



Alberta's Public Libraries 2016 Summary

Population

Population of province, 2016 estimate	4,021,002
Population served by public libraries	4,011,044 (99.8%)
Population with no local library service	9,958 (0.2%)

General Statistics

Total resources in public libraries	21,927,824
Items per capita served	5.47
Online/electronic items (included in above total)	13,415,863

Output Statistics

Total public library circulation	38,112,744
Circulation per capita served	9.50
Number of library cardholders in public libraries	1,395,478
Percentage of Albertans with library cards	34.7%
Number of programs offered by public libraries	89,149
Number of participants in programs	1,461,588
Number of reference questions asked	3,240,073
Interlibrary loans borrowed	2,099,819
Interlibrary loans lent	1,783,669
Annual visits	21,091,176
Number of remote library website/catalogue visits	16,759,799
Number of public access computer stations in public libraries	2,930

Financial Data

Total local support for public library service	\$ 155,817,341
Local support per capita served	\$38.85
Total provincial grants to public library boards	\$ 29,744,701
Provincial grants per capita served	\$7.42

Provincial network support

Provincial support for Resource Sharing	\$ 526,898
Provincial support for ILL delivery	\$ 764,806
Total paid for SuperNet connectivity	\$ 1,850,000
Provincial support for electronic resource access	\$ 1,304,452
Total provincial network support	\$ 4,446,156
Total provincial support for public library service	\$ 34,190,857
Provincial support per capita served	\$8.52

Library Management and Personnel

Number of FTE in public libraries	1,994.9
Number of FTE in system headquarters	161.7
Total FTE devoted to public library service	2,156.7
Number of hours open	582,165.0
Average opening hours	36.16