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Some numbers

- 80,000
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- 500 million
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- Digital media files
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- Articles formally reviewed
- 4 million
- English language articles

Assessment levels

Class	Criteria
Stub	The article is either a very short article or a rough collection of information that will need much work to become a meaningful article. It is usually very short, but if the material is irrelevant or incomprehensible, an article of any length falls into this category.
Start	The article has a usable amount of good content but is weak in many areas. Quality of the prose may be distinctly unencyclopedic; but the article should satisfy fundamental content policies such as notability , and provide sources to establish verifiability .
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- It's not gone forever

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- Neutral
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