

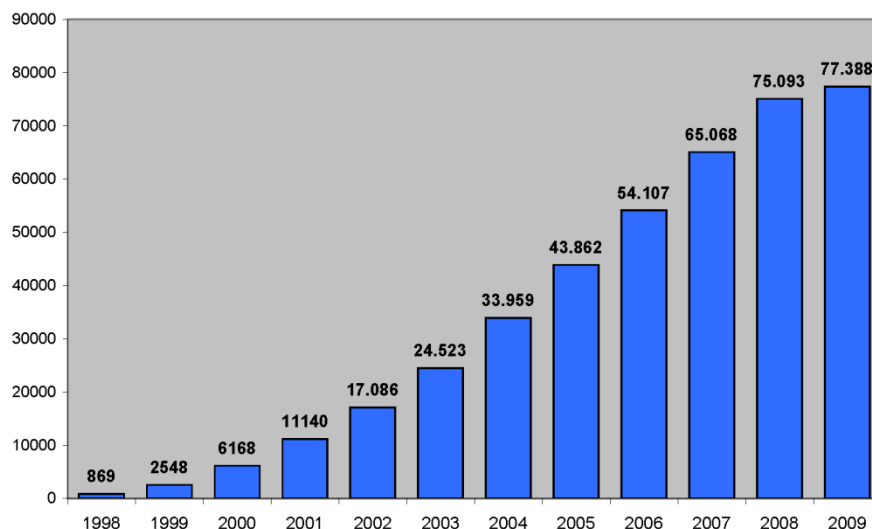
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The situation in Germany is comparable with the last years. Every about 80 universities have their own ETD-program and are collecting doctoral theses inside a document and publication server in responsibility of the university library. Additional to that the German National Library is obliged to collect the doctoral theses too. Therefore an impressive number of ETD's are in the collection of the National Library. (See the diagram)

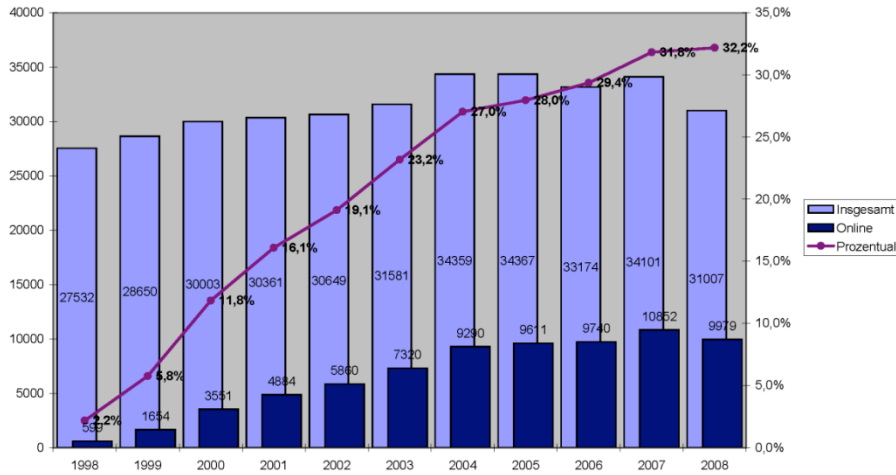
Anzahl der an der Deutschen Nationalbibliothek archivierten elektronischen Hochschulschriften

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Inside the German National Library (DNB) the work will organize by a special so called coordinating office, which is responsible for the collection and also for the communication with the representatives of the university libraries. At least ones a year the German National Library organized in closed cooperation with DINI (German Initiative for Networked Information) a workshop in order to discuss the latest problems according ETD's. Additional to that an advisory board exists with members from the German Ministry, the funding organization DFG (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft) and Universities.

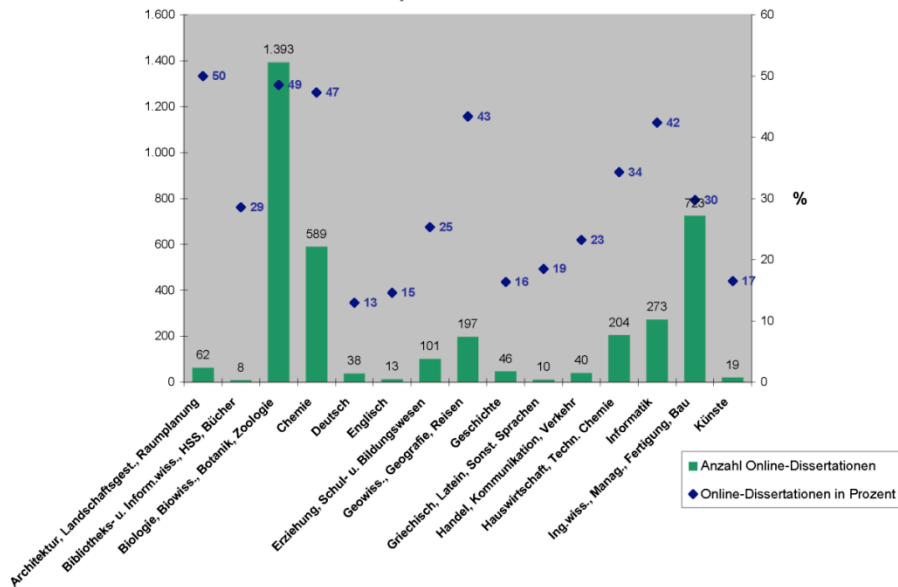
Entwicklung des Anteils der Online-Form an den an der DNB gesammelten Dissertationen insgesamt

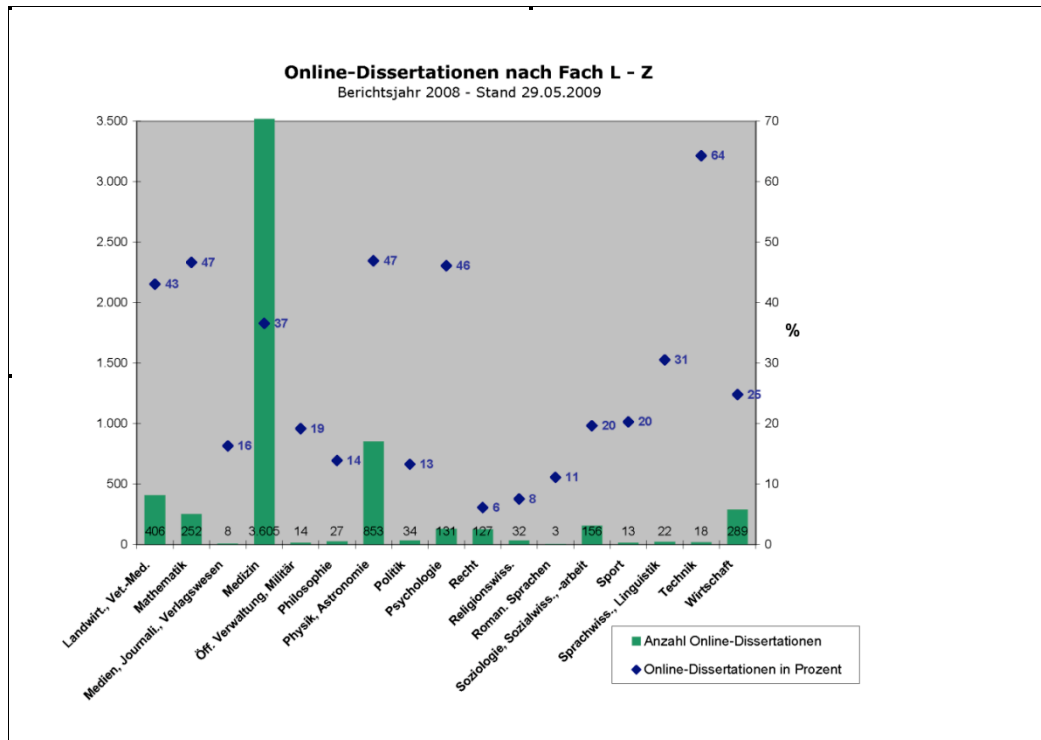


This picture shows the relation between the whole number of doctoral theses in Germany and the online theses. All in all we have a percentage of 32.2 of theses which were publish electronically. This analyze based on the available theses at the German National Library. Sometimes there are more theses electronically because the university has an online and a paper version and send the paper vision to the DNB.

Online-Dissertation nach Fach A - K

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This analysis shows the relation of the whole number of theses comparable to the online version depending from the different disciplines. (Sorry it is a screenshot from a web site and therefore in German. If it is a point of interests I will translate it during the board meeting.)