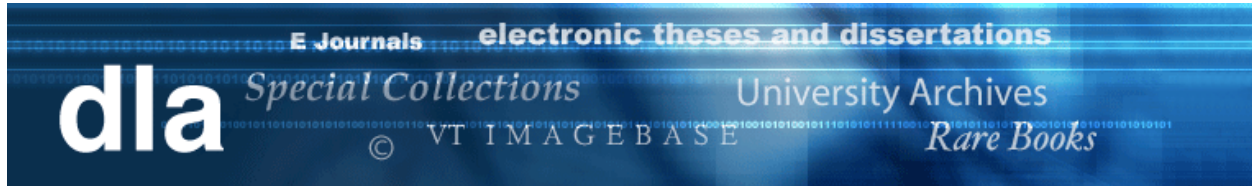


DLA ANNUAL REPORT 2004/05

Gail McMillan, Director



The department's web pages have been improved with a new logo, standardized layout, as well as overall performance and compliance with current W3C and accessibility standards, largely through css (Cascading Style Sheets). In addition, new server side includes allow global updating of headers/footers.

ACCESSIONS

DLA staff accessioned 110 donations, adding over 130 cubic feet of material. Of particular note are additions to the Peacock Harper Culinary Collection, including a soft cover handwritten recipe book from the 1870s, World War II ration books, and a manuscript recipe book from Hertford, England, written 1810-1820. There were 35 additions (65 cu. ft.) to the International Archive of Women in Architecture, with 50 cu. ft. coming from the estate of Sigrid Rupp. The Archives of American Aerospace Engineering grew in importance and size (18.6 cu. ft.) when former astronaut Michael Collins donated 4.5 cu. ft. and NASA research scientist William Hewitt Phillips donated 8 cu. ft. Local history resources were improved with the addition of 22.5 cu. ft., including two quilts that once belonged to Floyd Gibson and 9 cu. ft. of the papers of Alfred Payne (<http://www.vtnews.vt.edu/story.php?relyear=2003&itemno=344>).

PROCESSING

DLA staff processed 37 collections measuring over 165 cubic feet. 94 cu. ft. of the processed materials document the history of the university, the largest collection being the Carol M. Newman Library Set of Architectural Drawings at 84 cu. ft. The next largest single area of the processed collections to grow was that of the IAWA at 59 cu. ft. These include the collections of Susana Torre (24.5 cu. ft.), Zelma Wilson (18 cu. ft.), and Wena Dows (6 cu. ft.). The local history resources organized and available to the public increased by 6 cu. ft. Processing the 6 cu. ft. of Charles Goodsell's photographs also resulted in the availability of 2015 images of statehouses and public buildings.



IMAGES

Digital Imaging created **14,930 TIFF images for DLA.** More were compiled into PDF files to improve their usability through the web, such as the *Bugles*, Civil War newspapers, and theses and dissertations. Other material, such as deteriorating railroad negatives, was scanned for archival purposes. Library patrons requested copies of 643 TIFF images.

Use of our digital images ranged from personal to corporate, from private to commercial. Authors of local histories, particularly for Arcadia Publishing, used images in books about Christiansburg, the Christiansburg Institute, railroads in North Carolina, and the Pulaski Railway Station, among others. Publishers also requested images to illustrate online and printed textbooks, a history of the Budd Company, a book about Nova Scotia coal mining, and *Hollow, the Longest Coal Operation in the World*. Documentary videos about Portsmouth OH and Henrico County VA featured our images. VDOT used our images as part of the Route 460 Location Study. *Mainline Modeler*, *The Arrow*, and the magazine for the Fairlane Club of American used railroad images to illustrate articles and the new headquarters of the

Norfolk Southern Corporation is drawing extensively on the N&W Historical Photograph Collection, Ms 88-120. Our images also appeared in local publications such as *VT Magazine* and *New River Valley Current*.

DLA prepared 5,000 images in the Virginia Cooperative Extension folio for testing in the Luna Insight. Before closing the VT ImageBase to additional images, DLA staff improved the image access points to enhance users' success at search-and-find and to prepare the current metadata for mapping into the new database. Several staff members attended Insight training, then began working with templates, schema, spreadsheets, and mapping to facilitate migration to the new image database. DLA has had to reconceptualize the organization of the ImageBase to fit the new system. The current browse through multiple folios (i.e., collections) and sub-folios is being melded into two collections. (1) *Special Collections*, which will house the images largely scanned from primary and secondary resources documenting 19th- and 20th-century American history and culture housed in Newman Library's Digital Library and Archives. (2) *Virginia Tech Archives* will house the images directly associated with the university at any time in its history. Additional preparations for the migration to Luna include transferring 2000 TIFF images from a server at the Computer Center.

PATRON SERVICES

Renovations to Special Collections began on Feb. 21, causing the Reading Room to close on March 21 for a "few weeks." However, at the end of this fiscal year it was still undergoing renovations and patrons were being accommodated wherever there was room for them in DLA. Potential Reading Room patrons were informed via the several web sites including the homepages for DLA <http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/specdir.html> and University Libraries <http://news.lib.vt.edu/libnews/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=166>. The upside of this situation is that at least one donor contributed to the VT Foundation specifically for Special Collections (Jeff Stewart, \$1000). DLA staff personally assisted over 800 patrons this year. They answered at least **3,327 reference questions** and recorded **patron using 6,688 items**. Copy machine records showed that patrons made 1,225 photocopies.

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT

This year we focused on purchasing publications of local and regional interest such as Appalachian fiction and genealogical materials, with expenditures totaling \$10,443.75. DLA catalogers added to Addison **795 new titles and 921 volumes** in the Rare Book Room and the Reading Room reference collection. \$2,012.00 in funds donated to the Peacock-Harper Culinary Collection were used to purchase rare and unique publications. \$17,000 from the Wallace funds were used to purchase the Dr. Stanford E. Challie papers and the Confederate diary of James P. Hawkins.

DLA's online editors **added 179 articles in 23 ejournals** at <http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/ejournals/>. 19 additional *Bugles* (<http://spec.lib.vt.edu/archives/bugle/>) are available online and were featured in *Library News* at <http://news.lib.vt.edu/libnews/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=100>. We began adding scanned theses and dissertations at the rate of 50 per month in collaboration with Circulation, Technical Services, and Systems; Digital Imaging and Production Services in Learning Technologies/Information Technology.

EXHIBITIONS

- DLA and Special Collections hosted several exciting exhibitions including the recently acquired paintings added to the Bailey-Law Collection when the Natural History Museum on North Main Street closed. Using the German Club donation, Miller Off Main created archival framing.
- A quilt exhibit greeted library patrons as they entered Newman Library, including Gibson and Black artifacts from the 1800s as well as new quilts made by library staff for fund-raisers by non-profit organizations such as RAFT and the Humane Society of Montgomery County.
- After the death of Colonel Harry Temple Special Collections showcased artifacts from his collection reflecting his deep involvement in the VT Corps of Cadets and university life.
- In honor of the 35th anniversary of the moon landing, a two-part exhibit drew on the extraordinary Archive of American Aerospace Exploration and artifacts from astronaut Michael Collins's collection as well as the largely untapped Speculative Fiction collection.

- We exhibited a sampling of autographed copies by famous authors and the Reading Room cases featured the poetry of Charles Bukowski and the intaglio prints of Jacob Belser. On permanent display was the Clifton Garvin, Jr. donation of the limited edition facsimile of John James Audubon's *Birds of America*.
- In the DLA office area, we displayed IAWA material; handouts including bookmarks and newsletters were available to guests.
- Susan Felker, from the outreach office, represented us at the Hotel Roanoke meeting of the N&W Historical Society, displaying a revolving show of 100 images and several poster-size blow-ups.
- DLA repeatedly responded to requests to prepare exhibits and locate exhibit materials for others, including refreshing the Squires Student Center cases, donor tours, university-wide events such as Parents Weekend, celebrating T. Marshall Hahn in Newman Library, Ut Prosim, and more. See examples at (<http://www.givingto.vt.edu/photoalbum/april30/hahn/52-70-UR/hahn52-70-UR.html>), and <http://www.givingto.vt.edu/photoalbum/april30/tours/LIBRARY/library.html>.

MOLD

Disaster recovery took well over 100 hours by DLA staff last summer. Following the discovery of mold in the Newman Library basement on Aug. 3, 2004, 300 books and 125 ledgers were removed, dried, cleaned, and disinfected. Despite the effort, 200 donated titles could not be salvaged. Dehumidifiers and fans were installed throughout Special Collections, including the basement. These were constantly monitored, including evenings and weekends. DLA staff did most of the work with additional book cleaning by volunteers Margaret Merrill and Shelving staff. We deployed two climate monitoring devices to prevent further outbreaks and compiled data on temperature and relative humidity into 62 summative reports (32 deployments - 2 loggers).

RENOVATIONS

Preparations for the remodeling of Special Collections included moving most of the basement collections, the Reading Room, and the entire Rare Book collection to temporary quarters, including books to two locations on the second floor and other materials into the newly constructed room on the first floor of Newman Library. We also conceptualized the layout of the expanded Rare Books and Manuscripts Room and made decisions about who will work where when all of DLA is on the first floor. All this was in anticipation of moving into our renovated space last spring!

GRANTS

We succeeded in garnering over \$160,000 for the library this fiscal year. We successfully requested funds from (1) the Beverly Willis Architectural Foundation (\$2,000), (2) Consol Energy to support the Pocahontas Mining Maps Collection (\$35,000); and (3) we partnered with the university libraries at Emory (lead), Auburn, Florida State, Georgia State, and Louisville to win one of the first Library of Congress National Digital Information Infrastructure Preservation Project awards for \$600,000, bringing \$129,576 to VT to create redundant, distributed dark preservation archives of Southern digital culture.

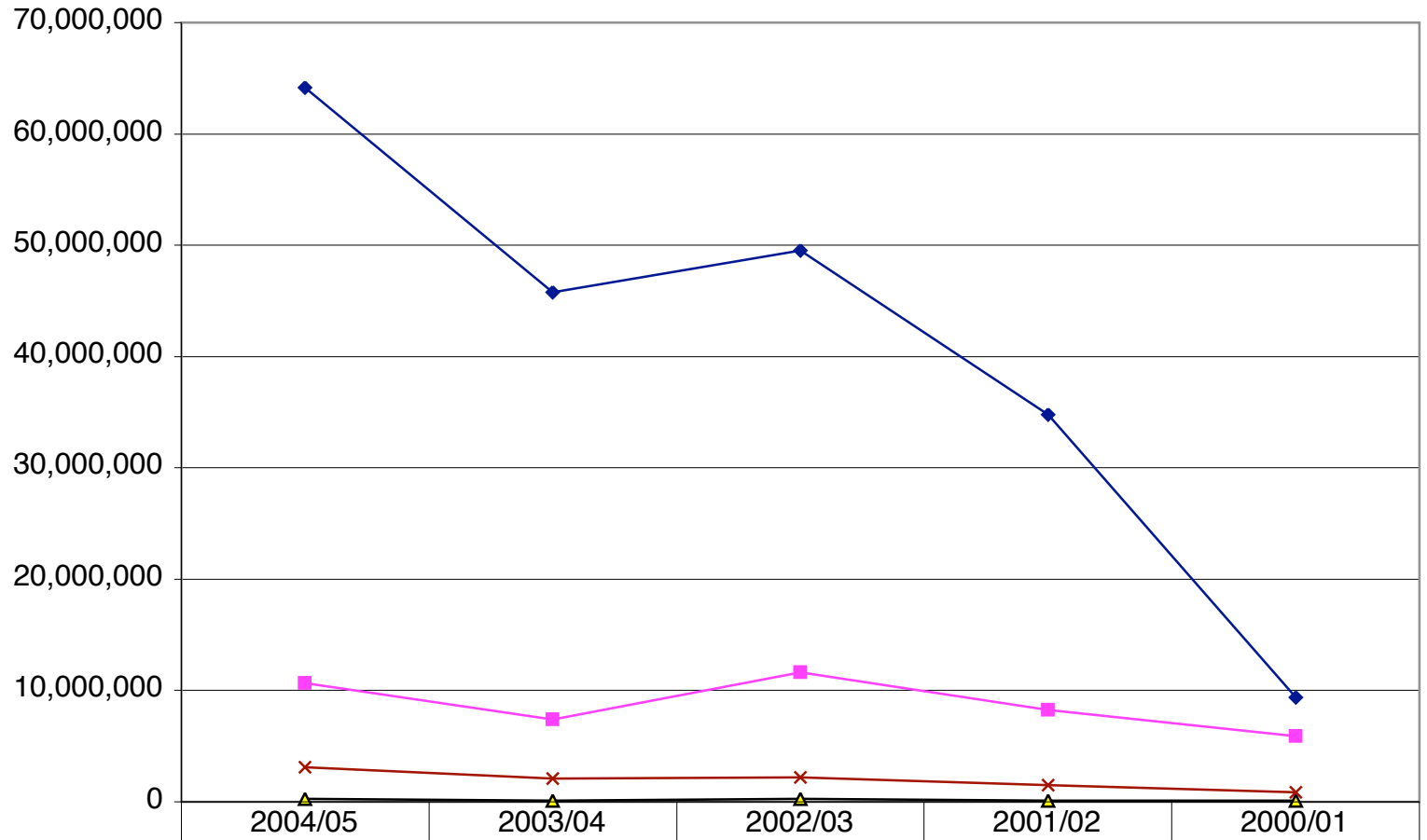
DLA DATABASE

The database is 90% complete. We compiled information for 1503 manuscript collections and over 560 accession records spanning six years of information and donor files. URLs have been added to all manuscript and accession entries when available. Manuscript and accession Information has been paired for processing status when possible. This year programming and data constraints helped us to evaluate several aspects of the design to increase usability and functionality for both patrons and staff. We recently reached a milestone in programming by successfully importing the first test data into all the tables. With that data in place, fine-tuning can take place on the staff side, and functional search and display modules will be finalized for the patron side.

STAFF: The knowledgeable, thoughtful, and caring staff of DLA and a myriad of student assistants, most enduring of which has been Mark Gerus, BS 2005, made all of this possible: Thanks: Gilbert Borrego. John Jackson, Tamara Kennelly, Carolyn Kletnieks; Joyce Nester, Amy Shaffer, Eve Trager, Kimberli Weeks, D. Jane Wills; Graduate Assistants Hembhushan Giri and Sam Walters; and University of Pittsburgh intern Andrea Coles.



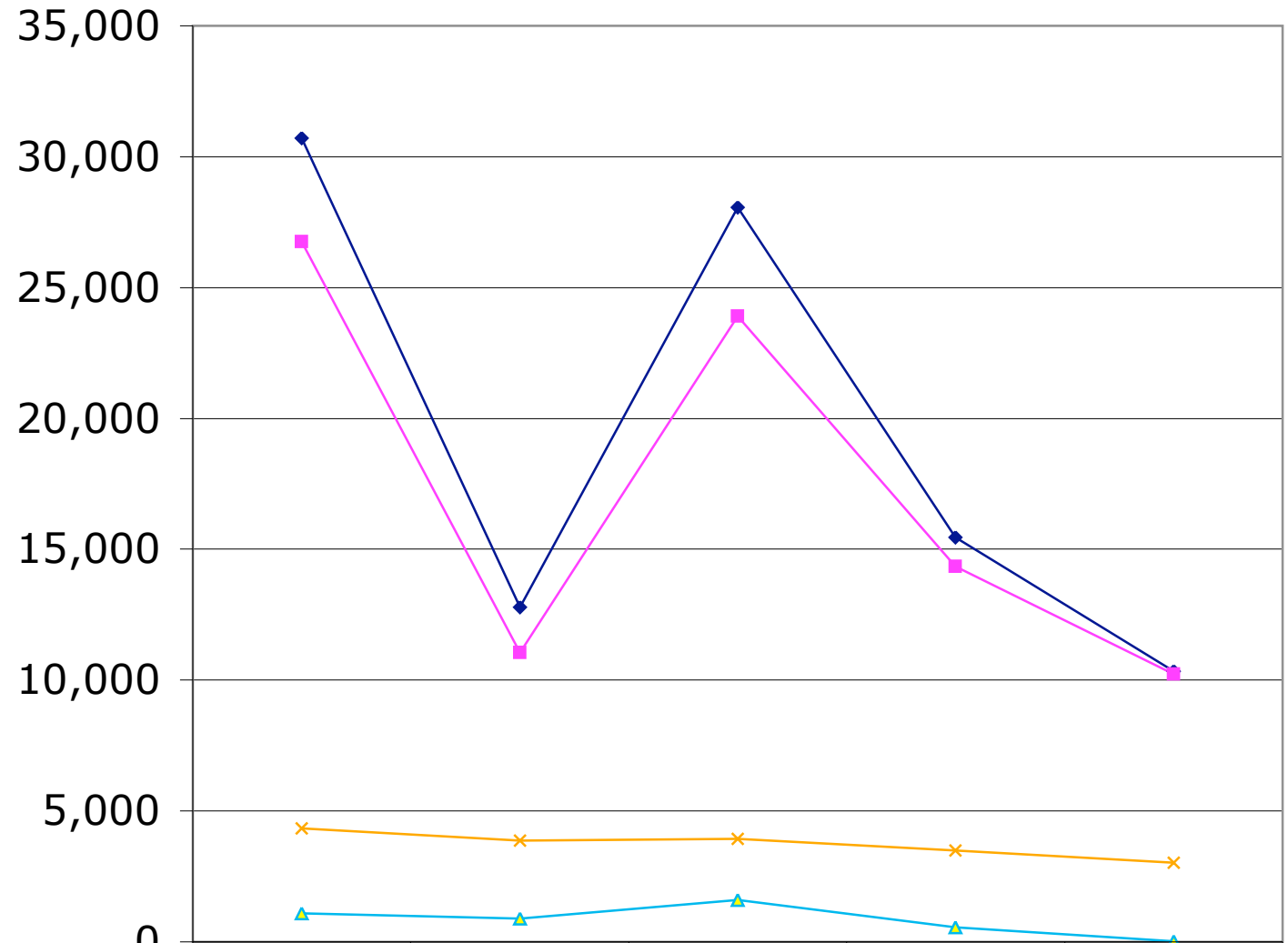
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dla Special Collections University Archives
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—◆— Successful requests	64,134,400	45,779,862	49,550,350	34,777,667	9,360,488
—■— Successful requests for pages	10,689,500	7,420,115	11,608,162	8,246,579	5,910,992
—▲— Distinct files requested	247,119	107,097	267,730	117,332	87,304
—×— Distinct hosts served	3,104,064	2,070,497	2,205,205	1,493,855	831,163

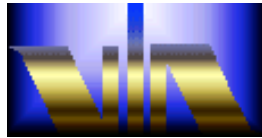
Popularity of DLA Copyright Web Returns

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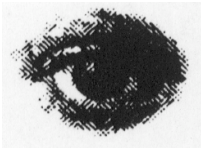


◆ Successful requests	30,718	12,790	28,072	15,449	10,341
■ Successful requests for pages	26,742	11,043	23,894	14,342	10,228
▲ Distinct files requested	1,096	885	1,600	551	18
✕ Distinct hosts served	4,345	3,879	3,943	3,487	3,034

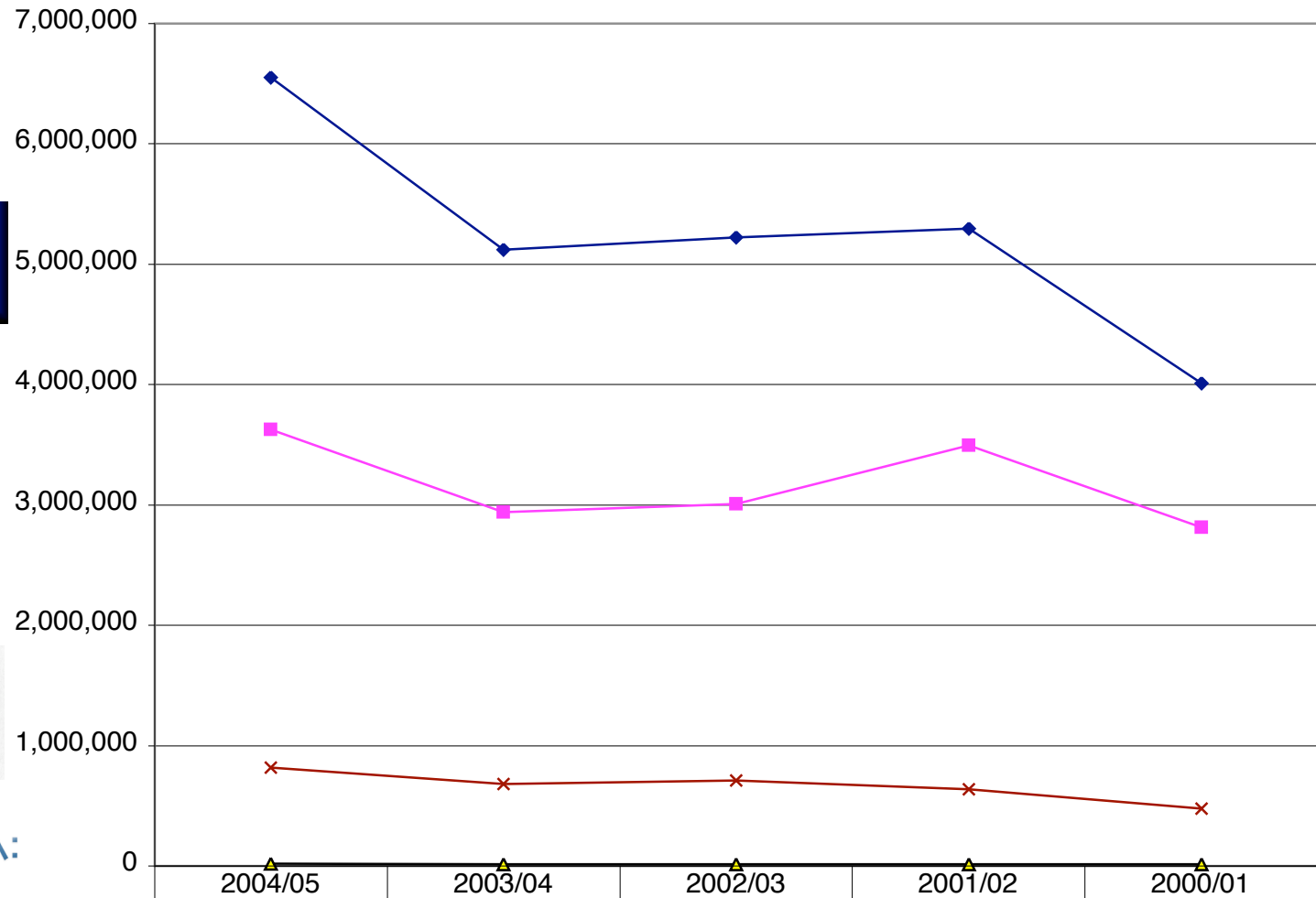
EJournal Usage at DLA <http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/ejournals/>



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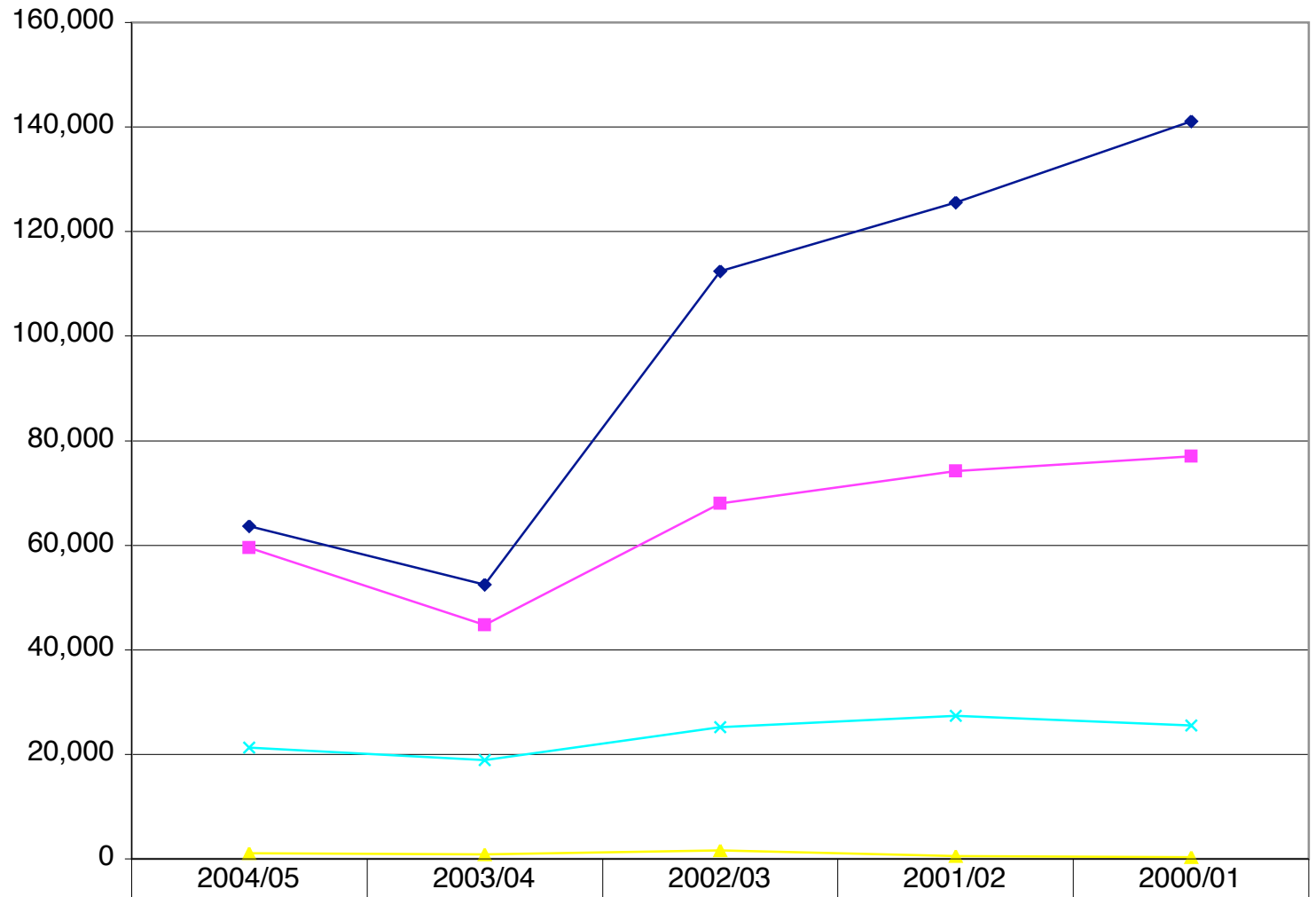
NANTAHALA:



◆ Successful requests	6,553,811	5,118,920	5,222,863	5,294,621	4,011,116
■ Successful requests for pages	3,624,621	2,940,194	3,008,392	3,492,805	2,812,102
▲ Distinct files requested	21,304	16,668	16,215	16,466	15,220
✕ Distinct hosts served	818,951	681,134	709,626	635,460	475,172

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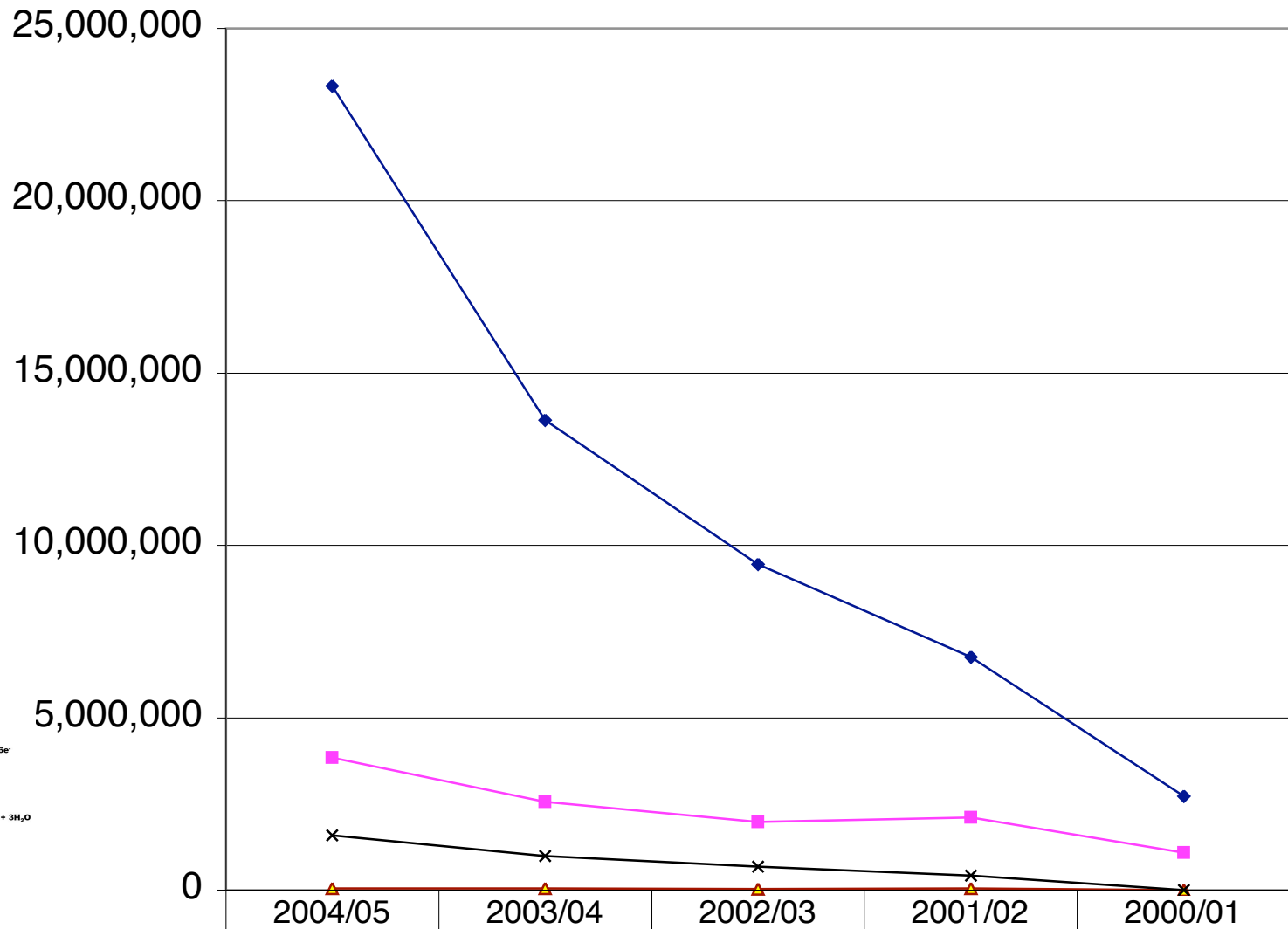
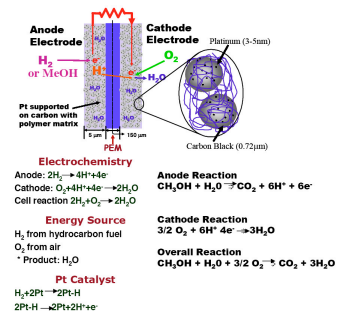
◆ Successful requests	63,701	52,426	112,472	125,524	141,114
■ Successful requests for pages	59,527	44,787	68,013	74,209	77,009
▲ Distinct files requested	1,105	893	1,605	554	353
× Distinct hosts served	21,247	18,927	25,146	27,349	25,544

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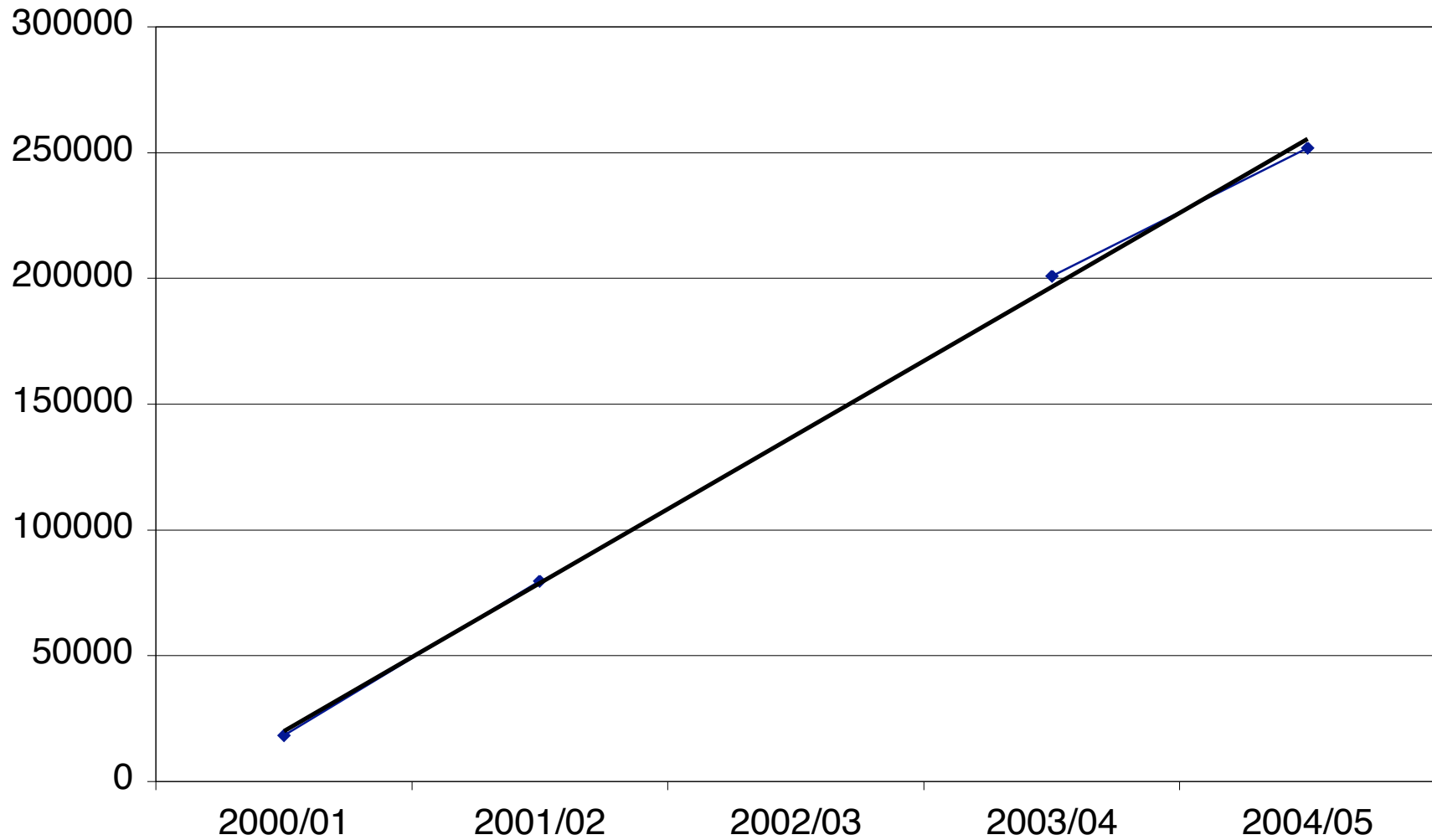
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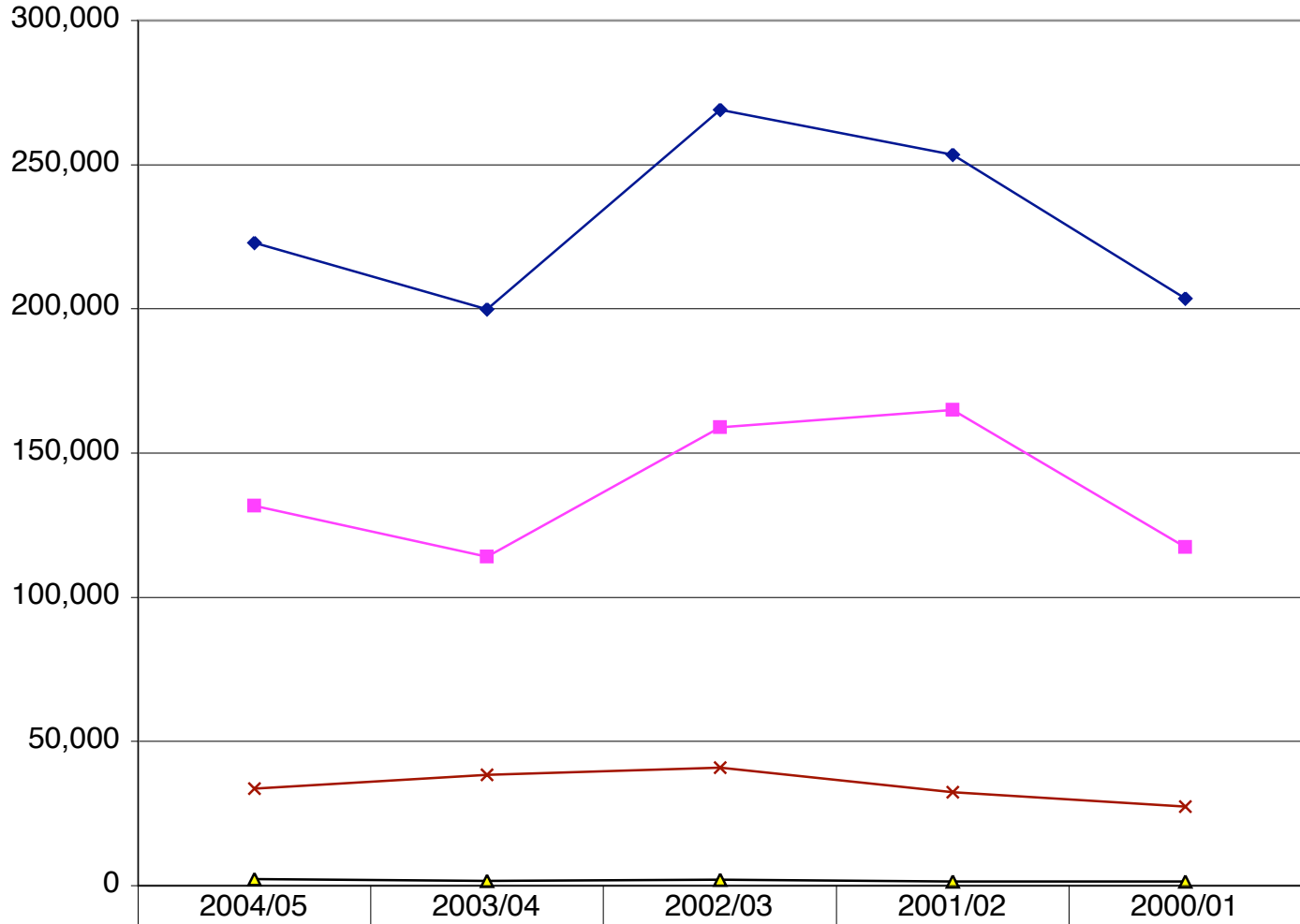
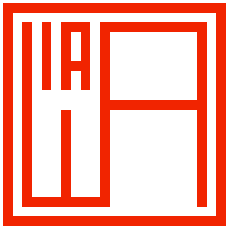
◆ Successful requests	23,327,315	13,627,721	9,455,258	6,759,779	2,725,773
■ Successful requests for pages	3,840,671	2,562,716	1,985,214	2,106,371	1,087,877
▲ Distinct files requested	53,606	43,280	31,884	50,982	0
✕ Distinct hosts served	1,594,913	985,146	680,771	425,475	0

Upward Trend in Requests for "Faculty Archives" (http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/faculty_archives/)



Web Usage of Manuscript Collections

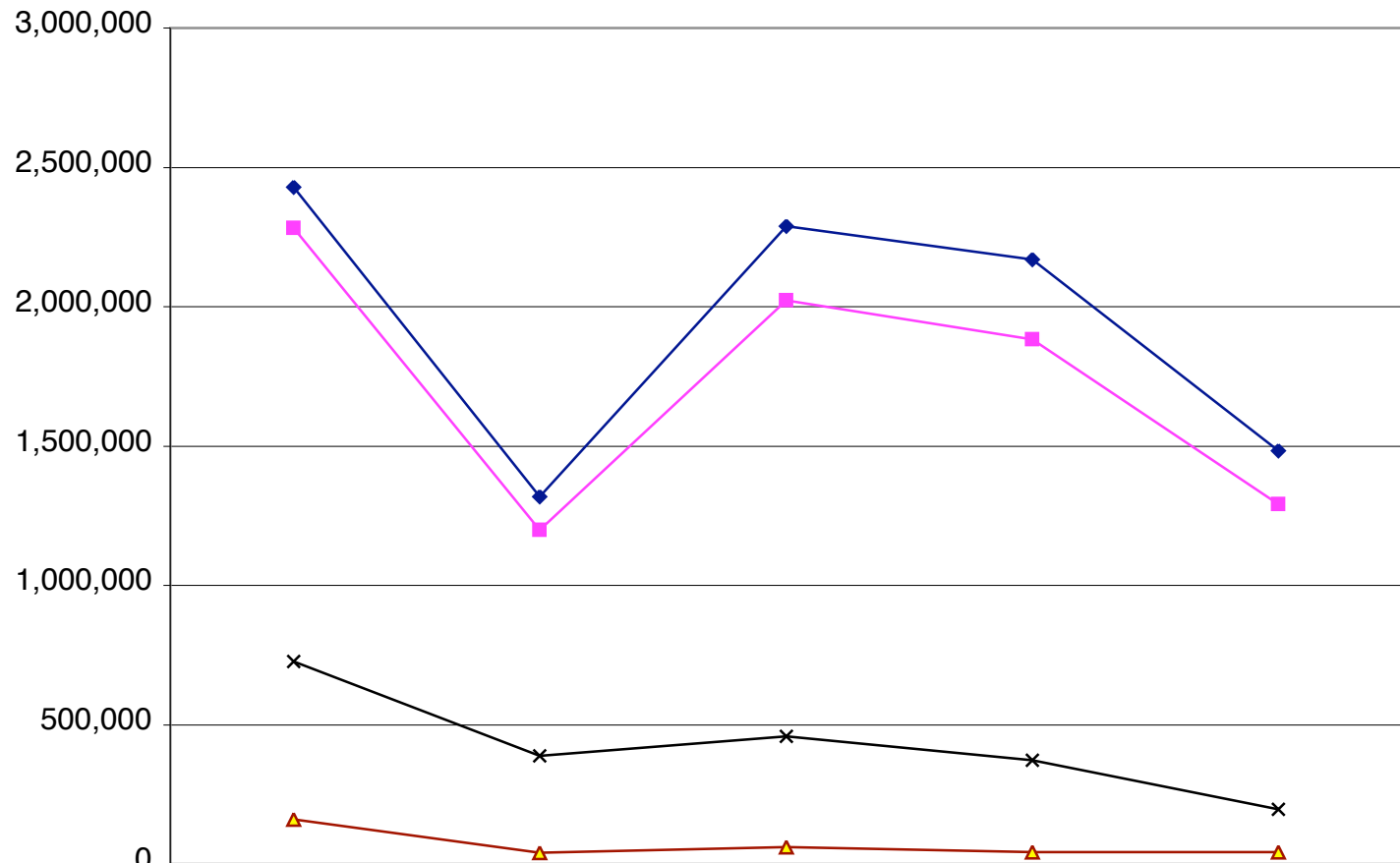
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◆ Successful requests	222,989	199,801	269,052	253,520	203,609
■ Successful requests for pages	131,695	114,124	159,005	165,006	117,307
▲ Distinct files requested	2,331	1,606	2,056	1,414	1,362
✕ Distinct hosts served	33,591	38,501	40,945	32,503	27,510

News from DLA

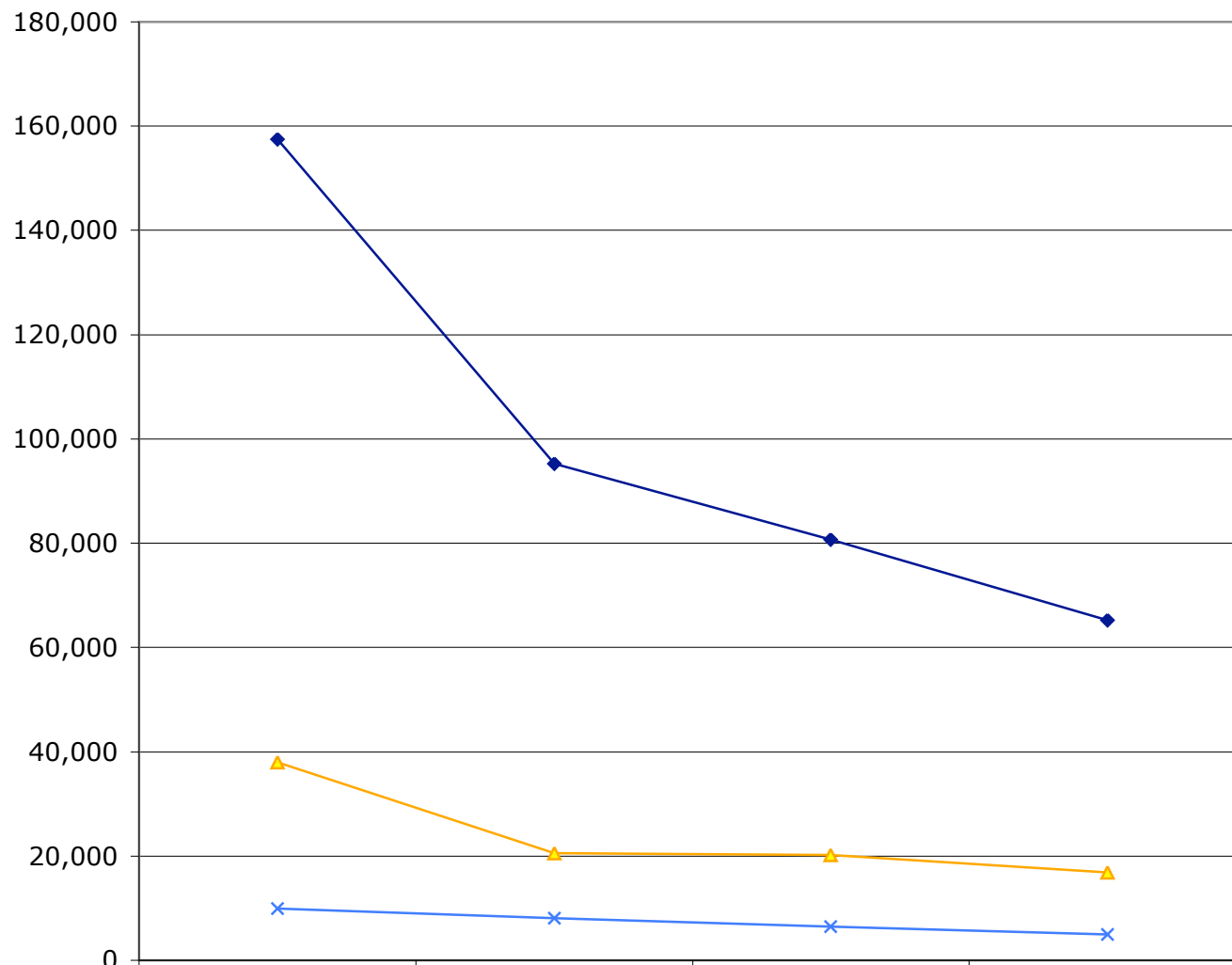
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◆ Successful requests	2,429,340	1,318,140	2,288,407	2,169,168	1,483,030
■ Successful requests for pages	2,282,081	1,197,769	2,021,999	1,883,713	1,292,094
▲ Distinct files requested	160,926	40,718	60,389	42,618	43,224
× Distinct hosts served	726,249	387,814	457,158	372,508	196,831

Increased Use of DLA Surveys

(lumiere.lib.vt.edu /surveys)



	2004/05	2003/04	2002/03	2001/02
Successful requests	157,441	95,307	80,690	65,232
Distinct files requested	38,018	20,596	20,174	16,839
Distinct hosts served	9,872	8,027	6,508	4,911

DLA Accessions 2004/05

<u>category</u>	<u>collection</u>	<u>size cu.ft.</u>
iawa	Alonso, Carmen Espejel	0.1
vt	Alumni Association Papers	2.0
cul	Ann Hertzler / "An Inventory of Nutrition Education Evaluation Instruments"	0.2
	Band of the 19th Virginia Heavy Artillery / Cabell, Randolph	0.1
cul	Beattie, Kathryn--Culinary books	0.1
iawa	Bliznakov Prize Records	0.1
	Brown, John R. / <i>Magic Years</i> , v. 2-3	0.2
	Buck, W. G., letter / Don Buck	0.1
aaae	Collins, Michael	4.5
cul	Cook book [manuscript]	
	Denny, Anne, John James Porter	0.1
cw	Di Carlo Jr., Guy, Civil War Materials	0.5
	Directory of Administrators and New Faculty, 1988/ via Teresa E. Wright,	
vt	Office of the President	0.6
iawa?	Dombai, Maria	0.1
	Enright, John C. Letters / Bill Stepp	0.1
vt	faculty & VPI pubs/Larry Thompson	0.7
vt	faculty books/Margaret Merrill	0.2
LS	Fariello, Anna/Jane Wills	0.1
iawa	Fessas-Emmanouil, Helen	0.2
iawa	Fisher, Laura Horstma, via Marcia Feuerstein	0.1
	Fishwick, Marshall	8.5
LH	Floyd Courthouse DAR / Judith G. Blackwell	0.5
quilts	Floyd L. Gibson	10.0
LH	Funeral Consumvers Alliance of the Virginia Blue Ridge	0.2
iawa	Gae Aulenti Papers/Lois Gottlieb via M. Bliznakov	0.1
vt	German Club, history of / Dekker, Henry	0.1
LH	Glanville, Jim, Improper Archeology	0.1
	Glass, Carter J.	0.1
US	Goodsell, Dr. Charles	3.0
iawa	Gottlieb, Lois Davidso, Architectural Papers/ through Milka Bliznakov	0.5
	Grinder, Hans Olson	0.0
vt	Hartwick, M. Josephine, class of 1926	0.4
	Hess, John--images	0.1
iawa	Hill House Drawings	0.1
LH	Hollowel, Browne, John Preston deed	0.1
iawa	Horton, Inge, / architectural publications	0.1
art	Horton, Ruth, Hundertwasser book	0.0
iawa	House, Cathi and Steven	0.3
iawa	IAWA Books/Various donors through Milka Bliznakov	1.0
vt	insurance listings/Ray Smoot's office via Gerald Palmer	2.0
iawa	Ishikawa, UIFA 14th Conference/Yaeko Ishikawa via M. Bliznakov	0.1
vt	Palmer	0.1
vw	Johnson, Elizabeth / Life of Stonewall Jackson	0.1
iawa	Kechedzhieva, Nevena Stoianova Architectural Drawings/via Milka Bliznakov	0.8
iawa	Khazanova, Vigdari, Papers/Anna Sokolina via Milka Bliznakov	0.1
	Korobina: Center of Contemporary Architecture Coll./Irina Korobina via	
iawa	Sokolina via Bliznakov	0.8
iawa	Lari, Yasmeen	0.1
	Leftwich, James B.	0.1
cul	Manuscript recipe book, Hertford, England	0.1

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<u>category</u>	<u>collection</u>	<u>size cu.ft.</u>
LH	Map of the William Plunkett Property, 1936; Map of Montgomery Country, 1890-1925/Laura Wedin	1.0
iawa	Masamune, UIFA 14th Conference/Kazuko Masamune via M. Bliznakov	0.1
iawa	Matsukaza, UIFA Publications/Junko Matsukaza through Milka Bliznakov	0.1
cw	Messer, Edwin, Civil War letters	0.5
iawa	Moller, UIFA 14th Conference/Alice Finnerup Moller via M. Bliznakov	0.1
LS	Montgomery County Budget 2004-05/Angela M. Hill	0.1
iawa	Muntoni Resume etc/Alessandra Muntoni via M. Bliznakov	0.1
iawa	Nanasy, Ilona, Architectural Collection/Ilona Nanasy via M. Bliznakov	0.3
	Nancy Byrd Turner/Rosemary Powley Cole	0.4
	Neuburg, Hugo A. C.	0.1
iawa	Novakova, Zdenka	0.1
iawa	Oron, Joyce	8.0
iawa	Oron, UIFA 14th Conference/Joyce Oron via M. Bliznakov	0.1
aaae	Parker, Dale addition	11.0
LH	Payne, Alfred C., Papers	9.0
vt	Peddrew Yates Dedication/Office of Multicultural Affairs	0.1
aaae	Phillips, William Hewitt	8.0
sci	Phycological Society of America	0.1
vt (library)	Pritchard/Seymour Robb	0.1
rr	Railroad books / Rees Vaughan	0.2
LH	Randolph family letters and excerpts (transcriptons)	0.5
cul	Rapoport , Mary / American Egg Board	0.2
vt	RG files/Print Shop	0.5
vt	Roane, Curtis -- Plant Pathology	0.1
iawa	Rupp, Sigrid	50.2
sci	Science texts / Brian Dennison	0.5
cw	Shefey, John / James I. Robertson	0.7
	Shell, Craig	0.1
iawa	Skala, Lilia Sofer, Student Portfolio	0.4
	Snider, Donald A.	0.2
LH	Spahr, Janet, papers	0.5
sci	U.S. v Electro Metallurgical Co. materials	0.1
iawa	Unagaki, UIFA 14th Conference/Hiroko Inagaki via M. Bliznakov	0.1
vt	University Relations' images	1.8
iawa	various collections/Milka Bliznakov	0.3
vt	VPI memorabilia/Ann Phillips	0.1
vt	VPI/Goodwill photos	0.1
vt	VT Metabolism Study/Dr. Janet Johnson	0.1
rr	Wabash RR timetables / Dennis Parks	0.1
rr	Walker, James	0.0
iawa	Bliznakov	0.1
iawa	Wills, Beverly	0.5
cul	World War II ration book	0.0
iawa	Xu, UIFA 14th Conference/Yifang Xu via M. Bliznakov	0.1
LH	Yates, Anne Price	0.4
iawa	Zielinska, Czesia (through Milka Bliznakov)	0.6

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<u>collection no.</u>	<u>collection</u>	<u>description</u>	<u>cu.ft.</u>
Ms2002-026	Alex, Iris. Collection	Building manual, correspondence	0.5
Ms89-083	Anderson, C. B. Records	Ledgers, daybooks, journals	0.5
Ms2005-007	Carol M. Newman Library Set of Architectural Drawings	architectural drawings	84
Ms2003-014	Civil War Small Manuscripts Collection	Mary Francic Armistead memoir	0.1
Ms2003-014	Civil War Small Manuscripts Collection	Charles Francxes Jordan Memoir	0.1
Ms2005-003	College of Home Economics Metabolism Study	30 photographs of children participants	0.1
Ms90-013	Dows, Wena W. Architectural Papers	Drawings	6
Ms96-021	Enright, John Collins Letters	Transcripts of Civil War letters to wife	0.1
Ms2005-005	Floyd Courthouse Chaper, National Society of Daughters of the Amercian Revolution	Minutes, yearbooks, annual reports	0.5
Ms2005-001	Funeral Consumers Alliance of the Virginia Blue Ridge	brochures, articles on cemeteries & funeral homes	0.25
Ms2004-012	Goodsell, Charles T. Photographs	Two books, photographs, negatives	6
Ms87-050	Hicks Family Papers	Family papers, legal and tax documents	0.5
Ms92-025	Hurt, William W. Papers	Deeds, leases, legal documents	0.7
Ms2000-009	Kechedzhieva, Nevena S. Architectural Drawings	Drawings	1
Ms2000-098	Kruger, Eva Marriane. Architectural Collection	Watercolors, plans, drawings	1
Ms61-002	Lee, Claudius. Papers	Correspondence, photographs	0.3
Ms2004-014	Mountain Lake: David Sherman Papers	Papers, brochures, dissertation about lake	0.5
Ms2005-010	Nanasy, Ilona. Architectural Collection	Architectural projects	0.2
Ms2005-006	Oron, Joyce. Architectural Collection	Drawings, photographs	3.3
RG3/3	Pardue, Vice President Louis A. Papers	papers, miscellaneous records	4.5
MS2004-007	Pulaski Theater Oral History Collection	oral history interviews on cassettes & transcripts	0.75
Ms57-002	Short, William. Papers	Microfilm, copies of correspondence	0.5
MS2003-015	Skala, Lilia Sofer. Student Portfolio	Student portfolio	
Ms2005-005	Spahr Family Collection (Hilltop Trailer...)	Records and clippings	0.2
Ms2004-005	Strother, Warren Papers	papers, miscellaneous records	4.5
Ms2004-013	Swiger, Louis A. Papers	Correspondence & articles	0.5
Ms1990-016	Torre, Susana Architectural Papers	photographs, papers	24.4
Ms2005-002	Treder, Paula. Architectural Collection	Professional papers, drawings, photographs	1.5
Ms94-176	Tucker, Mattie Lamb Papers	Photographs, correspondence	0.2
Ms89-052	Tuesday Afternoon Book Club Records	Minutes, programs	0.5
Ms2005-009	Turner, Nancy Byrd Collection	Correspondence, clippings, poesm	0.2
Ms2005-011	UIFA 14th Conference Materials	Exhibit posters	1

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Ms2005-004	VPISU Directory of New Faculty and Administrators, 1988	directory	0.6
Ms87-061	Westrom, Hilde. Architectural Collection	Drawings, photographs, articles	1.2
Ms86-012	Williams, Samuel W. Papers	Notebooks and ledgers	0.7
Ms56-002	Wilson Centennial Exhibit Materials	Reproductions of letters, photographs, speeches	0.2
Ms1991-046	Wilson, Zelma Papers	architectural drawings, articles	18
<i>total</i>			165 cu.ft.