

Population

Population of province, 2017 estimate	4,084,274	
Population served by public libraries	4,074,460	(99.8%)
Population with no local library service	9,814	(0.2%)

General Statistics

Total resources in public libraries	22,152,278
Items per capita served	5.44
Online/electronic items (included in above total)	13,770,732

Output Statistics

Total public library circulation	36,191,369
Circulation per capita served	8.88
Number of library cardholders in public libraries	1,490,143
Percentage of Albertans with library cards	36.5%
Number of programs offered by public libraries	88,385
Number of participants in programs	1,437,766
Number of reference questions asked	2,934,789
Interlibrary loans borrowed	2,066,195
Interlibrary loans lent	1,792,006
Annual visits	20,756,425
Number of remote library website/catalogue visits	28,609,575
Number of public access computer stations in public libraries	2,855

Financial Data

Total local support for public library service	\$ 163,215,511
Local support per capita served	\$40.06
Total provincial grants to public library boards	\$ 30,763,821
Provincial grants per capita served	\$7.55

Provincial network support

Provincial support for Resource Sharing	\$ 451,861
Provincial support for ILL delivery	\$ 742,776
Total paid for SuperNet connectivity	\$ 2,234,014
Provincial support for electronic resource access	\$ 1,170,334
Resources for print-disabled	\$ 242,124
Total provincial network support	\$ 4,841,109
Total provincial support for public library service	\$ 35,604,930
Provincial support per capita served	\$8.74

Library Management and Personnel

Number of FTE in public libraries	1,886.6
Number of FTE in system headquarters	133.1
Total FTE devoted to public library service	2,019.7
Number of hours open	593,470.0
Average opening hours	36.86

Population

	<i>Increase over 2016</i>
Population of province, 2017 estimate	1.57%
Population served by public libraries	1.58%
Population with no local library service	-1.45%

General Statistics

Total resources in public libraries	1.02%
Items per capita served	1.02%
Online/electronic items (included in above total)	2.65%

Output Statistics

Total public library circulation	-5.04%
Circulation per capita served	-5.04%
Number of library cardholders in public libraries	6.78%
Percentage of Albertans with library cards	5.13%
Number of programs offered by public libraries	-0.86%
Number of participants in programs	-1.63%
Number of reference questions asked	-9.42%
Interlibrary loans borrowed	-1.60%
Interlibrary loans lent	0.47%
Annual visits	-1.59%
Number of remote library website/catalogue visits	70.70%
Number of public access computer stations in public libraries	-2.56%

Financial Data

Total local support for public library service	4.75%
Local support per capita served	3.12%
Total provincial grants to public library boards	3.43%
Provincial grants per capita served	1.82%

Provincial network support

Provincial support for Resource Sharing	-14.24%
Provincial support for ILL delivery	-2.88%
Total paid for SuperNet connectivity	20.76%
Provincial support for electronic resource access	-10.28%
Resources for print-disabled	0.03%
Total provincial network support	3.26%
Total provincial support for public library service	3.40%
Provincial support per capita served	1.79%

Library Management and Personnel

Number of FTE in public libraries	-5.43%
Number of FTE in system headquarters	-17.72%
Total FTE devoted to public library service	-6.35%
Number of hours open	1.94%
Average opening hours	1.94%