

BY THE NUMBERS Florida Public Libraries

Fiscal Year October 2021 – September 2022



11.2 MILLION

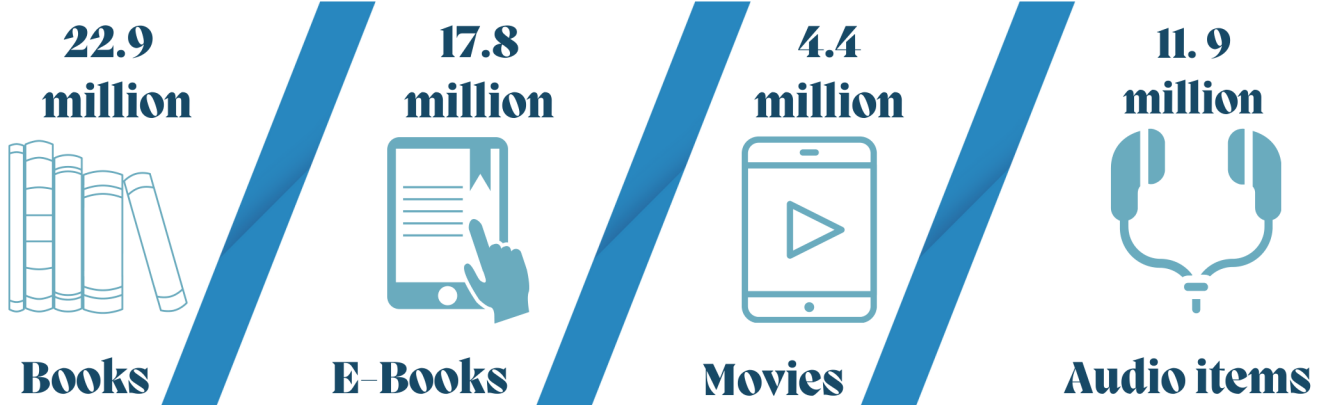
Floridians have a library card,
or **1/2** of the population of Florida.

36.6 MILLION

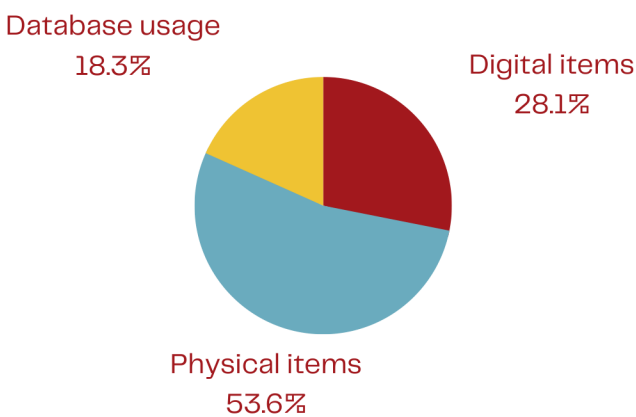
Annual visitors to FL libraries;
more annual visitors than Florida's
State Parks.¹

100,000 people visit a FL
library each day; **equal** to
the daily foot traffic at
London's Heathrow Airport.²

FL Libraries Provide Access to Millions of Items



85.8 million items were
loaned last year by libraries
across Florida; nearly 4 items
per resident.



Florida library
staff answered
11.3 million
questions.

Florida libraries offered over
200,000
programs
which offered services to over
4 million
attendees.
The number of programs offered has
increased by over
91% since 2020.

More than 18,000
library computers
were used nearly **6.8**
million times...



...and Wi-Fi usage
jumped **2%** from
the previous year.



There are **569**
library locations
statewide



that are open
over **1.2 million**
hours

and employ
nearly **6,500**
full-time
equivalent staff.



FL libraries do all this and more with less
than **\$33.53** per person in funding.
That's **25% less** than the national
average.³



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During FY2023-24, the percentage of total costs for the Library Data and Statistics Program financed with federal money is 67%; the federal dollar amount to be spent on the program is \$110,969. This program does not receive any non-governmental funding.

The Library Data & Statistics Program is funded under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Florida's LSTA program is administered by the Department of State's Division of Library and Information Services.

Data is from the Annual Statistical Report for Florida's Public Libraries, Fiscal Year 2022.

1: floridadep.gov/comm/press-office/news/governor-ron-desantis-announces-florida-park-service-has-been-awarded-2019

2: cnbc.com/2022/07/12/londons-heathrow-imposes-capacity-cap-of-100000-passengers-a-day.html

3: imls.gov/sites/default/files/2021-08/fy19-pls-results.pdf