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NIELSEN AT THE HEART OF THE SUPPLY CHAIN



THE IMPORTANCE OF METADATA FOR DISCOVERABILITY AND SALES

Thank you for attending this BIC Breakfast and our thanks to BIC for organising this event and for sponsoring the report, along with our other sponsors

Key message from the sponsor:

We believe that good data improves discoverability and aids sales, this report provides the evidence, if it was needed to justify that belief – it is important that publishers (regardless of size) invest in their data – the benefits are obvious

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Over to Karina...



BIC Breakfast 26th January 2017 Karina Luke, Executive Director, BIC @KarinaLuke Karina@bic.org.uk



Why does Metadata Matter?

Metadata does your selling for you!

- · It's how you speak to your customers
- It's how they find you and your products
- It influences their buying decisions

Look after it - get it on your business agenda

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Would you buy from this sales person?

- Arrives/calls late
- Doesn't know the price
- Doesn't know what category the book should belong to
- Can't say what the book is about
- Can't remember the author's name/gets it wrong
- Can't remember what else the author has done
- Isn't sure if the book is part of a series
- Gets the title wrong
- Can't spell or string a coherent sentence together
- Gives the wrong publication date
- Doesn't know when the product will be available to order
- Isn't sure where it can be sold



Meaningful, timely, accurate metadata sells books!

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BIC Accreditation

Overview

- Data submitted to bibliographic agencies electronically, preferably using ONIX
- 16 weeks before publication date
- The benefits
 - positive influence on sales
 - demonstrates commitment to making timely data available in the supply chain
 - benchmark of performance against competitors
- The award levels
 - BIC Basic
 - BIC Excellence (ONIX users only)
 - BIC Excellence Plus (ONIX users only)
- Who is accredited?



Why Bother with Accreditation?

Complete and timely provision of metadata data elements measured in scheme linked to increased discoverability and sales

Measure of success – good housekeeping – monthly progress reports

Benchmark against competitors

Publicly demonstrates a commitment to product, authors, customers, and readers

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BIC's Accreditation Scheme







BIC Product Data Excellence Awards Basic

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BIC Basic Element Set

11 Key Elements:

- ISBN or EAN13
- Title
- Product Form
- Main BIC Subject Category
- Imprint (as appears on book), need publisher if different to imprint
- Publication date
- Cover image (file or URL)
- Price
- Availability status
- Supplier
- Statement of rights



Enhanced BIC ONIX Element Set

78 Key Elements!

21 x Mandatory - required for all products and measured accordingly

26 x Required - under specified conditions (i.e. required for all relevant products or in all relevant situations, and measured by reference to the presence of data in other fields)

31 x Expected - to be used when applicable. Not capable of strict measurement, but repeated failure to provide expected elements might disqualify publishers from accreditation.



Volumetric Rules (NB: completeness AND timeliness)

- **60%** of new titles are fully compliant 16 weeks ahead of publication using **BIC Basic** data element set; and
- 80% of all available titles (new and backlist) meet the BIC Basic completeness standard; and
- Cover images are available 16 weeks before publication date
- Supplied electronically



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- 80% of all available titles meet the enhanced BIC ONIX data element set, and
- Cover images are available 16 weeks ahead of pub date
- Via ONIX only



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- Via ONIX only



Who is Accredited?

A Total of 42 Publishers (October 2016)





Product Data Excellence Awards

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The Digital Tick 19 publishers

ONIX 3.0 Badge 13 publishers

(October 2016)



Revised Scheme 2017

ONIX 3.0 compulsory for highest level Use of *Thema* strongly recommended Addition of compulsory fields at all levels Removal of "Digital Tick" and ONIX3.0 Badge Simplified: 3 clear data element sets: Basic, Intermediate, Advanced 3 levels of award: Bronze, Silver, Gold



So that's the publishers What about the rest of the metadata supply chain?



Find out more:

- 1. Join our Accreditation Review Working Group (BIC members only)
- 2. Come and find us at LBF (Stand 4A05)
- 3. Check our website <u>www.bic.org.uk</u>



Thank You!

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Over to Clive...



METADATA STUDY 2016

THE IMPORTANCE OF METADATA FOR DISCOVERABILITY AND SALES

Clive Herbert - Nielsen Book

AGENDA

- Introduction brief background
- Methodology
- UK Metadata Study
 - BIC Basic
 - BIC ONIX
 - Descriptive data
 - Metadata and Library Borrowings

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INGRAM

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CONTEXT – TRADEABILITY AND DISCOVERABILITY

Tradeability

- Data attached to product record helps it move smoothly through the supply chain
- Physical attributes, supplier information, price, publication date
- Helps booksellers in planning their range, ordering, shelf space, inventory

Discoverability

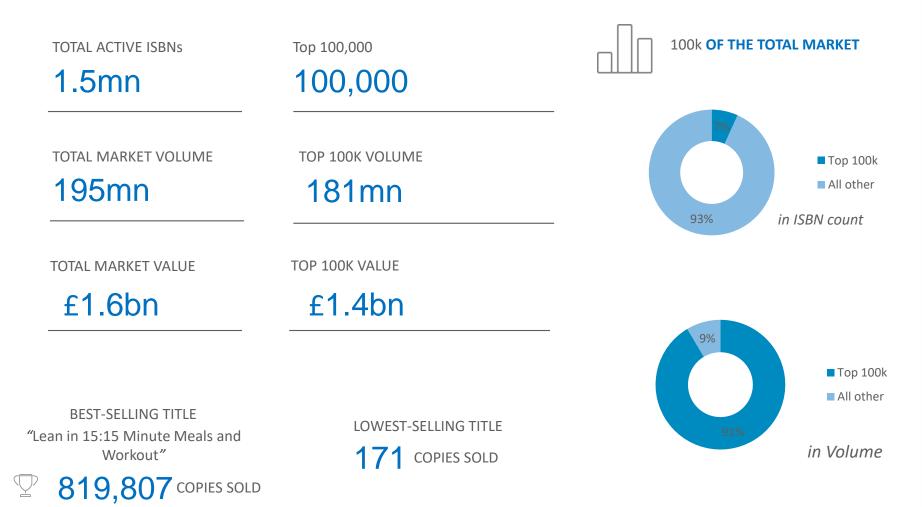
- Searching for the particular book/item you need
- Browsing for something that suits your tastes, meets your needs, or would make the perfect gift
- Booksellers need to discover titles for their range, or to meet a customer need
- Consumers need to find relevant titles when browsing or searching online

The premise: lack of the appropriate data needed for consumers and booksellers to discover and trade titles will have a negative impact on sales

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UK METADATA STUDY

DATA SET IN CONTEXT



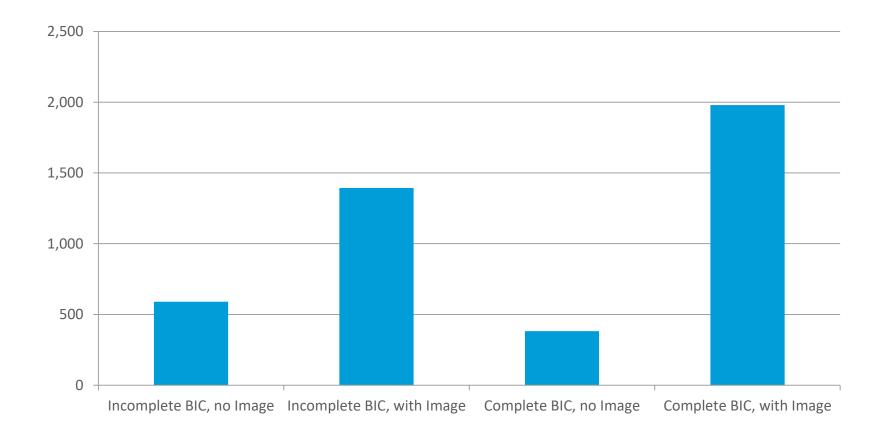
BIC BASIC REQUIREMENTS

- ISBN
- Title
- Product form/binding
- Main BIC subject category
- Publisher/Imprint/Supplier
- Publication date
- Availability status
- GBP retail price including appropriate VAT statement
- Cover image
- Statement of Publishing Rights relating to UK

Minimum information required by UK book trade

BIC BASIC

Average number of copies sold per ISBN

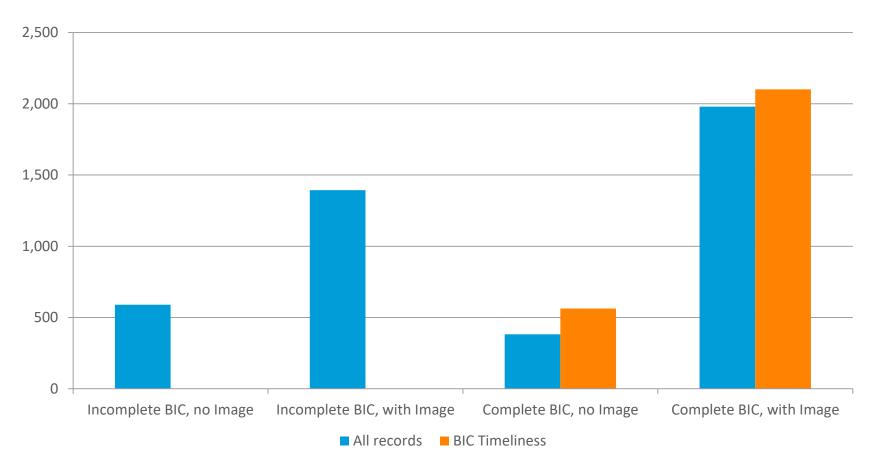


BIC TIMELINESS

- All BIC Basic data elements including the cover image supplied
 - 16 weeks ahead of publication
 - 112 days
- Provides a one-time measurement of the timeliness of the data

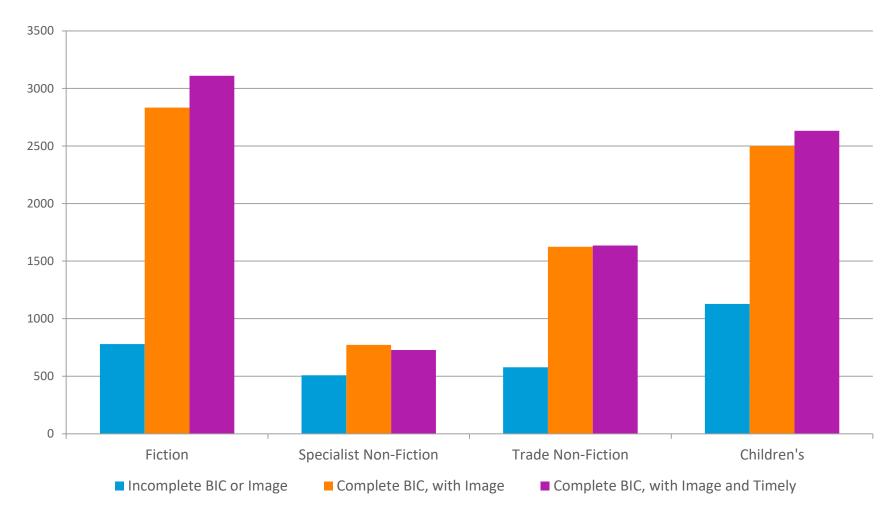
BIC TIMELINESS

Average number of copies sold per ISBN



BIC WITH TIMELINESS

Average number of copies sold per ISBN

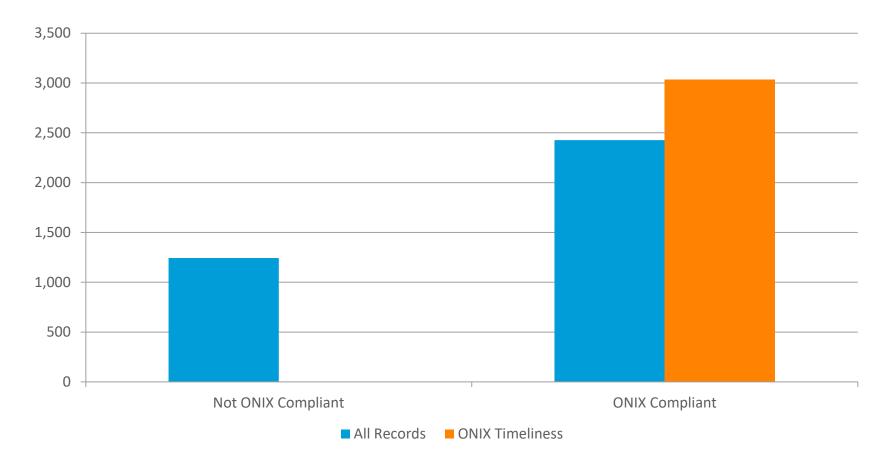


ONIX COMPLIANCE AND TIMELINESS

- Data supplied in ONIX 2.1 or above
- Additional data elements required to be valid ONIX
- At least one descriptive metadata element
- Timeliness requirement 16 weeks/112 days in advance of publication

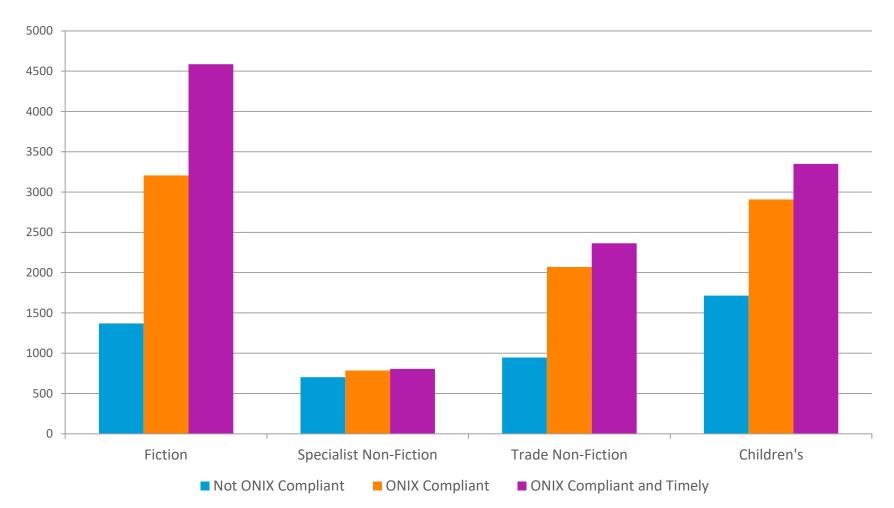
ONIX TIMELINESS & COMPLIANCE

Average number of copies sold per ISBN



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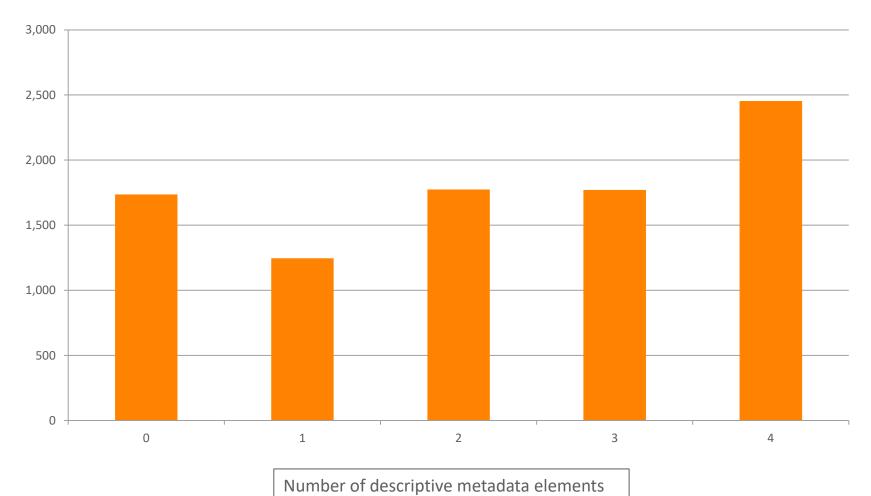
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DESCRIPTIVE METADATA

- Long description
- Short description
- Author biography
- Review

DESCRIPTIVE METADATA

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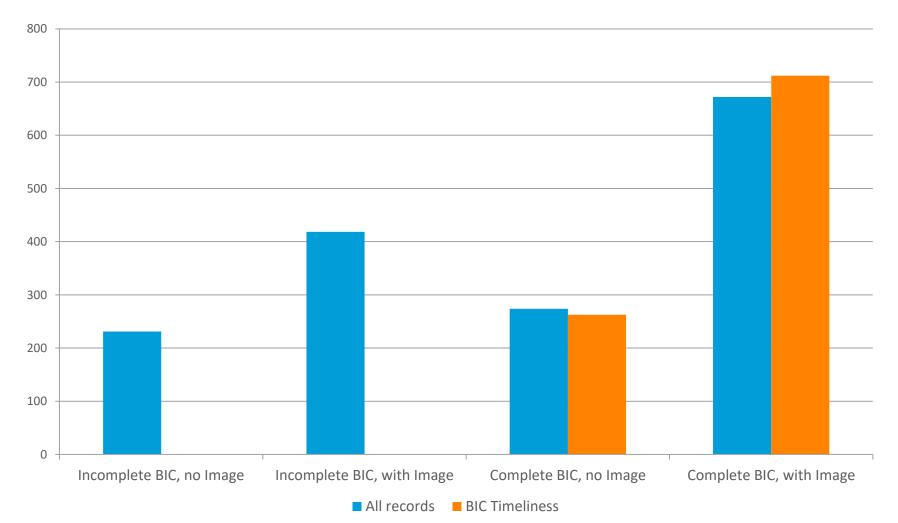


LIBRARY BORROWINGS

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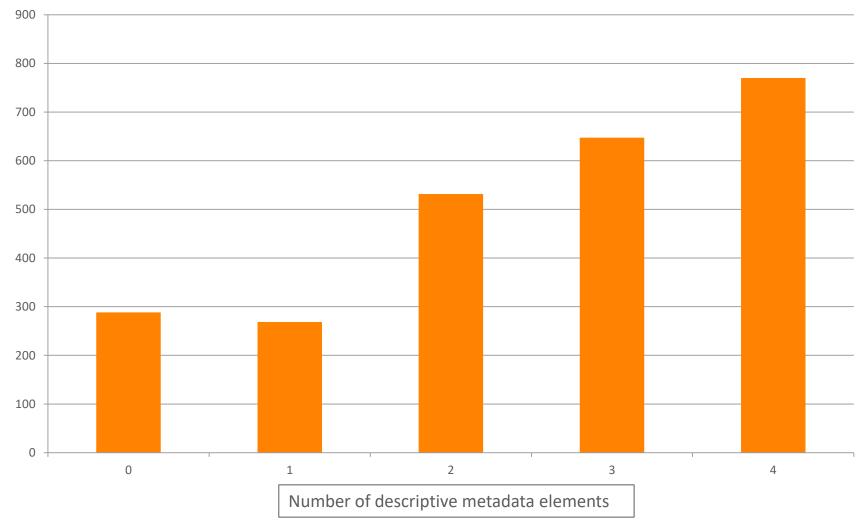
LIBSCAN PUBLIC LIBRARY BORROWINGS

Average number of library borrowings per ISBN



DESCRIPTIVE DATA ELEMENTS

Average number of library borrowings per ISBN



SUMMARY

Key Findings:

- For titles meeting the BIC Basic requirements including a cover image average sales over twice as high as those titles that don't meet the standard
- Titles which also meet the BIC Timeliness requirement see average sales a further 6% higher
- Titles meeting the BIC Excellence data standard see average sales over 100% higher than titles that don't meet the standard
- Titles which carry all four descriptive metadata elements used in our analysis see average sales 65% higher than titles which don't carry any descriptions
- Average library borrowings per ISBN similarly correlate positively which the completeness and timeliness of BIC Basic data, and the extent of descriptive data

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Mark Scott

Sales Director - JKP



2016 - a pivotal year for JKP

- Four important awards
- BIC Excellence awards followed our significant efforts to improve and automate our metadata and enhance discoverability of our books

















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PRODUCT DATA EXCELLENCE AWARDS

All accredited organisations as of October 2016

Critical Publishing Ltd NEW FOR 2016	20	Oxford University Press	80	Bradt Travel Guides	
Hachette Children's Group Headline Publishing Group	13	Pearson		ELSEVIER Health Solutions	
Hodder & Stoughton	10	Quercus Publishing Ltd	50	Hodder Education	
John Wiley & Sons Scholastic	8		26	Kuperard Publishers	
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Octopus Publishing Group Ltd	DIGI	Palgrave Macmillan	DIGI		
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JKP – Metadata roadmap

- Prior to automation, all metadata sent to partners as MSWord documents and limited information provided
- Autumn 2013 decision made to invest in Biblio
- December 2014 all internal data cleaned up
- June 2014 went live with Biblio
- August 2014 all internal data imported to Biblio



JKP – Metadata roadmap

- August 2014 book covers added
- September 2014 all metadata partners identified
- December 2014 first successful ONIX feed to Nielsen
- Autumn 2015 first successful ONIX feed to Amazon.com
- Spring 2016 first successful ONIX feed to Amazon.co.uk
- ONIX Feeds now sent to 20 partners globally



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Metadata Housekeeping

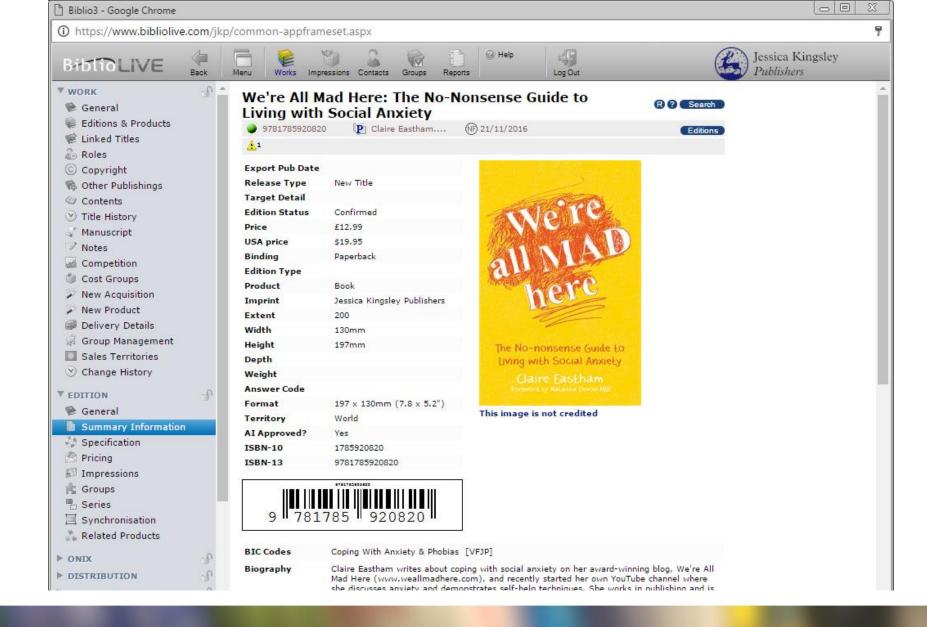
Here's how we use book-specific metadata to give rich results:

- Data controlled from London office means it is always correct and partners have the same information
- We aim to feed out data six months ahead of publication



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Metadata Housekeeping

- Metadata taken very seriously across the company
- Staff motivated when good data has positive impact on sales
- Staff encouraged to think specific enough and broad enough when considering metadata choices
- Multi-disciplinary approach to metadata: "Who is this book for?"



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Metadata Housekeeping

- BIC codes an essential consideration
- BIC codes locked down early on in the process
- Keywords playing an increasingly important role in discoverablility



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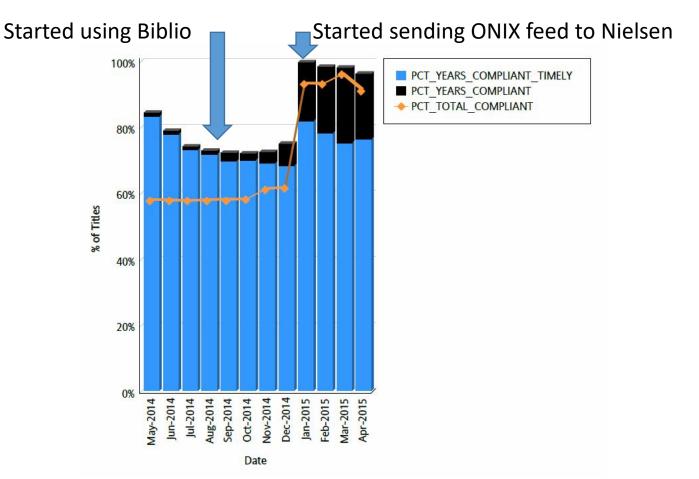


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Here's how our compliance used to look



JKP BIC Accreditation 2014-2015

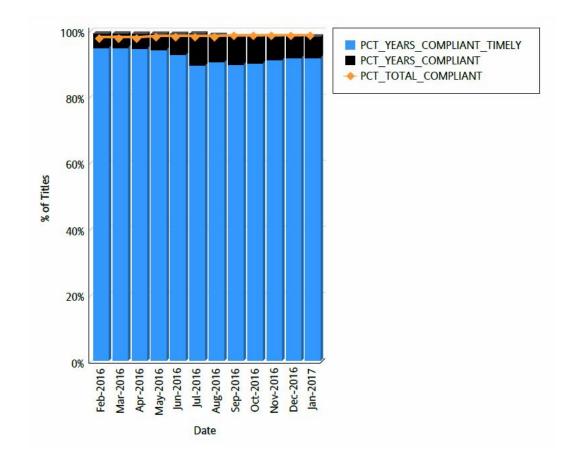




Here's how our compliance looks now



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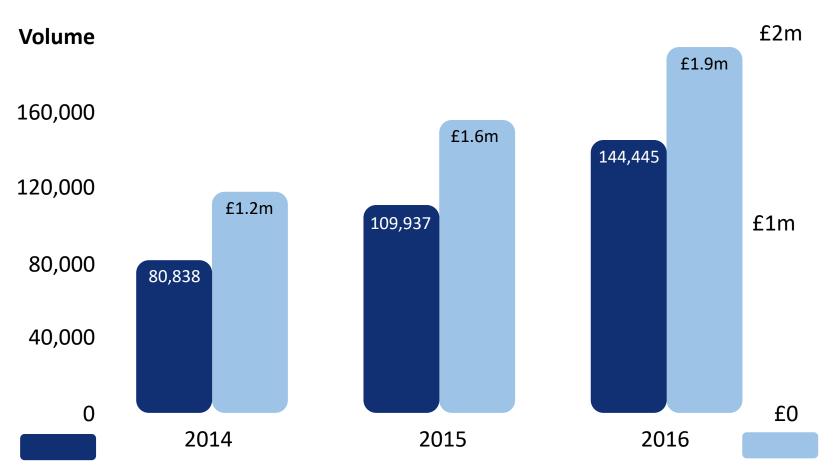


Here's the results of those efforts



JKP Volume and Value Sales

Value



Source: Nielsen BookScan 2016



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