



Massachusetts Public Libraries

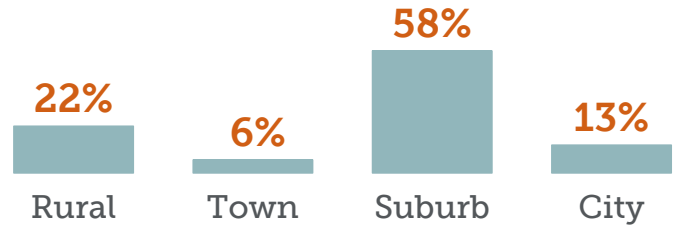
FISCAL YEAR 2017



Quick Stats

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| Population Size Served | 6,779,466 |
| Number of Public Library Systems | 368 |
| Number of Public Library Branches and Bookmobiles (Outlets) | 466 |
| Number of Full-Time Equivalent Librarians | 1,906 |
| Number of Full-Time Equivalent Staff | 3,844 |

Public Library Outlets by Locale



Operating Expenditures per Person



Public Library Collections¹ per Person



| | FY 2017 | FY 2016 | Regional ² | National |
|--|---------|---------|-----------------------|----------|
| Public Library Financial Health | | | | |
| Total Operating Revenue ³ per Person | \$46.87 | 45.92 | \$49.16 | \$42.34 |
| Total Operating Expenditures ³ per Person | \$47.44 | 47.70 | \$49.96 | \$39.59 |
| Public Library Resources, Services, and Usage | | | | |
| Collection Materials per Person | 8.50 | 10.23 | 7.88 | 5.00 |
| Circulation per Person | 8.07 | 9.27 | 7.68 | 6.94 |
| Library Visits per Person | 5.97 | 6.06 | 5.84 | 4.21 |
| Reference Transactions per Person | 0.71 | 0.72 | 0.74 | 0.77 |
| Total Programs Offered per 1,000 People | 23.57 | 22.83 | 29.94 | 17.30 |
| Total Program Attendance per 1,000 People | 444.54 | 430.29 | 532.02 | 378.69 |
| Public-Access Internet Computers per 5,000 People | 4.86 | 4.83 | 5.88 | 4.80 |
| Public-Access Internet Computer User Sessions per Person | 0.85 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.83 |
| Public Library Staffing | | | | |
| Staffing (FTEs) per 25,000 People | 14.17 | 14.19 | 15.03 | 11.36 |
| Librarians (FTEs) per 25,000 People | 7.03 | 7.14 | 7.51 | 3.96 |

¹ The sum of books and e-books will not equal the total collections per person reported in the table. The total collections per person reported in the table includes books, e-books, and physical and downloadable audio and video materials.

² The New England region includes Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

³ All financial data are in constant FY 2017 dollars.