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## **Snapshot Day reveals importance of Kansas Libraries**

Snapshot Day, November 2010, produced these amazing statistics: IN ONE DAY, Kansas libraries welcomed 31,600 patrons; loaned 56,742 books, movies and other items; answered 3,684 reference questions; helped 7,943 people access the web; and supported 1,097 people in job search activities.

## EBook mania!

With 2011 projected to be the Year of the EBook, the State Library of Kansas has already seen an enormous increase in eBook tech support over this past year. While audio book tech support calls and emails remain as the bulk of tech support calls among patrons, eBooks have increased immensely among patrons and librarians. After Christmas support has been all eBooks. From December 23—December 28, the State Library's YouTube EBook tutorial video traffic increased from 35 to 985 views.

## Certification grows by leaps and bounds

Librarian and trustee certification in Kansas continues to grow. At year end, Kansas boasts 410 certified trustees, a 60% increase over the total for 2009. 286 Kansas librarians are certified library administrators and 67 participants received re-certification in 2010.

## Kansas Library Conference: April 6-8, 2011

The Kansas Library Conference will be held in Topeka on April 6-8, 2011. The Conference dates unfortunately coincide exactly with the joint MPLA/MLA Conference in Billings, Montana. As VP of my state association, I will be unable to attend MPLA this year, but Kansas will be represented by several of my colleagues. Best wishes to Johanna Freivalds of MLA and to all of my MPLA friends and colleagues for a great conference!