



DIVISION OF
LIBRARY and
INFORMATION SERVICES

2024 ECONOMIC IMPACT REPORT

Florida libraries were **open** for an average of **50 hours** each week and **employed 6,800 Floridians**.

In these hours, patrons **visited** Florida's libraries **nearly 45 million times**, borrowing over **130 million items**.

Florida residents and businesses independently contributed **\$3.9 million** through **gifts and donations** to their local libraries.

Libraries invested nearly **\$144 million** into Florida's **economy** by spending **15%** of their **expenditures** using **in-state vendors**.

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.

