

Arkansas Public Libraries

Library Funding



Funding for Public Libraries in Arkansas has three major sources. Local funding (city and county general fund, or library millage) State Aid and Fundraising



64 million

City or County Funding
\$64,532,411



5 million

State Aid
\$5,480,765



4 million

Fundraising, grants, and gifts
\$4,710,001

Value of Services



The ilovelibraries.org value calculator allows you to input use statistics and it will calculate the cost of all materials and services to the average Arkansan



funding



Value

Materials and Services provided by public libraries are worth **209 million** in personal savings to Arkansans
\$209,639,096

1,584,465 Arkansans have library cards

Library Programs

Over **990,000** people attended over



35,000 programs.

Outreach Through Libraries



Arkids First to distribute information on dental health and Well-Child Visits



The Secretary of States Office to register voters



The Auditor of State's office for the Great Arkansas Treasure Hunt.

A patron walked into a public library 10,810,220 times

Computer Access

2,505

Computers, laptops and tablets available for all ages

1,921,504

Uses of public access devices

131,975

Uses of library wifi for personal devices

Materials Circulation

8,727,977

Print materials

825,699

E-Books

91,944

Special items like fishing poles, cake pans, mifi hot spots and Halloween costumes

Online materials and services were used by Virtual Users 12,203,010 times



Public Library meeting rooms were used by their communities

22,265 times



“Whatever the cost of our libraries, the price is cheap compared to that of an ignorant nation.”

—Walter Cronkite

Statistical data used in this info graphic has been reported as submitted by participating public libraries in the Annual Public Library Survey for Fiscal Year 2014.

