■ NCL Issues 2016 Trends in Taiwan Book Publications Report

In February 2017, NCL released its Current Status of and Trends in Taiwan Book Publications report. In 2016, Taiwan had 4,979 publishers publish 38,807 new books. These two numbers are both new lows for the last five years. Novels (11.52%), Children's Books (8.60%), and Humanities, History and Geography (7.79%) were the top three categories. The categories of Government Publications and Children's Books also experienced a large increase.

Foreign books in translation numbered 9,716 (25%), with works primarily coming from Japan, America, and Britain. The largest number of translation work were in the Manga category, as more than 90% of that category were translated Japanese works. Other categories included Children's Books, Medical and Home, Self-help, and Novels. These four categories had over 30% of their publications coming from foreign works.



The publication of children's books rises against the tides; however, there is a high percentage of translated works.



Translations of foreign books are numerous, with 90% of published manga coming from translated Japanese works.

■ The NCL Attends the 2017 Annual Conference of the Worldwide Association for Asian Studies

The 2017 annual conference of the worldwide Association for Asian Studies (AAS) was held on March 16-19 at the Sheraton Centre Hotel in Toronto, Canada. NCL's Center for Chinese Studies and its cooperating partner, the Chiang Ching-kuo (蔣經國) Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange (CCKF), participated in the book exhibition and displayed 385 outstanding titles of publication (414 volumes) in China and Taiwan studies published in the last three years.



CCS's booth at the AAS annual conference book exhibition.