A Brief History of TLCat:
Members, Their Holdings and "Go Live" Dates
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- ***January 2004***

Initial participants and their holdings presented by Nelda Bravo, Director of the National Transportation Library, to the Transportation Research Board's LIST Committee.

These libraries were the "Charter Members" of TLCat (previously called Transcat), which was functional for the first time on March 22, 2004, and announced as being "live" on April 1, 2004. Note: Although Nebraska DOT, National Transportation Library, and U of Minnesota Center for Transportation Studies (in red) were initial participants, they did not enter the TLCat database in January 2004.

Libraries added to TLCat in January 2004

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
Iowa DOT	UIG	12,780
Los Angeles Metro Transportation Authority	CRD	25,986
Illinois DOT	IZA	7,268
Michigan DOT	EEV	17,978
Minnesota DOT	MDT	17,178
Northwestern Transportation Library	JCR	52,174
South Dakota DOT	SDDOT	9,992
U of Michigan Transportation Research Inst. (UMTRI)	U2T	3,661
Wisconsin DOT	WOY	16,442
ITS Berkeley	CBT	210,366
Kansas DOT	KSDOT	897
Missouri DOT	MODOT	2,322
Nebraska DOT	-	145
Ohio DOT	OHDOT	23,000
Transportation Research Board (TRB)	TPO	7,182
VA Transportation Research Council (VDOT)	TDG	14,041
National Transportation Library	NATTR	-
U of Minnesota Center for Transportation Studies	-	-

- ***July 1, 2004***

The following libraries were added:

Libraries added to TLCat in July 1, 2004

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
Connecticut DOT	RHT	13,512
Montana DOT	DMY	9,193
Washington DOT	WDT	15,841
Massachusetts DOT	TLB	20,560

- ***March 1, 2005***

The following libraries were added:

Libraries added to TLCat in March 1, 2005

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
California DOT	CDT	12,899

- *May 1, 2005*

The following libraries were added:

Libraries added to TLCat in May 1, 2005

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
John A. Volpe National Transportation Systems Center	TRS	32,222

- *June 1, 2005*

Holdings for some Canadian libraries began to appear in TLCat. A group of 5 Canadian transportation libraries started a new shared catalog comparable to TLCat. Shaun Moran, Director for the Transport Canada Library, organized this group services project called TransCat Plus. Member libraries are:

Libraries added to TLCat in June 1, 2005

Name	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
Transport Canada	T8N	100,000+
Transportation Safety Board of Canada	T8B	22,000
Transportation Association of Canada	T$C	20,000
Transportation Development Centre of Canada	CNTDC	10,000
Canadian Transportation Agency	CNCTA	9,000

TransCat Plus asked OCLC to add the combined holdings of TLCat to their group services catalog, which OCLC did for free. TLCat decided to reciprocate, using a new "scope" called "Transportation Libraries (Canada)".

- *July 1, 2005*

The following libraries appeared in TLCat for the first time:

Libraries added to TLCat in July 1, 2005

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
FHWA Technical Reference Center	FHATR	1,445

- *March 31, 2006*

The following libraries appeared in TLCat for the first time:

Libraries added to TLCat in March 31, 2005

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
Oregon DOT	OTT	3,660

Oregon DOT, which was already a member of OCLC, joined TLCat as a result of its participation in a pooled fund study drafted by Wisconsin DOT. Eleven libraries participated in the initial phases of the pooled fund study. Of those, KS, MN, MT, OH, WA, and WI were also already members of both OCLC and TLCat.

LA and MRUTC were not yet members of either OCLC or TLCat. OR, PA and TN were members of OCLC but not TLCat (note, PA and TN had OCLC symbols, but TN had no holdings and PA had only 1 item record, effectively they were inactive members).

Finally, OR was a member of OCLC but not TLCat.   The first time their holdings began showing up in TLCat was March 31, 2006.

- ***March 31, 2006***

The following libraries also appeared in TLCat for the first time:

Libraries added to TLCat in March 31, 2006

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
Civil Aerospace Medical Inst. Library	OUT	5,385
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy	VYM	127,867
U of Wisconsin Midwest Regional UTC	WIRUT	-
Tennessee DOT	TNTDT	-
Pennsylvania DOT	P3T	-

Note: U of Wisconsin Midwest Regional UTC, Tennessee DOT, and Pennsylvania DOT (in red) have no holdings in TLCat.

- ***May 1, 2006***

The following libraries appeared in TLCat for the first time:

Libraries added to TLCat in May 1, 2006

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
New York DOT	NY2	10,452

- ***May/June 2006***

The following libraries appeared in TLCat for the first time:

Libraries added to TLCat in May/June 2006

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
US FAA Tech Center Library	FAA	3,766
US FAA Aeronautical Center	OUR	10,355

Note: a batch loading process was in effect when data was gathered.

- ***August 1, 2006***

The following libraries appeared in TLCat for the first time:

Libraries added to TLCat in August 1, 2006

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
Alaska Geophysical Institute	ES0	55,003

Note: a batch loading process was in effect when data was gathered.

- ***September 1, 2006***

The following libraries appeared in TLCat for the first time:

Libraries added to TLCat in September 1, 2006

Library	Symbol	Total OCLC Holdings
Alaska DOT	AKDOT	17,376

Note: the holdings of AKDOT represent a scoped version of the holdings of ESO, both collections reside at the Geophysical Institute in Fairbanks. AKDOT will supercede the participation of ESO as its DOT holdings are distinguished..