



PUBLIC LIBRARY AUTHORITY
STATISTICS
ACTUALS
2008

An Chomhairle Leabharlanna was established by the *Public Libraries Act, 1947*. The functions of the Council, as outlined in the *Local Government Act, 2001* are:

- to provide advice and assistance to local authorities in relation to the improvement of the public library service
- to make such recommendations to the Minister in relation to the public library service as it sees fit
- to maintain and operate the central library established under Section 2 of the *Public Libraries Act, 1947 (No.40 of 1947)*
- to promote and facilitate library co-operation
- Since 31st December 2008 An Chomhairle has had responsibility for the management of the [Public Lending Remuneration \(PLR\) Scheme](#), established by the *Copyright and Related Rights (Amendment) Act, 2007*.

Statistical series issued by An Chomhairle Leabharlanna:

Public Library Authorities Annual Budgets
Public Library Authority Statistics - Actuals. (Annual)

Statistical data on Irish public libraries also appear in:

Public Library Statistics – Estimates & Actuals. - London: CIPFA, (Annual)

Cover photograph (courtesy of *thedesignconcept*) shows Tallaght Library, South Dublin County Council, one of 6 new libraries providing an expanded service in 2008.

Further details of these libraries, and others, can be found on

www.librarybuildings.ie

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INTRODUCTION

Branching Out, the government's policy document for the future of the public library service, was launched by the Minister for the Environment and Local Government in 1998. This report on library authority statistical returns for 2008 provides a snapshot of the first 10 years of the *Branching Out*¹ programme of development.

The records submitted by the public library authorities for 2008 represent the highest recorded figures for income, expenditure, staffing, collections and issues since An Chomhairle began publishing the statistical returns.²

The number of libraries increased to **353**³ in 2008. Local authorities opened **six** new libraries in 2008, all offering increased services and co-funded by the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government:

- [Abbeyleix Library](#), Laois County Council,
- [Castleisland Library](#), Kerry County Council,
- [Monaghan Branch Library and County Library HQ](#),
- [County Library Headquarters](#), Limerick County Council,
- [Malahide Library](#), Fingal County Council,
- [Tallaght Library](#), South Dublin County Council.

Local authorities increased the opening hours for public libraries by **35%** in the past decade (from **7,902** hours per week in 1999 to **10,626** in 2008). Most libraries now open on Saturdays and in the evening. Staffing levels grew by **35%** from **1,359** to **1,834** from 1999 to 2008 to accommodate the improvements in service.

The number of public access Internet terminals in 2008 for public use was **1,944**.

An Chomhairle commends the authorities on these improvements and acknowledges the support of the Minister in providing financial assistance. There are, however, measures to be addressed in order to make the public library service open and welcoming spaces in all communities. Attention is drawn to sustaining investment and increasing the usage of libraries for all members of society. The following issues are of particular concern:

- Charges for use of the library are a barrier. In 2008, **20** authorities levied an annual charge on adult members ranging from **€2.50** to **€15.00** per annum. Adult membership was declining in 2008. Anecdotal evidence seems to indicate increasing usage in 2010. Economic barriers to access in this period of economic downturn pose challenges to users and local authorities. The benefit of free access outweighs the value of monies received. Local authorities are urged to review this matter, where appropriate. Charges, including internet access, should be reassessed in order to deliver all services to more users.

¹ Branching out: a new public library service. (Stationery Office, 1998)

² *Public library statistics, 1978-1985*. (An Chomhairle Leabharlanna, 1988)

³ Service points open to the public in December 2008; does not include those closed for refurbishment, etc.

- A marketing drive for membership, particularly for adults, in each authority would pay dividends. An Chomhairle would be happy to assist authorities in this matter.
- Relevant stock remains crucial, particularly as part of a wider community recovery strategy, notwithstanding the severe economic climate in which local authorities now operate.

An Chomhairle thanks the Mayors, Members, County and City Managers, County and City Librarians and staff of the public library authorities together with the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government and the Local Government Management Services Board for their continuing support and for their assistance in compiling these figures. An Chomhairle acknowledges the support of the Department of Education and Science in providing data relating to the Primary School Library Grant Scheme.

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OVERVIEW, 2007 to 2008

An Chomhairle Leabharlanna is once again pleased to present the detailed statistical returns from 32 local authority library.

The returns for the year 2008 show sustained improvements in service delivery throughout the country. There is a noted improvement in services provided by individual authorities contributing to a very positive national return.

The major changes recorded in the 2008 returns submitted by the 32 library authorities in Ireland, when compared with the previous year are, as follows:

Income

- Recurrent income increased by **6.5%** from **€119,199,955** to **€126,950,101**;
- Combined recurrent and capital incomes reported by local authorities decreased by **1.2%** from **€134,970,235** to **€133,414,928**;
- Overall, this represents a decrease in the per capita figure from **€31.83** to **€31.47** for total income.

Expenditure

- Recurrent expenditure has risen by **7.6%** from **€117,978,342** to **€126,923,924**;
- Expenditure on staff rose by **5.4%** from **€71** million to **€75** million;
- Expenditure on stock has risen by **6.4%** from **€15,816,454** to **€16,833,541**. Per capita expenditure increased from **€3.73** per head of population to **€3.97**;
- Expenditure on stock in 2008 accounted nationally for **13.3%** of the overall budget as opposed to **13.4%** in the previous year.

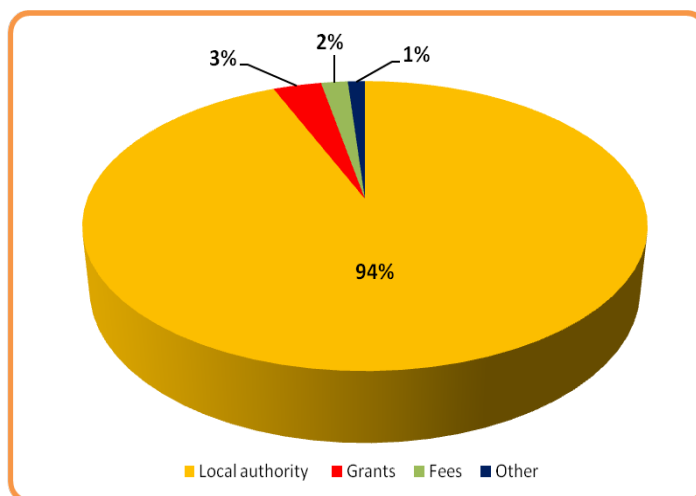


Chart 1: Sources of Recurrent Expenditure, 2008

- Capital expenditure as recorded by public library authorities decreased by **35%** from **€19,537,394** in 2007 to **€12,700,159** in 2008.
- The Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government provided capital grants totaling €16.5 million which included €14.2 million for library buildings, mobile libraries and delivery vans, €1.3 million subsidy on leases, and a further €1 million for other programmes, including the Public Library Research and, Changing Libraries programmes and *Rediscover*, the reader development support for library authorities.
- Total local authority expenditure on libraries (recurrent and capital) increased by **1.5%** from **€137,515,736** to **€139,624,083**.

Collections

Figures for 2008 recorded an increase in the number of print based materials being added to stock, as compared with 2007 and higher lending of multimedia resources:

- Public libraries collectively hold **13.7** million items of stock;
- **1.3** million new items of stock were offered to the public during 2008;
- **114,194** new multimedia materials were offered,
- **1,186,642** books were added to stock
- **775,196** books were withdrawn in 2008.

Issues

- Total items issued increased by **7%** from **14,860,053** to **15,928,086**;
- Multimedia issues increased by **24%** from **1,734,792** to **2,143,360**;
- Book issues rose by **5%** from **13,125,261** to **13,784,726**.

Membership

- Active membership⁴ decreased by **0.6%** from **765,308** to **760,753**;
- The percentage of the population registered as members of the public library service remains at **18%**;
- Children's membership in 2008 of **307,362** showed a **3%** increase on **298,128** in 2007;
- Adult membership fell by **3%** from **467,180** to **453,391**.

Service points

- The total number of branch libraries open to the public has increased from **352** to **353**;
- **101** libraries are now open to the public for more than 40 hours per week, compared with **93** in the previous year;
- The overall number of hours open to the public has increased by **252** per week, or **2%**, from **10,398** to **10,626**;
- **344** or **97%** of the total of **353** branches provide public access to the Internet via **1,944** dedicated terminals;
- The number of stops made by mobile libraries has increased from **1,343** to **1,422**

⁴ An 'active' member is defined as one who has borrowed at least one item, or attended one internet session, during the year.

SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENTS, 2004-2008

Income (see Summary Table 1)

- Recurrent income increased by **41.5%** from **€89.7** million in 2004 to **€126.9** million in 2008.

Expenditure (see Summary Table 2)

- Recurrent expenditure increased by **43%** from **€88.8** million to **€126.9** million;

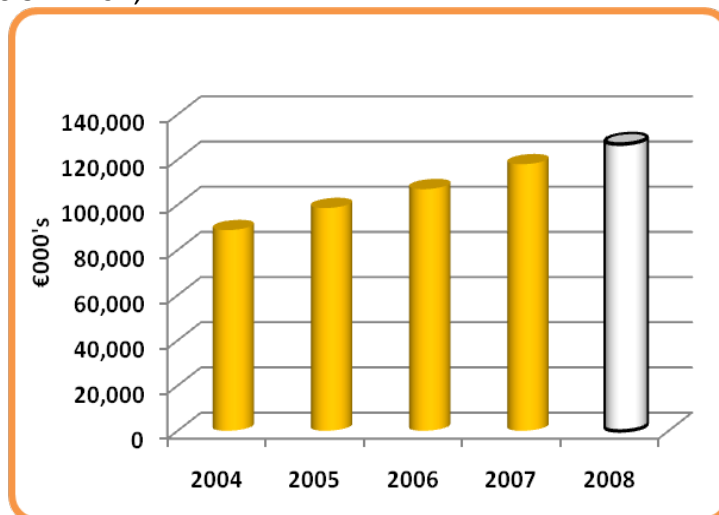


Chart 2: *Total recurrent expenditure*

- Current expenditure on stock increased by **38.3%** from **€12.2** million to **€16.8** million;

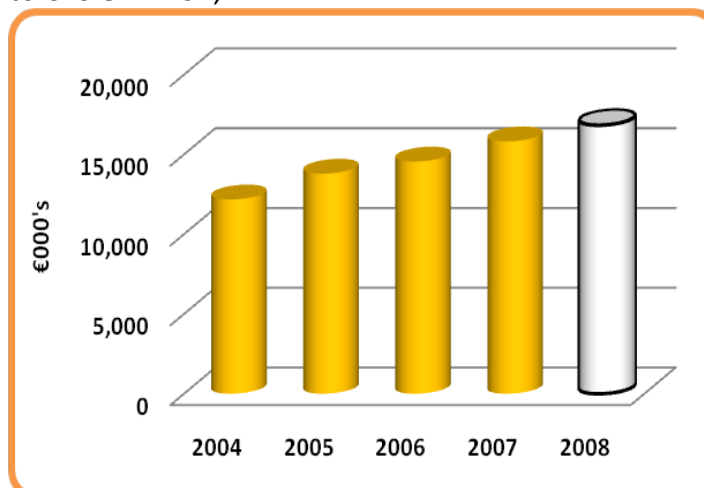


Chart 3: *Expenditure on stock*

- Estimated future expenditure on stock, however, anticipates a decline of at least one-third between 2008 and 2010

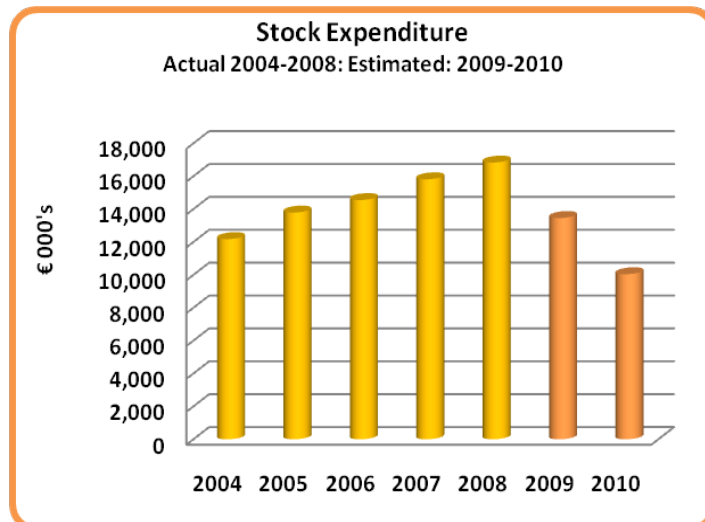


Chart 4: *Expenditure on stock: Actual, 2004-2008; Estimated, 2009-2010.*

- Capital expenditure reported by public library authorities decreased by **17%** from **€15.3** million to **€12.7** million;

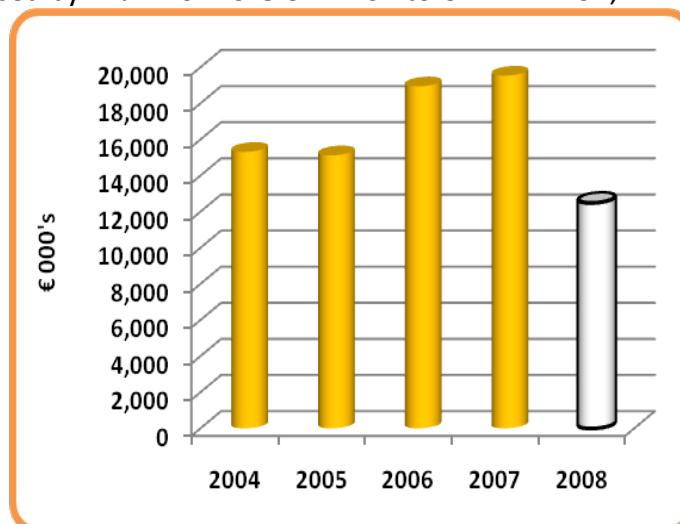


Chart 5: *Capital expenditure*

- Total expenditure (recurrent and capital) increased by **34%** from **€104** million to **€139.6** million.

Collections (see Summary Table 4)

- Multimedia stock increased by **112.1%** from **425,858** to **903,523** in the five years to 2008;
- Collections of books decreased by **1%** from **13** million to **12.8** million⁵.

⁵ The decrease in book stock between 2004 and 2005 reflects overall stock revision in a number of authorities. Chart 6 shows that the number of withdrawn books increased by 126% between 2004 and 2005.

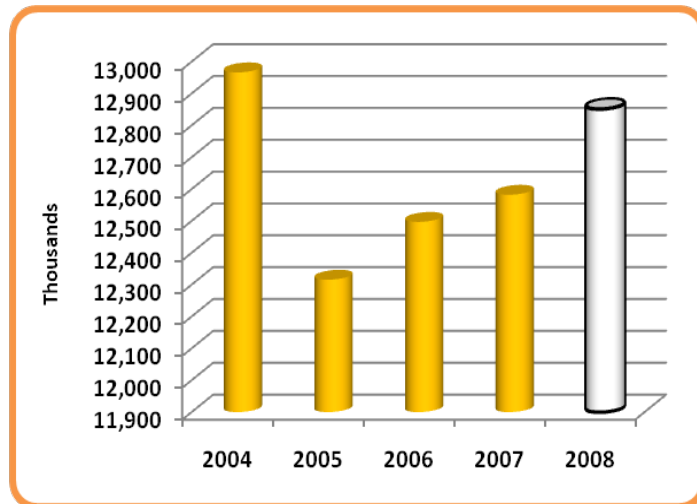


Chart 6: *Book stock*

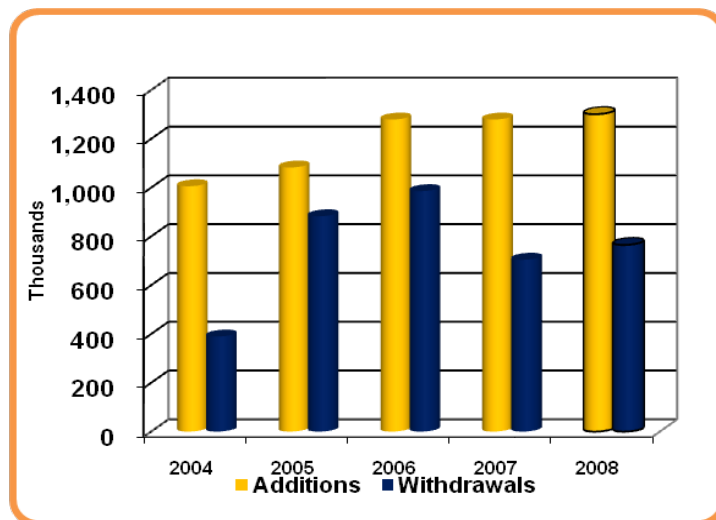


Chart 7: *Stock additions and withdrawals*

Issues (see Summary Table 5)

Multimedia stock issues showed an increase of **84.3%** from **1.2** million to **2.1** million. This represents **12%** of all loans, compared with **8%** in 2004.

- Book issues increased by **1.3%**, from **13.6** to **13.8** million;
- Total issues (books + multimedia) recorded an overall increase of **7.9%** from **14.8** million to **15.9** million.

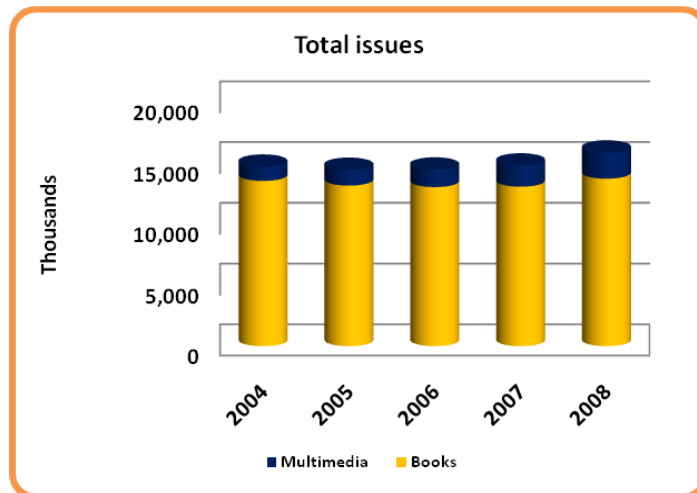


Chart 8: Issues

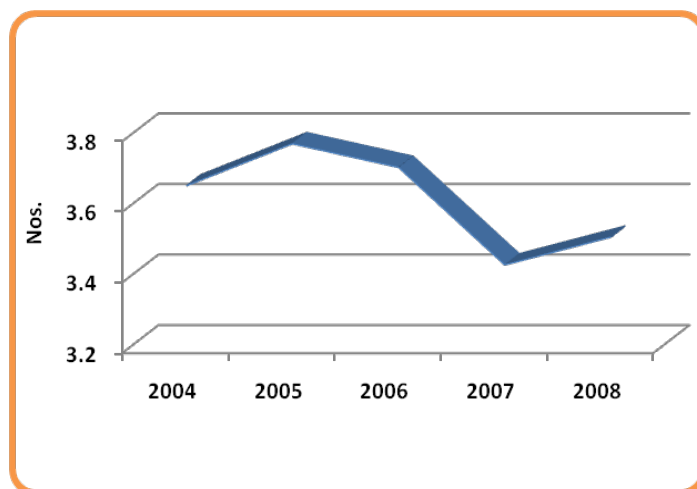


Chart 9: Total issues per capita⁶

Membership (see Summary Table 5.1)

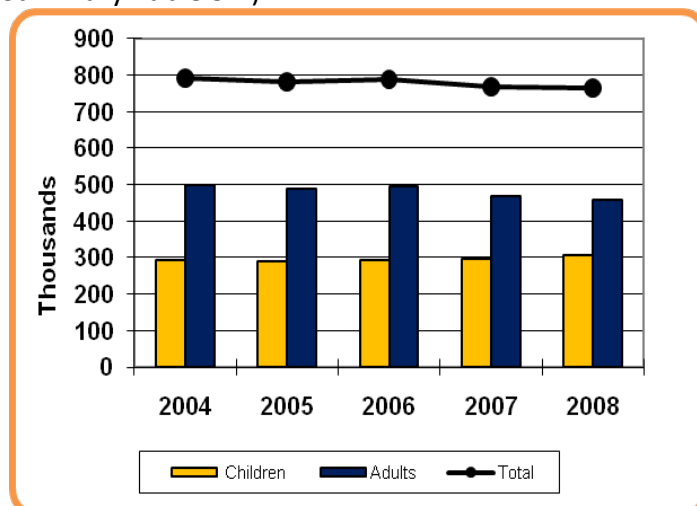


Chart 10: Active membership

- Active⁷ membership decreased by 4% from 792,420 to 760,753;

⁶ The apparent drop in the number of loans per capita in 2007 is partly due to the application of the newly released 2006 Census data which recorded an increase in population of 8%.

- The percentage of the population registered as members of the public library service fell from **20%** to **18%**;
- Children's membership increased **by 5%** from **292,610** to **307,362**;
- Adult membership decreased by **9%** from **499,810** to **453,391**.

Service points (see Summary Table 6)

- The total number of branch libraries increased by **4** to **353** since 2004;
- Opening hours per week are now **11%** higher than in 2004;

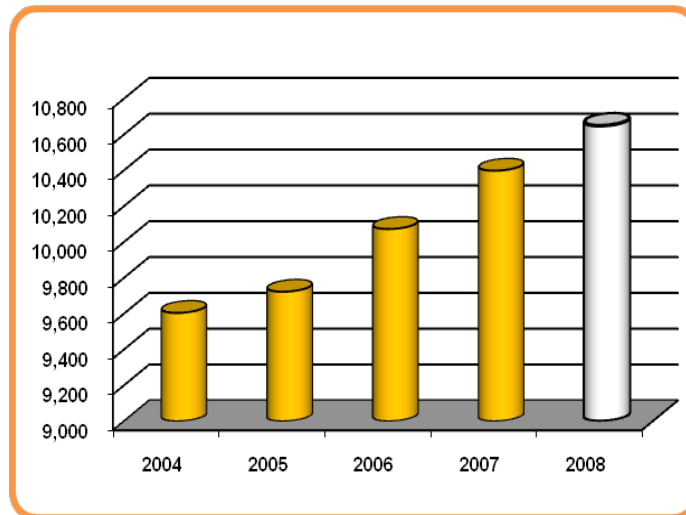


Chart 11: *Hours open to the public per week*

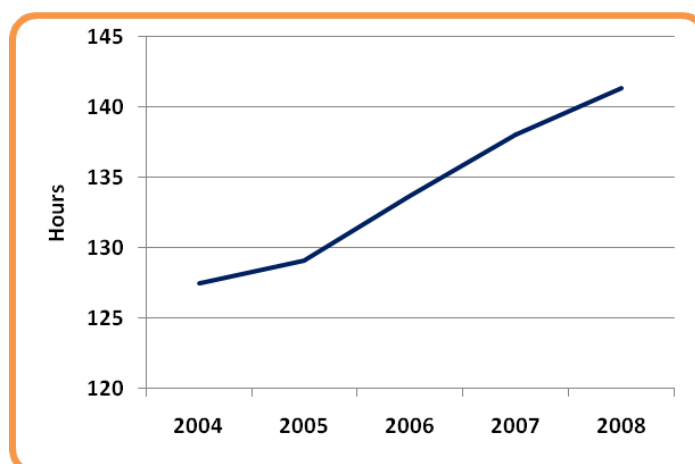


Chart 12: *Aggregate number of opening hours per 1,000 resident population*

⁷ An 'active' member is defined as one who has borrowed at least one item, or attended one internet session, during the year.

- The number of branch libraries open for more than 40 hours per week increased by **24** since 2004;

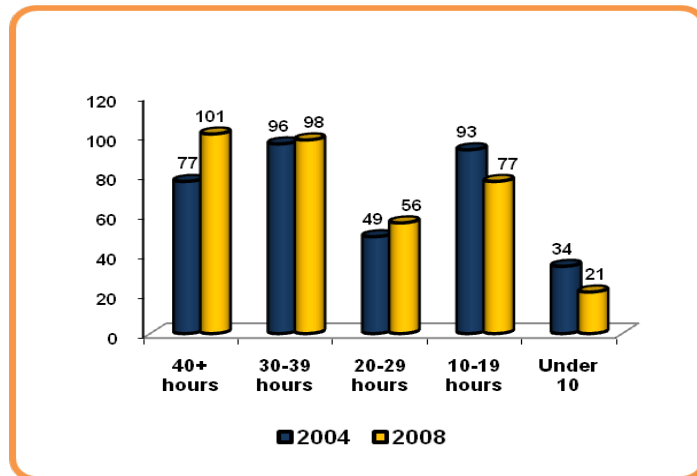


Chart 13: Comparison between 2004 and 2008 of the number of libraries open by hours open per week

- The number of full-time branches (i.e. open for 30 or more hours per week) rose from **173** to **199**
- The number of mobile library units remains at **31**.

*Service Indicators in Local Authorities*⁸ for 2008 recorded that:

77% of **full time** libraries are open to the public during lunchtime

- **90%** are open for at least one evening during the week
- **89%** are open for a period on Saturdays.
- The number of visitors to full-time branches was reported as being **14.2 million**⁹
- The percentage of libraries providing public internet access in 2008 was **97%**

⁸ Service Indicators in Local Authorities 2008: report to the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government by the Local Government Management Services Board (June 2009), p. 28
<http://www.lgmsb.ie/Upload/documents/Service%20Indicators%20in%20Local%20Authorities%202008.pdf>

⁹ Data extrapolated from *Service Indicators in Local Authorities 2008: report to the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government by the Local Government Management Services Board* (June 2009)

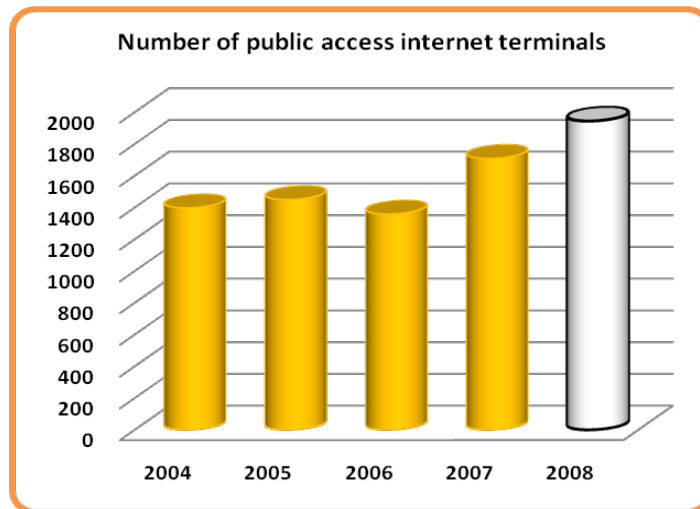


Chart 14: *Number of public access internet terminals*

- a total of **1,707,793** internet sessions were provided ⁴

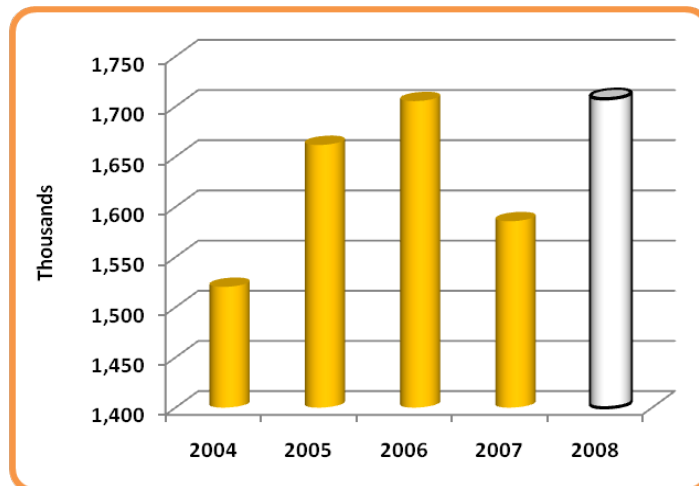


Chart 15: *Number of internet session provided to the public* ¹⁰

¹⁰ Data extrapolated from *Service Indicators in Local Authorities 2008: report to the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government by the Local Government Management Services Board* (June 2009)

Summary Tables, 2004-2008

Summary table 1: Income: recurrent and capital (€)

Recurrent income	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	% change over 2004	% change over 2007
Total	89,710,317	100,612,353	107,401,132	119,199,955	126,950,101	+41.5	+6.5
Per capita	22.90	25.68	27.42	28.11	29.94		
Capital income ⁽¹⁾	7,738,614	12,243,026	11,039,784	15,770,280	6,464,827	-16.5	-59
Total income (recurrent plus capital)	97,448,931	112,855,379	118,440,916	134,970,235	133,414,928	+36.9	-1.2
Per capita	24.88	28.81	30.24	31.83	31.47		

Note: ⁽¹⁾ Includes capital grants made by the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government. The capital income returns are as notified by local authorities.

Summary table 1.1: Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government's capital allocations (€)

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Buildings & vehicles	8,525,900	8,954,291	11,039,782	15,767,789	14,186,358
Subsidy [Leases & loans]	779,003	767,801	738,206	843,196	1,294,692
Information Society	with Other	with Other	with Other	with Other	with Other
Stock	with Buildings & Vehicles	with Buildings & Vehicles	with Buildings & Vehicles	with Buildings & Vehicles	with Buildings & Vehicles
Other	914,448	1,415,720	262,354	857,588	615,369
TOTAL	10,219,351	11,137,812	12,040,342	17,468,573	16,096,419

Summary table 2: Expenditure: recurrent and capital (€)

Recurrent expenditure	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	% change over 2004	% change over 2007
Total	88,821,984	98,602,596	106,954,748	117,978,342	126,923,924	+42.9	+7.6
Per capita: Acquisitions	3.11	3.52	3.72	3.73	3.97		
Total	22.67	25.17	27.30	27.83	29.94		
Capital expenditure	15,313,075	15,122,291	18,941,550	19,537,394	12,700,159	-17.1	-35
Total expenditure (recurrent plus capital)	104,135,059	113,724,887	125,896,298	137,515,736	139,624,083	+34.1	+1.5
Per capita	26.58	29.03	32.14	32.43	32.93		

Data supplied by public library authorities

Summary table 3: Staffing* (Nos.)

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Professional	372	375	404	435	437
Para-professional	1,044	1,059	1,122	1,130	1,177
Support	211	213	213	219	220
Total	1,627	1,647	1,740	1,784	1,834

* see Notes on the returns

Summary table 4: Collections (Nos.)

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	% change over 2004	% change over 2007
Books:	12,966,368	12,315,589 *	12,497,148	12,582,311	12,802,539	-1.3	+1.8
Multimedia items:	425,858	473,538	739,085	866,296	903,523	+112.2	+4.3
Additions to stock:							
Books	952,340	1,012,634	1,100,255	1,142,058	1,186,642	+24.6	+3.9
Multimedia items	53,291	69,954	179,044	137,120	114,194	+114.3	-16.7
Additions per head of population:	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3		
Withdrawals:							
Books	389,669	882,778	985,653	704,506	775,196	+98.9	+10
Multimedia items	16,034	11,270	25,945	29,290	38,239	+138.5	+30.65

* see Notes on the returns (Page 31)

Summary table 5: Issues (Nos.)

Books	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	% change over 2004	% change over 2007
Children's	5,356,640	5,357,323	5,407,920	5,570,520	6,069,374	+13.3	+9
Adult issues	8,245,404	7,855,618	7,687,195	7,554,741	7,715,352	-6.4	+2.1
Total book issues	13,602,044	13,212,941	13,095,115	13,125,261	13,784,726	+1.3	+5%
Multimedia	1,163,130	1,290,080	1,430,157	1,734,792	2,143,360	+84.3	+23.6
Total issues	14,765,174	14,503,021	14,525,273	14,860,053	15,928,086	+7.9	+7.2

Summary table 5.1: Membership (Nos.)

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	% change over 2004	% change over 2007
Children (0-14)	292,610	291,093	293,083	298,128	307,362	+5	+3.1
Adults (15+)	499,810	490,145	495,355	467,180	453,391	-9.3	-3
Total	792,420	781,238	788,438	765,308	760,753	-4	-0.6
As % of population							
Children (0-14)	35.4	35.2	35.4	34.5	35.6		
Adult (15+)	16.2	15.9	16	13.8	13.4		
Total population	20.2	19.9	20.1	18.1	17.9		

Summary table 6: Service points (Nos.)

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Branch libraries	349	351	354	352	353
Total number of hours open per week	9,605	9,723	10,073	10,398.5	10,626
Other service points *	652	654	698	705	751
Centres	98	63	58	65	62
Mobile units	31	29.5**	29.5**	30.5**	31.5
Number of stops	1,284	1,275	1,238	1,343	1,422
Agency services	13	12	12	10	14
Total number of service points	1,143	1,110	1,152	1,163	1,211.5

* Other service points include non-agency services to hospitals, day centres, etc.

** Includes cross border mobile which is shared by Donegal County council and the Western Education and Library Board

Summary table 7: Services to schools (Nos.)

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
No. of schools served	3,266	3,177	3,253	3,236	3,090
Pupil population served*	447,543	447,142	460,004	539,846	446,912

Note: Includes primary and second level schools

* figures as supplied by public library authorities

Summary table 7.1: National primary school pupil population

Academic year	No. of pupils *	% change on previous year	Primary pupils as % of 0-14 population	Grant per pupil €	Total allocation €
2008/2009	498,786	+2.5	57.7	0	0
2007/2008	486,444	+3.3	56.3	4.52	2,198,727
2006/2007	470,944	+2.8	54.5	4.52	2,128,667
2005/2006	458,114	+2.2	55.4	4.52	2,070,675
2004/2005	448,243	+0.62	54.2	4.52	2,026,058

* Figures supplied by the Department of Education & Science

Key:

0 Denotes nil or not applicable

* * Denotes data not available

// Denotes too small to be significant

The data given is as supplied by individual authorities to An Chomhairle Leabharlanna.

All additional data supplied by An Chomhairle from other sources is shown in green.

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 1: INCOME.											€
	Population {2006}	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	(ix)	(x)
		Local Authority contribution	Grants				Membership charges	Overdues & reservation fees	Other	TOTAL	Income per head of resident population
AUTHORITY			An Chomhairle Leabharlanna	Department of Education & Science	Other	TOTAL					
County Councils:											
Carlow	50,349	1,274,450	0	29,163	20,438	49,601	16,432	13,051	7,780	1,361,314	27.04
Cavan	64,003	2,098,154	0	39,134	23,460	62,594	0	14,543	38,481	2,213,772	34.59
Clare	110,950	3,068,963	0	58,236	0	58,236	99,137	<	19,490	3,245,826	29.25
Cork	361,877	9,383,889	0	182,020	439	182,459	212,637	27,243	133,601	9,939,829	27.47
Donegal	147,264	3,492,092	22,000	82,956	41,000	145,956	0	86,069	4,887	3,729,004	25.32
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	194,038	5,639,992	0	73,134	11,564	84,698	0	155,110	4,921	5,884,721	30.33
Fingal	239,992	8,634,500	85,000	125,846	0	210,846	0	205,743	10,621	9,061,710	37.76
Galway	231,670	4,166,782	140,893	124,018	24,000	288,911	41,679	33,571	21,940	4,552,883	19.65
Kerry	139,835	3,225,000	2,649	70,354	12,764	85,767	24,501	9,134	17,258	3,361,660	24.04
Kildare	186,335	4,666,141	0	112,864	4,000	116,864	93,038	0	0	4,876,043	26.17
Kilkenny	87,558	1,930,205	15,335	45,367	0	60,702	40,525	35,492	22,157	2,089,081	23.86
Laois	67,059	1,702,445	0	37,643	12,000	49,643	74,924	0	99,707	1,926,719	28.73
Leitrim	28,950	1,619,409	18,138	15,128	0	33,266	33,705	0	28,271	1,714,651	59.23
Limerick	131,516	2,968,534	0	61,300	15,400	76,700	0	0	0	3,045,234	23.15
Longford	34,391	1,232,880	0	20,462	18,038	38,500	5,940	9,001	10,923	1,297,244	37.72
Louth	111,267	2,144,841	0	67,777	0	67,777	24,669	39,102	16,352	2,292,741	20.61
Mayo	123,839	3,142,575	0	64,260	0	64,260	43,979	34,576	3,590	3,288,980	26.56
Meath	162,831	2,699,888	0	95,747	113,865	209,612	0	53,216	14,664	2,977,380	18.29
Monaghan	55,997	1,683,487	0	30,153	0	30,153	7,224	2,974	6,817	1,730,655	30.91
Offaly	70,868	1,382,754	0	43,238	0	43,238	22,967	7,619	64,302	1,520,880	21.46
Roscommon	58,768	1,716,000	0	30,800	0	30,800	5,300	15,800	3,100	1,771,000	30.14
Sligo	60,894	1,749,470	28,093	31,541	1,331	60,965	0	16,105	0	1,826,540	30.00
South Dublin	246,935	7,341,621	133,364	132,992	2,149	268,505	0	133,364	30,320	7,773,810	31.48
Tipperary JLC	149,244	3,083,448	1,905	81,256	78,000	161,161	44,702	18,677	239,606	3,547,594	23.77
Waterford	62,213	1,627,771	0	32,842	50,152	82,994	16,084	10,983	15,889	1,753,721	28.19
Westmeath	79,346	1,810,547	0	46,484	0	46,484	24,651	27,861	60,344	1,969,887	24.83
Wexford	131,749	2,540,810	0	76,609	0	76,609	0	24,052	21,888	2,663,359	20.22
Wicklow	126,194	3,046,439	0	67,579	7,000	74,579	0	61,502	4,524	3,187,044	25.26
Total: 28	3,515,932	89,073,087	447,377	1,878,903	435,600	2,761,880	832,094	1,034,788	901,433	94,603,282	26.91
City Councils:											
Cork	119,418	4,755,516	10,000	65,129	467,948	543,077	107,888	25,413	104,630	5,536,524	46.36
Dublin	506,211	21,661,435	464,864	198,478	64,040	727,382	0	240,091	392,835	23,021,743	45.48
Limerick	52,539	1,672,457	96,370	30,700	5,000	132,070	0	5,534	72,752	1,882,813	35.84
Waterford	45,748	1,779,407	4,160	27,405	0	31,565	57,118	24,520	13,129	1,905,739	41.66
Total: 4	723,916	29,868,815	575,394	321,712	536,988	1,434,094	165,006	295,558	583,346	32,346,819	44.68
TOTAL: 32	4,239,848	118,941,902	1,022,771	2,200,615	972,588	4,195,974	997,100	1,330,346	1,484,779	126,950,101	29.94

Public Library Statistics, 2008: Table 1.1: CAPITAL INCOME						€
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)
Authority	Acquisitions	Automation	Buildings	Vehicles	Other	TOTAL
County Councils:						
Carlow	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cavan	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clare	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cork	0	0	0	0	0	0
Donegal	0	0	110,933	0	0	110,933
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	0	0	53,136	0	0	53,136
Fingal	430,987	0	413,849	177,619	15,400	1,037,855
Galway	60,000	0	40,952	0	0	100,952
Kerry	106,553	0	0	0	0	106,553
Kildare	81,767	0	415,575	0	39,500	536,842
Kilkenny	32,000	0	0	0	150,000	182,000
Laois	0	0	872,460	0	0	872,460
Leitrim	0	0	187,088	0	0	187,088
Limerick	0	0	730,232	0	0	730,232
Longford	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louth	0	0	36,646	0	0	36,646
Mayo	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meath	0	0	0	31,500	0	31,500
Monaghan	0	0	819,471	0	0	819,471
Offaly	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roscommon	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sligo	0	0	60,405	52,822	0	113,227
South Dublin	0	0	936,978	0	0	936,978
Tipperary JLC	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waterford	0	0	30,000	0	0	30,000
Westmeath	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wexford	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wicklow	0	0	62,137	33,542	0	95,679
Total: 28	711,307	0	4,769,862	295,483	204,900	5,981,552
City Councils:						
Cork	0	0	417,630	0	20,098	437,728
Dublin	0	0	0	0	0	0
Limerick	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waterford	15,000	0	0	30,547	0	45,547
Total: 4	15,000	0	417,630	30,547	20,098	483,275
TOTAL:32	726,307	0	5,187,492	326,030	224,998	6,464,827

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 1.2: DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT CAPITAL GRANTS						€
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)
Authority	Acquisitions	Automation	Buildings	Vehicles	Other	TOTAL
County Councils:						
Carlow	0	0	19,034	0	0	19,034
Cavan	0	0	366,192	0	0	366,192
Clare	0	0	107,819	0	0	107,819
Cork	0	0	3,867,476	105,012	0	3,972,488
Donegal	0	0	85,818	0	0	85,818
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fingal	0	0	844,836	177,619	0	1,022,455
Galway	0	0	231,599	0	0	231,599
Kerry	0	0	536,932	0	0	536,932
Kildare	0	0	294,230	0	0	294,230
Kilkenny	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laois	0	0	958,702	0	0	958,702
Leitrim	0	0	48,893	0	0	48,893
Limerick	0	0	1,490,278	0	0	1,490,278
Longford	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louth	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mayo	0	0	210,266	0	0	210,266
Meath	0	0	74,752	31,500	0	106,252
Monaghan	0	0	2,472,039	0	0	2,472,039
Offaly	0	0	260,843	0	0	260,843
Roscommon	0	0	0	52,245	0	52,245
Sligo	0	0	60,405	52,822	0	113,227
South Dublin	0	0	936,979	0	0	936,979
Tipperary JLC	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waterford	0	0	0	0	0	0
Westmeath	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wexford	0	0	62,565	0	0	62,565
Wicklow	0	0	62,136	33,542	0	95,678
Total: 28	0	0	12,991,794	452,740	0	13,444,534
City Councils:						
Cork	0	0	601,461	0	0	601,461
Dublin	0	0	0	0	0	0
Limerick	0	0	109,814	0	0	109,814
Waterford	0	0	0	30,547	0	30,547
Total: 4	0	0	711,275	30,547	0	741,822
TOTAL: 32	0	0	13,703,069	483,287	0	14,186,356

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 2: EXPENDITURE - Salaries and stock.											€
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	(ix)	(x)	(xi)
Authority	Salaries	ACQUISITIONS							€ spent on acquisitions per head	€ spent on acquisitions per head pop.	BINDING
		Books			Multimedia	Serials	Other	TOTAL			
		Adults	Children's	Primary School Library Grant							
		including primary school grant	excluding primary school grant								
County Councils:											
Carlow	752,358	71,667	in column (ii)	29,139	29,568	11,629	0	142,003	2.82	2.24	769
Cavan	1,086,174	82,744	25,591	42,217	19,652	13,322	339	183,865	2.87	2.21	3,032
Clare	2,248,060	336,442	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	10,733	14,257	0	361,432	3.26	3.26	2,425
Cork	3,398,628	583,688	261,381	182,254	276,196	114,391	82,781	1,500,691	4.15	3.64	142
Donegal	2,132,612	260,976	67,725	88,920	54,762	38,071	45,378	555,832	3.77	3.17	0
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	3,552,590	305,875	165,961	78,055	274,733	72,902	0	897,526	4.63	4.22	36,910
Fingal	6,038,380	753,959	223,972	224,535	295,560	166,855	0	1,664,881	6.94	6.00	0
Galway	2,771,573	327,453	161,000	119,214	23,067	36,216	0	666,950	2.88	2.36	2,090
Kerry	1,995,801	256,416	96,580	70,354	53,250	16,413	0	493,013	3.53	3.02	5,987
Kildare	2,802,254	166,585	170,497	112,864	194,158	13,760	0	657,864	3.53	2.92	0
Kilkenny	1,347,187	122,860	47,618	38,317	21,681	16,817	8,080	255,373	2.92	2.48	0
Laois	1,150,523	222,985	in column (ii)	37,643	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	151,440	412,068	6.14	5.58	0
Leitrim	797,000	97,107	in column (ii)	15,758	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	112,865	3.90	3.35	0
Limerick	1,982,075	241,494	64,963	86,792	0	17,270	8,251	418,770	3.18	2.52	0
Longford	866,547	90,000	in column (ii)	19,712	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	109,712	3.19	2.62	0
Louth	1,377,150	150,117	113,942	0	29,159	8,942	0	302,160	2.72	2.72	1,767
Mayo	2,359,000	144,900	118,000	0	25,000	9,980	0	297,880	2.41	2.41	0
Meath	1,883,890	296,909	in column (ii)	89,155	56,934	13,572	12,088	468,658	2.88	2.33	0
Monaghan	1,026,031	69,193	45,386	in column (ii)	43,065	7,562	0	165,206	2.95	2.95	0
Offaly	989,457	137,101	in column (ii)	42,809	40,013	7,506	0	227,429	3.21	2.61	14,980
Roscommon	907,000	206,000	54,000	51,000	32,000	25,000	35,000	403,000	6.86	5.99	8,000
Sligo	1,026,640	93,769	25,502	31,541	27,496	15,539	7,570	201,417	3.31	2.79	2,048
South Dublin	4,378,329	973,989	in column (ii)	132,992	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	1,106,981	4.48	3.94	0
Tipperary JLC	2,129,877	357,234	in column (ii)	81,256	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	438,490	2.94	2.39	0
Waterford	1,134,421	80,778	22,882	32,842	52,882	10,714	0	200,098	3.22	2.69	640
Westmeath	1,241,434	165,731	in column (ii)	46,060	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	in column (ii)	211,791	2.67	2.09	0
Wexford	1,440,900	347,309	in column (ii)	76,609	in column (ii)	5,000	in column (ii)	428,918	3.26	2.67	0
Wicklow	2,039,255	229,108	70,245	65,329	56,581	18,158	28,305	467,726	3.71	3.19	0
Total: 28	54,855,146	7,172,389	1,735,245	1,795,367	1,616,490	653,876	379,232	13,352,599	3.80	3.29	78,790
City Councils:											
Cork	4,068,526	206,393	104,429	65,666	105,452	35,200	0	517,140	4.33	3.78	12,000
Dublin	13,823,310	1,306,278	307,566	201,928	417,156	249,300	0	2,482,228	4.90	4.50	27,692
Limerick	1,108,788	105,607	34,310	33,137	7,789	3,939	4,328	189,110	3.60	2.97	3,937
Waterford	1,123,374	156,312	27,795	31,324	43,734	31,323	1,976	292,464	6.39	5.71	0
Total: 4	20,123,998	1,774,590	474,100	332,055	574,131	319,762	6,304	3,480,942	4.81	4.35	43,629
TOTAL: 32	74,979,144	8,946,979	2,209,345	2,127,422	2,190,621	973,638	385,536	16,833,541	3.97	3.47	122,419

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 2.1: EXPENDITURE - Premises, Travel, etc..												(€)
	(xii)	(xiii)	(xiv)	(xv)	(xvi)	(xvii)	(xviii)	(xix)	(xx)	(xxi)	(xxii)	(xxiii)
	PREMISES			TRANSPORT & SUBSISTENCE			Library computing costs	Leasing & loan repayments	Contribution to An Chomhairle	Other Expenditure	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	Expenditure per head of resident population
Authority	HQ	Branches	TOTAL	Transport	Travel & Subsistence	TOTAL						
County Councils:												
Carlow	104,998	7,757	112,755	4,865	5,454	10,319	49,235	0	16,854	68,650	1,152,943	22.90
Cavan	249,806	<	249,806	6,634	15,595	22,229	26,473	222,796	21,424	397,972	2,213,771	34.59
Clare	30,409	156,199	186,608	4,570	47,880	52,450	144,910	11,594	37,139	201,208	3,245,826	29.25
Cork	97,763	2,729,128	2,826,891	399,358	209,492	608,850	63,500	0	121,584	1,419,542	9,939,828	27.47
Donegal	71,265	382,920	454,185	0	42,637	42,637	194,981	0	49,295	299,461	3,729,003	25.32
Dun Laoghaire - Rathdown	203,565	554,669	758,234	37,042	15,656	52,698	141,758	0	64,952	375,859	5,880,527	30.31
Fingal	0	372,797	372,797	35,515	25,051	60,566	62,644	147,022	80,335	167,968	8,594,593	35.81
Galway	125,000	293,700	418,700	54,640	42,000	96,640	10,150	0	53,309	533,471	4,552,883	19.65
Kerry	111,614	154,589	266,203	111,614	13,400	125,014	65,119	636,857	46,808	268,002	3,902,804	27.91
Kildare	151,187	480,112	631,299	23,500	44,084	67,584	138,557	225,574	62,373	290,538	4,876,043	26.17
Kilkenny	42,870	195,355	238,225	43,406	18,092	61,498	69,579	11,573	29,309	76,337	2,089,081	23.86
Laois	15,566	171,022	186,588	2,923	12757	15,680	34,616	60,500	22,447	44,297	1,926,719	28.73
Leitrim	120,216	<	120,216	0	31,227	31,227	113,177	77,567	27,829	434,770	1,714,651	59.23
Limerick	15,059	156,571	171,630	18,337	0	18,337	124,230	47,000	44,023	299,777	3,105,842	23.62
Longford	100,000	113,000	213,000	0	19,795	19,795	37,642	0	11,512	39,036	1,297,244	37.72
Louth	33,854	72,847	106,701	22,094	24,161	46,256	49,725	101,579	37,245	268,702	2,291,285	20.59
Mayo	296,085	0	296,085	55,000	45,000	100,000	30,000	70,000	36,015	100,000	3,288,980	26.56
Meath	399,796	<	399,796	22,266		22,266	68,596	0	54,506	79,668	2,977,380	18.29
Monaghan	208,086	107,972	316,058	8,953	33,740	42,693	70,662	115,018	18,744	33,854	1,788,266	31.94
Offaly	9,480	23,114	32,594	3,103	11,439	14,542	46,074	0	23,722	172,082	1,520,880	21.46
Roscommon	84,000	72,000	156,000	35,000	23,000	58,000	45,000	0	20,000	119,000	1,716,000	29.20
Sligo	203,103	0	203,103	4,018	17,198	21,216	43,610	2,000	20,384	306,122	1,826,540	30.00
South Dublin	985,782	<	985,782	48,762	28,627	77,389	399,806	221,354	82,659	486,005	7,738,305	31.34
Tipperary JLC	0	0	0	0	72,338	72,338	0	255,793	0	791,601	3,688,099	24.71
Waterford	16,299	74,386	90,685	5,897	19,531	25,428	60,383	15,881	20,825	162,404	1,710,765	27.50
Westmeath	40,264	318,883	359,147	12,086	11,371	23,457	43,621	0	26,560	63,876	1,969,886	24.83
Wexford	156,200	158,000	314,200	18,500	43,000	61,500	30,000	240,500	44,100	91,795	2,651,913	20.13
Wicklow	232,273	0	232,273	29,112	18,051	47,163	79,753	108,000	42,242	170,633	3,187,045	25.26
Total: 28	4,104,540	6,595,021	10,699,561	1,007,195	890,576	1,897,771	2,243,801	2,570,608	1,116,195	7,762,630	94,577,102	26.90
City Councils:												
Cork	101,437	355445	456,882	22,765	3,254	26,019	108,346	0	36,864	310,747	5,536,524	46.36
Dublin	1,729,391	3,695,562	5,424,953	37,057	45,576	82,633	465,709	0	169,448	545,768	23,021,741	45.48
Limerick	339,435	154,867	494,302	2,000	2,940	4,940	28,901	0	17,587	35,250	1,882,815	35.84
Waterford	90,374	348225	438,599	4,040	5,072	9,112	26,879	0	15,314	0	1,905,742	41.66
Total: 4	2,260,637	4,554,099	6,814,736	65,862	56,842	122,704	629,835	0	239,213	891,765	32,346,822	44.68
TOTAL: 32	6,365,177	11,149,120	17,514,297	1,073,057	947,418	2,020,475	2,873,636	2,570,608	1,355,408	8,654,395	126,923,924	29.94

Public library statistics, 2008. Table 2.2: CAPITAL EXPENDITURE						€
Authority	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)
	Acquisitions	Automation	Buildings	Vehicles	Other	TOTAL
County Councils:						
Carlow	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cavan	0	0	150,829	0	0	150,829
Clare	0	0	22,340	0	0	22,340
Cork	0	0	130,000	0	0	130,000
Donegal	0	0	11,246	0	0	11,246
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	0	0	22,807	0	0	22,807
Fingal	465,129	0	3,451,094	0	23,498	3,939,721
Galway	4,207	0	59,352	0	0	63,559
Kerry	213,106	0	0	0	0	213,106
Kildare	81,767	0	415,575	0	39,500	536,842
Kilkenny	24,007	0	0	0	0	24,007
Laois	0	0	1,046,959	0	197,446	1,244,405
Leitrim	0	0	185,773	0	0	185,773
Limerick	0	0	0	0	0	0
Longford	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louth	0	0	36,646	0	0	36,646
Mayo	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meath	0	0	0	31,500	0	31,500
Monaghan	0	0	1,653,509	0	0	1,653,509
Offaly	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roscommon	0	10,000	49,000	52,245	42,245	153,490
Sligo	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Dublin	0	0	2,800,000	0	0	2,800,000
Tipperary JLC	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waterford	0	0	60,260	0	0	60,260
Westmeath	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wexford	0	35,656	718,662	0	0	754,318
Wicklow	9,914	3,267	0	0	129,123	142,304
Total: 28	798,130	48,923	10,814,052	83,745	431,812	12,176,662
City Councils:						
Cork	0	0	244,584	0	55,770	300,354
Dublin	0	0	0	0	0	0
Limerick	0	0	158,840	0	18,756	177,596
Waterford	15,000	0	0	30,547	0	45,547
Total: 4	15,000	0	403,424	30,547	74,526	523,497
TOTAL:32	813,130	48,923	11,217,476	114,292	506,338	12,700,159

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 3: STAFFING													
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	(ix)	(x)	(xi)	(xii)	(xiii)
	Chief	Senior	Executive Librarians			Assistant Librarians			Grade V	Grade IV	Senior Library Assistants		
AUTHORITY	Librarian	Executive	HQ	Branch	Other	HQ	Branch	Other	Staff	Assistant	HQ	Branch	Other
		Librarian							Officer	Staff Officer			
County Councils:													
Carlow	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2.6	0
Cavan	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1		1	3	0
Clare	1	3	3	2	1	0	2	0	9	0	0	8	1
Cork	1	7	3.5	5.5	1	4.5	2	0	15.5	0	6	14.5	0
Donegal	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	2	8	1
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	See Table 3.1												
Fingal	See Table 3.2												
Galway	1	3	2	4	0	0	1	0	7		3	9	0
Kerry	1	1	3	0	0	1	3	0	3		5	8	0
Kildare	1	2	3	2	1	0	3	1	5	0	2	12	1
Kilkenny	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	2	2	1
Laois	1	1	2	0	0	1	2	1	2	0	1	5	0
Leitrim	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0
Limerick	1	2	3	3	0	1	2	0	3		3	2	0
Longford	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	2	1	0
Louth	1	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	4	0	0.5	2	1
Mayo	1	2	1	2	0	1	4	0	3	0	1	5	0
Meath	1	2	3	4	0	0	1	0	5	1	2	2	0
Monaghan	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0.6	2.5	0
Offaly	1	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	3	1	1	2	0
Roscommon	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	4	0
Sligo	1	1	1	3	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	4	0
South Dublin	See Table 3.3												
Tipperary JLC	1	2	1	3	0	0	2	0	8	0	1	7	0
Waterford	1	1	0	3	0	0	1.5	0	2.6	0	2	3	0
Westmeath	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	2.5	0
Wexford	1	1	0	5	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	5	2
Wicklow	1	2	1	3	0	0	3	0	4		1	3	0
Total: 28	24	41	34.5	47.5	3	16.5	35.5	5	92.1	4	39.1	119.1	7
City Councils:													
Cork	1	3	6	6	0	0	1	0	10		6	7	0
Dublin	See Table 3.4												
Limerick	1	1	3	1	0	3	2	0	1	1	1	0	0
Waterford	1	2	1	2	0	1	1	0	3		0	5	0
Total: 4	3	6	10	9	0	4	4	0	14	1	7	12	0
TOTAL: 32	27	47	44.5	56.5	3	20.5	39.5	5	106.1	5	46.1	131.1	7

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 3: STAFFING (continued)													
	(xiv)	(xv)	(xvi)	(xvii)	(xviii)	(xix)	(xx)	(xxi)	(xxii)	(xxiii)	(xxiv)	(xxv)	(xxvi)
	Library Assistants			Branch Assistants	Branch Librarians	Clerical Officers	Driver Assistants	Van Drivers	Support Staff	TOTALS			
AUTHORITY	HQ	Branch	Other							Professional	Para-professional	Support Staff	TOTAL STAFF
County Councils:													
Carlow	0	3	0	0	2.2	0	1	0	0	5	9.8	0	14.8
Cavan	1	4	0	0	9.21	2	1	0	0	4	22.21	0	26.21
Clare	0.5	4	0	0	7.15	0	0	1	8.75	12	29.65	9.75	51.4
Cork	10	18.5	2.5	0	21.5	1	8	0	0.5	24.5	97.5	0.5	122.5
Donegal	4	19	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	5	39	0	44
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	See Table 3.1									28	51	12	91
Fingal	See Table 3.2									37	97	28.5	162.5
Galway	2	3	0	0	18	2	3	0	3	11	47	3	61
Kerry	3	8.5	0	0	9	2	3	0	2	9	41.5	2	52.5
Kildare	0	14	1	0	13	3.5	1	0	13.25	13	52.5	13.25	78.75
Kilkenny	2	4	0	0	6	0	0	2	4	4	20	6	30
Laois	0.5	4.5	1	0	3.8	1	1	0	0.65	8	19.8	0.65	28.45
Leitrim	1	1	1	0	8.7	0	0	0	0	4	14.7	0	18.7
Limerick	1	2	0	1	25	1	0	2	5	12	38	7	57
Longford	2	2	0	0	5	2	0	0	0.5	4	17	0.5	21.5
Louth	3	7.5	1	0	3	1	2	0	2	6	25	2	33
Mayo	1	10	0	0	9	2	1	0	2	11	32	2	45
Meath	1	12	0	0	6	2	1	0	1	11	32	1	44
Monaghan	1	6.8	0	0	2.4	0	2	0	1.5	5	18.3	1.5	24.8
Offaly	1	1	0	0	4	2	0	1	1	6	15	2	23
Roscommon	1	6	0	0	4	1	2	0	1.5	6	20	1.5	27.5
Sligo	0	3	0	0	1.54	0	0	1	1	7	11.54	2	20.54
South Dublin	See Table 3.3									28	53	20	101
Tipperary JLC	0	7	0	0	11	1	2	0	0	9	37	0	46
Waterford	1	3.6	0	0	2.1	0	1	0	2.5	6.5	15.3	2.5	24.3
Westmeath	1	8.5	0	0	6	1	0	0	1	5	23	1	29
Wexford	3	7	0	0	6.5	0	2	0.5	1.75	9	27.5	2.25	38.75
Wicklow	1	2	0	0	12.6	1	2	0	1.8	10	26.6	1.8	38.4
Total: 28	41	161.9	6.5	1	199.7	25.5	35	7.5	54.7	300	933.4	122.7	1356.1
City Councils:													
Cork	15	7	0	0	0	4	0	1	11	17	49	12	78
Dublin	See Table 3.4									101	168	80	349
Limerick	3	2	0	0	2	0	1	0	4	11	11	4	26
Waterford	1	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	8	16	1	25
Total: 4	19	15	0	0	2	5	1	1	16	137	244	97	478
TOTAL: 32	60	176.9	6.5	1	201.7	30.5	36	8.5	70.7	437	1177.4	219.7	1,834.1

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Table 3.1: STAFFING, 2008 - DÚN LAOGHAIRE-RATHDOWN			
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)
	HQ	Branches	TOTAL
Grade		/ Mobiles	
County Librarian	1		1
Divisional Librarians	4	0	4
Senior Librarians	5	7	12
Librarians	2	9	11
Staff Officers	3	7	10
Senior Library Assistants	1	10	11
Library Assistants	9	18	27
Branch Librarians	0	1	1
Clerical Officers	2	0	2
Driver / Assistants	0	0	0
Van Drivers	2	0	2
Other Grades	2	8	10
TOTALS	31	60	91

Table 3.2: STAFFING, 2008 - FINGAL			
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)
	HQ	Branches	TOTAL
Grade		/ Mobiles	
County Librarian	1		1
Divisional Librarians	2	2	4
Senior Librarians	3	7.8	10.8
Librarians	3.2	15.6	18.8
Staff Officers	2.6	8.45	11.05
Senior Library Assistants	0	18.7	18.7
Library Assistants	10	45.5	55.5
Branch Assistants	0	0	0
Branch Librarians	0	0	0
Clerical Officers	1	0.5	1.5
Driver Assistants	0	0	0
Van Drivers	1	4	5
Other Grades	0	22	22
TOTALS	23.8	124.55	148.35

Figures reflect number of posts filled and not the full staff complement which is as given on Table 3: Professional 37; Para-professional 97; Support staff 28.5; Total 148.35 [FTE] (see Table 3)

Table 3.3: STAFFING, 2008 - SOUTH DUBLIN			
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)
	HQ	Branches	TOTAL
Grade		/ Mobiles	
County Librarian	1		1
Divisional Librarians	3	1	4
Senior Librarians	5	7	12
Librarians	2	9	11
Senior Library Assistants	1	13	14
Grade V: Staff Officers	3	7	10
Library Assistants	8	19	27
Branch Librarians	0	1	1
Clerical Officers	1	0	1
Driver Assistants	0	0	0
Van Drivers	1	4	5
Other Grades	1	14	15
TOTALS	26	75	101

Table 3.4: STAFFING, 2008 - DUBLIN CITY.			
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)
	HQ	Branches	TOTAL
Grade		/ Mobiles	
City Librarian	1		1
Deputy City Librarian	1		1
Divisional Librarians	9.5	1	10.5
Senior Librarians	12.5	18.5	31
Librarians	14	41	55
Grade V: Staff Officers	9	4.5	13.5
Senior Library Assistants	3	33	36
Library Assistants	3.5	87	90.5
Branch Assistants	0	0	0
Clerical Officers	8	1	9
Drivers Assistants	0	3	3
Van Drivers	3	0	3
Other Grades	9	60	69
TOTALS	73.5	249	322.5

Figures reflect number of posts filled and not the full staff complement which is as given on Table 3: Professional 101; Para-professional 168; Support staff 80; Total 349 (see Table 3)

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 4: COLLECTIONS - BOOKS & SERIALS.																	(Nos.)
Authority	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	(ix)	(x)	(xi)	(xii)	(xiii)	(xiv)	(xv)	(xvi)	(xvii)
	BOOKS IN STOCK					Stock items per head population	Serial sub- scriptions	BOOKS ADDED TO STOCK, 2008					BOOKS WITHDRAWN FROM STOCK, 2008				WITHDRAWN
	Adult Non- fiction	Adult fiction	Children's	Schools	TOTAL			Adult Non- fiction	Adult fiction	Children's	Schools	TOTAL	Adult Non- fiction	Adult fiction	Children's	Schools	
County Councils:																	
Carlow	45,149	28,803	36,628	13,646	124,226	2.5	58	2,007	2,342	1,887	1,943	8,179	518	1,468	1,058	0	3,044
Cavan	57,044	40,417	88,917	39,329	225,707	3.5	103	2,458	2,497	3,710	5,356	14,021	1,119	970	1,188	224	3,501
Clare	107,116	85,153	110,584	0	302,853	2.7	**	6,214	8,891	9,276	0	24,381	4,517	8,404	5,428	0	18,349
Cork	271,037	372,632	318,983	67,613	1,030,265	2.8	395	16,112	23,147	34,272	9,043	82,574	1,372	5,487	7,826	0	14,685
Donegal	113,181	55,107	109,991	14,286	292,565	2.0	174	9,974	5,583	8,852	3,669	28,078	4,219	2,710	2,126	0	9,055
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	158,730	63,183	107,506	148,209	477,628	2.5	125	11,361	9,072	16,550	14,755	51,738	8,393	7,510	9,404	123	25,430
Fingal	219,998	107,421	183,139	36,476	547,034	2.3	290	20,854	16,869	27,038	36,655	101,416	7,693	7,454	9,053	31,015	55,215
Galway	142,320	151,660	206,374	145,660	646,014	2.8	**	10,345	12,138	18,075	16,141	56,699	9,309	11,878	17,939	3,535	42,661
Kerry	107,814	77,538	104,659	60,280	350,291	2.5	**	7,490	26,254	26,218	11,374	71,336	0	0	0	0	0
Kildare	81,041	73,211	120,354	58,478	333,084	1.8	74	10,096	14,310	32,387	0	56,793	7,205	10,548	14,868		32,621
Kilkenny	51,047	45,380	94,763	<	191,190	2.2	150	4,521	5,245	10,528	0	20,294	7,434	9,131	12,795	0	29,360
Laois	67,086	47,086	97,184	68,259	279,615	4.2	48	8,446	5,872	15,140	4,796	34,254	4,229	5,358	3,987	97,858	111,432
Leitrim	38,738	33,259	53,200	0	125,197	4.3	**	3,926	3,522	3,713	0	11,161	1,528	1,726	1,605	0	4,859
Limerick	52,252	64,384	199,028	0	315,664	2.4	**	6,471	11,860	22,626	0	40,957	500	3,500	52,251	0	56,251
Longford	37,766	36,839	63,183	48,054	185,842	5.4	**	2,530	3,045	4,549	2,310	12,434	3,071	3,323	1,475	899	8,768
Louth	78,368	61,472	70,585	65,162	275,587	2.5	59	3,708	4,741	13,728	0	22,177	2,134	1,196	6,023	<	9,353
Mayo	125,264	118,419	202,562	135,385	581,630	4.7	21	7,924	7,769	9,963	5,869	31,525	3,971	3,879	3,688	29,876	41,414
Meath	137,207	88,848	163,072	125,178	514,305	3.2	**	6,332	6,093	12,266	14,755	39,446	9,970	0	0	2,044	12,014
Monaghan	70,456	37,728	80,745	22,813	211,742	3.8	**	3,791	3,610	6,345	546	14,292	504	1,521	2,334	653	5,012
Offaly	51,814	36,161	51,262	60,996	200,233	2.8	30	3,511	3,293	7,116	6,865	20,785	1,661	1,887	4,248	4,789	12,585
Roscommon	104,269	65,039	117,733	0	287,041	4.9	51	7,456	7,106	10,661	0	25,223	1,918	4,445	6,778	0	13,141
Sligo	48,733	75,868	40,867	27,447	192,915	3.2	157	5,306	4,400	4,780	5,115	19,601	478	2,256	1,907	892	5,533
South Dublin	270,710	127,582	228,453	197,336	824,081	3.3	148	16,032	26,986	14,277	21,909	79,204	6,659	13,634	6,955	5,517	32,765
Tipperary JLC	100,000	120,000	128,000	52,000	400,000	2.7	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Waterford	33,287	22,343	37,280	59,703	152,613	2.5	15	1,943	3,062	3,299	5,533	13,837	2,045	2,055	2,985	0	7,085
Westmeath	89,947	42,272	73,640	61,618	267,477	3.4	**	2,499	3,307	5,412	6,001	17,219	1,558	1,703	2,814	3,108	9,183
Wexford	125,989	107,544	90,070	266,908	590,511	4.5	25	6,527	8,160	12,600	11,276	38,563	6,001	7,109	200	0	13,310
Wicklow	88,724	59,060	78,944	58,343	285,071	2.3	**	6,121	7,123	9,258	7,676	30,178	2,006	4,759	3,616	112	10,493
Total: 28	2,875,087	2,244,409	3,257,706	1,833,179	10,210,381	2.9	1,923	193,955	236,297	344,526	191,587	966,365	100,012	123,911	182,551	180,645	587,119
City Councils:																	
Cork	147,155	88,029	113,970	137,849	487,003	4.1	225	9,070	6,076	19,052	12,429	46,627	2,047	4,398	7,758	13,950	28,153
Dublin	863,468	225,353	251,002	311,830	1,651,653	3.3	561	50,775	25,158	33,420	35,695	145,048	42,525	32,010	48,737	14,530	137,802
Limerick	78,297	45,980	86,514	113,168	323,959	6.2	44	3,578	3,388	4,303	6,219	17,488	586	2,004	2,287	290	5,167
Waterford	61,705	31,440	36,398	0	129,543	2.8	149	6,270	3,423	1,421	0	11,114	4,745	5,132	7,078	0	16,955
Total: 4	1,150,625	390,802	487,884	562,847	2,592,158	3.6	979	69,693	38,045	58,196	54,343	220,277	49,903	43,544	65,860	28,770	188,077
TOTAL: 32	4,025,712	2,635,211	3,745,590	2,396,026	12,802,539	3.0	2,902	263,648	274,342	402,722	245,930	####	149,915	167,455	248,411	209,415	775,196

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 4.1: COLLECTIONS - MULTIMEDIA ITEMS															Nos.
AUTHORITY	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	(ix)	(x)	(xi)	(xii)		(xiii)	(xiv)
	MULTIMEDIA ITEMS IN STOCK												Added 2008	Withdrawn 2008	
	Sound recordings		Spoken word	Talking books	Micro-film sets	DVDs/Videos/ Films	Computer software	Photo- graphic	Maps	Art	Other formats	TOTAL			
	<i>Discs</i>	<i>Tapes</i>													
County Councils:															
Carlow	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	9,162	2,123	212
Cavan	0	**	0	4,483	405	1,266	417	**	**	0	0	0	6,571	764	47
Clare	7,192	0	0	1,108	2,057	2182	14	11,152	372	0	0	0	24,077	1,412	106
Cork	0	0	0	24,470	0	3,703	0	0	0	0	632	0	28,805	6,189	248
Donegal	8,069	592	0	4,956	3,032	8,181	581	347	428	0	1,432	0	27,618	2,480	926
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	65	10,928	441	255	879	112	22,404	0	35,084	11,136	1,874
Fingal	23,417	2,949	0	11,156	0	15,945	1,606	0	482	1,619	4,021	0	61,195	12,749	4,661
Galway	4,000	2,000	0	5,169	0	0	3,000	0	0	0	0	0	14,169	2,222	1,350
Kerry	824	0	0	5,416	0	773	0	250,000	530	0	0	0	257,543	675	0
Kildare	7,616	0	695	5,782	0	8,340	732	0	0	0	2,858	0	26,023	7,953	2,553
Kilkenny	3,712	1,316	264	1,004	777	1,251	332	1,707	69	0	5,950	0	16,382	3,936	4,000
Laois	0	0	0	0	0	2,895	155	0	124	0	0	0	3,174	827	116
Leitrim	1,763	416	143	652	0	1,871	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,845	0	20
Limerick	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Longford	997	306	255	1,128	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,736	269	0
Louth	4,447	0	7367	0	0	5,317	52	0	0	0	0	0	17,183	1,410	396
Mayo	5,342	2,372	0	0	657	0	250	1,185	99	50	0	0	9,955	2,061	465
Meath	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,937	0
Monaghan	4,206	1,076	0	3,325	627	4,409	146	420	130	0	0	0	14,339	3,471	179
Offaly	173	180	163	2,262	816	3,355	416	241	148	0	26	0	7,780	1,717	489
Roscommon	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	<i>in col (xii)</i>	16,048	2,493	574
Sligo	33	0	0	239	0	726	0	0	0	0	1	0	999	0	0
South Dublin	28,944	0	0	13,165	10	29,454	792	0	126	1,853	4,491	0	78,835	10,291	2,315
Tipperary JLC	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Waterford	3,650	240	0	1,195	22	1,798	68	60	302	0	12	0	7,347	1,821	232
Westmeath	2,190	110	658	4,636	811	1,202	539	2,575	550	0	0	0	13,271	1,015	217
Wexford	6,771	42	2,516	1,284	508	1,113	0	4,500	50	0	0	0	16,784	3,987	0
Wicklow	5,377	0	0	4,684	0	1,887	1,056	240	19	0	16	0	13,279	2,204	133
Total: 28	118,723	11,599	12,061	96,114	9,787	106,646	10,597	272,682	4,308	3,634	41,843	0	713,204	86,142	21,113
City Councils:															
Cork	36,703	3,609	0	19,389	4,067	7,630	0	0	0	0	463	0	71,861	9,938	6,448
Dublin	18,144	5,909	8,082	19,491	312	13,927	3,659	192	278	581	6,768	0	77,343	13,070	9,275
Limerick	7,529	1,392	0	5,740	734	971	178	0	0	0	0	0	16,544	1,150	340
Waterford	9,988	497	963	2,847	2,086	6,642	4	0	281	0	1,263	0	24,571	3,894	1,063
Total: 4	72,364	11,407	9,045	47,467	7,199	29,170	3,841	192	559	581	8,494	0	190,319	28,052	17,126
Total: 32	191,087	23,006	21,106	143,581	16,986	135,816	14,438	272,874	4,867	4,215	50,337	0	903,523	114,194	38,239

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 5: USAGE - ISSUES												
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	(ix)	(x)	(xi)	(xii)
Authority	BOOK ISSUES				Book issues			NON-BOOK ISSUES			TOTAL ISSUES	Issues per head of resident population
	Adult non-fiction	Adult fiction	Children's	TOTAL	Children (0-14)	Adult (15+)	per head population	Sound recordings	Other	Total non book issues		
County Councils:												
Carlow	38,692	42,648	57,609	138,949	5.5	2.0	2.8	37,141	11,966	49,107	188,056	3.7
Cavan	29,387	40,093	96,323	165,803	6.8	1.4	2.6	0	5,713	5,713	171,516	2.7
Clare	58,870	147,934	207,418	414,222	8.7	2.4	3.7	15,815	16,753	32,568	446,790	4.0
Cork	296,624	639,357	817,838	1,753,819	10.4	3.3	4.8	42,772	27,371	70,143	1,823,962	5.0
Donegal	168,132		113,783	281,915	3.4	1.5	1.9	0	34,038	34,038	315,953	2.1
Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown	210,406	201,494	314,154	726,054	8.9	2.6	3.7	89,448	96,680	186,128	912,182	4.7
Fingal	272,919	256,832	389,197	918,948	7.3	2.8	3.8	96,284	134,831	231,115	1,150,063	4.8
Galway	189,341	105,146	284,835	579,322	6.2	1.6	2.5	20,412	0	20,412	599,734	2.6
Kerry	73,992	115,459	226,090	415,541	8.3	1.7	3.0	8,632	0	8,632	424,173	3.0
Kildare	79,479	136,019	248,785	464,283	5.8	1.5	2.5	25,374	36,576	61,950	526,233	2.8
Kilkenny	51,732	88,781	166,158	306,671	8.8	2.0	3.5	10,982	19,913	30,895	337,566	3.9
Laois	41,632	56,866	83,175	181,673	5.5	1.9	2.7	18,762	31,363	50,125	231,798	3.5
Leitrim	22,338	32,829	52,801	107,968	9.0	2.4	3.7	0	2,191	2,191	110,159	3.8
Limerick	63,040	105,963	158,687	327,690	6.0	1.6	2.5	20,466	0	20,466	348,156	2.6
Longford	21,875	32,892	33,876	88,643	4.5	2.0	2.6	4,574	0	4,574	93,217	2.7
Louth	57,537	89,728	119,951	267,216	4.9	1.7	2.4	6,064	25,561	31,625	298,841	2.7
Mayo	104,650	108,040	239,789	452,479	9.4	2.2	3.7	31,989	16,240	48,229	500,708	4.0
Meath	88,659	86,810	187,738	363,207	4.9	1.4	2.2	81,862	0	81,862	445,069	2.7
Monaghan	37,086	40,001	78,572	155,659	6.6	1.7	2.8	9,697	11,800	21,497	177,156	3.2
Offaly	28,882	57,541	97,532	183,955	6.1	1.6	2.6	3,715	9,337	13,052	197,007	2.8
Roscommon	35,850	56,920	52,458	145,228	4.4	2.0	2.5	27,431	0	27,431	172,659	2.9
Sligo	51,848	74,704	78,214	204,766	6.6	2.6	3.4	10,901	0	10,901	215,667	3.5
South Dublin	234,152	249,762	296,593	780,507	**	**	3.2	292,917	0	292,917	1,073,424	4.3
Tipperary JLC	74,523	131,213	191,849	397,585	6.1	1.7	2.7	11,861	0	11,861	409,446	2.7
Waterford	26,143	58,368	80,547	165,058	5.9	1.7	2.7	9,142	12,464	21,606	186,664	3.0
Westmeath	54,275	79,402	135,445	269,122	7.7	2.2	3.4	15,540	0	15,540	284,662	3.6
Wexford	70,410	131,505	207,037	408,952	7.1	2.0	3.1	15,339	0	15,339	424,291	3.2
Wicklow	106,293	157,422	203,702	467,417	7.5	2.7	3.7	34,175	0	34,175	501,592	4.0
Total: 28	2,588,767	3,323,729	5,220,156	11,132,652	6.9	2.1	3.2	941,295	492,797	1,434,092	12,566,744	3.6
City Councils:												
Cork	144,819	213,756	216,287	574,862	11.9	3.5	4.8	180,091	51,775	231,866	806,728	6.8
Dublin	579,244	597,056	475,633	1,651,933	6.3	2.7	3.3	165,636	144,179	309,815	1,961,748	3.9
Limerick	52,246	73,813	85,460	211,519	9.1	2.9	4.0	74,208	0	74,208	285,727	5.4
Waterford	60,199	81,723	71,838	213,760	8.2	3.8	4.7	30,864	62,515	93,379	307,139	6.7
Total: 4	836,508	966,348	849,218	2,652,074	7.6	2.9	3.7	450,799	258,469	709,268	3,361,342	4.6
TOTAL: 32	3,425,275	4,290,077	6,069,374	13,784,726	7.0	2.3	3.3	1,392,094	751,266	2,143,360	15,928,086	3.8

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 5.1: USAGE - NUMBER OF REGISTERED MEMBERS, CHARGES & VISITS											
	(xiii)	(xiv)	(xv)	(xvi)	(xvii)	(xviii)	(xx)	(xxi)	(xixii)	(xxiii)	(xxiv)
Authority	MEMBERSHIP			% of resident population	Number of loan items		Loan period (no. of weeks)	CHARGES		How often registered?	Number of visits to full-time libraries ¹
	Adult	Children	TOTAL		Adults	Children		Adults	Children		
County Councils:											
Carlow	4,413	3,611	8,024	15.9	6	4	3	€10.00	Free	Annually	178,400
Cavan	8,032	5,917	13,949	21.8	3	3	3	Free	Free	Annually	220,100
Clare	10,413	6,661	17,074	15.4	8	4	4	€5.00	Free	Annually	353,650
Cork	31,462	25,901	57,363	15.9	6	4	2	€2.50	€0.50	Annually	1,336,198
Donegal	11,166	7,052	18,218	12.4	10	10	3	Free	Free	Annually	289,050
Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown	31,662	18,162	49,824	25.7	12	12	3	Free	Free	3Y	453,950
Fingal	60,667	25,531	86,198	35.9	10	6	3	Free	Free	3Y	986,989
Galway	20,696	16,847	37,543	16.2	4	3	3	€5.00	Free	Annually	540,099
Kerry	11,526	8,307	19,833	14.2	6	6	3	€12.00 + €0.30 pi	Free	3Y	362,981
Kildare	11,947	22,798	34,745	18.6	12	10	3	€6.00	Free	3Y	527,350
Kilkenny	4,252	3,999	8,251	9.4	8	6	3	€15.00	Free	Annually	137,500
Laois	5,378	3,731	9,109	13.6	6	5	3	€10.00	Free	Annually	196,100
Leitrim	4,093	2,200	6,293	21.7	No limit	No limit	4	€0.25 PI	Free	Annually	182,200
Limerick	11,183	7,881	19,064	14.5	3	3	2	Free	Free	Annually	364,301
Longford	2,376	3,837	6,213	18.1	6	4	3	€2.50	Free	Annually	118,100
Louth	6,321	4,306	10,627	9.6	5	5	3	€7.00	Free	Annually	200,350
Mayo	13,053	14,756	27,809	22.5	5	5	3	€3.00	Free	Annually	326,601
Meath	11,941	9,734	21,675	13.3	4	4	2	Free	Free	Annually	463,300
Monaghan	3,952	4,241	8,193	14.6	4	3	3	€3.00	Free	Annually	78,150
Offaly	4,889	5,965	10,854	15.3	6	4	4	€10.00	Free	Annually	98,300
Roscommon	4,909	4,029	8,938	15.2	6	3	3	€3.80	Free	Annually	112,350
Sligo	7,085	2,815	9,900	16.3	10	10	3	Free	Free	Annually	140,750
South Dublin ¹	32,583	22,807	55,390	22.4	10	6	3	Free	Free	3Y	933,800
Tipperary JLC	7,491	11,209	18,700	12.5	4	4	3	€7.00	Free	Annually	461,800
Waterford	6,397	5,987	12,384	19.9	5	5	3	€7.60	Free	Annually	216,004
Westmeath	7,385	5,817	13,202	16.6	6	4	3	€7.00	Free	Annually	164,850
Wexford	9,631	9,923	19,554	14.8	10	10	3	Free	Free	4Y	314,938
Wicklow	16,773	9,497	26,270	20.8	5	3	3	Free	Free	Annually	455,400
<i>Total: 28</i>	<i>361,676</i>	<i>273,521</i>	<i>635,197</i>	<i>18.1</i>							<i>10,213,559</i>
City Councils:											
Cork	13,231	7,748	20,979	17.6	6	4	2	€12.50	Free	Annually	827,984
Dublin	65,475	15,914	81,389	16.1	8	6	3	Free	Free	3Y	2,582,952
Limerick	6,787	6,591	13,378	25.5	9	4	2	Free	Free	Annually	225,924
Waterford	6,222	3,588	9,810	21.4	10	10	3	€15.00	Free	Annually	311,407
<i>Total: 4</i>	<i>91,715</i>	<i>33,841</i>	<i>125,556</i>	<i>17.3</i>							<i>3,948,266</i>
TOTAL: 32	453,391	307,362	760,753	17.9							14,161,825

¹ Extrapolated from Service Indicators in Local authorities, 2008. Libraries open for 30 hours or more per week are classified as being full-time.

Public Library Statistics, 2008 Table 6: SERVICE POINTS.																				
Authority	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	(ix)	(x)	(xi)	(xii)	(xiii)	(xiv)	(xv)	(xvi)	(xvii)	(xviii)	(xix)	(XX)
	B R A N C H E S (hours open per week)						Total hours open to the public per week	Aggregate opening hours per 1,000 pop.	No. of computerised service points				Number of public Internet sessions ¹	Centres	Other service points	Mobile Libraries				TOTAL NO. OF SERVICE POINTS
	Over 40	30-39	20-29	10-19	Under 10	TOTAL			Branches with automated library management systems	Number of OPACs	with Internet access	No. of public access terminals				No. of units	Hours	per schedule of x weeks	No. of stops	
County Councils:																				
Carlow	1	1	1	0	0	3	110.25	113.9	3	4	3	18	20,735.2	0	0	0				3
Cavan	3	0	1	3	3	10	208.5	169.4	3	0	7	26	37,685.6	0	0	0				10
Clare	7	5	1	4	0	17	548	256.8	17	111	17	104	90,173.5	0	0	0				17
Cork	13	6	4	5	0	28	951.5	136.7	27		28	95	127,764.3	0	0	6		2	500	34
Donegal	1	7	4	3	1	16	463.5	163.7	14	90	15	90	34,417.1	16	0	0.5	17.6	1	12	32.5
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	3	5	1	1	0	10	349.0	93.5	9	13	9	45	54,225.9	0	0	0				10
Fingal *	5	3	1	0	0	9	402.5	87.2	9	8	9	85	102,863.0	0	0	4	60	4	166	13
Galway	1	9	2	14	3	29	611.0	137.1	12	12	29	87	70,397.6	5	0	1	25	2	65	35
Kerry	4	5	0	0	0	9	364	135.4	9	7	9	51	60,218.5	0	0	2	**	2	70	11
Kildare	2	5	2	7	1	17	399.5	111.5	12	59	17	59	36,681.9	0	0	1	38.3	3	33	18
Kilkenny	0	5	3	0	0	8	243.0	144.3	5	28	5	28	24,315.7	0	0	1	28	3	70	9
Laois	1	3	4	0	4	12	228.5	177.2	9	4	10	46	12,546.7	0	0	0				12
Leitrim	2	3	0	3	1	9	251.5	451.7	9	11	9	28	23,319.5	0	0	0				9
Limerick	3	2	3	9	4	21	417.5	165.1	6	6	23	40	3,478.6	5	0	2	27	2	63	28
Longford	1	1	1	3	0	6	158.5	239.7	6	8	6	16	21,165.9	0	1	0				7
Louth	2	1	2	0	0	5	159	74.3	5	40	5	40	14,936.5	0	16	1	16.4	2	52	22
Mayo	0	5	11	1	0	17	440	184.8	15	31	16	96	74,133.7	2	5	0				24
Meath	4	4	2	2	0	12	371.0	118.5	12	10	12	54	53,871.0	0	0	0				12
Monaghan	0	2	3	0	0	5	135	125.4	5	34	5	34	24,906.9	0	0	1	28	2	38	6
Offaly	0	3	0	5	1	9	190.5	139.8	9	50	9	50	11,547.2	0	0	0				9
Roscommon	0	3	2	1	1	7	166	146.9	5	1	6	19	16,037.2	0	8	1	22	44	2	16
Sligo	2	1	1	1	0	5	157.5	134.5	5	40	5	38	25,516.4	0	0	0				5
South Dublin	5	1	0	1	0	7	308.5	65.0	7	165	7	165	150,553.8	0	0	4	208	4	152	11
Tipperary JLC	6	2	1	2	1	12	403.25	140.5	10	66	12	66	36,985.6	0	0	0				12
Waterford	0	2	1	4	1	8	185.5	155.0	8	30	8	30	49,036.3	0	0	0				8
Westmeath	2	2	1	2	0	7	210	137.6	7	9	7	47	10,649.8	0	2	0				9
Wexford	4	0	1	0	0	5	197.5	78.0	5	49	5	44	33,870.0	1	2	2	24	2	113	10
Wicklow	5	1	1	6	0	13	369.0	152.1	13	7	13	44	39,068.4	1	20	1	16	2	34	35
Total: 28	77	87	54	77	21	316	8,999.5	133.1	256	893	306	1545	1,261,102.0	30	54	27.5			1,370	427.5
City Councils:																				
Cork	4	3	0	0	0	7	287.5	125.2	7	19	7	102	50,495.9	0	0	1	13	1	2	8
Dublin	16	7	0	0	0	23	1,087	111.7	23	39	23	201	328,065.2	32	696	2	40.75		30	753
Limerick	2	1	0	1	0	4	132.0	130.6	4	3	3	46	25,582.8	0	1	1	20	10	20	6
Waterford	2	0	1	0	0	3	120.0	136.4	3	50	3	50	42,547.0	0	0	0				3
Total: 4	24	11	1	1	0	37	1,626.5	116.8	37	111	36	399	446,691.0	32	697	4			52	770
TOTAL: 32	101	98	55	78	21	353	10,626.00	130.3	293	1,004	342	1,944	1,707,793	62	751	31.5			1,422	1,198

¹ Extrapolated from Service Indicators in Local authorities, 2008.

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 6.1: Agency Services															
(ii)		(ii)	(iii)		(iv)		(vi)		(vii)	(viii)	(ix)		(x)	(xii)	(xii)
AUTHORITY	Number served				FTE staff employed				Gross expenditure				No. of	volumes on loan	
	Prisons	Hospitals	TOTAL		Prisons	Hospitals	TOTAL		Prisons	Hospitals	TOTAL		Prisons	Hospitals	TOTAL
County Councils:															
Carlow	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Cavan	1	0	1		0.20	0	0.20		23,858	0	23,858		1,912	0	1,912
Clare	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Cork	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Donegal	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Fingal	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Galway	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Kerry	0	7	7		0	1	1		0	0	0		0	846	846
Kildare	0	1	1		0	0.1	0.1		0	3,000	3,000		0	666	666
Kilkenny	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Laois	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Leitrim	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Limerick	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Longford	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Louth	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Mayo	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Meath	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Monaghan	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Offaly	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Roscommon	1	0	1		1	0	1		**	0	0		**	0	0
Sligo	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
South Dublin	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Tipperary JLC	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Waterford	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Westmeath	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Wexford	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
Wicklow	1	0	1		0.3	0	0.3		30,000	0	30,000		2,034	0	2,034
Total: 28	3	8	11		1.5	1.1	2.6		53,858	3,000	56,858		3,946	1,512	5,458
City Councils:															
Cork	1	0	1		0.02	0	0.02		8,502	0	8,502		**	0	0
Dublin	8	0	8		3.00	0.00	3.00		155,099	0	155,099		**	0	0
Limerick	1	0	1		**	0.00	0.00		**	0	**		**	0	**
Waterford	0	0	0		0.00	0.00	0.00		0	0	0		0	0	0
Total: 4	10	0	10		3.02	0.00	3.02		163,601	0	163,601		0	0	0
TOTAL: 32	13	8	21		5	1	5.62		217,459	3,000	220,459		3,946	1,512	5,458

Public Library Statistics, 2008. Table 7: SERVICES TO SCHOOLS										
Authority	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	(ix)	(x)
	NUMBER OF SCHOOLS SERVED					PUPIL POPULATION SERVED				
	Primary	Secondary	Vocational	Comprehensive	TOTAL	Primary	Secondary	Vocational	Comprehensive	TOTAL
County Councils:										
Carlow	39	0	0	0	39	6,452	0	0	0	6,452
Cavan	63	0	0	0	63	8,378	0	0	0	8,378
Clare	119	0	0	0	119	**	**	**	**	**
Cork	304	0	0	0	304	40,270	0	0	0	40,270
Donegal	130	23	0	0	153	**	**	0	0	**
Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown	67	0	0	0	67	16,180	0	0	0	16,180
Fingal	90	0	0	0	90	27,842	0	0	0	27,842
Galway	235	0	0	0	235	26,106	0	0	0	26,106
Kerry	144	0	0	1	145	15,304	0	0	514	15,818
Kildare	101	0	0	0	101	24,970	0	0	0	24,970
Kilkenny	74	0	0	0	74	10,037	0	0	0	10,037
Laois	65	0	0	0	65	8,328	0	0	0	8,328
Leitrim	42	0	0	0	42	3,500	0	0	0	3,500
Limerick	116	0	0	0	116	13,391	0	0	0	13,391
Longford	39	0	0	0	39	**	0	0	0	0
Louth	75	0	0	0	75	14,995	0	0	0	14,995
Mayo	178	0	0	0	178	13,601	0	0	0	13,601
Meath	111	6	0	0	117	21,183	5,000	0	0	26,183
Monaghan	64	0	0	0	64	6,179	0	0	0	6,179
Offaly	68	0	0	0	68	9,291	0	0	0	9,291
Roscommon	94	4	2	0	100	7,000	3,400	**	0	10,400
Sligo	67	0	0	0	67	6,978	0	0	0	6,978
South Dublin	100	0	0	0	100	29,423	0	0	0	29,423
Tipperary JLC	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Waterford	56	0	0	0	56	6,638	0	0	0	6,638
Westmeath	78	0	0	0	78	10,284	0	0	0	10,284
Wexford	105	0	0	0	105	16,949	0	0	0	16,949
Wicklow	86	0	0	0	86	14,544	0	0	0	14,544
<i>Total: 28</i>	<i>2,710</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2,746</i>	<i>357,823</i>	<i>8,400</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>514</i>	<i>366,737</i>
City Councils:										
Cork	60	0	0	0	60	14,400	0	0	0	14,400
Dublin	223	0	0	0	223	43,911	0	0	0	43,911
Limerick	30	0	0	0	30	6,792	0	0	0	6,792
Waterford	21	8	2	0	31	6,333	3,689	5,050	0	15,072
<i>Total: 4</i>	<i>334</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>344</i>	<i>71,436</i>	<i>3,689</i>	<i>5,050</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>80,175</i>
TOTAL: 32	3,044	41	4	1	3,090	429,259	12,089	5,050	514	446,912

Public Library Statistics, 2007. Table 7.1: SERVICES TO SCHOOLS - Stock and issues.								Nos.
	(xi)	(xii)	(xiii)	(xiv)	(xv)	(xvi)	(xvii)	(xviii)
	S T O C K			Items per head of pupil pop.	I S S U E S			Issues per head of pupil pop.
Authority	Books	Non-book	TOTAL		Books	Non-book	TOTAL	
County Councils:								
Carlow	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Cavan	39,329	0	39,329	4.7	13,382	0	13,382	1.6
Clare	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Cork	67,174	170	67,344	1.7	13,894	13	13,907	0.3
Donegal	14,286	0	14,286	**	**	**	**	**
Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown	147,973	236	148,209	9.2	11,255	160	11,415	0.7
Fingal	35,674	802	36,476	1.3	28,234	589	28,823	1.0
Galway	145,660	0	145,660	5.6	43,884	0	43,884	1.7
Kerry	60,280	0	60,280	3.8	27,670	0	27,670	1.7
Kildare	57,379	1,099	58,478	2.3	14,224	249	14,473	0.6
Kilkenny	48,794	393	49,187	4.9	58,884	263	59,147	5.9
Laois	**	**	**	**	**	**	0	0.0
Leitrim	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Limerick	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Longford	46,643	0	46,643	**	14,816	0	14,816	**
Louth	65,162	373	65,535	4.4	23,318	20	23,338	1.6
Mayo	135,053	332	135,385	10.0	33,617	**	33,617	2.5
Meath	**	**	**	**	24,058	<	24,058	0.9
Monaghan	22,813	0	22,813	3.7	24,909	0	24,909	4.0
Offaly	60,996	**	60,996	6.6	34,220		34,220	3.7
Roscommon	40,000	0	40,000	3.8	**	**	**	**
Sligo	27,227	220	27,447	3.9	13,819	**	13,819	2.0
South Dublin	205,770	0	205,770	7.0	20,646	297	20,943	0.7
Tipperary JLC	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Waterford	59,700	3	59,703	9.0	33,169	13	33,182	5.0
Westmeath	61,618	0	61,618	6.0	23,045	0	23,045	2.2
Wexford	266,908	**	266,908	15.7	**	**	**	**
Wicklow	58,343	<	58,343	4.0	**	**	**	**
Total: 28	1,666,782	3,628	1,670,410					
City Councils:								
Cork	137,849	0	137,849	9.6	11,119	0	11,119	0.8
Dublin	311,830	0	311,830	7.1	878,220	0	878,220	20.0
Limerick	113,168	**	113,168	16.7	67,920	**	67,920	10.0
Waterford	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
Total: 4	562,847	0	562,847					
TOTAL: 32	2,229,629	3,628	2,233,257					

Notes on the returns

A small number of authorities are unable to supply detailed data as requested). An Chomhairle has used other data at its disposal to apply weightings to these figures in order to provide a more accurate picture. The weightings relate mainly to, collections, issues and membership figures. All data substituted by An Chomhairle has been printed in green.

Table 1: Income remains the same as for previous years.

Grants from the Department of the Environment, Heritage & Local Government made have been designated as Capital for the purposes of this publication and are shown on **Table 1.2**. Details of capital income, as notified by the contributing authorities, are contained on **Table 2.2**.

Table 3: Staffing

Authorities are asked to provide details of staff complement as full-time equivalents (FTE). As some authorities supply details of staff in post rather than staff complement this has led to some fluctuation in the returns. The number of Branch Librarians was usually given in the returns as an actual number rather than as FTE although for 2003 onwards the convention of expressing posts as full-time equivalents has been strictly implemented hence the apparent reduction in para-professional posts (includes branch librarians). Some authorities do not count library support staff, such as cleaners, as the part of the library's staff complement.

Table 4: Collections - books and serials and **Table 4.2: Collections – multimedia items** no longer categorize added or withdrawn stock items. They are now given as the total figure per authority. The full set of information is still available on request from An Chomhairle.

Kerry County Library: 2005 stock holdings for schools includes additions to stock between 2000 and 2006.

Kildare County Library: An ongoing changeover in library management systems has resulted in Kildare's stock figures for 2005 being limited to those service points which have been automated.

Tipperary Libraries provided an estimated overall figure for book stock in 2007. The breakdown into stock categories was estimated by An Chomhairle.

Table 5.1: Registered membership figures: In 2001 the definition of 'number of registered members' was redefined to 'number of active members', an active member being someone who had borrowed at least one item during the period January 1st to December 31st. This redefinition was introduced in order to eliminate the perceived advantage of having long registration cycles, resulting in membership files which included an unknown number of lapsed users. The change in definition produced a decrease in the number of reported membership figures in those authorities whose registration cycles exceeded one year. The change in definition was introduced in an attempt to present a more complete picture of registered membership.

Additional data relating to the number of visitors to full-time libraries (i.e. those open for 30 or more hours per week) has been extrapolated from *Service Indicators in Local Authorities, 2008*.

Table 6: Service points include data on the number of service points with online public access catalogues (Opacs) and Internet access. In both cases, the number of available terminals is also given. This Table also gives details of the overall, planned opening hours per week for the branch libraries. Additional data relating to the number of internet public session has been extrapolated from *Service Indicators in Local Authorities, 2008*.

Table 6.1: Agency services contain information on services provided by public library authorities to other organisations, usually on a cost recovery basis.

Table 7 details library services to schools as provided by the library authority.

Appendix 1: Population tables

Authority	2002 Census	2006 Census	% change
County Councils:			
Carlow	46,014	50,349	9.4
Cavan	56,546	64,003	13.2
Clare	103,277	110,950	7.4
Cork	324,767	361,877	11.4
Donegal	137,575	147,264	7.0
Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown	191,792	194,038	1.2
Fingal	196,413	239,992	22.2
Galway	209,077	231,670	10.8
Kerry	132,527	139,835	5.5
Kildare	163,944	186,335	13.7
Kilkenny	80,339	87,558	9.0
Laois	58,774	67,059	14.1
Leitrim	25,799	28,950	12.2
Limerick	121,281	131,516	8.4
Longford	31,068	34,391	10.7
Louth	101,821	111,267	9.3
Mayo	117,446	123,839	5.4
Meath	134,005	162,831	21.5
Monaghan	52,593	55,997	6.5
Offaly	63,663	70,868	11.3
Roscommon	53,774	58,768	9.3
Sligo	58,200	60,894	4.6
South Dublin	238,835	246,935	3.4
Tipperary JLC	140,131	149,244	6.5
Waterford	56,952	62,213	9.2
Westmeath	71,858	79,346	10.4
Wexford	116,596	131,749	13.0
Wicklow	114,676	126,194	10.0
<i>Total County</i>	<i>3,199,743</i>	<i>3,515,932</i>	<i>9.9</i>
City Councils:			
Cork	123,062	119,418	-3.0
Dublin	495,781	506,211	2.1
Limerick	54,023	52,539	-2.7
Waterford	44,594	45,748	2.6
<i>Total City Councils:</i>	<i>717,460</i>	<i>723,916</i>	<i>0.9</i>
TOTAL	3,917,203	4,239,848	8.2