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Georgia's 63 Public Library Systems



Effective FY 2015, Burke County joined the Greater Clarks Hill Regional Library System and the East Central Georgia Regional Library System was renamed the Augusta-Richmond Public Library System



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The 2017 edition of "A Current Look at Georgia's Public Libraries and GPLS" is now available, offering a detailed examination of the statistical data that describes the operations, funding and usage of the over 400 public library facilities throughout our state. This report highlights the value of each of these libraries and the services and programs they offer in every county in Georgia through the 63 Georgia public library systems.

This report offers statistical data and analysis of Fiscal Year 2017, which began July 1, 2016 and ended June 30, 2017. Each of the 63 public library systems submits an annual report to GPLS; these annual reports provide the data utilized in the preparation of "A Current Look." Our aggregate data will be submitted, as required, to the federal Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) in spring 2018 for inclusion in the national Public Libraries Survey, which provides a national view of public library facilities, services, and funding. Therefore, this data is still subject to IMLS review in 2018.

"A Current Look" provides timely, detailed data in ways that we hope are useful to those who fund, support and use public libraries in Georgia. In FY2017, the state provided a 25 cent per capita materials grant to public libraries. A result of the grant, which provided new materials throughout the state, is an increase in circulation of popular, high demand electronic materials; the E-book collection statewide increased by 6% with a resulting circulation increase of 10% and downloadable audiovisual circulation increased over 28%. Georgia libraries are essential and valuable to every community, and we see this in the almost 29 million in-person visits to libraries during the year, 70 million library website visits, and the 17% increase in attendance at library programs. This year, 41% of Georgia's libraries were able to increase overall public service hours in the state for the third year in a row, and continue to offer an impressive array of programs and services that support economic and workforce development, innovation, discovery, entrepreneurship, and education at all levels.

To the community leaders, trustees, administrators and funders at the state and local level, whose support makes the services we deliver to every community possible: we appreciate you. You make a difference for Georgia's libraries and Georgia's libraries make a difference for the citizens of Georgia.

This year's report, and previous editions of "A Current Look", may be accessed on our website at http://www.georgialibraries.org/lib/statistics/.

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Georgia Library Laws

- By statutory authority, Georgia Public Library Service, as a unit of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, gives aid, counsel and advice to all libraries in Georgia and works in a limited supervisory capacity with the 63 public library systems.
- OCGA § 20-5-2 (a) states that the agency "... shall give aid, advice and counsel to all libraries" and "shall exercise supervision over all public libraries and endeavor to improve libraries already established."
- OCGA § 20-2-305 (a) states that the agency "... shall annually determine and request of the General Assembly the amount of funds needed for county and regional public libraries" and that "Public Library funds shall be apportioned to county and regional public libraries in proportion to the area and population to be served by such libraries . .."
- Public library systems in Georgia are either single-county or multiple-county, based on the individual participating agreements. There are currently 34 multiple-county (regional) public library systems and 29 single-county public library systems. OCGA § 20-5-41 places authority of single-county library systems with the county board of trustees and places authority of multiple-county library systems with the regional board of trustees.
- While GPLS strongly supports efficiency and economy in the operation of public library systems, it realizes that local preferences, history and political realities drive the decisions of how public libraries are configured and aligned. It is the role of GPLS to advocate for strong, fiscally sound and viable public libraries.
- Georgia statutes related to public libraries may be found at <u>www.georgialibraries.org/lib/library_laws/</u>



The Value of Public Library Services

If a family of four together borrows two books and two DVDs each month, attends one program per quarter and annually takes advantage of the museum and attraction passes available at every public library in the state, that family would save more than \$1,743 every year over the cost of buying those materials and tickets individually. In addition, there is the value of public-access Internet, job skills training, homework help, and dozens of other services that Georgia libraries routinely provide free of charge!

2 books per month for a year

- The average book costs \$26.00.
- This saved the family of four a total of \$624.

2 DVDs per month for a year

- The average price of a new DVD is \$29.99
- This saved the family of four a total of \$720.

1 library program per quarter

- The average cost of a movie ticket is \$8.97.
- This saved the family of four a total of \$144.
- I time per year using the museum and attraction passes at Zoo Atlanta, Go Fish, the Carlos Museum, the Center for Puppetry Arts, the Atlanta Hawks, the Atlanta Braves, and the State Park Pass
 - This saved the family of four a total of \$255.

The value of public library services is almost \$1750 for just these services!

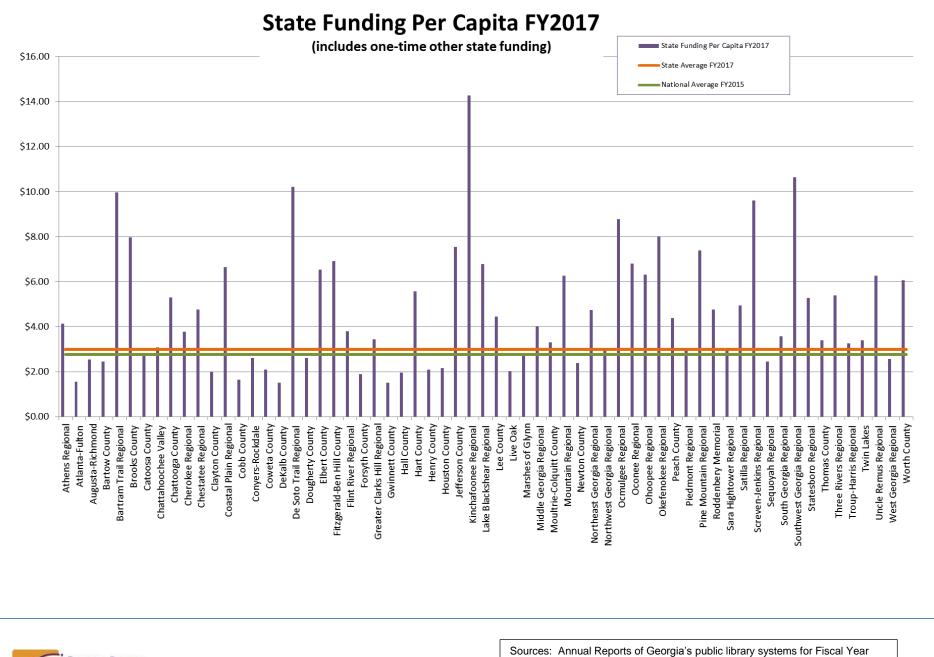


State Funding for Georgia Public Libraries

- By state law OCGA § 20-5-3, state funding is apportioned by formula to the library systems on the basis of population and geography (<u>http://www.georgialibraries.org/lib/library_laws/OCGA 20-5-3.pdf</u>).
- State funding is provided for professional salaries, library materials, operational support, libraries for the blind and physically handicapped, and, by grant award, for capital improvement.
- Georgia is the only state that provides grants that are specifically designated for the salaries of professional librarians, thus ensuring that each system is administered and led by licensed librarians.
- In FY2015, Georgia ranked 13th in the nation in terms of state funding per capita for public libraries, at \$2.53 while the national average was \$2.77.
- Even with the significant funding provided by the state, in FY2015, Georgia ranked 48th in the nation in terms of *total* per capita funding of public libraries at \$18.35. The national average for *total* per capita funding was \$39.04. Note: FY2015 is the most recent year for which IMLS has published national data tables.
- In FY2017, Georgia's per capita state funding was \$2.99. This is an increase over the previous year due to a State Materials Grant of \$2,668,221 which was 25 cents per capita. This was the first designated materials allocation in almost a decade.



Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Years 2015-2017 and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Public Libraries Survey for Fiscal Year 2015



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		2015				2016			2017		
Library System		Population	Total State Funding	Per Capita		Population	Total State Funding	Per Capita	Population	Total State Funding	Per Capita
Athens Regional		224,115	\$ 926,910.30	\$ 4.14		226,216	\$ 832,152.75	\$ 3.68	228,317	\$946,125.97	\$ 4.14
Atlanta-Fulton		1,018,601	\$ 1,319,351.00	\$ 1.30		1,035,754	\$ 1,316,325.00	\$ 1.27	1,052,908	\$1,639,230.00	\$ 1.56
Augusta-Richmond		203,625	\$ 480,617.00	\$ 2.36		204,435	\$ 422,345.40	\$ 2.07	205,246	\$521,322.88	\$ 2.54
Bartow County		103,438	\$ 305,738.70	\$ 2.96		104,521	\$ 218,083.91	\$ 2.09	105,603	\$259,272.31	\$ 2.46
Bartram Trail Regional		33,371	\$ 300,348.28	\$ 9.00		33,417		\$ 9.58	33,464	\$333,614.50	
Brooks County		15,464	\$ 154,776.92	\$ 10.01		15,439	\$ 123,237.00	\$ 7.98	15,413	\$122,802.65	
Catoosa County		66,522	\$ 178,377.41			67,127	\$ 155,734.61	\$ 2.32	67,733	\$183,849.03	
Chattahoochee Valley		233,503	\$ 646,510.08			235,168		\$ 2.86	236,833	\$726,793.00	
Chattooga County		25,171	\$ 154.581.51	\$ 6.14		25,187	\$ 127,644.06	\$ 5.07	25,204	\$133,828,46	
Cherokee Regional	_	85,272	\$ 317,339.18	\$ 3.72		85,555	\$ 293,077.30	\$ 3.43	85,839	\$324,714.80	\$ 3.78
Chestatee Regional	_	55,252	\$ 239,181.30	\$ 4.33		56,075	\$ 236,174.90	\$ 4.21	56,899	\$271,542.73	\$ 4.77
Clayton County	_	269,649	\$ 460,700.07	\$ 1.71		272,364	\$ 450,488.00	\$ 1.65	275,079	\$548,840.00	\$ 2.00
Coastal Plain Regional	_	94,637	\$ 519,019.49	\$ 5.48		94,976	\$ 569,030.05	\$ 5.99	95,314	\$634,174.89	
Cobb County	_	735,825	\$ 1,113,451.90		_	745,143	\$ 984,212.70	\$ 1.32	754,461	\$1,236,599.79	
,	_	89,299			-	90,489		-	91,679	\$238,563.67	
Conyers-Rockdale	_				_						
Coweta County	_	138,639	\$ 307,807.10			141,369	\$ 257,538.40		144,098	\$301,592.47	
DeKalb County		726,171	\$ 1,170,845.91	\$ 1.61		732,586	\$ 943,084.22	\$ 1.29	739,002	\$1,115,656.00	
De Soto Trail Regional		36,809	\$ 269,219.96	\$ 7.31		36,749	\$ 306,028.57	\$ 8.33	36,690	\$374,769.64	
Dougherty County		93,142	\$ 244,341.58	\$ 2.62		93,228	\$ 205,432.81	\$ 2.20	93,315	\$243,829.98	
Elbert County		19,537	\$ 150,577.75	\$ 7.71		19,505		\$ 5.91	19,474	\$127,220.36	
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County		17,691	\$ 125,557.98			17,780		\$ 6.34	17,868	\$123,707.75	
Flint River Regional		262,435	\$ 906,128.13	\$ 3.45		264,506	\$ 935,991.35	\$ 3.54	266,576	\$1,010,406.66	
Forsyth County		209,023	\$ 445,706.38	\$ 2.13		215,831	\$ 333,823.13	\$ 1.55	222,640	\$419,602.77	\$ 1.88
Greater Clarks Hill Regional		178,529	\$ 534,007.87	\$ 2.99		181,970	\$ 561,953.28	\$ 3.09	185,410	\$635,897.90	\$ 3.43
Gwinnett County		894,928	\$ 1,224,707.91	\$ 1.37		912,741	\$ 1,207,122.45	\$ 1.32	930,553	\$1,405,230.00	\$ 1.51
Hall County		194,153	\$ 430,537.00	\$ 2.22		197,356	\$ 321,521.52	\$ 1.63	200,560	\$394,819.00	\$ 1.97
Hart County		25,628	\$ 158,098.87	\$ 6.17		25,718	\$ 119,483.00	\$ 4.65	25,809	\$143,673.88	
Henry County		219,654	\$ 452,687.25	\$ 2.06		223,916	\$ 389,056.69	\$ 1.74	228,179	\$475,357.15	
Houston County		152,213	\$ 328,891.43	\$ 2.16		154,491		\$ 1.82	156,768	\$336,983.87	\$ 2.15
Jefferson County		16,286	\$ 125,711.08	\$ 7.72		16,268	\$ 111.861.95	\$ 6.88	16,251	\$122,629,58	
Kinchafoonee Regional		30,517	\$ 466,521.57	\$ 15.29		30,339	\$ 402,256.00	\$ 13.26	30,161	\$430,219.85	
Lake Blackshear Regional	_	73,963	\$ 401,021.97	\$ 5.42		73,898	\$ 459,045.23	\$ 6.21	73,833	\$500,912.32	
Lee County	_	30,113	\$ 161,242.98	\$ 5.35		30,634	\$ 123,474.66	\$ 4.03	31,155	\$138,833.71	\$ 4.46
Live Oak	_	408.098		\$ 2.08			\$ 775,029.00				
	_	,				413,636	• • • • • • •	-	419,173	\$849,144.92	\$ 2.03
Marshes of Glynn		83,355	\$ 110,627.00	\$ 1.33		84,279	\$ 211,470.34	\$ 2.51	85,202	\$229,828.96	\$ 2.70
Middle Georgia Regional		228,846	\$ 857,957.20	\$ 3.75		229,412	\$ 815,313.29	\$ 3.55	229,977	\$925,308.94	\$ 4.02
Moultrie-Colquitt County		47,235	\$ 156,807.53	\$ 3.32		47,715	\$ 355,949.28	\$ 7.46	48,195	\$159,641.26	\$ 3.31
Mountain Regional		56,748	\$ 332,058.01	\$ 5.85		57,074	\$ 323,973.00	\$ 5.68	57,399	\$359,278.00	\$ 6.26
Newton County		106,470	\$ 428,044.46	\$ 4.02		108,481	\$ 319,706.70	\$ 2.95	110,493	\$262,932.19	\$ 2.38
Northeast Georgia Regional		114,553	\$ 467,082.22	\$ 4.08		115,322	\$ 488,538.92	\$ 4.24	116,091	\$549,042.20	\$ 4.73
Northwest Georgia Regional		200,915	\$ 810,849.66	\$ 4.04		202,387	\$ 692,844.02	\$ 3.42	203,860	\$617,711.43	
Ocmulgee Regional		79,019	\$ 519,476.68	\$ 6.57		79,032	\$ 640,688.72	\$ 8.11	79,044	\$693,988.44	
Oconee Regional		88,844	\$ 493,099.31	\$ 5.55		89,137	\$ 569,543.61	\$ 6.39	89,431	\$607,550.27	\$ 6.79
Ohoopee Regional	_	77.844	\$ 309,360.68	\$ 3.97		78,353	\$ 461,474.90	\$ 5.89	78,863	\$497,052.15	
Okefenokee Regional	_	92,273	\$ 477,934.76	\$ 5.18	-	92,861	\$ 569,299.83	\$ 6.13	93,448	\$749,796.87	\$ 8.02
Peach County		27,214	\$ 158,908.16		-	27,313	\$ 123,225.66	\$ 4.51	27,413	\$120,316.00	
	_	157.947	\$ 541.576.50	\$ 3.43	-	161,465	\$ 496,780,52	\$ 3.08	164.982	\$503.424.48	
Piedmont Regional	_										
Pine Mountain Regional		62,548	\$ 406,611.57	\$ 6.50		62,463	\$ 417,624.92	\$ 6.69	62,378	\$460,651.58	
Roddenbery Memorial		25,694	\$ 161,249.80	\$ 6.28		25,902		\$ 5.12	26,110	\$124,421.00	
Sara Hightower Regional		138,420	\$ 453,885.74			139,127	\$ 431,507.32	\$ 3.10	139,835	\$410,922.07	
Satilla Regional		52,247	\$ 227,277.52	\$ 4.35		52,615	\$ 256,908.84	\$ 4.88	52,984	\$261,598.28	
Screven-Jenkins Regional		23,559	\$ 249,708.64			23,584	\$ 209,814.15	\$ 8.90	23,609	\$226,735.01	
Sequoyah Regional		295,353	\$ 767,466.71	\$ 2.60		301,395	\$ 679,765.28	\$ 2.26	307,437	\$750,465.18	
South Georgia Regional		130,825	\$ 378,109.35	\$ 2.89		132,547	\$ 427,068.25	\$ 3.22	134,269	\$479,207.22	\$ 3.57
Southwest Georgia Regional		42,444	\$ 451,758.51	\$ 10.64		42,549	\$ 515,202.51	\$ 12.11	42,653	\$454,063.41	\$ 10.65
Statesboro Regional		153,599	\$ 645,360.04	\$ 4.20		155,895	\$ 718,185.31	\$ 4.61	158,190	\$836,078.27	\$ 5.29
Thomas County		45,517	\$ 169,276.94	\$ 3.72		45,842	\$ 137,748.49	\$ 3.00	46,166	\$156,578.37	\$ 3.39
Three Rivers Regional		146,426	\$ 586,785.77	\$ 4.01		147,773		\$ 4.88	149,121	\$803,429.92	
Troup-Harris Regional		104.020	\$ 365,219,54	\$ 3.51		105,172		\$ 2.87	106,324	\$347,153.10	
Twin Lakes		46,457	\$ 152,165.58	\$ 3.28		46,666	\$ 142,967.12	\$ 3.06	46,875	\$158,581.28	
Uncle Remus Regional		167,575	\$ 778,938.27	\$ 4.65		169,509		\$ 6.41	171,443	\$1,075,911.79	
		451,656	\$ 1,129,705.57	\$ 4.65 \$ 2.50		459,617	\$ 1,313,844.54	\$ 2.86	467,577	\$1,196,656.52	\$ 0.28
West Georgia Regional Worth County		451,656									
		21.236	\$ 156,128.88	\$ 7.35		21,208	\$ 117,025.64	\$ 5.52	21,181	\$128,508.03	\$ 6.07



Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Years 2015-2017

State Funding by Catego	ry for Georgia Pu	ıblic Libraries - F	Y2015 - 2017												
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	State Funds Used for Salaries and	for Salary	State Funds Used for Purchases of Books	for Other Regular	Total State Funded	State Funds Used for Salaries and	for Salary	Purchases of Books	for Other Regular	Funded	State Funds Used for Salaries and	State Funds Used for Salary	State Funds Used for Purchases of Books	State Funds Used for Other Regular	Total State Funded
Library System Athens Regional	Wages \$ 594,621	Benefits \$ 167,285	and Materials \$ 37,924	Operating Costs \$ 23,197	Operations \$ 823,027	Wages \$ 596,711	Benefits \$ 184,373	and Materials	Operating Costs \$ 34,577	Operations \$ 815,660	Wages \$602.545	Benefits \$187.494	and Materials \$57,931	Operating Costs \$22,999	Operations \$870,970
Atlanta-Fulton	611,851	\$ 167,265	325,502	373,126	1,319,351	\$ 596,711	330,358	ъ - 0	\$ <u>34,577</u> 92,711	1,292,529	899,392	330.358	257,774	\$22,999 151635	1,639,159
Augusta-Richmond	191,124	60,085	30,007	75,337	356,553	198,455	65,296	0	17,110	280,860	216,132	54,033	53,661	0	323,826
Bartow County	181,306	56,723	22,741	44,968	305,739	140,281	38,373	0	38,430	217,084	140,364	42,566	28,075	31456	242,461
Bartram Trail Regional	183,029	46,347	30,263	40,629	300,268	206,058	52,007	19,550	42,632	320,247	221,714	56,388	17,065	41898	337,065
Brooks County	97,719	32,402	15,389	182	145,692	68,439	25,118	2,625	27,055	123,237	80,273	15,422	4,174	22934	122,803
Catoosa County Chattahoochee Valley	44,984	12,827 103.490	67,599 74,412	52,917 85.411	178,327 637,260	68,965 522,238	24,292 81,901	25,717	36,761 26,476	155,735 630,615	76,453 530,608	25,402 88,497	31,291 57,373	50703 3789	183,849 680,267
Chattooga County	66,308	103,490	19,725	49,016	154,582	68,439	24,663	6,638	20,470	119,889	70,669	25,026	8,751	29382	133,828
Cherokee Regional	180,336	59,489	28,181	49,332	317,339	197,780	67,048	7,316	20,932	293,077	201,919	68,246	22,318	32232	324,715
Chestatee Regional	178,801	36,099	8,487	24,281	247,669	116,569	45,784	0	73,821	236,175	179,810	53,502	14,934	0	248,246
Clayton County	337,083	28,837	89,892	40,000	495,812	258,500	90,348	0	43,640	392,488	259,955	97,445	69,555	44885	471,840
Coastal Plain Regional	180,518 532,259	56,704 76.012	59,496 375,350	221,962 149.832	518,679 1,133,453	386,274 624,453	153,696 235,969	20,248	0		397,867 629,150	155,528 251,660	25,132 188,754	55648 91467	634,175 1.161.031
Cobb County Convers-Rockdale	532,259 86,846	76,012 30,616	375,350	149,832 86,196	1,133,453 203,659	624,453	235,969 31,955	123,791	23,589	984,213 154,200	629,150	251,660 39,654	188,754	91467 42829	1,161,031 199,673
Coweta County	139,681	20,393	61,378	63,842	285,294	131,160	47,493	68,885	23,309	247,538	136,549	46,378	37,023	61647	281,597
DeKalb County	514,771	75,156	240,671	340,247	1,170,846	859,430	0	0	83,654	943,084	727,635	-	183,863	204158	1,115,656
De Soto Trail Regional	154,412	40,856	11,974	44,993	252,235	226,310	37,441	0	42,278	306,029	216,995	53,170	9,517	32108	311,790
Dougherty County	139,353	49,850	38,510	0	227,713	129,939	48,715	26,779	0	205,433	133,447	49,483	60,900	0	243,830
Elbert County Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	102,684 49,834	35,670 22,177	5,464 15,384	6,760 38,163	150,578 125,558	82,421 66,768	26,695 13,072	1,833 6,244	3,337 26,551	114,287 112,634	87,085 77,538	25,666 18,157	5,060 4,575	15 15434	117,827 115,704
Flint River Regional	49,834	139,740	15,384 89,285	119,913	807,032	587,867	13,072	6,244	93,219	898,150	607,753	18,157	4,575	15434	1,023,410
Forsyth County	190,473	74,733	98,348	82,152	445,706	191,439	72,312	70,072	00,210	333,823	196,700	73,465	114,846	0	385,011
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	246,291	2,411	70,175	176,296	495,173	317,223	119,948	33,767	91,015	561,953	320,364	130,920	44,398	95363	591,045
Gwinnett County	560,985	162,831	366,201	134,690	1,224,708	683,712	235,557	206,366	81,487	1,207,122	829,242	313,273	233,624	29091	1,405,230
Hall County	241,247	64,387	71,085	70,642	447,361	214,963	64,009	0	42,549	321,522	205,291	64,874	51,571	73083	394,819
Hart County Henry County	70,290	20,378 67,321	9,323 35,937	58,107 113,515	158,099 452,687	94,290 259,518	23,963 96,103	0	894 33,436	119,148 389,057	96,566 273,882	21,021 83.518	6,490 61,311	19581 17072	143,658 435,783
Houston County	183.915	56.090	32,951	55,935	328.891	202.044	61.707	0		281,139	211,166	58,999	39.368	27451	336,984
Jefferson County	96,899	16,939	5,481	6,392	125,711	73,773	19,784	0	18,305	111,862	75,636	20,031	4,347	14669	114,683
Kinchafoonee Regional	218,357	70,781	38,752	109,347	437,237	246,749	90,614	20,496	31,819	389,678	254,457	99,308	17,989	58465	430,220
Lake Blackshear Regional	222,385	76,572	45,514	29,757	374,228	314,189	124,569	15,854	4,433	459,045	320,288	128,142	19,876	32606	500,912
Lee County Live Oak	383,025	21,159 114,935	19,833 169,051	22,866 181,523	161,243 848.534	70,290 659,953	25,524 29,282	0	27,660 64,534	123,475 753,769	70,193	25,502 160,468	10,313 137.898	32826	138,834 848,625
Marshes of Glynn	49,111	0	18,332	43,184	110,627	121,198	36,182	22,706	14,257	194,343	137,280	31,501	21,392	23061	213,234
Middle Georgia Regional	625,078	203,235	80,104	55,790	964,207	465,373	150,279	80,816	118,845	815,313	503,043	165,997	59,760	136376	865,176
Moultrie-Colquitt County	93,750	33,920	5,566	13,268	146,504	73,675	19,882	0	262,392	355,949	70,193	25,502	12,172	51774	159,641
Mountain Regional Newton County	196,187 173,380	55,186 65,736	11,666 10,668	12,578 30,991	275,617 280,774	221,616 138,212	65,121 40.442	0	37,247 141,053	323,984 319,707	227,864	67,211 50,406	14,794 28,846	24995 51156	334,864 262,932
Northeast Georgia Regional	173,380	54,166	10,000	201.390	435,233	294.266	124,752	0	69.521	488.539	312.328	128,780	30.012	41518	512.637
Northwest Georgia Regional	245,573	99,422	73,502	48,997	467,493	319,721	129,993	6,000	47,635	503,348	355,415	141,892	53,114	0	550,421
Ocmulgee Regional	265,666	75,036	30,038	148,737	519,477	348,139	128,354	65,963	127,646	670,102	396,813	120,739	55,900	109631	683,083
Oconee Regional	250,342	96,077	57,973	88,707	493,099	308,801	117,086	53,846	89,811	569,544	325,031	120,602	77,893	84025	607,550
Ohoopee Regional Okefenokee Regional	193,184 194,431	58,553 59,636	12,789 24,756	44,835 202,195	309,361 481,017	305,195 365,406	89,700 148.024	0	53,936 43,202	448,830 556,632	310,094 372,976	104,643 156,337	20,542 24,078	21405 20527	456,685 573,918
Peach County	99,746	28,894	6,710	202,195	481,017	68.439	25,118		43,202	123,226	70,193	25,502	7.687	20527 25934	129,316
Piedmont Regional	253,014	77,404	51,699	125,856	507,972	320,588	119,408	0	26,785	466,781	314,913	129,722	42,368	16421	503,424
Pine Mountain Regional	243,443	71,536	36,298	51,517	402,793	280,590	91,497	0	45,538	417,625	293,476	99,912	16,367	19226	428,981
Roddenbery Memorial	70,567	13,892	9,593	47,934	141,987	94,406	20,694	4,316		119,416	96,664	21,189	6,568	0	124,421
Sara Hightower Regional	212,116	74,238 40.606	72,105	95,426 37,754	453,886 227,278	233,152	87,979 42,335	23.813	67,808	388,938 195,824	203,786	76,569 42.631	35,843 13.643	94724 46024	410,922 242,597
Satilla Regional Screven-Jenkins Regional	111,009	40,606	37,909 8,304	37,754	227,278	129,676	42,335	23,813	14,683	195,824 205,152	140,299	42,631	13,643	46024 9862	242,597 208,376
Sequoyah Regional	319,208	85,142		286,705	767,467	463,805	140,334	22,897	6,482	633,518	487,718	131,387	76,976	54384	750,465
South Georgia Regional	195,236	61,646	36,022	85,205	378,109	266,017	108,428	0	42,785	417,230	275,477	109,817	35,000	26928	447,222
Southwest Georgia Regional	218,857	80,171	17,027	131,904	447,958	255,053	112,463	0	143,989	511,504	262,551	113,844	12,992	60765	450,152
Statesboro Regional	437,095	97,298	21,818	89,149	645,360	463,010	143,697	16,427	13,369	636,504	479,364	149,368	40,353	166993	836,078
Thomas County Three Rivers Regional	68,270 262,281	20,083 106,992	9,051 68,308	71,873	169,277 586,786	93,685	37,597 163,880	25,091	4,909 114,224	136,191 720,670	92,002 428,222	41,536 171,790	11,498 12,966	11542 98903	156,578 711,881
Troup-Harris Regional	233,537	74,560	00,300	57,122	365,220	212,185	76,385	25,091	114,224	301,550	196,700	73,465	34,451	20167	324,783
Twin Lakes	45,331	4,598	5,807	67,030	122,766	76,736	16,821	10,272	34,213	138,041	78,490	17,205	12,041	40622	148,358
Uncle Remus Regional	420,470	157,862	22,841	0	601,173	529,502	206,995	0	1,311	737,808	523,152	205,719	44,180	0	773,051
West Georgia Regional	482,152	181,404	148,596	105,155	917,308	658,025	281,303	0	77,077	1,016,405	671,817	296,246	121,451	28197	1,117,711
Worth County	101,776	35,062	13,451	15,824	166,112	72,346	22,048	4,310	18,321	117,026	74,153	22,215	5,587	28523	130,478
Georgia State Totals	\$ 14,493,986	\$ 3,978,289	\$ 3,594,167	\$ 5,383,279	\$ 27,449,721	\$ 17,572,266	\$ 5,569,044	\$ 1,023,233	\$ 2,820,128	\$ 26,984,671	\$ 17,996,659	\$ 5,934,808	\$ 2,882,999	\$ 2,809,996	\$ 29,624,462

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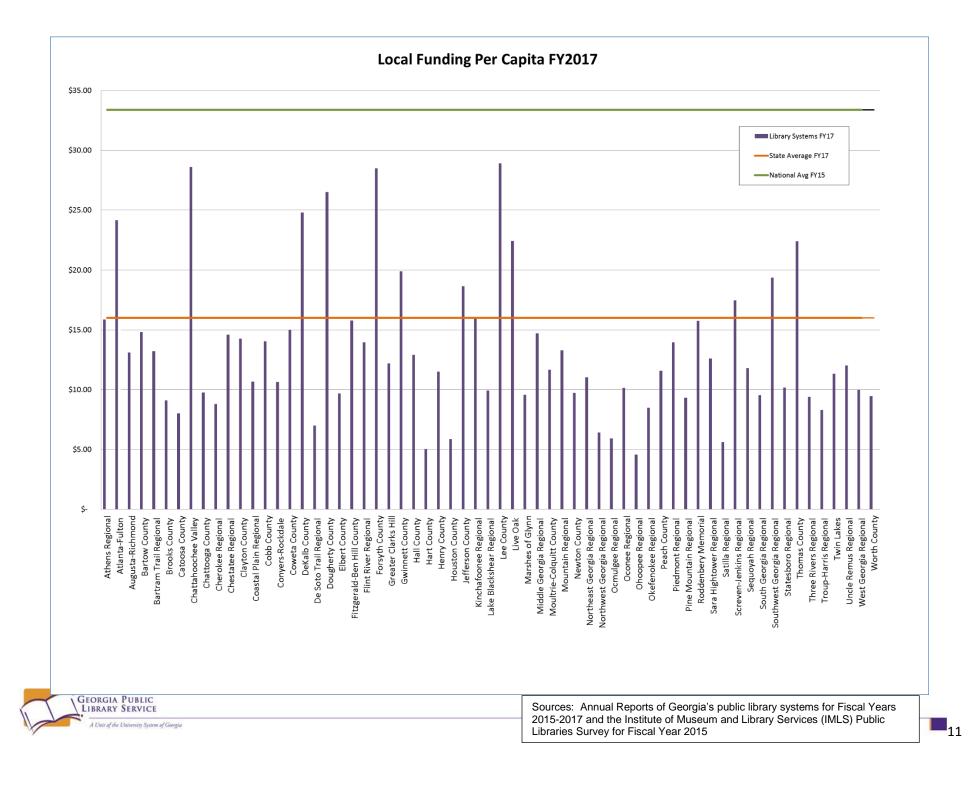


Local Funding for Georgia Public Libraries

- Local funding (including one-time funding but not capital funding) for Georgia's public libraries varied widely across the state in FY2017, from \$4.59 to \$28.92 per capita. In FY2016, local funding ranged from \$4.76 to \$29.31 per capita.
- The majority of the public library systems in Georgia (over 79%) received local funding that was below the statewide average of \$16.00.
- For FY2017, local funding for all 63 of Georgia's library systems was below the FY2015 national average of \$33.39.
- Georgia ranked 47th in the nation in local funding per capita for public libraries in FY2015.
- Four public library systems (De Soto Trail Regional Library, Hart County, Ocmulgee Regional Library System, and Ohoopee Regional Library) received more state funding than local funding.
- When looking at the amount of funding provided to all Georgia libraries by state and local sources, 16% came from the state while 84% came from local sources.



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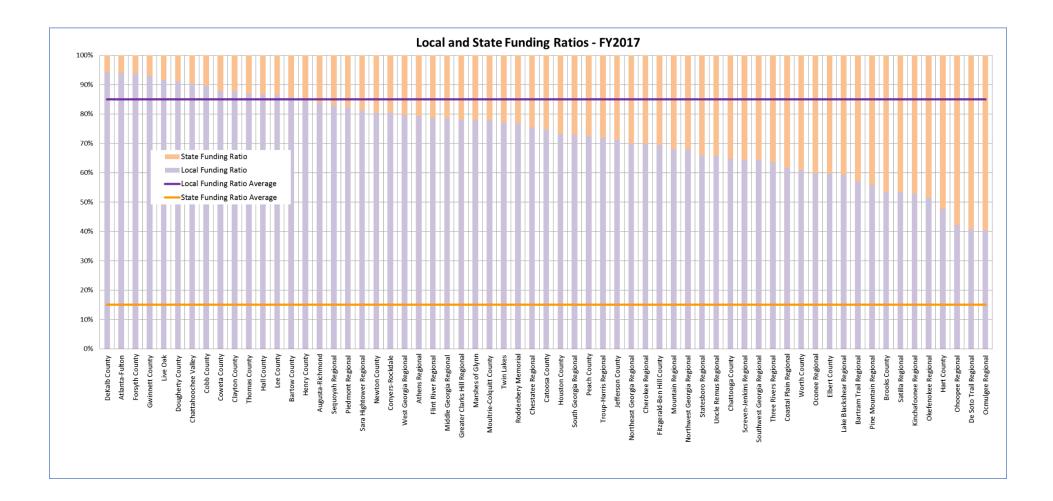


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Library System					_				PO			
Athens Regional			φ 0,010,001	÷	_	226,216	\$3,508,666	\$ 15.51		228,317	\$3,619,348	
Atlanta-Fulton	1,	,018,601	24,452,668	24.01	_	1,035,754	26,049,955	25.15	1	,052,908	25,457,188	24.1
Augusta-Richmond		203,625	2,611,931	12.83	_	204,435	2,760,061	13.50		205,246	2,688,285	13.
Bartow County		103,438	1,575,909	15.24	_	104,521	1,590,520	15.22		105,603	1,564,748	14.8
Bartram Trail Regional		33,371	424,768	12.73		33,417	441,687	13.22		33,464	442,495	13.2
Brooks County		15,464	151,429	9.79		15,439	136,702	8.85		15,413	140,344	9.
Catoosa County		66,522	615,157	9.25		67,127	621,312	9.26		67,733	543,564	8.0
Chattahoochee Valley		233,503	6,896,566	29.54		235,168	6,867,207	29.20		236,833	6,775,313	28.
Chattooga County		25,171	238,514	9.48		25,187	227,808	9.04		25,204	246,138	9.
Cherokee Regional		85,272	644,291	7.56		85,555	748,720	8.75		85,839	755,293	8.
Chestatee Regional		55,252	756,449	13.69		56,075	793,415	14.15		56,899	830,593	14.
Clayton County		269,649	3,595,800	13.34		272,364	3,758,457	13.80		275,079	3,922,575	14.
Coastal Plain Regional		94,637	1,011,599	10.69		94,976	1,003,394	10.56		95,314	1,016,803	10.0
Cobb County		735,825	10,657,416	14.48		745,143	10,348,019	13.89		754,461	10,591,938	14.0
Conyers-Rockdale		89,299	1,068,866	11.97		90,489	980,684	10.84		91.679	975,713	10.
Coweta County		138,639	1,922,492	13.87		141,369	2,091,991	14.80		144,098	2,162,991	15.
DeKalb County		726,171	14,960,047	20.60		732,586	16,696,008	22.79		739,002	18,330,672	24.
De Soto Trail Regional		36,809	416,422	11.31		36,749	214,769	5.84		36,690	257,157	7.0
Dougherty County		93,142	2,335,310	25.07		93,228	2,411,312	25.86		93,315	2,474,921	26.
Elbert County		19,537	175,906	9.00		19,505	193,554	9.92		19,474		20.
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County		19,537	277.736	9.00		19,505	279.209	9.92		19,474	281.975	9.
				15.70	_			13.48				15.
Flint River Regional		262,435	3,400,083		_	264,506	3,565,485			266,576	3,718,797	
Forsyth County		209,023	5,301,268	25.36	_	215,831	5,739,381	26.59		222,640		28.
Greater Clarks Hill Regional		178,529	2,049,014	11.48		181,970	2,312,057	12.71		185,410		12.
Gwinnett County		894,928	16,874,931	18.86		912,741	16,724,474	18.32		930,553	18,514,952	19.
Hall County		194,153	2,140,529	11.02		197,356	2,410,039	12.21		200,560	2,587,016	12.
Hart County		25,628	128,688	5.02		25,718	158,045	6.15		25,809	130,196	5.
Henry County		219,654	1,949,516	8.88		223,916	2,508,194	11.20		228,179	2,624,983	11.
Houston County		152,213	920,845	6.05		154,491	930,255	6.02		156,768	919,598	5.
Jefferson County		16,286	294,165	18.06		16,268	286,883	17.63		16,251	303,156	18.
Kinchafoonee Regional		30,517	458,547	15.03		30,339	428,109	14.11		30,161	483,609	16.0
Lake Blackshear Regional		73,963	867,642	11.73		73,898	682,902	9.24		73,833	733,721	9.9
Lee County		30,113	872,166	28.96		30,634	897,801	29.31		31,155	901,151	28.
Live Oak		408,098	8,364,421	20.50		413,636	8,808,147	21.29		419,173	9,401,599	22.
Varshes of Glynn		83,355	1,123,302	13.48		84,279	807,880	9.59		85,202	814,552	9.
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Middle Georgia Regional		228,846	3,493,543	15.27	_	229,412	3,272,528	14.26		229,977	3,382,811	14.
Moultrie-Colquitt County		47,235	600,654	12.72	_	47,715	584,337	12.25		48,195	562,355	11.
Nountain Regional		56,748	750,703	13.23	_	57,074	776,379	13.60		57,399	762,852	13.
Newton County		106,470	1,100,857	10.34		108,481	1,860,579	17.15		110,493	1,075,970	9.
Northeast Georgia Regional		114,553	1,236,652	10.80		115,322	1,252,930	10.86		116,091	1,281,983	11.
Northwest Georgia Regional		200,915	1,063,195	5.29		202,387	1,407,176	6.95		203,860	1,307,746	6.
Ocmulgee Regional		79,019	495,235	6.27		79,032	564,840	7.15		79,044		5.
Oconee Regional		88,844	940,911	10.59		89,137	928,684	10.42		89,431	907,167	10.
Ohoopee Regional		77,844	448,525	5.76		78,353	372,627	4.76		78,863	361,899	4.
Okefenokee Regional		92,273	663,441	7.19		92,861	635,156	6.84		93,448	792,901	8.
Peach County		27.214	308,196	11.32		27,313	342.283	12.53		27,413	317,313	11.
Piedmont Regional		157,947	2,201,858	13.94		161,465	2,103,811	13.03		164,982	2,304,499	13
Pine Mountain Regional		62,548	645,394	10.32		62,463	587,453	9.40		62,378		9
Roddenbery Memorial		25,694	399,676	15.56	-	25,902	405,101	15.64		26,110		15
Sara Hightower Regional		138,420	1,841,216	13.30	-	139,127	1,980,327	14.23		139,835	1,763,603	10.
Satilla Regional		52,247	288,521	5.52		52,615	267,503	5.08		52,984	298,061	5
Screven-Jenkins Regional		23,559	439.427	18.65	F	23,584	399.747	16.95		23.609	412.380	17
						23,584		10.95	_			
Sequoyah Regional		295,353	3,110,326	10.53			3,296,477			307,437	3,626,858	11
South Georgia Regional		130,825	1,344,758	10.28		132,547	1,273,686	9.61		134,269	1,282,370	9
Southwest Georgia Regional		42,444	840,278	19.80		42,549	827,210	19.44		42,653	825,638	19
Statesboro Regional		153,599	1,594,638	10.38		155,895	1,675,751	10.75		158,190	1,608,830	10
homas County		45,517	1,033,070	22.70		45,842	1,081,652	23.60		46,166		22
hree Rivers Regional		146,426	1,360,666	9.29		147,773	1,470,501	9.95		149,121	1,403,479	9
roup-Harris Regional		104,020	905,295	8.70		105,172	881,885	8.39		106,324	882,977	8
win Lakes		46,457	568,077	12.23		46,666	582,418	12.48		46,875	531,070	11
Incle Remus Regional		167,575	2,067,566	12.34		169,509	2,318,945	13.68		171,443	2,064,237	12
/est Georgia Regional		451,656	5,099,296	11.29		459,617	6,200,656	13.49		467,577	4,666,844	9
Vorth County		21,236	202,384	9.53		21,208	192,117	9.06		21,181	200,214	9
eorgia State Totals	1 1	0,250,112	\$ 157,894,114	\$ 15.40		10,379,084		\$ 15.95		,508,057		\$ 16



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Local and State Government	Total Local Funding	% Local	Total State Funding	% State	Local + State Funding	% Sum
Athens Regional	\$3,619,348	79.3%	\$946,126	20.7%	\$ 4,565,474	100.0%
Atlanta-Fulton	25,457,188	94.0%	1639230	6.0%	27,096,418	100.0%
ugusta-Richmond	2,688,285	83.8%	521323	16.2%	3,209,608	100.0%
Bartow County	1,564,748	85.8%	259272	14.2%	1,824,020	100.0%
Bartram Trail Regional	442,495	57.0%	333615	43.0%	776,110	100.0%
Brooks County	140,344	53.3%	122803	46.7%	263,147	100.0%
Catoosa County	543,564	74.7%	183849	25.3%	727,413	100.0%
Chattahoochee Valley	6,775,313	90.3%	726793	9.7%	7,502,106	100.0%
Chattooga County	246,138	64.8%	133828	35.2%	379,967	100.0%
Cherokee Regional	755,293	69.9%	324715	30.1%	1,080,007	100.0%
Chestatee Regional	830,593	75.4%	271543	24.6%	1,102,136	100.0%
Clayton County	3,922,575	87.7%	548840	12.3%	4,471,415	100.0%
Coastal Plain Regional	1,016,803	61.6%	634175	38.4%	1,650,978	100.0%
Cobb County	10,591,938	89.5%	1236600	10.5%	11,828,538	100.0%
Conyers-Rockdale	975,713	80.4%	238564	19.6%	1,214,277	100.0%
Coweta County	2,162,991	87.8%	301592	12.2%	2,464,583	100.0%
DeKalb County	18,330,672	94.3%	1115656	5.7%	19,446,328	100.0%
De Soto Trail Regional	257,157	40.7%	374770	59.3%	631,927	100.0%
Dougherty County	2,474,921	91.0%	243830	9.0%	2,718,751	100.0%
Elbert County	188,671	59.7%	127220	40.3%	315,892	100.0%
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	281,975	69.5%	123708	30.5%	405,683	100.0%
Flint River Regional	3,718,797	78.6%	1010407	21.4%	4,729,204	100.0%
Forsyth County	6,348,700	93.8%	419603	6.2%	6,768,303	100.0%
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	2,262,350	78.1%	635898	21.9%	2,898,247	100.0%
Gwinnett County	18,514,952	92.9%	1405230	7.1%	19,920,182	100.0%
Hall County	2,587,016	86.8%	394819	13.2%	2,981,835	100.0%
Hart County	130,196	47.5%	143674	52.5%	273,870	100.0%
Henry County	2,624,983	84.7%	475357	15.3%	3,100,340	100.0%
Houston County	919,598	73.2%	336984	26.8%	1,256,582	100.0%
lefferson County	303,156	71.2%	122630	28.8%	425,786	100.0%
Kinchafoonee Regional	483,609	52.9%	430220	47.1%	913,829	100.0%
.ake Blackshear Regional	733,721	59.4%	500912	40.6%	1,234,633	100.0%
Lee County	901,151	86.7%	138834	13.3%	1,039,984	100.0%
_ive Oak	9,401,599	91.7%	849145	8.3%	10,250,744	100.0%
Marshes of Glynn	814,552	78.0%	229829	22.0%	1,044,381	100.0%
Middle Georgia Regional	3,382,811	78.5%	925309	21.5%	4,308,120	100.0%
Moultrie-Colquitt County	562,355	77.9%	159641	22.1%	721,996	100.0%
Mountain Regional	762,852	68.0%	359278	32.0%	1,122,130	100.0%
Newton County	1,075,970	80.4%	262932	19.6%	1,338,903	100.0%
Northeast Georgia Regional	1,281,983	70.0%	549042	30.0%	1,831,025	100.0%
Northwest Georgia Regional	1,307,746	67.9%	617711	32.1%	1,925,458	100.0%
Ocmulgee Regional	469,655	40.4%	693988	59.6%	1,163,644	100.0%
Dconee Regional	907,167	59.9%	607550	40.1%	1,514,717	100.0%
Dhoopee Regional	361,899	42.1%	497052	57.9%	858,951	100.0%
Okefenokee Regional	792,901	51.4%	749797	48.6%	1,542,698	100.0%
Peach County	317,313	72.5%	120316	27.5%	437,629	100.0%
Piedmont Regional	2,304,499	82.1%	503424	17.9%	2,807,924	100.0%
Pine Mountain Regional	582,031	55.8%	460652	44.2%	1,042,683	100.0%
Roddenbery Memorial	411,314	76.8%	124421	23.2%	535,735	100.0%
Sara Hightower Regional	1,763,603	81.1%	410922	18.9% 46.7%	2,174,526 559,660	100.0%
Satilla Regional	298,061	53.3%	261598			
Screven-Jenkins Regional	412,380	64.5%	226735	35.5%	639,115	100.0%
Sequoyah Regional	3,626,858	82.9%	750465	17.1%	4,377,323	100.0%
South Georgia Regional Southwest Georgia Regional	1,282,370 825,638	72.8% 64.5%	479207 454063	27.2% 35.5%	1,761,577 1,279,702	100.0%
						100.0%
Statesboro Regional	1,608,830	65.8%	836078	34.2%	2,444,909	100.0%
Thomas County	1,034,707	86.9%	156578	13.1%	1,191,285	100.0%
Three Rivers Regional	1,403,479	63.6%	803430	36.4%	2,206,909	100.0%
Troup-Harris Regional	882,977	71.8%	347153	28.2%	1,230,130	100.0%
win Lakes	531,070	77.0%	158581	23.0%	689,652	100.0%
Jncle Remus Regional	2,064,237	65.7%	1075912	34.3%	3,140,148	100.0%
Vest Georgia Regional	4,666,844	79.6%	1196657	20.4%	5,863,500	100.0%
Vorth County	200,214	60.9%	128508	39.1%	328,722	100.0%



State and Local Funding for Library Facilities

Georgia's Public Library Planning and Construction Program

- A match program assisting in new library construction as well as renovations and additions sponsored by Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission in funding for construction of public libraries and implementation of capital outlay programs
- Funded or completed over 70 projects in 57 counties since FY2005 with 25 projects in the planning process, awaiting awards
 - 18 central libraries and 54 branch libraries
 - \circ $\,$ 34 new libraries and 38 additions and/or renovated libraries $\,$
- Total grant funding between FY2005 and FY2017 has been approximately \$108 million
- Total local match funding between FY2005 and FY2017 has been approximately \$140 million
- Total project costs have been over \$250 million funded and completed

Maintenance Repair and Renovation (MR&R) program

- FY2017--Granted \$2.0 million matched with \$1.2 million in local contributions, currently assisting over 50 libraries
 54 individual projects in 33 counties
- FY2016 Granted \$1.885 million matched with \$1.715 million in local contributions and currently assisting over 48 libraries
 71 individual projects in 34 counties
- FY2015--Granted \$1.675 million matched with \$2.35 million in local contributions and assisted over 35 libraries
 45 individual projects in 29 counties



FY	Library System	Project Name	C=Central B=Branch	-	City	County	State Share	Local Share	Total Project Cost
2015 <mark> </mark>	Flint River Regional Library	Barnesville-Lamar County Library	В	А	Barnesville	Lamar	\$1,385,000	\$583,000	\$1,968,000
2015 <mark> </mark>	Mountain Regional	Mountain Regional Library	С	А	Young Harris	Towns	\$900,000	\$100,000	\$1,000,000
2015	Froup Harris Regional	Hogansville Public Library	В	N	Hogansville	Troup	\$2,000,000	\$1,215,000	\$3,215,000
2015 <mark>\</mark>	Nest Georgia Regional	Villa Rica Library	В	N	Villa Rica	Carroll	\$500,000	\$1,215,000	\$1,715,000
2016	Cobb County Public	East Marietta Branch	В	N	Marietta	Cobb	\$2,000,000	\$6,640,000	\$8,640,000
2016 <mark>F</mark>	Forsyth County Public	Sharon Forks Public Library	В	А	Cumming	Forsyth	\$2,000,000	\$3,477,000	\$5,477,000
2016	Greater Clarks-Hill	Harlem Public Library	В	N	Harlem	Columbia	\$2,000,000	\$1,750,000	\$3,750,000
2016	Three Rivers Regional	Charlton County Public Library	В	А	Folkston	Charlton	\$565,000	\$107,000	\$672,000
2016	Froup Harris Regional	Harris County Public Library	В	N	Hamilton	Harris	\$2,000,000	\$2,825,000	\$4,825,000
2016	Nest Georgia Regional	Villa Rica Library	В	N	Villa Rica	Carroll	\$1,500,000	\$1,215,000	\$2,715,000
2017	Athens Regional	Bogart Public	В	А	Bogart	Oconee	\$1,800,000	\$950,000	\$2,750,000
2017 [Dougherty County Public	Northwest Public Library	В	А	Albany	Dougherty	\$2,000,000	\$4,610,000	\$6,610,000
2017 3	South Georgia Regional	South Georgia Regional Library	С	А	Valdosta	Lowndes	\$2,000,000	\$1,100,000	\$3,100,000
2017 \	Nest Georgia Regional	Neva Lomason Memorial Library	С	А	Carrollton	Carroll	\$2,000,000	\$1,500,000	\$3,500,000
2018	Marshes of Glynn Libraries	Brunswick Central Library	С	А	Brunswick	Glynn	\$2,000,000	\$2,400,000	\$4,400,000
2018	Viddle Georgia Regional Library	Jones County Public Library	В	А	Gray	Jones	\$1,300,000	\$450,000	\$1,750,000
2018	Moultrie-Colquitt County Library	Moultrie-Colquitt County Library	С	А	Moultrie	Colquitt	\$1,386,000	\$585,000	\$1,971,000
2018 <mark>F</mark>	Roddenbery Memorial Library	Roddenbery Memorial Library	С	А	Cairo	Grady	\$2,000,000	\$960,000	\$2,960,000
			Pi	ojects	Funded FY15	- FY18	\$29,336,000	\$31,682,000	\$61,018,000

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Projects completed or fund	ed after June 30, 2006
Projects	72
Systems	39
Counties	57
Centrals	18
Branches	54
News	34
Adds	38
Local Share Total	\$141,530,160
State Share Total	\$108,974,647
Total Project Cost	\$250,504,807

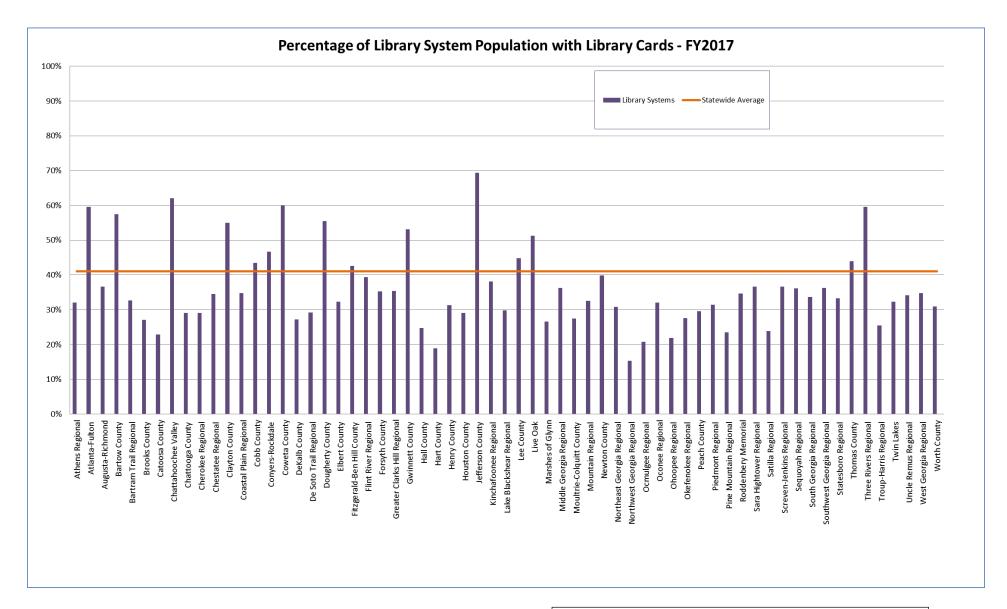


Library Cards and Circulation

- In FY2017, 4,268,885 individuals in Georgia held public library cards, an 8% increase over FY2016. The latest Georgia QuickFacts from the U.S. Census reported a total of 3,611,706 Georgia households, resulting in an average of 1.2 registered public library patrons per Georgia household.
- 41% of all Georgians are registered public library patrons, an increase of 3% from the prior year.
- Library systems that participate in Georgia Public Library Service's PINES automation and lending network counted 1,858,456 active PINES library cards as of June 30, 2017.
- More than half of all registered public library patrons in Georgia live in a county that is part of a library system that participates in PINES.
- Georgia libraries circulated 35.5 million library items or 3.38 items per capita in FY2017, which is a decrease from FY2016. Of note, E-book circulation increased 10% while downloadable audiovisual items increased 28%. Electronic materials continue to be a customer focus.
- Georgia ranked 48th among states in circulation per capita in FY2015.



Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Years 2015-2017 and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Public Libraries Survey for Fiscal Year 2015



*Northwest Georgia Regional Library System began reregistering users and issuing new library cards when it migrated to PINES in 2010.

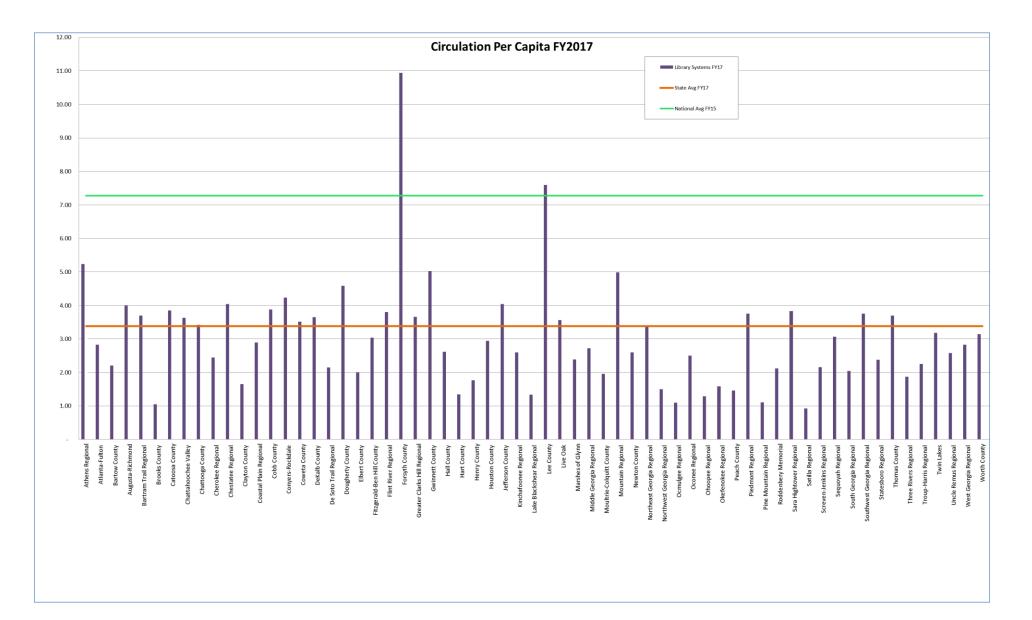
Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Year 2017



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Library System	Card Holders	2015 Population	% Population	Card Holders	2016 Population	% Population	Card Hold	2017 ers Population	% Population	Percentage Change in Card Holders from 2016 to 2017
Athens Regional	86,561	224,115	39%	70,165	226,216	31%	73,2			4%
Atlanta-Fulton	508,980	1,018,601	50%	570,206	1,035,754	55%	626,6		60%	10%
Augusta-Richmond	101,259	203,625	50%	76,409	204,435	37%	75,1	88 205,246		-2%
Bartow County	58,009	103,438	56%	59,841	104,521	57%	60,7		3 57%	1%
Bartram Trail Regional	11,033	33,371	33%	10,932	33,417	33%	10,9			0%
Brooks County	5,982	15,464	39%	4,345	15,439	28%	4,1	82 15,413	3 27%	-4%
Catoosa County	21,884	66,522	33%	15,337	67,127	23%	15,5	15 67,733	3 23%	1%
Chattahoochee Valley	151,097	233,503	65%	149,556	235,168	64%	146,9			-2%
Chattooga County	10,341	25,171	41%	7,416	25,187	29%	7,3			-1%
Cherokee Regional	34,777	85,272	41%	24,846	85,555	29%	24,9			0%
Chestatee Regional	25,748	55,252	47%	19,872	56,075	35%	19,6			-1%
Clayton County	176,304	269,649	65%	146,400	272,364	54%	151,2			3%
Coastal Plain Regional	43,007	94,637	45%	33,246	94,976	35%	33,1			0%
Cobb County	364,534	735,825	50%	364,175	745,143	49%	327,9			-10%
Conyers-Rockdale	56,474	89,299	63%	43,234	90,489	48%	42,8			-1%
Coweta County DeKalb County	84,209 163,243	138,639 726,171	61% 22%	87,507 204,340	141,369 732,586	62% 28%	86,3			-1% -2%
DeKalb County De Soto Trail Regional	163,243	726,171 36,809	39%	204,340	732,586	28%	200,8			-2% 1%
Dougherty County	63,593	93,142	68%	50,744	93,228	29% 54%	51,8			2%
Elbert County	9,428	93, 142	48%	6,495	93,228	33%	6,2			-3%
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	9,848	17,691	40 % 56%	7,470	17,780	42%	7,6			-3 %
Flint River Regional	138,969	262,435	53%	105,070	264,506	40%	104,8			0%
Forsyth County	67,769	209,023	32%	68,143	215,831	32%	78,6			15%
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	94,355	178,529	53%	65,581	181,970	36%	65,5			0%
Gwinnett County	325.078	894,928	36%	353,122	912.741	39%	493.8			40%
Hall County	78,249	194,153	40%	52,771	197,356	27%	49,5	33 200,560	25%	-6%
Hart County	7,252	25,628	28%	4,887	25,718	19%	4,8			0%
Henry County	96,731	219,654	44%	70,793	223,916	32%	71,5			1%
Houston County	46,870	152,213	31%	48,772	154,491	32%	45,6	34 156,768	3 29%	-6%
Jefferson County	10,680	16,286	66%	10,942	16,268	67%	11,2			3%
Kinchafoonee Regional	16,017	30,517	52%	11,816	30,339	39%	11,4			-3%
Lake Blackshear Regional	31,064	73,963	42%	22,146	73,898	30%	22,0	46 73,833	30%	0%
Lee County	16,062	30,113	53%	13,605	30,634	44%	13,9			3%
Live Oak	75,654	408,098	19%	69,959	413,636	17%	214,6			207%
Marshes of Glynn	33,831	83,355	41%	23,244	84,279	28%	22,7			-2%
Middle Georgia Regional	106,184	228,846	46%	84,478	229,412	37%	83,3			-1%
Moultrie-Colquitt County	17,687	47,235	37%	13,248	47,715	28%	13,2			0%
Mountain Regional	45,533	56,748	80%	18,993	57,074	33%	18,6			-2%
Newton County	43,254	106,470	41%	44,128	108,481	41%	43,9			0%
Northeast Georgia Regional	48,994	114,553	43%	35,743	115,322	31%	35,7			0%
Northwest Georgia Regional	30,359	200,915	15%	30,363	202,387	15%	31,2			3%
Ocmulgee Regional	22,199	79,019	28%	16,786	79,032	21%	16,4			-2%
Oconee Regional	37,925	88,844	43%	28,829	89,137	32%	28,6		32%	-1%
Dhoopee Regional	25,237	77,844	32%	16,479 25,067	78,353 92,861	21%	17,2			5% 3%
Okefenokee Regional Peach County	32,329	92,273 27,214	35% 40%	8,209	27,313	27% 30%	25,8			-1%
Piedmont Regional	59,927	157,947	38%	50,309	161,465	30%	o, 51,9			-1%
Pine Mountain Regional	21,307	62,548	34%	14,949		24%	14,6			-2%
Roddenbery Memorial	12,146	25,694	47%	9,118	25,902	35%	9,0			-1%
Sara Hightower Regional	67,752	138,420	49%	52,123	139,127	37%	51,1			-2%
Satilla Regional	18,136	52,247	35%	12,767	52,615	24%	12,6			-1%
Screven-Jenkins Regional	11,385	23,559	48%	8,630	23,584	37%	8,6			0%
Sequoyah Regional	109,351	295,353	37%	108,817	301,395	36%	110,9			2%
South Georgia Regional	61,393	130,825	47%	45,219	132,547	34%	45,2			0%
Southwest Georgia Regional	25,210	42,444	59%	16,440	42,549	39%	15,4			-6%
Statesboro Regional	66,791	153,599	43%	50,923	155,895	33%	52,7			4%
Thomas County	25,995	45,517	57%	20,474		45%	20,3			-1%
Three Rivers Regional	83,812	146,426	57%	86,176	147,773	58%	88,			3%
Troup-Harris Regional	36,550	104,020	35%	27,351	105,172	26%	27,0	58 106,324	25%	-1%
Twin Lakes	19,679	46,457	42%	15,083	46,666	32%	15,1			0%
Uncle Remus Regional	75,697	167,575	45%	58,639	169,509	35%	58,6			0%
West Georgia Regional Worth County	204,747 8,520	451,656 21,236	45% 40%	158,599 6,502	459,617 21,208	35% 31%	162,4		7 <u>35%</u> 31%	2% 1%





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		2015			2016			2017	
Library System	Circulation Sy	stem Population	Per Capita	Circulation S	ystem Population P	er Capita	Circulation	System Population P	er Capita
Athens Regional	1,215,173	224,115	5.42	1,216,578	226,216	5.38	1,196,025	228,317	5.2
Atlanta-Fulton	2,855,142	1,018,601	2.80	3,220,156	1,035,754	3.11	2,977,441	1,052,908	2.8
Augusta-Richmond	463,064	203,625	2.27	478,362	204,435	2.34	452,092	205,246	2.2
Bartow County	493,154	103,438	4.77	460,400	104,521	4.40	422,308	105,603	4.(
Bartram Trail Regional	81,094	33,371	2.43	67,601	33,417	2.02	123,807	33,464	3.7
Brooks County	17,421	15,464	1.13	14,458	15,439	0.94	16,128	15,413	1.0
Catoosa County	198,102	66,522	2.98	238,119	67,127	3.55	260,764	67,733	3.8
Chattahoochee Valley	919,239	233,503	3.94	925,797	235,168	3.94	860,687	236,833	3.6
Chattooga County	87,769	25,171	3.49	81,015	25,187	3.22	86,322	25,204	3.4
Cherokee Regional	191,619	85,272	2.25	210,871	85,555	2.46	209,999	85,839	2.4
Chestatee Regional	274,734	55,252	4.97	247,237	56,075	4.41	230,103	56,899	4.(
Clayton County	456,081	269,649	1.69	421,509	272,364	1.55	454,004	275,079	1.6
Coastal Plain Regional	341,872	94,637	3.61	306,724	94,976	3.23	275,882	95,314	2.8
Cobb County	3,045,796	735,825	4.14	3,026,037	745,143	4.06	2,924,985	754,461	3.8
Conyers-Rockdale	254,527	89,299	2.85	243,045	90,489	2.69	388,087	91,679	4.2
Coweta County	535,535	138,639	3.86	515,819	141,369	3.65	507,131	144,098	3.5
DeKalb County	2,680,976	726,171	3.69	2,701,962	732,586	3.69	2,700,268		3.6
De Soto Trail Regional	79,578	36,809	2.16	84,464	36,749	2.30	78,919		2.1
Dougherty County	450,740	93,142	4.84	461,408	93,228	4.95	428,135		4.5
Elbert County	53,216	19,537	2.72	48,566	19,505	2.49	39,159		2.0
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	43,569	17,691	2.46	47,251	17,780	2.66	54,358		3.0
Flint River Regional	1,071,130	262,435	4.08	1,076,342	264,506	4.07	1,013,370		3.8
Forsyth County	2,369,260	209,023	11.33	2,432,581	215,831	11.27	2,436,854	222,640	10.9
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	677,288	178,529	3.79	661,413	181,970	3.63	677,871	185,410	3.6
Gwinnett County	5,500,332	894,928	6.15	5,532,032	912,741	6.06	4,679,154		5.0
Hall County	481,202	194,153	2.48	606,188	197,356	3.07	524,867	200,560	2.6
Hart County	33,464	25,628	1.31	29,788	25,718	1.16	34,828		1.3
Henry County	436,265	219,654	1.99	413,004	223,916	1.84	403,367	228,179	1.
Houston County	392,526	152,213	2.58	468,331	154,491	3.03	461,120		2.9
Jefferson County	48,827	16,286	3.00	60,604	16,268	3.73	65,601	16,251	4.0
Kinchafoonee Regional	57,460	30,517	1.88	55,469	30,339	1.83	78,263	30,161	2.5
ake Blackshear Regional	131,862	73,963	1.78	103,433	73,898	1.40	98,605		1.3
Lee County	221,808	30,113	7.37	231,701	30,634	7.56	236,788		7.6
Live Oak	1,803,039	408,098	4.42	2,457,871	413,636	5.94	1,492,386		3.5
Marshes of Glynn	203,569	83,355	2.44	209,833	84,279	2.49	203,586		2.3
Middle Georgia Regional	1,010,936	228,846	4.42	864,669	229,412	3.77	625,746		2.7
Moultrie-Colquitt County	96,867	47,235	2.05	96,457	47,715	2.02	94,197		1.9
Nountain Regional	370,418	56,748	6.53	315,443	57,074	5.53	286,214		4.9
Newton County	354,999	106,470	3.33	300,149	108,481	2.77	287,465		2.6
Northeast Georgia Regional	414,753	114,553	3.62	409,714	115,322	3.55	396,039		3.4
Northwest Georgia Regional	317,573	200,915	1.58	296,941	202,387	1.47	306,251	203,860	1.5
Ocmulgee Regional	97,297	79,019	1.23	90,627	79,032	1.15	86,453	79,044	1.(
Oconee Regional	173,948	88,844	1.96	171,901	89,137	1.93	223,701	89,431	2.5
Ohoopee Regional	79,768	77,844	1.02	93,828	78,353	1.20	101,339		1.2
Okefenokee Regional	131,236	92,273	1.42	157,471	92,861	1.70	148,181	93,448	1.5
Peach County	34,826	27,214	1.28	48,073	27,313	1.76	40,102		1.
Piedmont Regional	602,434	157,947	3.81	598,505	161,465	3.71	619,241	164,982	3.
Pine Mountain Regional	85,407	62,548	1.37	95,597	62,463	1.53	68,931	62,378	1.
Roddenbery Memorial	60,603	25,694	2.36	68,218	25,902	2.63	55,406		2.
Sara Hightower Regional	579,367	138,420	4.19	516,636	139,127	3.71	535,843		3.
Satilla Regional	61,780	52,247	1.18	55,089	52,615	1.05	49,091	52,984	0.
Screven-Jenkins Regional	54,449	23,559	2.31	53,914	23,584	2.29	50,871	23,609	2.
Sequoyah Regional	902,173	295,353	3.05	938,188	301,395	3.11	942,800		3.
South Georgia Regional	308,008	130,825	2.35	364,603	132,547	2.75	274,974		2.
Southwest Georgia Regional	201,193	42,444	4.74	177,370	42,549	4.17	160,283		3.
Statesboro Regional	392,726	153,599	2.56	377,626	155,895	2.42	375,550		2.
Thomas County	180,208	45,517	3.96	178,327	45,842	3.89	170,784		3.
Three Rivers Regional	348,736	146,426	2.38	308,957	147,773	2.09	279,146		1.
Troup-Harris Regional	240,623	104,020	2.31	260,978	105,172	2.48	239,548		2.
Twin Lakes	162,073	46,457	3.49	146,299	46,666	3.14	149,127		3.
Uncle Remus Regional	433,847	167,575	2.59	402,239	169,509	2.37	442,691	171,443	2.
Nest Georgia Regional	1,413,916	451,656	3.13	1,418,735	459,617	3.09	1,320,773		2.
North County	73,950	21,236	3.48	70,573	21,208	3.33	66,598 35,490,609	21,181	3.



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Resource Sharing – Interlibrary Loans and Courier Service

- Public libraries provide lending services to their card holders. Each time a user checks out an item, it is considered a circulation. Another type of circulation, which requires at least three times the workload of a circulation, is Interlibrary Loan. This is a service where a user of one library can borrow books that are owned by another library. The user makes a request with their local library, which identifies libraries that own the desired item, places the request, receives the item, makes it available to the user, and arranges for its return.
- Georgia Online Database (GOLD) GPLS coordinates the interlibrary loaning of books and other materials between libraries of all types including academic, public, technical schools and special libraries. Over 200 institutions loaned and borrowed over 38,300 items between each other in FY2017.
- GPLS contracts for library courier service, which transported 1,473,851 library materials in FY2017, visiting every headquarters library five (5) days per week. This includes Interlibrary Loan items as well as PINES system-to-system items being transported across the state.
- Both Interlibrary Loan and PINES system-to-system loans require the librarian to receive the request, pull the book from the shelves, check it out of the online library catalog, and prepare a mailing package or a PINES courier package to send the item to the requesting library. This work is overlooked when using only circulation as a statistic for workload of the library staff, but it accounted for 704,137 items sent to other library systems for patron use. Of these loans, 685,526 were processed through the Georgia Library PINES network.



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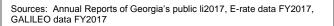
Library System	Total Circulation	Interlibrary Loan Lending	PINES Lending
Athens Regional	1,196,025	837	25,2
Atlanta-Fulton	2,977,441	3,262	20,2
Augusta-Richmond	452,092	173	19,2
Bartow County	422,308	381	
Bartram Trail Regional	123,807	0	3,1
Brooks County	16,128	0	4,2
Catoosa County	260,764	0	9,3
Chattahoochee Valley	860,687	722	
Chattooga County	86,322	72	3,4
Cherokee Regional	209,999	2	11,8
Chestatee Regional	230,103	224	11,3
Clayton County	454,004	360	25,6
Coastal Plain Regional	275,882	160	14,8
Cobb County	2,924,985	127	
Conyers-Rockdale	388,087	227	6,8
Coweta County	507,131	253	
DeKalb County	2,700,268	932	
De Soto Trail Regional	78,919	0	7,1
Dougherty County	428,135	711	30,2
Elbert County	39,159	165	2,1
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	54,358	125	3,5
Flint River Regional	1,013,370	124	29,5
Forsyth County	2,436,854	844	
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	677,871	0	22,0
Gwinnett County	4,679,154	1,502	
Hall County	524,867	537	32,1
lart County	34,828	0	1,1
lenry County	403,367	206	15,4
Houston County	461,120	5	16,5
lefferson County	65,601	4	3,6
Kinchafoonee Regional	78,263	130	4,5
_ake Blackshear Regional	98,605	0	8,2
_ee County	236,788	32	14,7
_ive Oak	1,492,386	936	
Marshes of Glynn	203,586	91	7,7
liddle Georgia Regional	625,746	396	34,6
Moultrie-Colquitt County	94,197	66	4,1
Mountain Regional	286,214	451	21,5
Newton County	287,465	69	5,4
Northeast Georgia Regional	396,039	105	17,2
Northwest Georgia Regional	306,251	171	11,9
Dcmulgee Regional	86,453	0	4,3
Dconee Regional	223,701	394	6,8
Dhoopee Regional	101,339	191	7,5
Okefenokee Regional	148,181	0	5,1
Peach County	40,102	8	5,0
Piedmont Regional	619,241	1	24,7
Pine Mountain Regional	68,931	153	6,0
Roddenbery Memorial	55,406	40	3,2
Sara Hightower Regional	535,843	481	19,6
Satilla Regional	49,091	0	4,1
Screven-Jenkins Regional	50,871	21	4,0
Sequoyah Regional	942,800	699	
South Georgia Regional	274,974	76	16,0
Southwest Georgia Regional	160,283	4	12,9
Statesboro Regional	375,550	324	19,6
homas County	170,784	446	9,
hree Rivers Regional	279,146	506	17,6
roup-Harris Regional	239,548	188	12,5
win Lakes	149,127	0	6,4
Jncle Remus Regional	442,691	308	23,0
Vest Georgia Regional	1,320,773	369	45,
Vorth County	66,598	0	2,4
Statewide	35,490,609	18.611	685,5



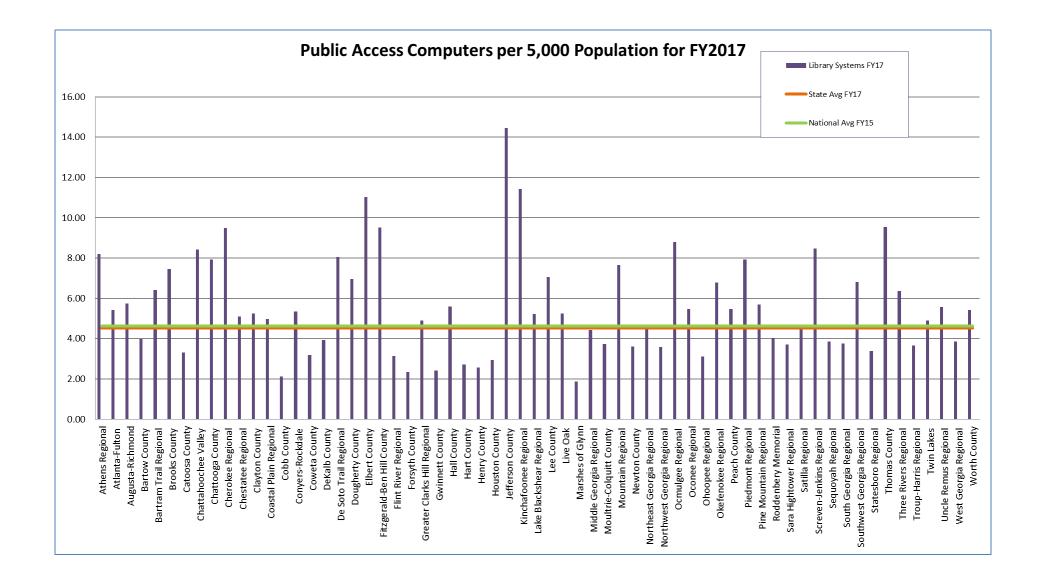
Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Year 2017

Public Access Computers in Georgia Public Libraries

- Public Library Internet computers were used over 12 million times in FY2017.
- There were 9,541 public computer workstations with high-speed internet access in Georgia public libraries at the close of FY2017.
- Coordinated by GPLS in Georgia, the federal E-rate program -- the national Universal Service Discount Program for Schools and Libraries -- provides 84% of the funds for Georgia's statewide public library data network.
- All public access internet computers have access to GALILEO databases.
- GALILEO databases searches numbered over 1.4 million through public library access in FY2017, a slight decrease from last year, FY2016. Overall usage of GALILEO, to additionally include Mango language sessions, Learning Express sessions, TumbleBooks, and Gale Legal Forms brings the total to 1,730,140.
- In FY2017, all Georgia public library buildings provided wireless services for library users.
- The following Charts and Spreadsheets on "Public Access Computers" use do not include use from patrons' wireless devices.







Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Public Libraries Survey for Fiscal Year 2015



		2015			2016		2017		
Library System	Public Computers	System Population	Per 5,000 Population	Public Computers	System Population	Per 5,000 Population	Public Computers	System Population	Per 5,000 Population
Athens Regional	340	224,115	7.59	394	226,216	8.71	375	228,317	8.2
Atlanta-Fulton	897	1,018,601	4.40	972	1,035,754	4.69	1,141	1,052,908	5.4
Augusta-Richmond	237	203,625	5.82	240	204,435	5.87	236	205,246	5.7
Bartow County	84	103,438	4.06	84	104,521	4.02	84	105,603	3.9
Bartram Trail Regional	35	33,371	5.24	35	33,417	5.24	43	33,464	6.4
Brooks County	23	15,464	7.44	25	15,439	8.10	23	15,413	7.4
Catoosa County	31	66,522	2.33	20	67,127	1.49	45	67,733	3.3
Chattahoochee Valley	414	233,503	8.86	382	235,168	8.12	399	236,833	8.4
Chattooga County	45	25,171	8.94	37	25,187	7.35	40	25,204	7.9
Cherokee Regional	155	85,272	9.09	155	85,555	9.06	163	85,839	9.4
Chestatee Regional	66	55,252	5.97	48	56,075	4.28	58	56,899	5.
Clayton County	285	269,649	5.28	285	272,364	5.23	289	275,079	5.
Coastal Plain Regional	98	94,637	5.18	100	94,976	5.26	95	95,314	4.
Cobb County	420	735,825	2.85	574	745,143	3.85	320	754,461	2.1
Conyers-Rockdale	98	89,299	5.49	99	90,489	5.47	98	91,679	5.
Coweta County	92	138,639	3.32	92	141,369	3.25	92	144,098	3.
DeKalb County	361	726,171	2.49	443	732,586	3.02	582	739,002	3.
De Soto Trail Regional	57	36,809	7.74	58	36,749	7.89	59	36,690	8.
Dougherty County	114	93,142	6.12	130	93,228	6.97	130	93,315	6.
Elbert County	39	19,537	9.98	40	19,505	10.25	43	19,474	11.
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	23	17,691	6.50	23	17,780	6.47	34	17,868	9.
Flint River Regional	157	262,435	2.99	165	264,506	3.12	168	266,576	3.
Forsyth County	100	209,023	2.39	104	215,831	2.41	104	222,640	2.
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	119	178,529	3.33	120	181,970	3.30	182	185,410	4.
Gwinnett County	498	894,928	2.78	453	912,741	2.48	452	930,553	2.4
Hall County	160	194,153	4.12	198	197,356	5.02	224	200,560	5.
Hart County	17	25,628	3.32	17	25,718	3.31	14	25,809	2.
Henry County	109	219,654	2.48	144	223,916	3.22	117	228,179	2.
Houston County	98	152,213	3.22	113	154,491	3.66	92	156,768	2.
Jefferson County	47	16,286	14.43	47	16,268	14.45	47	16,251	14.
Kinchafoonee Regional	79	30,517	12.94	74	30,339	12.20	69	30,161	11.4
Lake Blackshear Regional	73	73,963	4.93	73	73,898	4.94	77	73,833	5.2
Lee County	58	30,113	9.63	46	30,634	7.51	44	31,155	7.0
Live Oak	495	408,098	6.06	481	413,636	5.81	439	419,173	5.
Marshes of Glynn	32	83,355	1.92	33	84,279	1.96	32	85,202	1.
Middle Georgia Regional	229	228.846	5.00	216	229,412	4.71	204	229.977	4.4
Moultrie-Colquitt County	35	47,235	3.70	35	47,715	3.67	36	48,195	4.
Mountain Regional	90	56,748	7.93	90	57,074	7.88	88	57,399	7.0
Newton County	77	106,470	3.62	77	108,481	3.55	80	110,493	3.0
Northeast Georgia Regional	96	114,553	4.19	102	115,322	4.42	106	116,091	4.:
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Northwest Georgia Regional	48	79,019	3.04	69	79,032	4.37	146	79,044	8.
Ocmulgee Regional	103	88,844	5.80	89	89,137	4.99	98	89,431	5.
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Roddenbery Memorial	20	25,694	3.89	16	25,902	3.09	21	26,110	4.
Sara Hightower Regional	166	138,420	6.00	105	139,127	3.77	104	139,835	3.
Satilla Regional	48	52,247	4.59	47	52,615	4.47	49	52,984	4.
Screven-Jenkins Regional	42	23,559	8.91	42	23,584	8.90	40	23,609	8.
Sequoyah Regional	272	295,353	4.60	269	301,395	4.46	237	307,437	3.
South Georgia Regional	97	130,825	3.71	99	132,547	3.73	101	134,269	3.
Southwest Georgia Regional	64	42,444	7.54	64	42,549	7.52	58	42,653	6
Statesboro Regional	94	153,599	3.06	101	155,895	3.24	107	158,190	3.
Thomas County	69	45,517	7.58	90	45,842	9.82	88	46,166	9.
Three Rivers Regional	178	146,426	6.08	131	147,773	4.43	190	149,121	6.
Troup-Harris Regional	80	104,020	3.85	78	105,172	3.71	78	106,324	3.
Twin Lakes	46	46,457	4.95	40	46,666	4.29	46	46,875	4.
Uncle Remus Regional	212	167,575	6.33	194	169,509	5.72	191	171,443	5.
West Georgia Regional	318	451,656	3.52	379	459,617	4.12	362	467,577	3.
Worth County	21	21,236	4.94	23	21,208	5.42	23	21,181	5.
Statewide	8,935	10,250,112	4.36	9,353	10,379,084	4.51	9,541	10,508,057	4.



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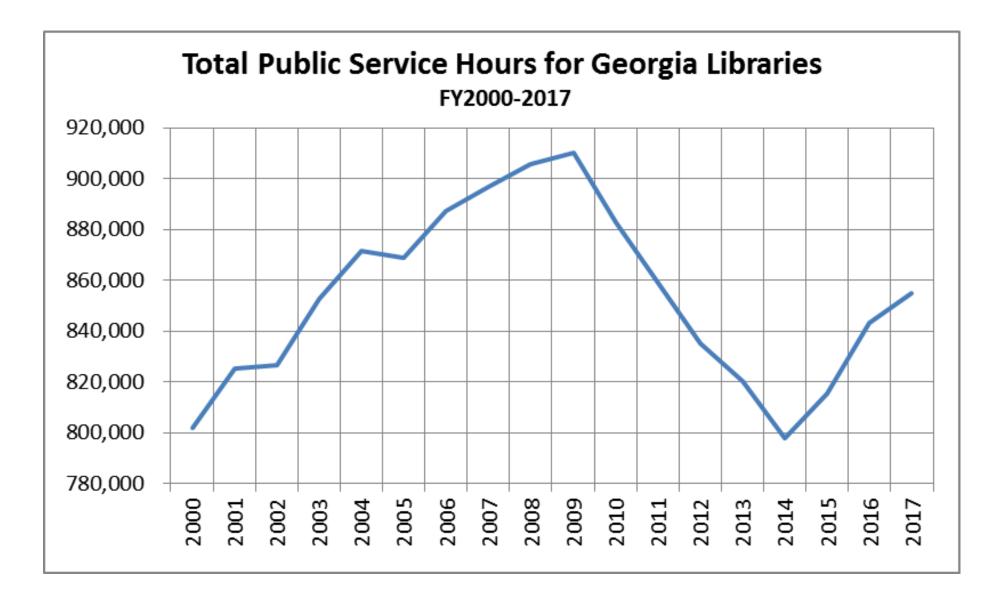
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Public Service Hours

- In FY2017, public service hours in Georgia increased 1.4% over FY2016; this is the second year in a row with an increase in hours. From FY2009-2014, due to reduced local and state funding in those last five years, hours steadily decreased. Despite the increase since FY2015, FY2017 hours are still 6% lower than in FY2009.
- 19 of the 63 public library systems now show increased hours over FY2009. Of those, three systems (Forsyth County, Newton County, and Uncle Remus Regional) have increased their public service hours by more than 30%. An additional three systems (DeKalb County, Live Oak, and West Georgia Regional) all increased hours more than 10%.
- Over 40 systems have been forced to reduce public service hours since FY2009, with 12 systems reducing hours more than 20% since then.



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Library System	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	% Change since 2009	Change in hours since 20
Athens Regional	23,832	23,919	23,399	23,220	23,220	24,508	22,220	22,880	22,321	-6.34%	(1,51
Atlanta-Fulton	82,460	75,482	80,114	76,902	78,682	62,372	57,577	81,584	83,671	1.47%	1,2
Augusta-Richmond	02,100	70,102	00,111	10,002	10,002	02,012	14,358	14,265	15,695		112
Bartow County	6,956	6,821	6,773	6,824	6,831	6,707	6.874	7.031	7.031	1.08%	-
Bartram Trail Regional	6,767	6,767	6,854	6,854	7,218	7,340	7,340	10,348	7,288	7.70%	5
Brooks County	2,723	2,755	2,753	2,560	2,527	2,581	2,581	2,208	2,468	-9.36%	(2)
Catoosa County	2,944	2,893	2,916	3,000	3.000	5.034	2,266	2,300	2.278	-22.62%	(6)
Chattahoochee Valley	24,598	21,988	20,464	16,890	16,328	16,839	17,047	17,279	18,047	-26.63%	(6,5
Chattooga County	3,957	3,848	3,848	3,905	3,908	3,836	3,883	3,830	3,897	-1.52%	(
Cherokee Regional	9,050	9,050	7,636	12,533	6,004	9,724	10,181	6,132	6,233	-31.13%	(2,8
Chestatee Regional	4,098	4,058	3,980	3,947	3,516	4,166	4,166	4,061	4,435	8.22%	3
Clayton County	17,718	18,360	18,210	18,294	21,543	18,233	18,193	18,064	18,195	2.69%	4
Coastal Plain Regional	14,458	13,976	14,236	14,097	13,631	13,785	13,922	13,651	13,965	-3.41%	(4
Cobb County	47,521	55,088	46,108	37,080	37,447	35,744	42,099	37,457	38,702	-18.56%	(8,8
Conyers-Rockdale	2,690	2,563	2,683	2,467	2,697	2,522	2,687	2,690	2,947	9.55%	25
Coweta County	9,736	9,028	8,332	8,792	9,604	9,960	9,960	10,944	10,128	4.03%	3
DeKalb County	44,447	47,090	46,432	48,121	48,180	47,185	47,183	49,064	50,888	14.49%	6,4
De Soto Trail Regional	8,964	8,432	8,980	9,103	9,090	8,047	9,349	9,284	9,422	5.11%	4
Dougherty County	14,144	13,636	10,988	10,868	5,560	5,884	7,495	9,920	10,843	-23.34%	(3,3
East Central Georgia Regional	35,754	33,900	32,380	33,689	32,065	20,962					
Elbert County	4,452	4,420	4,356	3,483	3,683	3,528	3,716	3,716	3,806	-14.51%	(6
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	3,091	3,084	3,097	3,105	2,822	2,636	2,612	2,660	2,610	-15.56%	(4
Flint River Regional	21,307	21,489	21,313	22,215	21,296	15,850	20,509	19,188	21,107	-0.94%	(2
Forsyth County	6,112	5,488	6,489	8,018	7,884	10,417	11,722	12,188	12,170	99.12%	6,0
Greater Clarks Hill Regional						11,443	15,441	15,040	14,291		
Gwinnett County	58,979	44,462	48,375	43,635	43,305	39,130	37,164	37,875	44,742	-24.14%	(14,2
Hall County	14,505	13,962	13,833	8,616	9,745	10,327	10,364	10,462	10,828	-25.35%	(3,6
Hart County	2,080	2,092	2,048	2,108	2,106	2,106	2,098	2,100	2,036	-2.12%	(-
Henry County	14,315	14,040	8,692	8,040	8,056	4,864	8,016	8,092	9,536	-33.38%	(4,7
Houston County	9,123	7,029	6,994	7,028	6,716	6,888	7,384	7,280	7,152	-21.60%	(1,9
Jefferson County	7,105	7,304	7,245	7,327	7,164	6,971	5,760	5,760	6,094	-14.23%	(1,0
Kinchafoonee Regional	12,403	11,278	11,078	11,163	10,221	10,702	9,472	10,062	10,303	-16.93%	(2,1
Lake Blackshear Regional	10,688	10,639	10,631	10,575	10,564	10,362	12,730	10,391	10,124	-5.28%	(5
Lee County	7,421	5,634	5,711	5,724	7,395	8,376	8,415	8,403	7,772	4.73%	3
Live Oak	34,681	36,226	34,727	34,727	33,223	34,727	36,999	37,295	39,200	13.03%	4,5
Marshes of Glynn						4,444	4,424	4,628	4,329		
Middle Georgia Regional	31,745	30,109	32,556	31,533	33,664	33,266	32,148	27,543	26,629	-16.12%	(5,1
Moultrie-Colquitt County	3,461	3,524	3,463	3,459	3,448	3,426	3,465	3,518	3,427	-0.98%	(;
Mountain Regional	8,859	8,260	8,612	8,892	8,849	8,110	7,957	8,128	7,589	-14.34%	(1,2
Newton County	3,239	3,035	3,237	3,988	4,244	4,144	4,218	4,244	4,257	31.43%	1,0
Northeast Georgia Regional	14,059	13,843	13,261	13,221	13,065	12,987	13,122	12,687	12,719	-9.53%	(1,3-
Northwest Georgia Regional	8,957 11,292	9,319 11.292	7,534 11,246	7,182	6,747	6,410 11.098	6,547 10,401	6,417 10,454	6,504 10,532	-27.39% -6.73%	(2,4
Ocmulgee Regional					11,140						(7)
Oconee Regional	10,188	9,629	9,037	9,189	8,053	5,000	7,907	8,226	8,254	-18.98%	(1,9
Ohoopee Regional	11,523	13,004	11,162	8,425 12,661	8,187	8,961 8,808	11,421 9,323	10,885 9,664	11,800	2.40% -6.64%	2 (6
Okefenokee Regional	10,311 3,900	16,325 3,904	16,491 3,851	12,661 3,822	8,087 3,711	8,808 3,446	9,323 3,955	9,664 3,916	9,626 3,769	-6.64%	
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Piedmont Regional Pine Mountain Regional	25,355 12,857	22,590	22,613 11,911	24,351 12,007	22,569 11,267	20,817	23,117 10.087	24,016 11,432	23,355 11,448	-7.89% -10.96%	(2,0)
Roddenbery Memorial	2,715	2,716	2,063	2,062	2,044	2,104	2,104	1,848	2,099	-10.96% -22.69%	(1,4
Sara Hightower Regional	10,323	9,886	2,063	2,062	2,044 9,151	2,104	9,258	9,133	2,099	-22.69%	(6
Satilla Regional	10,323	9,695	9,766	9,678	9,151 7,548	9,171	9,256	9,133	9,785	-51.42%	(6,6
Screven-Jenkins Regional	5,198	9,695	5,348	4,847	4,913	4,228	4,212	4,212	4,205	-51.42%	(6,6
Sequoyah Regional	24,681	24,744	21,793	4,847	4,913	4,220	4,212	21,756	4,205	-19.10%	(2,6
South Georgia Regional	10,188	7,080	13,551	13,503	11,407	19,065	19,202	11,969	9,903	-10.82%	(2,0
Southwest Georgia Regional	6,421	6,709	6,620	6,678	6,818	7,036	7,168	7,396	9,903	-2.80%	
Statesboro Regional	14,157	13,370	13,391	13,518	13,246	13,748	13,594	13,334	13,282	-6.18%	(8
Thomas County	7,500	7,506	6,362	6,133	7,472	7,182	6,919	9,261	7,037	-6.17%	(4
Three Rivers Regional	21,003	19,730	17,436	19,504	19,293	15,526	15,838	9,261	16,031	-0.17%	(4,9
Troup-Harris Regional	7,633	7,612	6,980	6,524	7,318	7,308	7,230	7,266	7,433	-23.67%	(4,9
Twin Lakes	4,838	5,196	4,291	3,532	3,149	3,149	3,149	3,860	4.018	-2.82%	(2
Uncle Remus Regional	20,274	19,672	4,291	3,532	20,910	22,976	25,762	26,742	26,937	32.86%	6,6
West Georgia Regional	34,898	37,060	35,840	37,309	36,991	38,890	39,183	41,098	41,657	19.37%	6,7
West Georgia Regional	2,436	2,122	2,136	2.244	2.222	2,489	2,509	2.508	2.486	2.05%	0,7
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Collections Owned by Georgia Public Libraries

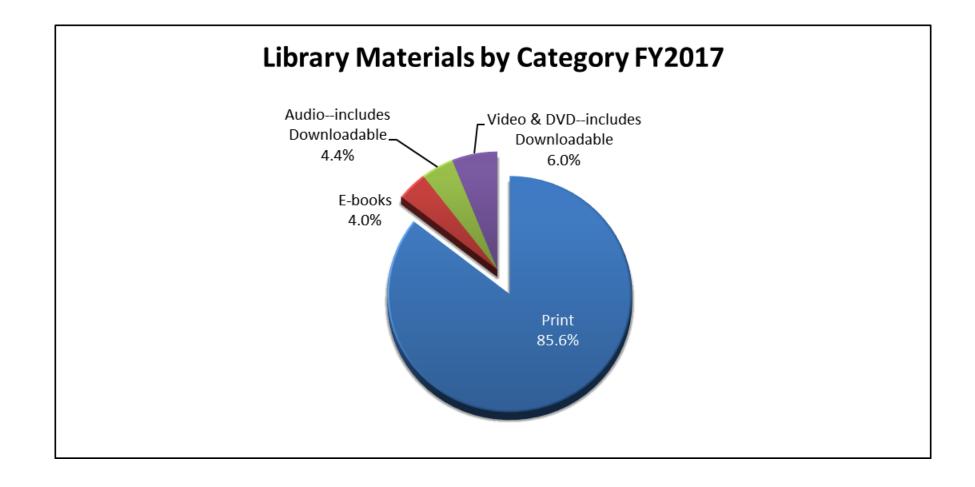
- At the end of FY2017, there were 18,959,598 (1.8 per capita) print, electronic books, audio, and video items in the collections of Georgia public libraries.
- 65% of Georgia public library systems were above the state average of 1.8 items per capita.
- As the population of Georgia has grown, the state's ranking in print materials per capita has remained near the bottom; Georgia ranked 46th in the nation in this category in FY2015.
- Of note for FY2017, with over 750,000 E-books available to the public, Georgia libraries offered over 6% more E-books than in FY2016, after the significant increase of 75% more E-books from FY2015 to FY2016.

Per Capita Expenditures for Books and Other Library Materials

- Georgia public libraries spent an average of \$1.77 per capita for materials in FY2017.
- The per capita expenditure for materials in Georgia public libraries has historically been below the national average, which in FY2015 was \$4.12 per capita; Georgia ranked 48th with an expenditure per capita of \$1.69. In FY2017, all Georgia public libraries were below this national average.
- 75% of Georgia public library systems fell below the state average of \$1.77 per capita for FY2017.

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Library System Athens Regional	Print Books 378,981	E-books 11,680	Materials 2017 Audio (includes downloadable) 15,025	Video & DVD (includes downloadable) 33,386	Total 439,072	Population 228,317	Per Capita
Atlanta-Fulton	2,325,808	216,361	112,974	135,034	2,790,177	1,052,908	2.65
Augusta-Richmond	282.834	11.274	10.874	27.704	332,686	205,246	1.62
Bartow County	137,118	18,787	9,762	12,311	177,978	105,603	1.69
Bartram Trail Regional	100,117	367	1,133	6,042	107,659	33,464	3.22
Brooks County	69,032	0	310	1,177	70,519	15,413	4.58
Catoosa County	98,649	11,468	9,565	8,719	128,401	67,733	1.90
Chattahoochee Valley	357,789	9,374	21,308	44,754	433,225	236,833	1.83
Chattooga County Cherokee Regional	43,405 135,783	11,226 11,226	6,069 8,163	4,770 9,642	65,470 164,814	25,204 85,839	2.60 1.92
Chestatee Regional	96,302	11,372	11,590	8,823	128,087	56,899	2.25
Clayton County	478,174	3,135	9,946	8,712	499,967	275,079	1.82
Coastal Plain Regional	229,953	11,226	8,403	26,970	276,552	95,314	2.90
Cobb County	928,028	18,659	52,129	77,139	1,075,955	754,461	1.43
Conyers-Rockdale	117,743	2,623	7,820	8,900	137,086	91,679	1.50
Coweta County	244,599	6	6,416	8,990	260,011	144,098	1.80
DeKalb County	855,410	10,573	43,705	44,128	953,816	739,002	1.29
De Soto Trail Regional	119,675	12.405	2,620	6,357	128,652	36,690	3.51
Dougherty County Elbert County	274,901 48,538	12,495 11,226	21,567 6,001	42,514 3,291	351,477 69,056	93,315 19,474	3.77 3.55
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	48,538 55,159	11,226	5,240	3,291	74,687	19,474	4.18
Flint River Regional	473,326	11,220	22,992	18,456	526,146	266,576	4.18
Forsyth County	300,708	10,283	18,906	20,674	350,571	222,640	1.57
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	251,128	6,389	12,604	31,367	301,488	185,410	1.63
Gwinnett County	774,108	23,393	65,508	45,825	908,834	930,553	0.98
Hall County	270,039	670	9,055	18,592	298,356	200,560	1.49
Hart County	35,880	0	578	1,364	37,822	25,809	1.47
Henry County	253,163	11,249		6,127	287,767	228,179	1.26
Houston County	179,831	11,226	8,890	7,233	207,180	156,768	1.32
Jefferson County Kinchafoonee Regional	62,200 107,079	82	1,933 1,468	3,450 11,788	67,583 120,417	16,251 30,161	4.16 3.99
Lake Blackshear Regional	165,739	11,365	8.025	5,279	120,417	73,833	2.58
Lee County	71,779	11,647	8,716	13,969	106,111	31,155	3.41
Live Oak	448,876	7,988	1,489	68,432	526,785	419,173	1.26
Marshes of Glynn	86,671	745	4,985	6,214	98,615	85,202	1.16
Middle Georgia Regional	497,371	1,013	17,748	8,659	524,791	229,977	2.28
Moultrie-Colquitt County	111,380	11,226	6,409	803	129,818	48,195	2.69
Mountain Regional	147,972	11,226		9,190	178,823	57,399	3.12
Newton County	98,906	11,226	13,796	8,887	132,815	110,493	1.20
Northeast Georgia Regional Northwest Georgia Regional	209,271 183,548	13,006	5,791 8,212	17,787 17,027	245,855 208,787	116,091 203,860	2.12
Ocmulgee Regional	114,379	11.226	6,546	2,208	134,359	203,860	1.70
Oconee Regional	174,571	11,220	7.364	4,567	197.753	89.431	2.21
Ohoopee Regional	178,472	11,226	7,550	6,589	203,837	78,863	2.58
Okefenokee Regional	94,128	12,541	7,285	8,559	122,513	93,448	1.31
Peach County	84,349	11,226	6,247	3,354	105,176	27,413	3.84
Piedmont Regional	225,412	7,577	11,290	22,063	266,342	164,982	1.61
Pine Mountain Regional	103,879	11,226		8,129	129,662	62,378	2.08
Roddenbery Memorial	66,565	11,226		2,081	85,304	26,110	3.27
Sara Hightower Regional Satilla Regional	347,446 79,608	12,436 11,226	13,917 833	38,833 1,911	412,632 93,578	139,835 52,984	2.95 1.77
Satilla Regional Screven-Jenkins Regional	79,608	11,226	6,405	4,196	93,578	23,609	4.41
Sequoyah Regional	299.165	4.257	12.438	7,871	323,731	307.437	1.05
South Georgia Regional	230,053	11,226	8,891	26,752	276,922	134,269	2.06
Southwest Georgia Regional	176,698	11,355	8,959	9,682	206,694	42,653	4.85
Statesboro Regional	208,363	11,226	9,725	9,819	239,133	158,190	1.51
Thomas County	114,296	11,226	8,670	7,509	141,701	46,166	3.07
Three Rivers Regional	240,114	531	9,383	20,567	270,595	149,121	1.81
Troup-Harris Regional	161,041	11,226	9,270	10,182	191,719	106,324	1.80
Twin Lakes	70,465	11,226	6,044	7,141	94,876	46,875	2.02
Uncle Remus Regional West Georgia Regional	296,338 734,951	860 4,459	14,814 40,043	19,736 75,143	331,748 854,596	171,443 467,577	1.94
West Georgia Regional Worth County	734,951 37,162	4,459	40,043	4.884	58,562	467,577	2.76
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win Lakes 73,934	46,457	1.59	76,260	46,666	1.63	70.465	46.875	1.5
Jncle Remus Regional 304,259	167,575	1.82	303,824	169,509	1.03	296,338	171,443	1.7
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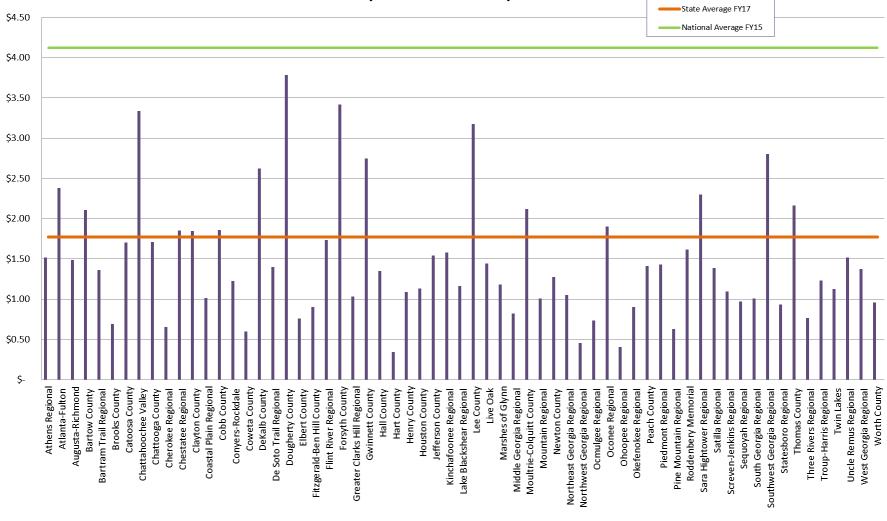
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E-books Available at G			2015				2016				2017	
Library System		E-books	Population	Per Capita	1	E-books	Population	Per Capita		E-books	Population	Per Capita
Athens Regional		8,906	224,115	0.04		10,925	226,216	0.05		11,680	228,317	0.05
Atlanta-Fulton		40,079	1,018,601	0.04		232,772	1,035,754	0.22		216,361	1,052,908	0.21
Augusta-Richmond		8,484	203,625	0.04		10,500	204,435	0.05		11,274	205,246	0.05
Bartow County		12,366	103,438	0.12		22,657	104,521	0.22		18,787	105,603	0.18
Bartram Trail Regional		8484	33,371	0.25		298	33,417	0.01		367	33,464	0.01
Brooks County		0	15,464	-		0	15,439	-		0	15,413	-
Catoosa County		8484	66,522	0.13		10363	67,127	0.15		11,468	67,733	0.17
Chattahoochee Valley		3,710	233,503	0.02		7,179	235,168	0.03		9,374	236,833	0.04
Chattooga County		8454	25,171	0.34		10291	25,187	0.41		11,226	25,204	0.45
Cherokee Regional		8,493	85,272	0.10		10,291	85,555	0.12		11,226	85,839	0.13
Chestatee Regional		8,619	55,252	0.16		10,765	56,075	0.19		11,372	56,899	0.20
Clayton County		1,872	269,649	0.01		2,344	272,364	0.01		3,135	275,079	0.01
Coastal Plain Regional		8,462	94,637	0.09		10,291	94,976	0.11		11,226	95,314	0.12
Cobb County		14,978	735,825	0.02		17,070	745,143	0.02		18,659	754,461	0.02
Conyers-Rockdale		1,904	89,299	0.02		2,255	90,489	0.02		2,623	91,679	0.03
Coweta County		1141	138,639	0.01		1353	141,369	0.01		6	144,098	0.00
DeKalb County		4,801	726,171	0.01		7,508	732,586	0.01		10,573	739,002	0.01
De Soto Trail Regional		6,653	36,809	0.18		0	36,749	-		0	36,690	-
Dougherty County		8,808	93,142	0.09		10,357	93,228	0.11		12,495	93,315	0.13
Elbert County		7,354	19,537	0.38		10,291	19,505	0.53		11,226	19,474	0.58
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County		0	17,691	-		10291	17,780	0.58		11,226	17,868	0.63
Flint River Regional		6,321	262,435	0.02		11,087	264,506	0.04		11,372	266,576	0.04
Forsyth County		7,550	209,023	0.04		6,180	215,831	0.03		10,283	222,640	0.05
Greater Clarks Hill Regional		5,299	178,529			5,159	181,970	0.03		6,389	185,410	0.03
Gwinnett County		20,272	894,928	0.02		29,620	912,741	0.03		23,393	930,553	0.03
Hall County		528	194,153	0.00		3106	197,356	0.02		670	200,560	0.00
Hart County		0	25,628	-		0	25,718	-		0	25,809	-
Henry County		8,484	219,654	0.04		10,376	223,916	0.05		11,249	228,179	0.05
Houston County		8,484	152,213	0.06		10,290	154,491	0.07		11,226	156,768	0.07
Jefferson County		0	16,286	-		0	16,268	-		0	16,251	-
Kinchafoonee Regional		65	30,517	0.00		88	30,339	0.00		82	30,161	0.00
Lake Blackshear Regional		8,526	73,963	0.12		10,394	73,898	0.14		11,365	73,833	0.15
Lee County		8,646	30,113	0.29		10,448	30,634	0.34		11,647	31,155	0.37
Live Oak		7,125	408,098	0.02		7,125	413,636	0.02		7,988	419,173	0.02
Marshes of Glynn		368	83,355			400	84,279	0.00		745	85,202	0.01
Middle Georgia Regional		1,210	228,846	0.01		957	229,412	0.00		1,013	229,977	0.00
Moultrie-Colquitt County		8,462	47,235	0.18		10,291	47,715	0.22		11,226	48,195	0.23
Mountain Regional		8484	56,748	0.15		10602	57,074	0.19		11,226	57,399	0.20
Newton County		8484	106,470	0.08		10339	108,481	0.10		11,226	110,493	0.10
Northeast Georgia Regional		581	114,553	0.01		11191	115,322	0.10		13,006	116,091	0.11
Northwest Georgia Regional		602	200,915	0.00		647	202,387	0.00		10,000	203,860	0.11
Ocmulgee Regional		002	79,019	0.00		10291	79,032	0.13		11,226	79,044	0.14
Oconee Regional		8,064	88,844	0.09		10,312	89,137	0.13		11,220	89,431	0.13
Oconee Regional		7,582	77,844	0.09		10,312	78,353	0.12		11,231	78,863	0.14
Okefenokee Regional		7,562	92,273	- 0.10		10,291	92,861	0.13		12,541	93,448	0.14
Peach County		7,555	27,214	0.28		10,291	27,313	0.12		12,541	27,413	0.13
Peach County Piedmont Regional		4,422	157,947	0.28		6,344	161,465	0.38		7,577	27,413 164,982	0.41
Piedmont Regional Pine Mountain Regional		4,422	62,548	- 0.03		6,344	62,463	0.04		11,226	62,378	0.08
Roddenbery Memorial		8484	25.694	0.33		10291	25,902	0.40		11,226	26,110	0.18
		9,600	- 1	0.33		10291	25,902	0.40		11,226	139,835	0.43
Sara Hightower Regional		9,600	138,420	0.07		12,261		0.09				
Satilla Regional		8484	52,247	0.36		10291	52,615	- 0.44		11,226	52,984	0.21
Screven-Jenkins Regional		0.01	23,559				23,584			11,226	23,609	
Sequoyah Regional		2,890	295,353	0.01		2,882	301,395	0.01		4,257	307,437	0.01
South Georgia Regional		8,066	130,825	0.06		10,291	132,547	0.08		11,226	134,269	0.08
Southwest Georgia Regional		8,586	42,444	0.20		10,426	42,549	0.25		11,355	42,653	0.27
Statesboro Regional		8,462	153,599	0.06		10,291	155,895	0.07		11,226	158,190	0.07
Thomas County		8,462	45,517	0.19		10,291	45,842	0.22		11,226	46,166	0.24
Three Rivers Regional		308	146,426	0.00		388	147,773	0.00		531	149,121	0.00
Troup-Harris Regional		8,546	104,020	0.08		10,679	105,172	0.10		11,226	106,324	0.11
Twin Lakes		8484	46,457	0.18		10291	46,666	0.22		11,226	46,875	0.24
Uncle Remus Regional		509	167,575	0.00		860	169,509	0.01		860	171,443	0.01
West Georgia Regional		5,025	451,656	0.01		4,389	459,617	0.01		4,459	467,577	0.01
Worth County		8,484	21,236	0.40		10,291	21,208	0.49		11,226	21,181	0.53
Statewide		403,556	10,250,112	0.04		718,417	10,379,084	0.07		759,615	10,508,057	0.07



Different methods of counting e-books have created an uncertain statistic, but this should improve as vendors create uniform policies in the future.

Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Years 2015 - 2017



Materials Expenditures Per Capita FY2017

Library Systems FY17

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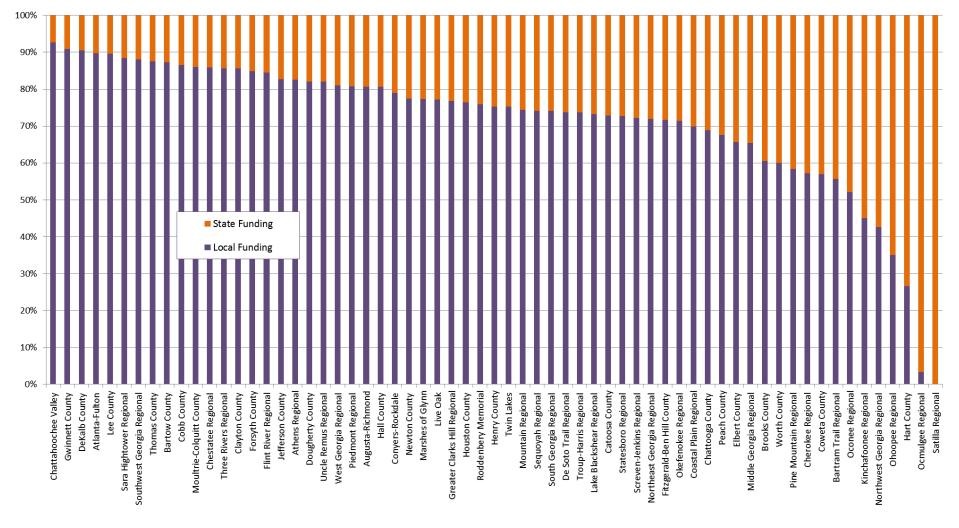
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systems for Fiscal Year 2017 and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Public Libraries Survey for Fiscal Year 2015

Total Collection Exper		2015			2016			2017	
Library System	Material Exp		Per Capita	Material Exp	Population		Material Exp	Population	
Athens Regional	\$580,045.	02 224,115	\$ 2.59	\$302,593.96	226,216	\$ 1.34	\$346,584	228,317	\$ 1.5
Atlanta-Fulton	1,830,61	2 1,018,601	1.80	2,314,334	1,035,754	2.23	2,502,782	1,052,908	2.38
Augusta-Richmond	332,85	0 203,625	1.63	155,221	204,435	0.76	304,355	205,246	1.48
Bartow County	258,54	9 103,438	2.50	239,146	104,521	2.29	222,316	105,603	2.11
Bartram Trail Regional	66,98	2 33,371	2.01	51,548	33,417	1.54	45,605	33,464	1.36
Brooks County	43,20	4 15,464	2.79	11,420	15,439	0.74	10,597	15,413	0.69
Catoosa County	73,00	6 66,522	1.10	31,722	67,127	0.47	115,274	67,733	1.70
Chattahoochee Valley	595,52	6 233,503	2.55	822,810	235,168	3.50	790,676	236,833	3.34
Chattooga County	52,23	25,171	2.08	30,987	25,187	1.23	43,003	25,204	1.71
Cherokee Regional	71,84	1 85,272	0.84	49,867	85,555	0.58	56,073	85,839	0.65
Chestatee Regional	113,02	6 55,252	2.05	88,629	56,075	1.58	105,537	56,899	1.85
Clayton County	579,89	2 269,649	2.15	614,755	272,364	2.26	507,555	275,079	1.85
Coastal Plain Regional	98,64	6 94,637	1.04	95,224	94,976	1.00	96,413	95,314	1.01
Cobb County	1,734,92	9 735,825	2.36	1,470,803	745,143	1.97	1,402,424	754,461	1.86
Conyers-Rockdale	96,55	8 89,299	1.08	99,232	90,489	1.10	112,527	91,679	1.23
Coweta County	96,37	8 138,639	0.70	110,885	141,369	0.78	86,023	144,098	0.60
DeKalb County	1,489,05	7 726,171	2.05	1,903,512	732,586	2.60	1,938,447	739,002	2.62
De Soto Trail Regional	33,64		0.91	34,639	36,749	0.94	51,283	36,690	1.40
Dougherty County	330,22		3.55	349,091	93,228	3.74	353,231	93,315	3.79
Elbert County	24,07	8 19,537	1.23	14,015	19,505	0.72	14,767	19,474	0.76
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	25,14	4 17,691	1.42	18,856	17,780	1.06	16,146	17,868	0.90
Flint River Regional	460,01		1.75	403,790	264,506	1.53	462,095	266,576	1.73
Forsyth County	666,23		3.19	721,355	215,831	3.34	761,113	222,640	3.42
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	184,99	6 178,529	1.04	134,417	181,970	0.74	191,496	185,410	1.03
Gwinnett County	2,038,20	0 894,928	2.28	1,788,085	912,741	1.96	2,554,656	930,553	2.75
Hall County	170,77	3 194,153	0.88	203,840	197,356	1.03	270,722	200,560	1.35
Hart County	25,34		0.99	8,677	25,718	0.34	8,846	25,809	0.34
Henry County	168,17	9 219,654	0.77	263,972	223,916	1.18	248,449	228,179	1.09
Houston County	147,87	2 152,213	0.97	120,142	154,491	0.78	177,302	156,768	1.13
Jefferson County	28,76		1.77	19,510	16,268	1.20	25,036	16,251	1.54
Kinchafoonee Regional	64,71	8 30,517	2.12	36,323	30,339	1.20	47,551	30,161	1.58
Lake Blackshear Regional	92,45		1.25	82,463	73,898	1.12	85,907	73,833	1.16
Lee County	123,45		4.10	95,630	30,634	3.12	98,893	31,155	3.17
Live Oak	694,14	4 408,098	1.70	652,518	413,636	1.58	604,870	419,173	1.44
Marshes of Glynn	101,98	9 83,355	1.22	77,374	84,279	0.92	100,416	85,202	1.18
Middle Georgia Regional	259,62		1.13	209,815	229,412	0.91	188,502	229,977	0.82
Moultrie-Colquitt County	83,13		1.76	63,915	47,715	1.34	102,131	48,195	2.12
Mountain Regional	64,16		1.13	43,010	57,074	0.75	57,736	57,399	1.01
Newton County	120,71		1.13	102,346	108,481	0.94	140,544	110,493	1.27
Northeast Georgia Regional	119,32		1.04	117,976	115,322	1.02	121,745	116,091	1.05
Northwest Georgia Regional	113,79		0.57	50,906	202,387	0.25	92,483	203,860	0.45
Ocmulgee Regional	44,20		0.56	73,102	79,032	0.92	57,790	79,044	0.73
Oconee Regional	160,98		1.81	147,820	89,137	1.66	170,176	89,431	1.90
Ohoopee Regional	51,72	-	0.66	54,733	78,353	0.70	31,663	78,863	0.40
Okefenokee Regional	70,19		0.76	87,614	92,861	0.94	84,238	93,448	0.90
Peach County	27,16		1.00	15,708	27,313	0.58	38,718	27,413	1.41
Piedmont Regional	196,30		1.24	181,597	161,465	1.12	235,911	164,982	1.43
Pine Mountain Regional	57,47		0.92	22,599	62,463	0.36	39,367	62,378	0.63
Roddenbery Memorial	28,61		1.11	28,925	25,902	1.12	42,209	26,110	1.62
Sara Hightower Regional	376,56		2.72	196,899	139,127	1.42	321,768	139,835	2.30
Satilla Regional	55,88		1.07	23,813	52,615	0.45	73,503	52,984	1.39
Screven-Jenkins Regional	32,28		1.37	24,421	23,584	1.04	25,780	23,609	1.09
Sequoyah Regional	308,14		1.04	324,544	301,395	1.08	297,533	307,437	0.97
South Georgia Regional	112,93	-	0.86	77,782	132,547	0.59	135,280	134,269	1.01
Southwest Georgia Regional	105,04		2.47	90,149	42,549	2.12	119,562	42,653	2.80
Statesboro Regional	107,88		0.70	122,779	155,895	0.79	147,542	158,190	0.93
Thomas County	94,21		2.07	107,403	45,842	2.34	99,887	46,166	2.16
Three Rivers Regional	180,14		1.23	157,701	147,773	1.07	113,686	149,121	0.76
Troup-Harris Regional	101,63	6 104,020	0.98	109,430	105,172	1.04	131,157	106,324	1.23
Twin Lakes	33,07	9 46,457	0.71	47,917	46,666	1.03	52,879	46,875	1.13
Uncle Remus Regional	179,49	2 167,575	1.07	444,134	169,509	2.62	260,280	171,443	1.52
West Georgia Regional	728,30	451,656	1.61	709,492	459,617	1.54	640,841	467,577	1.37
Worth County	23,04	4 21,236	1.09	23,258	21,208	1.10	20,270	21,181	0.96
Statewide	\$ 17.329.64	5 10,250,112	\$ 1.69	\$ 17,077,173	10,379,084	\$ 1.65	\$ 18,602,150	10,508,057	\$ 1.7



Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Years 2015 - 2017



Ratio of Local to State Funds Used to Purchase Library Materials in FY2017



Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Year 2017

	Local Funds for Library	% Local Exp of	State Funds for Library	% State Exp of	Local + State Funds for		
Library System	Materials	Materials	Materials	Materials	Library Materials	% Sum	
Athens Regional	\$273,652.66	82.5%	\$57,931.36	17.5%	\$331,584.02	100.0%	
Atlanta-Fulton	2,245,008.00	89.7%	\$257,774	10.3%	2,502,782.00	100.0%	
Augusta-Richmond	224,293.84	80.7%	\$53,661.00	19.3%	277,954.84	100.0%	
Bartow County	194,241.13	87.4%	\$28,075.04	12.6%	222,316.17	100.0%	
Bartram Trail Regional	21,479.60	55.7%	\$17,064.86	44.3%	38,544.46	100.0%	
Brooks County	6.423.51	60.6%	\$4.173.96	39.4%	10.597.47	100.0%	
Catoosa County	83,983.45	72.9%	\$31,290.77	27.1%	115,274.22	100.0%	
Chattahoochee Valley	733,303.00	92.7%	\$57,373	7.3%	790,676.00	100.0%	
Chattooga County	19,317.90	68.8%	\$8,750.97	31.2%	28,068.87	100.0%	
Cherokee Regional	29,785.76	57.2%	\$22,317.59	42.8%	52,103.35	100.0%	
Chestatee Regional	90,603.22	85.8%	\$14,934	14.2%	105,537.22	100.0%	
Clayton County	416,000.00	85.7%	\$69,555	14.3%	485,555.00	100.0%	
Coastal Plain Regional	58,400.96	69.9%	\$25,132.00	30.1%	83,532.96	100.0%	
Cobb County	1,210,155.71	86.5%	\$188,754	13.5%	1,398,909.71	100.0%	
Conyers-Rockdale	88,813.91	78.9%	\$23714	21.1%	112,527.91	100.0%	
Coweta County	49,000.00	57.0%	\$37,023	43.0%	86,023.00	100.0%	
DeKalb County	1,750,727.59	90.5%	\$183,863.36	9.5%	1,934,590.95	100.0%	
De Soto Trail Regional	26,765.78	73.8%	\$9,517.00	26.2%	36,282.78	100.0%	
Dougherty County	277,891.50	82.0%	\$60,899.98	18.0%	338,791.48	100.0%	
Elbert County	9,707.18	65.7%	\$5,060	34.3%	14,767.18	100.0%	
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	11,571.32	71.7%	\$4,575	28.3%	16,146.32	100.0%	
Flint River Regional	377,240.36	84.5%	\$68,950	15.5%	446,190.36	100.0%	
Forsyth County	646,266.52	84.9%	\$114,846	15.1%	761,112.52	100.0%	
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	147,097.77	76.8%	\$44,398.00	23.2%	191,495.77	100.0%	
Gwinnett County	2,321,032.09	90.9%	\$233,624.00	9.1%	2,554,656.09	100.0%	
fall County	214,542.00	80.6%	\$51,571.00	19.4%	266,113.00	100.0%	
lart County	2,355.99	26.6%	\$6,490.04	73.4%	8,846.03	100.0%	
lenry County	187,138.18	75.3%	\$61,311.00	24.7%	248,449.18	100.0%	
Houston County	127,462.38	76.4%	\$39,367.72	23.6%	166,830.10	100.0%	
lefferson County	20,689.01	82.6%	\$4,347.00	17.4%	25,036.01	100.0%	
Kinchafoonee Regional	14,757.00	45.1%	\$17,989.49	54.9%	32,746.49	100.0%	
ake Blackshear Regional	54,490.12	73.3%	\$19,876.00	26.7%	74,366.12	100.0%	
ee County	88,542.50	89.6%	\$10,312.52	10.4%	98,855.02	100.0%	
.ive Oak	466,971.92	77.2%	\$137,897.86	22.8%	604,869.78	100.0%	
Marshes of Glynn	72,828.72	77.3%	\$21,392	22.7%	94,220.72	100.0%	
Viddle Georgia Regional	112,756.97	65.4%	\$59,760	34.6%	172,516.97	100.0%	
Noultrie-Colquitt County	74,959.01	86.0%	\$12,172	14.0%	87,131.01	100.0%	
Mountain Regional	42,942.00	74.4%	\$14,794	25.6%	57,736.00	100.0%	
lewton County	99,127.25	77.5%	\$28,845.96	22.5%	127,973.21	100.0%	
lortheast Georgia Regional	76,733.39	71.9%	\$30,012	28.1%	106,745.39	100.0%	
Northwest Georgia Regional	39,368.73	42.6%	\$53,113.96	57.4%	92,482.69	100.0%	
Ocmulgee Regional	1,889.84	3.3%	\$55,900.01	96.7%	57,789.85	100.0%	
Dconee Regional	84,643.87	52.1%	\$77,893.33	47.9%	162,537.20	100.0%	
Dhoopee Regional	11,120.82	35.1%	\$20,542.00	64.9%	31,662.82	100.0%	
Okefenokee Regional	60,160.00	71.4%	\$24,078.00	28.6%	84,238.00	100.0%	
Peach County	16,030.96	67.6%	\$7,687.00	32.4%	23,717.96	100.0%	
Piedmont Regional	178,543.28	80.8%	\$42,368.04	19.2%	220,911.32	100.0%	
Pine Mountain Regional	23,000.41	58.4%	\$16,366.96	41.6%	39,367.37	100.0%	
Roddenbery Memorial	20,641.04	75.9%	\$6,568.00	24.1%	27,209.04	100.0%	
Sara Hightower Regional	275,470.84	88.5%	\$35,843.00	11.5%	311,313.84	100.0%	
Satilla Regional	0.00	0.0%	\$13,643	100.0%	13,643.00	100.0%	
Screven-Jenkins Regional	15,156.25	72.3%	\$5,818.00	27.7%	20,974.25	100.0%	
equoyah Regional	220,556.99	74.1%	\$76,976.00	25.9%	297,532.99	100.0%	
outh Georgia Regional	100,279.64	74.1%	\$35,000.00	25.9%	135,279.64	100.0%	
outhwest Georgia Regional	95,780.14	88.1%	\$12,992.36	11.9%	108,772.50	100.0%	
tatesboro Regional	107,189.32	72.6%	\$40,353.00	27.4%	147,542.32	100.0%	
homas County	81,301.77	87.6%	\$11,498.00	12.4%	92,799.77	100.0%	
hree Rivers Regional	77,632.69	85.7%	\$12,965.71	14.3%	90,598.40	100.0%	
roup-Harris Regional	96,705.96	73.7%	\$34,451	26.3%	131,156.96	100.0%	
win Lakes	36,530.22	75.2%	\$12,041	24.8%	48,571.22	100.0%	
Incle Remus Regional	201,584.55	82.0%	\$44,179.96	18.0%	245,764.51	100.0%	
Vest Georgia Regional	519,389.80	81.0%	\$121,451	19.0%	640,840.80	100.0%	
North County	8,380.28	60.0%	\$5,587	40.0%	13,967.28	100.0%	
Statewide	\$ 15,240,417	84.0%	\$ 2,906,713	16.0%	18,147,129.41	100.0%	



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Expenditures of Georgia Public Libraries

Per Capita Expenditures for Staff in Georgia Public Libraries

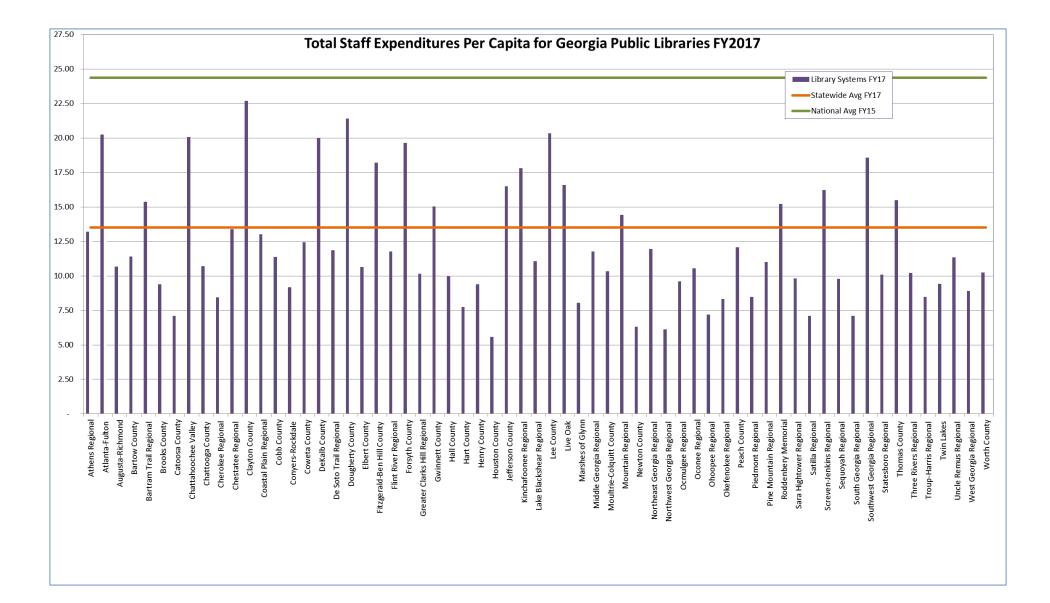
- Georgia public libraries spent an average of \$13.51 per capita for staff in FY2017, an increase of 2% over the FY2016 average of \$13.21.
- All 63 library systems in Georgia spent less than the FY15 national average per capita of \$24.36 for staff, with systems ranging from \$5.58 to \$22.69 per capita.
- The majority (over 70%) of Georgia public library systems spent less than the state average per capita of \$13.51 for staff.

Total Public Library Expenditures

- Georgia public libraries spent an average of \$18.82 per capita on operating expenditures in FY2017, a small decrease from the FY16 operating expenditure of \$18.90.
- 35% of Georgia's public library systems spent more per capita than the state average of \$18.82 in FY2017.
- On a per capita basis, all public library systems spent less in FY2017 than the FY2015 national average of \$36.46.
- Georgia ranked 48th in the United States for public library total operating expenditures per capita in FY2015.

Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Years 2015-2017 and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Public Libraries Survey for Fiscal Year 2015





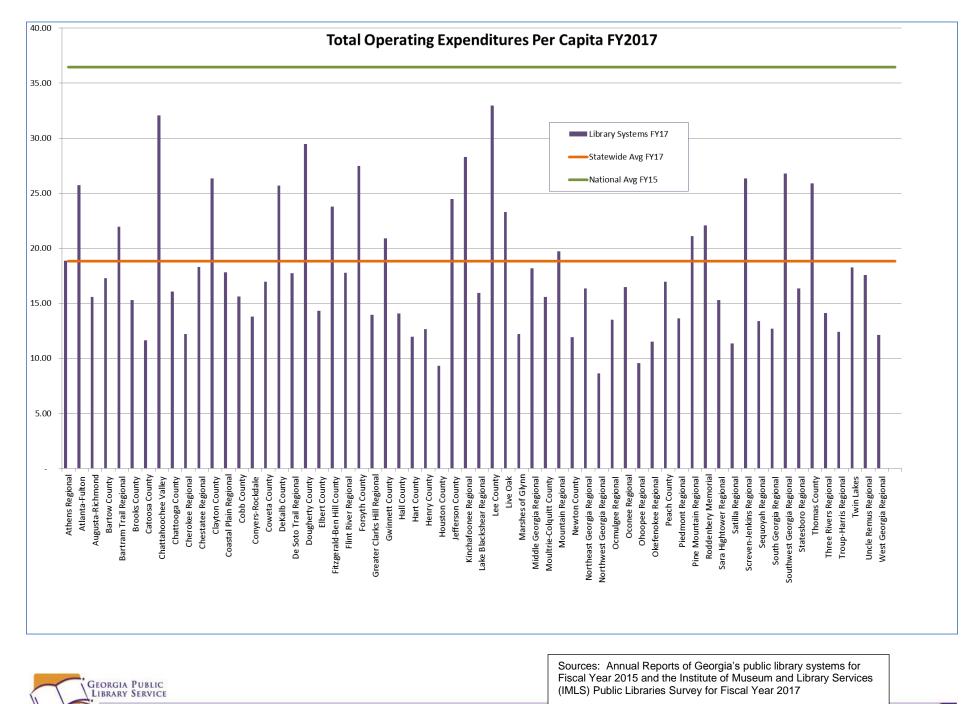
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Library System		Staff Exp	Population	Par Canita		Staff Exp	Population	Par Canita		Staff Exp	Population	Par Canita
Library System Athens Regional		\$ 2,931,256	224,115	13.08	_	\$ 2,915,337	226,216	12.89	_	\$ 3,015,283	228,317	13.21
Atlanta-Fulton		\$ 2,931,256 19,361,172	1,018,601	13.08	_	20,509,891	1,035,754	12.89	_	21,319,017	1,052,908	20.25
Augusta-Richmond		2,496,286	203,625	12.26	_	2,280,216	204,435	11.15	-	2,191,473	205,246	10.68
Bartow County		1,189,117	103,438	11.50		1,186,951	104,521	11.36		1,204,731	105,603	11.41
Bartram Trail Regional		477,217	33,371	14.30		514,299	33,417	15.39		514,476	33,464	15.37
Brooks County		210,933	15,464	13.64		161,089	15,439	10.43		144,745	15,413	9.39
Catoosa County		457,949	66,522	6.88		481,085	67,127	7.17		481,543	67,733	7.11
Chattahoochee Valley		4,341,035	233,503	18.59		4,553,383	235,168	19.36		4,751,118	236,833	20.06
Chattooga County		256,718	25,171	10.20		263,998	25,187	10.48		269,646	25,204	10.70
Cherokee Regional		646,867	85,272	7.59		699,564	85,555	8.18		724,583	85,839	8.44
Chestatee Regional		709,458	55,252	12.84		680,074	56,075	12.13		762,341	56,899	13.40
Clayton County		5,526,452	269,649	20.49	_	6,244,818	272,364	22.93	_	6,242,628	275,079	22.69
Coastal Plain Regional		919,038	94,637	9.71	_	1,218,535	94,976	12.83	_	1,241,227	95,314	13.02
Cobb County		7,981,783	735,825	10.85	_	8,178,412	745,143	10.98	_	8,583,943	754,461	11.38
Conyers-Rockdale		815,292	89,299	9.13	_	809,607	90,489	8.95	_	842,496	91,679	9.19
Coweta County	_	1,552,010	138,639	11.19	_	1,789,594	141,369	12.66	_	1,793,868	144,098	12.45
DeKalb County De Soto Trail Regional		11,918,641 358,756	726,171 36,809	16.41 9.75		12,982,796 374,077	732,586 36,749	17.72 10.18		14,777,483 435,483	739,002	20.00
Dougherty County		1,682,587	93,142	9.75		1,900,837	93,228	20.39		435,483	93,315	21.41
Elbert County		233,738	93,142	11.96		209,206	93,228	10.73		207,149	19,474	10.64
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County		260,552	19,537	14.73		209,200	19,505	16.08		325,359	17,868	18.21
Flint River Regional		3,057,967	262,435	14.73		3,125,325	264,506	11.82		3,133,847	266,576	11.76
Forsyth County		3,980,717	202,433	19.04		4,157,917	215,831	19.26		4,373,872	222,640	19.65
Greater Clarks Hill Regional		1,314,969	178,529	7.37		1,829,334	181,970	10.05		1,883,359	185,410	10.16
Gwinnett County		13,939,615	894,928	15.58		13,766,393	912,741	15.08		14,000,521	930,553	15.05
Hall County		1,966,270	194,153	10.13		1,925,527	197,356	9.76		2,001,003	200,560	9.98
Hart County		144,199	25,628	5.63		193,649	25,718	7.53		200,221	25,809	7.76
Henry County		1,561,106	219,654	7.11		1,761,924	223,916	7.87		2,140,106	228,179	9.38
Houston County		841,796	152,213	5.53		853,820	154,491	5.53		874,560	156,768	5.58
Jefferson County		228,912	16,286	14.06		261,589	16,268	16.08		268,246	16,251	16.51
Kinchafoonee Regional		516,891	30,517	16.94		537,747	30,339	17.72		537,527	30,161	17.82
Lake Blackshear Regional		764,578	73,963	10.34		817,982	73,898	11.07		817,958	73,833	11.08
Lee County		651,410	30,113	21.63	_	642,900	30,634	20.99		633,529	31,155	20.33
Live Oak		6,751,040	408,098	16.54	_	7,384,630	413,636	17.85		6,953,229	419,173	16.59
Marshes of Glynn		527,010	83,355	6.32	_	656,481	84,279	7.79	_	685,078	85,202	8.04
Middle Georgia Regional		2,745,032	228,846	12.00	_	2,700,094	229,412	11.77	_	2,707,008	229,977	11.77
Moultrie-Colquitt County		479,895 750,595	47,235	10.16	_	479,315	47,715 57,074	10.05 14.27	_	498,846 828,784	48,195	10.35 14.44
Mountain Regional Newton County	_	750,595	56,748 106,470	13.23 7.12	_	814,213 729,752	108,481	6.73	_	698,455	57,399 110,493	6.32
Northeast Georgia Regional	_	1.250.312	114,553	10.91	_	1,357,814	115.322	11.77	_	1.387.760	116.091	11.95
Northwest Georgia Regional	_	860,413	200,915	4.28	_	1,138,181	202,387	5.62	-	1,251,462	203,860	6.14
Ocmulgee Regional		599,347	79,019	7.58	_	726,195	79,032	9.19		758,282	79,044	9.59
Oconee Regional		865,494	88,844	9.74		902,609	89,137	10.13		944,693	89,431	10.56
Ohoopee Regional		409,400	77,844	5.26		508,528	78,353	6.49		566,493	78,863	7.18
Okefenokee Regional		622,339	92,273	6.74		728,128	92,861	7.84		777,288	93,448	8.32
Peach County		315,182	27,214	11.58		326,065	27,313	11.94		331,289	27,413	12.09
Piedmont Regional		1,222,903	157,947	7.74		1,261,637	161,465	7.81		1,398,234	164,982	8.48
Pine Mountain Regional		676,507	62,548	10.82		645,228	62,463	10.33		686,901	62,378	11.01
Roddenbery Memorial		388,575	25,694	15.12		400,474	25,902	15.46		397,213	26,110	15.21
Sara Hightower Regional		1,415,032	138,420	10.22		1,403,067	139,127	10.08		1,372,382	139,835	9.81
Satilla Regional		369,736	52,247	7.08		373,902	52,615	7.11		376,699	52,984	7.11
Screven-Jenkins Regional		397,436	23,559	16.87		381,095	23,584	16.16		383,188	23,609	16.23
Sequoyah Regional		2,606,629	295,353	8.83		2,775,445	301,395	9.21		3,011,357	307,437	9.80
South Georgia Regional		870,738	130,825	6.66		1,005,349	132,547	7.58		952,628	134,269	7.09
Southwest Georgia Regional		783,688	42,444	18.46		825,531	42,549	19.40		791,844	42,653	18.56
Statesboro Regional		1,471,118	153,599	9.58		1,537,982	155,895	9.87		1,595,492	158,190	10.09
Thomas County		698,058	45,517	15.34		714,851	45,842	15.59		714,868	46,166	15.48
Three Rivers Regional		1,290,922	146,426	8.82		1,525,562	147,773	10.32		1,522,089	149,121	10.21
Troup-Harris Regional		958,041	104,020	9.21 8.31		910,220	105,172	8.65		901,475	106,324 46,875	8.48
Twin Lakes Uncle Remus Regional		386,080 1,776,163	46,457 167,575	8.31		459,750 1,979,394	46,666 169,509	9.85 11.68		441,698 1,946,742	46,875	9.42 11.36
Uncle Remus Regional West Georgia Regional		1,776,163	451,656	10.60		1,979,394	459,617	11.68 8.98		1,946,742	467,577	11.36
West Georgia Regional Worth County		240,502	21,236	11.33		4,127,290	21,208	8.98		4,169,663	467,577 21,181	10.25
Statewide		\$129,563,664	10,250,112	12.64		\$137,132,542	10,379,084	13.21		141,959,323	10,508,057	13.51
Statewide FY2017		13.51 12.64			Na	tional FY2015		24.36 46				



Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Years 2015 – 2017



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	2015			2016			2017		
Library System	All Lib Exp	Population		All Lib Exp		Per Capita	All Lib Exp	Population	
Athens Regional	\$ 4,343,122	224,115	19.38	\$ 4,284,653	226,216	18.94	\$4,309,698	228,317	18.88
Atlanta-Fulton	25,777,219 3,647,511	1,018,601 203,625	25.31 17.91	27,342,484 2,942,736	1,035,754 204,435	26.40 14.39	27,082,590	1,052,908	25.72
Augusta-Richmond Bartow County	3,647,511	203,625	17.91	2,942,736	204,435	14.39	3,198,001	205,246 105,603	15.58
Bartram Trail Regional	701.202	33,371	21.01	714.160	33,417	21.37	734,283	33,464	21.94
Brooks County	309,186	15,464	19.99	254,558	15,439	16.49	235,789	15.413	15.30
Catoosa County	759,236	66,522	11.41	673,992	67,127	10.04	787,308	67,733	11.62
Chattahoochee Valley	6,515,473	233,503	27.90	7,429,746	235,168	31.59	7,593,113	236,833	32.06
Chattooga County	393,736	25,171	15.64	365,332	25,187	14.50	404,607	25,204	16.05
Cherokee Regional	1,007,329	85.272	11.81	1,030,589	85,555	12.05	1,047,364	85,839	12.20
Chestatee Regional	1,015,762	55,252	18.38	1,006,408	56,075	17.95	1,042,291	56,899	18.32
Clayton County	6,974,802	269,649	25.87	7,646,608	272,364	28.07	7,247,360	275,079	26.35
Coastal Plain Regional	1,525,695	94,637	16.12	1,658,873	94,976	17.47	1,697,393	95,314	17.81
Cobb County	11,810,869	735,825	16.05	11,332,232	745,143	15.21	11,774,752	754,461	15.6
Conyers-Rockdale	1,150,498	89,299	12.88	1,244,293	90,489	13.75	1,263,790	91,679	13.78
Coweta County	2,325,181	138,639	16.77	2,339,529	141,369	16.55	2,444,588	144,098	16.96
DeKalb County	16,092,608	726,171	22.16	18,566,339	732,586	25.34	18,976,868	739,002	25.68
De Soto Trail Regional	452,548	36,809	12.29	516,664	36,749	14.06	650,179	36,690	17.72
Dougherty County	2,335,310	93,142	25.07	2,628,545	93,228	28.19	2,751,030	93,315	29.48
Elbert County	321,628	19,537	16.46	287,358	19,505	14.73	278,911	19,474	14.32
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	397,359	17,691	22.46	415,463	17,780	23.37	425,220	17,868	23.80
Flint River Regional	4,463,296	262,435	17.01	4,659,645	264,506	17.62	4,740,798	266,576	17.78
Forsyth County Greater Clarks Hill Regional	5,593,357	209,023 178,529	26.76 12.47	5,858,587	215,831 181,970	27.14 13.75	6,117,604	222,640 185,410	27.48
Greater Clarks Hill Regional Gwinnett County	2,226,575	178,529 894,928	20.54	2,502,723	181,970 912,741	13.75	2,587,930	185,410 930,553	20.89
Hall County	2,625,695	194,153	13.52	2,597,029	197,356	13.16	2,825,474	200,553	20.8
Hart County	2,625,695	25,628	11.14	2,597,029	25,718	10.71	308,240	200,560	14.0
Henry County	2,150,349	219,654	9.79	4,329,669	223,916	19.34	2,887,144	228,179	12.65
Houston County	1,256,640	152,213	8.26	1,267,096	154,491	8.20	1,459,506	156,768	9.3
Jefferson County	364,542	16,286	22.38	355,488	16,268	21.85	397,969	16,251	24.49
Kinchafoonee Regional	839,888	30,517	27.52	790,572	30,339	26.06	853,568	30,161	28.30
_ake Blackshear Regional	1,113,734	73,963	15.06	1,061,151	73,898	14.36	1,175,793	73,833	15.93
_ee County	1,041,967	30,113	34.60	1,030,878	30,634	33.65	1,026,708	31,155	32.95
_ive Oak	9,111,389	408,098	22.33	10,458,783	413,636	25.28	9,771,102	419,173	23.3
Marshes of Glynn	942,127	83,355	11.30	1,016,641	84,279	12.06	1,041,489	85,202	12.2
Middle Georgia Regional	4,378,140	228,846	19.13	4,192,217	229,412	18.27	4,182,468	229,977	18.19
Noultrie-Colquitt County	720,922	47,235	15.26	997,713	47,715	20.91	751,773	48,195	15.60
Vountain Regional	892,375	56,748	15.73	1,115,126	57,074	19.54	1,131,812	57,399	19.72
Newton County	1,521,243	106,470	14.29	1,969,168	108,481	18.15	1,319,203	110,493	11.94
Northeast Georgia Regional	1,864,496	114,553	16.28	1,906,503	115,322	16.53	1,897,013	116,091	16.34
Northwest Georgia Regional	1,367,717	200,915	6.81	1,654,526	202,387	8.18	1,763,747	203,860	8.65
Ocmulgee Regional	945,430	79,019	11.96	1,054,772	79,032	13.35	1,068,730	79,044	13.5
Oconee Regional	1,445,805	88,844	16.27	1,430,450	89,137	16.05	1,472,159	89,431	16.4
Choopee Regional	748,455	77,844	9.61	754,219	78,353	9.63	753,250	78,863	9.5
Okefenokee Regional	1,090,612	92,273	11.82	1,154,729	92,861	12.44	1,076,485	93,448 27,413	11.5
Peach County	451,810	27,214 157,947	16.60	431,773	27,313 161,465	15.81 13.45	464,711	27,413 164,982	16.9
Piedmont Regional Pine Mountain Regional	2,248,856	157,947 62.548	14.24 16.59	2,171,236 928,150	161,465	13.45	2,249,550	164,982	21.1
Roddenbery Memorial	1,037,683	62,548	21.48	928,150	62,463	21.48	1,316,887	62,378 26,110	21.1
Sara Hightower Regional	2,184,555	138,420	15.78	1,968,397	139,127	14.15	2,139,200	139,835	15.30
Satilla Regional	560,085	52,247	10.72	448,113	52,615	8.52	602,622	52,984	11.3
Screven-Jenkins Regional	669,447	23,559	28.42	591,946	23,584	25.10	621,661	23,609	26.3
Sequoyah Regional	3.815.427	295,353	12.92	3,936,648	301.395	13.06	4,113,766	307.437	13.3
South Georgia Regional	1,069,150	130,825	8.17	1,473,326	132,547	11.12	1,707,013	134,269	12.7
Southwest Georgia Regional	1,235,936	42,444	29.12	1,331,065	42,549	31.28	1,142,077	42,653	26.7
Statesboro Regional	2,204,876	153,599	14.35	2,459,036	155,895	15.77	2,584,516	158,190	16.3
homas County	1,174,592	45,517	25.81	1,209,876	45,842	26.39	1,195,397	46,166	25.8
hree Rivers Regional	2,021,996	146,426	13.81	2,183,539	147,773	14.78	2,106,597	149,121	14.1
roup-Harris Regional	1,380,846	104,020	13.27	1,193,434	105,172	11.35	1,319,766	106,324	12.4
win Lakes	648,068	46,457	13.95	674,123	46,666	14.45	855,994	46,875	18.2
Jncle Remus Regional	2,959,319	167,575	17.66	3,327,189	169,509	19.63	3,012,849	171,443	17.5
Nest Georgia Regional	5,373,326	451,656	11.90	6,168,504	459,617	13.42	5,664,793	467,577	12.1
North County	326,483	21,236	15.37	334,092	21,208	15.75	322,757	21,181	15.2
Statewide	\$ 184,992,477.97	10,250,112		\$ 196,133,102.09	10,379,084		\$197,810,557.86	10,508,057	18.8
Statewide FY2017	18.82			National FY2015		36.46			



Sources: Annual Reports of Georgia's public library systems for Fiscal Years 2015 – 2017

Key Services of GPLS for Georgia Public Libraries

- Represent and advocate for public libraries at the state and national levels
- Administer state and federal grants
- Administer the capital construction and MRR grant programs
- Provide consulting services through phone and email correspondence and on-site visits
- Provide training for library staff and trustees
- Promote and facilitate resource sharing and strategic partnerships
- Coordinate statewide programs that promote family literacy for children and parents
- Coordinate statewide library statistics
- Provide funding, support, and management of broadband networks statewide
- Provide centralized support and hosting for cloud computing for public access computers
- Provide web-hosting and email hosting
- Administer and support PINES -- The Public Information Network for Electronic Services, the Georgia public library automation and lending network
- Provide Help Desk support for PINES and technology needs, available via online access and toll-free phone number
- Provide access to GALILEO, both on-site at all libraries and at home for validated patrons
- Administer GLASS, which provides library services and accessible technology for readers whose physical abilities require the use of books and magazines in audio or braille formats
- Support HomePLACE which encourages digitizing primary source collections
- Provide a professional materials collection for practicing librarians and for library school students



Expenditures and Staffing of GPLS - FY2017

In Fiscal Year 2017, total state funding for Georgia Public Library Service was approximately \$36.2 million, 79% of which was distributed directly to public libraries under the grants program.

Georgia Public Library Service used 8.3% of its budget for agency operations while 12.7% was spent on on-behalf services to libraries, including the costs of coordinating the statewide public library initiatives of PINES, GALILEO and internet services.

At the end of FY17, a total of 56 positions were allocated for the Georgia Public Library Service. Only 54 positions were filled, by 50.875 FTEs.

- GLASS 19 FTE
- PINES and IT 14.5 FTE
- Library Development 5.625 FTE
- Administration and Business Services 11.75 FTE

Sources: FY17 Ending Budget Summary, Georgia Public Libraries



GPLS – FY2017 Benchmarks and Milestones

PINES

- Continued to facilitate resource sharing, with intraPINES loans of 661,146
- Circulated 16,457,578 items as of FY17
- Over 1.9 million PINES library cards in use during FY17
- Extended and continued to maintain the PINES integrated library computer system in 53 public library systems and served patrons in all 159 Georgia counties, with plans to add Live Oak public libraries in FY18 bringing total to 54 systems
- Contracted with a courier (book delivery) service among all public library system central facilities and University System of Georgia (USG) academic libraries, making the collections of these libraries truly a statewide resource
- Participated in the wider Evergreen community by continuing cooperative software development efforts
- Provided quarterly scheduled training and customized ondemand sessions for the PINES member library systems

General Public Library Support

- Continued to work with libraries and local funding agencies to maintain excellence in services through challenging economic times
- Provided continuing support to Friends of Georgia Libraries
- Continued to provide training for library staff and trustees through both instructor-led training on demand and through scholarships to training offered by outside vendors
- Provided local strategic planning assistance to public library systems
- Continued to administer and utilize funds provided by the federal Library Services and Technology Act toward the



improvement and enhancement of library services in Georgia

Continued to coordinate, gather, and publish public library statistics for information, decision-making, and advocacy

Planning and Construction

- Consulted with public library stakeholders in the development and implementation of public library design standards
- Continued to work with the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission in funding for construction and with public libraries in implementation of capital outlay programs
- Coordinated Georgia's public library planning and construction program, a match program assisting in new library construction as well as renovations and additions
- Completed over 60 state-funded projects since 2005 with 13 projects in development and an additional 25 projects in the planning process awaiting awards
- Total grant funding between FY05 and FY18 has been approximately \$110 million

Youth Services

In FY2017, helped public libraries strengthen local partnerships with agencies, institutions, businesses, and groups by coordinating LSTA-funded PRIME TIME Family Reading Time® programs at 17 sites in 16 library systems (Chattahoochee Valley Libraries, Coastal Plain Regional Library, DeKalb County Public Library, Marshes of Glynn Libraries, Roddenbery Memorial Library System, Three Rivers Regional Library System, Lee County Public Library System, Cobb County Public Library System, Twin Lakes Library System, Southwest Georgia Regional Library System, Middle Georgia Regional Library System, Cherokee Regional Library System, West Georgia Regional Library, Flint River Regional Library System, Chattooga County Library, Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County Public Library)

- 2,929 children and caregivers attended these PRIME TIME programs in FY17
- In FY17, Georgia's statewide Summer Reading Program enjoyed children's program attendance of 616,364
- Partnered with other agencies, such as Georgia Department of Education, Georgia Humanities, Voices for Georgia's Children, Bright From the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning, Get Georgia Reading: Campaign for Grade Level Reading, and the Sandra Dunagan Deal Center for Early Language and Literacy, to help strengthen Georgia libraries' youth services programs

Services for the Blind and Others Requiring Books and Magazines in Audio Formats or in Braille

- Provided library services for the blind and others whose physical abilities require the use of books and magazines in audio format or in braille through Georgia Libraries for Accessible Statewide Services (GLASS), a network of libraries and a central distribution center
- GLASS provided materials to 15,884 registered users across Georgia in FY17
- GLASS circulated (mailed) 316,505 items to eligible enrolled readers in Georgia
- GLASS provided access to digital titles that were downloaded 127,489 times in FY17



- Promoted emphasis on outreach and patron services at the local level
- Continued to assist readers with the transition from audio cassette to a digital book and magazine collection
- Recorded books by Georgia authors to be added to the BARD digital download catalog
- Continued a partnership with PINES libraries to enhance service delivery for GLASS patrons
- Continued a partnership with Benetech to provide access to Bookshare, a digital collection of 500,000 titles in accessible formats, lending 10,637 digital files
- Hosted a meeting of talking book librarians from across the nation to learn and discuss best practices

Strategic Partnerships

- Georgia Public Library Service partners with a number of state and private organizations to provide an additional layer of support and build awareness for the state's public libraries. These partnership programs have educated and entertained thousands of Georgia residents while saving more than \$15 million in direct expenditures and providing hundreds of hours of free programming for public libraries
- During FY2017, GPLS added the Michael C. Carlos Museum and the Atlanta Gladiators to its roster of community partners. Strategic partnership programs were renewed this year with seven Georgia units of the National Park Service, Georgia State Parks & Historic Sites, the Georgia National Fair, GFB Foundation for Agriculture, the Atlanta Braves, the Atlanta Hawks, Zoo Atlanta, the Center for Puppetry Arts, the Go Fish Education Center, and Blue Path Group

Communications

- GPLS News is our agency's flagship publication and our primary vehicle for keeping legislators, county commissioners, municipal leaders, library trustees, staff and other stakeholders informed of the social, economic and civic impacts that public libraries and their programs have across the state and in their respective communities. There are 2,565 print copy subscribers. Constant Contact is the primary tool for sharing GPLS News and other publications digitally to over 2,000 active contacts
- GPLS social media interest increased during the year. Facebook followers (users who see most of GPLS Page's updates and posts directly on their timeline) rose to 2,153, an increase of 28% from 1,684 the previous year. Facebook page "likes" rose from 1,764 to 2,237, a 27% increase. Average post reach - the number of people who had any GPLS posts enter their screen - was 696
- Twitter engagement improved as well. As of July 2017, GPLS had 1,519 followers, up approximately 155 since a year earlier. During the same period, tweet impressions, or the number of times a tweet appears in a user's timeline or search results, averaged almost 4,900 per month

Information Technology

- Provided a broadband network managed service layer on behalf of Georgia libraries. Ensured a minimum broadband speed and \$6 million in federal funding through E-Rate application support, including management, contract negotiation, and fiscal and billing reconciliation
- Hosted and supported over 2,000 cloud-based public access computers for the majority of Georgia public libraries

- Provided hosting and maintenance for GPLS, GDC, and GLASS Atlanta for GSuite, a cloud-based productivity suite with unlimited, fully networked and secure data-file storage
- In process of migrating staff members of 62 out of the 63 public library systems to GSuite which will result in 2,400 staff accounts across the state
- In the form of workshops, presentations and individual talks, provided outreach featuring technology-related services and programming in order to raise awareness of technology trends and adoptions in public libraries
- Supported \$3.19 million in technology funding on behalf of GA libraries. Secured volume vendor discounts, provided instruction and support of emerging technologies. Managed technology procurement plans and reconciliation support
- Hosted a Technology Boot Camp, an initiative of GPLS to bring together IT professionals from Georgia public libraries. 3 days, 2 nights, 14 hours of programming, and 117 participants. Sharing experiences and ideas and exploring opportunities made possible by emerging technologies
- Circulated 6 Technology Loaner Kits, consisting of over 25 pieces of hardware, allowing staff and patron access to emerging and innovative technologies, including virtual reality and 3D printing. Retro-fitted new kits, including internal street-view kits, and an additional 3D printing kit.
- Content creation and management for clearinghouse of current IT trends and practices: <u>http://galibtech.org/</u>

Continuing Education and Training

Produced the first ever Multi-State Virtual Staff Day, an online learning experience for over 2,300 attendees, in conjunction with Colorado, Maryland, and Iowa state libraries



- In FY17, GPLS hosted 97 live continuing education and training events for library staff, reaching 6.634 staff members. Also 2,035 users accessed training through online portals
- Administered Georgia Learning Center access for over 2,035 public, school and academic library employees
- Library staff completed 3,433 e-learning courses through the Georgia Learning Center and Lynda.com
- Collaborated with other state library agencies to provide Georgia libraries with monthly, comprehensive listings of free webinars covering a range of industry-related competencies and subject areas
- Promoted flexible training and continuing education programs in individual library systems by providing public libraries free access to online conferencing platform WebEx

Resource Sharing

- Administered the reciprocal borrowing and lending activity of more than 200 GOLD multitype member libraries resulting in lending 144,667 items and borrowing 117,207 through interlibrary loans during FY17
- Purchased group access to OCLC Services for all public libraries, including a group catalog, that allows patrons access to resources beyond their library's holdings
- Paid GALILEO resource fees for all 63 public library systems to provide patron access to the statewide virtual library

- Expanded GALILEO resources for public libraries to include online legal forms and animated story books for young children
- Purchased group access to the RDA Toolkit for all public libraries

HomePLACE

- In FY17, HomePLACE, a collaboration with the Digital Library of Georgia (DLG), an initiative of GALILEO, funded nearly 84,000 new and converted digitized items and associated metadata records to the DLG, including 76,600 newspaper pages. According to a 2017 HomePLACE survey, newspapers remain a top priority for library users, and 83% of HomePLACE project funds were dedicated to newspaper digitization
- 57% of Georgia's public libraries have contributed content to the DLG, representing about one-third of DLG's total content partners. Over 40,000 unique public library items are available in the DLG, making Georgia's public libraries the second largest contributor to the DLG
- In FY17, DLG portals containing Georgia public library primary source content had over 2.3 million total page views, while newspaper portals containing content digitized by HomePLACE had over 490,000 page views
- Public libraries continued to benefit from the DLG's hub relationship with the Digital Public Library of America, with 25 digital items included in DPLA exhibits in FY17



Georgia Public Library Service (GPLS) – History

- A state library agency has existed in Georgia since the late 19th century.
- From 1943-1996, the agency was a unit of the Georgia Department of Education.
- From 1996-2000, the agency was a unit of the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education, now Technical College System of Georgia.
- Since 2000, GPLS has been a unit of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.



Data Sources

Georgia Public Library Service (GPLS) produced this current picture of the 63 public library systems of Georgia using statistical data from a variety of sources:

Annual Reports of public library systems for Fiscal Years 2000-2017;

• The Institute of Museum and Library Services report, Public Libraries in the United States: Fiscal Year 2015

Other information contained in this document came from records of projects initiated and completed by the staff of Georgia Public Library Service.

NOTE: Data in this report is subject to IMLS review in 2018 during the Public Library Survey collection process.

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