

Summary Indices of the Performance Results of Latvia Libraries 2003–2007

Libraries according to typological division:

At the end of 2007 according to the summarized statistical data **2 021 library operated in Latvia:**

- **1** national library (The National Library of Latvia);
- **1** significant non-specialized library (The Latvian Academic Library);
- **48** libraries of higher educational establishments:
Incl. 30 libraries of higher educational institutions
Incl. 18 college libraries;
- **45** special libraries;
- **864** public libraries:
Incl. 851 public library of local governments;
Incl. 8 the Latvian Library for the Blind and branch libraries;
Incl. 5 other public libraries;
- **1 062** libraries of comprehensive and professional education (data of the Ministry of Education and Science):
Incl.. 943 libraries of comprehensive daytime schools;
Incl. 32 libraries of comprehensive evening(shift) schools ;
Incl. 87 libraries of professional educational institutions.

Number of libraries

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	1	1	1	1	1
The Latvian Academic Library	1	1	1	1	1
Libraries of higher educational institutions	32	30	28	28	30
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	18
Special libraries	55	50	49	47	45
Public libraries	892	878	877	870	864
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>876</i>	<i>863</i>	<i>863</i>	<i>857</i>	<i>851</i>
Libraries of comprehensive daytime schools	1017	984	972	959	943
Libraries of comprehensive evening (shift) schools	(data missing)	(data missing)	32	32	32
Libraries of professional educational institutions	121	119	111	97	87
In total	2 119	2 063	2 071	2 035	2 021

Number of registered readers

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	44 361	43 231	52 398	55 935	81 363
The Latvian Academic Library	25 762	24 189	23 380	23 499	22 562
Libraries of higher educational institutions	106 569	113 582	122 808	120 979	123 896
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	11 044
Special libraries	32 387	31 606	32 176	28 661	29 210
Public libraries	539 819	522 978	515 539	462 505	439 017
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>527 607</i>	<i>513 649</i>	<i>504 938</i>	<i>453 089</i>	<i>428 313</i>
Libraries of comprehensive daytime schools	(data missing)	(data missing)	28 3947	298 990	283 412
Libraries of comprehensive evening (shift) schools	(data missing)	(data missing)	14 569	14 819	14 137
Libraries of professional educational institutions	(data missing)	(data missing)	42 737	43 453	31 392
In total	748 898	735 586	1 088 554	1 048 841	1 036 033

Number of visits *

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	510 399	455 001	553 622	605 845	786 198
The Latvian Academic Library	583 485	555 273	585 751	573 312	434 753
Libraries of higher educational institutions	2 424 920	2 222 834	2 490 693	2 678 056	2 497 881
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	158 298
Special libraries	239 950	252 818	294 686	337 280	428 357
Public libraries	6 666 364	6 681 924	7 155 246	7 439 380	7 764 087
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>6 575 871</i>	<i>6 596 206</i>	<i>7 062 178</i>	<i>7 368 342</i>	<i>7 691 278</i>
In total	10 425 118	10 167 850	11 079 998	11 633 873	12 069 574

Number of the documents delivered (information units)*

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	2 414 571	2 263 439	1 855 419	1 681 691	1 689 741
The Latvian Academic Library	4 300 000	4 500 000	4 300 000	4 600 000	4 200 000
Libraries of higher educational institutions	5 868 863	5 590 981	4 722 586	5 490 077	5 330 884
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	287 295
Special libraries	835 751	797 141	836 811	850 198	869 116
Public libraries	21 234 398	20 618 100	20 171 998	18 316 069	16 750 142
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>20 580 679</i>	<i>19 951 200</i>	<i>19 256 255</i>	<i>17 712 708</i>	<i>16 132 200</i>
In total	34 653 583	33 769 661	31 886 814	30 938 035	29 127 178

Flow of the Library collections**Number of incoming documents (information units) ***

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	69 459	61 853	120 631	63 269	57 419
The Latvian Academic Library	67 552	72 843	76 223	82 148	84 253
Libraries of higher educational institutions	133 361	126 224	118 969	121 108	124 190
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	20 202
Special libraries	1 538 338	3 433 888	2 691 316	1 515 285	1 662 146
Public libraries	607 826	617 728	651 863	721 363	727 289
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>585 046</i>	<i>597 081</i>	<i>624 921</i>	<i>703 003</i>	<i>708 112</i>
In total	2 416 536	4 312 536	3 659 002	2 503 173	2 675 499

Number of the documents withdrawn (information units)*

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	20 194	46 856	70 909	487 527	29 399
The Latvian Academic Library	35 473	33 268	33 939	27 743	32 696
Libraries of higher educational institutions	205 895	306 824	151 320	234 254	275 985
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	57 691
Special libraries	1 531 038	418 170	37 880	31 877	18 190
Public libraries	767 409	892 188	904 838	1 049 681	1 268 117
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>753 909</i>	<i>870 876</i>	<i>885 935</i>	<i>1 031 469</i>	<i>1 258 571</i>
In total	2 560 009	1 697 306	1 198 886	1 831 082	1 682 078

Number of documents (information units) in the library collections at the end of the year

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	4 403 707	4 418 704	4 468 426	4 044 168	4 072 188
The Latvian Academic Library	3 253 845	3 293 420	3 330 000	3 403 868	3 440 512
Libraries of higher educational institutions	6 744 629	6 814 910	6 706 713	6 597 649	6 522 744
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	431 543
Special libraries	28 935 247	32 135 963	34 767 283	34 511 524	36 115 911
Public libraries	12 730 915	12 440 959	12 299 296	11 779 521	11 175 044
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>12 396 468</i>	<i>12 113 760</i>	<i>11 860 551</i>	<i>11 461 639</i>	<i>10 840 896</i>
Libraries of comprehensive daytime schools	(data missing)	(data missing)	15 097 763	14 664 626	14 179 954
Libraries of comprehensive evening (shift) schools	(data missing)	(data missing)	435 797	427 269	423 265
Libraries of professional educational institutions	(data missing)	(data missing)	2 450 597	2 469 058	1 989 318
In total	56 068 343	59 103 956	79 555 875	77 897 683	78 350 479

Library personnel (all told)

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	380	375	365	342	430
The Latvian Academic Library	148	144	150	140	120
Libraries of higher educational institutions	425	412	402	399	419
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	36
Special libraries	180	177	159	135	145
Public libraries	2 386	2 377	2 383	2 292	2 324
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	2 342	2 322	2 309	2 225	2 275
Libraries of comprehensive daytime schools	(data missing)	(data missing)	1 125	1 119	1 323
Libraries of comprehensive evening (shift) schools	(data missing)	(data missing)	42	38	55
Libraries of professional educational institutions	(data missing)	(data missing)	132	97	94
In total	3 519	3 485	4 758	4 562	4 946

Out of them professional library staff

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	318	313	290	296	368
The Latvian Academic Library	109	106	115	105	94
Libraries of higher educational institutions	391	370	358	361	384
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	32
Special libraries	158	141	130	123	133
Public libraries	1 832	1 781	1 817	1 822	1 837
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	1 801	1 755	1 785	1 794	1 811
Libraries of comprehensive daytime schools	(data missing)	(data missing)	1 125	1 119	1 323
Libraries of comprehensive evening (shift) schools	(data missing)	(data missing)	42	38	55
Libraries of professional educational institutions	(data missing)	(data missing)	132	97	94
In total	2 808	2 711	4 009	3 961	4 320

Financial operation of libraries**Customary expenses (Ls)***

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	1 464 251	1 592 646	1 803 824	2 458 554	5 254 232
The Latvian Academic Library	448 548	452 706	483 617	562 211	670 895
Libraries of higher educational institutions	1 754 231	2 064 034	2 284 475	2 729 184	3 785 513
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	165 819
Special libraries	559 468	698 088	799 721	942 320	1 410 644
Public libraries	6 838 626	8 024 080	9 123 610	10 525 559	14 650 764
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	6 709 131	7 878 774	8 959 202	10 281 038	14 288 872
In total	11 065 124	12 831 554	14 495 247	17 217 828	25 937 867

Incl. expenditure for the personnel*

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	598 019	905 343	1 103 267	1 756 750	3 763 435
The Latvian Academic Library	260 547	276 329	349 542	390 742	468 164
Libraries of higher educational institutions	766 212	906 505	1 182 082	1 411 248	2 089 683
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	105 296
Special libraries	307 220	360 657	414 604	519 176	935 961
Public libraries	3 818 481	4 799 688	5 467 801	6 653 292	9 408 456
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>3 749 834</i>	<i>4 698 865</i>	<i>5 351 901</i>	<i>6 446 535</i>	<i>9 081 513</i>
In total	5 750 479	7 248 522	8 517 296	10 731 208	16 770 995

Incl. expenditure for acquisition*

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	168 451	177 774	296 071	191 995	312 168
The Latvian Academic Library	83 952	45 305	51 028	39 564	66 337
Libraries of higher educational institutions	726 705	792 985	817 882	967 733	1 261 927
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	54 015
Special libraries	110 812	243 262	274 042	308 505	349 787
Public libraries	1 212 828	1 400 389	1 486 360	1 504 819	1 747 112
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>1 181 132</i>	<i>1 368 061</i>	<i>1 475 615</i>	<i>1 493 850</i>	<i>1 734 851</i>
In total	2 302 748	2 659 715	2 925 383	3 012 616	3 791 346

Incl. expenditure for information technologies*

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	12 879	34 489	27 059	31 655	177 922
The Latvian Academic Library	0	1 722	1 841	3 410	22 618
Libraries of higher educational institutions	60 735	67 124	68 385	71 510	42 173
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	5 408
Special libraries	28 261	30 280	40 808	10 466	32 038
Public libraries	218 083	230 953	274 663	237 735	528 766
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>217 711</i>	<i>230 553</i>	<i>274 505</i>	<i>237 603</i>	<i>528 766</i>
In total	319 958	364 568	412 756	354 776	808 925

Incl. other expenses*

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	684 902	475 040	377 427	478 154	1 000 707
The Latvian Academic Library	104 049	129 350	81 206	128 495	113 776
Libraries of higher educational institutions	199 112	297 420	216 126	278 693	391 730
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	1 100
Special libraries	108 676	63 889	70 267	104 173	92 858
Public libraries	1 589 234	1 593 050	1 894 786	2 129 713	2 966 430
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	<i>1 560 454</i>	<i>1 577 903</i>	<i>1 857 181</i>	<i>2 103 050</i>	<i>2 943 742</i>
In total	2 685 973	2 558 749	2 639 812	3 119 228	4 566 601

Capital expenditure (Ls)*

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	15 000	5 179	12 285	5 604	1 289 996
The Latvian Academic Library	0	2 581	5 348	3 974	0
Libraries of higher educational institutions	417 278	4 418	239 356	812 442	810 906
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	0
Special libraries	32 637	13 700	11 813	20 934	17 335
Public libraries	380 782	1 255 171	551 617	671 319	2 252 290
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	380 782	1 255 171	534 336	668 969	2 251 007
In total	845 697	1 281 049	820 419	1 514 273	4 370 527

Automation of libraries**Number of computers for readers***

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	35	40	62	51	65
The Latvian Academic Library	17	24	32	32	32
Libraries of higher educational institutions	355	443	443	475	626
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	103
Special libraries	44	50	62	78	100
Public libraries	495	599	1 696	2 341	2 442
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	494	598	1 695	2 338	2 422
In total	946	1156	2 295	2977	3 353

Number of computers for the personnel*

Libraries	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
The National Library of Latvia	245	230	242	304	340
The Latvian Academic Library	81	92	89	77	77
Libraries of higher educational institutions	294	305	361	375	340
College libraries	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	(data missing)	30
Special libraries	104	111	113	106	131
Public libraries	670	758	1 124	1 419	1 502
<i>Out of them public libraries of local governments</i>	659	746	1 105	1 397	1 479
In total	1 394	1 496	1 929	2281	2 380

Libraries in the mirror of statistics

According to the data of the Central Statistics Board of the Republic of Latvia the number of population in Latvia at the beginning of 2008 – 2 million 270 thousand people.

- 45,6% of Latvian population use the services of libraries.
- There is on average one library per 1 123 inhabitants.
- Libraries store on average 34,5 documents (information units) per capita.
- Libraries store on average 75,6 documents (information units) per reader
- Number of visits per reader – on average 11,6 times a year**.
- Customary expenses of libraries per reader – on average 36,68 Ls per year**.
- Number of readers per library official –on average 240 readers.
- Number of the documents delivered per library official – on average 6 742 information units per year**.
- Circulation of the collection – 0,37 (average delivery of document/ information units per year)**.

Libraries, the collections of which had more than a million documents (information units) at the end of 2007

The Patent and Technology Library of Latvia	34 981 546
The National Library of Latvia	4 072 188
The Latvian Academic Library	3 440 512
The Scientific Library of Riga Technical University	2 084 972
The Library of the University of Latvia	1 925 159
Riga Central Library	1 008 570

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* excluding the libraries of comprehensive schools and professional educational institutions