

Library Benchmark Statistics and Model Libraries

plan for progress using comparative data



| | Population | Operating Budget (Expense) | Total Public Funding | Per Capita Public Funding | Total FTE Staff | Staff per 10,000 Pop | Library Materials Expense | Per Capita Library Materials | Total Annual Borrowing | Per Capita Annual Borrowing | Annual Class/Event Attendance | Class/Event Attendance per 100 pop | Annual Total Visits | Per Cap Annual Visits |
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| SCPL | 154,727 | \$5,465,583 | \$4,873,254 | \$31.50 | 47.18 | 3.05 | \$481,724 | \$3.11 | 1,132,246 | 7.32 | 29,656 | 19.17 | 1,008,000 | 6.51 |
| Albany | 97,839 | \$8,817,657 | \$8,354,377 | \$85.39 | 115.00 | 11.75 | \$660,543 | \$6.75 | 1,022,420 | 10.45 | 57,249 | 58.51 | 861,524 | 8.81 |
| Amsterdam | 24,186 | \$307,334 | \$230,000 | \$9.51 | 6.10 | 2.52 | \$16,422 | \$0.68 | 54,526 | 2.25 | 4,247 | 17.56 | 57,455 | 2.38 |
| Gloversville | 19,244 | \$428,209 | \$393,695 | \$20.46 | 11.90 | 6.18 | \$45,613 | \$2.37 | 68,902 | 3.58 | 5,360 | 27.85 | 93,325 | 4.85 |
| Oneida | 15,411 | \$430,602 | \$348,555 | \$22.62 | 13.13 | 8.52 | \$51,384 | \$3.33 | 63,331 | 4.11 | 8,330 | 54.05 | 83,419 | 5.41 |
| Cobleskill | 14,295 | \$254,769 | \$263,095 | \$18.40 | 4.88 | 3.41 | \$25,018 | \$1.75 | 64,276 | 4.50 | 2,210 | 15.46 | 29,816 | 2.09 |
| Catskill | 12,473 | \$679,960 | \$630,867 | \$50.58 | 10.25 | 8.22 | \$51,820 | \$4.15 | 88,315 | 7.08 | 3,569 | 28.61 | 71,000 | 5.69 |
| Johnstown* | 11,943 | \$364,483 | \$314,000 | \$26.29 | 7.00 | 5.86 | \$41,515 | \$3.48 | 84,174 | 7.05 | 5,568 | 46.62 | 74,465 | 6.24 |
| Fonda | 6,808 | \$71,126 | \$27,716 | \$4.07 | 1.21 | 1.78 | \$5,487 | \$0.81 | 26,451 | 3.89 | 1,419 | 20.84 | 13,024 | 1.91 |
| Schoharie* | 6,873 | \$130,881 | \$66,000 | \$9.60 | 1.04 | 1.51 | \$8,979 | \$1.31 | 20,298 | 2.95 | 2,801 | 40.75 | 16,101 | 2.34 |
| Kinderhook | 6,486 | \$240,014 | \$217,353 | \$33.51 | 3.88 | 5.98 | \$26,659 | \$4.11 | 55,547 | 8.56 | 7,234 | 111.53 | 68,882 | 10.62 |
| Middleburgh | 6,433 | \$159,635 | \$122,500 | \$19.04 | 2.00 | 3.11 | \$17,059 | \$2.65 | 28,343 | 4.41 | 4,688 | 72.87 | 10,423 | 1.62 |
| Canajoharie | 6,320 | \$223,181 | \$950 | \$0.15 | 5.5 | 8.70 | \$9,645 | \$1.53 | 32,807 | 5.19 | 1,560 | 24.68 | 29,782 | 4.71 |
| Fort Plain | 5,592 | \$130,968 | \$82,750 | \$14.80 | 2.50 | 4.47 | \$8,839 | \$1.58 | 21,546 | 3.85 | 5,142 | 91.95 | 52,000 | 9.30 |
| Cuba | 4,575 | \$203,957 | \$157,175 | \$34.36 | 4.72 | 10.32 | \$14,405 | \$3.15 | 39,189 | 8.57 | 4,162 | 90.97 | 29,900 | 6.54 |
| Fort Hunter | 3,699 | \$23,630 | \$26,500 | \$7.16 | 0.63 | 1.70 | \$2,262 | \$0.61 | 2,493 | 0.67 | 107 | 2.89 | 1,460 | 0.39 |
| St. Johnsville* | 3,110 | \$112,771 | \$70,000 | \$22.51 | 2.40 | 7.72 | \$4,625 | \$1.49 | 8,839 | 2.84 | 1,595 | 51.29 | 8,663 | 2.79 |
| Northville | 2,981 | \$130,258 | \$139,329 | \$46.74 | 1.40 | 4.70 | \$10,249 | \$3.44 | 22,665 | 7.60 | 1,833 | 61.49 | 17,869 | 5.99 |
| Lyme | 2,185 | \$82,092 | \$61,819 | \$28.29 | 1.75 | 8.01 | \$13,935 | \$6.38 | 18,708 | 8.56 | 2,804 | 128.33 | 12,561 | 5.75 |
| Sharon Springs | 1,846 | \$48,573 | \$43,860 | \$23.76 | 0.73 | 3.95 | \$4,448 | \$2.41 | 12,671 | 6.86 | 713 | 38.62 | 7,640 | 4.14 |
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| MVLS w/o SCP | 138,499 | | | \$10.77 | | 3.30 | | \$2.35 | | 3.23 | | 27.00 | | 2.97 |
| MVLS Totals | 293,226 | | | \$22.36 | | 3.40 | | \$2.73 | | 6.30 | | 24.00 | | 6.07 |
| Capital District | 1,048,398 | | | \$37.21 | | 6.70 | | \$4.43 | | 9.22 | | 39.00 | | 6.69 |
| New York State | 19,378,244 | | | \$55.88 | | 6.59 | | \$5.43 | | 7.27 | | 40.00 | | 5.50 |

All Data is from the 2015 State Annual Reports with 2 exceptions:

Four libraries - Amsterdam, Fort Hunter, Gloversville and Schoharie - had significant increases in local public funding approved in 2016. For those libraries, the local public funding data includes the amounts approved via 2016 votes.

The most recent NYS data is for 2014. This information is from the DLD website at: <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/libs/palstats.htm>

Library population data is chartered service area population with 3 exceptions. For Johnstown, Schoharie and St. Johnsville this chart includes the school district population.

Total population data for MVLS w/o SCP, MVLS, Capital District and NYS, is total geographic population, including served and unserved areas.

Using Comparative Statistics

1. Compare your library to similar MVLS libraries—coded by color based on population
2. Compare your library to the MVLS, Capital District and NYS averages at the bottom of the chart
3. Compare you library to the model library(s) in your population group—indicated with darker highlighting of the same color

How can your library become a Model 21st Century Library? What areas can you target for change, emphasis and improvement?