Maryland Public Libraries

FISCAL YEAR 2017

Quick Stats

Population Size Served	5,928,814
Number of Public Library Systems	24
Number of Public Library Branches and Bookmobiles (Outlets)	210
Number of Full-Time Equivalent Librarians	1,288
Number of Full-Time Equivalent Staff	3,389

Public Library Outlets by Locale

16% Rural **12%** Town **50%** Suburb **21%** City

Operating Expenditures per Person

$35.22 Staffing **$5.94** Collections **$7.21** Other

Expenditure Type

Public Library Collections[1] per Person

1.81 Books **0.26** E-books

	FY 2017	FY 2016	Regional[2]	National
Public Library Financial Health				
Total Operating Revenue[3] per Person	$50.23	49.92	$55.52	$42.34
Total Operating Expenditures[3] per Person	$48.38	47.84	$51.78	$39.59
Public Library Resources, Services, and Usage				
Collection Materials per Person	2.62	2.52	5.78	5.00
Circulation per Person	9.51	9.81	6.40	6.94
Library Visits per Person	4.40	4.64	4.54	4.21
Reference Transactions per Person	1.39	1.43	1.04	0.77
Total Programs Offered per 1,000 People	14.91	14.51	25.19	17.30
Total Program Attendance per 1,000 People	402.91	385.62	470.67	378.69
Public-Access Internet Computers per 5,000 People	4.38	4.38	4.66	4.80
Public-Access Internet Computer User Sessions per Person	0.95	0.91	0.81	0.83
Public Library Staffing				
Staffing (FTEs) per 25,000 People	14.29	13.97	13.67	11.36
Librarians (FTEs) per 25,000 People	5.43	5.46	4.60	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 Mid-East region includes Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania.

[3] All financial data are in constant FY 2017 dollars.