

**Table 425. Public libraries, books and serial volumes, library visits, and reference transactions, by state: Fiscal year 2001**

State	Number of public libraries, excluding branches	Number of books and serial volumes <sup>1</sup> (in thousands)	Number of books and serial volumes per capita	Library visits per capita <sup>2</sup>	Circulation per capita	Public library reference transactions per capita <sup>3</sup>	State	Number of public libraries, excluding branches	Number of books and serial volumes <sup>1</sup> (in thousands)	Number of books and serial volumes per capita	Library visits per capita <sup>2</sup>	Circulation per capita	Public library reference transactions per capita <sup>3</sup>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>United States .....</b>	9,129	<b>767,055</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>1.1</b>							
Alabama .....	207	8,801	2.0	2.8	3.6	0.6	Missouri .....	150	18,716	3.7	4.4	7.6	1.2
Alaska .....	86	2,264	3.6	4.5	5.8	0.5	Montana .....	79	2,625	2.9	3.9	5.3	0.6
Arizona .....	35	8,760	1.7	4.1	6.5	0.9	Nebraska .....	272	6,004	4.6	5.1	8.6	0.8
Arkansas .....	43	5,497	2.1	2.8	4.1	0.6	Nevada .....	23	4,382	2.2	3.9	5.1	0.7
California .....	179	67,219	1.9	3.9	5.0	1.1	New Hampshire .....	229	5,572	4.6	4.7	7.1	0.7
Colorado .....	116	11,071	2.6	6.4	10.4	1.4	New Jersey .....	309	31,035	3.7	5.0	5.9	0.9
Connecticut .....	194	14,109	4.1	6.1	8.4	1.1	New Mexico .....	80	4,132	2.6	3.5	4.9	0.7
Delaware .....	37	1,468	1.9	3.5	5.8	0.7	New York .....	750	78,546	4.4	5.9	7.2	1.8
District of Columbia ...	1	2,472	4.3	3.5	2.1	2.1	North Carolina .....	76	15,916	2.0	3.6	5.4	0.9
Florida .....	72	29,826	1.8	3.6	5.0	1.5	North Dakota .....	82	2,158	3.9	4.0	7.1	0.7
Georgia .....	57	15,143	1.9	3.2	4.6	0.9	Ohio .....	250	47,088	4.1	6.3	13.8	1.6
Hawaii .....	1	3,195	2.6	4.6	5.6	0.8	Oklahoma .....	115	6,316	2.2	4.7	5.4	0.7
Idaho .....	106	3,577	3.1	5.5	7.7	0.7	Oregon .....	125	8,476	2.7	5.9	12.2	0.8
Illinois .....	629	41,620	3.7	5.4	7.4	1.5	Pennsylvania .....	459	28,061	2.3	3.3	4.7	0.8
Indiana .....	239	22,145	3.9	5.9	11.1	1.3	Rhode Island .....	48	3,997	3.8	5.4	6.3	0.8
Iowa .....	537	11,450	4.0	5.1	8.7	0.7	South Carolina .....	41	8,260	2.1	3.6	4.5	1.1
Kansas .....	321	10,438	4.7	5.5	9.6	1.2	South Dakota .....	126	2,835	4.8	5.5	8.0	0.9
Kentucky .....	116	7,891	2.0	3.4	5.2	0.5	Tennessee .....	184	10,080	1.8	3.0	3.9	0.7
Louisiana .....	65	10,850	2.4	2.9	4.1	1.0	Texas .....	540	35,725	1.8	2.9	4.2	0.9
Maine .....	273	5,891	4.9	4.9	6.9	0.8	Utah .....	70	6,064	2.7	5.2	11.0	1.4
Maryland .....	24	15,323	3.0	5.0	9.0	1.4	Vermont .....	188	2,731	4.7	5.2	6.7	0.7
Massachusetts .....	371	30,465	4.8	( <sup>4</sup> )	7.2	0.9	Virginia .....	90	18,659	2.6	4.2	7.9	1.1
Michigan .....	381	27,188	2.7	4.0	5.2	0.8	Washington .....	65	17,003	2.9	4.7	9.6	1.4
Minnesota .....	140	14,414	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )	West Virginia .....	97	4,920	2.7	3.4	4.4	0.8
Mississippi .....	49	5,615	2.0	2.9	3.2	0.5	Wisconsin .....	379	18,647	3.5	5.7	9.2	1.0
							Wyoming .....	23	2,415	4.9	5.4	7.6	0.8

<sup>1</sup> Some data are different from other tables due to a different population base.

<sup>2</sup> The total number of persons entering the library for any purpose during the year.

<sup>3</sup> A reference transaction is an information contact which involves the knowledge, use, recommendations, interpretation or instructions in the use of one or more information sources by a member of the library staff.

<sup>4</sup> Data not shown because response rate is less than 70 percent.

NOTE: Data include imputations for nonresponse.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, *Public Libraries in the United States: FY 2001. (This table was prepared August 2003.)*