

Press Release

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### Publishing Activity Statistics 2006

# Publishing activity grows 4.3% in 2006, with a total of 66,270 titles (books and leaflets)

## Average circulation decreases 12.7% to 3,859 copies

The number of titles (books and leaflets) edited in Spain and filed in the Copyright Section of the National Library during 2006 was 66,270, 4.3% more than in 2005. This figure does not include reprints, which amounted to 19,606 and involved 9.5% of the total of titles edited.

If we distinguish between books and leaflets, during 2006 the number of books edited increased 6.7% and reached 56,735 titles. On another hand, the number of leaflets decreased by 8.3% down to 9,535 titles.

On a **subject category** basis, according to UNESCO's classification, 28.5% of the titles edited belong to "Literature, history and literary criticism"; 6.5 % to "Law, public administration, social work and care, insurance"; 6% to "Medical, health sciences" and 5.7% were books and leaflets on "Plastic and graphic arts, photography" as well as ""History, biography".

On another hand, **the number of copies published during 2006 was 225,721,000**, representing a 9% decrease compared to 2005. By subject category, it is worth mentioning the number of copies dedicated to ""Literature, history and literary criticism", with 42% of the total, followed by "Religion, theology" with 5%; "History, biography" with 4.6%; "Natural sciences" with 4.3% and "Medical, health sciences" with 4.2% of the total.

The average run was 3,859 copies per title, a 12.7% descent with regards to 2005, when it was of 4,422 copies. The main reason for this drop is the exceptional nature of the volume of the average run in 2005, which was a result of the broad dissemination of the DVD or CD copies with booklet, of the European Constitution, and other related subject regarding Domestic sciences or geography which were also added to this run increase.

#### Madrid and Cataluña lead the publishing activity

The **autonomous communities**with greater publishing activity during year 2006 were Comunidad de Madrid (with 22,629 titles published) and Cataluña (with 18,384), followed by Andalucía (5,641 titles published), Comunidad Valenciana (3,696), Castilla y León (2,725), Galicia (2,444) and País Vasco (2,360).

#### 78.3% of the books were published in Spanish

Regarding the publication language, Spanish represented 78.3% of the total number of edited titles. 11.7% were published in Catalan, Valenciano and Balear, 2.1% in Gallego and 1.5% in Euskera. 1% of titles are published in two or more national languages.

English represents 46% of titles published in a single foreign language. Portuguese follows with 28.9%. These two languages involve 1.8% and 1.1% of the total published, respectively. Translated titles reach 16.4% of publishing activity, with titles translated from English once again being the majority of total titles translated.

Subject category (UNESCO Classification)	Total	Books	Leaflets
Total	66270	56735	9535
Generalities	2048	1676	372
Philosophy, psychology	2645	2565	80
Religion, theology	2623	2253	370
Sociology, statistics	1278	1165	113
Political sciences, Economical Sciences	3009	2637	372
Law, public administration, social work and care, insurance	4278	4063	215
Art and military service	141	134	7
Education, teaching, training, distractions	2540	1961	579
Ethnography, cultural Anthropology	1105	1024	81
Mathematics	691	610	81
Natural sciences	2537	1820	717
Medical, health sciences	3956	3180	776
Engineering, technology, industries, trades	2647	1726	921
Agriculture, forestry, livestock, hunting, and fishing	680	586	94
Domestic sciences	1007	910	97
Management, administration and organisation	1664	1506	158
Conditioning of land, town planning, architecture	988	899	89
Plastic and graphic arts, photography	3807	2865	942
Music, performing arts, theatre, films and cinema	1500	1347	153
Toys and sports	1005	944	61
Philology, languages, linguistics	2063	1815	248
Literature, history and literary criticism	18892	16157	2735
Geography	1401	1321	80
History, biography	3765	3571	194

#### Published titles by subject. Year 2006

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