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The U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) is pleased to release the preliminary report of the sixth public library Internet study. *Public Libraries and the Internet 2000: Summary Findings and Data Tables*, prepared by Dr. John Carlo Bertot and Dr. Charles R. McClure for NCLIS, was completed on September 7, 2000.

In conjunction with the 2000 Internet Connectivity Study, NCLIS Commissioners and staff worked with Drs. Bertot and McClure to assess further electronic database access and use related measures. The report, titled *Electronic Access and Use Related Measures: Summary of Findings*, was prepared by Denise M. Davis, Director, Statistics and Surveys, NCLIS, and completed on September 8, 2000.

Both of these reports are available on the NCLIS website. The summary findings of the 2000 Internet Connectivity Study is available at <a href="http://www.nclis.gov/statsurv/2000plo.pdf">http://www.nclis.gov/statsurv/2000plo.pdf</a>. The summary of findings of the Electronic Access and Use Related Measures is available at <a href="http://www.nclis.gov/statsurv/2000ven.pdf">http://www.nclis.gov/statsurv/2000ven.pdf</a>.

Additional analysis of the Internet connectivity findings, and electronic access and use related measures, will continue in fiscal year 2001 under the guidance of an NCLIS committee. The committee is comprised on NCLIS Commissioners Abe Abramson, Rebecca Bingham, José Marie Griffiths, and Bobby Roberts. NCLIS staff assigned to this committee are Robert Willard, Executive Director, Judy Russell, Deputy Director, Denise Davis, Director of Statistics and Surveys, and Rosalie Vlach, Director of Legislative and Public Affairs.

Copies of prior NCLIS studies are available upon request by phone at (202) 606-9200 or by email at <u>info@ nclis.gov</u>. For more information visit the NCLIS website at <a href="http://www.nclis.gov">http://www.nclis.gov</a> or contact Denise Davis, Director, Statistics and Surveys at e-mail address <a href="mailto:ddavis@nclis.gov">ddavis@nclis.gov</a>.

The U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science is a permanent, independent agency of the Federal government charged by Public Law 91-345 to appraise the adequacies and deficiencies of current library and information resources and services and to advise the President and Congress on national and international policies and plans.

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