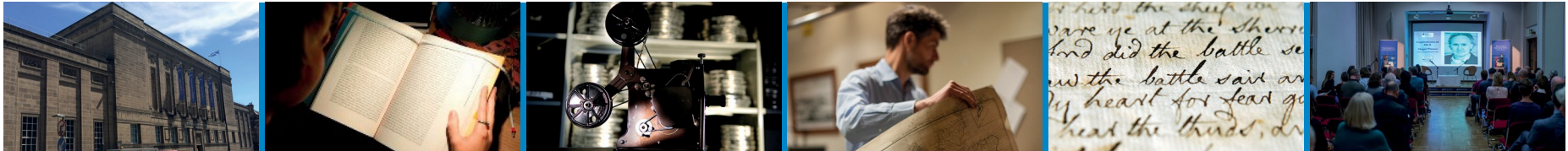


# Digital Collections at the National Library of Scotland

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# Physical Collections at the National Library

25 million physical items in 490 languages

- 15 million printed items
- 7 million manuscripts
- 2 million maps
- 32,000 films
- 172,000 serial-type materials (active and closed)
- 5,000 items received per week via Legal Deposit

# Digital Collections at the National Library

## Non-print Legal Deposit (since 2013)

- monographs, serials, ephemera, websites
- ca 1.3 million journal articles
- ca 50,000 eBooks
- ca 4 million URL seeds (3.4 billion URLs)

## Licensed digital collections

- monographs, serials, historic archives, databases, indexes
- 60 collections accessible remotely within Scotland

## Digitised from our analogue collections

- ca. 170,000 paper-based items / 5.2 million images (monographs, serials, photographs, posters, maps, manuscripts)
- ca. 3,500 film clips, circa 1,500 of those are online

## Re-use of digital collections

CC0 Wikimedia experiment - June and July 2014

Metadata and digital content licensing policy (2015) -  
CC-BY and CC-BY-NC-SA

Permission fees and Content Licence agreement for  
Commercial re-use of images and for use of film

Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2015

Lots of effort and focus on re-use of images (and film)

# New NLS strategy: 'The way forward 2015-2020'

We will encourage and promote research as a defining characteristic of the Library.

By 2025 we will complete a full listing of the Library's holdings and have a third in digital format.

<http://www.nls.uk/news/archive/2015/09/library-strategy>

# Digital collections development under the new strategy

## Prognosis for 2025

40 million items in our collections

28 million (70%) analogue

7 million (17.5%) born-digital

5 million (12.5%) digitised

→ target digitisation throughput = 500,000 items annually for 10 years

# Have your say

What do researchers need from us?

Which services should we integrate into our digital collections?

geo-referencing (and map API)

data mining

interoperability and linking silos (e.g. IIF)

full text transcriptions

How can we work with researchers?

How can research enhance our collections?

Community buy-in to validate our assumptions

Are our collections re-usable?

# THANK YOU

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