

Public Library Service by State, Fiscal Year 2021

State	Number of Public Libraries	Library Visits		Children's Circulation		Total Circulation	
		Total (thousands)	Per Capita	Total (thousands)	Percent of Total	Total (thousands)	Per Capita
Alabama	224	6,419	1.3	5,670	33.3	17,015	3.5
Alaska	67	910	1.4	963	34.6	2,783	4.3
Arizona	83	4,451	0.4	6,976	25.0	27,919	2.4
Arkansas	59	4,199	1.4	2,938	24.6	11,923	4.1
California	199	22,154	0.6	39,255	29.9	131,412	3.3
Colorado	96	13,294	2.3	17,405	33.8	51,449	9.0
Connecticut	183	5,080	1.2	5,413	32.8	16,523	3.8
Delaware	19	594	0.6	675	24.3	2,779	2.8
District of Columbia	1	902	1.3	1,506	29.9	5,043	7.5
Florida	57	29,079	1.3	22,774	29.7	76,678	3.4
Georgia	60	7,873	0.7	9,743	39.5	24,666	2.3
Hawaii	1	713	0.5	1,898	52.1	3,645	2.6
Idaho	100	3,779	2.3	4,842	37.1	13,042	8.1
Illinois	623	17,991	1.5	26,648	34.2	77,941	6.6
Indiana	235	15,277	2.5	16,521	36.2	45,603	7.3
Iowa	543	5,636	1.8	5,760	33.9	17,001	5.5
Kansas	323	6,623	2.6	8,020	39.9	20,080	8.0
Kentucky	120	4,976	1.1	4,930	26.8	18,362	4.1
Louisiana	67	7,661	1.7	3,665	20.8	17,591	3.8
Maine	255	2,406	1.8	2,039	38.7	5,273	4.0
Maryland	14	2,414	0.4	12,035	35.4	33,970	5.6
Massachusetts	369	5,990	0.9	12,137	32.0	37,918	5.5
Michigan	393	13,738	1.4	14,587	28.4	51,358	5.1
Minnesota	128	9,762	1.6	16,729	38.6	43,282	7.1
Mississippi	53	2,828	1.0	1,398	31.9	4,377	1.5
Missouri	139	8,654	1.6	10,900	27.3	40,000	7.3
Montana	78	1,662	1.7	1,330	31.8	4,184	4.2
Nebraska	245	3,699	2.3	5,314	46.3	11,478	7.2
Nevada	19	3,952	1.3	2,853	23.1	12,339	3.9
New Hampshire	223	2,441	1.6	2,221	31.3	7,100	4.7
New Jersey	296	15,675	1.7	15,345	38.2	40,120	4.3
New Mexico	98	1,525	1.0	1,346	21.0	6,410	4.3
New York	756	34,534	1.8	20,628	27.7	74,583	3.8
North Carolina	73	8,973	0.9	13,668	38.7	35,343	3.4
North Dakota	79	1,194	1.7	1,107	37.7	2,938	4.2
Ohio	239	30,548	2.6	41,110	31.0	132,787	11.4
Oklahoma	118	4,668	1.4	5,960	33.0	18,042	5.5
Oregon	128	4,858	1.3	9,928	29.8	33,309	8.8
Pennsylvania	441	15,035	1.2	16,632	35.0	47,550	3.7
Rhode Island	47	1,963	1.8	1,660	31.1	5,333	4.9
South Carolina	42	4,997	1.0	5,297	29.9	17,722	3.4
South Dakota	106	2,031	1.6	2,040	40.7	5,016	3.9
Tennessee	184	5,696	0.8	6,861	32.1	21,350	3.2
Texas	544	23,310	0.9	38,103	42.6	89,353	3.3
Utah	62	8,110	2.6	13,809	44.7	30,891	10.0
Vermont	183	987	1.6	1,047	33.9	3,093	4.9
Virginia	83	10,041	1.2	14,533	32.2	45,104	5.3
Washington	51	10,771	1.4	16,954	26.3	64,371	8.4
West Virginia	96	1,713	0.9	846	20.0	4,228	2.3
Wisconsin	380	13,852	2.3	14,883	36.2	41,095	7.0
Wyoming	23	1,776	3.1	1,504	38.8	3,880	6.7
United States	9,005	417,414	1.3	510,406	32.8	1,555,251	4.7

Source: Institute of Museum and Library Services, Public Libraries Survey FY2021, <https://www.ims.gov/research-evaluation/data-collection/public-libraries-survey> (accessed July 19, 2023).

Data may not sum to totals due to rounding.