

# Built numbers in the Norwegian WebDewey

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# Use of Dewey in Norway

- Used by all public and school libraries
- Used by most academic and special libraries
- Norwegian WebDewey
  - Full translation with some expansions

# Norwegian Dewey policy

- Share classification – one book, one number
- Use tables – class as deep as possible
- Share the numbers you build in Norwegian WebDewey with the number building engine
  - Built numbers may be reused
  - Time saving in the long run

If the reused number from LC, BnB or others, is a built number, but not built in the Norwegian WebDewey yet, build and share it

# Role of The National Library

- Numbers are checked and index terms added by the Norwegian Dewey editorial team
- When in doubt as to whether a number is correctly assigned to a document, we check against the library's catalogue or contact the library
- The libraries receive feedback if the numbers are rejected, explaining why

# Current situation

## Norwegian-only records

Schedules + Tables	27523
Schedules	27010
Non-built	30
Built	26980
Tables	513
Non-built	512
Built	1
Internal tables	0
Internal tables in schedules	0
Internal tables in tables	0
Manuals	0
Internal tables in manuals	0
Relative index records	33378
Summaries	0
Internal summaries	0
External summaries	0

More than 30 000  
shared numbers, ca  
8,5 % rejected

# Contributors

- The National Library (including partners ) 40.8 %
  - Covers the public library market and National Bibliography (books and articles)
- UBOmapper 18.6 % (mainly from 2016-2018)
- Academic and special libraries 37 %
  - Covers academic literature, mainly non-Norwegian
- Other libraries 2.6 %
  
- A small decrease of numbers the last two years

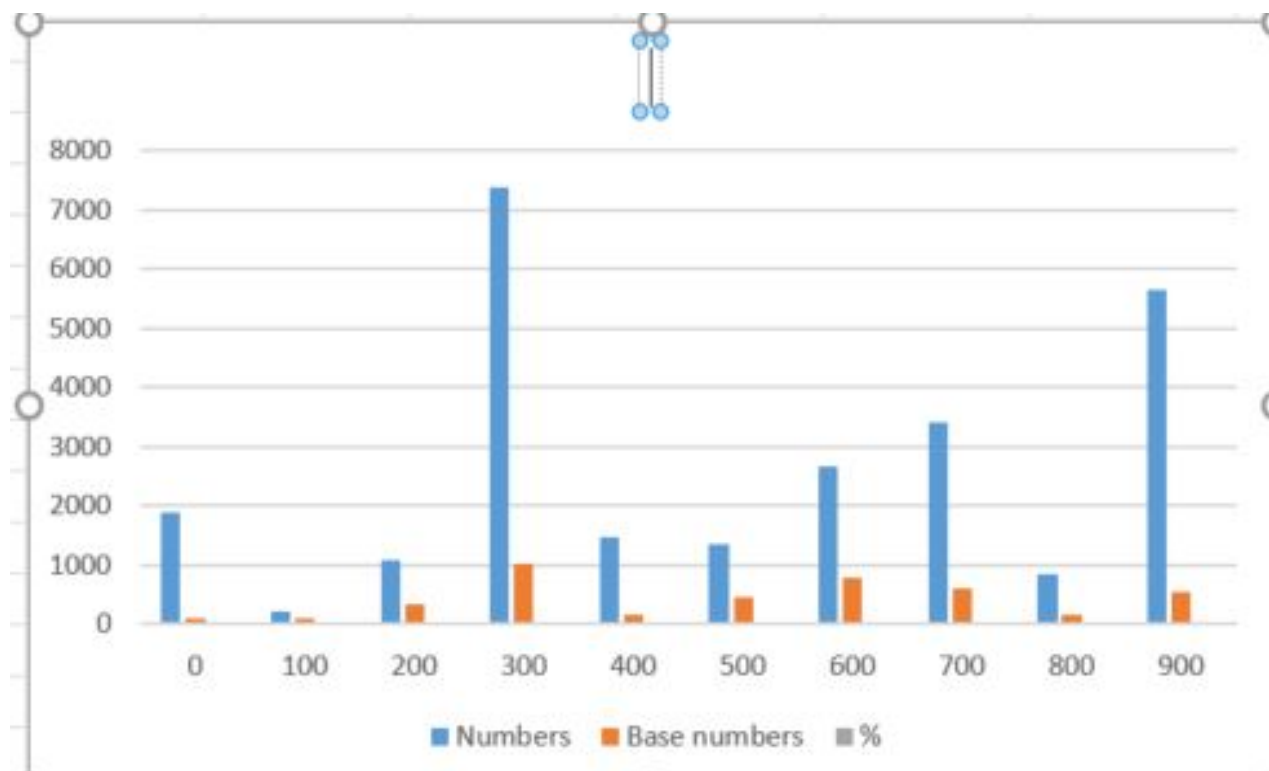
# Distribution of built numbers (and the base numbers they are derived from)

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Dewey	Numbers	Base numbers
0	1886	108
100	231	87
200	1070	345
300	7371	1019
400	1473	157
500	1364	463
600	2652	800
700	3423	611
800	857	146
900	5656	560

# Distribution of built numbers (and the base numbers they are derived from)

(2)





# Number building – examples (1)

016 Bibliographies and catalogs of works on specific subjects

Add to base number [016](#) notation 001-999

– 977 built numbers (total: 1886 in 000)

284.14-284.19 (Lutheran churches) Specific continents, countries, localities in modern world

Add to base number [284.1](#) notation [T2--4-T2--9](#) from Table 2

– 101 built numbers, 89 on Lutheran churches in Norway (total 1070 in 200)

305.81—305-89 Specific ethnic and national groups

Add to base number [305.8](#) notation [T5--1-T5--9](#) from Table 5

– 447 built numbers (280 built by UBO mapper) (total 7371 in 300)



# Number building – examples (2)

- 439.827 Historical and geographical variations, modern nongeographic variations  
Number built according to instructions under [420-490](#)
  - 312 built numbers (total 1473 in 400)
- 940.53+ 950-54 World War II  
Add from Table 2
  - 410 built numbers  
(total 5656 in 900)



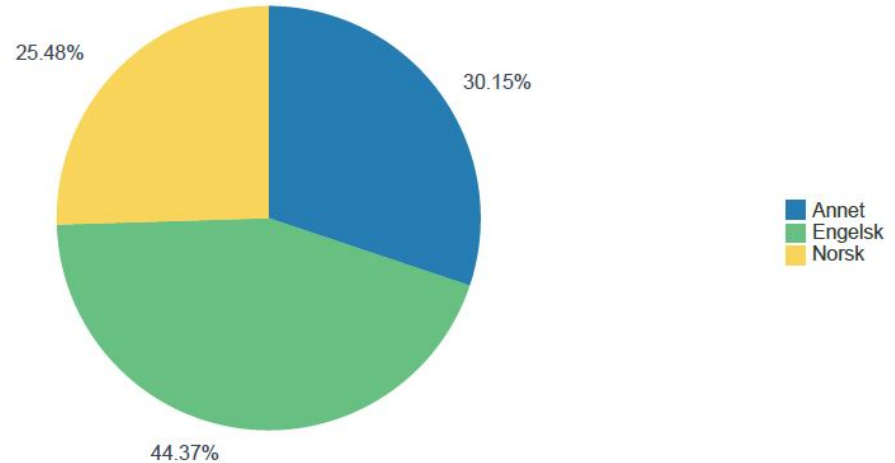
# The use and reuse of the Norwegian built numbers

- 26808 Norwegian built numbers in Oria (the union catalogue of the National Library and academic/special libraries)
  - 5820 of these are used for books by The National Library
  - 7209 are used for articles by The National Library

We have not investigated the situation of the public libraries or the frequency of use by the academic libraries

# What proportion is non-Norwegian?

Antall eksemplarer	Språk
6,197	Annet
9,121	Engelsk
5,238	Norsk



# The frequency of use. Built numbers on books

4133 numbers are used once

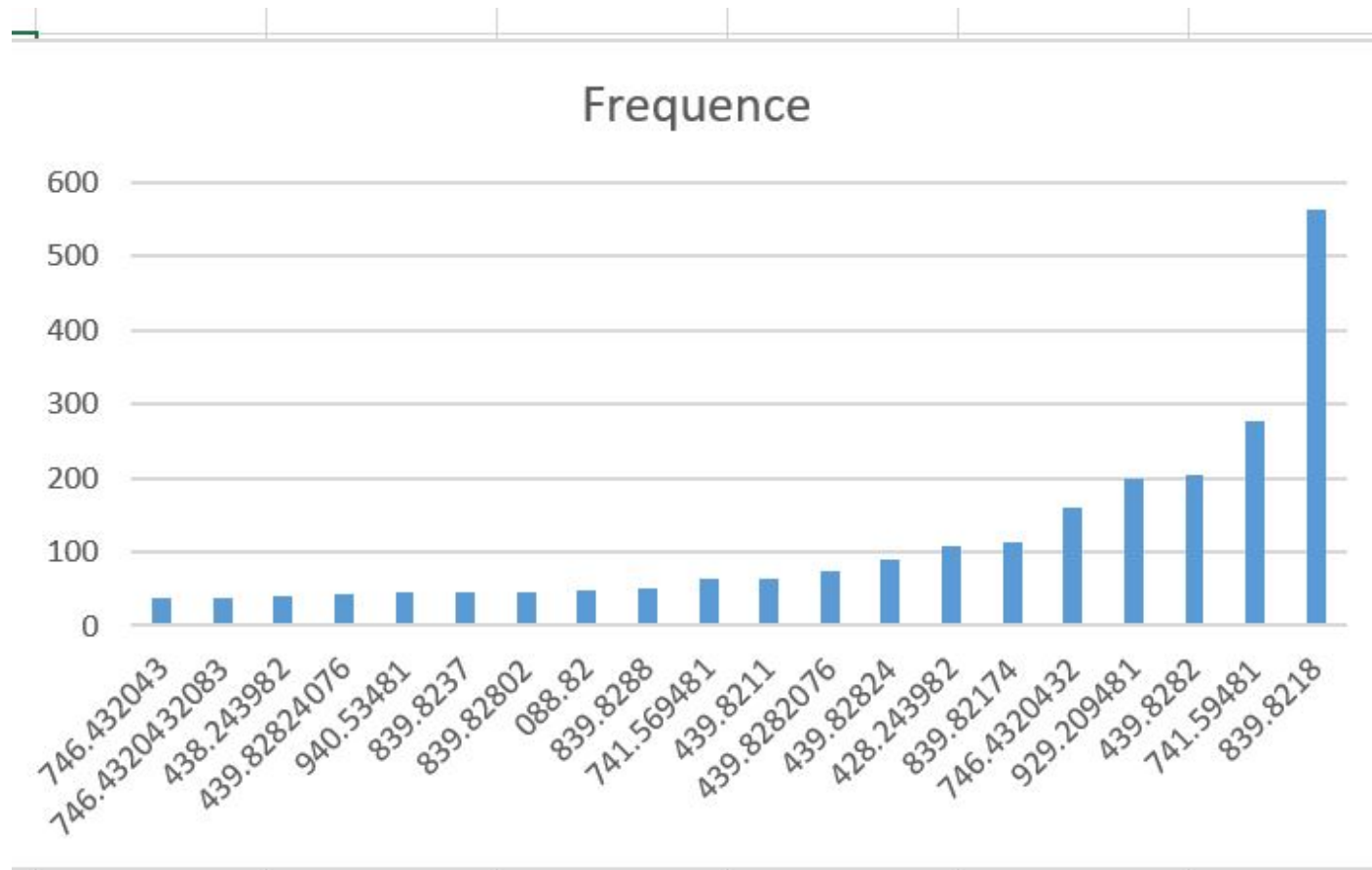
1371 numbers are used 2-5 times

160 numbers are used 6-9 times

143 numbers are used 10-99 times

7 numbers are used more than 100 times

# Top 20 numbers used for books(1)



## Top 20 numbers used for books (2)

- 088.82 General collections – Norwegian language
- 4XX.828\* Applied linguistics—German, English, Norwegian language
- 741.56\* and 741.59\* Cartoons, caricatures, comic strips - Norway
- 746.432 Knitting
- 839.82\* Norwegian literature
- 929.209481 Family history--Norway
- 940.53481 World War II--Norway



# Summing up - Questions

- Can other Dewey editions use our built numbers?
- Many numbers are used only once – waste of time?
  - Can be more useful if Dewey is used for search, e.g. by use of Marc field 085 (facets) and/or use of index terms
  - Useful even today because it helps the classifier to see patterns
- More effective technical solutions? (e.g. more automatic processes when assigning tables, use built table numbers as base numbers, and so on)





Thank you!

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