Virginia Public Libraries
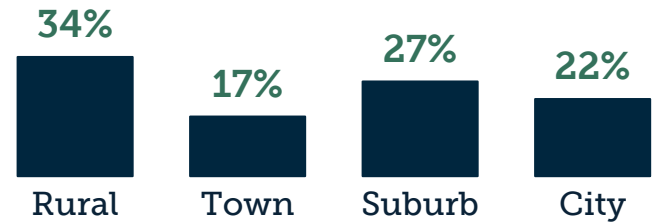
FISCAL YEAR 2016

Quick Stats

Population Size Served	8,251,562
Number of Public Library Systems	92
Number of Public Library Branches and Bookmobiles (Outlets)	378
Number of Full-Time Equivalent Librarians	1,014
Number of Full-Time Equivalent Staff	3,870

Public Library Outlets by Locale

34% Rural
17% Town
27% Suburb
22% City

Operating Expenditures per Person

$24.37 Staffing
$3.68 Collections
$6.55 Other

Expenditure Type

Public Library Collections[1] per Person

2.07 Books
0.76 E-books

	FY 2016	FY 2015	Regional[2]	National
Public Library Financial Health				
Total Operating Revenue[3] per Person	$35.21	$35.33	$27.95	$41.04
Total Operating Expenditures[3] per Person	$34.60	$34.64	$26.14	$38.91
Public Library Resources, Services, and Usage				
Collection Materials per Person	3.56	3.22	3.28	4.69
Circulation per Person	8.21	8.80	5.16	7.19
Library Visits per Person	4.32	4.61	3.47	4.36
Reference Transactions per Person	0.80	0.84	0.84	0.79
Total Programs Offered per 1,000 People	13.65	12.90	12.94	16.66
Total Program Attendance per 1,000 People	319.25	313.90	291.36	363.99
Public-Access Internet Computers per 5,000 People	4.64	4.34	4.57	4.74
Public-Access Internet Computer User Sessions per Person	0.91	0.85	0.84	0.89
Public Library Staffing				
Staffing (FTEs) per 25,000 People	11.72	11.47	8.91	11.27
Librarians (FTEs) per 25,000 People	3.07	3.05	3.10	3.92

[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 2016 dollars.

NOTE: The U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (www.bea.gov) and the U.S. Census Bureau (www.census.gov/acs) do not provide margins of error associated with these estimates. Readers should take this into consideration when comparing data across years.
SOURCE: IMLS, Public Libraries Survey, FY 2015-2016.