

About the Collections

• Journals

Facts and figures

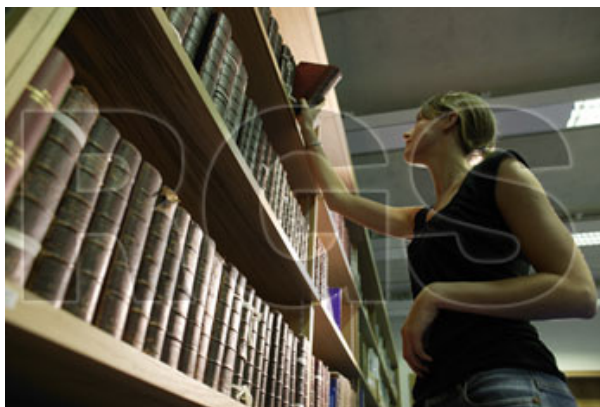
- the Society currently receives around 800 journal titles
- approximately 400 are received on an exchange basis with like-minded institutions
- the remaining titles are annual subscriptions
- note that the Collections contain many more journal titles than the 800 currently received. These are either not currently subscribed to, or have ceased publication

Intellectual access

- journal titles appear in our card catalogues, rather than online. Retroconversion of the periodicals title catalogue was not covered by our recent Heritage Lottery Fund project
- however, the Collections are currently involved in an ongoing Edina project, Suncat
 - this aims to produce a Serials UNION CATalogue for the UK
 - the Society began its involvement in this project in 2006
 - enter the Edina website <http://www.edina.ac.uk/> then follow the 'Projects at Edina/Suncat' link to access the login page for their pilot service
- the Society's own journal publications (published up to c2000) can be accessed remotely from any institution subscribing to the JSTOR service. JSTOR scans journals and is fully indexed for online searching
 - the JSTOR website <http://uk.jstor.org/> can be accessed from the Society's Foyle Reading Room
- Society journals published from c2000 onwards can be searched via the Synergy system <http://www.blackwell-synergy.com> – also available via the Foyle Reading Room
- the Foyle Reading Room also offers Geobase, a journal article indexing system on CD-ROM
 - registered readers can search geographical and environmental journals from 1980 to Geobase's most current disk update
 - email enquiries@rgs.org to book a session on our Geobase-enabled PC

Physical access

- our own Geographical Journal, Transactions and Area are all available on open shelves in the Foyle Reading Room
- most journals are in closed access storage and can be requested from Collections staff



Browsing journals in the Foyle Reading Room, Royal Geographical Society (with IBG). Phil Starling, 2005.
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- we offer a photocopying service for journal articles at a standard charge. This is subject to copyright law, physical condition of the original

Please email enquiries@rgs.org for further details of our journal holdings.