

ANNUAL PERIODICAL PRICES FOR 1993

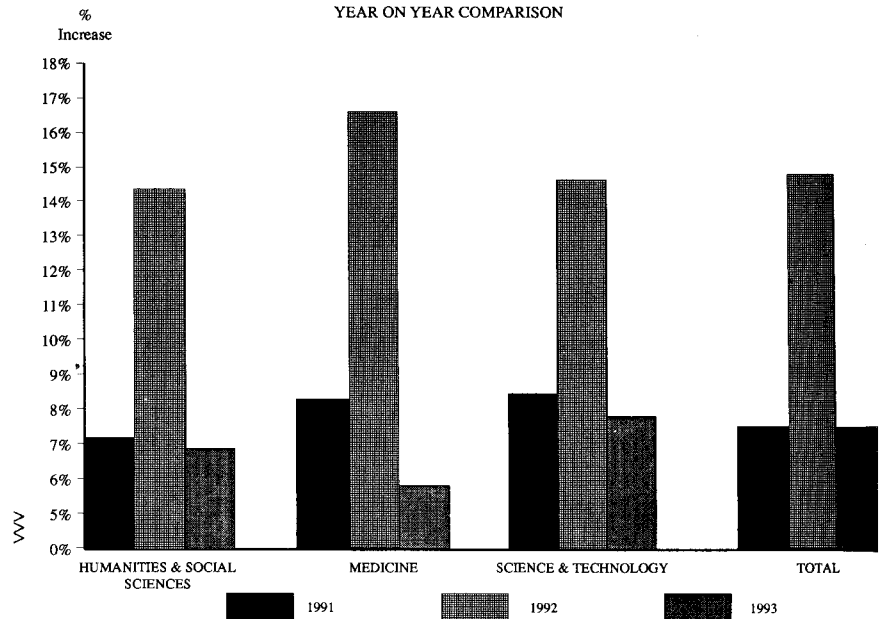
First published in the *LA Record*, May 93, vol.95, no.5

The 1993 edition of this annual survey of periodical prices is based on a broad selection of journals, made by Blackwell's Periodicals Division. It reflects as nearly as possible the annual pattern of periodical purchases in specialised and learned libraries, irrespective of language, price or country of origin. The sample is based on the more important journals in each subject field. The subjects have been chosen to approximate to the subject divisions in special and academic libraries, regardless of individual classification schemes.

It must be emphasised that this survey is intended only as a guide to trends. It is primarily for the use of libraries in the UK. Figures produced by individual libraries will vary, depending upon the origin of the journals and the emphasis given to particular subject areas.

It is stressed that the figures produced for 1993 by Blackwell's are based on foreign exchange rates prior to Britain leaving the European Exchange Rate Mechanism and the subsequent devaluation of the pound, which took place on 16 September 1992 and is now more commonly known as 'Black Wednesday'.

ANALYSIS BY SUBJECT CLASSIFICATION
YEAR ON YEAR COMPARISON



COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	NO OF TITLES	% INCREASE OVER 1992	INDEX (1970=0)	AV. PRICE 1993 (£ STERLING)
GREAT BRITAIN	879	10.45%	2183.65	191.47
USA & CANADA	698	-0.17%	1365.61	197.96
OTHER COUNTRIES	430	13.82%	2193.74	250.40
TOTAL	2007	7.46%	1821.74	206.35

SUBJECT CATEGORY	NO OF TITLES	% INCREASE OVER 1992	INDEX (1970=0)	AV. PRICE 1993 (£ STERLING)
HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES	842	6.92%	1405.01	75.77
MEDICINE	203	5.86%	1745.50	185.75
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY	962	7.77%	1950.02	324.99
TOTAL	2007	7.46%	1821.74	206.35

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY	NO OF TITLES	% INCREASE OVER 1992	INDEX (1970=0)	AV. PRICE 1993 (£ STERLING)
AGRICULTURE	46	7.22%	1,720.29	119.51
ANTHROPOLOGY	16	2.46%	1,421.09	107.79
ASTRONOMY, ASTROPHYSICS	13	7.34%	2,180.35	306.83
BIOLOGY	32	5.28%	1,603.83	469.55
BIOPHYSICS, BIOCHEMISTRY & MICROBIOLOGY	26	8.28%	2,129.51	785.24
BOTANY	25	10.31%	2,583.60	238.71
CHEMISTRY	66	4.93%	1,882.37	760.32
CIVIL ENGINEERING	26	1.99%	1,805.38	143.95
COMPUTERS, AUTOMATION & CONTROL	37	10.63%	1,897.18	253.79
ELECTRONICS, ELECT. ENGINEERING & AERONAUTICS	73	5.35%	1,694.49	289.87
FOOD, SOAP, COSMETIC INDUSTRIES	36	8.27%	1,488.52	144.44
GENERAL SCIENCE	25	8.47%	1,497.79	220.77
GENERAL TECHNOLOGY	33	6.88%	1,976.53	388.36
GEOLOGY, MINERALOGY, GEOPHYSICS & METEOROLOGY	44	8.36%	1,773.82	256.27
GLASS, CERAMICS	20	3.35%	1,568.32	136.11
HEATING, LIGHTING, VENTILATING	13	0.07%	1,131.45	52.70
INDUSTRIAL & ENGINEERING CHEMISTRY	22	-0.13%	1,390.08	209.86
MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS	51	3.40%	1,860.42	257.49
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING	30	13.49%	1,836.22	214.78
METALLURGY	36	13.55%	1,447.78	175.73
NUCLEAR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY	30	14.67%	2,155.14	732.32
PETROLEUM & FUEL TECHNOLOGY	22	13.55%	2,424.98	217.34
PHYSICS	57	12.13%	2,882.40	730.69
POLYMERS, PAINT, RUBBER, PLASTICS	48	9.23%	2,166.20	392.89
PRINTER, PAPER PACKAGING	20	2.17%	1,874.64	158.46
PRODUCTION ENGINEERING & OPERATIONAL RESEARCH	28	2.61%	1,588.15	142.12
TEXTILES, LEATHER, DYEING	22	0.91%	1,167.37	83.59
TRANSPORT	25	3.07%	2,368.11	121.86
ZOOLOGY	40	3.51%	2,030.15	188.00
TOTAL	962	7.77%	1,950.02	324.99

SUBJECT CATEGORY	NO OF TITLES	% INCREASE OVER 1992	INDEX (1970=0)	AV. PRICE 1993 (£ STERLING)
ACCOUNTANCY	19	3.04%	1,694.13	72.57
ARCHITECTURE & TOWN PLANNING	34	8.07%	2,314.14	147.04
ART	28	2.75%	758.78	53.14
CLASSICS & ARCHAEOLOGY	30	9.60%	1,026.06	52.48
COMMONWEALTH, ORIENTAL & AFRICAN STUDIES	19	3.69%	1,424.85	64.58
ECONOMICS & TRADE	63	8.19%	1,540.79	118.33
EDUCATION & CHILD PSYCHOLOGY	70	15.29%	1,767.46	81.52
ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE	38	4.16%	945.69	36.63
ENTERTAINMENT, THEATRE, FILM & BALLET	23	0.90%	1,054.85	41.83
EUROPEAN LANGUAGE & LITERATURE	57	8.38%	1,362.82	58.14
GENERAL & POPULAR	29	5.53%	1,033.82	54.25
GEOGRAPHY	34	3.77%	1,113.13	61.02
HISTORY	50	7.27%	1,277.45	51.50
LAW & CRIMINOLOGY	35	8.71%	1,370.47	100.26
LIBRARIANSHIP & DOCUMENTATION	37	5.25%	1,255.92	124.68
MANAGEMENT	40	14.79%	2,085.45	116.42
MUSIC & RECORDING	19	2.83%	881.88	35.08
PHILOSOPHY	27	-0.57%	1,450.77	49.64
PHOTOGRAPHY	5	5.01%	1,096.27	50.56
POLITICAL ECONOMY & POLITICS	38	7.82%	1,550.50	60.40
PSYCHOLOGY	32	-3.00%	1,416.01	138.17
RELIGION & THEOLOGY	47	8.11%	1,240.88	43.44
SOCIOLOGY	49	5.55%	1,369.25	73.84
SPORTS & PASTIMES	19	2.10%	1,261.11	34.75
50 TOTAL	842	6.92%	1,405.01	75.77

SUBJECT CATEGORY	NO OF TITLES	% INCREASE OVER 1992	INDEX (1970=0)	AV. PRICE 1993 (£ STERLING)
DENTISTRY, OPHTHALMOLOGY, AUDIOLOGY	17	7.89%	1,685.18	180.33
GENERAL MEDICINE	27	5.32%	1,323.05	125.11
NEUROLOGY, PSYCHIATRY	25	5.74%	1,871.30	187.74
PATHOLOGY & CLINICAL MEDICINE	52	5.68%	1,670.92	196.44
PUBLIC HEALTH, NURSING & GENERAL PRACTICE	26	9.70%	1,775.36	100.89
SURGERY, ANATOMY, PHYSIOLOGY	20	4.04%	2,578.78	327.92
PHARMACOLOGY	21	8.10%	1,694.13	244.91
VETERINARY MEDICINE	15	5.61%	1,308.41	135.44
TOTAL	203	5.86%	1,745.50	185.75