South Carolina Public Libraries

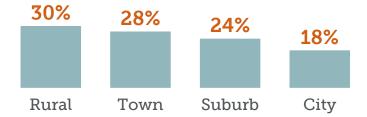
FISCAL YEAR 2017



Quick Stats

Population Size Served	4,652,360
Number of Public Library Systems	42
Number of Public Library Branches and Bookmobiles (Outlets)	225
Number of Full-Time Equivalent Librarians	588
Number of Full-Time Equivalent Staff	1,952

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	\$31.12	31.07	\$28.71	\$42.34
Total Operating Expenditures ³ per Person	\$29.16	28.64	\$26.54	\$39.59
Public Library Resources, Services, and Usage				
Collection Materials per Person	2.84	2.62	3.58	5.00
Circulation per Person	5.14	5.43	4.89	6.94
Library Visits per Person	3.13	3.40	3.31	4.21
Reference Transactions per Person	0.55	0.58	0.82	0.77
Total Programs Offered per 1,000 People	13.08	11.50	13.39	17.30
Total Program Attendance per 1,000 People	276.08	254.84	305.63	378.69
Public-Access Internet Computers per 5,000 People	4.59	4.60	4.54	4.80
Public-Access Internet Computer User Sessions per Person	0.75	0.84	0.77	0.83
Public Library Staffing				
Staffing (FTEs) per 25,000 People	10.49	10.26	9.04	11.36
Librarians (FTEs) per 25,000 People	3.16	3.18	3.12	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 Southeast region includes Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

³ All financial data are in constant FY 2017 dollars.



NOTE: Per person indicators use the unduplicated population. Calculations are based on unrounded data; therefore, reported totals may differ due to rounding.