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Canadian municipalities spend approximately one-seventh of their annual operating budgets on information collection and processing. These funds are used to define, collect, process, disseminate and use data which report on the people, phenomena, and activities comprising the urban places and regions of Canada. Some of the funds, however, are wasted since every time a seemingly different information-related situation or problem arises, there is a tendency to "reinvent the wheel". Hence this bibliography gathers together relevant experiences to be shared by others. It provides municipalities, institutions, agencies and individuals with an index to Canadian work which has been documented in the field of urban and regional information systems. The literature referenced satisfies at least one of the following criteria: 1) the document cited was prepared by a Canadian; 2) the document cited reports on an urban and regional information system activity or event which took place in Canada.

In terms of organization, bibliographical entries are stratified according to (a) subject, (b) source (author, agency, institution), and (c) geographic location (site of the urban and regional information systems activity). There are plans to up-date the bibliography "in the very near future". [A.F.J. Artibise, University of Victoria].

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The vast collection of urban maps and related materials in the National Map Collection has been made more accessible to researchers

with the recent offset reproduction of the almost 100,000 catalogue cards of the main catalogue. Although this covers only an estimated 10% to 15% of the Collection's 750,000 items, users of the volumes will, through the area catalogue and the author and subject index, have a good idea of what cartographic materials are available.

In order to understand the area classification users are directed to the notes on "How to Use the Area Catalogue" which appear at the beginning of Volume 1. The catalogue should be available in major libraries and map collections. The price is \$1,250.00 in Canada and the U.S.; \$1,375.00 elsewhere. [Edward H. Dahl, National Map Collection].

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Les chercheurs ont plus facilement accès à la vaste collection de cartes urbaines et de documents connexes de la Collection nationale de cartes et plans depuis la reproduction récente par offset de presque toutes les 100 000 fiches du catalogue principal. Même s'il ne s'agit que d'environ 10 ou 15 p. 100 des 750 000 pièces de la Collection, les usagers des volumes pourront, en consultant le catalogue géographique et le répertoire auteur/matière, avoir une bonne idée des documents cartographiques disponibles.

Afin de comprendre le système de classification géographique, les chercheurs devront lire les notes intitulées "Comment utiliser le catalogue géographique", au début du Volume I. Le catalogue devrait se trouver dans les grandes bibliothèques et cartothèques. Le prix en est de \$1,250 au Canada et aux Etats-Unis, et de \$1,375 ailleurs. [Edward H. Dahl, Collection nationale de cartes et plans].

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