# Building Diverse and Inclusive Collections:

Progress to Date and Next Steps



# Progress to Date

Acquired DEI Analysis Tool from Baker & Taylor in April 2023 Uploaded first collection holdings data in May 2023 (Newmarket physical and Overdrive holdings)

Continued to upload holdings on monthly basis and monitored monthly results Made presentation to Library Board November 2023. Included data comparing May 2023 to August 2023 results Upgraded to cHQLite in May 2024. Includes DEI Analysis tool plus EBSM (evidence-based stock management) system of tools. The system will allow us to set up Action Plans for collection checks and scheduled weeding applying specific parameters...



## Progress to Date

Continued to monitor DEI on a monthly basis

Continued to weed collections with DEI in mind. Used lists created in Polaris (Integrated Library System) Purchased new material
with DEI in mind.
Evaluated order carts
before purchase and
ordered titles from
suggest a purchase
(individuals and agencies
such as NACCA and
Ahmadiyya Muslim
Community)

Continued to ensure Black authors are represented in book club choices. Reached goal of 5 kits in 2023 and will reach goal of 5 more in 2024.



# Collection Strategy

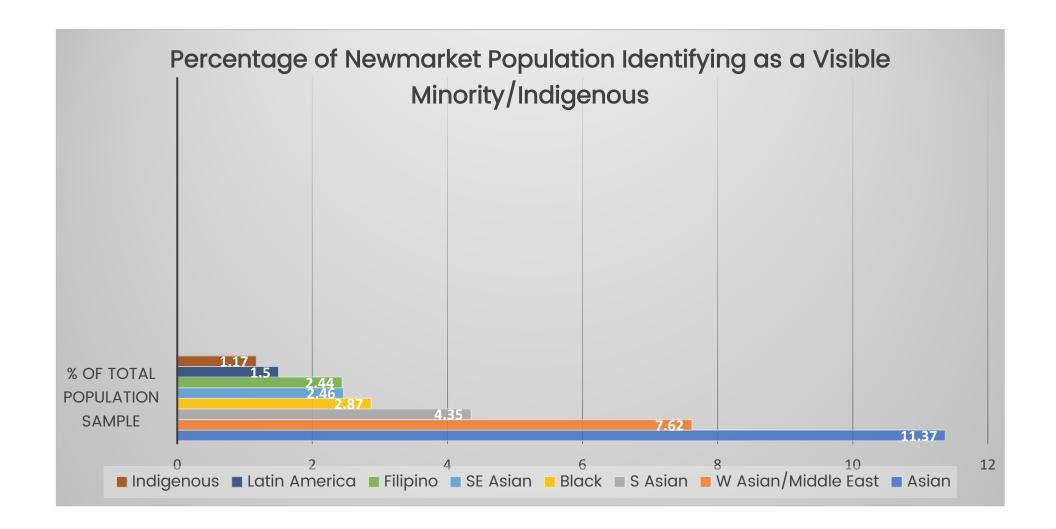
- Selectors will be proactively inclusive in collection development: seek out and be responsive to community input
- Consider resources from self-published, independent, small and local creators
- Select content in multiple formats and languages
- Provide resources in formats that meet the needs of people with disabilities
- Audit selection carts for new material
- Embark on purposeful weeding and collection clean up projects using the cHQlite tool
- Develop diversity collection goals within the context of the Newmarket Library's Strategic Plan 2022-2025, 2021 census (36% identified as visible minority), Dismantling Anti-Black Racism (DABR) Report and Action List and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action 10
- Continue to do monthly DEI Analysis



The Library has a key role in welcoming and affirming all individuals in the community regardless of background or current situation. The Library must reflect the entire community in its collections, programming, staffing and governance

-Key Value, Strategic Plan 2022-2025





Census Profile, 2021 Census of Population for Town of Newmarket



# Dismantling Anti-Black Racism (DABR) Action List

Complete an audit of library policies to determine if there are any gaps/barriers.	Q2 2024	
· Customer related policies	Q2 2023	
· Library specific policies	Q4 2023	
· HR related policies	Q2 2024	
Continue to embed DABR into programming. Ensure Black writers are represented by programming by including Black representation in at least 25% of story times.	Q1-Q4 2023	
Continue to embed DABR into programming. Increase the number of Black author readings by 50% over 2022.	Q1-Q4 2023	
Ensure Black writers are represented in book club choices by purchasing at least 5 book club kits featuring Black authors.	Q3 2023	
Develop a Diversity Audit template for the Children's Collection – including diverse quality tags/markers unique to the Newmarket community.	Q4 2022	
Proactively reach out to every first and second grade class in Newmarket to make sure every child is given the opportunity to sign up for a Library Card.	Q2 2024	
Proactively reach out to every ninth-grade class in Newmarket to make sure every teenager is given the opportunity to sign up for a Library Card	Q2 2025	



# Truth and Reconciliation Commission: Call to Action 10

#### 94 Calls to Action: Truth & Reconciliation

#### **LEGACY: EDUCATION**

We call on the federal government to draft new Aboriginal education legislation with the full participation and informed consent of Aboriginal peoples. The new legislation would include a commitment to sufficient funding and would incorporate the following principles:

In order to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission makes the following calls to action

# 94 Calls to Action: Truth & Reconciliation

- Providing sufficient funding to close identified educational achievement gaps within one generation.
- ii. Improving education attainment levels and success rates.
- iii. Developing culturally appropriate curricula.
- iv. Protecting the right to Aboriginal languages, including the teaching of Aboriginal languages as credit courses.
- v. Enabling parental and community responsibility, control, and accountability, similar to what parents enjoy in public school systems.
- vi. Enabling parents to fully participate in the education of their children.
- vii. Respecting and honouring Treaty relationships.

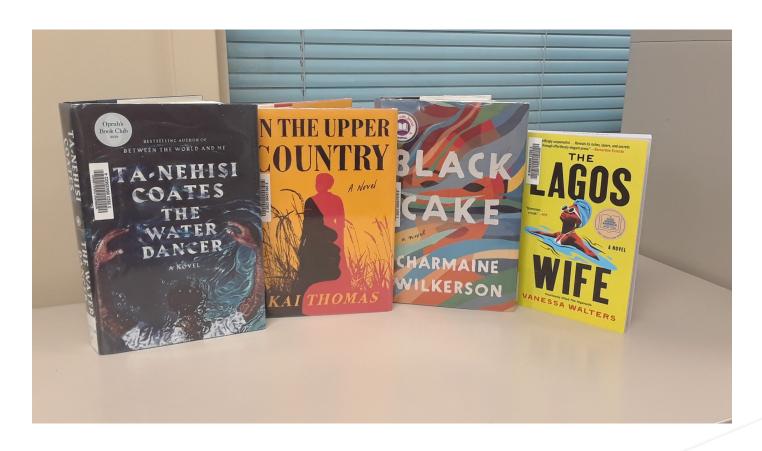
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# Existing and new additions to Book Club Kits

#### **Circulation Data**

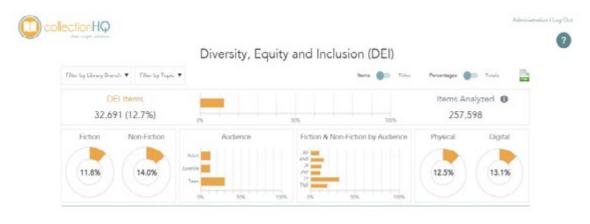
- The Water Dancer: Added Dec 2019: Kit checked out 10 times
- Black Cake: Added Mar 2022:
   Kit checked out 15 times
- In the Upper Country: Added Apr 2023: Kit checked out 7 times
- The Lagos Wife: Just added Sept 2024: Kit checked out 1





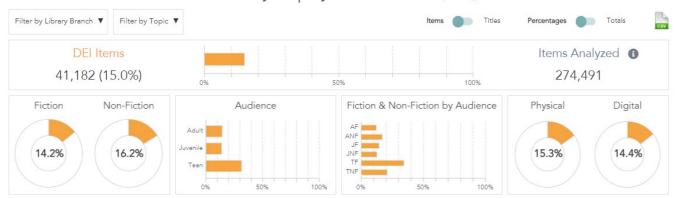
# DEI Analysis: Progress in One Year

Full Analysis: November 2023



#### Full Analysis: November 2024

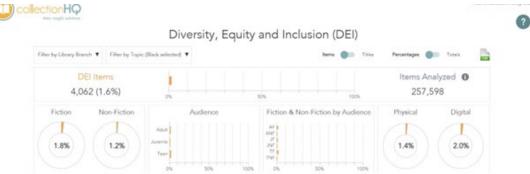






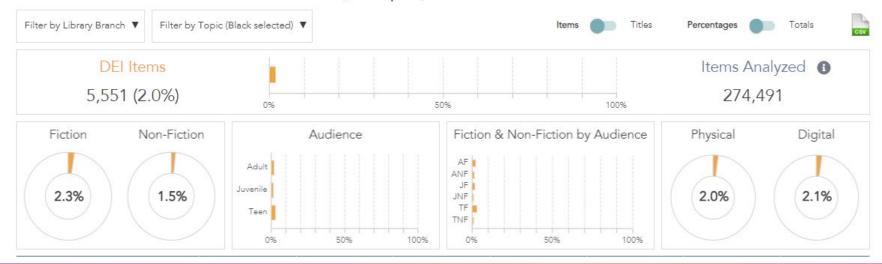
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Black Analysis: November 2023



Black Analysis: November 2024

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI)



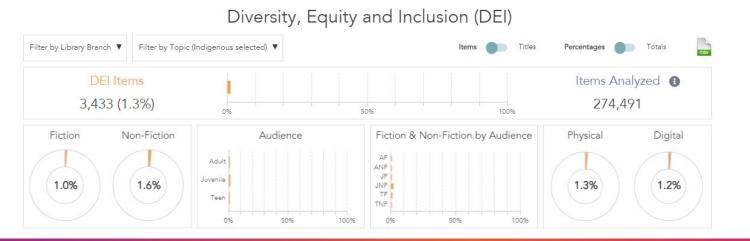


# DEI Analysis: Progress in One Year

Indigenous Analysis: November 2023

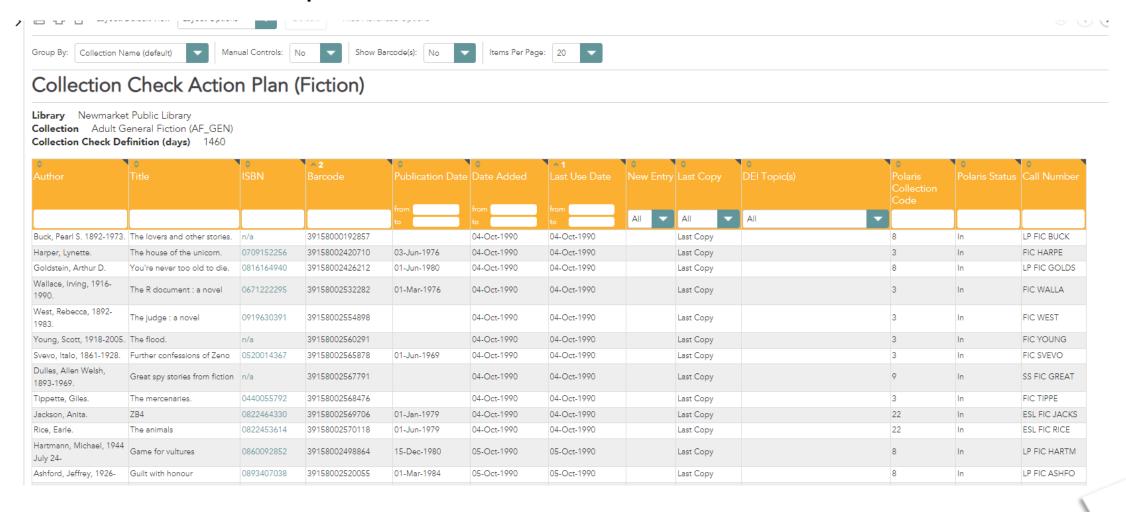


Indigenous Analysis: November 2024



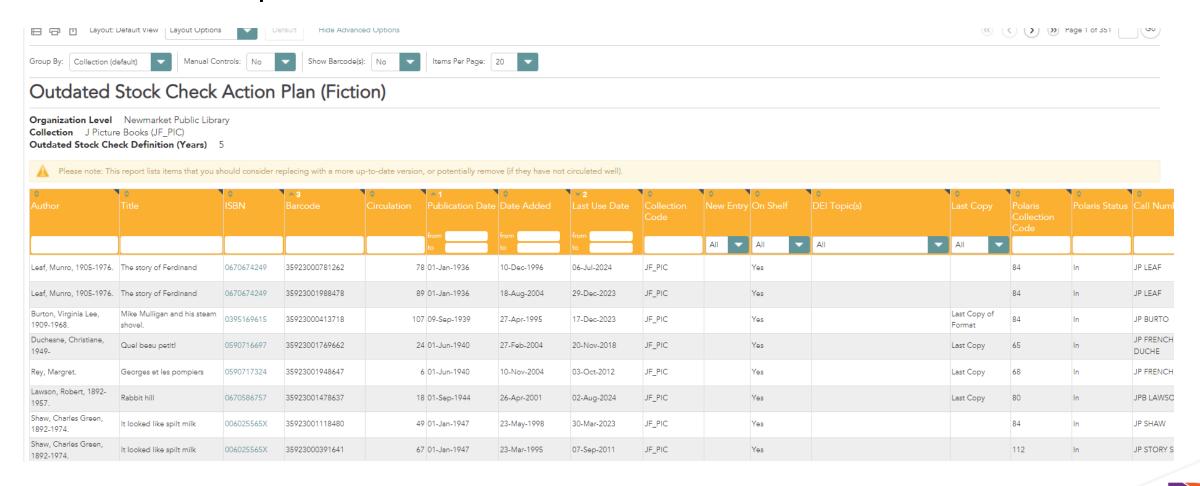


#### Sample Collection Check Action Plan: Adult Fiction





#### Sample Outdated Stock Check Action Plan: Picture Books





#### Sample Grubby Items Removal Action Plan: J Easy

Group By: Collection Name (default) 

Manual Controls: No Show Barcode(s): No Items Per Page: 20

#### Grubby Items Removal Action Plan (Fiction)

**Library** Newmarket Public Library **Collection** J Easy Readers (JF\_EAS)

Advised to Remove 2283

Grubby Items Cumulative Use Definition 40

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Seuss, Dr.	I am not going to get up today!	0394992172	35923000430688	290	0 🛊	01-Nov-1987	23-May-1995	Physical Resource	No					56	Out	JE SEUSS
Seuss, Dr.,	Fox in socks	9780394800387	35923000678799	286	0 💠	01-Jun-1965	28-Feb-1996	Hardback	No					56	Out	JE SEUSS
Seuss, Dr.	Marvin K. Mooney, will you please go now!	0394924908	35923001270794	239	0 🛊	01-Aug-1972	19-May-1999	Physical Resource	Yes			Last C	эру	56	In	JE SEUSS
LeSieg, Theo., 1904- 1991.	The tooth book	0394948254	35923001123431	235	0 🛊	01-Aug-1981	30-Apr-1999	Physical Resource	Yes					56	In	JE LESLIE
Homberg, Ruth.	Princess charm school	9780375969317	35923003039643	229	0 🛊	09-Aug-2011	08-Sep-2011	Physical Resource	No			Last C	ору	56	Out	JE HOMBE
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Willems, Mo.	I love my new toy!	9781423109617	35923002509802	215	0 💠	03-Jun-2008	28-Jun-2008	Hardback	No					56	Out	JE WILLE
Herman, Gail, 1959-	Disappearing donuts / Scooby Doo! Readers: Level 2	0439161681	35923001429135	211	0 💠	01-Sep-2000	08-Nov-2000	Paperback / softback	Yes			Last C	эру	56	In	JE PB HERN
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### Sample Collection Use Summary Non-Fiction (Collection Demand) 641 Range



Layout: Default View Layout Options





Show Advanced Options

#### Collection Use Summary (Non-Fiction)

LibraryNewmarket Public LibraryOverstocked Target %80%Understocked Target %30%

High Use Definition 20

Total Circulation Time Frame Over all time

(System Wide View)

Subject Description	tibrary Detail Link	Not Circulated	© Circulated	Current Items	% Not Circulated	Collection Status	© Circulation In Time Frame		Collection Use Status	\$ Saturated?
						All			All	All
Home Economics	(all libraries)	133	19	152	88	OVERSTOCKED	2714	17.86		
Drinks	(all libraries)	30	2	32	94	OVERSTOCKED	299	9.34		
Food preparation and preservation	(all libraries)	114	15	129	89	OVERSTOCKED	2254	17.47		
Cookery methods	(all libraries)	1297	389	1686	77		37261	22.10	HIGHUSE	
Ethnic cooking	(all libraries)	372	132	504	74		8735	17.33		
Specific dishes	(all libraries)	565	204	769	74		16927	22.01	HIGHUSE	
Wine	(all libraries)	52	10	62	84	OVERSTOCKED	1072	17.29		



# DEI Analysis in other Ontario Libraries

Municipality	Population <sup>1</sup>	% Visible Minority/Indigenous Identity	Diversity Analysis (Physical Collection)	Method of Analysis
Newmarket	87,942	36%	15.3% Nov 2024	DEI/cHQlite
Ajax	126,666	65.7%	15.4% (authors) 2022 24.4% (content) 2022	Manual audits & DEI/collectionHQ Goal: 10 % increase by 2026/2 % year over year
Whitby	138,501	37%	16.6% Nov 2024	DEI/collectionHQ
Markham	338,503	82.3%	14% Dec 2022 <sup>2</sup>	DEI/collectionHQ
DEI/ collectionHQ Ontario clients	14,223,942	37.5%	17.8% average <sup>2</sup>	DEI



# **DEI Collection Goals**

Action	Goal
Increase overall collection Diversity Ratio	Through intentional weeding and purchasing practices increase overall ratio by 2% by Q4 2025 (15 to 17%)
Increase Black collection Diversity Ratio	Through intentional weeding and purchasing practices increase overall ratio by 1 % by Q4 2025 (2 to 3%)
Increase Indigenous collection Diversity Ratio	Through intentional weeding and purchasing practices increase overall ratio by 1% by Q4 2025 (1 to 2%)
Purchase book kits featuring Black writers	Ensure Black writers are represented in book choices by purchasing at least 5 book club kits featuring Black authors in 2025
Increase overall collection Diversity Ratio longterm	Through intentional weeding and purchasing practices increase overall ratio to 19% by 2026 - census year

