

Five-Year Statewide Summary

2015-2020

Draft Statistical Report of North Carolina Public Libraries, July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020

Please note that changes in the data may occur until certified by the Institute of Museum and Library Services in Spring 2021

Collections/Circulation							
Year	Total Print Book Volumes	Print Book Volumes Per Capita	Total Print Book Circulation	Electronic Materials Usage*	Total Collection Use**	Total Income per Collection Use (\$)	Collection Use Per capita
2015-2016	15,583,977	1.55	37,314,196	11,200,066	56,914,204	\$ 3.80	5.60
2016-2017	15,523,774	1.52	36,562,723	13,496,305	57,878,758	\$ 5.68	5.63
2017-2018	15,446,036	1.50	35,962,805	13,287,504	56,296,054	\$ 4.37	5.41
2018-2019	15,426,176	1.48	37,015,195	17,035,438	60,823,414	\$ 4.08	5.85
2019-2020	15,011,479	1.44	28,549,493	29,216,695	62,330,009	\$ 4.22	5.99
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Operating Income							
Year	Local Income (\$)	Local Income Per Capita (\$)	Total State Aid (\$)	State Aid Per Capita (\$)	Federal Income	Total Income	Total Income Per capita (\$)
2015-2016	\$ 197,009,535	\$ 19.59	\$ 14,207,033	\$ 1.41	\$ 1,811,433	\$ 223,704,770	\$ 22.24
2016-2017	\$ 209,514,071	\$ 20.48	\$ 14,796,434	\$ 1.45	\$ 1,607,567	\$ 236,262,819	\$ 23.09
2017-2018	\$ 215,761,057	\$ 21.09	\$ 15,011,790	\$ 1.47	\$ 1,416,012	\$ 242,810,189	\$ 23.90
2018-2019	\$ 221,420,538	\$ 21.29	\$ 14,192,173	\$ 1.36	\$ 1,729,114	\$ 247,903,148	\$ 23.83
2019-2020	\$ 231,677,668	\$ 22.27	\$ 14,182,131	\$ 1.36	\$ 1,570,272	\$ 262,746,089	\$ 25.26
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Operating Expenditures							
Year	Personnel Expenses (\$)	Personnel Per Capita (\$)	Materials Expenses (\$)	Materials Per Capita (\$)	Other Expenses (\$)	Other Per Capita (\$)	Total Per Capita (\$)
2015-2016	\$ 151,564,562	\$ 15.07	\$ 23,318,997	\$ 2.32	\$ 41,407,747	\$ 4.12	\$ 21.51
2016-2017	\$ 157,518,816	\$ 15.39	\$ 25,610,589	\$ 2.50	\$ 42,826,978	\$ 4.19	\$ 22.12
2017-2018	\$ 162,742,139	\$ 15.91	\$ 26,903,327	\$ 2.63	\$ 43,275,525	\$ 4.23	\$ 22.94
2018-2019	\$ 167,404,460	\$ 16.09	\$ 28,375,249	\$ 2.73	\$ 43,275,343	\$ 4.16	\$ 22.98
2019-2020	\$ 174,136,978	\$ 16.74	\$ 27,560,698	\$ 2.65	\$ 43,231,958	\$ 4.16	\$ 23.55
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Service Measures							
Year	Reference Questions	Reference Questions Per Capita	Library Visits	Library Visits Per Capita	Registered Borrowers	Public Computer Usage	Annual Hours
2015-2016	6,421,224	0.64	33,462,021	3.33	5,497,023	6,576,183	943,313
2016-2017	6,946,172	0.68	32,621,293	3.19	5,647,452	5,924,918	944,993
2017-2018	6,919,694	0.68	31,263,894	3.06	5,958,550	5,219,486	935,819
2018-2019	7,345,879	0.71	30,188,495	2.90	6,276,545	4,902,927	952,238
2019-2020	5,528,463	0.53	21,615,878	2.08	5,813,804	3,242,265	735,541
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Program/FTE Staff Measures							
Year	Total Programs	Program Attendance	Attendance Per Capita	Total ALA MLS	Total FTE Staff	FTE Staff Per 25,000 Pop.	% Staff with ALA MLS
2015-2016	141,704	2,969,203	0.30	764	3,038	7.55	25.1%
2016-2017	146,417	3,027,660	0.30	669	3059	7.47	21.9%
2017-2018	146,864	3,130,680	0.31	793	3,077	7.52	25.8%
2018-2019	155,045	3,366,256	0.32	800	3,108	7.47	25.7%
2019-2020	112,056	2,680,789	0.26	771	3,121	7.50	24.7%
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*2015-16 includes database usage along with ebooks, downloadable audio, downloadable video, and eperiodicals for the first time.

**The number also includes database usage for the first time.

*** The decrease in visits for FY19 is due to an error discovered in past reporting for a large library system. When accounting for that error, visitation is nearly flat.