



# Towards the European Digital Library: management of cultural heritage in the national libraries

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# TEL-ME-MOR survey

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- Background:
    - TEL-ME-MOR project
    - Surveys of national libraries
  - Objective: to explore current tendencies in cultural heritage and ICT in national libraries of Europe
  - Aspects:
    - Technological
    - Management
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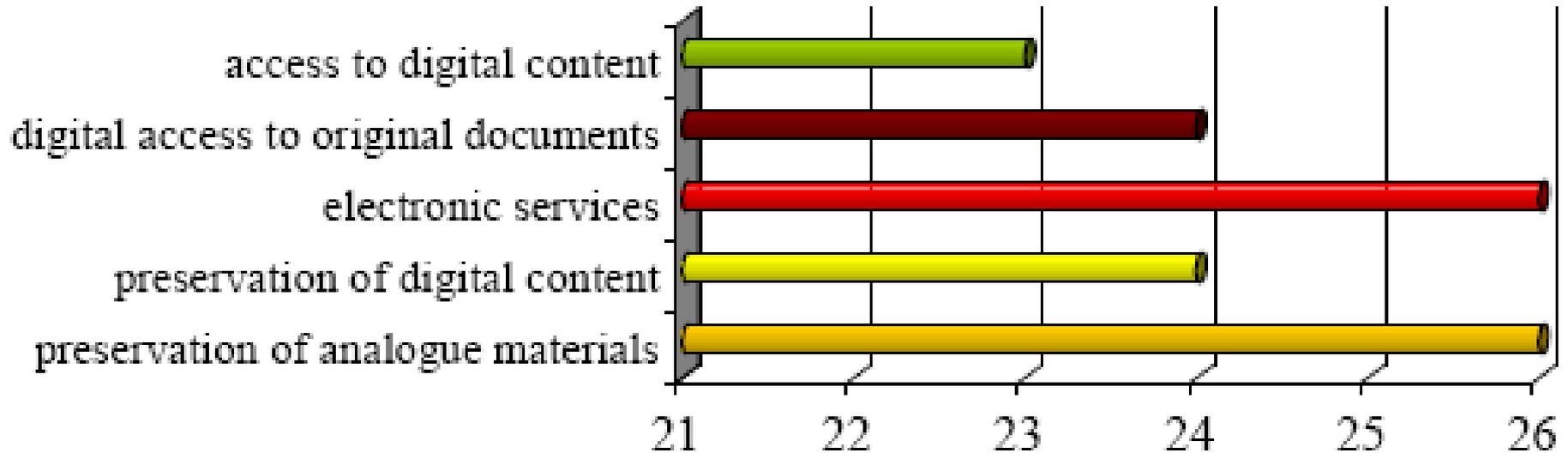
# Survey of the European national libraries

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- Topics:
    - Strategic approach
    - Technological infrastructure
    - Digital libraries, digitization and quality (usability, accessibility, quality of digital services)
  
  - European scope: 39 national libraries (NL)  
CENL members responded:
    - EU-15+EEA+CH – 16 NL
    - EU-10 – 10 NL
    - Non-EU – 13 NL
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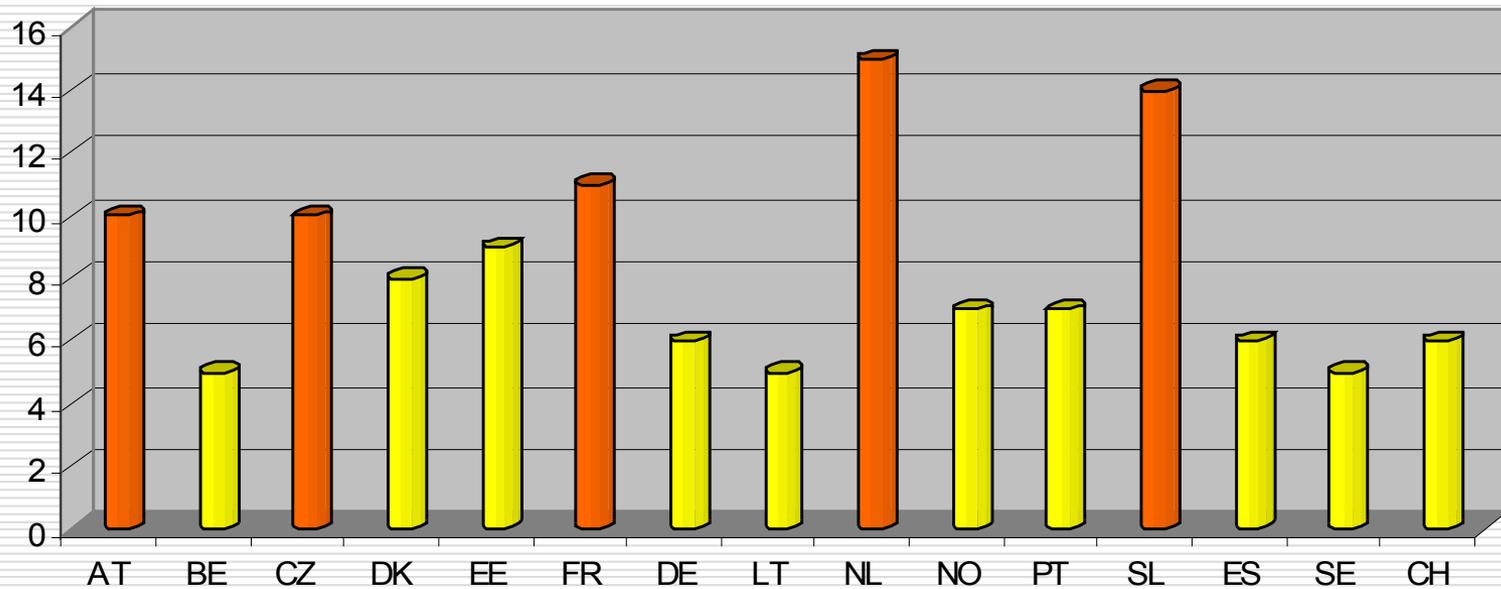
# Strategic objectives in NLs

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# Participation in international projects

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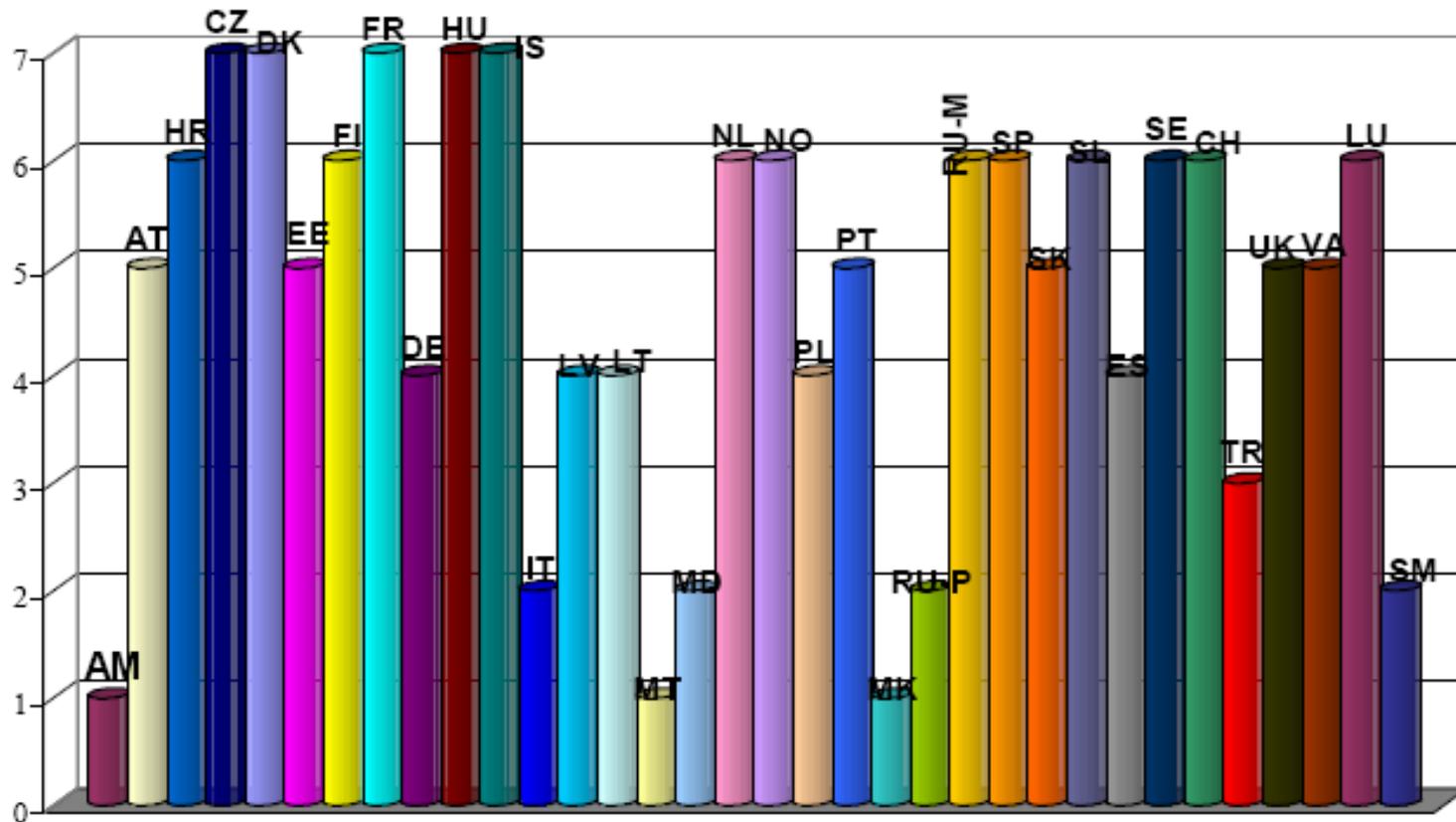
Only NLs that have participated more than in 5 projects

# Technological infrastructure

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- Internet connectivity:
    - Highest: 9 NLs – 1 Gbps and more
    - Lowest: under 256 Kbp/s
    - No gaps between new and old member states
  
  - Scope of applied technologies:
    - union catalogue
    - digital libraries
    - digitization production facilities
    - automated internal administration systems
    - mass storage systems
    - web harvesting and archiving
    - sophisticated portals
    - other
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# Variety of technologies in NLS

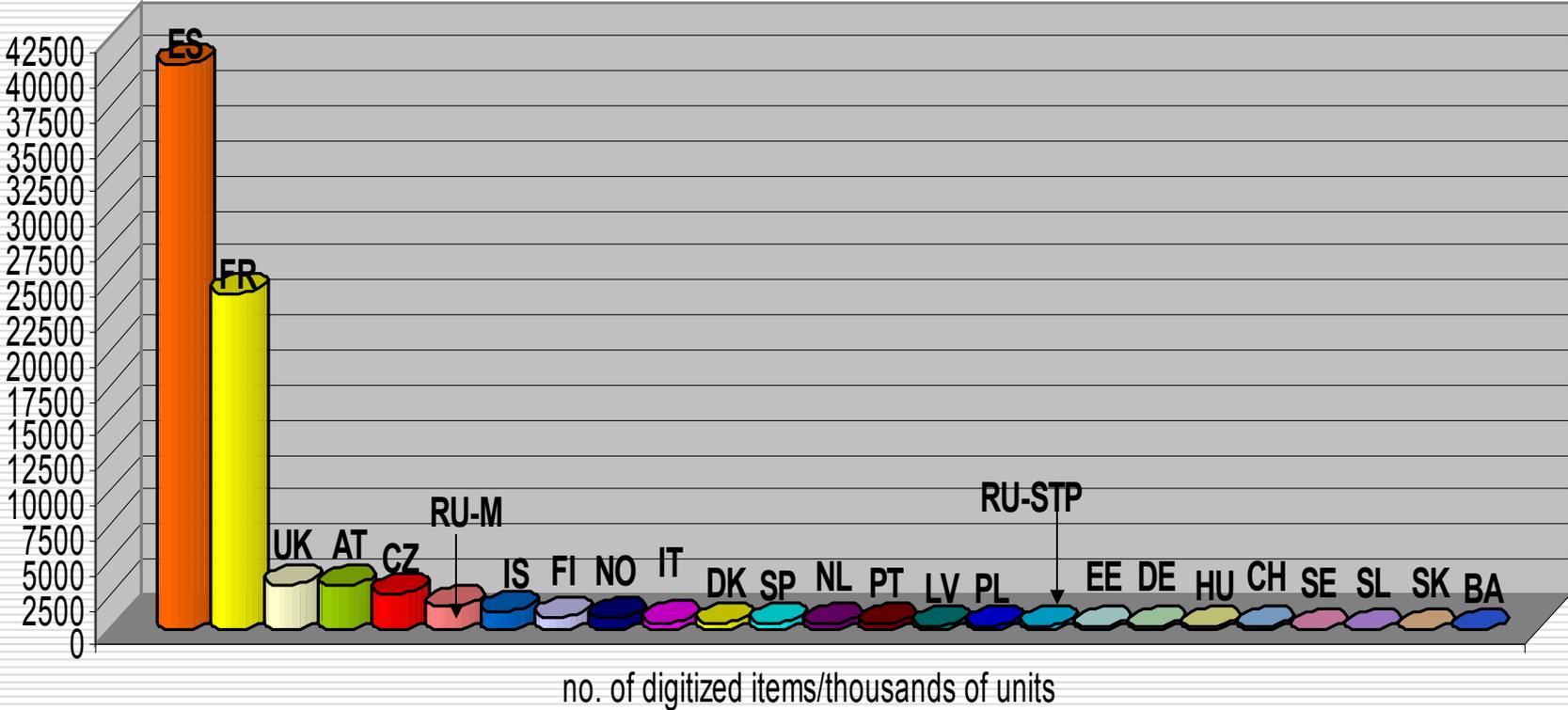


# Digital libraries and digitization

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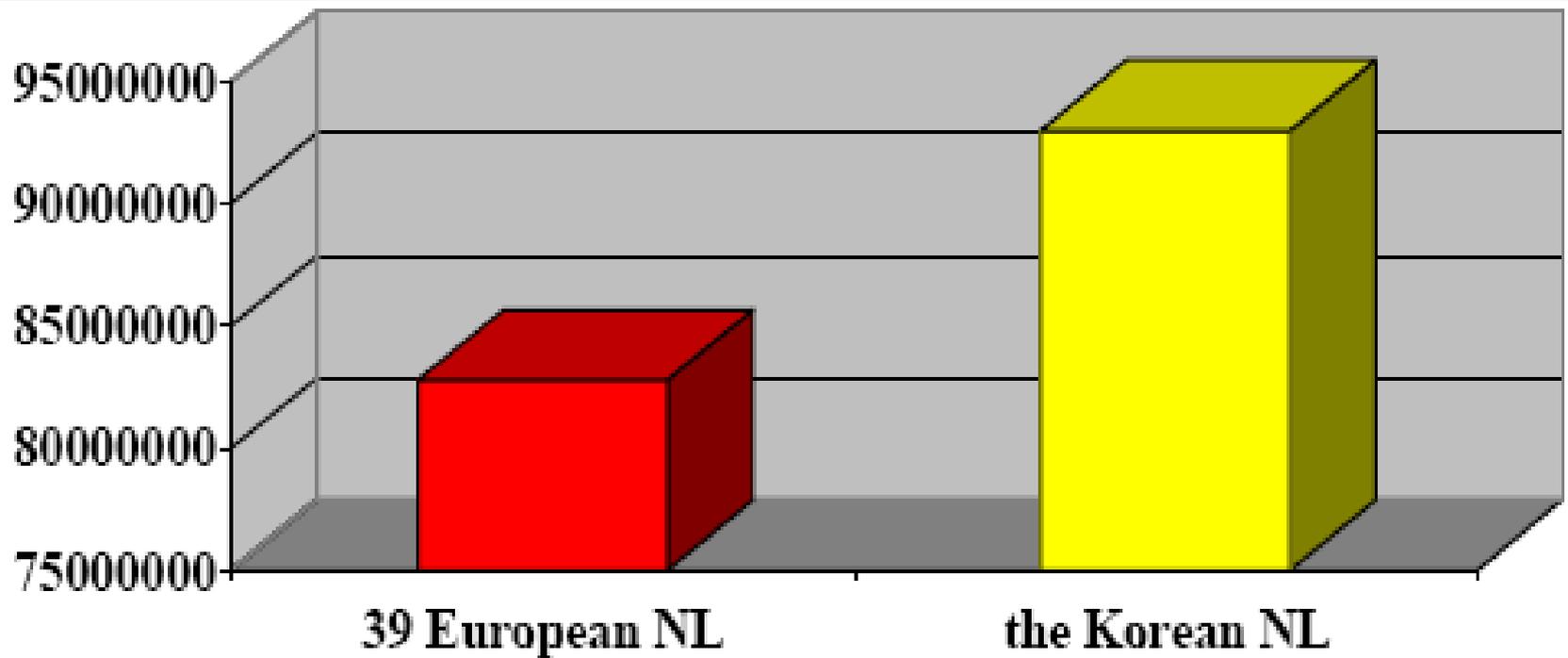
- Digital libraries at an early stage of the development:
    - Small exhibition-like collections
    - Basic functionalities
  - Digitization:
    - Total 83, 000 000 analytical data files
    - Leaders: Spain and France
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# NLs lack large scale digitization



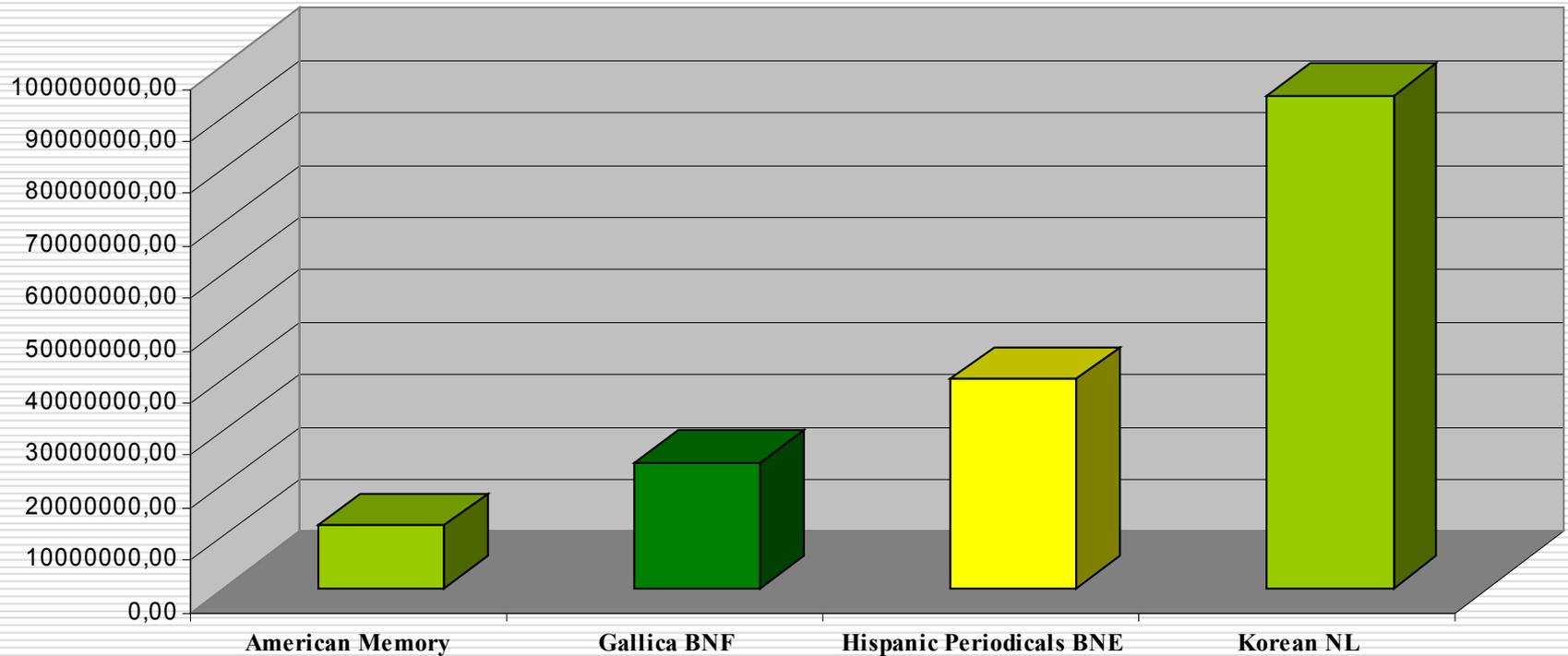
# NLs lack large scale digitization: comparative view

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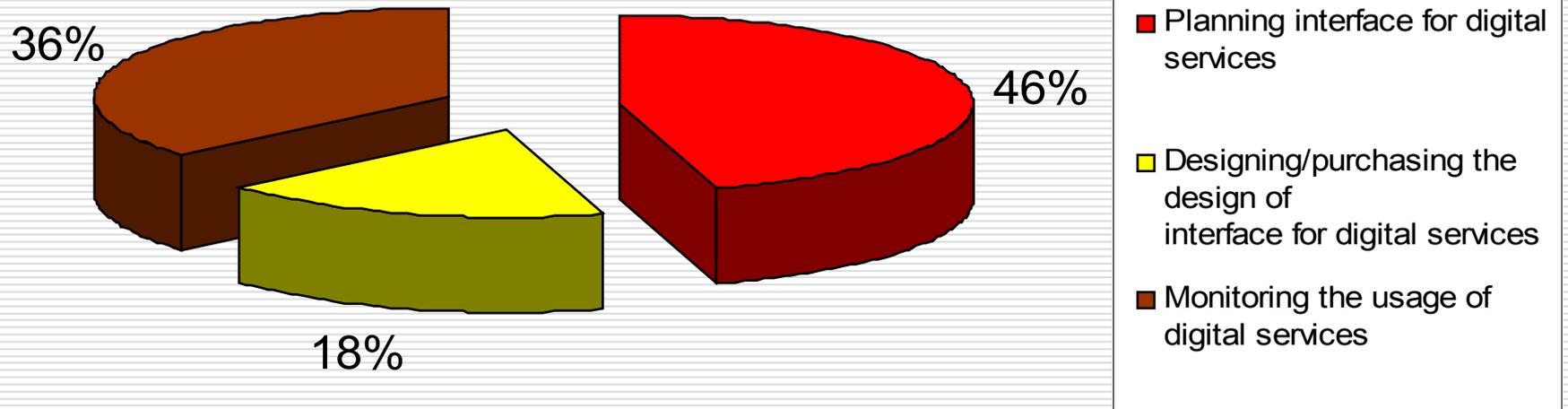
# Digital collections worldwide: comparative view

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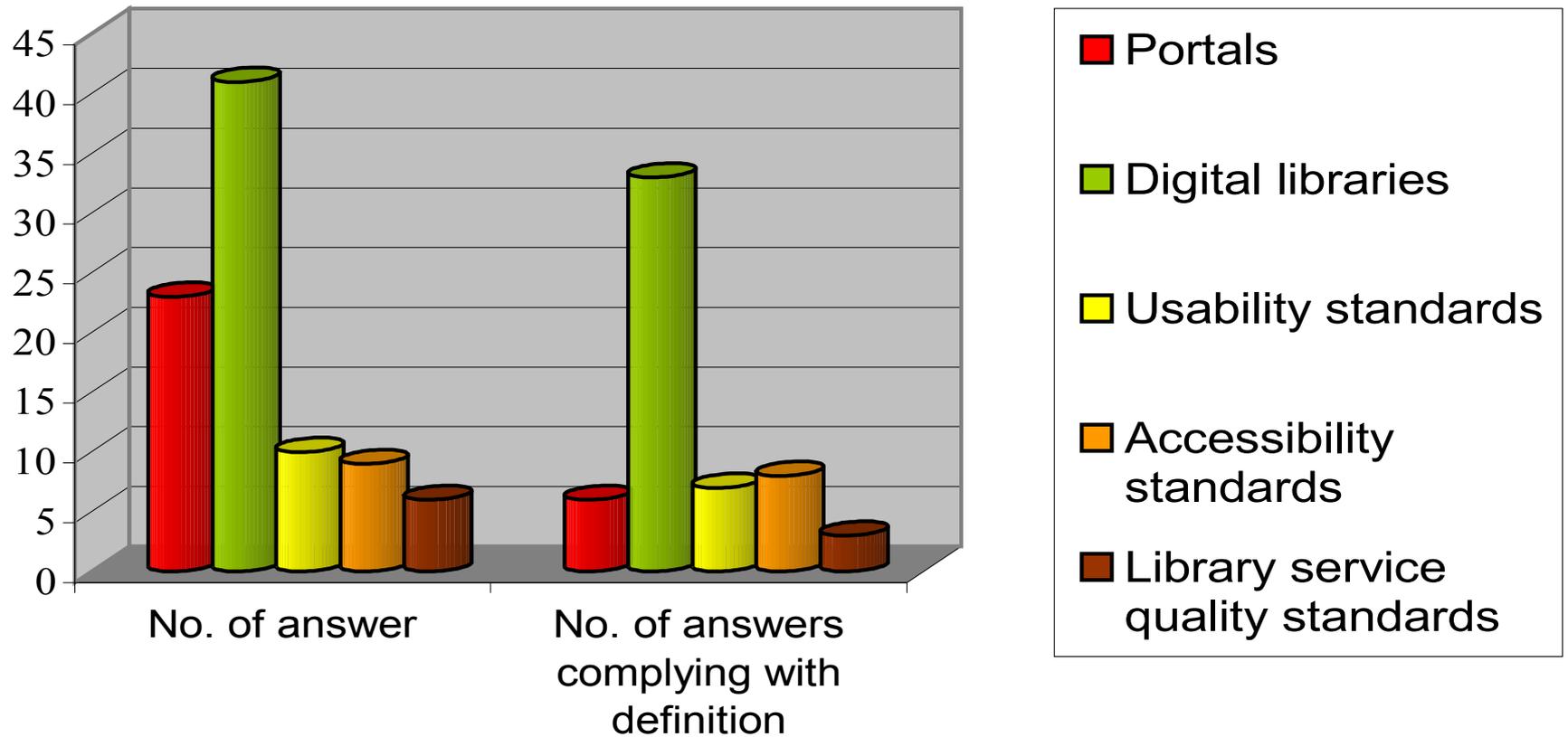
# Collaboration with users

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# Awareness of quality standards

**CHART 6. Provision of quality digital access**



# Conclusions

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- ❑ Strategic priorities of NLs are in line with the EU information policy
  - ❑ There are no gaps between old and new EU member states
  - ❑ The lack of digitized content
  - ❑ The need for user-centred solutions
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# Thank you for attention!

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