

By the numbers

Florida Public Libraries

Fiscal Year 2023 - 2024

11.6 MILLION

Floridians have a library card, or $\frac{1}{2}$ of the population of Florida.

45 MILLION

annual visitors to FL libraries, **twice** the visitors to Universal Orlando theme parks.¹

22.2 MILLION



BOOKS

17.1 MILLION



E-BOOKS

4.2 MILLION



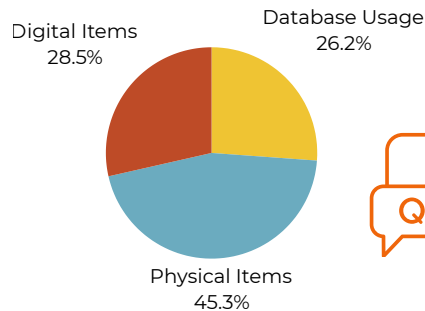
VIDEOS

9.3 MILLION



AUDIOBOOKS

Patrons borrowed **130 MILLION ITEMS** averaging nearly **6** items per resident.



Library staff answered **12 MILLION** questions.



264,000 PROGRAMS provided services to over **6 MILLION ATTENDEES**

There are **558** library locations statewide



that are open **1.3 MILLION HOURS**

and employ **6,836** full-time equivalent staff.



FL libraries do all this and more with less than **\$39.42** per person in funding.

Florida's Bureau of Library Development is dedicated to gathering data that enables libraries to showcase their impact on the community. For more information, visit bit.ly/FLlibraryData.

During FY2025-26, 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 \$120,685. This program does not receive any non-governmental funding.

The 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 2023-2024.

1: <https://aecom.com/wp-content/uploads/documents/reports/AECOM-Theme-Index-2023.pdf>

