

LISU's UK Statistics

Keeping up to date with key statistics, LISU has now replaced the [LAMPOST](#) with 10-year trends in the following areas:

Public and Academic Library Statistics

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Institutions

| Number of libraries | | |
|---------------------|--|--|
| | Public libraries | Academic libraries |
| 2013-14 | 4,145 | |
| 2012-13 | 4,191 | 944 |
| 2011-12 | 4,265 | 951 |
| 2010-11 | 4,466 | 974 |
| 2009-10 | 4,482 | 977 |
| 2008-09 | 4,517 | 972 |
| 2007-08 | 4,540 | 988 |
| 2006-07 | 4,567 | 998 |
| 2005-06 | 4,574 | 992 |
| 2004-05 | 4,515 | 849 |
| 2003-04 | 4,622 | 853 |
| 2002-03 | | 856 |
| Notes | Figure is for public library service points open 10 or more hours per week (inc. mobile). Does not include service points in institutions. | Service points in higher education institutions. Includes separate stores. |
| Source | <i>CIPFA public library actuals</i> | <i>SCONUL/LISU database</i> |

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| FTE library staff | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|--|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| | Public libraries | | | | Academic libraries | | | |
| | Professional staff | | Total staff | | Professional staff | | Total staff | |
| | FTE | per 10,000 population | FTE | per 10,000 population | FTE | per 1,000 FTE students | FTE | per 1,000 FTE students |
| 2013-14 | 3,106 | 0.48 | 19,308 | 3.01 | | | | |
| 2012-13 | 3,551 | 0.56 | 20,302 | 3.19 | 3,695 | 1.96 | 10,637 | 5.65 |
| 2011-12 | 3,650 | 0.58 | 21,780 | 3.44 | 3,688 | 1.90 | 10,557 | 5.43 |
| 2010-11 | 4,366 | 0.70 | 23,663 | 3.80 | 3,713 | 1.94 | 10,561 | 5.53 |
| 2009-10 | 4,972 | 0.80 | 24,746 | 4.00 | 3,762 | 1.98 | 10,883 | 5.74 |
| 2008-09 | 4,966 | 0.81 | 25,648 | 4.18 | 3,784 | 2.10 | 11,219 | 6.23 |
| 2007-08 | 5,298 | 0.87 | 25,768 | 4.23 | 3,812 | 2.18 | 11,409 | 6.52 |
| 2006-07 | 5,679 | 0.94 | 26,591 | 4.39 | 3,839 | 2.22 | 11,794 | 6.82 |
| 2005-06 | 5,853 | 0.97 | 26,506 | 4.40 | 3,797 | 2.22 | 11,670 | 6.82 |
| 2004-05 | 6,107 | 1.02 | 26,592 | 4.44 | 3,761 | 2.24 | 11,390 | 6.78 |
| 2003-04 | 6,001 | 1.01 | 26,276 | 4.41 | 3,781 | 2.21 | 11,405 | 6.68 |
| 2002-03 | | | | | 3,644 | 2.20 | 11,327 | 6.83 |
| Notes | Year to end March. Staff in post as at 31 March. | | | | Year to end July. Staff posts as at 31 July. | | | |
| Source | <i>CIPFA public library actuals</i> | | | | <i>SCONUL/LISU database</i> | | | |

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Expenditure

| Library expenditure | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|--|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | Public libraries | | | | | Academic libraries (£000s) | | | |
| | Materials (£000s) | Staff (£000s) | Other (£000s) | Total (£000s) | | Materials (£000s) | Staff (£000s) | Other (£000s) | Total (£000s) |
| 2013-14 | 102,441 | 525,837 | 396,996 | 1,025,274 | | | | | |
| 2012-13 | 103,010 | 536,061 | 409,878 | 1,048,949 | | 293,535 | 333,631 | 105,828 | 732,994 |
| 2011-12 | 108,545 | 582,087 | 407,767 | 1,098,399 | | 278,443 | 329,526 | 94,863 | 702,832 |
| 2010-11 | 115,425 | 632,969 | 410,440 | 1,158,834 | | 269,588 | 336,219 | 102,777 | 708,585 |
| 2009-10 | 123,230 | 646,838 | 415,320 | 1,185,388 | | 256,339 | 336,391 | 108,813 | 701,542 |
| 2008-09 | 129,113 | 639,701 | 412,231 | 1,181,046 | | 243,844 | 336,300 | 97,560 | 677,704 |
| 2007-08 | 131,960 | 636,497 | 385,536 | 1,153,993 | | 223,475 | 314,966 | 91,327 | 629,767 |
| 2006-07 | 133,096 | 644,591 | 379,407 | 1,157,093 | | 212,087 | 301,180 | 81,745 | 595,013 |
| 2005-06 | 134,101 | 623,414 | 374,556 | 1,132,071 | | 200,660 | 282,414 | 80,114 | 563,188 |
| 2004-05 | 137,498 | 612,986 | 357,439 | 1,107,923 | | 183,469 | 260,650 | 75,873 | 519,991 |
| 2003-04 | 135,889 | 569,174 | 356,672 | 1,061,735 | | 179,031 | 248,667 | 71,647 | 499,345 |
| 2002-03 | | | | | | 167,858 | 234,290 | 62,333 | 464,482 |
| Notes | Revenue expenditure. 'Other' by subtraction from the total | | | | | 'Other' by subtraction from the total | | | |
| Source | <i>CIPFA public library actuals</i> | | | | | <i>SCONUL/LISU database</i> | | | |

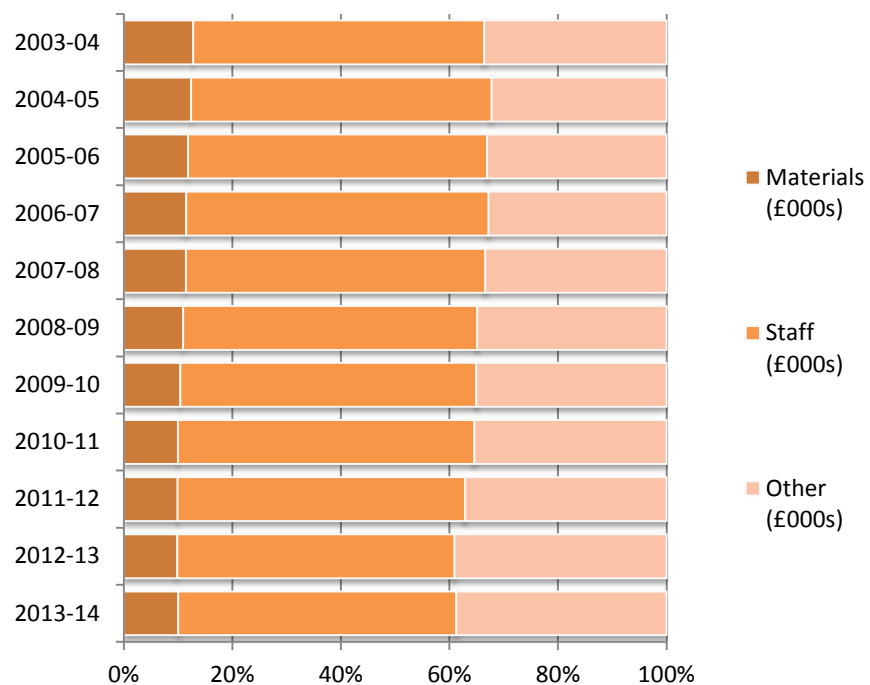
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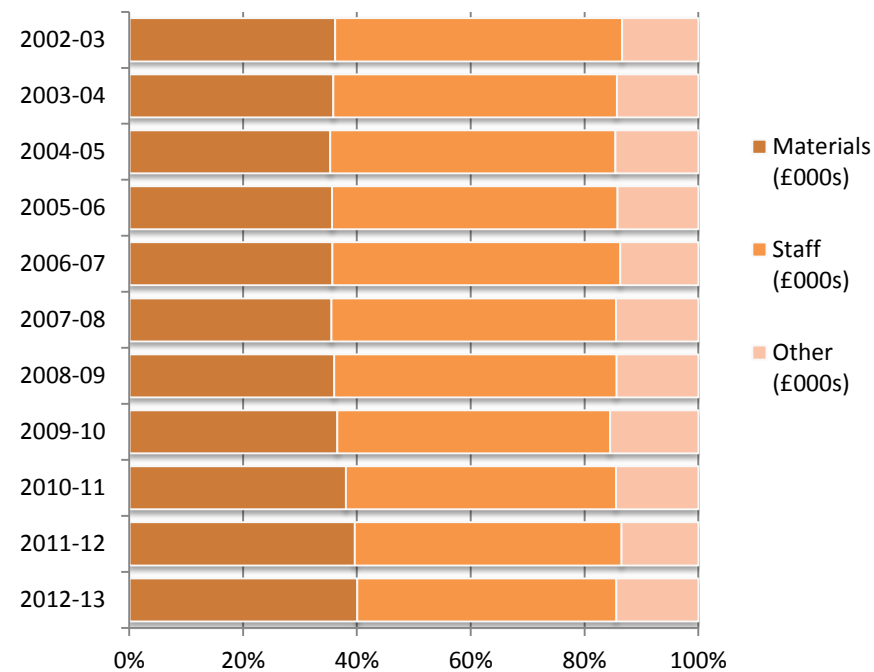
Expenditure

Breakdown of expenditure

Public Libraries



Academic libraries



Revenue expenditure. 'Other' by subtraction from the total

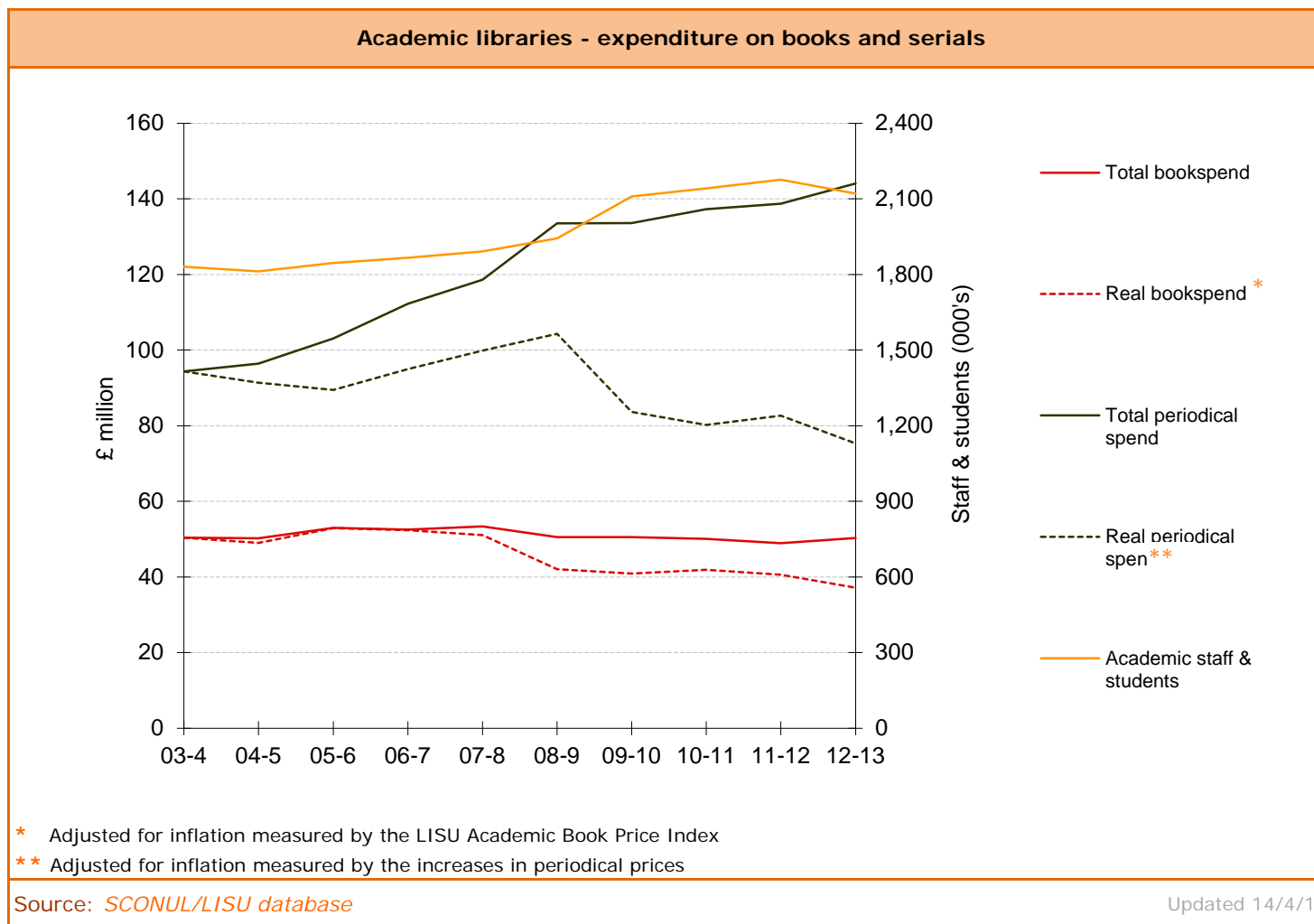
Source *CIPFA public library actuals*

'Other' by subtraction from the total

Source *SCONUL/LISU database*

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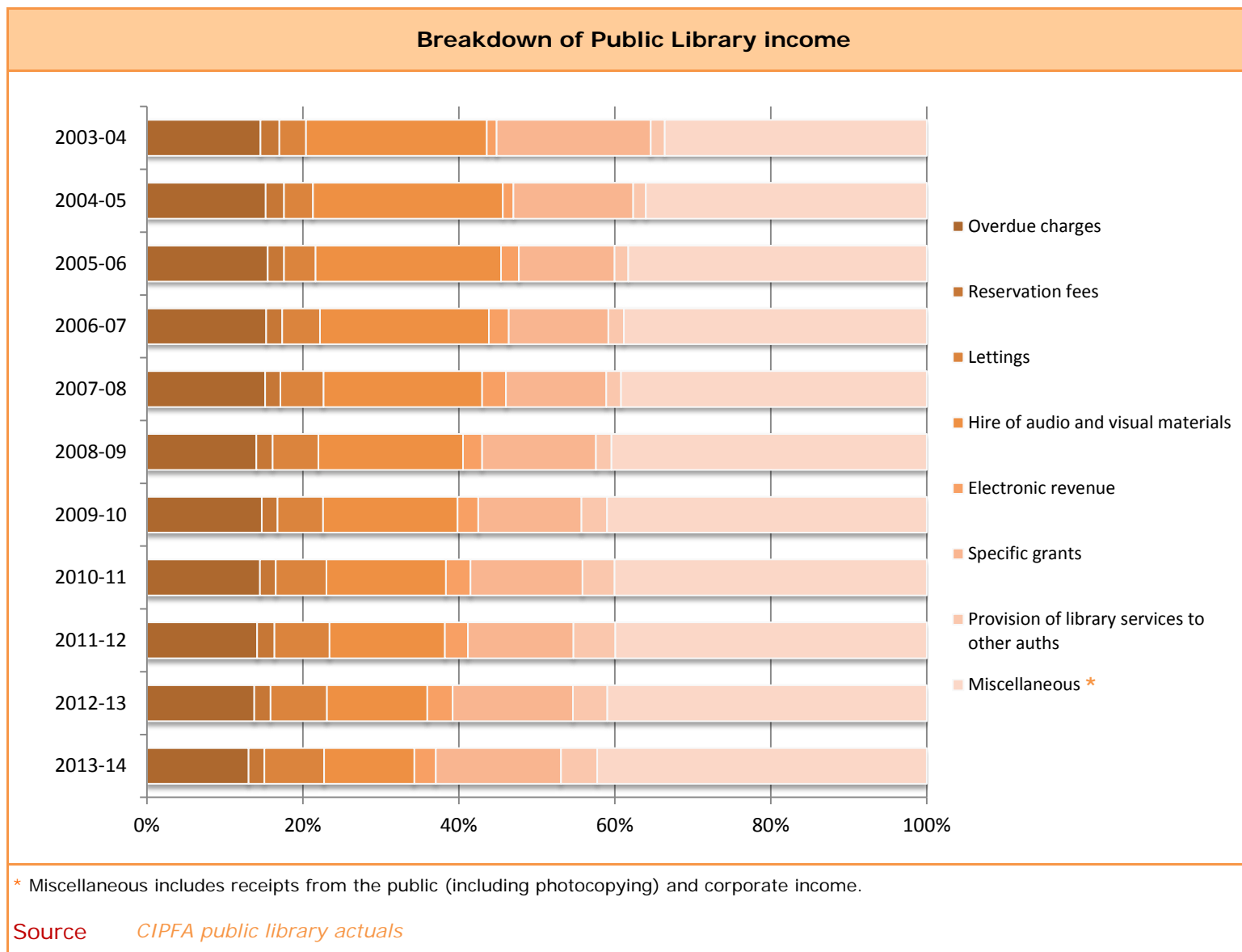


Income

| Library income | | |
|----------------|--|-------------------------------|
| | Public libraries (£000s) | Academic libraries (£000s) |
| 2013-14 | 85,136 | |
| 2012-13 | 81,979 | 83,692 |
| 2011-12 | 86,893 | 74,286 |
| 2010-11 | 92,424 | 87,734 |
| 2009-10 | 95,589 | 83,740 |
| 2008-09 | 99,839 | 74,207 |
| 2007-08 | 94,863 | 77,140 |
| 2006-07 | 100,374 | 71,470 |
| 2005-06 | 103,068 | 80,293 |
| 2004-05 | 108,610 | 72,458 |
| 2003-04 | 111,225 | 69,926 |
| 2002-03 | | 64,731 |
| Notes | Figures are for revenue (self-generated) income and exclude parent authority/institutional funding | |
| Source | <i>CIPFA public library actuals</i> | <i>SCONUL/LISU database</i> |

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Stock and Acquisitions

| Libraries - stock | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| | Public libraries | | | | | | Academic libraries | |
| | Book stock | | | Audio Visual | | | Book stock | Books per student |
| | Total | Books per active borrower | Books per capita | Total AV stock | AV stock per active borrower | AV stock per capita | | |
| 2013-14 | 88,053,535 | 8.91 | 1.4 | 7,755,116 | 0.78 | 0.12 | | |
| 2012-13 | 92,180,530 | 8.93 | 1.4 | 7,948,393 | 0.77 | 0.12 | 115,114,996 | 61.2 |
| 2011-12 | 94,341,890 | 8.27 | 1.5 | 7,963,360 | 0.70 | 0.13 | 114,891,460 | 59.1 |
| 2010-11 | 98,944,965 | 8.30 | 1.6 | 8,073,717 | 0.68 | 0.13 | 116,656,862 | 61.1 |
| 2009-10 | 99,175,921 | 8.21 | 1.6 | 8,325,673 | 0.69 | 0.13 | 114,610,792 | 60.4 |
| 2008-09 | 99,748,215 | 8.13 | 1.6 | 8,421,812 | 0.69 | 0.14 | 116,186,249 | 64.5 |
| 2007-08 | 101,323,446 | 8.04 | 1.7 | 8,755,498 | 0.69 | 0.14 | 116,526,846 | 66.6 |
| 2006-07 | 103,166,250 | 7.91 | 1.7 | 8,779,095 | 0.67 | 0.14 | 116,613,822 | 67.5 |
| 2005-06 | 104,863,207 | 7.76 | 1.7 | 8,828,543 | 0.65 | 0.15 | 115,360,627 | 67.4 |
| 2004-05 | 107,651,420 | 7.80 | 1.8 | 8,828,453 | 0.64 | 0.15 | 112,340,220 | 66.9 |
| 2003-04 | 110,453,021 | 7.46 | 1.9 | 9,026,511 | 0.61 | 0.15 | 110,724,398 | 64.9 |
| 2002-03 | | | | | | | 108,410,811 | 65.3 |
| Source | <i>CIPFA Public Library actuals</i> | | | | | | <i>SCONUL/LISU database</i> | |

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| Libraries - acquisitions | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---------------|--|
| | Public libraries | | | | | | Academic libraries | | | |
| | Books | | | Audio Visual | | | Books | | Serials | |
| | Total | Additions per active borrower | Additions per capita | AV additions | AV additions per active borrower | AV additions per capita | Book additions | Books additions per student | Total serials | Serials per FTE student + academic staff |
| 2013-14 | 10,139,403 | 1.03 | 0.16 | 1,059,145 | 0.11 | 0.02 | | | | |
| 2012-13 | 10,027,558 | 0.97 | 0.16 | 1,176,410 | 0.11 | 0.02 | 2,606,539 | 1.39 | 4,556,810 | 2.25 |
| 2011-12 | 10,302,812 | 0.90 | 0.16 | 1,054,775 | 0.09 | 0.02 | 2,251,634 | 1.16 | 4,049,631 | 1.94 |
| 2010-11 | 10,714,910 | 0.90 | 0.17 | 1,077,892 | 0.09 | 0.02 | 2,335,264 | 1.22 | 3,241,270 | 1.58 |
| 2009-10 | 11,780,376 | 0.98 | 0.19 | 1,237,492 | 0.10 | 0.02 | 2,394,401 | 1.26 | 2,557,910 | 1.25 |
| 2008-09 | 12,636,644 | 1.03 | 0.21 | 1,281,132 | 0.10 | 0.02 | 2,727,885 | 1.52 | 1,533,673 | 0.79 |
| 2007-08 | 12,629,530 | 1.00 | 0.21 | 1,336,052 | 0.11 | 0.02 | 2,899,998 | 1.66 | 1,415,734 | 0.75 |
| 2006-07 | 12,398,216 | 0.95 | 0.21 | 1,504,082 | 0.12 | 0.02 | 2,918,536 | 1.69 | 1,337,970 | 0.72 |
| 2005-06 | 12,304,956 | 0.91 | 0.20 | 1,628,123 | 0.12 | 0.03 | 2,975,125 | 1.74 | 1,201,253 | 0.65 |
| 2004-05 | 11,990,278 | 0.87 | 0.20 | 1,696,668 | 0.12 | 0.03 | 2,614,017 | 1.56 | 1,192,626 | 0.66 |
| 2003-04 | 11,975,851 | 0.81 | 0.20 | 1,730,881 | 0.12 | 0.03 | 2,888,454 | 1.69 | 1,158,486 | 0.63 |
| 2002-03 | | | | | | | 2,857,488 | 1.72 | 1,117,640 | 0.63 |
| Notes | | | | | | | Data relate to number of current serial titles purchased; since 2009-10 electronic titles in databases are included | | | |
| Source | CIPFA public library actuals | | | | | | SCONUL/LISU database | | | |

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| Libraries - Web visits and workstations | | | | |
|---|--|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Public libraries | | Academic libraries | |
| | Web visits (million) | Number of workstations* | Number of workstations | % of seats with a workstation |
| 2013-14 | 114.7 | 42,752 | | |
| 2012-13 | 122.4 | 42,914 | 57,005 | 29% |
| 2011-12 | 97.7 | 43,365 | 56,888 | 29% |
| 2010-11 | 114.1 | 43,465 | 55,050 | 29% |
| 2009-10 | 120.4 | 43,294 | 51,864 | 27% |
| 2008-09 | 113.5 | 42,523 | 51,552 | 27% |
| 2007-08 | 76.2 | 41,448 | 50,985 | 27% |
| 2006-07 | 64.0 | 40,539 | 49,361 | 26% |
| 2005-06 | n/a | 39,855 | 47,078 | 25% |
| 2004-05 | n/a | 37,515 | 44,994 | 24% |
| 2003-04 | n/a | 39,116 | 42,810 | 23% |
| 2002-03 | | | 40,870 | 22% |
| Notes | *Workstations with OPAC and/or internet access | | | |
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Services

| Number of enquiries | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| | Public libraries | Academic libraries |
| 2013-14 | 41,905,642 | |
| 2012-13 | 41,558,973 | 10,185,000 |
| 2011-12 | 41,408,472 | 10,807,000 |
| 2010-11 | 48,201,840 | 10,911,000 |
| 2009-10 | 48,810,035 | 11,341,000 |
| 2008-09 | 44,009,254 | 12,029,000 |
| 2007-08 | 49,050,461 | 12,130,000 |
| 2006-07 | 51,238,351 | 11,813,000 |
| 2005-06 | 55,516,919 | 11,909,000 |
| 2004-05 | 56,860,403 | 11,207,000 |
| 2003-04 | 58,183,086 | 10,911,000 |
| 2002-03 | | 11,678,000 |
| Source | <i>CIPFA public library actuals</i> | <i>SCONUL/LISU database</i> |
| Notes | | Data not sufficiently complete/reliable from HE colleges to include. |

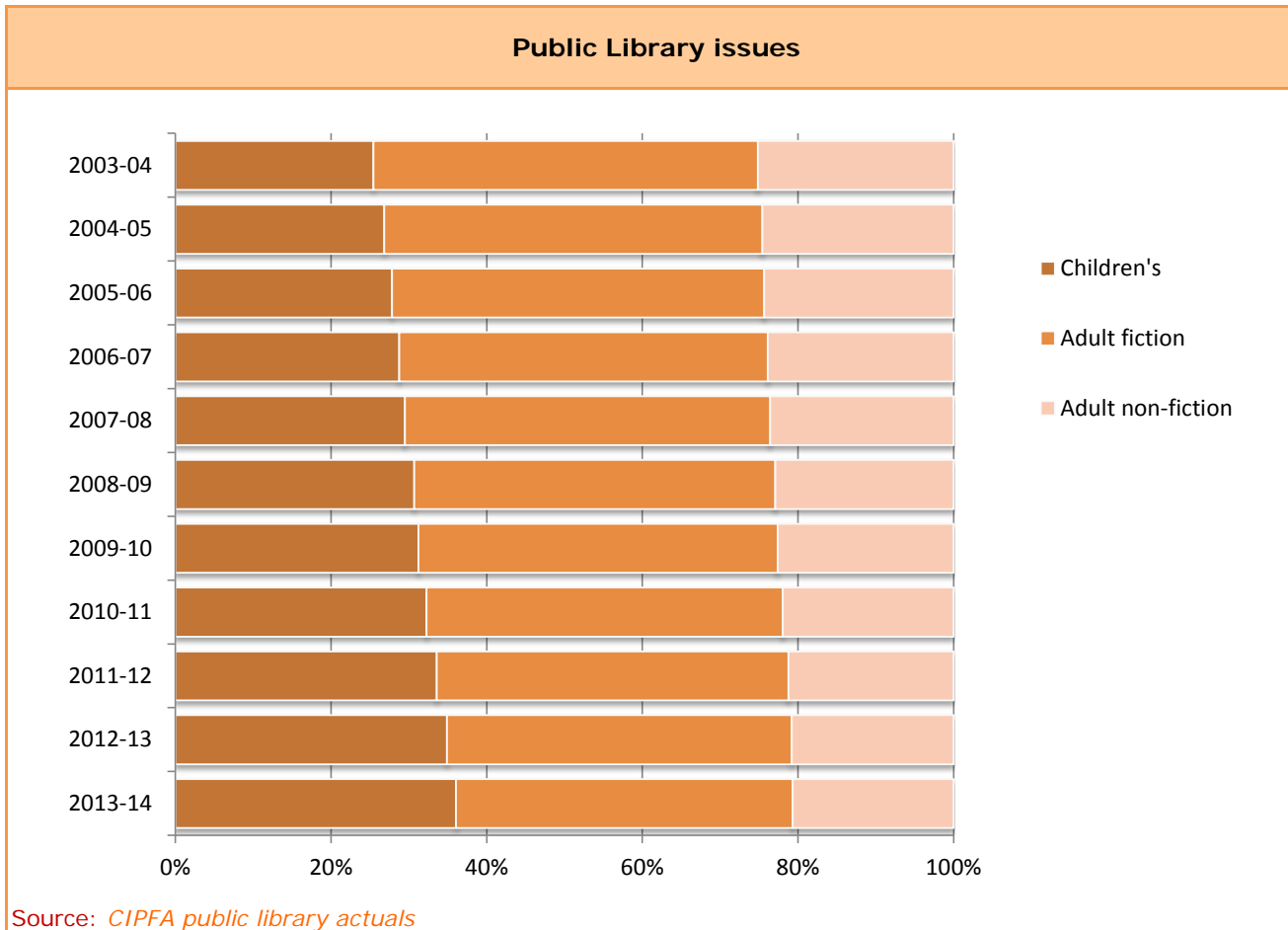
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| Libraries - issues | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Public libraries | | | | | | Academic libraries | |
| | Book issues | | | | | AV issues | Total issues | Total issues per student |
| | Children's | Adult fiction | Adult non-fiction | Total book issues | Book issues per capita | | | |
| 2013-14 | 89,169,968 | 106,987,071 | 51,087,684 | 247,244,723 | 3.9 | 19,407,049 | | |
| 2012-13 | 91,662,473 | 116,482,480 | 54,617,279 | 262,762,232 | 4.1 | 19,677,799 | 96,581,982 | 51 |
| 2011-12 | 96,528,464 | 129,912,781 | 61,064,177 | 287,505,422 | 4.5 | 21,967,350 | 102,334,143 | 53 |
| 2010-11 | 96,814,866 | 137,313,361 | 65,875,535 | 300,003,762 | 4.8 | 24,497,740 | 104,207,132 | 55 |
| 2009-10 | 96,600,883 | 142,759,015 | 69,962,158 | 309,322,056 | 5.0 | 26,483,420 | 106,020,004 | 56 |
| 2008-09 | 95,386,147 | 144,207,502 | 71,183,108 | 310,776,757 | 5.1 | 28,473,317 | 104,313,894 | 58 |
| 2007-08 | 90,680,250 | 144,397,544 | 72,493,446 | 307,571,240 | 5.0 | 30,003,820 | 103,347,430 | 59 |
| 2006-07 | 90,502,113 | 149,013,502 | 75,188,309 | 314,703,924 | 5.2 | 32,284,743 | 99,686,194 | 58 |
| 2005-06 | 89,928,582 | 154,498,065 | 78,633,067 | 323,059,714 | 5.4 | 36,032,816 | 98,401,008 | 58 |
| 2004-05 | 88,608,595 | 160,410,851 | 81,179,240 | 330,198,686 | 5.5 | 38,324,776 | 95,304,681 | 57 |
| 2003-04 | 86,792,620 | 168,433,713 | 85,700,275 | 340,926,608 | 5.7 | 40,828,701 | 93,652,530 | 55 |
| 2002-03 | | | | | | | 88,655,627 | 53 |
| Notes | | | | | | | Includes equipment and AV loans | |
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| Top 10 busiest libraries (issues) | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Library | Authority | Total no. of issues 2013-14 |
| Norfolk and Norwich Millenium | Norfolk | 1,124,406 |
| Worcester - The Hive | Worcestershire | 903,859 |
| Oxford Central | Oxfordshire | 605,530 |
| Llanelli | Carmarthenshire | 601,182 |
| Cardiff Central | Cardiff | 581,779 |
| Cambridge Central | Cambridgeshire | 555,101 |
| Chelmsford | Essex | 503,233 |
| Chesterfield | Derbyshire | 471,792 |
| West Bridgford | Nottinghamshire | 457,675 |
| Jubilee | Brighton & Hove | 451,619 |

Source: CIPFA public library actuals

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Users and Visits

| Public Library members | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | Population | Active borrowers |
| 2013-14 | 64,103,800 | 9,883,258 |
| 2012-13 | 63,702,000 | 10,321,235 |
| 2011-12 | 63,223,600 | 11,411,561 |
| 2010-11 | 62,260,000 | 11,919,554 |
| 2009-10 | 61,789,500 | 12,078,412 |
| 2008-09 | 61,380,700 | 12,267,309 |
| 2007-08 | 60,973,200 | 12,607,734 |
| 2006-07 | 60,585,200 | 13,034,698 |
| 2005-06 | 60,207,100 | 13,509,722 |
| 2004-05 | 59,855,500 | 13,808,110 |
| 2003-04 | 59,574,400 | 14,812,489 |
| Source | <i>CIPFA public library actuals</i> | <i>CIPFA public library actuals</i> |

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Users and Visits

| Library visits | | | | |
|----------------|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| | Public libraries | | Academic libraries | |
| | Visits | Visits per active borrower | Visits | Visits per student |
| 2013-14 | 282,332,177 | 28.6 | | |
| 2012-13 | 288,043,871 | 27.9 | 131,174,000 | 69.7 |
| 2011-12 | 306,590,715 | 26.9 | 129,905,000 | 66.9 |
| 2010-11 | 313,987,060 | 26.3 | 127,086,000 | 66.5 |
| 2009-10 | 322,110,781 | 26.7 | 125,666,000 | 66.3 |
| 2008-09 | 324,991,354 | 26.5 | 121,797,000 | 67.6 |
| 2007-08 | 328,485,042 | 26.1 | 118,587,000 | 67.8 |
| 2006-07 | 337,315,984 | 25.9 | 116,990,000 | 67.7 |
| 2005-06 | 342,168,484 | 25.3 | 119,572,000 | 69.9 |
| 2004-05 | 339,707,688 | 24.6 | 122,261,000 | 72.8 |
| 2003-04 | 336,950,764 | 22.7 | 123,077,000 | 72.1 |
| 2002-03 | | | 118,344,000 | 71.3 |
| Notes | Since 2010-11 this is the number of visits for library purposes only | | | |
| Source | <i>CIPFA public library actuals</i> | | <i>SCONUL/LISU database</i> | |

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| Periodical prices (Great Britain) | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------|--------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Average prices | 2013 | % increase 13 over 12 ⁽¹⁾ | 2012 | % increase 12 over 11 ⁽¹⁾ | 2011 | % increase 11 over 10 ⁽¹⁾ | 2010 | % increase 10 over 09 ⁽¹⁾ | 2009 | % increase 09 over 08 ⁽¹⁾ | 2008 |
| Social sciences | £594.96 | 5.7 | £565.51 | 4.4 | £520.62 | 6.0 | £547.73 | 3.7 | £510.66 | 3.6 | £443.18 |
| Science | £1,672.37 | 4.9 | £1,560.87 | 5.5 | £1,429.52 | 6.6 | £1,350.48 | 5.1 | £1,245.42 | 4.3 | £1,069.88 |
| Medicine | £980.40 | 6.9 | £1,035.86 | 6.2 | £819.53 | 7.4 | £740.59 | 6.1 | £712.45 | 6.4 | £622.35 |
| Technology | £979.28 | 5.3 | £1,112.42 | 4.6 | £867.22 | 7.1 | £816.69 | 4.3 | £722.89 | 4.8 | £642.19 |
| Humanities | £230.10 | 7.7 | £212.30 | 5.0 | £199.14 | 7.5 | £199.78 | 4.4 | £164.21 | 5.4 | £167.00 |
| General | £449.37 | 6.9 | £270.93 | 3.6 | £281.73 | 3.1 | £262.26 | 2.8 | £285.86 | 2.3 | £288.69 |
| No of Titles ⁽¹⁾ | 27,117 | | 24,470 | | 24,343 | | 21,755 | | 16,350 | | 18,477 |
| Average all subjects ⁽²⁾ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| UK | £817.75 | 5.7 | £792.98 | 5.1 | £686.29 | 6.6 | £652.92 | 4.6 | £606.92 | 4.5 | £538.88 |
| USA | \$1,188.63 | 6.5 | \$1,106.06 | 4.5 | \$1,023.79 | 6.9 | \$1,113.17 | 5.2 | \$1,151.28 | 7.3 | \$906.22 |
| EURO Region | € 884.32 | 4.7 | € 909.77 | 5.5 | € 828.76 | 5.7 | € 775.82 | 5.2 | € 703.36 | 7.6 | € 669.34 |
| Europe (exc UK & € region) ⁽³⁾ | € 460.08 | 2.7 | € 557.23 | 1.8 | € 441.54 | 1.7 | € 353.22 | 3.0 | € 920.51 | 3.4 | € 793.53 |
| ⁽¹⁾ Titles are included when the price can be directly compared to the previous year, and % increases based on this | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ⁽²⁾ Local domestic price only | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ⁽³⁾ Note that the number of titles on which the average price and price increases are based varies markedly from year to year | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source: Swets Information Services | | | | | | | | | | | Updated 04/11/13 |

| Consumer book sales | | | | |
|---------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | Average price paid (£) | Change over previous yr | Sales volume (m) | Change over previous yr |
| 2014 | 7.66 | 0.4% | 180.6 | -1.9% |
| 2013 | 7.63 | 2.9% | 184.1 | -10.4% |
| 2012 | 7.42 | -0.4% | 205.5 | 0.3% |
| 2011 | 7.51 | 1.2% | 206.2 | -10.3% |
| 2010 | 7.41 | 0.0% | 229.9 | -2.4% |
| 2009 | 7.41 | -0.2% | 235.7 | 7.7% |
| 2008 | 7.43 | -1.8% | 218.8 | -5.8% |
| 2007 | 7.56 | 0.5% | 232.3 | 5.1% |
| 2006 | 7.52 | -0.5% | 220.9 | 6.3% |
| 2005 | 7.56 | 2.7% | 207.8* | - |
| 2004 | 7.36 | -0.4% | 145.8 | 6.9% |

* Sales volume figures up to 2004 are calculated according to BookScan's GRM (General Retail Market), while those for 2005 are calculated according to TCM (Total Consumer Market). Since this adds to GRM book sales from important non-high street channels such as internet retailers, selected supermarkets and chains, the figures are not strictly comparable.

Source: *The Bookseller* Updated 30/4/15

