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# **Analysis of grey folk literature from the National Library of China**

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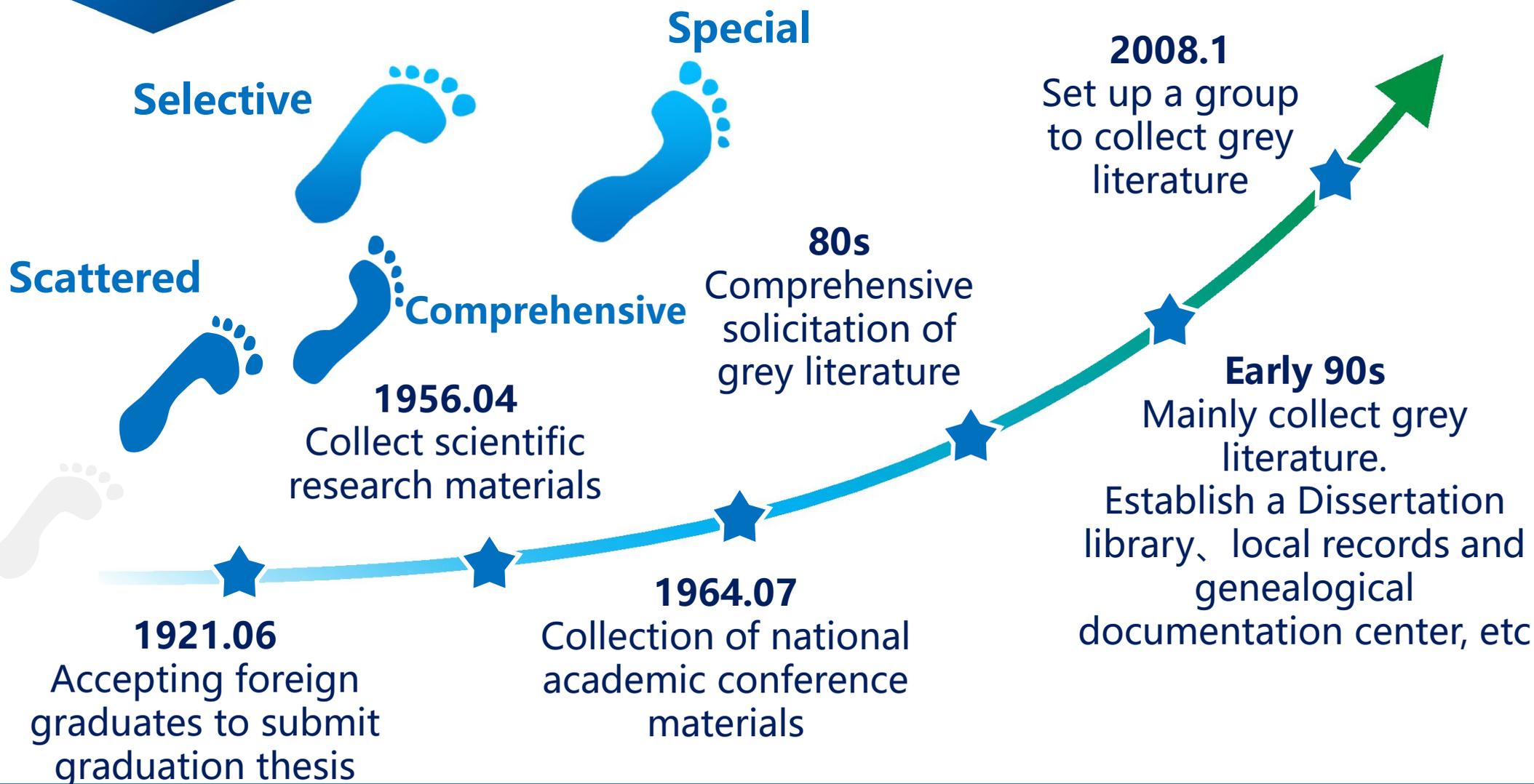
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# Preface





# Review of grey literature



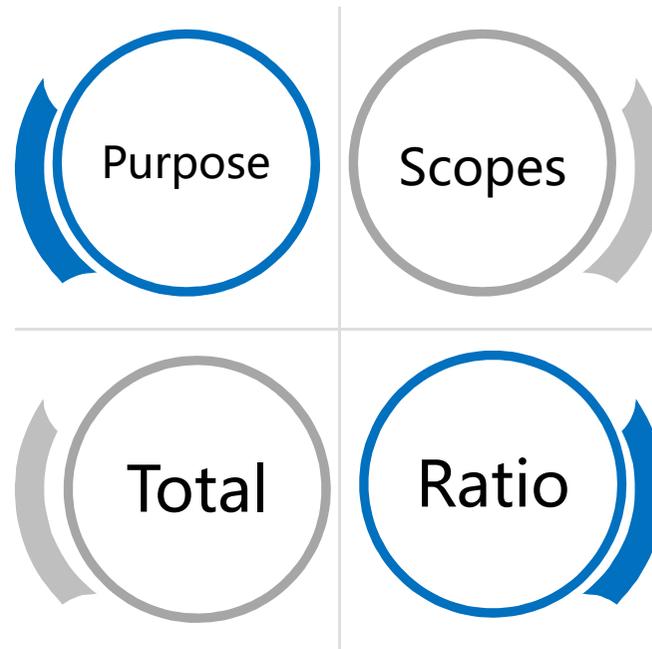


# Current status of grey literature

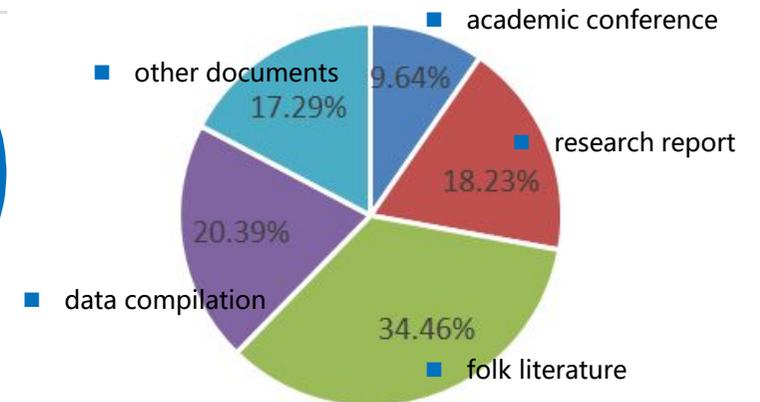
## Status analysis

(2008 – 2018)

- In 2008, the national library of China set up a Chinese reference group to collect grey literature.
- Provide valuable and professional services for the government, scientific research institutions, etc.
- According to statistics from 2008 to the 2017, The total number of grey literature is 150,000 volumes



- The scope of acquisition includes: academic conference literature, research report, folk literature, data compilation, and other documents.





# Overview of grey folk literature

## What is folk literature?

### Defination

Professor Zheng Zhenman of Xiamen university defined "folk literature" as "literature materials formed and used in folk daily life". Folk literature originated from folk, spread among folk, with historical, national and artistic characteristics. For the future generations to show a multi-dimensional history

### Number

There are over 20,000 types of folk literature and over 50,000 volumes

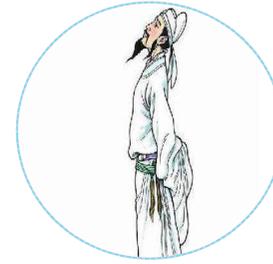
### Classification

The grey folk literature can be divided into three main categories: folk customs, literary works and folk historical materials.



Folk custom

Folklore literature mainly includes folktales, parables, art and craft, folk cultural materials and so on. The representative type is intangible cultural heritage literature.



Literary works

Folk literature mainly includes folk poetry and folk anthology.



History materials

Folk historical materials mainly include revolutionary historical materials, college chronicle, memoir, etc.



# Overview of grey folk literature

## Acquisition status

A

### Purchase

- List of book title for our selection supplied by booksellers.
- At present, we have some booksellers cooperated with us for a long time.
- The source of books is unstable, and the quality of books needs to be improved.

B

### Donation

- The folk literature is mainly donated by individuals or groups.
- The collection from individuals is more dispersed but varied, and donations from group organizations are relatively fixed and systematic.
- Donation organizations mainly include poetry related institutions, various associations, associations, cultural institutions, research institutions, etc.





# The construction of folk poetry

## Construction of folk poetry

The library collects folk poetry from different ways and arrange the resources on the basis of combination of classification indexing and subject indexing.

### Acquisition

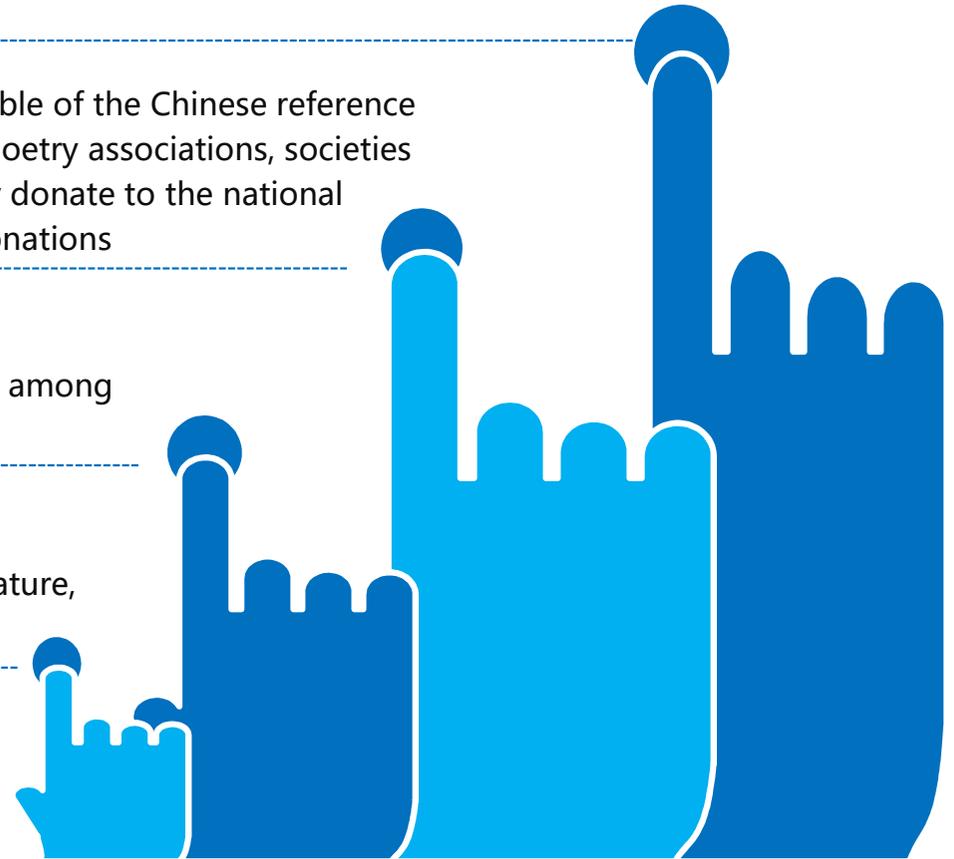
According to the donation information table of the Chinese reference group, currently there are a total of 166 poetry associations, societies and other poetry related groups regularly donate to the national library for continuous poetry literature donations

### Quantity and distribution

There are more than 5000 kinds of grey folk poetry literature, among which the contemporary poetry (1949 -) accounts for 98%

### Overview

The poetry originated from the folk, belongs to the real grassroots literature, tang dynasty poets li bai, du fu, bai juyi and so on are well known.





# The construction of folk poetry

## Poetry organization distribution



## Regional distribution

SN	Region	Percentage
①	Northeast	0%
②	North China	5.42%
③	Northwest	1.81%
④	Southwest	10.84%
⑤-⑥	Central South	40.96%
⑦	East China	38.55%
⑧	Unknown	2.42%





# Thanks!

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