

# **Nebraska Public Libraries**

FISCAL YEAR 2016



#### **Quick Stats**

| Population Size Served                                      | 1,537,042 |
|---|-----------|
| Number of Public Library Systems                            | 237       |
| Number of Public Library Branches and Bookmobiles (Outlets) | 263       |
| Number of Full-Time Equivalent Librarians                   | 360       |
| Number of Full-Time Equivalent Staff                        | 829       |

## **Public Library Outlets by Locale**



#### **Operating Expenditures per Person**





\$7.19

Collections

Other

### **Expenditure Type**

# Public Library Collections<sup>1</sup> per Person



**3.62** Books



**2.61** E-books

|  | FY 2016 | FY 2015 | Regional <sup>2</sup> | National |
|--|---------|---------|-----------------------|----------|
| Public Library Financial Health                          |         |         |                       |          |
| Total Operating Revenue <sup>3</sup> per Person          | \$37.89 | \$37.24 | \$43.81               | \$41.04  |
| Total Operating Expenditures <sup>3</sup> per Person     | \$36.53 | \$35.30 | \$41.99               | \$38.91  |
| Public Library Resources, Services, and Usage            |         |         |                       |          |
| Collection Materials per Person                          | 7.98    | 7.11    | 7.08                  | 4.69     |
| Circulation per Person                                   | 8.17    | 8.19    | 9.17                  | 7.19     |
| Library Visits per Person                                | 5.12    | 5.31    | 4.96                  | 4.36     |
| Reference Transactions per Person                        | 0.50    | 0.51    | 0.64                  | 0.79     |
| Total Programs Offered per 1,000 People                  | 22.47   | 21.21   | 19.23                 | 16.66    |
| Total Program Attendance per 1,000 People                | 530.59  | 492.35  | 424.17                | 363.99   |
| Public-Access Internet Computers per 5,000 People        | 9.18    | 9.19    | 6.20                  | 4.74     |
| Public-Access Internet Computer User Sessions per Person | 1.20    | 1.30    | 1.00                  | 0.89     |
| Public Library Staffing                                  |         |         |                       |          |
| Staffing (FTEs) per 25,000 People                        | 13.49   | 12.69   | 13.26                 | 11.27    |
| Librarians (FTEs) per 25,000 People                      | 5.85    | 5.75    | 5.22                  | 3.92     |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Plains region includes Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  All financial data are in constant FY 2016 dollars.