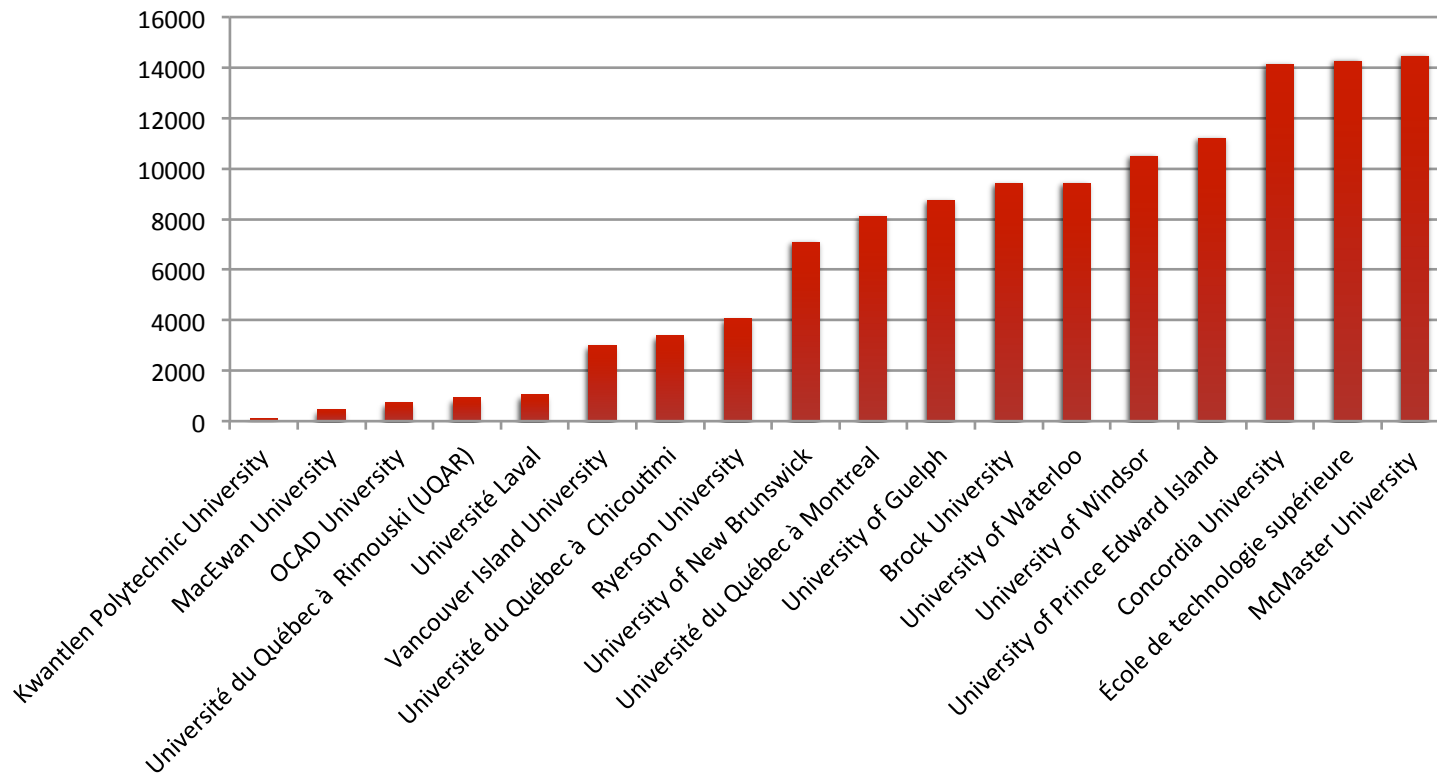
2016 – by the numbers

- 33 respondents to our pre-meeting survey
- Collectively house ~ 939,165 items

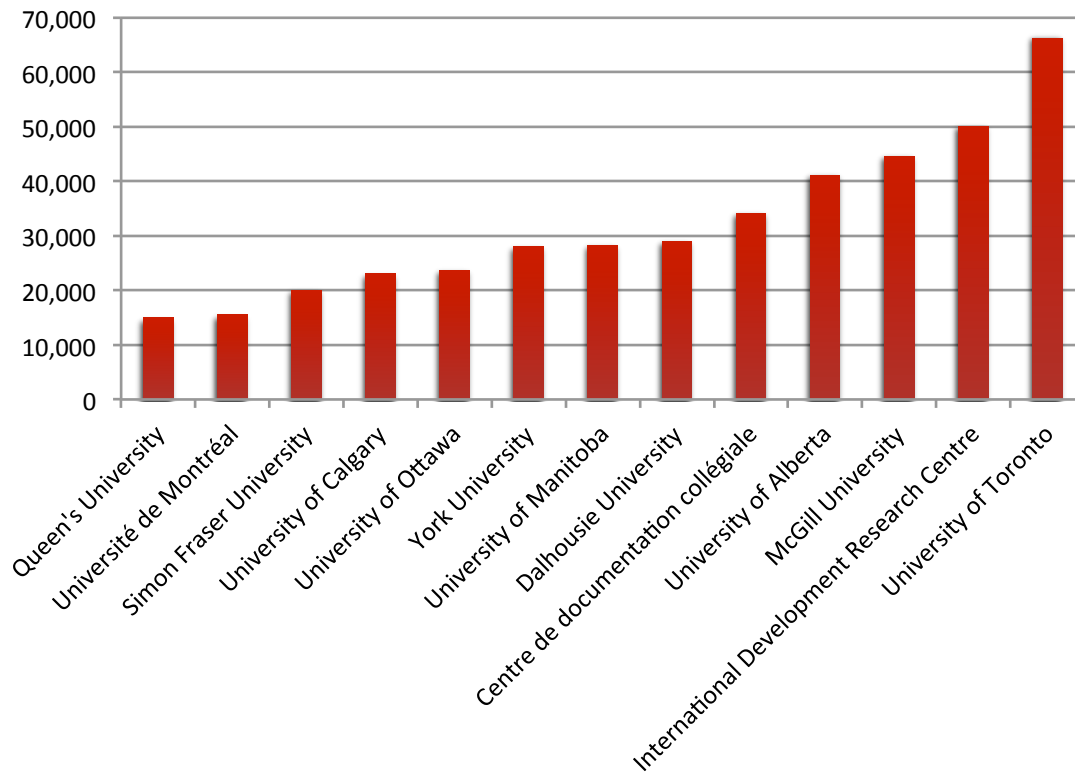
➤ Range from 100 – 200,000 items



IRs holding 0 – 14,999 items



IRs holding 15,000 – 70,000 items



2016

- 2 IRs hold over 200,000 items
 - UBC and Canadiana.org

Pre-meeting survey

- 2016 survey asked: what is your biggest concern?
- content recruitment remains one of the biggest barriers
- uptake by faculty remains very slow
 - 30% identified faculty deposit or buy-in for content as their primary concern

Pre-meeting survey

- IT infrastructure
 - Mainly w/ respect to additional capabilities for hosting new content types
 - ~ 547,542 (263,963) non-thesis materials
 - 58% (40%) of IR content is not thesis material - data, images, multimedia, article versioning
 - Upgrading / refreshing
 - Digital preservation and migration

Pre-meeting survey

- University community/ admin buy-in identified as a concern – mainly the the sense of ensuring we are providing a service that is valued by researchers / the university
- Workflow/ Resourcing
 - Can demand be adequately staffed should outreach efforts prove successful? Managing expectations
- metadata & interoperability

Software

- 2004 - DSpace used by the majority of IRs
- Digital Commons, ENCompass, CONTENTdm, Zope
- 2016 - DSpace is still the leader (17)
- Islandora is second most common (5), Eprints (4), Digital Commons(2), homegrown (2)



➤ Report on the day's discussions to come at 1:30