

Analyzing the content of the publications of the National Library and Archives of Iran and examining the degree of compatibility of their subjects with the approval of the Publishing Council of the organization (Case study: books published between 2009-2019)

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Abstract

The National Library and Archives of Iran (NLAI) are a scientific, research, and service providing institution which was established in 1937. The Publishing Institute of the NLAI is one of the affiliated institutions of this organization, which was established in 1990.

Among the duties of publishing are reviewing and approving authorship, translating and publishing printed and manuscript works on Iran and Islam, especially the Islamic Revolution, research resources and library and information sciences, and publishing works compiled by different departments of the NLAI, including bibliographies, researches, and journals.

One of the goals of the organization's publication is to provide a national model for library and archival publishing through the publication of scientific research resources; planning, coordinating and creating unity of procedure in the field of publishing activities of the organization; preparing of specialized works in the fields of knowledge and information sciences, archival and documentary studies and researches such as subject headings, classifications, thesauruses, handbooks, sources of oral history, etc.

The purpose of this study is to analyze the content of what the NLAI has published during the years 2009-2019. The number of books published in these years is 345 (in 64 titles) which will be reviewed by qualitative research method and using checklist. The subject of the book is based on the information of the Iranian National Bibliography.

Keywords: National Library and Archives of Iran, Publications, Content Analysis



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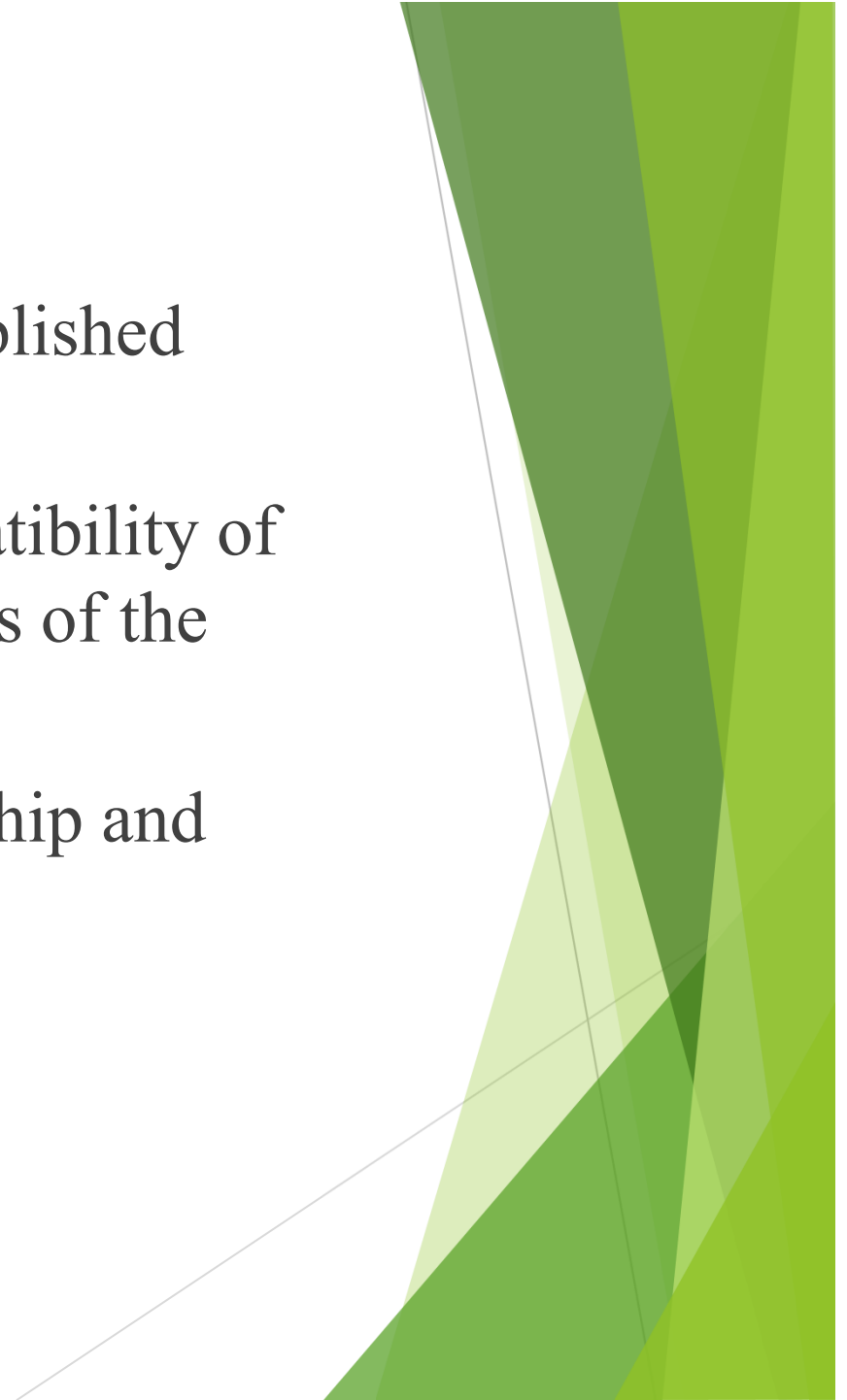


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Research Goals

- ▶ Identifying the subjects of published books;
- ▶ The degree of thematic compatibility of published books with the goals of the organization's publications;
- ▶ Identifying the rate of authorship and translation of books



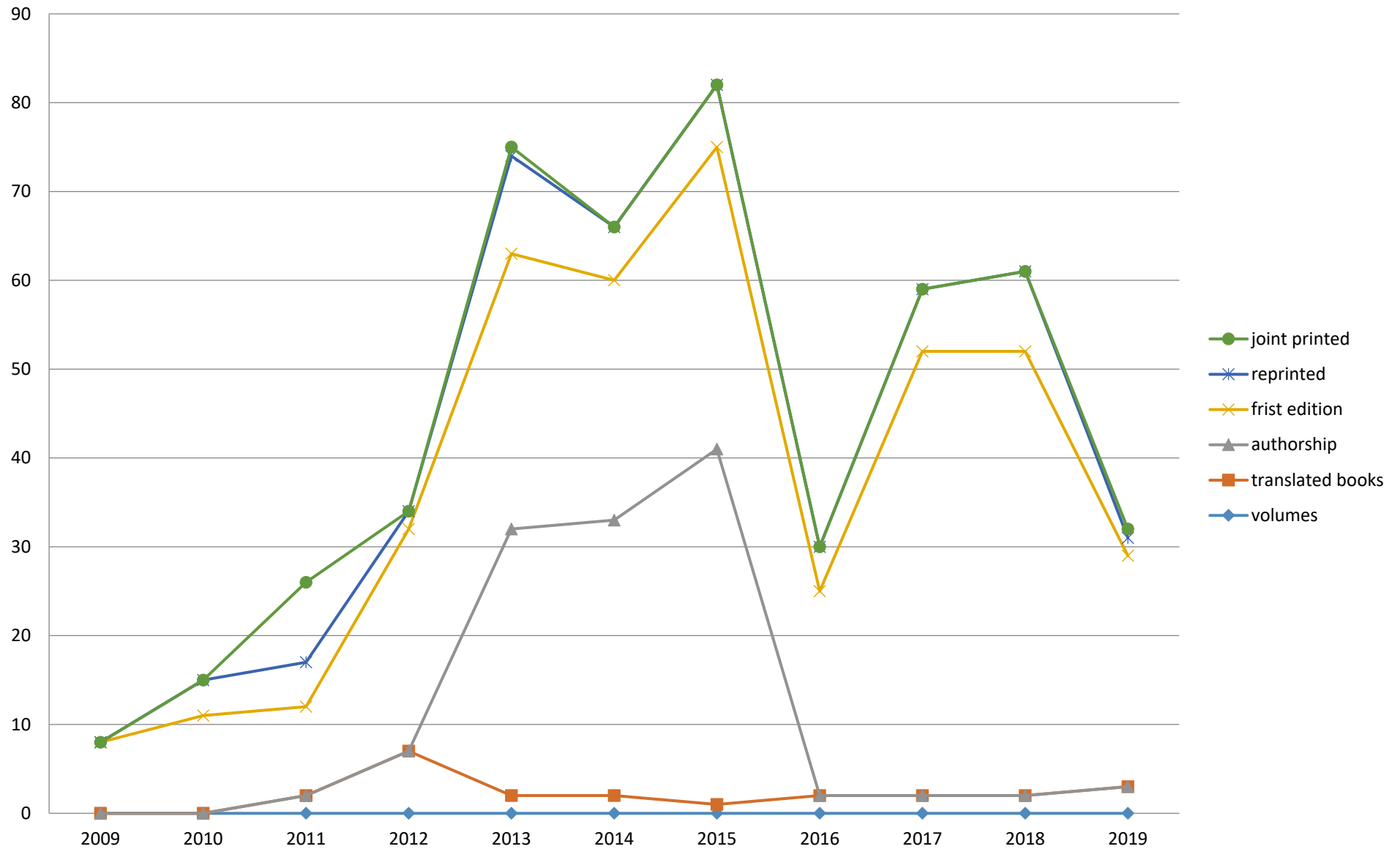
Journals published by NLAI

Journals Titles	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Journal of National Studies on Librarianship and Information Organization	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
National Archive Quarterly	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	*	*	-
Ganjine-ye Asnad	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Biannual Journal of Oral History Research	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	*	*	*	-
International Journal of Iranian-Islamic Studies	-	-	-	*	*	*	*	-	-	-	*

Distribution of published books by gender of authors

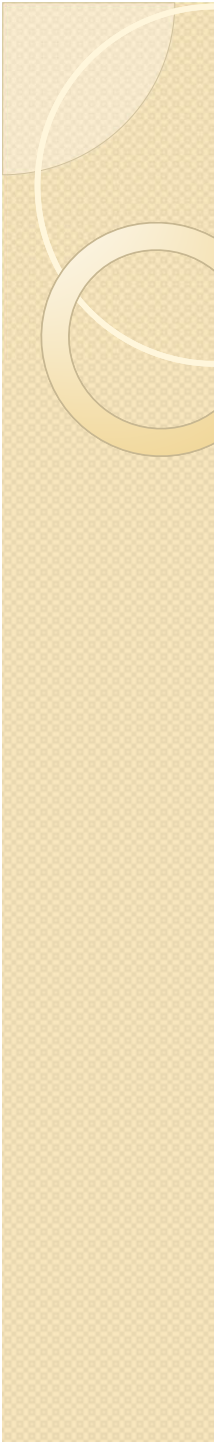
Gender/year	female	male	Corporate body
2009	3	4	1
2010	1	10	3
2011	8	5	2
2012	5	24	0
2013	18	16	3
2014	4	26	3
2015	10	29	2
2016	13	14	1
2017	23	33	1
2018	24	30	2
2019	4	23	0
sum	113	214	18

Distribution of published books by authorship



Conclusion

- The present study, which dealt with 347 volumes (64 titles) in 2009-2019, indicates that 321 volumes were written and 26 volumes were translated.
- The highest number of books published by the NLAI was in 2017 with 58 volumes and the lowest number with 8 volumes was in 2009.
- In terms of compatibility of the topics of the published books with the goals of the NLAI, bibliographies with 137 volumes have the highest and studies of Iran and Islam and thesauruses with 7 volumes have the lowest thematic issues.
- 2.89 percent of published books by the NLAI are inconsistent with the purposes of this organization.

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- The NLAI also publish 5 journals, of which only two journals have been published regularly.
 - 214 volumes of published books by men and 113 volumes by women have been written or translated.
 - This research shows that the books published by the Publications of the National Library and Archives of Iran have been in accordance with its goals and duties.

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