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A Current Look at Georgia Public Libraries and GPLS



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Georgia's 62 Public Library Systems



During FY2020, the Uncle Remus Regional Library System was renamed the Azalea Regional Library System.



The 2020 edition of "A Current Look at Georgia's Public Libraries and GPLS" is now available, offering a detailed examination of the statistical data that describes the operations, funding, and usage of the over 400 public library facilities throughout our state. This report highlights the value of each of these libraries and the services and programs they offer in every county in Georgia through the 62 public library systems. Of note during FY2020: Uncle Remus Regional Library System Board approved a new name, Azalea Regional Library System.

This report offers statistical data and analysis of Fiscal Year 2020, which began July 1, 2019, and ended June 30, 2020. Each of the 62 public library systems submits an annual report to GPLS; these annual reports provide the data utilized in the preparation of "A Current Look." Georgia's aggregate data was submitted, as required, to the federal Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) in spring 2021 for inclusion in the national Public Libraries Survey, which provides a national view of public library facilities, services, and funding.

"A Current Look" provides detailed data in ways we hope are useful to those who fund, support, and use public libraries in Georgia. Statistics for FY2020, in which almost the last third of the year, from March 14 to the end of June, was consumed by the COVID-19 pandemic shutdown, are not comparable to any prior year. However, within these statistics are the triumphs of library staff who rose to the challenge of meeting community needs while their doors were closed during the six weeks of mandated stay-at-home orders, followed by continuing building closures for most libraries in the state for the rest of the fiscal year. With public service hours decreased by 26%, it is remarkable that circulation decreased by only 20%; this was largely due to libraries swiftly instigating curbside service/porch pickup of library materials. Libraries throughout the state quickly extended Wi-Fi to their parking lots, providing much needed service so that students could continue learning even as their classes were virtual, and adults could "work from home". Many library staff learned how to offer programs virtually and provided craft bags to keep children occupied. And eRead Kids, fortuitously initiated early in FY2020, pushed the circulation of e-books from March 14-June 14 to a level almost 50% above the same time in the prior year, while saving the day for parents and children who were forced to stay home. Please see page 33 for further data which reveal the resourcefulness and innovativeness of Georgia library staff during what were, yes, truly unprecedented times.

GPLS staff have never been prouder to support Georgia public libraries than we were in that last unexpected quarter of the year. We appreciate all the community leaders, trustees, administrators, and funders at the state and local level. Your support positioned Georgia's libraries to serve their communities creatively and dependably when they needed them the most.

This report and previous editions of "A Current Look" may be accessed on our website at www.georgialibraries.org/statistics/.

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Georgia Library Laws

- By statutory authority, Georgia Public Library Service, as a unit of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, gives aid, counsel and advice to all libraries in Georgia and works in a limited supervisory capacity with the 62 public library systems.
- **OCGA § 20-5-2 (a)** states that the agency "... shall give aid, advice and counsel to all libraries" and "shall exercise supervision over all public libraries and endeavor to improve libraries already established."
- **OCGA § 20-2-305 (a)** states that the agency "... shall annually determine and request of the General Assembly the amount of funds needed for county and regional public libraries" and that "Public Library funds shall be apportioned to county and regional public libraries in proportion to the area and population to be served by such libraries . . ."
- Public library systems in Georgia are either single-county or multiple-county, based on the individual participating agreements. There are currently 34 multiple-county (regional) public library systems and 28 single-county public library systems. **OCGA § 20-5-41** places authority of single-county library systems with the county board of trustees and places authority of multiple-county library systems with the regional board of trustees.
- While GPLS strongly supports efficiency and economy in the operation of public library systems, it realizes that local preferences, history and political realities drive the decisions of how public libraries are configured and aligned. It is the role of GPLS to advocate for strong, fiscally sound and viable public libraries.
- Georgia statutes related to public libraries may be found at www.georgialibraries.org/library-laws/

Value of Public Library Services

If a **family of four** borrows two hardcover books, two e-books, and two DVDs each month, attends one program per quarter, and annually takes advantage of the museum and attraction passes available at every public library in the state, that family would **save more than \$1,850 every year** over the cost of buying those materials and tickets individually. *In addition, there is the value of public-access Internet, job skills training, homework help, and dozens of other services that Georgia libraries routinely provide free of charge!*

- **2 hardcover books per month for a year**
 - The average book costs \$26.00.
 - This saved the family of four a total of **\$624**.
- **2 e-books per month for a year**
 - The average eBook consumer cost is \$12.77.
 - This saved the family of four a total of **\$306**.
- **2 DVDs per month for a year**
 - The average DVD costs \$15.00.
 - This saved the family of four a total of **\$360**.
- **1 library program per quarter**
 - The average cost of a movie ticket is \$9.16.
 - This saved the family of four a total of **\$147**.
- **1 time per year using the Passes from the Breman Museum, Center for Puppetry Arts, Chattahoochee Nature Center, Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites, Go Fish Education Center, Macon Museums, and the Michael C. Carlos Museum.** This saved the family of four a total of **\$415**.

In 2020, the value of public library services is more than \$1850 for just these services!

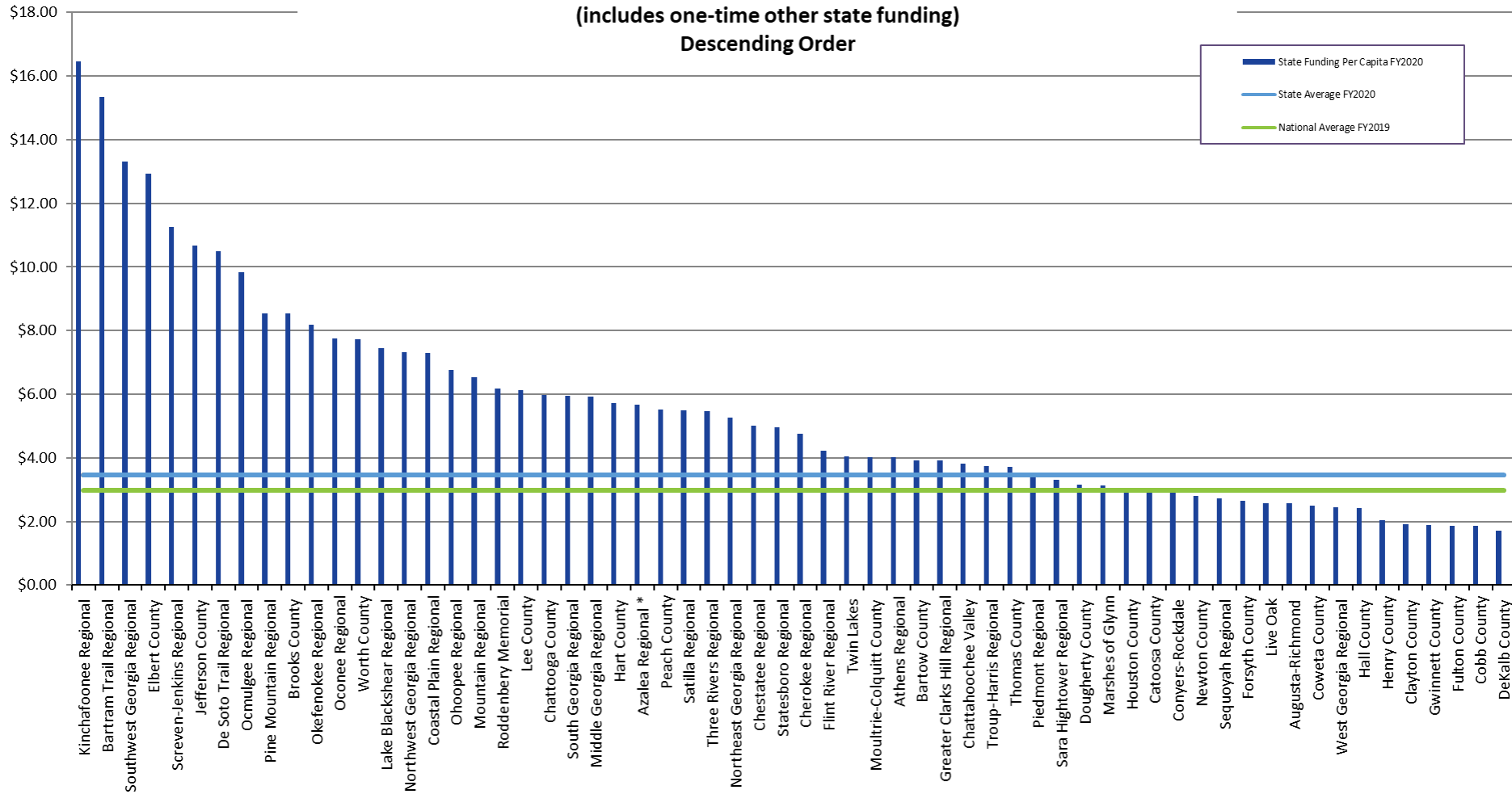
State Grant Funding for Public Libraries

- By state law OCGA § 20-5-3, state grant funding is apportioned by formula to the library systems on the basis of population and geography (http://www.georgialibraries.org/lib/library_laws/OCGA - 20-5-3.pdf).
- State grant funding is provided for professional salaries, library materials, operational support, libraries for the blind and physically handicapped, and, by grant award, for capital improvement.
- Georgia is the only state that provides grants that are specifically designated for the salaries of professional librarians, thus ensuring that each system is administered and led by licensed librarians.
- In FY2019, Georgia ranked 11th in the nation in terms of state funding per capita for public libraries, at \$3.26 while the national average was \$2.99.
- Even with the significant funding provided by the state, in FY2019, Georgia ranked 49th in the nation in terms of **total** per capita funding of public libraries at \$19.88. The national average for **total** per capita funding was \$44.88. Note that FY2019 is the most recent year for which IMLS has published national data tables.
- In FY2020, Georgia's per capita state funding was \$3.46. This is an increase over the previous year due to state funds being provided as a Covid19 Preparedness Grant in spring 2020.

State Grant Funding Per Capita FY2020 (Formula-based)

(includes one-time other state funding)

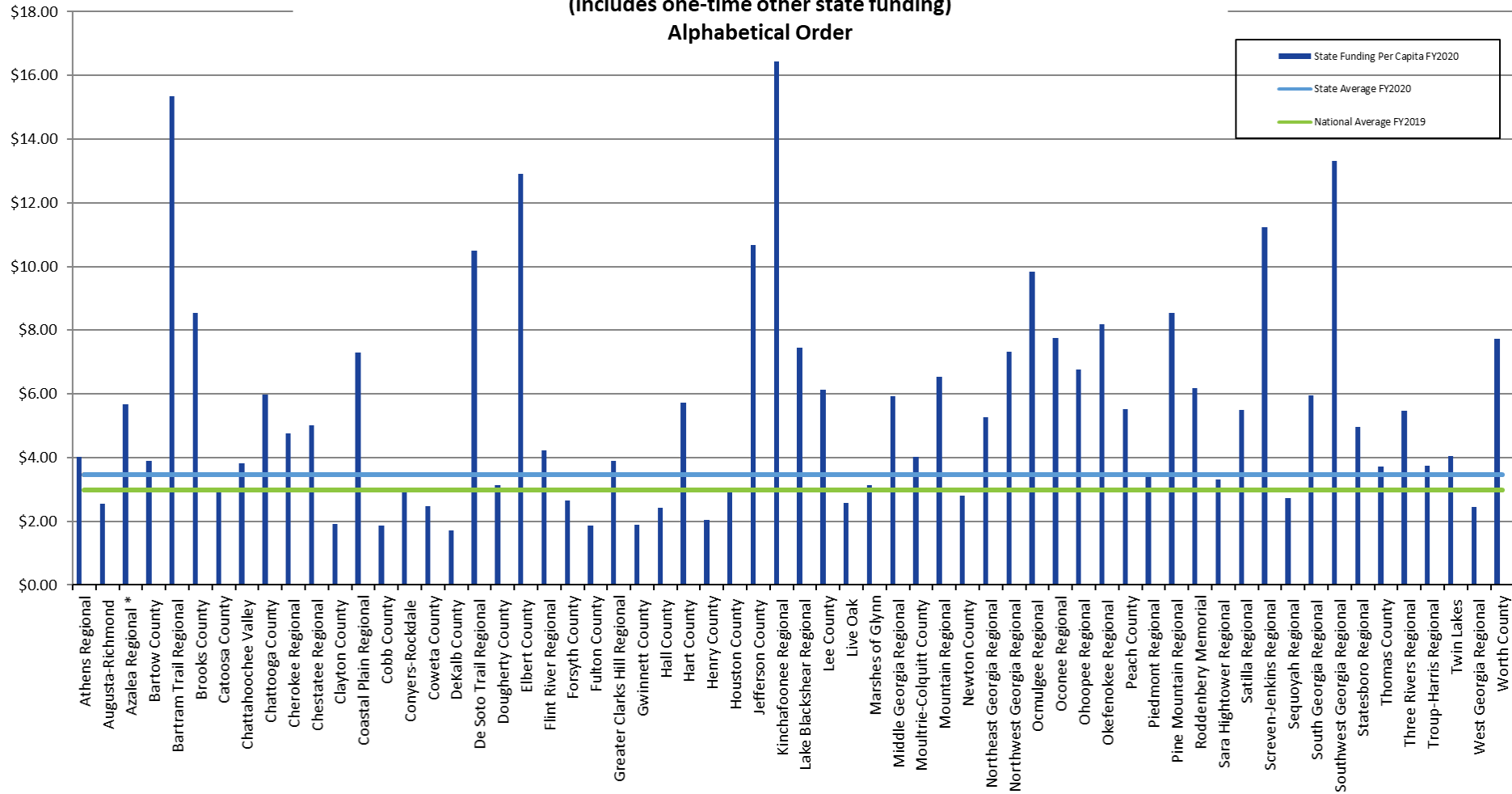
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(includes one-time other state funding)

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State Grant Funding per Capita System Detail FY2018-20

(Formula based)

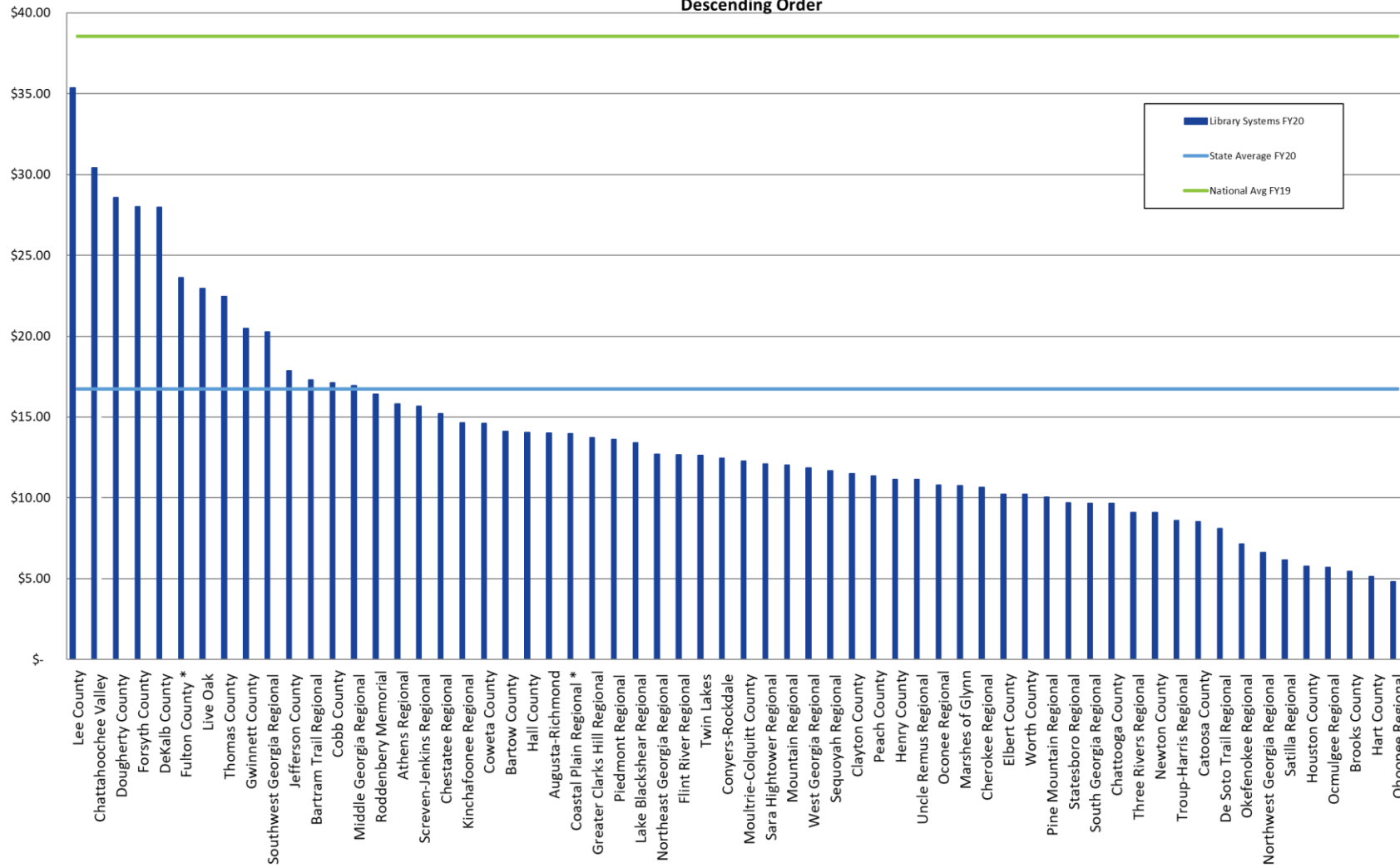
Library System	2018			2019			2020		
	Population	Total State Funding	Per Capita	Population	Total State Funding	Per Capita	Population	Total State Funding	Per Capita
Athens Regional	230,417	\$ 1,016,173	\$ 4.41	232,589	\$ 901,180	\$ 3.87	231682	\$929,160	\$ 4.01
Augusta-Richmond	206,057	489,951	2.38	206,620	396,428	1.92	202240	\$517,590	2.56
Azalea Regional *	173,377	949,150	5.47	175,404	905,683	5.16	177946	\$1,009,975	5.68
Bartow County	106,686	267,862	2.51	107,725	270,822	2.51	110771	\$432,693	3.91
Bartram Trail Regional	33,510	383,014	11.43	33,522	534,838	15.95	24634	\$377,971	15.34
Brooks County	15,387	152,689	9.92	15,337	127,103	8.29	15727	\$134,161	8.53
Catoosa County	68,338	192,864	2.82	68,911	194,557	2.82	68771	\$209,063	3.04
Chattahoochee Valley	238,497	759,662	3.19	239,915	803,879	3.35	223071	\$852,417	3.82
Chattanooga County	25,220	140,729	5.58	25,222	161,543	6.40	24766	\$148,188	5.98
Cherokee Regional	86,122	430,331	5.00	86,315	376,761	4.36	85772	\$408,167	4.76
Chestatee Regional	57,723	269,850	4.67	58,557	295,796	5.05	60823	\$304,159	5.00
Clayton County	277,793	554,338	2.00	280,140	536,152	1.91	304838	\$584,481	1.92
Coastal Plain Regional	95,652	681,466	7.12	113,957	783,039	6.87	111697	\$815,019	7.30
Cobb County	763,778	1,300,797	1.70	772,544	1,359,732	1.76	790588	\$1,467,666	1.86
Conyers-Rockdale	92,869	244,763	2.64	94,077	257,253	2.73	94960	\$276,436	2.91
Coweta County	146,828	315,506	2.15	149,702	325,345	2.17	152001	\$377,782	2.49
DeKalb County	745,417	1,252,547	1.68	750,778	1,249,332	1.66	793154	\$1,356,196	1.71
De Soto Trail Regional	36,630	347,772	9.49	36,541	353,928	9.69	35318	\$370,446	10.49
Dougherty County	93,401	254,178	2.72	93,393	267,189	2.86	89905	\$282,595	3.14
Elbert County	19,443	140,475	7.22	19,393	145,481	7.50	18945	\$244,742	12.92
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	17,956	131,836	7.34						
Flint River Regional	268,647	1,016,471	3.78	270,709	1,112,491	4.11	277762	\$1,173,080	4.22
Forsyth County	229,449	478,280	2.08	237,439	521,154	2.19	252507	\$669,628	2.65
Fulton County	1,070,062	1,747,051	1.63	1,087,425	1,864,668	1.71	1099181	\$2,048,857	1.86
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	188,851	681,078	3.61	192,599	713,573	3.70	194308	\$758,614	3.90
Gwinnett County	948,365	1,462,920	1.54	966,881	1,555,453	1.61	971145	\$1,831,257	1.89
Hall County	203,764	435,796	2.14	207,116	426,503	2.06	206349	\$497,507	2.41
Hart County	25,900	136,576	5.27	25,967	140,365	5.41	26107	\$149,405	5.72
Henry County	232,442	453,034	1.95	237,005	488,296	2.06	239866	\$491,930	2.05
Houston County	159,046	394,914	2.48	161,245	368,858	2.29	157039	\$479,167	3.05
Jefferson County	16,234	169,240	10.43	16,212	138,089	8.52	15313	\$163,502	10.68
Kinchafoonee Regional	29,983	417,539	13.93	29,784	491,482	16.50	29237	\$480,802	16.44
Lake Blackshear Regional	73,768	494,296	6.70	73,643	496,607	6.74	70363	\$523,964	7.45
Lee County	31,676	150,632	4.76	32,226	181,413	5.63	29971	\$183,680	6.13
Live Oak	424,710	962,736	2.27	429,993	987,190	2.30	418106	\$1,076,636	2.58
Marshes of Glynn	86,126	294,178	3.42	87,023	244,409	2.81	86047	\$270,003	3.14
Middle Georgia Regional	230,542	957,010	4.15	230,861	977,489	4.23	218267	\$1,292,979	5.92
Moultrie-Colquitt County	48,675	169,444	3.48	49,120	266,881	5.43	45393	\$182,386	4.02
Mountain Regional	57,725	334,896	5.80	58,034	353,068	6.08	63689	\$416,361	6.54
Newton County	112,505	270,487	2.40	114,680	282,648	2.46	112354	\$315,402	2.81
Northeast Georgia Regional	116,860	572,950	4.90	117,638	613,448	5.21	120872	\$635,572	5.26
Northwest Georgia Regional	205,333	655,130	3.19	206,617	1,482,859	7.18	202982	\$1,487,741	7.33
Ocmulgee Regional	79,057	666,978	8.44	79,035	742,439	9.39	76459	\$752,569	9.84
Oconee Regional	89,725	637,758	7.11	89,970	639,683	7.11	87113	\$675,951	7.76
Ohoopie Regional	79,373	524,055	6.60	79,829	523,960	6.56	76766	\$519,369	6.77
Okfeenokee Regional	94,036	644,579	6.85	94,603	711,120	7.52	92019	\$753,554	8.19
Peach County	27,513	142,577	5.18	27,562	163,886	5.95	27375	\$151,044	5.52
Piedmont Regional	168,500	518,931	3.08	172,304	541,036	3.14	181065	\$634,712	3.51
Pine Mountain Regional	62,293	478,196	7.68	62,140	476,446	7.67	61413	\$524,209	8.54
Roddenbery Memorial	26,318	151,328	5.75	26,509	141,152	5.32	24540	\$151,385	6.17
Sara Hightower Regional	140,543	402,857	2.87	141,132	427,132	3.03	143398	\$475,933	3.32
Satilla Regional	53,352	270,214	5.06	53,699	277,064	5.16	51372	\$281,684	5.48
Screven-Jenkins Regional	23,634	240,616	10.18	23,633	245,582	10.39	22476	\$252,699	11.24
Sequoyah Regional	313,479	790,312	2.52	320,017	1,330,797	4.16	331564	\$903,235	2.72
South Georgia Regional	135,991	498,270	3.66	137,666	546,719	3.97	132198	\$785,590	5.94
Southwest Georgia Regional	42,757	523,966	12.25	42,818	597,849	13.96	40226	\$535,139	13.30
Statesboro Regional	160,486	856,997	5.34	162,951	881,457	5.41	162792	\$809,087	4.97
Thomas County	46,490	166,770	3.59	46,779	166,616	3.56	44431	\$165,236	3.72
Three Rivers Regional	150,468	837,825	5.57	151,750	857,679	5.65	166443	\$910,080	5.47
Troup-Harris Regional	107,476	364,724	3.39	108,684	371,302	3.42	105126	\$393,851	3.75
Twin Lakes	47,084	225,216	4.78	47,285	167,444	3.54	44428	\$180,072	4.05
West Georgia Regional	475,537	1,593,101	3.35	483,794	1,189,886	2.46	487659	\$1,192,265	2.44
Worth County	21,153	136,529	6.45	21,104	134,349	6.37	20142	\$155,695	7.73
Georgia State Totals	10,637,029	\$ 33,202,410	\$ 3.12	10,766,121	\$ 35,086,583	\$ 3.26	10,833,472	\$ 37,430,739	3.46

Local Funding for Public Libraries

- By statutory authority, Georgia Public Library Service, as a unit of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, gives aid, counsel and advice to all libraries in Georgia and works in a limited supervisory capacity with the 62 public library systems.
- Local funding (including one-time funding but not capital funding) for Georgia's public libraries varied widely across the state in FY2020, from \$4.81 Per capita at Ochopee Regional to \$35.35 per capita at Lee County. Some libraries received additional local funding to offset pandemic expenses. In FY2019, local funding ranged from \$3.98 to \$27.33 per capita.
- The majority of the public library systems in Georgia (over 85%) received local funding that was below the statewide average of \$16.74.
- For FY2020, local funding for **all** 62 of Georgia's library systems was below the FY2019 national average of \$38.55.
- Georgia ranked 47th in the nation in local funding per capita for public libraries in FY2019.
- Eight public library systems (Bartow County Public Library, DeKalb County Public Library, Hall County Public Library, Jefferson County Public Library, Northeast Georgia Regional System, Northwest Georgia Regional Library System, Oconee Regional Library System, Ochopee Regional Library) received more state funding than local funding.
- Looking at the amount of funding provided to all Georgia libraries by state and local sources, 17% came from the state while 83% came from local sources.

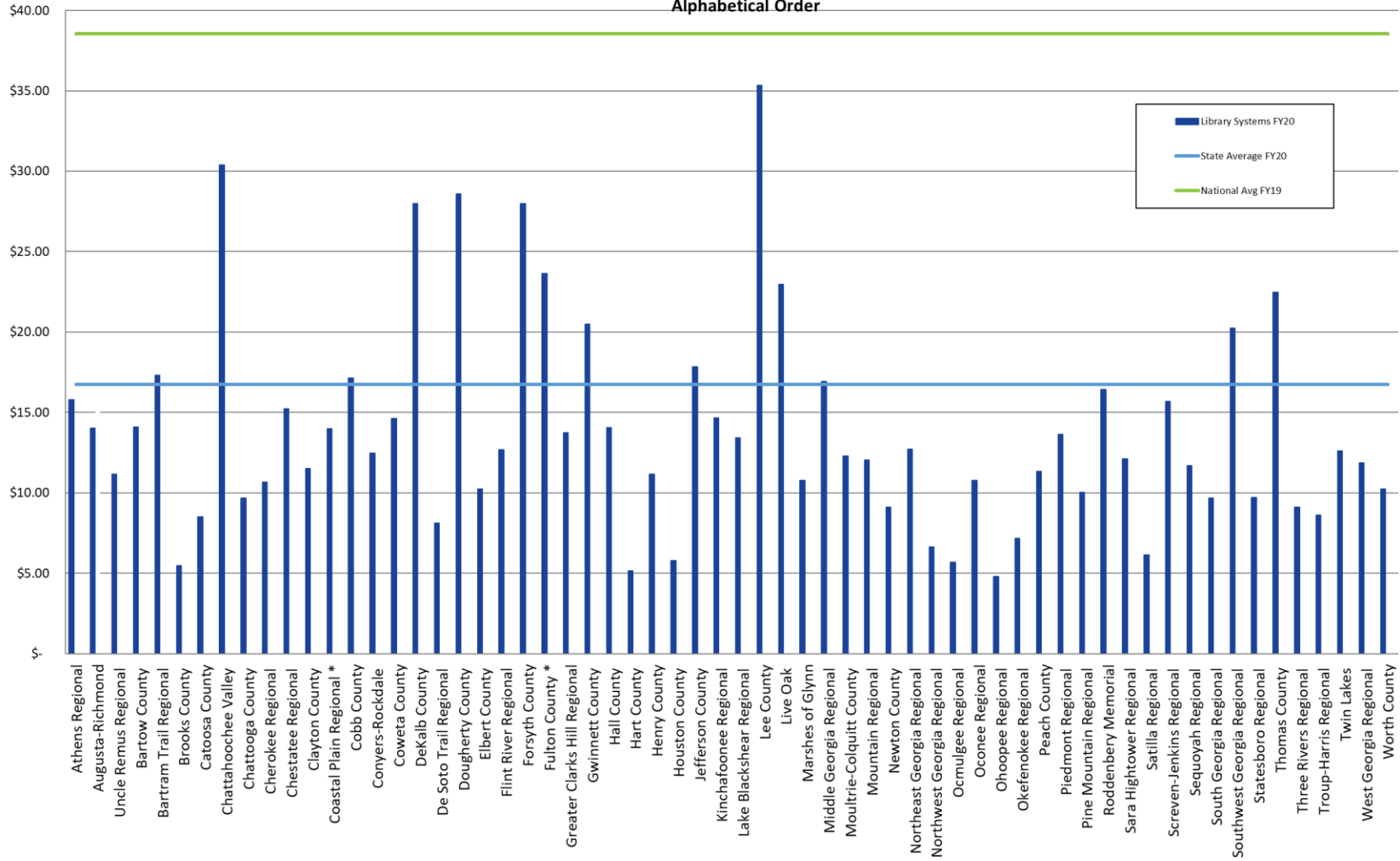
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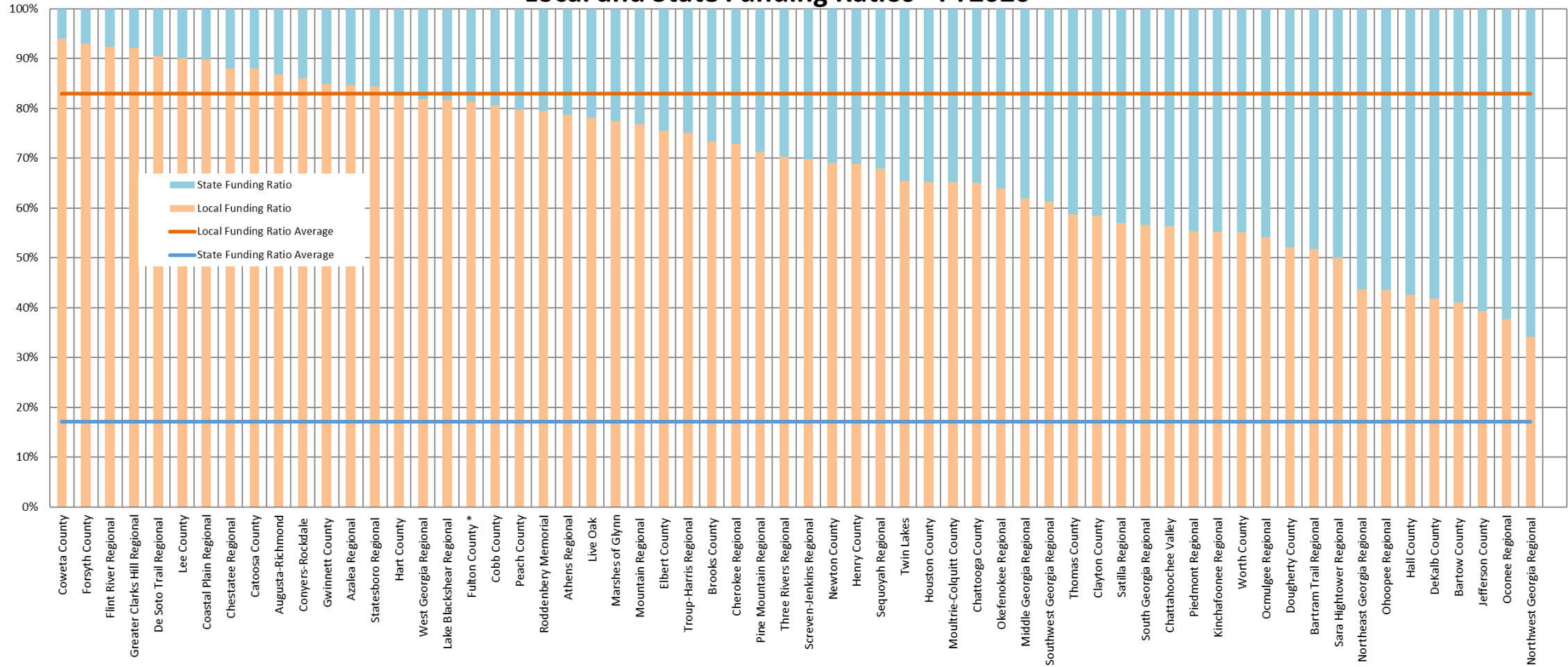
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Athens Regional	230,417	\$3,653,748	\$ 15.86	232,589	\$3,340,005	\$ 14.36	231682	\$3,660,332	\$ 15.80
Augusta-Richmond	206,057	\$2,649,595	12.86	206,620	\$2,616,100	12.66	202240	\$2,834,263	14.01
Azalea Regional *	173,377	\$2,102,028	12.12	175,404	\$1,717,685	9.79	177946	\$1,984,515	11.15
Bartow County	106,686	\$1,581,698	14.83	107,725	\$1,492,310	13.85	110771	\$1,562,435	14.11
Bartram Trail Regional	33,510	\$517,446	15.44	33,522	\$373,612	11.15	24634	\$426,028	17.29
Brooks County	15,387	\$136,865	8.88	15,337	\$136,527	8.90	15727	\$85,877	5.46
Catoosa County	68,338	\$580,836	8.50	68,911	\$535,463	7.77	68771	\$585,846	8.52
Chattahoochee Valley	238,497	\$7,324,567	30.71	239,915	\$5,899,246	24.59	223071	\$6,782,577	30.41
Chattooga County	25,220	\$237,371	9.41	25,222	\$208,482	8.27	24766	\$239,263	9.66
Cherokee Regional	86,122	\$796,143	9.24	86,315	\$702,221	8.14	85772	\$914,654	10.66
Chestatee Regional	57,723	\$858,516	14.87	58,557	\$796,360	13.60	60823	\$926,311	15.23
Clayton County	277,793	\$4,012,624	14.44	280,140	\$3,965,529	14.16	304838	\$3,504,410	11.50
Coastal Plain Regional	95,652	\$1,046,950	10.95	113,957	\$1,104,687	9.69	111697	\$1,560,962	13.97
Cobb County	763,778	\$12,032,018	15.75	772,544	\$11,950,162	15.47	790588	\$13,549,256	17.14
Conyers-Rockdale	92,869	\$1,114,485	12.00	94,077	\$1,065,246	11.32	94960	\$1,183,949	12.47
Coweta County	146,828	\$2,147,026	14.62	149,702	\$1,999,969	13.36	152001	\$2,223,042	14.63
DeKalb County	745,417	\$20,265,652	27.19	750,778	\$19,560,195	26.05	793154	\$22,201,486	27.99
De Soto Trail Regional	36,630	\$300,189	8.20	36,541	\$254,540	6.97	35318	\$286,411	8.11
Dougherty County	93,401	\$2,546,027	27.26	93,393	\$2,552,741	27.33	89905	\$2,568,636	28.57
Elbert County	19,443	\$187,069	9.62	19,393	\$158,428	8.17	18945	\$194,102	10.25
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	17,956	\$281,107	15.66						
Flint River Regional	268,647	\$3,560,677	13.25	270,709	\$3,431,390	12.68	277762	\$3,519,309	12.67
Forsyth County	229,449	\$6,109,735	26.63	237,439	\$6,318,629	26.61	252507	\$7,069,997	28.00
Fulton County	1,070,062	\$26,843,758	25.09	1,087,425	\$24,682,325	22.70	1099181	\$25,988,895	23.64
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	188,851	\$3,120,217	16.52	192,599	\$3,099,698	16.09	194308	\$2,668,143	13.73
Gwinnett County	948,365	\$18,016,006	19.00	966,881	\$18,155,865	18.78	971145	\$19,898,914	20.49
Hall County	203,764	\$2,547,820	12.50	207,116	\$2,406,097	11.62	206349	\$2,899,785	14.05
Hart County	25,900	\$152,752	5.90	25,967	\$103,800	4.00	26107	\$134,536	5.15
Henry County	232,442	\$2,698,084	11.61	237,005	\$2,286,246	9.65	239866	\$2,677,720	11.16
Houston County	159,046	\$947,469	5.96	161,245	\$817,200	5.07	157039	\$906,618	5.77
Jefferson County	16,234	\$287,244	17.69	16,212	\$259,097	15.98	15313	\$273,457	17.86
Kinchafoonee Regional	29,983	\$436,739	14.57	29,784	\$318,863	10.71	29237	\$428,317	14.65
Lake Blackshear Regional	73,768	\$672,061	9.11	73,643	\$614,213	8.34	70363	\$943,391	13.41
Lee County	31,676	\$916,310	28.93	32,226	\$810,351	25.15	29971	\$1,059,448	35.35
Live Oak	424,710	\$9,258,644	21.80	429,993	\$8,958,088	20.83	418106	\$9,596,756	22.95
Marshes of Glynn	86,126	\$862,493	10.01	87,023	\$874,105	10.04	86047	\$925,393	10.75
Middle Georgia Regional	230,542	\$3,619,700	15.70	230,861	\$3,353,974	14.53	218267	\$3,695,105	16.93
Moultrie-Colquitt County	48,675	\$589,953	12.12	49,120	\$433,386	8.82	45393	\$557,793	12.29
Mountain Regional	57,725	\$793,101	13.74	58,034	\$660,945	11.39	63689	\$766,016	12.03
Newton County	112,505	\$1,037,881	9.23	114,680	\$938,452	8.18	112354	\$1,021,715	9.09
Northeast Georgia Regional	116,860	\$1,475,434	12.63	117,638	\$1,369,517	11.64	120872	\$1,535,262	12.70
Northwest Georgia Regional	205,333	\$1,289,982	6.28	206,617	\$1,148,887	5.56	202982	\$1,346,776	6.63
Ocmulgee Regional	79,057	\$449,739	5.69	79,035	\$385,284	4.87	76459	\$435,582	5.70
Oconee Regional	89,725	\$900,625	10.04	89,970	\$754,711	8.39	87113	\$939,459	10.78
Ochopee Regional	79,373	\$375,224	4.73	79,829	\$317,588	3.98	76766	\$369,340	4.81
Okfenokee Regional	94,036	\$571,814	6.08	94,603	\$548,998	5.80	92019	\$659,486	7.17
Peach County	27,513	\$315,824	11.48	27,562	\$289,860	10.52	27375	\$310,774	11.35
Piedmont Regional	168,500	\$2,011,025	11.93	172,304	\$2,131,097	12.37	181065	\$2,468,914	13.64
Pine Mountain Regional	62,293	\$623,156	10.00	62,140	\$590,633	9.50	61413	\$616,575	10.04
Roddenberry Memorial	26,318	\$402,834	15.31	26,509	\$349,358	13.18	24540	\$403,200	16.43
Sara Hightower Regional	140,543	\$1,871,088	13.31	141,132	\$1,651,200	11.70	143398	\$1,737,269	12.12
Satilla Regional	53,352	\$299,341	5.61	53,699	\$277,893	5.18	51372	\$316,042	6.15
Screven-Jenkins Regional	23,634	\$385,499	16.31	23,633	\$325,360	13.77	22476	\$352,607	15.69
Sequoyah Regional	313,479	\$3,875,460	12.36	320,017	\$3,072,786	9.60	331564	\$3,870,593	11.67
South Georgia Regional	135,991	\$1,266,747	9.31	137,666	\$1,160,010	8.43	132198	\$1,277,333	9.66
Southwest Georgia Regional	42,757	\$864,422	20.22	42,818	\$779,766	18.21	40226	\$814,970	20.26
Statesboro Regional	160,486	\$1,609,783	10.03	162,951	\$1,400,691	8.60	162792	\$1,580,809	9.71
Thomas County	46,490	\$1,100,543	23.67	46,779	\$903,612	19.32	44431	\$997,705	22.46
Three Rivers Regional	150,468	\$1,358,598	9.03	151,750	\$1,220,512	8.04	166443	\$1,515,275	9.10
Troup-Harris Regional	107,476	\$924,570	8.60	108,684	\$874,897	8.05	105126	\$904,823	8.61
Twin Lakes	47,084	\$551,430	11.71	47,285	\$506,769	10.72	44428	\$560,600	12.62
West Georgia Regional	475,537	\$5,023,213	10.56	483,794	\$5,354,757	11.07	487659	\$5,782,090	11.86
Worth County	21,153	\$204,915	9.69	21,104	\$165,000	7.82	20142	\$206,080	10.23
Georgia State Totals	10,637,029	\$174,593,670	\$ 16.41	10,766,121	\$164,531,418	\$ 15.28	10,833,472	\$181,307,227	\$ 16.74

Local and State Funding Ratios - FY2020



Local and State Governmental Funding Ratios System Detail FY2020

Local and State Governmental Funding Ratios for Georgia Public Libraries - FY2020						
Library System	Total Local Funding	% Local	Total State Funding	% State	Local + State Funding	% Sum
Athens Regional	\$3,660,332	79.8%	\$929,160	20.2%	\$ 4,589,492	100%
Augusta-Richmond	\$2,834,263	84.6%	\$517,590	15.4%	\$ 3,351,853	100%
Azalea Regional *	\$1,984,515	66.3%	\$1,009,975	33.7%	\$ 2,994,490	100%
Bartow County	\$1,562,435	78.3%	\$432,693	21.7%	\$ 1,995,128	100%
Bartram Trail Regional	\$426,028	53.0%	\$377,971	47.0%	\$ 803,999	100%
Brooks County	\$85,877	39.0%	\$134,161	61.0%	\$ 220,038	100%
Catoosa County	\$585,846	73.7%	\$209,063	26.3%	\$ 794,909	100%
Chattahoochee Valley	\$6,782,577	88.8%	\$852,417	11.2%	\$ 7,634,994	100%
Chattooga County	\$239,263	61.8%	\$148,188	38.2%	\$ 387,451	100%
Cherokee Regional	\$914,654	69.1%	\$408,167	30.9%	\$ 1,322,821	100%
Chestatee Regional	\$926,311	75.3%	\$304,159	24.7%	\$ 1,230,470	100%
Clayton County	\$3,504,410	85.7%	\$584,481	14.3%	\$ 4,088,891	100%
Coastal Plain Regional	\$1,560,962	65.7%	\$815,019	34.3%	\$ 2,375,981	100%
Cobb County	\$13,549,256	90.2%	\$1,467,666	9.8%	\$ 15,016,922	100%
Conyers-Rockdale	\$1,183,949	81.1%	\$276,436	18.9%	\$ 1,460,385	100%
Coweta County	\$2,223,042	85.5%	\$377,782	14.5%	\$ 2,600,824	100%
DeKalb County	\$22,201,486	94.2%	\$1,356,196	5.8%	\$ 23,557,682	100%
De Soto Trail Regional	\$286,411	43.6%	\$370,446	56.4%	\$ 656,857	100%
Dougherty County	\$2,568,636	90.1%	\$282,595	9.9%	\$ 2,851,231	100%
Elbert County	\$194,102	44.2%	\$244,742	55.8%	\$ 438,844	100%
Flint River Regional	\$3,519,309	75.0%	\$1,173,080	25.0%	\$ 4,692,389	100%
Forsyth County	\$7,069,997	91.3%	\$669,628	8.7%	\$ 7,739,625	100%
Fulton County	\$25,988,895	92.7%	\$2,048,857	7.3%	\$ 28,037,752	100%
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	\$2,668,143	77.9%	\$758,614	22.1%	\$ 3,426,757	100%
Gwinnett County	\$19,898,914	91.6%	\$1,831,257	8.4%	\$ 21,730,171	100%
Hall County	\$2,899,785	85.4%	\$497,507	14.6%	\$ 3,397,292	100%
Hart County	\$134,536	47.4%	\$149,405	52.6%	\$ 283,941	100%
Henry County	\$2,677,720	84.5%	\$491,930	15.5%	\$ 3,169,650	100%
Houston County	\$906,618	65.4%	\$479,167	34.6%	\$ 1,385,785	100%
Jefferson County	\$273,457	62.6%	\$163,502	37.4%	\$ 436,959	100%
Kinchafoonee Regional	\$428,317	47.1%	\$480,802	52.9%	\$ 909,119	100%
Lake Blackshear Regional	\$943,391	64.3%	\$523,964	35.7%	\$ 1,467,355	100%
Lee County	\$1,059,448	85.2%	\$183,680	14.8%	\$ 1,243,128	100%
Live Oak	\$9,596,756	89.9%	\$1,076,636	10.1%	\$ 10,673,392	100%
Marshes of Glynn	\$925,393	77.4%	\$270,003	22.6%	\$ 1,195,396	100%
Middle Georgia Regional	\$3,695,105	74.1%	\$1,292,979	25.9%	\$ 4,988,084	100%
Moultrie-Colquitt County	\$557,793	75.4%	\$182,386	24.6%	\$ 740,179	100%
Mountain Regional	\$766,016	64.8%	\$416,361	35.2%	\$ 1,182,377	100%
Newton County	\$1,021,715	76.4%	\$315,402	23.6%	\$ 1,337,117	100%
Northeast Georgia Regional	\$1,535,262	70.7%	\$635,572	29.3%	\$ 2,170,834	100%
Northwest Georgia Regional	\$1,346,776	47.5%	\$1,487,741	52.5%	\$ 2,834,517	100%
Ocmulgee Regional	\$435,582	36.7%	\$752,569	63.3%	\$ 1,188,151	100%
Oconee Regional	\$939,459	58.2%	\$675,951	41.8%	\$ 1,615,410	100%
Ohoopsee Regional	\$369,340	41.6%	\$519,369	58.4%	\$ 888,709	100%
Okefenokee Regional	\$659,486	46.7%	\$753,554	53.3%	\$ 1,413,040	100%
Peach County	\$310,774	67.3%	\$151,044	32.7%	\$ 461,818	100%
Piedmont Regional	\$2,468,914	79.5%	\$634,712	20.5%	\$ 3,103,626	100%
Pine Mountain Regional	\$616,575	54.0%	\$524,209	46.0%	\$ 1,140,784	100%
Roddenberry Memorial	\$403,200	72.7%	\$151,385	27.3%	\$ 554,585	100%
Sara Hightower Regional	\$1,737,269	78.5%	\$475,933	21.5%	\$ 2,213,202	100%
Satilla Regional	\$316,042	52.9%	\$281,684	47.1%	\$ 597,726	100%
Screven-Jenkins Regional	\$352,607	58.3%	\$252,699	41.7%	\$ 605,306	100%
Sequoyah Regional	\$3,870,593	81.1%	\$903,235	18.9%	\$ 4,773,828	100%
South Georgia Regional	\$1,277,333	61.9%	\$785,590	38.1%	\$ 2,062,923	100%
Southwest Georgia Regional	\$814,970	60.4%	\$535,139	39.6%	\$ 1,350,109	100%
Statesboro Regional	\$1,580,809	66.1%	\$809,087	33.9%	\$ 2,389,896	100%
Thomas County	\$997,705	85.8%	\$165,236	14.2%	\$ 1,162,941	100%
Three Rivers Regional	\$1,515,275	62.5%	\$910,080	37.5%	\$ 2,425,355	100%
Troup-Harris Regional	\$904,823	69.7%	\$393,851	30.3%	\$ 1,298,674	100%
Twin Lakes	\$560,600	75.7%	\$180,072	24.3%	\$ 740,672	100%
West Georgia Regional	\$5,782,090	82.9%	\$1,192,265	17.1%	\$ 6,974,355	100%
Worth County	\$206,080	57.0%	\$155,695	43.0%	\$ 361,775	100%
Georgia Totals	\$ 181,307,227	82.9%	\$ 37,430,739	17.1%	\$ 218,737,966	100%

State and Local Funding for Library Facilities

Georgia's Public Library Planning and Construction Program

- A match program assisting in new library construction as well as renovations and additions sponsored by Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission in funding for construction of public libraries and implementation of capital outlay programs
- Funded or completed over 82 projects in 62 counties since FY2005 with 21 projects in the planning process, awaiting awards
 - 22 central libraries and 60 branch libraries
 - 37 new libraries and 45 additions and/or renovated libraries
- Total grant funding between FY2005 and FY2020 has been approximately \$123 million
- Total local match funding between FY2005 and FY2020 has been approximately \$154 million
- Total project costs have been over \$277 million funded and completed

Maintenance Repair and Renovation (MR&R) Program

- FY2020 – Granted \$4.49 million matched with \$3.3 million in local contributions, currently assisting over 49 libraries
 - 55 individual projects in 37 counties
- FY2019 – Granted \$3.75 million matched with \$2.1 million in local contributions, currently assisting over 42 libraries
 - 45 individual projects in 36 counties
- FY2018 – Granted \$4.0 million matched with \$1.9 million in local contributions, currently assisting over 44 libraries
 - 54 individual projects in 38 counties

Library Planning and Construction Detail

Library Planning and Construction FY2015-2020									
FY	Library System	Project Name	C=Central B=Branch	N=New A=Add.	City	County	State Share	Local Share	Total Project Cost
2015	Flint River Regional Library	Barnesville-Lamar County Library	B	A	Barnesville	Lamar	\$1,385,000	\$583,000	\$1,968,000
2015	Mountain Regional	Mountain Regional Library	C	A	Young Harris	Towns	\$900,000	\$100,000	\$1,000,000
2015	Troup Harris Regional	Hogansville Public Library	B	N	Hogansville	Troup	\$2,000,000	\$1,215,000	\$3,215,000
2015	West Georgia Regional	Villa Rica Library	B	N	Villa Rica	Carroll	\$500,000	\$1,215,000	\$1,715,000
2016	Cobb County Public	East Marietta Branch	B	N	Marietta	Cobb	\$2,000,000	\$6,640,000	\$8,640,000
2016	Forsyth County Public	Sharon Forks Public Library	B	A	Cumming	Forsyth	\$2,000,000	\$3,477,000	\$5,477,000
2016	Greater Clarks-Hill	Harlem Public Library	B	N	Harlem	Columbia	\$2,000,000	\$1,750,000	\$3,750,000
2016	Three Rivers Regional	Charlton County Public Library	B	A	Folkston	Charlton	\$565,000	\$107,000	\$672,000
2016	Troup Harris Regional	Harris County Public Library	B	N	Hamilton	Harris	\$2,000,000	\$2,825,000	\$4,825,000
2016	West Georgia Regional	Villa Rica Library	B	N	Villa Rica	Carroll	\$1,500,000	\$1,215,000	\$2,715,000
2017	Athens Regional	Bogart Public	B	A	Bogart	Oconee	\$1,800,000	\$950,000	\$2,750,000
2017	Dougherty County Public	Northwest Public Library	B	A	Albany	Dougherty	\$2,000,000	\$4,610,000	\$6,610,000
2017	South Georgia Regional	South Georgia Regional Library	C	A	Valdosta	Lowndes	\$2,000,000	\$1,100,000	\$3,100,000
2017	West Georgia Regional	Neva Lomason Memorial Library	C	A	Carrollton	Carroll	\$2,000,000	\$1,500,000	\$3,500,000
2018	Marshes of Glynn Libraries	Brunswick Central Library	C	A	Brunswick	Glynn	\$2,000,000	\$2,400,000	\$4,400,000
2018	Middle Georgia Regional Library	Jones County Public Library	B	A	Gray	Jones	\$1,300,000	\$450,000	\$1,750,000
2018	Moultrie-Colquitt County Library	Moultrie-Colquitt County Library	C	A	Moultrie	Colquitt	\$1,386,000	\$585,000	\$1,971,000
2018	Roddenbery Memorial Library	Roddenbery Memorial Library	C	A	Cairo	Grady	\$2,000,000	\$960,000	\$2,960,000
2019	Chestatee Regional	Lumpkin County Library	C	N	Dahlonega	Lumpkin	\$2,000,000	\$1,750,000	\$3,750,000
2019	Cobb County Public	Switzer Library	C	A	Marietta	Cobb	\$2,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$8,000,000
2019	Hall County Library System	Hall County Library	C	A	Gainesville	Hall	\$2,000,000	\$1,558,000	\$3,558,000
2019	Newton County	Covington Public Library	C	A	Covington	Newton	\$900,000	\$100,000	\$1,000,000
2019	Uncle Remus Regional	WH Stanton Memorial	B	A	Social Circle	Walton	\$1,640,000	\$840,000	\$2,480,000
2020	Athens Regional	Oconee County	B	N	Watkinsville	Oconee	\$1,900,000	\$1,087,000	\$2,987,000
2020	Chattahoochee Valley Libraries	Cusseta-Chattahoochee Library	B	A	Cusseta	Chattahoochee	\$1,810,000	\$381,500	\$2,191,500
2020	Kinchafoonee Regional Library	Quitman County Library	B	N	Georgetown	Quitman	\$1,040,000	\$116,000	\$1,156,000
2020	Okefenokee Regional	Appling County Library	B	A	Baxley	Appling	\$900,000	\$185,000	\$1,085,000
2020	Piedmont Regional	Auburn Branch Library	B	A	Auburn	Barrow	\$415,000	\$44,000	\$459,000
					Projects Funded FY2015-20		\$43,941,000	\$43,743,500	\$87,684,500
					Projects Funded FY2005-20		\$123,579,647	\$153,591,660	\$277,171,307

Projects completed or funded after June 30, 2005	
	2020
Projects	82
Systems	41
Counties	62
Centrals	22
Branches	60
News	37
Adds	45
Local Share Total	\$153,591,660
State Share Total	\$123,579,647
Total Project Cost	\$277,171,307

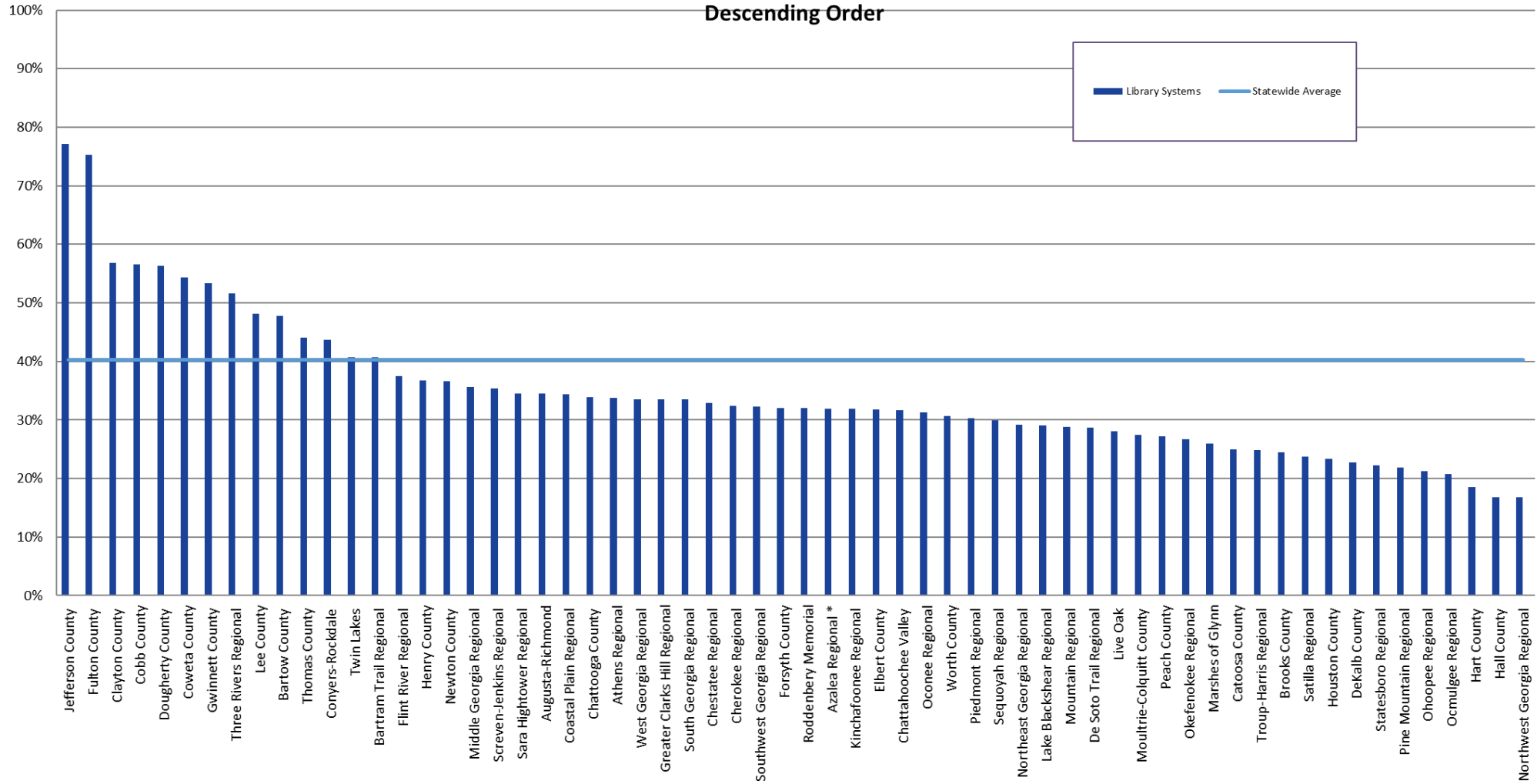
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Library Cards and Circulation

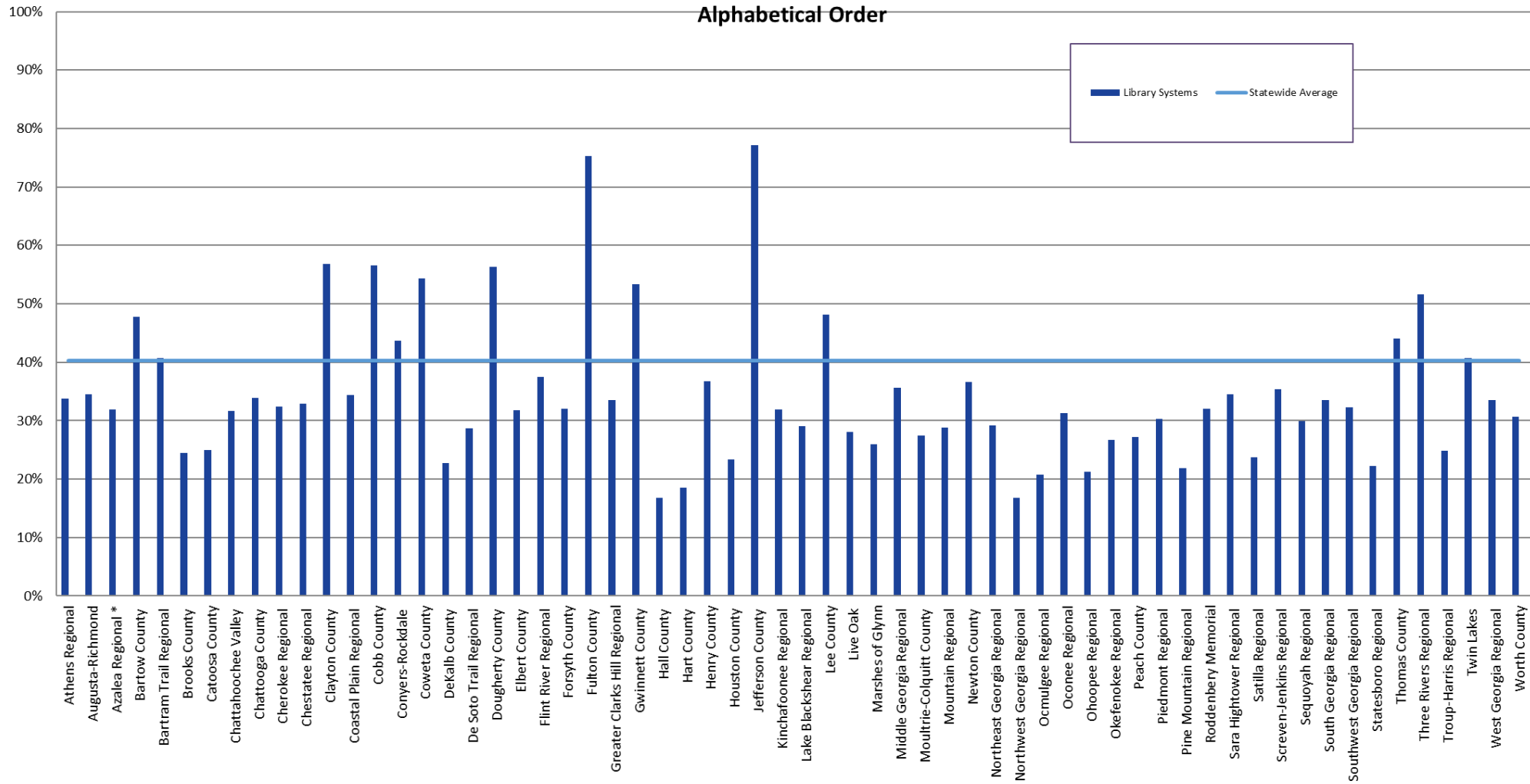
- In FY2020, 4,368,774 individuals in Georgia held public library cards, a 1.4% increase over FY2019. The latest Georgia QuickFacts from the U.S. Census (2015-2019) reported a total of 3,758,798 Georgia households, resulting in an average of 1.2 registered public library patrons per Georgia household.
- 40% of all Georgians are registered public library patrons, a number which has held steady for the last four years.
- Library systems that participate in Georgia Public Library Service's PINES automation and lending network counted 1,952,551 active PINES library cards as of June 30, 2020.
- More than half of all registered public library patrons in Georgia live in a county that is part of a library system that participates in PINES.
- Georgia libraries circulated 28.9 million library items or 2.67 items per capita in FY2020, which is a decrease of 20% from FY2019. This decrease was due to the public libraries being overwhelmingly closed during the last 30% of FY2020, between March 14-June 30, 2020, during the pandemic. Due to libraries' ability to meet customer needs with electronic materials during the pandemic, particularly during the Governor's stay-at-home order which lasted for six weeks, the decrease from the prior year is proportionately less than might have been expected, with only a 20% decrease in circulation although most libraries were closed 30% of the year.
- Of note, during the first quarter of the pandemic shutdown in Georgia, from March 14-June 14, 2020, circulation of eBooks increased almost 50% above the same time period in 2019. During this same time frame for 2020, e-audiobooks (downloadable audiobooks) were checked out 18% more than during those three months of 2019. The higher percentage increase in e-books v. e-audiobooks is explained by the fact that far fewer Georgians were commuting or using their cars due to the stay-at-home order. Car travel is a very popular time for patrons to listen to e-audiobooks.
- Georgia ranked 49th among states in circulation per capita in FY2019.

Percentage of Library System Population with Library Cards - FY2020

Descending Order



Percentage of Library System Population with Library Cards - FY2020

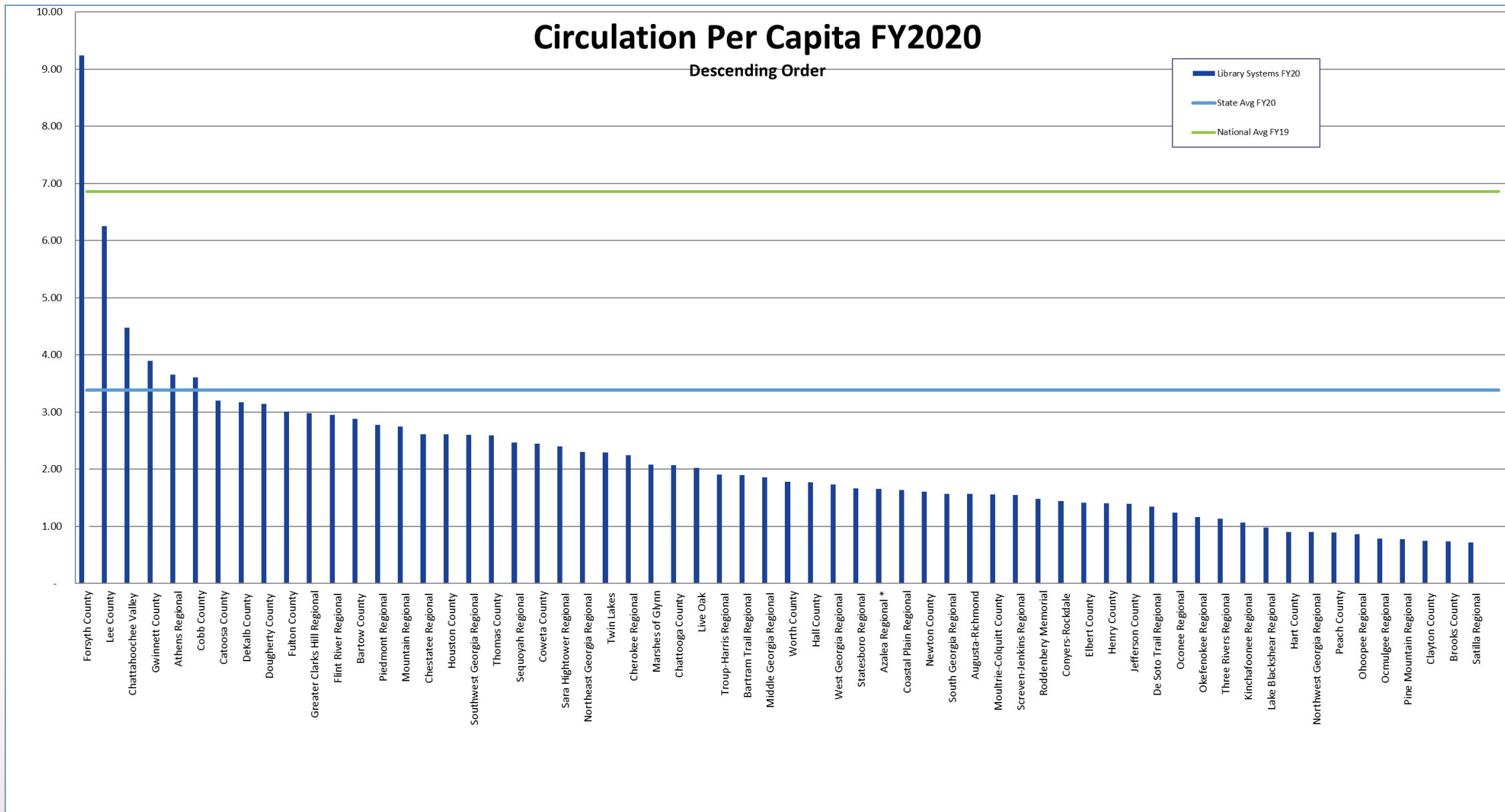
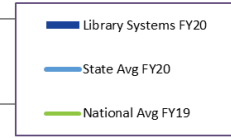


Population with Library Cards System Detail FY2018-20

Library System	2018			2019			2020			Percentage Change in Card Holders from 2018 to 2019
	Card Holders	Population	% Population	Card Holders	Population	% Population	Card Holders	Population	% Population	
Athens Regional	75,099	230,417	33%	76,710	232,589	33%	78,089	231,682	34%	2%
Augusta-Richmond	73,832	206,057	36%	72,426	206,620	35%	69,771	202,240	34%	-4%
Azalea Regional *	58,831	173,377	34%	58,604	175,404	33%	56,817	177,946	32%	-3%
Bartow County	63,622	106,686	60%	54,965	107,725	51%	52,897	110,771	48%	-4%
Bartram Trail Regional	10,764	33,510	32%	10,598	33,522	32%	10,013	24,634	41%	-6%
Brooks County	4,128	15,387	27%	3,968	15,357	26%	3,850	15,727	24%	-3%
Catoosa County	16,253	68,338	24%	17,065	68,911	25%	17,190	68,771	25%	1%
Chattahoochee Valley	130,686	238,497	55%	93,254	239,915	39%	70,755	223,071	32%	-24%
Chattooga County	7,462	25,220	30%	7,577	25,222	30%	8,390	24,766	34%	11%
Cherokee Regional	26,071	86,122	30%	27,394	86,315	32%	27,749	85,772	32%	1%
Chestate Regional	20,136	57,723	35%	20,248	58,557	35%	20,005	60,823	33%	-1%
Clayton County	150,765	277,793	54%	154,009	280,140	55%	173,170	304,838	57%	12%
Coastal Plain Regional	32,842	95,652	34%	39,908	113,957	35%	38,391	111,697	34%	-4%
Cobb County	453,787	763,778	59%	454,015	772,544	59%	447,378	790,588	57%	-1%
Conyers-Rockdale	43,018	92,869	46%	42,505	94,077	45%	41,448	94,960	44%	-2%
Coweta County	86,484	146,828	59%	85,978	149,702	57%	82,618	152,001	54%	-4%
DeKalb County	195,711	745,417	26%	189,912	750,778	25%	180,271	793,154	23%	-5%
De Soto Trail Regional	10,673	36,630	29%	10,516	36,541	29%	10,115	35,318	29%	-4%
Dougherty County	52,192	93,401	56%	51,972	93,393	56%	50,649	89,905	56%	-3%
Elbert County	6,206	19,443	32%	6,176	19,393	32%	6,025	18,945	32%	-2%
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	7,582	17,956	42%							
Flint River Regional	105,074	268,647	39%	106,282	270,709	39%	104,219	277,762	38%	-2%
Forsyth County	70,934	229,449	31%	76,460	237,439	32%	80,824	252,507	32%	6%
Fulton County	648,128	1,070,062	61%	755,588	1,087,425	69%	827,088	1,099,181	75%	9%
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	66,372	188,851	35%	66,835	192,599	35%	65,148	194,308	34%	-3%
Gwinnett County	470,770	948,365	50%	486,859	966,881	50%	517,585	971,145	53%	6%
Hall County	48,753	203,764	24%	53,904	207,116	26%	53,333	206,349	26%	4%
Hart County	4,879	25,900	19%	4,886	25,967	19%	4,833	26,107	19%	-1%
Henry County	85,287	232,442	37%	88,609	237,005	37%	88,150	239,866	37%	-1%
Houston County	45,278	159,046	28%	38,099	161,245	24%	36,719	157,039	23%	-4%
Jefferson County	11,520	16,234	71%	11,680	16,212	72%	11,811	15,313	77%	1%
Kincaid Regional	11,144	29,983	37%	10,845	29,784	36%	9,323	29,237	32%	-14%
Lake Blackshear Regional	21,653	73,768	29%	21,398	73,643	29%	20,416	70,363	29%	-5%
Lee County	14,311	31,676	45%	14,471	32,226	45%	14,428	29,971	48%	0%
Live Oak	106,695	424,710	25%	70,948	429,993	16%	117,119	418,106	28%	65%
Marshes of Glynn	22,567	86,126	26%	22,167	87,023	25%	22,299	86,047	26%	1%
Middle Georgia Regional	75,832	230,542	33%	74,395	230,861	32%	77,641	218,267	36%	4%
Moultrie-Colquitt County	12,931	48,675	27%	12,783	49,120	26%	12,450	45,393	27%	-3%
Mountain Regional	19,339	57,725	34%	18,888	58,034	33%	18,353	63,689	29%	-3%
Newton County	43,710	112,505	39%	42,491	114,680	37%	41,207	112,354	37%	-3%
Northeast Georgia Regional	35,821	116,860	31%	36,174	117,638	31%	35,336	120,872	29%	-2%
Northwest Georgia Regional	33,126	205,333	16%	34,800	206,617	17%	33,952	202,982	17%	-2%
Ocmulgee Regional	15,979	79,057	20%	15,460	79,035	20%	15,886	76,459	21%	3%
Oconee Regional	28,508	89,725	32%	28,310	89,970	31%	27,286	87,113	31%	-4%
Ochopee Regional	17,168	79,373	22%	16,825	79,829	21%	16,293	76,766	21%	-3%
Okfenokee Regional	27,122	94,036	29%	27,041	94,603	29%	24,536	92,019	27%	-9%
Peach County	8,035	27,513	29%	7,794	27,562	28%	7,434	27,375	27%	-5%
Piedmont Regional	53,224	168,500	32%	55,069	172,304	32%	54,858	181,065	30%	0%
Pine Mountain Regional	14,364	62,293	23%	14,074	62,140	23%	13,455	61,413	22%	-4%
Roddenberry Memorial	8,797	26,318	33%	8,560	26,509	32%	7,851	24,540	32%	-8%
Sara Hightower Regional	49,654	140,543	35%	49,606	141,132	35%	49,540	143,398	35%	0%
Satilla Regional	12,763	53,352	24%	12,415	53,699	23%	12,204	51,372	24%	-2%
Screven-Jenkins Regional	8,496	23,634	36%	8,278	23,633	35%	7,944	22,476	35%	-4%
Sequoyah Regional	119,326	313,479	38%	122,974	320,017	38%	99,323	331,564	30%	-19%
South Georgia Regional	44,771	135,991	33%	45,518	137,666	33%	44,247	132,198	33%	-3%
Southwest Georgia Regional	14,736	42,757	34%	14,041	42,818	33%	12,990	40,226	32%	-7%
Statesboro Regional	54,287	160,486	34%	53,990	162,951	33%	52,999	162,792	32%	-3%
Thomas County	20,154	46,490	43%	20,063	46,779	43%	19,567	44,431	44%	-2%
Three Rivers Regional	85,765	150,468	57%	86,065	151,750	57%	86,004	166,443	52%	0%
Troup-Harris Regional	27,127	107,476	25%	27,413	108,684	25%	26,178	105,126	25%	-5%
Twin Lakes	15,809	47,084	34%	15,666	47,285	33%	18,077	44,428	41%	15%
West Georgia Regional	163,774	475,537	34%	165,576	483,794	34%	163,586	487,659	34%	-1%
Worth County	6,468	21,153	31%	6,431	21,104	30%	6,181	20,142	31%	-4%
Statewide	4,276,595	10,637,029	40%	4,309,531	10,766,121	40%	4,368,774	10,833,472	40%	1%

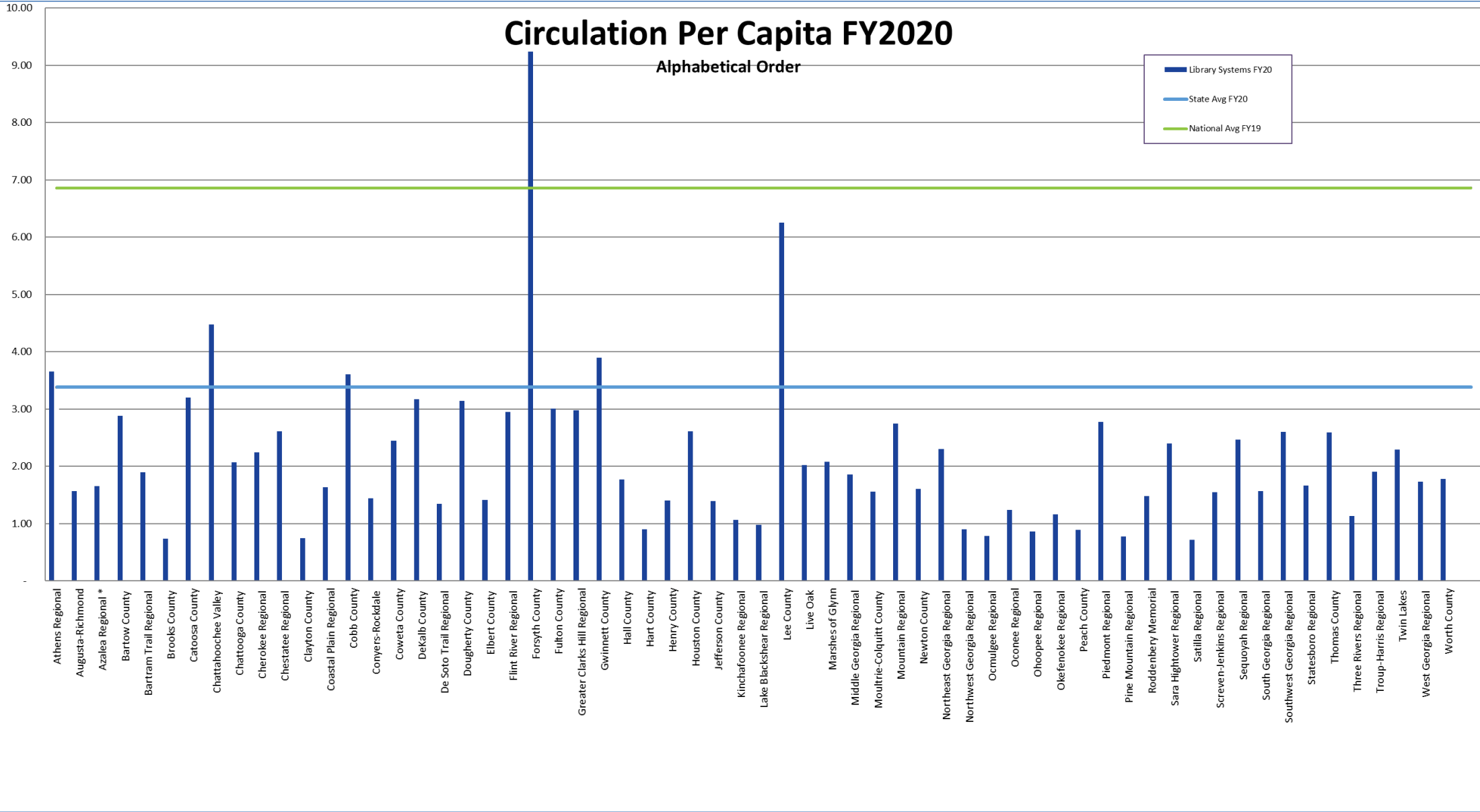
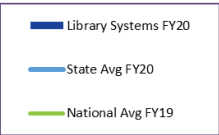
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Circulation per Capita System Detail FY2018-20

Library System	2018			2019			2020		
	Circulation	System Population	Per Capita	Circulation	System Population	Per Capita	Circulation	System Population	Per Capita
Athens Regional	1,187,749	230,417	5.15	1,142,835	232,589	4.91	847,652	231,682	3.66
Augusta-Richmond	442,307	206,057	2.15	450,606	206,620	2.18	316,613	202,240	1.57
Azalea Regional *	395,398	173,377	2.28	393,840	175,404	2.25	293,656	177,946	1.65
Bartow County	419,599	106,686	3.93	411,665	107,725	3.82	319,338	110,771	2.88
Bartram Trail Regional	65,881	33,510	1.97	60,242	33,522	1.80	46,651	24,634	1.89
Brooks County	21,839	15,387	1.42	9,525	15,337	0.62	11,522	15,727	0.73
Catoosa County	257,818	68,338	3.77	262,552	68,911	3.81	220,129	68,771	3.20
Chattahoochee Valley	876,552	238,497	3.68	893,061	239,915	3.72	998,365	223,071	4.48
Chattooga County	72,174	25,220	2.86	68,918	25,222	2.73	51,218	24,766	2.07
Cherokee Regional	211,330	86,122	2.45	214,028	86,315	2.48	192,122	85,772	2.24
Chestatee Regional	227,826	57,723	3.95	230,708	58,557	3.94	158,969	60,823	2.61
Clayton County	347,430	277,793	1.25	299,635	280,140	1.07	227,916	304,838	0.75
Coastal Plain Regional	256,895	95,652	2.69	265,415	113,957	2.33	182,857	111,697	1.64
Cobb County	2,763,003	763,778	3.62	2,876,778	772,544	3.72	2,851,855	790,588	3.61
Conyers-Rockdale	241,232	92,869	2.60	191,591	94,077	2.04	137,180	94,960	1.44
Coweta County	504,464	146,828	3.44	521,704	149,702	3.48	372,035	152,001	2.45
DeKalb County	2,738,730	745,417	3.67	3,071,715	750,778	4.09	2,515,235	793,154	3.17
De Soto Trail Regional	76,462	36,630	2.09	65,012	36,541	1.78	47,593	35,318	1.35
Dougherty County	422,859	93,401	4.53	394,875	93,393	4.23	282,638	89,905	3.14
Elbert County	43,924	19,443	2.26	35,562	19,393	1.83	26,769	18,945	1.41
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	46,064	17,956	2.57						
Flint River Regional	1,038,111	268,647	3.86	1,017,267	270,709	3.76	820,091	277,762	2.95
Forsyth County	2,439,727	229,449	10.63	2,812,746	237,439	11.85	2,331,969	252,507	9.24
Fulton County	3,681,185	1,070,062	3.44	4,662,606	1,087,425	4.28	3,305,926	1,099,181	3.01
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	680,715	188,851	3.60	696,089	192,599	3.61	579,576	194,308	2.98
Gwinnett County	4,426,409	948,365	4.67	4,479,371	966,881	4.63	3,786,379	971,145	3.90
Hall County	626,911	203,764	3.08	491,179	207,116	2.37	364,827	206,349	1.77
Hart County	36,195	25,900	1.40	36,838	25,967	1.42	23,616	26,107	0.90
Henry County	409,546	232,442	1.76	419,324	237,005	1.77	335,550	239,866	1.40
Houston County	470,010	159,046	2.96	485,768	161,245	3.01	409,377	157,039	2.61
Jefferson County	37,092	16,234	2.28	30,545	16,212	1.88	21,354	15,313	1.39
Kinchafoonee Regional	47,634	29,983	1.59	48,268	29,784	1.62	31,143	29,237	1.07
Lake Blackshear Regional	88,097	73,768	1.19	92,701	73,643	1.26	68,632	70,363	0.98
Lee County	218,953	31,676	6.91	231,059	32,226	7.17	187,315	29,971	6.25
Live Oak	1,342,497	424,710	3.16	1,141,433	429,993	2.65	843,866	418,106	2.02
Marshes of Glynn	202,363	86,126	2.35	164,816	87,023	1.89	178,710	86,047	2.08
Middle Georgia Regional	583,344	230,542	2.53	517,488	230,861	2.24	405,902	218,267	1.86
Moultrie-Colquitt County	78,576	48,675	1.61	83,363	49,120	1.70	70,895	45,393	1.56
Mountain Regional	320,189	57,725	5.55	227,115	58,034	3.91	175,196	63,689	2.75
Newton County	246,103	112,505	2.19	206,508	114,680	1.80	180,865	112,354	1.61
Northeast Georgia Regional	375,660	116,860	3.21	373,668	117,638	3.18	277,877	120,872	2.30
Northwest Georgia Regional	300,326	205,333	1.46	279,477	206,617	1.35	183,582	202,982	0.90
Ocmulgee Regional	78,441	79,057	0.99	77,633	79,035	0.98	59,679	76,459	0.78
Oconee Regional	158,317	89,725	1.76	151,807	89,970	1.69	108,221	87,113	1.24
Ochoppee Regional	96,800	79,373	1.22	94,425	79,829	1.18	66,160	76,766	0.86
Okfe诺基 Regional	140,674	94,036	1.50	144,075	94,603	1.52	106,770	92,019	1.16
Peach County	35,497	27,513	1.29	32,200	27,562	1.17	24,417	27,375	0.89
Piedmont Regional	573,154	168,500	3.40	623,652	172,304	3.62	502,886	181,065	2.78
Pine Mountain Regional	63,709	62,293	1.02	60,329	62,140	0.97	47,454	61,413	0.77
Roddenbery Memorial	40,801	26,318	1.55	33,447	26,509	1.26	36,358	24,540	1.48
Sara Hightower Regional	507,633	140,543	3.61	495,853	141,132	3.51	344,183	143,398	2.40
Satilla Regional	66,576	53,352	1.25	52,804	53,699	0.98	36,617	51,372	0.71
Screven-Jenkins Regional	46,009	23,634	1.95	45,246	23,633	1.91	34,790	22,476	1.55
Sequoyah Regional	958,167	313,479	3.06	1,016,768	320,017	3.18	818,534	331,564	2.47
South Georgia Regional	251,335	135,991	1.85	249,888	137,666	1.82	207,280	132,198	1.57
Southwest Georgia Regional	151,076	42,757	3.53	142,045	42,818	3.32	104,658	40,226	2.60
Statesboro Regional	347,755	160,486	2.17	371,378	162,951	2.28	270,739	162,792	1.66
Thomas County	172,480	46,490	3.71	145,952	46,779	3.12	115,339	44,431	2.60
Three Rivers Regional	271,635	150,468	1.81	258,519	151,750	1.70	187,723	166,443	1.13
Troup-Harris Regional	259,260	107,476	2.41	267,888	108,684	2.46	200,460	105,126	1.91
Twin Lakes	149,518	47,084	3.18	140,860	47,285	2.98	101,665	44,428	2.29
West Georgia Regional	1,492,938	475,537	3.14	1,183,427	483,794	2.45	845,631	487,659	1.73
Worth County	56,600	21,153	2.68	49,664	21,104	2.35	35,785	20,142	1.78
Statewide	35,187,554	10,637,029	3.31	35,985,756	10,766,121	3.34	28,938,310	10,833,472	2.67

Resource Sharing—Interlibrary Loans and Courier Service

- Public libraries provide lending services to their card holders. Each time a user checks out an item, it is considered a circulation. Another type of circulation, which requires at least three times the workload of a circulation, is Interlibrary Loan. This is a service where a user of one library can borrow books that are owned by another library. The user makes a request with their local library, which identifies libraries that own the desired item, places the request, receives the item, makes it available to the user, and arranges for its return.
- Georgia Online Database (GOLD) – GPLS coordinates the interlibrary loaning of books and other materials between libraries of all types including academic, public, technical schools and special libraries. Over 200 institutions loaned and borrowed over 26,212 items between each other in FY2020.
- GPLS contracts for library **courier service**, which transported **1,430,007** library materials in FY2020, visiting every headquarters library five (5) days per week. This includes Interlibrary Loan items as well as PINES system-to-system items being transported across the state.
- Both Interlibrary Loan and PINES system-to-system loans require the librarian to receive the request, pull the book from the shelves, check it out of the online library catalog, and prepare a mailing package or a PINES courier package to send the item to the requesting library. This work is overlooked when using only circulation as a statistic for workload of the library staff, but it accounted for 690,749 items sent to other library systems for patron use. Of these loans, 676,811 were processed through the Georgia Library PINES network.

Public Library Materials Loaned System Detail FY2020

Public Library Materials Loaned FY2020			
Library System	Total Circulation	Interlibrary Loan Lending	PINES Lending
Athens Regional	847,652	962	25956
Augusta-Richmond	316,613	142	13144
Azalea Regional *	293,656	166	18732
Bartow County	319,338	628	0
Bartram Trail Regional	46,651	0	3685
Brooks County	11,522	0	5052
Catoosa County	220,129	0	5938
Chattahoochee Valley	998,365	423	0
Chattooga County	51,218	2	3727
Cherokee Regional	192,122	0	10673
Chestatee Regional	158,969	216	11990
Clayton County	227,916	63	21891
Coastal Plain Regional	182,857	211	15368
Cobb County	2,851,855	116	174
Conyers-Rockdale	137,180	195	6506
Coweta County	372,035	187	0
DeKalb County	2,515,235	923	0
De Soto Trail Regional	47,593	0	7447
Dougherty County	282,638	935	27809
Elbert County	26,769	98	2741
Flint River Regional	820,091	106	30034
Forsyth County	2,331,969	766	0
Fulton County	3,305,926	1919	0
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	579,576	202	23182
Gwinnett County	3,786,379	959	0
Hall County	364,827	298	35158
Hart County	23,616	0	1517
Henry County	335,550	191	15208
Houston County	409,377		18241
Jefferson County	21,354	361	3337
Kinchafoonee Regional	31,143	195	3755
Lake Blackshear Regional	68,632	0	7554
Lee County	187,315	7	9912
Live Oak	843,866	161	47799
Marshes of Glynn	178,710	49	7311
Middle Georgia Regional	405,902	225	29778
Moultrie-Colquitt County	70,895	62	4395
Mountain Regional	175,196	60	12847
Newton County	180,865	2	5843
Northeast Georgia Regional	277,877	154	16946
Northwest Georgia Regional	183,582	95	6689
Ocmulgee Regional	59,679	0	5677
Oconee Regional	108,221	339	10294
Ohoopee Regional	66,160	168	6815
Okefenokee Regional	106,770	26	4509
Peach County	24,417	20	4625
Piedmont Regional	502,886	4	25181
Pine Mountain Regional	47,454	145	5859
Roddenberry Memorial	36,358	30	2684
Sara Hightower Regional	344,183	188	15837
Satilla Regional	36,617	0	5559
Screven-Jenkins Regional	34,790	9	3333
Sequoyah Regional	818,534	479	0
South Georgia Regional	207,280	7	9965
Southwest Georgia Regional	104,658	16	10582
Statesboro Regional	270,739	478	20395
Thomas County	115,339	302	8719
Three Rivers Regional	187,723	329	16234
Troup-Harris Regional	200,460	66	12268
Twin Lakes	101,665	0	6653
West Georgia Regional	845,631	253	39293
Worth County	35,785	0	1990
Statewide	28,938,310	13,938	676,811

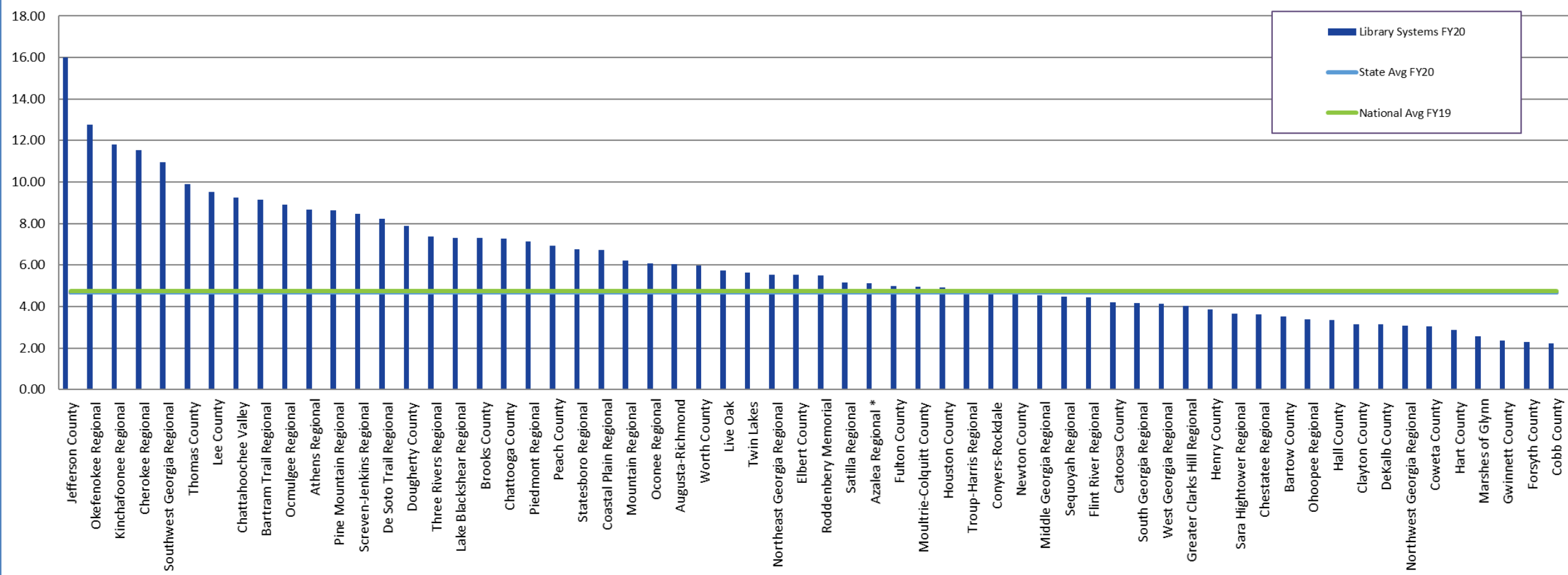
Public Access Computers and Wi-Fi

- Public Library internet computers were used over 6.8 million times in FY2020. While this was down 38% from FY2019, due to the pandemic primarily as most libraries were closed for the last quarter of the year plus half of March. This encompassed the busy first two months of Summer Reading Program when many patrons are in the buildings and public computer use is high.
- There were 10,149 public computer workstations with high-speed internet access in Georgia public libraries at the close of FY2020.
- All public access internet computers have access to GALILEO databases.
- The total of GALILEO online database usage is 1,475,475 and included Mango language sessions, Learning Express sessions, and Gale Legal Forms.
- In FY2020, all Georgia public library buildings provided wireless services for library users. When the pandemic occurred, libraries quickly ensured that their Wi-Fi extended to their library parking lots and the public libraries became the main free public Wi-Fi available in the state during the time when businesses were closed due to the statewide shutdown.
- NOTE: The following Charts and Spreadsheets on “Public Access Computers” use do not include use from patrons’ wireless devices.

Public Access Computers per 5,000 Population for FY2020

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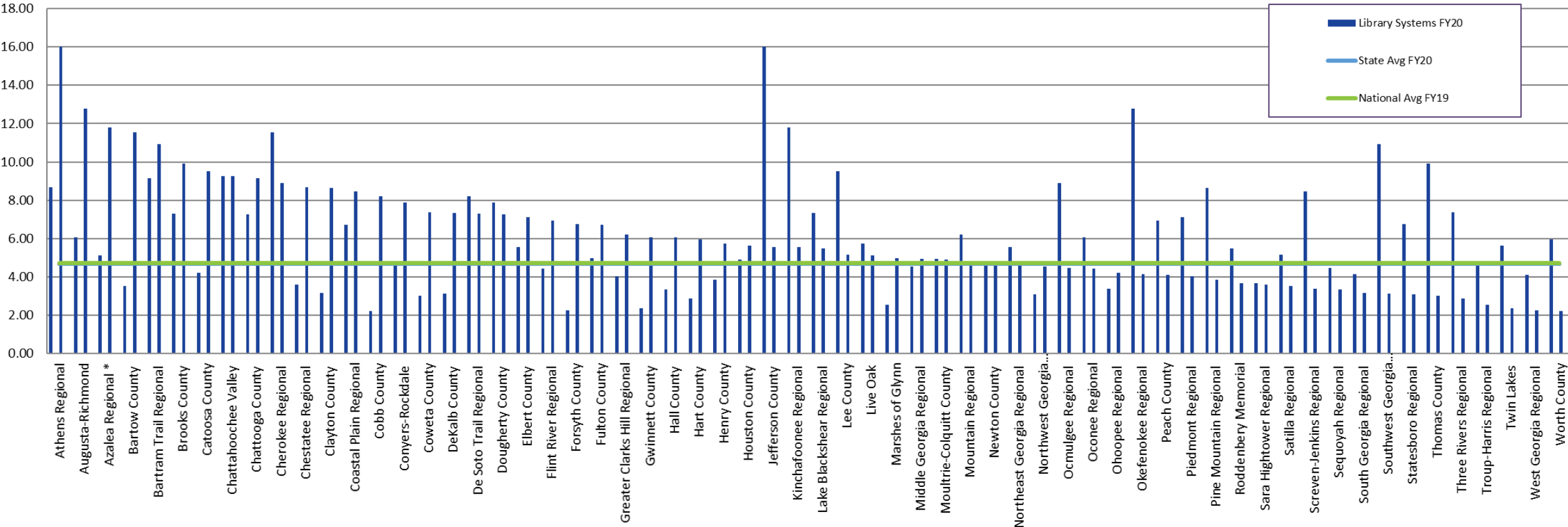
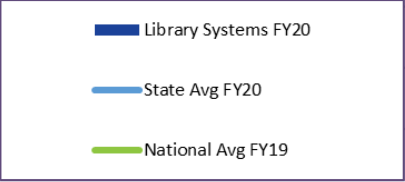
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Public Access Computers per 5,000 Population for FY2020

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Public Access Computers per 5,000 Population System Detail FY2018-20

Library System	2018			2019			2020		
	Public Computers	System Population	Per 5,000 Population	Public Computers	System Population	Per 5,000 Population	Public Computers	System Population	Per 5,000 Population
Athens Regional	330	230,417	7.16	362	232,589	7.78	402	231,682	8.68
Augusta-Richmond	236	206,057	5.73	238	206,620	5.76	245	202,240	6.06
Azalea Regional *	183	173,377	5.28	182	175,404	5.19	182	177,946	5.11
Bartow County	84	106,686	3.94	78	107,725	3.62	78	110,771	3.52
Bartram Trail Regional	46	33,510	6.86	45	33,522	6.71	45	24,634	9.13
Brooks County	23	15,387	7.47	23	15,337	7.50	23	15,727	7.31
Catoosa County	39	68,338	2.85	41	68,911	2.97	58	68,771	4.22
Chattahoochee Valley	387	238,497	8.11	380	239,915	7.92	413	223,071	9.26
Chattooga County	40	25,220	7.93	39	25,222	7.73	36	24,766	7.27
Cherokee Regional	211	86,122	12.25	211	86,315	12.22	198	85,772	11.54
Chestatee Regional	60	57,723	5.20	64	58,557	5.46	44	60,823	3.62
Clayton County	198	277,793	3.56	195	280,140	3.48	192	304,838	3.15
Coastal Plain Regional	96	95,652	5.02	120	113,957	5.27	150	111,697	6.71
Cobb County	319	763,778	2.09	313	772,544	2.03	351	790,588	2.22
Conyers-Rockdale	109	92,869	5.87	100	94,077	5.31	91	94,960	4.79
Coweta County	92	146,828	3.13	92	149,702	3.07	92	152,001	3.03
DeKalb County	632	745,417	4.24	519	750,778	3.46	499	793,154	3.15
De Soto Trail Regional	60	36,630	8.19	60	36,541	8.21	58	35,318	8.21
Dougherty County	130	93,401	6.96	130	93,393	6.96	142	89,905	7.90
Elbert County	43	19,443	11.06	26	19,393	6.70	21	18,945	5.54
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	36	17,956	10.02						
Flint River Regional	186	268,647	3.46	213	270,709	3.93	246	277,762	4.43
Forsyth County	107	229,449	2.33	103	237,439	2.17	115	252,507	2.28
Fulton County	1062	1,070,062	4.96	1090	1,087,425	5.01	1096	1,099,181	4.99
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	142	188,851	3.76	142	192,599	3.69	157	194,308	4.04
Gwinnett County	452	948,365	2.38	457	966,881	2.36	457	971,145	2.35
Hall County	150	203,764	3.68	134	207,116	3.23	138	206,349	3.34
Hart County	14	25,900	2.70	15	25,967	2.89	15	26,107	2.87
Henry County	159	232,442	3.42	177	237,005	3.73	185	239,866	3.86
Houston County	104	159,046	3.27	104	161,245	3.22	154	157,039	4.90
Jefferson County	47	16,234	14.48	47	16,212	14.50	49	15,313	16.00
Kinchafoonee Regional	74	29,983	12.34	69	29,784	11.58	69	29,237	11.80
Lake Blackshear Regional	114	73,768	7.73	106	73,643	7.20	103	70,363	7.32
Lee County	52	31,676	8.21	61	32,226	9.46	57	29,971	9.51
Live Oak	352	424,710	4.14	450	429,993	5.23	479	418,106	5.73
Marshes of Glynn	32	86,126	1.86	44	87,023	2.53	44	86,047	2.56
Middle Georgia Regional	194	230,542	4.21	191	230,861	4.14	198	218,267	4.54
Moultrie-Colquitt County	36	48,675	3.70	46	49,120	4.68	45	45,393	4.96
Mountain Regional	84	57,725	7.28	84	58,034	7.24	79	63,689	6.20
Newton County	80	112,505	3.56	105	114,680	4.58	105	112,354	4.67
Northeast Georgia Regional	124	116,860	5.31	114	117,638	4.85	134	120,872	5.54
Northwest Georgia Regional	146	205,333	3.56	146	206,617	3.53	125	202,982	3.08
Ocmulgee Regional	134	79,057	8.47	134	79,035	8.48	136	76,459	8.89
Oconee Regional	89	89,725	4.96	100	89,970	5.56	106	87,113	6.08
Ochopee Regional	52	79,373	3.28	52	79,829	3.26	52	76,766	3.39
Okfefenokee Regional	140	94,036	7.44	174	94,603	9.20	235	92,019	12.77
Peach County	29	27,513	5.27	29	27,562	5.26	38	27,375	6.94
Piedmont Regional	245	168,500	7.27	276	172,304	8.01	258	181,065	7.12
Pine Mountain Regional	70	62,293	5.62	71	62,140	5.71	106	61,413	8.63
Roddenberry Memorial	19	26,318	3.61	16	26,509	3.02	27	24,540	5.50
Sara Hightower Regional	114	140,543	4.06	103	141,132	3.65	105	143,398	3.66
Satilla Regional	49	53,352	4.59	53	53,699	4.93	53	51,372	5.16
Screven-Jenkins Regional	38	23,634	8.04	38	23,633	8.04	38	22,476	8.45
Sequoyah Regional	217	313,479	3.46	198	320,017	3.09	296	331,564	4.46
South Georgia Regional	103	135,991	3.79	138	137,666	5.01	110	132,198	4.16
Southwest Georgia Regional	64	42,757	7.48	64	42,818	7.47	88	40,226	10.94
Statesboro Regional	151	160,486	4.70	178	162,951	5.46	220	162,792	6.76
Thomas County	88	46,490	9.46	88	46,779	9.41	88	44,431	9.90
Three Rivers Regional	151	150,468	5.02	160	151,750	5.27	245	166,443	7.36
Troup-Harris Regional	107	107,476	4.98	107	108,684	4.92	102	105,126	4.85
Twin Lakes	46	47,084	4.88	50	47,285	5.29	50	44,428	5.63
West Georgia Regional	395	475,537	4.15	375	483,794	3.88	402	487,659	4.12
Worth County	25	21,153	5.91	27	21,104	6.40	24	20,142	5.96
Statewide	9,391	10,637,029	4.41	9,547	10,766,121	4.43	10,149	10,833,472	4.68

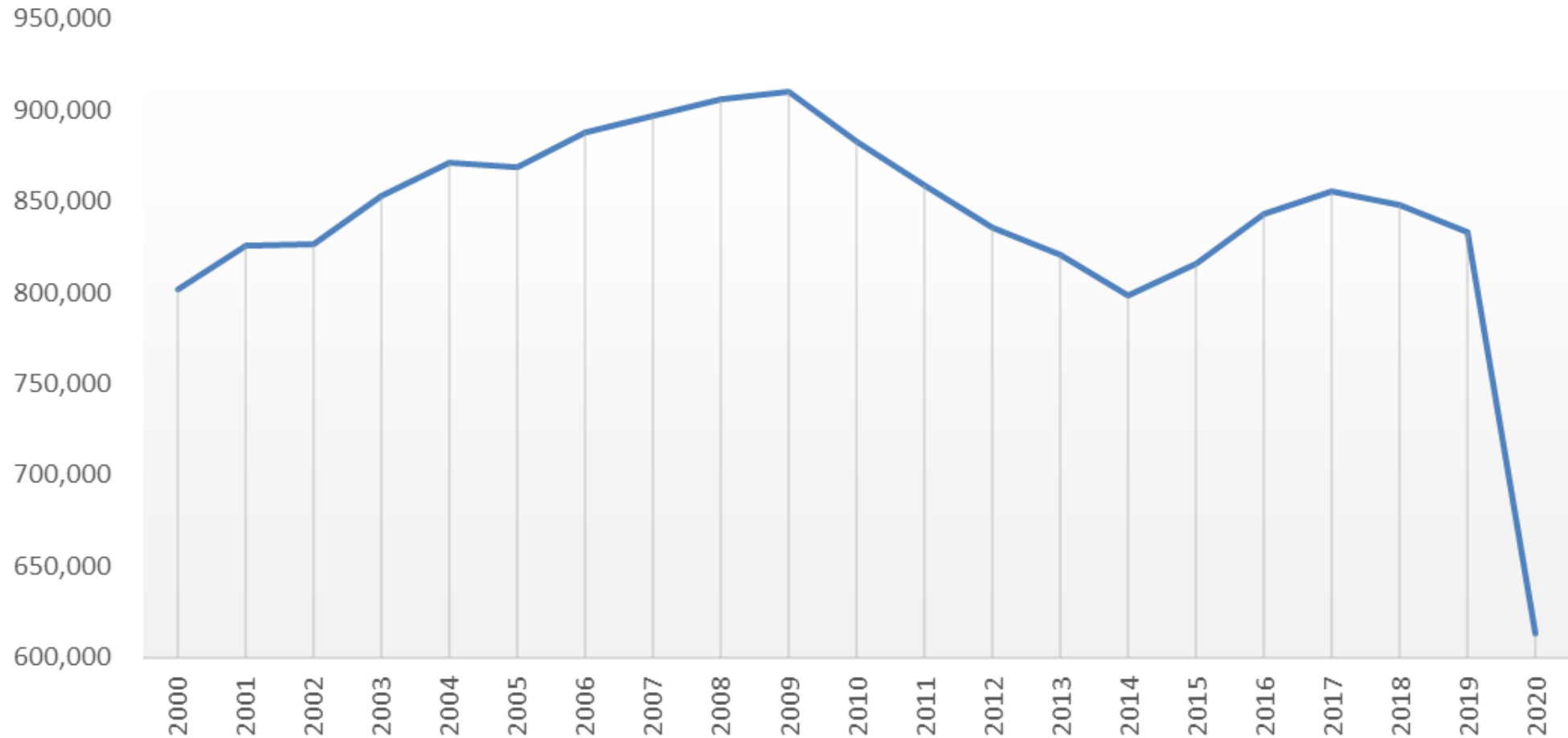
User Sessions at Public Computers System Detail FY2010-20

	User Sessions of Public Computers										
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Athens Regional	477,091	639,325	504,132	385,156	425,987	409,136	382,388	309,476	374,131	229,629	152,129
Augusta-Richmond						288,431	220,058	175,322	191,948	171,481	97,847
Azalea Regional *	189,065	155,957	126,846	171,646	171,627	164,516	144,621	99,565	166,127	118,966	48,982
Bartow County	139,081	131,420	180,352	168,924	167,080	158,743	177,076	139,330	172,483	185,819	21,228
Bartram Trail Regional	25,600	32,339	32,168	35,056	29,472	28,381	27,411	25,628	22,721	21,585	14,475
Brooks County	14,636	18,753	13,853	12,527	16,773	9,200	7,116	7,000	6,200	4,000	3,800
Catoosa County	101,333	102,802	95,404	96,633	96,633	12,212	18,097	25,553	29,061	40,654	30,416
Chattahoochee Valley	453,726	372,521	331,712	339,814	407,105	386,527	386,089	351,702	309,970	281,792	183,064
Chattooga County	15,869	13,454	14,100	14,430	12,662	11,708	9,600	9,385	5,581	4,221	3,527
Cherokee Regional	120,725	105,210	89,367	75,940	48,418	32,465	30,591	32,333	34,030	33,229	22,401
Chestatee Regional	45,468	41,413	34,603	27,378	25,127	15,567	8,256	15,703	19,440	10,526	5,995
Clayton County	453,145	394,464	370,803	356,071	565,652	277,488	283,889	253,858	351,185	150,295	100,390
Coastal Plain Regional *	101,489	127,286	103,523	95,612	92,659	84,368	76,628	60,505	56,991	69,000	46,227
Cobb County	1,659,525	1,276,126	1,056,550	893,035	1,118,065	1,142,445	1,192,832	1,172,212	1,250,726	1,163,864	950,064
Conyers-Rockdale	91,000	93,838	95,295	97,384	100,281	103,271	93,200	95,000	53,370	56,962	30,913
Coweta County	137,920	0	796,667	887,355	975,000	1,020,000	1,315,000	1,210,000	1,290,000	1,305,000	661,682
Dekalb County	961,592	997,638	1,066,295	1,055,082	962,546	941,203	1,016,443	1,398,125	2,099,008	1,736,715	586,169
De Soto Trail Regional	45,678	50,808	55,605	67,882	71,927	71,783	88,976	49,072	51,209	48,681	20,333
Dougherty County	229,209	204,495	223,083	155,039	155,345	119,539	112,790	103,278	87,632	73,389	45,153
East Central Georgia Regional	301,038	396,439	341,073	376,844	280,340						
Elbert County	26,521	25,137	22,852	18,378	17,161	13,300	11,084	8,494	8,612	12,335	5,311
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	25,251	27,498	28,188	21,836	18,308	18,630	20,236	23,644	23,889		
Flint River Regional	333,441	396,446	437,770	445,015	335,964	340,981	336,713	251,119	193,952	184,981	189,773
Forsyth County	232,151	129,498	117,972	95,451	90,349	91,378	86,852	88,123	68,250	70,695	45,339
Fulton County *	1,444,728	1,553,667	1,305,666	1,523,895	1,674,536	736,535	930,151	1,060,484	977,150	480,641	545,236
Greater Clarks Hill Regional					89,438	157,852	144,451	139,419	58,236	62,526	42,358
Gwinnett County	807,742	1,048,283	890,505	772,262	959,988	657,679	1,087,044	1,859,245	1,872,222	1,925,947	1,458,319
Hall County	176,190	139,008	93,741	83,254	77,942	102,844	121,522	56,320	47,411	88,391	27,728
Hart County	15,109	15,186	11,185	11,411	11,108	12,966	11,190	11,389	7,917	8,818	4,183
Henry County	113,000	300,300	300,500	266,482	167,281	69,417	65,095	72,810	79,469	86,327	43,128
Houston County	112,113	96,000	256,000	258,000	63,501	75,989	88,304	88,534	78,749	76,772	55,093
Jefferson County	42,967	44,665	41,638	40,981	35,508	32,260	27,818	27,880	24,004	21,300	6,533
Kinchafoonee Regional	60,638	59,413	53,418	41,056	38,200	43,698	29,931	21,628	19,745	18,302	13,200
Lake Blackshear Regional	204,956	197,699	165,074	157,218	193,864	206,103	198,298	174,074	169,311	116,265	24,406
Lee County	39,999	41,251	30,815	30,560	30,621	33,142	27,258	24,358	24,038	25,752	12,532
Live Oak	728,224	678,537	504,082	642,715	575,544	817,354	490,321	454,079	356,668	301,573	173,245
Marshes of Glynn					48,648	51,890	50,599	47,368	44,180	23,983	18,738
Middle Georgia Regional	472,617	463,051	480,140	521,868	528,450	312,642	292,534	174,228	156,061	123,977	73,203
Moultrie-Colquitt County	35,795	35,267	30,702	28,738	29,252	33,649	23,607	26,670	19,120	16,930	17,173
Mountain Regional	99,524	144,208	149,746	152,081	162,638	63,094	34,091	29,495	47,884	23,370	20,004
Newton County	339,413	26,381	139,014	56,494	115,260	97,445	77,146	81,610	68,347	36,064	30,815
Northeast Georgia Regional	92,261	116,099	155,915	132,725	88,556	71,552	67,620	94,724	70,140	106,572	74,711
Northwest Georgia Regional	81,155	57,686	49,014	44,072	39,400	48,400	51,013	54,626	56,469	36,968	16,383
Ocmulgee Regional	61,828	60,499	58,886	52,845	54,389	45,554	39,417	41,389	28,733	29,150	19,323
Oconee Regional	115,093	109,006	109,269	99,343	92,040	85,039	75,020	75,253	73,637	65,854	44,799
Ohoopee Regional	51,605	76,519	35,818	63,850	26,163	23,624	34,214	37,950	41,283	42,455	29,165
Okfenokee Regional	50,500	48,446	45,640	45,262	39,459	33,004	66,232	71,864	66,180	77,605	52,121
Peach County	51,385	72,914	70,456	69,364	68,827	73,523	57,760	58,688	51,826	55,478	20,445
Piedmont Regional	142,958	156,899	168,458	163,313	157,788	187,441	203,371	195,660	154,455	141,784	91,054
Pine Mountain Regional	63,949	71,359	72,326	58,991	50,424	48,781	40,260	38,256	32,367	30,199	18,956
Roddenbeny Memorial	27,928	25,558	23,980	18,605	25,314	24,405	19,513	20,130	20,671	11,770	7,794
Sara Hightower Regional	304,272	292,545	229,025	190,488	178,593	178,580	192,193	97,139	96,436	96,696	46,823
Satilla Regional	69,167	48,710	62,524	54,631	38,602	39,353	23,678	23,284	16,357	11,109	3,658
Screven-Jenkins Regional	45,856	38,013	40,188	33,161	31,737	23,104	21,594	19,595	23,143	15,936	8,023
Sequoyah Regional	256,517	210,767	176,806	153,142	146,998	154,209	126,876	127,641	117,999	103,319	69,102
South Georgia Regional	140,363	141,215	126,287	107,421	111,357	123,280	150,406	144,356	168,088	140,915	69,015
Southwest Georgia Regional	128,371	128,752	124,481	119,564	142,236	147,323	121,520	91,008	84,522	36,018	25,373
Statesboro Regional	140,526	136,578	77,219	120,698	108,742	96,664	136,872	141,888	111,895	119,916	54,685
Thomas County	47,378	43,332	28,856	107,280	113,229	121,964	101,785	63,840	36,487	49,518	34,663
Three Rivers Regional	129,074	226,699	235,912	191,397	143,483	135,472	124,064	108,288	82,585	120,731	82,998
Troup-Harris Regional	145,126	180,842	205,702	206,131	118,444	83,496	71,628	53,915	61,727	79,944	68,290
Twin Lakes	37,830	36,363	33,065	36,930	43,430	37,353	27,035	22,228	19,250	18,086	10,709
West Georgia Regional	425,986	464,947	432,807	423,440	405,486	580,335	415,115	352,290	153,454	153,853	94,775
Worth County	26,154	27,044	23,155	22,041	13,408	20,693	13,294	11,434	9,855	9,742	10,031
Statewide Total	13,508,851	13,346,575	13,176,228	12,993,797	13,224,365	11,628,980	11,925,786	12,199,464	12,494,587	10,964,375	6,784,008

Public Service Hours

- **In FY2020, public service hours, which are the total hours when library buildings are open to the public, dramatically decreased 26% over FY2019 in Georgia;** this is of course due to the closing of all the libraries during the six weeks of the statewide shutdown and the closing of the majority of the libraries for about 30% of the 2020 fiscal year. However, **libraries were able to offer curbside/porch pickup service that added 23,422 additional hours** when the public could come to the library for certain services, usually contactless or with limited contact with staff. Library staff also offered virtual and telephone reference service during the pandemic.
- **During the March 14-April 30 statewide Covid-19 pandemic shutdown,** Georgia's library systems were resourceful and found many ways to continue to serve the public.
 - While library buildings were closed to their patrons, 40% of library systems offered some sort of curbside materials pickup or drop off for at least part of that time.
 - During this time period, 29% of the library systems offered curbside printing, scanning, or faxing service.
 - To meet the needs of the youngest patrons, 21% of libraries offered curbside craft bags.
 - Ten library systems offered services by appointment.
 - 87% of library systems continued to issue library cards during this time, through online means.
 - Most library systems, 82%, offered remote reference during this time as well.
 - Many library systems, 81%, also began offering virtual programs during this shutdown period, which was especially helpful to parents and children who were at home and needed entertainment, information, and something familiar.
 - Perhaps most important to Georgia's residents, 97% of library systems were able to offer outside the building Wi-Fi ("parking lot Wi-Fi") for this entire shutdown, enabling many people to continue to work, attend school, search for health information, and handle other Internet needs during this critical time.
- **From May 1-June 30,** the very end of Fiscal Year 2020, after the overall statewide shutdown was lifted and the Covid threat was still significant, almost all schools were virtual for the remainder of the school year. Many businesses, government agencies, and other organizations were closed or open with limitations, and libraries across the state were in various stages of reopening, with each week bringing new decisions. Libraries continued to respond to patron needs and expand their services.
 - Ten library systems, particularly those near large cities, were closed to the public for that entire time.
 - Almost 75% of the library systems were open to the public for some part of that time with limited services.
 - Six library systems were open to staff and public throughout this time period.
 - During this time 90% of library systems offered virtual programming
 - Sixty library systems were either open to the public or able to offer curbside service during this time, with DeKalb and Fulton County library systems remaining completely closed.
 - Offering parking lot Wi-Fi continued to meet a significant need for Georgians all over the state.

Total Public Service Hours for Georgia Libraries FY2000-2020



Public Service Hours System Detail FY2009-20

Library System	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	% Change since Prior Year	Change in hours since PY	% Change since 2009	Change in hours since 2009
Athens Regional	23,832	23,919	23,399	23,220	23,220	24,508	22,220	22,880	22,321	21,885	21,590	14,967	-30.68%	(6,223)	-37.20%	(8,865)
Augusta-Richmond							14,358	14,265	15,695	16,162	13,524	11,052	-18.28%	(2,472)		11,052
Azalea Regional *	20,274	19,672	18,075	17,628	20,910	22,976	25,762	26,742	26,937	26,491	26,023	18,272	-29.79%	(7,751)	-9.87%	(2,002)
Bartow County	6,956	6,821	6,773	6,824	6,831	6,707	6,874	7,031	7,031	6,954	6,977	5,249	-24.77%	(1,728)	-24.54%	(1,707)
Bartram Trail Regional	6,767	6,767	6,854	6,854	7,218	7,340	7,340	10,348	7,288	6,855	6,443	5,698	-11.56%	(745)	-15.80%	(1,069)
Brooks County	2,723	2,755	2,753	2,560	2,527	2,581	2,581	2,208	2,468	2,225	2,209	1,920	-13.08%	(289)	-29.49%	(803)
Catoosa County	2,944	2,893	2,916	3,000	3,000	5,034	2,266	2,300	2,278	2,274	2,283	1,729	5.03%	(554)	-41.27%	(1,215)
Chattahoochee Valley	24,598	21,988	20,464	16,890	16,328	16,839	17,047	17,279	18,047	17,005	18,193	13,088	-28.08%	(5,105)	-46.79%	(11,510)
Chattanooga County	3,957	3,848	3,848	3,905	3,908	3,836	3,883	3,830	3,897	3,847	3,750	3,122	-16.75%	(628)	-21.10%	(835)
Cherokee Regional	9,050	9,050	7,636	12,533	6,004	9,724	10,181	6,132	6,233	6,258	6,210	5,438	-12.43%	(772)	-39.91%	(3,612)
Chestatee Regional	4,098	4,058	3,980	3,947	3,516	4,166	4,166	4,061	4,435	4,549	4,642	3,347	-27.90%	(1,295)	-18.33%	(751)
Clayton County	17,718	18,360	18,210	18,294	21,543	18,233	18,193	18,064	18,195	17,945	18,250	14,766	-19.09%	(3,484)	-16.66%	(2,952)
Coastal Plain Regional	14,458	13,976	14,236	14,097	13,631	13,785	13,922	13,651	13,965	13,301	15,290	11,204	-26.72%	(4,086)	-22.51%	(3,254)
Cobb County	47,521	55,088	46,108	37,080	37,447	35,744	42,099	37,457	38,702	38,361	41,767	29,010	-30.54%	(12,757)	-38.95%	(18,511)
Conyers-Rockdale	2,690	2,563	2,683	2,467	2,697	2,522	2,687	2,690	2,947	2,578	2,691	1,891	-29.73%	(800)	-29.70%	(799)
Coweta County	9,736	9,028	8,332	8,792	9,604	9,960	9,960	10,944	10,128	10,128	10,544	7,907	-25.01%	(2,637)	-18.79%	(1,829)
DeKalb County	44,447	47,090	46,432	48,121	48,180	47,185	47,183	49,064	50,888	52,974	54,105	37,617	-30.47%	(16,488)	-15.37%	(6,830)
De Soto Trail Regional	8,964	8,432	8,980	9,103	9,090	8,047	9,349	9,284	9,422	9,106	9,106	7,656	-15.92%	(1,450)	-14.59%	(1,308)
Dougherty County	14,144	13,636	10,988	10,868	5,560	5,884	7,495	9,920	10,843	10,814	10,677	8,435	-21.00%	(2,242)	-40.36%	(5,709)
East Central Georgia Regional	35,754	33,900	32,380	33,689	32,065	20,962									-100.00%	(35,754)
Elbert County	4,452	4,420	4,356	3,483	3,683	3,528	3,716	3,716	3,806	3,546	3,789	2,753	-27.34%	(1,036)	-38.16%	(1,699)
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	3,091	3,084	3,097	3,105	2,822	2,636	2,612	2,660	2,610	2,492					-100.00%	(3,091)
Flint River Regional	21,307	21,489	21,313	22,215	21,296	15,850	20,509	19,188	21,107	21,216	20,312	18,336	-9.73%	(1,976)	-13.94%	(2,971)
Forsyth County	6,112	5,488	6,489	8,018	7,884	10,417	11,722	12,188	12,170	11,466	12,675	9,511	-24.96%	(3,164)	-55.61%	3,399
Fulton County	82,460	75,482	80,114	76,902	78,682	62,372	57,577	81,584	83,671	81,659	60,941	38,091	-37.50%	(22,850)	-53.81%	(44,969)
Greater Clarks Hill Regional						11,443	15,441	15,040	14,291	16,331	16,241	12,046	-25.83%	(4,195)		
Gwinnett County	58,979	44,462	48,375	43,635	43,305	39,130	37,164	37,875	44,742	45,631	47,067	34,315	-27.09%	(12,752)	-41.82%	(24,664)
Hall County	14,505	13,962	13,833	8,616	9,745	10,327	10,364	10,462	10,828	11,157	11,161	7,210	-35.40%	(3,951)	-50.29%	(7,295)
Hart County	2,080	2,092	2,048	2,108	2,106	2,106	2,098	2,100	2,036	2,098	2,118	1,752	-17.28%	(366)	-15.77%	(328)
Henry County	14,315	14,040	8,692	8,040	8,056	4,864	8,016	8,092	9,536	8,863	10,201	8,534	-16.34%	(1,667)	-40.38%	(5,781)
Houston County	9,123	7,029	6,994	7,028	6,716	6,888	7,384	7,280	7,152	7,104	7,084	6,488	-8.41%	(596)	-28.88%	(2,635)
Jefferson County	7,105	7,304	7,245	7,327	7,164	6,971	5,760	5,760	6,094	5,219	5,219	4,152	-20.44%	(1,067)	-41.56%	(2,953)
Kinchafoonee Regional	12,403	11,278	11,078	11,163	10,221	10,702	9,472	10,062	10,303	10,297	9,994	7,649	-23.46%	(2,345)	-38.33%	(4,754)
Lake Blackshear Regional	10,688	10,639	10,631	10,575	10,564	10,362	12,730	10,391	10,124	10,309	10,987	8,629	-21.46%	(2,358)	-39.67%	(2,059)
Lee County	7,421	5,634	5,711	5,724	7,395	8,376	8,415	8,403	7,772	8,346	8,278	6,199	-25.11%	(2,079)	-16.47%	(1,222)
Live Oak	34,681	36,226	34,727	34,727	33,223	34,727	36,999	37,295	39,200	37,000	35,993	25,276	-28.58%	(10,117)	-27.12%	(9,405)
Marshes of Glynn						4,444	4,424	4,628	4,329	4,383	3,506	3,789	8.07%	283		
Middle Georgia Regional	31,745	30,109	32,556	31,533	33,664	33,266	32,148	27,543	26,629	25,130	23,667	19,042	-19.54%	(4,625)	-40.02%	(12,703)
Moultrie-Colquitt County	3,461	3,524	3,463	3,459	3,448	3,426	3,465	3,518	3,427	3,310	3,460	1,74	-105.03%	(3,634)	-105.03%	(3,635)
Mountain Regional	8,859	8,260	8,612	8,892	8,849	8,110	7,957	8,128	7,589	7,874	8,833	7,359	-16.69%	(1,474)	-16.93%	(1,500)
Newton County	3,239	3,035	3,237	3,988	4,244	4,144	4,218	4,244	4,257	4,222	3,557	2,853	-19.79%	(704)	-11.92%	(386)
Northeast Georgia Regional	14,059	13,843	13,261	13,221	13,065	12,987	13,122	12,687	12,719	13,092	12,364	10,212	-17.41%	(2,152)	-27.36%	(3,847)
Northwest Georgia Regional	8,957	9,319	7,534	7,182	6,747	6,410	6,547	6,417	6,504	6,413	6,490	3,484	-46.32%	(3,006)	-61.10%	(5,473)
Ocmulgee Regional	11,292	11,292	11,246	11,439	11,140	11,098	10,401	10,454	10,532	10,543	10,447	7,851	-24.85%	(2,596)	-30.47%	(3,441)
Oconee Regional	10,188	9,629	9,037	9,189	8,053	5,000	7,907	8,226	8,254	8,251	8,413	6,035	-28.27%	(2,378)	-40.76%	(4,153)
Ochopsee Regional	11,523	13,004	11,162	8,425	8,187	8,961	11,421	10,885	11,800	11,860	11,848	9,954	-15.99%	(1,894)	-13.62%	(1,569)
Okfenokee Regional	10,311	16,325	16,491	12,661	8,087	8,808	9,323	9,664	9,626	9,562	9,669	7,079	-26.79%	(2,590)	-31.35%	(3,232)
Peach County	3,900	3,904	3,851	3,822	3,711	3,446	3,955	3,916	3,769	3,427	3,649	2,985	-18.20%	(664)	-23.46%	(915)
Piedmont Regional	25,355	22,590	22,613	24,351	22,569	20,817	23,117	24,016	23,355	23,019	23,426	10,754	-54.09%	(12,672)	-57.59%	(14,601)
Pine Mountain Regional	12,857	12,951	11,911	12,007	11,267	10,949	10,087	11,432	11,448	11,247	10,378	7,880	-24.07%	(2,498)	-38.71%	(4,977)
Roddenberry Memorial	2,715	2,716	2,063	2,062	2,044	2,104	2,104	1,848	2,099	1,970	2,106	1,762	-16.33%	(344)	-35.10%	(953)
Sara Hightower Regional	10,323	9,886	9,766	9,678	9,151	9,171	9,258	9,133	9,785	8,889	8,908	6,228	-30.09%	(2,680)	-39.67%	(4,095)
Satilla Regional	12,961	9,695	8,741	7,605	7,548	7,452	7,667	7,081	6,297	6,297	7,412	5,212	-29.68%	(2,200)	-59.79%	(7,749)
Screven-Jenkins Regional	5,198	5,131	5,348	4,847	4,913	4,228	4,212	4,212	4,205	4,192	4,002	3,422	-14.49%	(580)	-34.17%	(1,776)
Saquoyah Regional	24,681	24,744	21,793	19,300	19,517	19,065	19,202	21,756	22,061	21,793	21,913	16,473	-24.83%	(5,440)	-33.26%	(8,208)
South Georgia Regional	10,188	7,080	13,551	13,503	11,407	11,965	11,900	11,969	9,903	11,859	10,827	8,399	-22.43%	(2,428)	-17.56%	(1,789)
Southwest Georgia Regional	6,421	6,709	6,620	6,678	6,818	7,036	7,168	7,396	7,278	7,242	7,066	5,337	-24.47%	(1,729)	-16.88%	(1,084)
Statesboro Regional	14,157	13,370	13,391	13,518	13,246	13,748	13,594	13,334	13,282	13,311	13,383	9,529	-28.80%	(3,854)	-32.69%	(4,628)
Thomas County	7,500	7,506	6,362	6,133	7,472	7,182	6,919	9,261	7,037	7,037	7,018	6,250	-10.94%	(768)	-16.67%	(1,250)
Three Rivers Regional	21,003	19,730	17,436	19,504	19,293	15,526	15,838	16,575	16,031	16,476	16,128	11,324	-29.79%	(4,804)	-46.08%	(9,679)
Troup-Harris Regional	7,633	7,612	6,980	6,524	7,318	7,308	7,230	7,266	7,433	7,167	7,214	6,205	-13.99%	(1,009)	-17.12%	(1,428)
Twin Lakes	4,838	5,196	4,291	3,532	3,149	3,149	3,149	3,860	4,018	3,751	4,062	3,708	-8.71%	(354)	-23.36%	(1,130)
West Georgia Regional	34,898	37,060	35,840	37,309	36,991	38,890	39,183	41,098	41,657	41,173	44,842	34,499	-23.07%	(10,343)	-1.14%	(399)
Worth County	2,436	2,122	2,136	2,244	2,222	2,489	2,509	2,508	2,486	2,382	2,364	2,143	-9.35%	(221)	-12.03%	(293)
Statewide	910,051	882,815	859,042	835,144	820,261	797,911	815,570	843,301	854,972	848,318	832,686	612,903	-26.39%	(219,783)	-32.65%	(297,148)

Library Materials

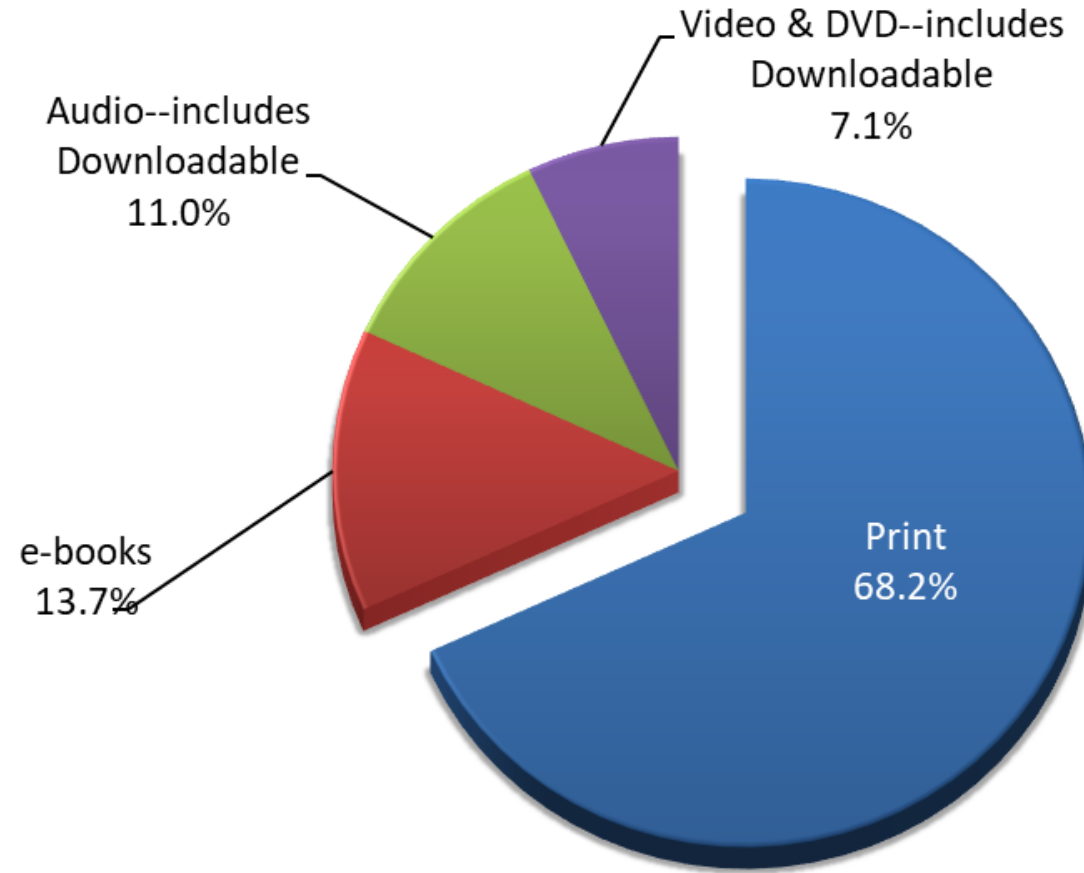
Collections Owned by Georgia Public Libraries

- At the end of FY2020, there were 21,618,234 (2.0 per capita) print books, e-books, audio, and video items in the collections of Georgia public libraries. Audio and video include downloadable.
- 59% of Georgia public library systems were above the state average of 2.0 items per capita.
- As the population of Georgia has grown, the state's ranking in print materials per capita has remained near the bottom; Georgia ranked 44th in the nation in this category in FY2019.
- Of note for FY2020, with almost 3 million e-books available to the public, Georgia libraries offered over 150% more e-books than in FY2019. This is due to increased membership in GADD as well as eRead Kids being offered statewide. Notably, as of FY2020, with Brooks County adding e-books to its collection, every library system in Georgia now offers e-books.
- At the beginning of FY20, GPLS launched its first statewide e-book service, eRead Kids. Specifically created for Georgia's youngest readers. eRead Kids includes over 15,000 e-books and audiobooks, in English and Spanish, for kids ranging from kindergarten through fourth grade. This collection helps support the literacy efforts to get every 3rd grader reading on grade level by providing access to more kid-friendly content for this age group.

Per capita Expenditures for Books and Other Library Materials

- Georgia public libraries spent an average of \$1.64 per capita for materials in FY2020.
- The per capita expenditure for materials in Georgia public libraries has historically been below the national average, which in FY2019 was \$4.51 per capita; Georgia ranked 49th with an expenditure per capita of \$1.76. In FY2020, only Lee County Library was above the national average for FY2019.
- 75% of Georgia public library systems fell below the state average of \$1.64 per capita for FY2020.

Library Materials by Category FY2020



Library Materials per Capita System Detail FY2020

Number of Library Materials Per Capita in Georgia Public Libraries - FY2020							
Materials 2020							
Library System	Print Books (includes Magazines)	e-books	Audio (includes downloadable)	Video & DVD (includes downloadable)	Total	Population	Per Capita
Athens Regional	384,150	26,858	38,908	40,876	490,792	231,682	2.12
Augusta-Richmond	275,956	32,370	32,984	34,238	375,548	202,240	1.86
Azalea Regional *	300,212	26,499	43,624	22,100	392,435	177,946	2.21
Bartow County	122,483	22,741	12,031	13,725	170,980	110,771	1.54
Bartram Trail Regional	111,076	25,730	29,783	2,788	169,377	24,634	6.88
Brooks County	71,111	11,506	7,263	2,569	92,449	15,727	5.88
Catoosa County	96,433	25,639	24,018	9,096	155,186	68,771	2.26
Chattahoochee Valley	258,724	27,549	59,274	30,996	376,543	223,071	1.69
Chattooga County	42,207	25,639	29,859	5,328	103,033	24,766	4.16
Cherokee Regional	140,239	25,729	31,856	11,118	208,942	85,772	2.44
Chestatee Regional	114,131	29,439	36,141	11,051	190,762	60,823	3.14
Clayton County	459,392	43,299	31,713	12,559	546,963	304,838	1.79
Coastal Plain Regional	292,525	25,930	32,595	32,090	383,140	111,697	3.43
Cobb County	1,047,447	54,687	64,147	86,345	1,252,626	790,588	1.58
Convers-Rockdale	99,443	15,653	9,656	9,502	134,254	94,960	1.41
Coweta County	176,487	19,101	13,903	13,962	223,453	152,001	1.47
DeKalb County	847,946	40,847	58,185	46,184	993,162	793,154	1.25
De Soto Trail Regional	119,156	25,729	31,807	6,966	183,658	35,318	5.20
Dougherty County	326,329	25,966	37,248	50,048	439,591	89,905	4.89
Elbert County	55,360	25,639	29,943	3,221	114,163	18,945	6.03
Flint River Regional	450,369	25,639	49,125	18,907	544,040	277,762	1.96
Forsyth County	352,676	30,456	37,958	20,549	441,639	252,507	1.75
Fulton County	1,267,310	498,817	150,551	413,739	2,330,417	1,099,181	2.12
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	301,865	26,037	26,337	36,010	390,249	194,308	2.01
Gwinnett County	716,575	49,206	69,783	37,980	873,544	971,145	0.90
Hall County	268,950	433,526	120,634	20,365	843,475	206,349	4.09
Hart County	39,121	25,639	29,134	1,634	95,528	26,107	3.66
Henry County	261,534	33,981	56,921	12,354	364,790	239,866	1.52
Houston County	187,491	53,905	34,038	9,948	285,382	157,039	1.82
Jefferson County	60,955	24,406	27,274	4,102	116,737	15,313	7.62
Kinchafoonee Regional	68,129	25,639	28,933	7,898	130,599	29,237	4.47
Lake Blackshear Regional	128,478	25,729	31,041	3,969	189,217	70,363	2.69
Lee County	69,105	26,887	32,542	13,580	142,114	29,971	4.74
Live Oak	616,440	26,346	68,147	64,361	775,294	418,106	1.85
Marshes of Glynn	81,016	25,639	30,192	6,471	143,318	86,047	1.67
Middle Georgia Regional	449,927	432,349	129,112	25,944	1,037,332	218,267	4.75
Moultrie-Colquitt County	107,429	25,639	30,023	1,340	164,431	45,393	3.62
Mountain Regional	113,566	25,897	33,438	12,117	185,018	63,689	2.91
Newton County	90,752	25,639	37,221	15,832	169,444	112,354	1.51
Northeast Georgia Regional	207,418	35,301	47,644	25,303	315,666	120,872	2.61
Northwest Georgia Regional	157,854	34,644	37,172	14,364	244,034	202,982	1.20
Ocmulgee Regional	114,840	25,639	30,343	2,648	173,470	76,459	2.27
Oconee Regional	164,245	25,639	31,001	5,385	226,270	87,113	2.60
Ochoppee Regional	177,877	25,639	31,412	7,392	242,320	76,766	3.16
Okfenokee Regional	98,388	25,729	31,282	13,873	169,272	92,019	1.84
Peach County	82,930	25,639	30,078	4,441	143,088	27,375	5.23
Piedmont Regional	238,729	26,931	38,806	29,377	333,843	181,065	1.84
Pine Mountain Regional	112,030	25,639	30,244	7,811	175,724	61,413	2.86
Roddenbery Memorial	62,381	25,806	29,562	4,658	122,407	24,540	4.99
Sara Hightower Regional	251,231	21,718	33,681	35,877	342,507	143,398	2.39
Satilla Regional	77,963	25,731	29,531	1,349	134,574	51,372	2.62
Screven-Jenkins Regional	89,675	25,639	29,252	4,986	149,552	22,476	6.65
Sequoyah Regional	276,892	19,487	21,854	8,694	326,927	331,564	0.99
South Georgia Regional	140,048	12,506	18,847	20,616	192,017	132,198	1.45
Southwest Georgia Regional	155,687	25,758	32,649	9,837	223,931	40,226	5.57
Statesboro Regional	178,975	25,639	32,579	6,891	244,084	162,792	1.50
Thomas County	127,508	25,639	31,725	8,530	193,402	44,431	4.35
Three Rivers Regional	227,886	1,438	9,464	22,616	261,404	166,443	1.57
Troup-Harris Regional	117,701	25,639	32,724	12,127	188,191	105,126	1.79
Twin Lakes	76,959	25,639	29,785	17,314	149,697	44,428	3.37
West Georgia Regional	606,087	18,617	31,699	99,224	755,627	487,659	1.55
Worth County	29,528	27,304	28,858	4,912	90,602	20,142	4.50
Statewide	14,745,327	2,955,286	2,377,534	1,540,087	21,618,234	10,833,472	2.00
Statewide (Print Only) FY2020		1.36					2.17
Statewide (Print Only) FY2019		1.47					4.4
							National (Print Only) FY2019
							Georgia State Ranking FY2019

Print Books owned by Libraries System Detail FY2018-20

Library System	2018			2019			2020		
	Books	Population	Per Capita	Books	Population	Per Capita	Books	Population	Per Capita
Athens Regional	382,734	230,417	1.66	384,117	232,589	1.65	384,150	231,682	1.66
Augusta-Richmond	281,863	206,057	1.37	280,926	206,620	1.36	275,956	202,240	1.36
Azalea Regional *	318,257	173,377	1.84	298,724	175,404	1.70	300,212	177,946	1.69
Barrow County	129,927	106,686	1.22	139,527	107,725	1.30	122,483	110,771	1.11
Bartram Trail Regional	106,047	33,510	3.16	111,471	33,522	3.33	111,076	24,634	4.51
Brooks County	69,313	15,387	4.50	69,771	15,337	4.55	71,111	15,727	4.52
Catoosa County	92,253	68,338	1.35	90,495	68,911	1.31	96,433	68,771	1.40
Chattahoochee Valley	284,780	238,497	1.19	261,759	239,915	1.09	258,724	223,071	1.16
Chattooga County	41,880	25,220	1.66	42,902	25,222	1.70	42,207	24,766	1.70
Cherokee Regional	134,680	86,122	1.56	137,178	86,315	1.59	140,239	85,772	1.64
Chestatee Regional	96,460	57,723	1.67	97,990	58,557	1.67	114,131	60,823	1.88
Clayton County	467,617	277,793	1.68	487,394	280,140	1.74	459,392	304,838	1.51
Coastal Plain Regional	233,411	95,652	2.44	292,641	113,957	2.57	292,525	111,697	2.62
Cobb County	929,768	763,778	1.22	928,843	772,544	1.20	1,047,447	790,588	1.32
Conyers-Rockdale	97,148	92,869	1.05	99,715	94,077	1.06	99,443	94,960	1.05
Coweta County	184,197	146,828	1.25	185,295	149,702	1.24	176,487	152,001	1.16
DeKalb County	855,501	745,417	1.15	870,122	750,778	1.16	847,946	793,154	1.07
De Soto Trail Regional	121,303	36,630	3.31	119,275	36,541	3.26	119,156	35,318	3.37
Dougherty County	265,048	93,401	2.84	333,130	93,393	3.57	326,329	89,905	3.63
Elbert County	48,228	19,443	2.48	49,118	19,393	2.53	55,360	18,945	2.92
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	53,945	17,956	3.00						
Flint River Regional	438,771	268,647	1.63	439,168	270,709	1.62	450,369	277,762	1.62
Forsyth County	324,078	229,449	1.41	339,208	237,439	1.43	352,676	252,507	1.40
Fulton County	1,929,742	1,070,062	1.80	1,835,516	1,087,425	1.69	1,267,310	1,099,181	1.15
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	247,491	188,851	1.31	251,721	192,599	1.31	301,865	194,308	1.55
Gwinnett County	723,164	948,365	0.76	851,901	966,881	0.88	716,575	971,145	0.74
Hall County	265,125	203,764	1.30	246,950	207,116	1.19	268,950	206,349	1.30
Hart County	37,006	25,900	1.43	37,920	25,967	1.46	39,121	26,107	1.50
Henry County	263,092	232,442	1.13	264,625	237,005	1.12	261,534	239,866	1.09
Houston County	192,131	159,046	1.21	180,697	161,245	1.12	187,491	157,039	1.19
Jefferson County	58,548	16,234	3.61	60,020	16,212	3.70	60,955	15,313	3.98
Kinchafoonee Regional	82,091	29,983	2.74	81,761	29,784	2.75	68,129	29,237	2.33
Lake Blackshear Regional	152,266	73,768	2.06	141,155	73,643	1.92	128,478	70,363	1.83
Lee County	91,994	31,676	2.90	66,723	32,226	2.07	69,105	29,971	2.31
Live Oak	463,853	424,710	1.09	585,333	429,993	1.38	616,440	418,106	1.47
Marshes of Glynn	84,923	86,126	0.99	81,738	87,023	0.94	81,016	86,047	0.94
Middle Georgia Regional	465,410	230,542	2.02	506,708	230,861	2.19	449,927	218,267	2.06
Moultrie-Colquitt County	108,554	48,675	2.23	112,143	49,120	2.28	107,429	45,393	2.37
Mountain Regional	147,523	57,725	2.56	145,075	58,034	2.50	113,566	63,689	1.78
Newton County	92,600	112,505	0.82	116,173	114,680	1.01	90,752	112,354	0.81
Northeast Georgia Regional	215,338	116,860	1.84	227,759	117,638	1.94	207,418	120,872	1.72
Northwest Georgia Regional	187,473	205,333	0.91	185,628	206,617	0.90	157,854	202,982	0.78
Ocmulgee Regional	108,828	79,057	1.38	118,284	79,035	1.50	114,840	76,459	1.50
Oconee Regional	170,206	89,725	1.90	165,457	89,970	1.84	164,245	87,113	1.89
Ooohope Regional	177,169	79,373	2.23	178,225	79,829	2.23	177,877	76,766	2.32
Okfeenokee Regional	94,697	94,036	1.01	98,582	94,603	1.04	98,388	92,019	1.07
Peach County	80,685	27,513	2.93	81,773	27,562	2.97	82,930	27,375	3.03
Piedmont Regional	229,442	168,500	1.36	236,604	172,304	1.37	238,729	181,065	1.32
Pine Mountain Regional	96,763	62,293	1.55	98,488	62,140	1.58	112,030	61,413	1.82
Roddenberry Memorial	58,183	26,318	2.21	60,548	26,509	2.28	62,381	24,540	2.54
Sara Hightower Regional	338,212	140,543	2.41	333,046	141,132	2.36	251,231	143,398	1.75
Satilla Regional	96,410	53,352	1.81	94,222	53,699	1.75	77,963	51,372	1.52
Screen-Jenkins Regional	82,716	23,634	3.50	90,220	23,633	3.82	89,675	22,476	3.99
Sequoyah Regional	270,899	313,479	0.86	265,682	320,017	0.83	276,892	331,564	0.84
South Georgia Regional	178,922	135,991	1.32	169,939	137,666	1.23	140,048	132,198	1.06
Southwest Georgia Regional	174,512	42,757	4.08	157,766	42,818	3.68	155,687	40,226	3.87
Statesboro Regional	203,858	160,486	1.27	202,755	162,951	1.24	178,975	162,792	1.10
Thomas County	115,046	46,490	2.47	116,201	46,779	2.48	127,508	44,431	2.87
Three Rivers Regional	243,425	150,468	1.62	243,246	151,750	1.60	227,886	166,443	1.37
Troup-Harris Regional	160,923	107,476	1.50	143,178	108,684	1.32	117,701	105,126	1.12
Twin Lakes	64,725	47,084	1.37	65,700	47,285	1.39	76,959	44,428	1.73
West Georgia Regional	838,124	475,537	1.76	831,536	483,794	1.72	606,087	487,659	1.24
Worth County	31,622	21,153	1.49	30,656	21,104	1.45	29,528	20,142	1.47
Statewide	15,580,900	10,637,029	1.46	15,830,423	10,766,121	1.47	14,745,327	10,833,472	1.36

e-books Available at Libraries

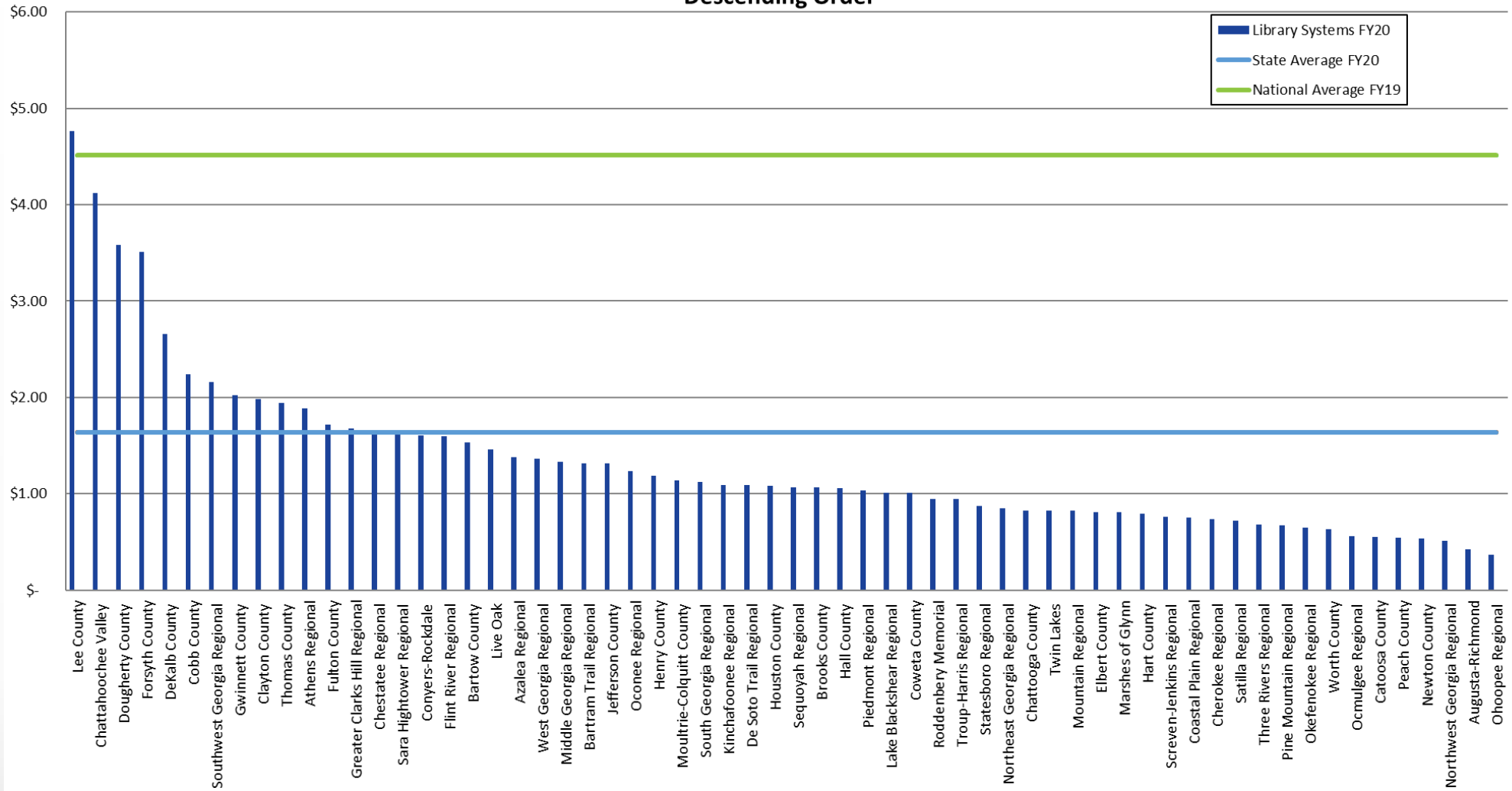
System Detail

FY2018-20

Library System	2018			2019			2020		
	e-books	Population	Per Capita	e-books	Population	Per Capita	e-books	Population	Per Capita
Athens Regional	9,476	230,417	0.04	12,833	232,589	0.06	26,858	231,682	0.12
Augusta-Richmond	11,773	206,057	0.06	20,635	206,620	0.10	32,370	202,240	0.16
Azalea Regional	860	173,377	0.00	5,171	175,404	0.03	26,499	177,946	0.15
Barrow County	9,308	106,686	0.09	13,361	107,725	0.12	22,741	110,771	0.21
Bartram Trail Regional	9,773	33,510	0.29	12,990	33,522	0.39	25,730	24,634	1.04
Brooks County	-	15,387	-	-	15,337	-	11,506	15,727	0.73
Catoosa County	5,126	68,338	0.08	12,960	68,911	0.19	25,639	68,771	0.37
Chattahoochee Valley	11,126	238,497	0.05	13,710	239,915	0.06	27,549	223,071	0.12
Chattooga County	9,934	25,220	0.39	12,833	25,222	0.51	25,639	24,766	1.04
Cherokee Regional	9,476	86,122	0.11	12,833	86,315	0.15	25,729	85,772	0.30
Chestatee Regional	9,576	57,723	0.17	12,833	58,557	0.22	29,439	60,823	0.48
Clayton County	10,661	277,793	0.04	27,816	280,140	0.10	43,299	304,838	0.14
Coastal Plain Regional *	9,476	95,652	0.10	12,849	113,957	0.11	25,930	111,697	0.23
Cobb County	17,557	763,778	0.02	28,308	772,544	0.04	54,687	790,588	0.07
Conyers-Rockdale	2,959	92,869	0.03	3,226	94,077	0.03	15,653	94,960	0.16
Coweta County	1,373	146,828	0.01	2,457	149,702	0.02	19,101	152,001	0.13
DeKalb County	14,296	745,417	0.02	19,017	750,778	0.03	40,847	793,154	0.05
De Soto Trail Regional	-	36,630	-	12,833	36,541	0.35	25,729	35,318	0.73
Dougherty County	9,839	93,401	0.11	13,116	93,393	0.14	25,966	89,905	0.29
Elbert County	9,476	19,443	0.49	12,833	19,393	0.66	25,639	18,945	1.35
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	11,404	17,956	0.64	12,961	-	-	-	-	-
Flint River Regional	9,685	268,647	0.04	18,846	270,709	0.07	25,639	277,762	0.09
Forsyth County	18,085	229,449	0.08	386,592	237,439	1.63	30,456	252,507	0.12
Fulton County *	305,025	1,070,062	0.29	2,987	1,087,425	0.00	498,817	1,099,181	0.45
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	16,816	188,851	0.09	28,250	192,599	0.15	26,037	194,308	0.13
Gwinnett County	25,246	948,365	0.03	767	966,881	0.00	49,206	971,145	0.05
Hall County	770	203,764	0.00	13,067	207,116	0.06	433,526	206,349	2.10
Hart County	9,495	25,900	0.37	18,462	25,967	0.71	25,639	26,107	0.98
Henry County	13,306	232,442	0.06	12,833	237,005	0.05	33,981	239,866	0.14
Houston County	9,476	159,046	0.06	12,833	161,245	0.08	53,905	157,039	0.34
Jefferson County	-	16,234	-	12,833	16,212	0.79	24,406	15,313	1.59
Kinchafoonee Regional	82	29,983	0.00	12,833	29,784	0.43	25,639	29,237	0.88
Lake Blackshear Regional	9,476	73,768	0.13	13,866	73,643	0.19	25,729	70,363	0.37
Lee County	5,150	31,676	0.16	13,091	32,226	0.41	26,887	29,971	0.90
Live Oak	12,834	424,710	0.03	12,833	429,993	0.03	26,346	418,106	0.06
Marshes of Glynn	9,476	86,126	0.11	22,095	87,023	0.25	25,639	86,047	0.30
Middle Georgia Regional	14,470	230,542	0.06	12,833	230,861	0.06	432,349	218,267	1.98
Moultrie-Colquitt County	9,476	48,675	0.19	12,833	49,120	0.26	25,639	45,393	0.56
Mountain Regional	9,476	57,725	0.16	12,833	58,034	0.22	25,897	63,689	0.41
Newton County	9,476	112,505	0.08	14,344	114,680	0.13	25,639	112,354	0.23
Northeast Georgia Regional	10,921	116,860	0.09	14,036	117,638	0.12	35,301	120,872	0.29
Northwest Georgia Regional	28,698	205,333	0.14	12,833	206,617	0.06	34,644	202,982	0.17
Ocmulgee Regional	-	79,057	-	12,833	79,035	0.16	25,639	76,459	0.34
Oconee Regional	9,489	89,725	0.11	12,833	89,970	0.14	25,639	87,113	0.29
Ochoopee Regional	11,226	79,373	0.14	12,833	79,829	0.16	25,639	76,766	0.33
Okfeokee Regional	9,476	94,036	0.10	12,833	94,603	0.14	25,729	92,019	0.28
Peach County	9,476	27,513	0.34	13,658	27,562	0.50	25,639	27,375	0.94
Piedmont Regional	8,766	168,500	0.05	12,833	172,304	0.07	26,931	181,065	0.15
Pine Mountain Regional	9,476	62,293	0.15	12,833	62,140	0.21	25,639	61,413	0.42
Roddenberry Memorial	9,476	26,318	0.36	9,455	26,509	0.36	25,806	24,540	1.05
Sara Hightower Regional	12,402	140,543	0.09	12,833	141,132	0.09	21,718	143,398	0.15
Satilla Regional	4,996	53,352	0.09	12,833	53,699	0.24	25,731	51,372	0.50
Scriven-Jenkins Regional	4,997	23,634	0.21	6,508	23,633	0.28	25,639	22,476	1.14
Sequoyah Regional	5,231	313,479	0.02	12,833	320,017	0.04	19,487	331,564	0.06
South Georgia Regional	11,404	135,991	0.08	13,057	137,666	0.09	12,506	132,198	0.09
Southwest Georgia Regional	9,476	42,757	0.22	12,833	42,818	0.30	25,758	40,226	0.64
Statesboro Regional	9,476	160,486	0.06	12,833	162,951	0.08	25,639	162,792	0.16
Thomas County	-	46,490	-	1,247	46,779	0.03	25,639	44,431	0.58
Three Rivers Regional	773	150,468	0.01	12,833	151,750	0.08	1,438	166,443	0.01
Troup-Harris Regional	9,476	107,476	0.09	13,194	108,684	0.12	25,639	105,126	0.24
Twin Lakes	9,476	47,084	0.20	13,693	47,285	0.29	25,639	44,428	0.58
West Georgia Regional	4,658	475,537	0.01	12,833	483,794	0.03	18,617	487,659	0.04
Worth County	9,476	21,153	0.45	9,476	21,104	0.45	27,304	20,142	1.36
Statewide	860,134	10,637,029	0.08	1,184,592	10,766,121	0.11	2,955,286	10,833,472	0.27

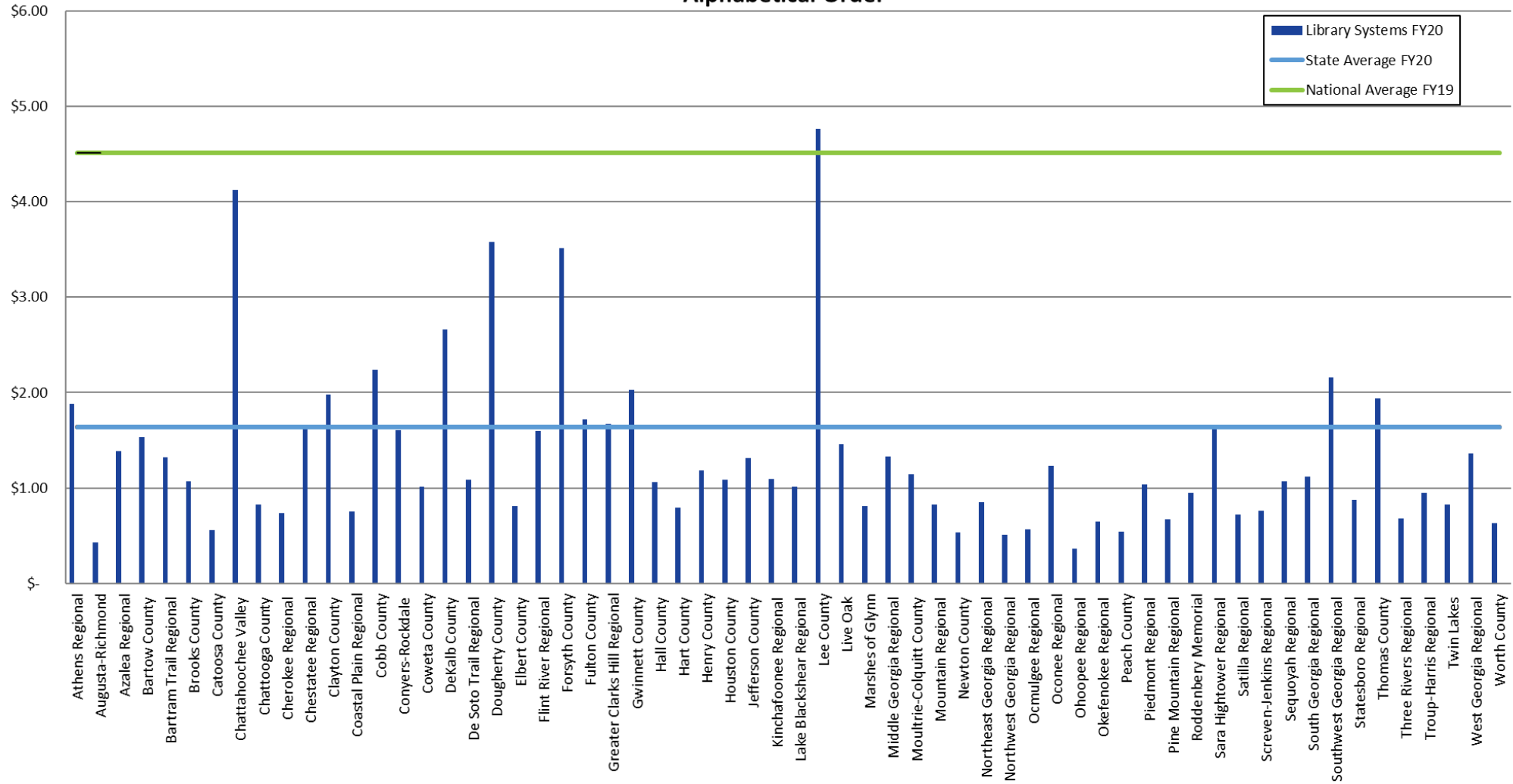
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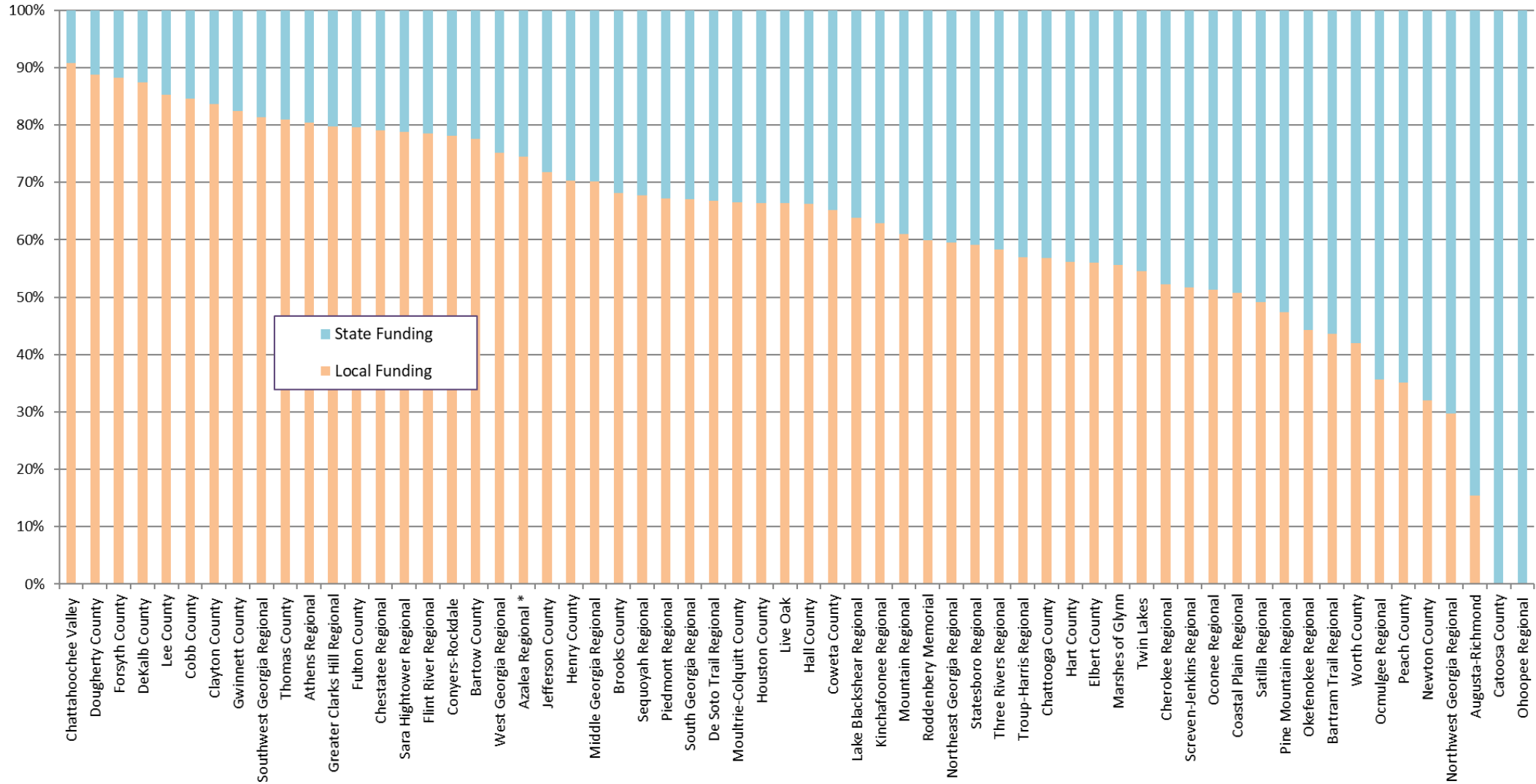
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Total Collection Expenditures per Capita System Detail FY2018-20

Library System	2018			2019			2020		
	Material Exp	Population	Per Capita	Material Exp	Population	Per Capita	Material Exp	Population	Per Capita
Athens Regional	\$357,122	230,417	\$ 1.55	\$379,069	232,589	\$ 1.63	\$436,568	231,682	\$ 1.88
Augusta-Richmond	\$180,054	206,057	0.87	\$117,860	206,620	0.57	\$85,800	202,240	0.42
Azalea Regional *	\$191,513	173,377	1.10	\$267,961	175,404	1.53	\$246,100	177,946	1.38
Bartow County	\$232,518	106,686	2.18	\$187,731	107,725	1.74	\$169,660	110,771	1.53
Bartram Trail Regional	\$39,957	33,510	1.19	\$32,629	33,522	0.97	\$32,493	24,634	1.32
Brooks County	\$10,188	15,387	0.66	\$10,052	15,337	0.66	\$16,778	15,727	1.07
Catoosa County	\$69,784	68,338	1.02	\$56,058	68,911	0.81	\$38,202	68,771	0.56
Chattahoochee Valley	\$844,680	238,497	3.54	\$952,744	239,915	3.97	\$919,811	223,071	4.12
Chattooga County	\$25,833	25,220	1.02	\$23,785	25,222	0.94	\$20,450	24,766	0.83
Cherokee Regional	\$55,439	86,122	0.64	\$63,419	86,315	0.73	\$63,442	85,772	0.74
Chestate Regional	\$126,342	57,723	2.19	\$133,487	58,557	2.28	\$99,470	60,823	1.64
Clayton County	\$360,448	277,793	1.30	\$486,304	280,140	1.74	\$603,181	304,838	1.98
Coastal Plain Regional	\$76,454	95,652	0.80	\$83,056	113,957	0.73	\$83,999	111,697	0.75
Cobb County	\$1,566,176	763,778	2.05	\$1,448,201	772,544	1.87	\$1,770,694	790,588	2.24
Conyers-Rockdale	\$108,012	92,869	1.16	\$97,110	94,077	1.03	\$152,167	94,960	1.60
Coweta County	\$87,707	146,828	0.60	\$95,911	149,702	0.64	\$153,401	152,001	1.01
DeKalb County	\$2,311,276	745,417	3.10	\$2,304,614	750,778	3.07	\$2,107,455	793,154	2.66
De Soto Trail Regional	\$41,591	36,630	1.14	\$41,319	36,541	1.13	\$38,383	35,318	1.09
Dougherty County	\$334,102	93,401	3.58	\$334,891	93,393	3.59	\$321,874	89,905	3.58
Elbert County	\$14,518	19,443	0.75	\$14,713	19,393	0.76	\$15,394	18,945	0.81
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	\$9,696	17,956	0.54						
Flint River Regional	\$426,993	268,647	1.59	\$489,017	270,709	1.81	\$443,712	277,762	1.60
Forsyth County	\$735,449	229,449	3.21	\$873,441	237,439	3.68	\$886,833	252,507	3.51
Fulton County	\$2,371,572	1,070,062	2.22	\$2,491,353	1,087,425	2.29	\$1,891,603	1,099,181	1.72
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	\$286,630	188,851	1.52	\$386,954	192,599	2.01	\$339,092	194,308	1.75
Gwinnett County	\$2,134,859	948,365	2.25	\$2,390,383	966,881	2.47	\$1,965,451	971,145	2.02
Hall County	\$280,651	203,764	1.38	\$252,216	207,116	1.22	\$218,429	206,349	1.06
Hart County	\$11,766	25,900	0.45	\$13,633	25,967	0.53	\$20,754	26,107	0.79
Henry County	\$207,532	232,442	0.89	\$309,187	237,005	1.30	\$284,227	239,866	1.18
Houston County	\$162,180	159,046	1.02	\$162,302	161,245	1.01	\$170,416	157,039	1.09
Jefferson County	\$29,348	16,234	1.81	\$26,599	16,212	1.64	\$20,120	15,313	1.31
Kinchafoonee Regional	\$34,174	29,983	1.14	\$40,947	29,784	1.37	\$31,979	29,237	1.09
Lake Blackshear Regional	\$83,167	73,768	1.13	\$81,683	73,643	1.11	\$71,057	70,363	1.01
Lee County	\$99,360	31,676	3.14	\$117,018	32,226	3.63	\$142,825	29,971	4.77
Live Oak	\$438,890	424,710	1.03	\$544,662	429,993	1.27	\$611,420	418,106	1.46
Marshes of Glynn	\$103,346	86,126	1.20	\$135,908	87,023	1.56	\$69,409	86,047	0.81
Middle Georgia Regional	\$243,148	230,542	1.05	\$306,925	230,861	1.33	\$290,683	218,267	1.33
Moultrie-Colquitt County	\$79,712	48,675	1.64	\$37,084	49,120	0.75	\$51,793	45,393	1.14
Mountain Regional	\$55,951	57,725	0.97	\$41,466	58,034	0.71	\$52,340	63,689	0.82
Newton County	\$84,280	112,505	0.75	\$86,814	114,680	0.76	\$60,174	112,354	0.54
Northeast Georgia Regional	\$98,895	116,860	0.85	\$92,819	117,638	0.79	\$102,304	120,872	0.85
Northwest Georgia Regional	\$91,700	205,333	0.45	\$106,101	206,617	0.51	\$103,609	202,982	0.51
Ocmulgee Regional	\$39,274	79,057	0.50	\$32,939	79,035	0.42	\$42,974	76,459	0.56
Oconee Regional	\$149,185	89,725	1.66	\$147,705	89,970	1.64	\$107,499	87,113	1.23
Ocopee Regional	\$32,980	79,373	0.42	\$44,968	79,829	0.56	\$28,099	76,766	0.37
Okfenokee Regional	\$74,465	94,036	0.79	\$72,336	94,603	0.76	\$59,814	92,019	0.65
Peach County	\$15,709	27,513	0.57	\$14,604	27,562	0.53	\$14,889	27,375	0.54
Piedmont Regional	\$140,675	168,500	0.83	\$159,025	172,304	0.92	\$187,592	181,065	1.04
Pine Mountain Regional	\$43,622	62,293	0.70	\$40,719	62,140	0.66	\$41,196	61,413	0.67
Roddenberry Memorial	\$20,362	26,318	0.77	\$17,164	26,509	0.65	\$23,294	24,540	0.95
Sara Hightower Regional	\$327,661	140,543	2.33	\$302,029	141,132	2.14	\$233,445	143,398	1.63
Satilla Regional	\$63,338	53,352	1.19	\$66,110	53,699	1.23	\$37,158	51,372	0.72
Screven-Jenkins Regional	\$20,346	23,634	0.86	\$22,250	23,633	0.94	\$17,146	22,476	0.76
Saquoyah Regional	\$345,515	313,479	1.10	\$389,317	320,017	1.22	\$354,662	331,564	1.07
South Georgia Regional	\$77,200	135,991	0.57	\$145,531	137,666	1.06	\$148,139	132,198	1.12
Southwest Georgia Regional	\$103,015	42,757	2.41	\$100,677	42,818	2.35	\$86,921	40,226	2.16
Statesboro Regional	\$155,100	160,486	0.97	\$166,627	162,951	1.02	\$141,769	162,792	0.87
Thomas County	\$98,322	46,490	2.11	\$85,252	46,779	1.82	\$86,262	44,431	1.94
Three Rivers Regional	\$165,478	150,468	1.10	\$153,503	151,750	1.01	\$128,638	166,443	0.77
Troup-Harris Regional	\$137,911	107,476	1.28	\$128,989	108,684	1.19	\$99,720	105,126	0.95
Twin Lakes	\$42,769	47,084	0.91	\$51,250	47,285	1.08	\$36,572	44,428	0.82
West Georgia Regional	\$652,800	475,537	1.37	\$710,055	483,794	1.47	\$705,152	487,659	1.45
Worth County	\$13,436	21,153	0.64	\$11,248	21,104	0.53	\$12,717	20,142	0.63
Statewide	\$ 17,822,176	10,637,029	\$ 1.68	\$ 18,979,724	10,766,121	\$ 1.76	\$ 17,797,210	10,833,472	\$ 1.64

Ratio of Local to State Funds Used to Purchase Library Materials in FY2020



Ratio of Local to State Funds for the Purchase of Library Materials System Detail FY2020

Ratio of Local to State Funds Used to Purchase Library Materials in FY2020						
Library System	Local Funds for Library Materials	% Local Exp of Materials	State Funds for Library Materials	% State Exp of Materials	Local + State Funds for Library Materials	% Sum
Athens Regional	\$350,047	80.4%	\$85,562.00	19.6%	\$435,609.00	100%
Augusta-Richmond	\$13,286	15.5%	\$72,514	84.5%	\$85,800.00	100%
Azalea Regional *	\$183,441	74.5%	\$62,659.00	25.5%	246,100.00	100%
Bartow County	\$131,593	77.6%	\$38,067.00	22.4%	169,660.00	100%
Bartram Trail Regional	\$14,179	43.6%	\$18,314.00	56.4%	32,493.00	100%
Brooks County	\$11,428	68.1%	\$5,350.00	31.9%	16,778.00	100%
Catoosa County	\$0	0.0%	\$38,202.00	100.0%	38,202.00	100%
Chattahoochee Valley	\$835,344	90.8%	\$84,467	9.2%	919,811.00	100%
Chattooga County	\$11,622	56.8%	\$8,828.00	43.2%	20,450.00	100%
Cherokee Regional	\$33,146	52.2%	\$30,296.00	47.8%	63,442.00	100%
Chestatee Regional	\$78,683	79.1%	\$20,787	20.9%	99,470.00	100%
Clayton County	\$504,310	83.6%	\$98,871	16.4%	603,181.00	100%
Coastal Plain Regional	\$41,313	50.8%	\$40,008.00	49.2%	81,321.00	100%
Cobb County	\$1,496,014	84.5%	\$273,459	15.5%	1,769,473.00	100%
Conyers-Rockdale	\$118,817	78.1%	\$33,350	21.9%	152,167.00	100%
Coweta County	\$100,000	65.2%	\$53,401	34.8%	153,401.00	100%
DeKalb County	\$1,841,757	87.4%	\$264,648.00	12.6%	2,106,405.00	100%
De Soto Trail Regional	\$25,625	66.8%	\$12,758.00	33.2%	38,383.00	100%
Dougherty County	\$277,613	88.8%	\$34,878.00	11.2%	312,491.00	100%
Elbert County	\$8,624	56.0%	\$6,770	44.0%	15,394.00	100%
Flint River Regional	\$348,242	78.5%	\$95,470	21.5%	443,712.00	100%
Forsyth County	\$783,007	88.3%	\$103,826	11.7%	886,833.00	100%
Fulton County	\$1,504,927	79.6%	\$386,676	20.4%	1,891,603.00	100%
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	\$270,371	79.7%	\$68,721.00	20.3%	339,092.00	100%
Gwinnett County	\$1,620,562	82.5%	\$344,889.00	17.5%	1,965,451.00	100%
Hall County	\$144,765	66.3%	\$73,664.00	33.7%	218,429.00	100%
Hart County	\$11,642	56.1%	\$9,112.00	43.9%	20,754.00	100%
Henry County	\$199,678	70.3%	\$84,549.00	29.7%	284,227.00	100%
Houston County	\$113,201	66.4%	\$57,215.00	33.6%	170,416.00	100%
Jefferson County	\$14,453	71.8%	\$5,667.00	28.2%	20,120.00	100%
Kinchafoonee Regional	\$20,105	62.9%	\$11,874.00	37.1%	31,979.00	100%
Lake Blackshear Regional	\$45,326	63.8%	\$25,731.00	36.2%	71,057.00	100%
Lee County	\$121,831	85.3%	\$20,994.00	14.7%	142,825.00	100%
Live Oak	\$405,558	66.3%	\$205,862.00	33.7%	611,420.00	100%
Marshes of Glynn	\$38,637	55.7%	\$30,772	44.3%	69,409.00	100%
Middle Georgia Regional	\$204,143	70.2%	\$86,540	29.8%	290,683.00	100%
Moultrie-Colquitt County	\$34,445	66.5%	\$17,348	33.5%	51,793.00	100%
Mountain Regional	\$31,920	61.0%	\$20,420	39.0%	52,340.00	100%
Newton County	\$19,275	32.0%	\$40,899.00	68.0%	60,174.00	100%
Northeast Georgia Regional	\$60,858	59.5%	\$41,446	40.5%	102,304.00	100%
Northwest Georgia Regional	\$30,844	29.8%	\$72,765.00	70.2%	103,609.00	100%
Ocmulgee Regional	\$15,320	35.6%	\$27,654.00	64.4%	42,974.00	100%
Oconee Regional	\$55,117	51.3%	\$52,382.00	48.7%	107,499.00	100%
Choopsee Regional	\$0	0.0%	\$28,099.00	100.0%	28,099.00	100%
Okefenokee Regional	\$26,504	44.3%	\$33,310.00	55.7%	59,814.00	100%
Peach County	\$5,225	35.1%	\$9,664.00	64.9%	14,889.00	100%
Piedmont Regional	\$125,954	67.1%	\$61,638.00	32.9%	187,592.00	100%
Pine Mountain Regional	\$19,501	47.3%	\$21,695.00	52.7%	41,196.00	100%
Roddenberry Memorial	\$13,949	59.9%	\$9,345.00	40.1%	23,294.00	100%
Sara Hightower Regional	\$183,842	78.8%	\$49,603.00	21.2%	233,445.00	100%
Satilla Regional	\$18,242	49.1%	\$18,916	50.9%	37,158.00	100%
Scriven-Jenkins Regional	\$8,875	51.8%	\$8,271.00	48.2%	17,146.00	100%
Sequoyah Regional	\$240,368	67.8%	\$114,294.00	32.2%	354,662.00	100%
South Georgia Regional	\$99,370	67.1%	\$48,769.00	32.9%	148,139.00	100%
Southwest Georgia Regional	\$67,610	81.3%	\$15,540.00	18.7%	83,150.00	100%
Statesboro Regional	\$83,873	59.2%	\$57,896.00	40.8%	141,769.00	100%
Thomas County	\$69,789	80.9%	\$16,473.00	19.1%	86,262.00	100%
Three Rivers Regional	\$75,077	58.4%	\$53,561.00	41.6%	128,638.00	100%
Troup-Harris Regional	\$56,753	56.9%	\$42,967	43.1%	99,720.00	100%
Twin Lakes	\$19,952	54.6%	\$16,620	45.4%	36,572.00	100%
West Georgia Regional	\$530,349	75.2%	\$174,803.00	24.8%	705,152.00	100%
Worth County	\$5,348	42.1%	\$7,369	57.9%	12,717.00	100%
Statewide	13,821,650.00	77.7%	3,956,498.00	22.3%	17,778,148.00	100%

Staff Expenditures and Total Library Expenditures

Per Capita Expenditures for Staff in Georgia Public Libraries

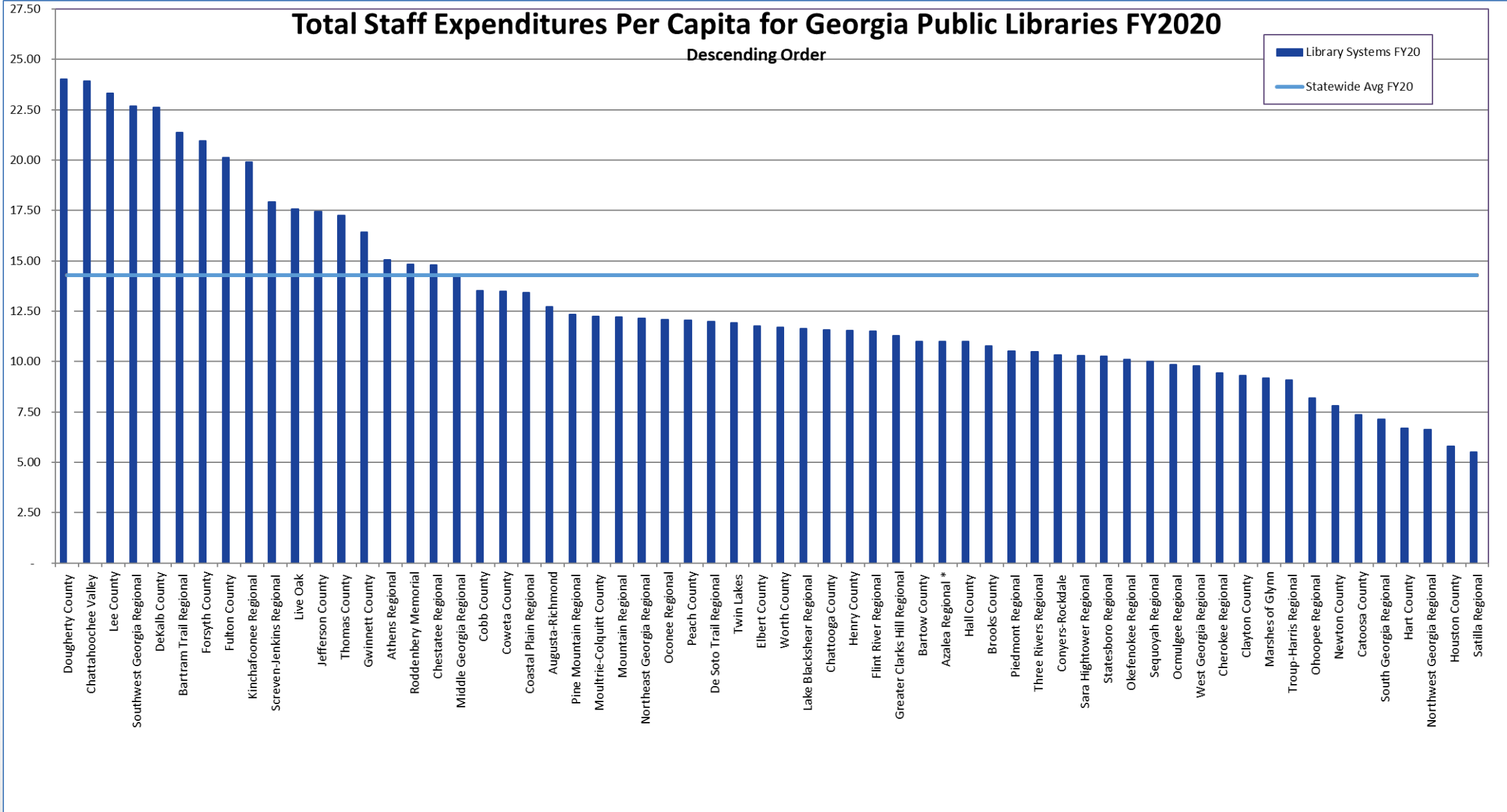
- Georgia public libraries spent an average of \$14.29 per capita for staff in FY2020, an increase of almost 5% over the FY2019 average of \$13.66.
- The 62 library systems in Georgia ranged from \$5.50 to \$24.03 per capita for staff expenditures.
- The majority (75%) of Georgia public library systems spent less than the state average per capita of \$14.29 for staff salaries, wages, and benefits.
- Georgia ranked 10th in the nation in FY2019 at 71.5% when viewing staff salaries and benefits as a percent of all operating expenditures of public libraries.

Total Library Expenditures (includes Staff, Materials, and Other Operating Expenditures)

- Georgia public libraries spent an average of \$19.55 per capita on operating expenditures in FY2020, an almost 2% increase from the FY19 operating expenditure of \$19.18.
- On a per capita basis, all public library systems spent less in FY2020 than the FY2019 national average of \$41.90.
- 32% of Georgia's public library systems spent more per capita than the state average of \$19.55 in FY2020.
- Georgia ranked 49th in the United States for public library total operating expenditures per capita in FY2019.

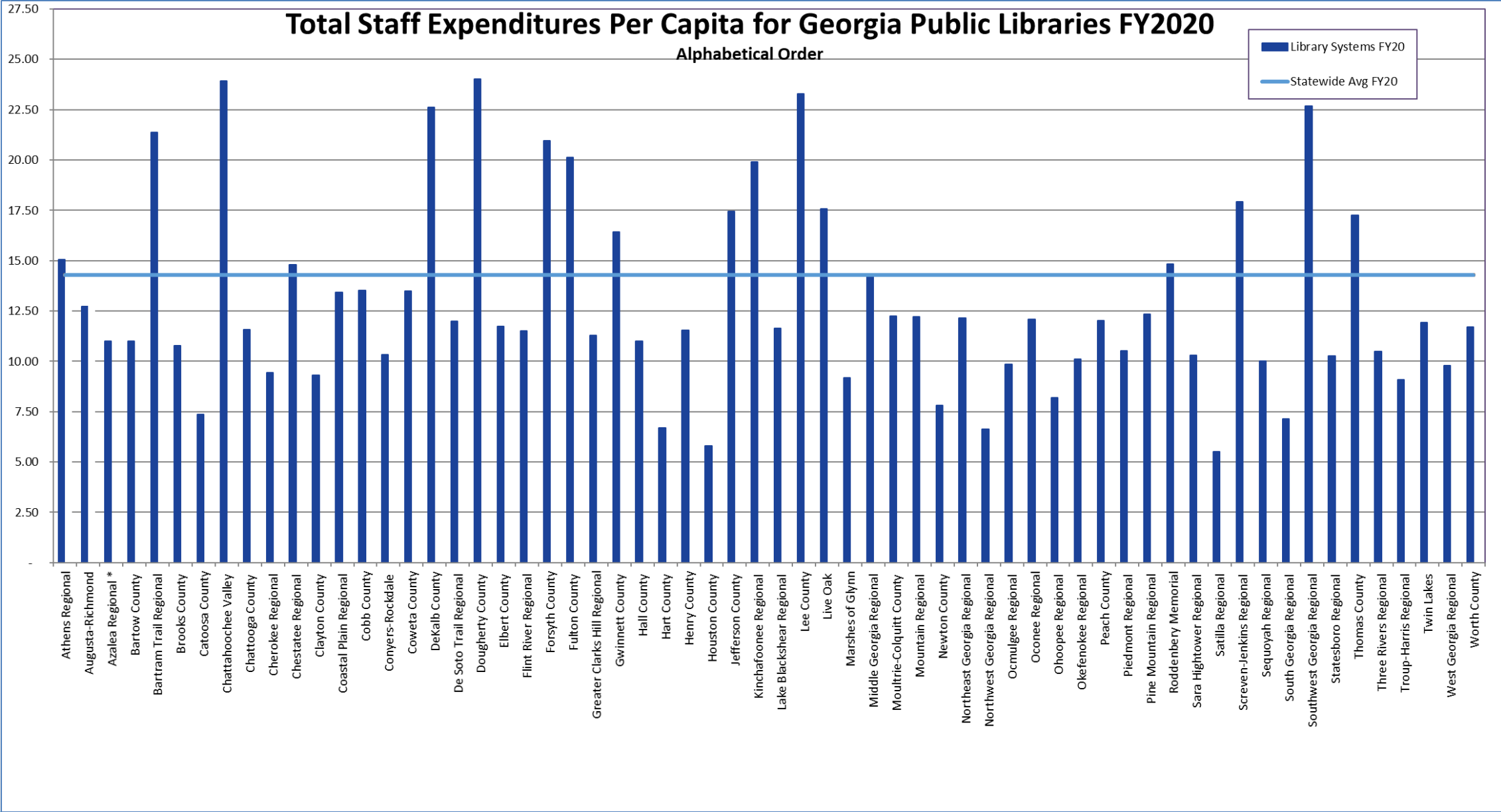
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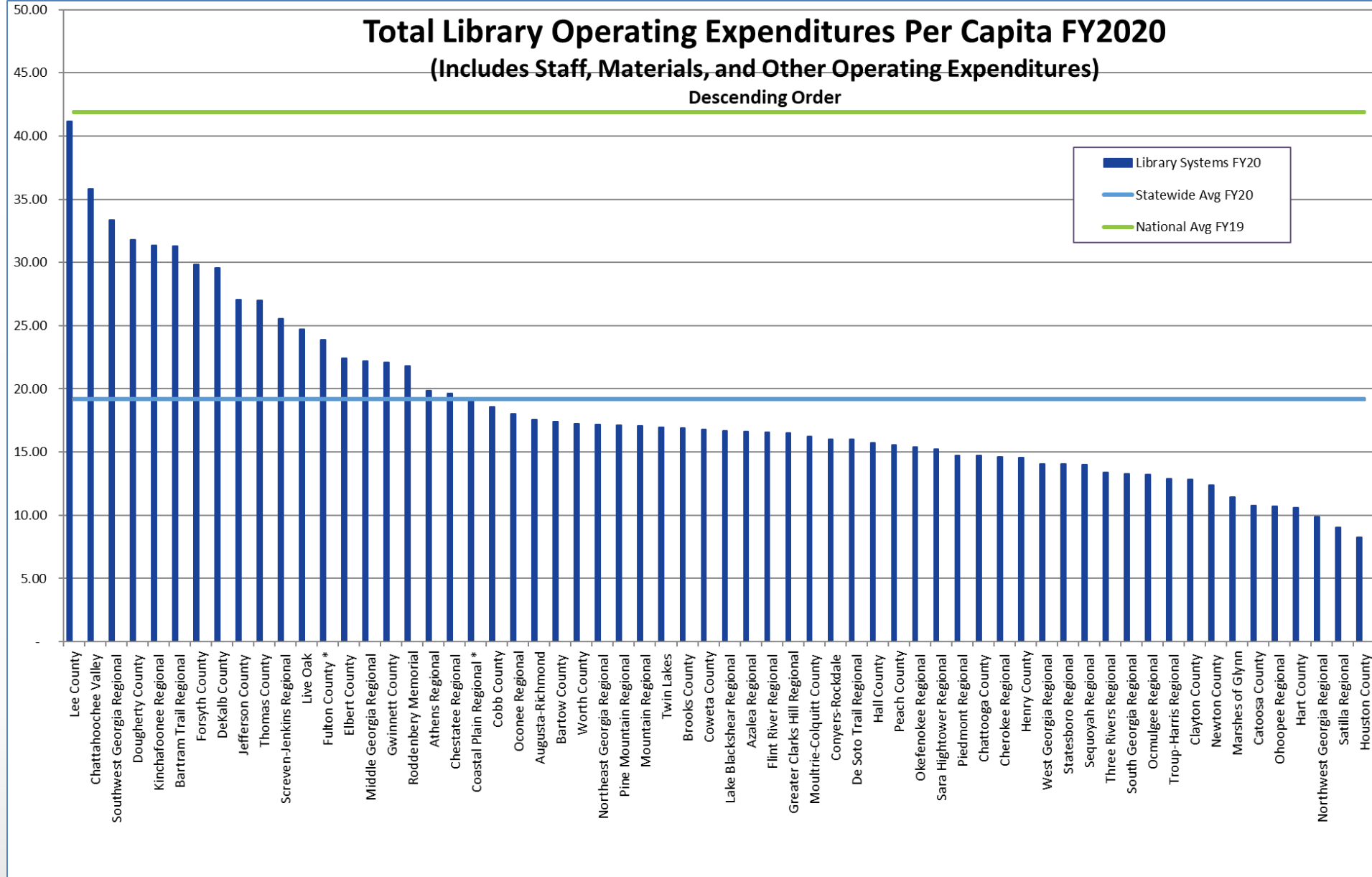
Total Staff Expenditures per Capita System Detail FY2018-20

Library System	2018			2019			2020		
	Staff Expenditures	Population	Per Capita	Staff Expenditures	Population	Per Capita	Staff Expenditures	Population	Per Capita
Athens Regional	\$ 3,205,794	230,417	13.91	3,282,006	232,589	14.11	3,489,020	231,682	15.06
Augusta-Richmond	2,395,762	206,057	11.63	2,340,831	206,620	11.33	2,570,303	202,240	12.71
Azalea Regional *	1,996,195	173,377	11.53	1,943,766	175,404	11.08	1,957,825	177,946	11.00
Barrow County	1,228,757	106,686	11.52	1,231,281	107,725	11.43	1,219,576	110,771	11.01
Bartram Trail Regional	523,360	33,510	15.62	485,836	33,522	14.49	526,104	24,634	21.36
Brooks County	159,714	15,387	10.38	163,445	15,337	10.66	169,474	15,727	10.78
Catoosa County	493,798	68,338	7.23	497,317	68,911	7.22	505,650	68,771	7.35
Chattahoochee Valley	4,949,843	238,497	20.75	5,298,311	239,915	22.08	5,333,778	223,071	23.91
Chattooga County	263,541	25,220	10.45	269,541	25,222	10.69	286,975	24,766	11.59
Cherokee Regional	725,350	86,122	8.42	757,600	86,315	8.78	809,340	85,772	9.44
Chestatee Regional	816,032	57,723	14.14	869,894	58,557	14.86	900,748	60,823	14.81
Clayton County	3,343,121	277,793	12.03	3,530,093	280,140	12.60	2,836,785	304,838	9.31
Coastal Plain Regional	1,318,098	95,652	13.78	1,492,482	113,957	13.10	1,499,312	111,697	13.42
Cobb County	9,768,874	763,778	12.79	9,474,031	772,544	12.26	10,680,406	790,588	13.51
Conyers-Rockdale	867,230	92,869	9.34	836,128	94,077	8.89	981,028	94,960	10.33
Coweta County	1,722,049	146,828	11.73	1,755,137	149,702	11.72	2,051,690	152,001	13.50
DeKalb County	15,905,338	745,417	21.34	17,200,043	750,778	22.91	17,946,740	793,154	22.63
De Soto Trail Regional	439,949	36,630	12.01	459,215	36,541	12.57	423,506	35,318	11.99
Dougherty County	2,265,713	93,401	24.26	2,096,358	93,393	22.45	2,160,401	89,905	24.03
Elbert County	212,126	19,443	10.91	213,404	19,393	11.00	222,597	18,945	11.75
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	275,769	17,956	15.36						
Flint River Regional	3,197,482	268,647	11.90	3,203,125	270,709	11.83	3,200,121	277,762	11.52
Forsyth County	4,770,504	229,449	20.79	5,055,025	237,439	21.29	5,291,809	252,507	20.96
Fulton County	21,799,850	1,070,062	20.37	21,607,295	1,087,425	19.87	22,130,459	1,099,181	20.13
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	1,958,755	188,851	10.37	2,176,256	192,599	11.30	2,191,507	194,308	11.28
Gwinnett County	14,394,999	948,365	15.18	15,113,998	966,881	15.63	15,952,635	971,145	16.43
Hall County	2,065,905	203,764	10.14	2,144,450	207,116	10.35	2,266,890	206,349	10.99
Hart County	184,587	25,900	7.13	192,725	25,967	7.42	174,460	26,107	6.68
Henry County	2,416,913	232,442	10.40	2,538,114	237,005	10.71	2,768,596	239,866	11.54
Houston County	909,119	159,046	5.72	909,497	161,245	5.64	908,630	157,039	5.79
Jefferson County	285,608	16,234	17.59	272,926	16,212	16.84	266,981	15,313	17.43
Kincaid Regional	556,656	29,983	18.57	568,425	29,784	19.08	581,928	29,237	19.90
Lake Blackshear Regional	818,134	73,768	11.09	811,760	73,643	11.02	819,133	70,363	11.64
Lee County	619,422	31,676	19.55	666,637	32,226	20.69	698,387	29,971	23.30
Live Oak	6,272,807	424,710	14.77	6,137,627	429,993	14.27	7,348,149	418,106	17.57
Marshes of Glynn	698,754	86,126	8.11	788,090	87,023	9.06	789,657	86,047	9.18
Middle Georgia Regional	3,037,094	230,542	13.17	2,967,880	230,861	12.86	3,121,457	218,267	14.30
Moultrie-Colquitt County	510,693	48,675	10.49	550,595	49,120	11.21	556,021	45,393	12.25
Mountain Regional	814,642	57,725	14.11	460,462	58,034	7.93	778,719	63,689	12.23
Newton County	710,499	112,505	6.32	721,979	114,680	6.30	877,505	112,354	7.81
Northeast Georgia Regional	1,465,393	116,860	12.54	1,391,458	117,638	11.83	1,469,308	120,872	12.16
Northwest Georgia Regional	1,303,114	205,333	6.35	1,284,992	206,617	6.22	1,344,587	202,982	6.62
Ocmulgee Regional	785,884	79,057	9.94	753,898	79,035	9.54	752,544	76,459	9.84
Oconee Regional	949,414	89,725	10.58	973,568	89,970	10.82	1,052,486	87,113	12.08
Ooheep Regional	572,500	79,373	7.21	598,104	79,829	7.49	628,062	76,766	8.18
Okfeenokee Regional	808,094	94,036	8.59	904,387	94,603	9.56	929,528	92,019	10.10
Peach County	311,543	27,513	11.32	324,878	27,562	11.79	329,551	27,375	12.04
Piedmont Regional	1,270,335	168,500	7.54	1,402,311	172,304	8.14	1,904,330	181,065	10.52
Pine Mountain Regional	681,259	62,293	10.94	680,950	62,140	10.96	757,526	61,413	12.33
Roddenberry Memorial	422,262	26,318	16.04	382,261	26,509	14.42	364,102	24,540	14.84
Sara Hightower Regional	1,403,259	140,543	9.98	1,411,991	141,132	10.00	1,475,594	143,398	10.29
Satilla Regional	374,552	53,352	7.02	361,710	53,699	6.74	282,755	51,372	5.50
Screven-Jenkins Regional	387,810	23,634	16.41	403,007	23,633	17.05	402,909	22,476	17.93
Sequoyah Regional	3,100,209	313,479	9.89	3,208,240	320,017	10.03	3,323,531	331,564	10.02
South Georgia Regional	941,231	135,991	6.92	947,331	137,666	6.88	942,481	132,198	7.13
Southwest Georgia Regional	832,894	42,757	19.48	867,837	42,818	20.27	912,032	40,226	22.67
Statesboro Regional	1,575,119	160,486	9.81	1,631,753	162,951	10.01	1,672,011	162,792	10.27
Thomas County	763,706	46,490	16.43	727,573	46,779	15.55	766,087	44,431	17.24
Three Rivers Regional	1,633,353	150,468	10.86	1,577,676	151,750	10.40	1,747,125	166,443	10.50
Troup-Harris Regional	884,329	107,476	8.23	947,356	108,684	8.72	955,148	105,126	9.09
Twin Lakes	464,745	47,084	9.87	483,442	47,285	10.22	529,503	44,428	11.92
West Georgia Regional	4,123,853	475,537	8.67	4,443,087	483,794	9.18	4,772,711	487,659	9.79
Worth County	221,628	21,153	10.48	220,160	21,104	10.43	235,857	20,142	11.71
Statewide	144,177,322	10,637,029	13.55	147,011,555	10,766,121	13.66	154,844,070	10,833,472	14.29

Total Library Operating Expenditures Per Capita FY2020

(Includes Staff, Materials, and Other Operating Expenditures)

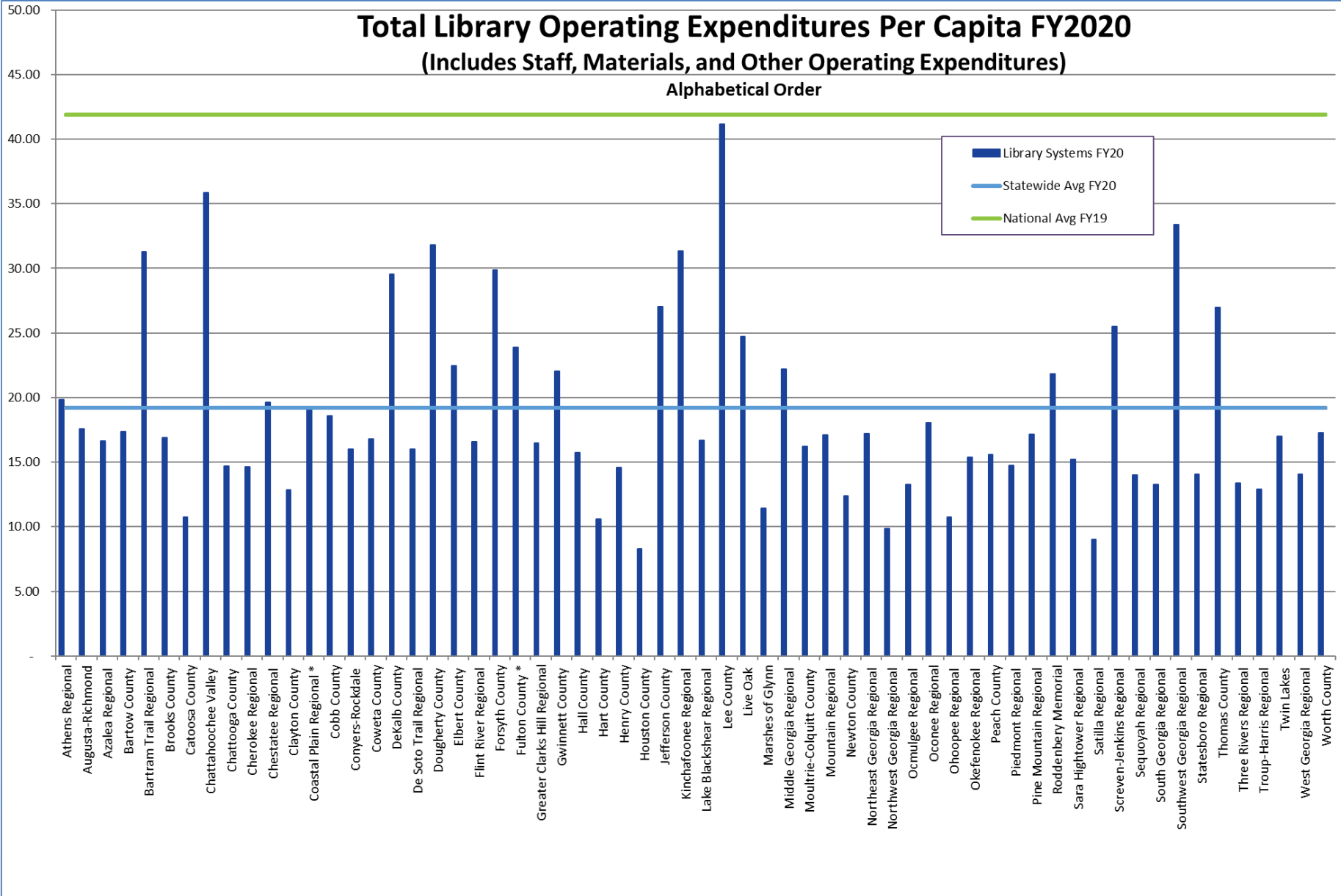
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Total Library Operating Expenditures Per Capita FY2020

(Includes Staff, Materials, and Other Operating Expenditures)

Alphabetical Order



Total Library Operating Expenditures per Capita System Detail FY2018-20

(Includes Staff, Materials, and Other Operating Expenditures)

Library System	2018			2019			2020		
	All Operating Expenditures	Population	Per Capita	All Operating Expenditures	Population	Per Capita	All Operating Expenditures	Population	Per Capita
Athens Regional	\$4,631,351	230,417	20.10	\$4,853,025	232,589	20.87	\$4,600,343	231,682	19.86
Augusta-Richmond	\$3,244,699	206,057	15.75	\$3,325,583	206,620	16.10	\$3,554,736	202,240	17.58
Azalea Regional	\$3,031,771	173,377	17.49	\$2,963,720	175,404	16.90	\$2,957,074	177,946	16.62
Bartow County	\$1,863,218	106,686	17.46	\$1,809,890	107,725	16.80	\$1,926,251	110,771	17.39
Bartram Trail Regional	\$790,156	33,510	23.58	\$944,524	33,522	28.18	\$770,671	24,634	31.28
Brooks County	\$327,462	15,387	21.28	\$239,718	15,337	15.63	\$265,967	15,727	16.91
Catoosa County	\$748,447	68,338	10.95	\$731,205	68,911	10.61	\$740,880	68,771	10.77
Chattahoochee Valley	\$8,116,783	238,497	34.03	\$8,128,361	239,915	33.88	\$7,993,746	223,071	35.83
Chattooga County	\$370,776	25,220	14.70	\$368,442	25,222	14.61	\$364,238	24,766	14.71
Cherokee Regional	\$1,199,263	86,122	13.93	\$1,229,234	86,315	14.24	\$1,254,201	85,772	14.62
Chestatee Regional	\$1,088,032	57,723	18.85	\$1,144,299	58,557	19.54	\$1,193,610	60,823	19.62
Clayton County	\$4,274,962	277,793	15.39	\$4,478,323	280,140	15.99	\$3,910,158	304,838	12.83
Coastal Plain Regional *	\$1,812,350	95,652	18.95	\$2,102,664	113,957	18.45	\$2,158,112	111,697	19.32
Cobb County	\$13,242,092	763,778	17.34	\$13,291,982	772,544	17.21	\$14,685,049	790,588	18.57
Conyers-Rockdale	\$1,502,371	92,869	16.18	\$1,299,326	94,077	13.81	\$1,521,918	94,960	16.03
Coweta County	\$2,435,164	146,828	16.59	\$2,308,491	149,702	15.42	\$2,551,930	152,001	16.79
DeKalb County	\$21,268,647	745,417	28.53	\$23,179,421	750,778	30.87	\$23,455,237	793,154	29.57
De Soto Trail Regional	\$579,245	36,630	15.81	\$606,970	36,541	16.61	\$565,914	35,318	16.02
Dougherty County	\$3,032,698	93,401	32.47	\$2,823,355	93,393	30.23	\$2,857,350	89,905	31.78
Elbert County	\$284,157	19,443	14.61	\$292,244	19,393	15.07	\$425,029	18,945	22.43
Fitzgerald-Ben Hill County	\$380,453	17,956	21.19						
Flint River Regional	\$4,623,297	288,647	17.21	\$4,736,553	270,709	17.50	\$4,603,130	277,762	16.57
Forsyth County	\$6,559,795	229,449	28.59	\$6,990,213	237,439	29.44	\$7,540,216	252,507	29.86
Fulton County *	\$27,887,419	1,070,062	26.06	\$26,680,156	1,087,425	24.54	\$26,244,005	1,099,181	23.88
Greater Clarks Hill Regional	\$2,642,708	188,851	13.99	\$2,944,745	192,599	15.29	\$3,203,230	194,308	16.49
Gwinnett County	\$18,921,153	948,365	19.95	\$20,948,682	966,881	21.67	\$21,426,461	971,145	22.06
Hall County	\$2,946,024	203,764	14.46	\$3,086,763	207,116	14.90	\$3,247,819	206,349	15.74
Hart County	\$298,926	25,900	11.54	\$286,774	25,967	11.04	\$276,318	26,107	10.58
Henry County	\$3,075,892	232,442	13.23	\$3,341,544	237,005	14.10	\$3,493,016	239,866	14.56
Houston County	\$1,364,254	159,046	8.58	\$1,273,296	161,245	7.90	\$1,298,578	157,039	8.27
Jefferson County	\$469,839	16,234	28.94	\$394,055	16,212	24.31	\$414,269	15,313	27.05
Kinchafoonee Regional	\$829,273	29,983	27.66	\$949,577	29,784	31.88	\$916,778	29,237	31.36
Lake Blackshear Regional	\$1,101,868	73,768	14.94	\$1,183,584	73,643	16.07	\$1,173,283	70,363	16.67
Lee County	\$966,196	31,676	30.50	\$1,117,459	32,226	34.68	\$1,232,922	29,971	41.14
Live Oak	\$8,775,466	424,710	20.66	\$8,716,303	429,993	20.27	\$10,342,485	418,106	24.74
Marshes of Glynn	\$1,062,237	86,126	12.33	\$1,107,846	87,023	12.73	\$985,054	86,047	11.45
Middle Georgia Regional	\$4,649,150	230,542	20.17	\$4,470,196	230,861	19.36	\$4,841,505	218,267	22.18
Moultrie-Colquitt County	\$709,511	48,675	14.58	\$817,359	49,120	16.64	\$736,904	45,393	16.23
Mountain Regional	\$1,144,138	57,725	19.82	\$648,309	58,034	11.17	\$1,088,451	63,689	17.09
Newton County	\$1,213,133	112,505	10.78	\$1,243,941	114,680	10.85	\$1,390,172	112,354	12.37
Northeast Georgia Regional	\$1,909,492	116,860	16.34	\$1,874,423	117,638	15.93	\$2,077,141	120,872	17.18
Northwest Georgia Regional	\$1,897,282	205,333	9.24	\$2,161,079	206,617	10.46	\$1,999,057	202,982	9.85
Ocmulgee Regional	\$1,071,056	79,057	13.55	\$1,086,285	79,035	13.74	\$1,012,865	76,459	13.25
Oconee Regional	\$1,467,055	89,725	16.35	\$1,502,580	89,970	16.70	\$1,571,589	87,113	18.04
Ohoopee Regional	\$808,976	79,373	10.19	\$834,564	79,829	10.45	\$823,787	76,766	10.73
Okfenokee Regional	\$1,178,062	94,036	12.53	\$1,298,460	94,603	13.73	\$1,416,936	92,019	15.40
Peach County	\$435,787	27,513	15.84	\$446,622	27,562	16.20	\$426,179	27,375	15.57
Piedmont Regional	\$1,954,910	168,500	11.60	\$2,187,364	172,304	12.69	\$2,665,281	181,065	14.72
Pine Mountain Regional	\$984,295	62,293	15.80	\$1,010,535	62,140	16.26	\$1,053,105	61,413	17.15
Roddenbery Memorial	\$590,569	26,318	22.44	\$549,816	26,509	20.74	\$535,519	24,540	21.82
Sara Hightower Regional	\$2,033,419	140,543	14.47	\$2,172,615	141,132	15.39	\$2,183,468	143,398	15.23
Satilla Regional	\$657,367	53,352	12.32	\$579,007	53,699	10.78	\$463,251	51,372	9.02
Screven-Jenkins Regional	\$605,312	23,634	25.61	\$660,595	23,633	27.95	\$573,860	22,476	25.53
Sequoyah Regional	\$4,248,960	313,479	13.55	\$5,023,497	320,017	15.70	\$4,636,815	331,564	13.98
South Georgia Regional	\$1,396,217	135,991	10.27	\$1,718,825	137,666	12.49	\$1,751,749	132,198	13.25
Southwest Georgia Regional	\$1,300,379	42,757	30.41	\$1,484,831	42,818	34.68	\$1,342,415	40,226	33.37
Statesboro Regional	\$2,515,306	160,486	15.67	\$2,555,429	162,951	15.68	\$2,285,993	162,792	14.04
Thomas County	\$1,270,060	46,490	27.32	\$1,161,172	46,779	24.82	\$1,198,529	44,431	26.98
Three Rivers Regional	\$2,214,717	150,468	14.72	\$2,161,439	151,750	14.24	\$2,225,245	166,443	13.37
Troup-Harris Regional	\$1,424,969	107,476	13.26	\$1,419,075	108,684	13.06	\$1,355,635	105,126	12.90
Twin Lakes	\$681,011	47,084	14.46	\$721,907	47,285	15.27	\$754,153	44,428	16.97
West Georgia Regional	\$6,050,707	475,537	12.72	\$6,480,966	483,794	13.40	\$6,864,440	487,659	14.08
Worth County	\$348,723	21,153	16.49	\$317,556	21,104	15.05	\$347,253	20,142	17.24
Statewide	\$200,509,007.00	10,637,029	18.85	\$206,466,774	10,766,121	19.18	\$211,771,275	10,833,472	19.55

ABOUT GEORGIA PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE

Georgia Public Library Service empowers libraries to improve the lives of all Georgians.

We provide scalable library technology and services; staff training, consulting, and best practices; grant administration and more to create equity in library experience for patrons, no matter where they live.

Georgia Public Library Service is the state library administrative agency and a unit of the Board of Regents, University System of Georgia.



Key Services of GPLS for Public Libraries

- Represent and advocate for public libraries at the state and national levels
- Administer state and federal grants
- Administer the capital construction and MRR grant programs
- Provide consulting services through phone and email correspondence and on-site and virtual visits
- Provide training for library staff and trustees
- Promote and facilitate resource sharing and strategic partnerships
- Coordinate statewide programs that promote family literacy for children and parents
- Coordinate statewide library statistics
- Provide funding, support, and management of broadband networks statewide
- Provide centralized support and hosting for cloud computing for public access computers
- Provide web-hosting and email hosting
- Administer and support PINES -- The **P**ublic **I**nformation **N**etwork for **E**lectronic **S**ervices, the Georgia public library automation and lending network
- Provide Help Desk support for PINES and technology needs, available via online access and toll-free phone number
- Provide access to GALILEO, both on-site at all libraries and at home for validated patrons
- Administer GLASS, which provides library services and accessible technology for readers whose physical abilities require the use of books and magazines in audio or braille formats
- Support HomePLACE which encourages digitizing primary source collections
- Provide a professional materials collection (suspended during move of this collection)

Expenditures and Staffing of GPLS

- In Fiscal Year 2020, total state funding for Georgia Public Library Service was approximately \$39.5 million, over 82% of which was distributed directly to public libraries under the state grants program.
- Georgia Public Library Service used 7% of its state budget to fund and coordinate the statewide initiatives of PINES, GLASS, and internet services while 11% was spent on Resource Sharing (GALILEO) and agency operations, including GPLS staff.
- In Fiscal Year 2020, GPLS also administered the IMLS-LSTA State Programs grant expenditures which totaled almost \$4.6 million. Funds pay for statewide initiatives such as PINES, GLASS, GALILEO, Georgia HomePLACE, Summer Reading Program, specific grants such as PRIMETIME for early literacy, and agency operations including professional consulting.
- At the end of FY2020, a total of 48 positions were allocated for the Georgia Public Library Service. Only 45 positions were filled, by 43.125 FTEs.
 - GLASS – 13.5 FTE
 - PINES, IT, and E-rate – 17 FTE
 - Library Development – 5.625 FTE
 - Administration and Internal Operations – 10 FTE

GPLS -- FY2020 Benchmarks and Milestones

PINES

- Continued to facilitate resource sharing, with intraPINES loans of 658,853
- Circulated 11,432,529 items in FY20
- Over 1.95 million PINES library cards in use during FY20, with 158,264 new cards issued
- Extended and continued to maintain the PINES integrated library computer system in 53 public library systems and served patrons in all 159 Georgia counties
- Contracted with a courier(book delivery) service among all public library system central facilities and University System of Georgia (USG) academic libraries, making the collections of these libraries truly a statewide resource. Due to the pandemic, the courier service was shut down from April 7 through the end of the fiscal year
- Participated in the wider Evergreen community by continuing cooperative software development efforts
- Provided quarterly scheduled training and customized on-demand sessions for the PINES member library systems

General Public Library Support

- Continued to work with libraries and local funding agencies to maintain excellence in services through the extremely challenging pandemic during spring 2020, which impacted the last quarter of FY2020
- Continued Statewide Complete Count Census work
- Provided continuing support to Friends of Georgia Libraries
- Continued to provide training for library staff and trustees through both instructor-led training on demand and through scholarships to training offered by outside vendors; initiated virtual training during the pandemic
- Provided local strategic planning assistance to public library systems
- Continued to administer and utilize funds provided by the federal Library Services and Technology Act toward the improvement and enhancement of library services in Georgia
- Continued to coordinate, gather, and publish public library statistics for information, decision-making, and advocacy, including pandemic-driven Library Closing and Reopening Status Surveys

Planning and Construction

- Consulted with public library stakeholders in the development and implementation of public library design standards
- Continued to work with the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission in funding for construction and with public libraries in implementation of capital outlay programs
- Coordinated Georgia's public library planning and construction program, a match program assisting in new library construction as well as renovations and additions
- Completed 82 state-funded projects since 2005 with 21 projects in the planning process awaiting awards
- Total grant funding between FY05 and FY20 has been over \$123 million

Youth Services

- In FY2020, helped public libraries strengthen local partnerships with agencies, institutions, businesses, and groups by coordinating LSTA-funded PRIME TIME Family Reading Time® programs at 21 sites in 13 library systems (Cherokee Regional Library System, Coastal Plain Regional Library, Cobb County Public Library System, DeKalb County Public Library, Dougherty County Public Library, Forsyth County Public Library, Moultrie-Colquitt County Library, Piedmont Regional Library, Roddenbery Memorial Library System, Screven-Jenkins Regional Library System, Southwest Georgia Regional Library System, Three Rivers Regional Library System, Twin Lakes Library System)
- 3,959 children and caregivers attended these PRIME TIME programs in FY20
- In FY20, Georgia's statewide Summer Reading Program enjoyed children's program attendance of 232,830
- Partnered with other agencies, such as Georgia Department of Education, Georgia Humanities, Voices for Georgia's Children, Bright From the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning, Get Georgia Reading: Campaign for Grade Level Reading, and the Sandra Dunagan Deal Center for Early Language and Literacy, to help strengthen Georgia libraries' youth services programs

GPLS -- FY2020 Benchmarks and Milestones

GLASS

- Provided library services for the blind and others whose physical abilities require the use of books and magazines in audio format or in braille through Georgia Libraries for Accessible Statewide Services (GLASS), a network of libraries and a central distribution center
- GLASS transitioned to the Duplication on Demand model for lending materials, increasing access to the full NLS collection for patrons who cannot use BARD or BARD Mobile, while decreasing the space required for housing a collection of NLS materials
- GLASS provided materials to 17,110 registered users across Georgia in FY20
- GLASS circulated (mailed) 504,207 items to eligible enrolled readers in Georgia
- GLASS partnered with the Utah State Library to fill 13,024 requests prior to transitioning to duplication on demand and during the pandemic shutdown
- GLASS provided access to digital titles that were downloaded 130,035 times in FY20
- Adapted outreach during the pandemic to include online sessions with patrons and interested community partners
- Continued a partnership with PINES libraries to enhance service delivery for GLASS patrons
- Continued a partnership with Benetech to provide access to Bookshare, a digital collection of 900,000 titles in accessible formats, lending 11,101 digital files

Information Technology

- Hosted and supported over 4,644 cloud-based public access computers across 48 library systems, an increase of 1,986 devices from last year. 750 devices were added for lending programs across the state, including 248 Chrome-books funded through unused state bond funding and dropped shipped to 7 different libraries across the state to provide rapid COVID-19 relief
- Completed phase 1 of the G Suite migration: all GPLS-hosted libraries have moved to G Suite, resulting in 48 managed systems, 1961 library users, 52 GPLS/GLASS users, and 630+ mailing lists
- Hosted a Technology Boot Camp, an initiative of GPLS to bring together IT professionals from Georgia public libraries for training and awareness of technology trends and adoption
- Managed \$2.6 million in state bond funding for technology improvement and upgrades in Georgia public libraries, with \$1 mil dedicated just for 2020 Census support
- Continued Library Initiatives for Funding Technology (LIFT) program to support libraries with the planning and management of technology grants, resulting in \$64,492.00 in grant funding to Georgia public libraries
- Consolidated the Technology Loaner Kits down to the six most popular, with over 90 items across all kits, allowing staff and patron access to emerging and innovative technologies, including virtual reality and 3D printing. This resulted in increased checkouts across all kits
- Developed a Wi-Fi Availability Map to assist the public with finding parking lot Wi-Fi during the pandemic
- Launched cybersecurity program by hiring a dedicated Information Security Officer (ISO) and deploying a cloud-based endpoint security solution
- Content creation and management for clearinghouse of current IT trends, practices, and training through: galibtech.georgialibraries.org gsuite.georgialibraries.org.

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Communications

- The online library resources page and online library resources marketing toolkit that we created during the early days of the pandemic each received more than 30,000 views from March to May 2020. They were clearly important tools for both patrons and library staff. We have created a dozen marketing toolkits, which are regularly used by library staff to promote their services. Our PINES marketing toolkit has been accessed more than 800 times over the past year.
- Our marketing grants continued to be popular, with 18 libraries applying for our five marketing grants this year.
- We raised awareness with media around the state, with key earned media articles in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution and Georgia Public Broadcasting, along with more than 200 local news articles.
- Library News is our agency's flagship publication and our primary vehicle for keeping legislators, county commissioners, municipal leaders, library patrons, trustees, staff and other stakeholders informed of the social, economic and civic impacts that public libraries and their programs have across the state and in their respective communities. There are 7,000 print copy subscribers. Constant Contact is the primary tool for sharing Library News and other monthly marketing digitally to over 4,000 active contacts
- On social media, we launched Instagram and grew our presence to more than 600 followers.

Continuing Education and Training

- Produced the first ever Southeast Collaborative Conference—960 participants attended 14 live webinar sessions, in conjunction with North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia state library agencies
- Administered Niche Academy GPLS Learning center access for over 2,035 public, school, and academic library employee
- Library staff completed at total of 1,006 training hours
- Collaborated with other state library agencies to provide Georgia libraries with monthly, comprehensive listings of free webinars covering a range of industry-related competencies and subject areas
- Awarded over \$6,650 in reimbursement scholarships to support the continuing education of librarians and library staff across the state to help defray costs of attending onsite/online conferences, workshops, and institutes
- Served as the subject matter expert for implementing, training, and updating Georgia public library staff on the latest learning technology and instructional methods to supplement in-person work and learning during COVID closures

Resource Sharing

- Administered the reciprocal borrowing and lending activity of more than 200 GOLD multitype member libraries resulting in lending 105,099 items and borrowing 89,368 through interlibrary loans during FY20
- Purchased group access to OCLC Services for all public libraries, including a group catalog, that allows patrons access to resources beyond their library's holdings
- Paid GALILEO resource fees for all 62 public library systems to provide patron access to the statewide virtual library
- Purchased group access to the RDA Toolkit for all public libraries
- Launched first statewide e-book service for Georgia's youngest readers, eRead Kids
- Expanded access to a vendor-neutral e-book platform option for interested libraries

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HomePLACE

- In FY20, HomePLACE, a collaboration with the Digital Library of Georgia (DLG), an initiative of GALILEO, funded over 110,000 new and converted digitized items and associated metadata records to the DLG, including over 87,000 newspaper pages.
- 78% of Georgia's public libraries have contributed content to either the DLG or the GHN. Collectively, over 1 million digitized public library items have been added to the DLG and GHN portals.
- In FY20, DLG portals containing Georgia public library primary source content had over 2.1 million total page views, while newspaper portals containing content digitized by HomePLACE had over 6.4 million page views. 152 of Georgia's 159 counties have newspapers represented in the GHN.
- Public libraries continued to benefit from the DLG's hub relationship with the Digital Public Library of America, with two public libraries represented in the top 10 catalog views list by institution.
- With the increase in the number of institutions responding to the COVID-19 pandemic with community documentation projects, HomePLACE has created a list of these projects available at georgialibraries.org/coronavirus-chronicles/
- One of HomePLACE's most notable projects for FY20 was the Atlanta Funeral Programs Collection, a collaborative digitization effort that garnered the collection much media attention, as well as the title of #1 most-accessed collection in the DLG for FY20.

Strategic Partnerships

- GPLS partners with a number of state and private organizations to provide an additional layer of support and opportunities for library communities and build awareness for the state's public libraries. Since 2015, partnership programs have educated and entertained thousands of Georgia residents saving more than \$19 million in direct expenditures and providing hundreds of hours of free programming
- During FY2020, GPLS continued providing activities and programming with many previous partners and added the Georgia Peanut Commission, Georgia Student Finance Commission, and the Stuart A. Rose Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library to the list of partner organizations.

E-rate

- Annually, GPLS funds the internet matching portion cost for all GPLS systems, yielding a net zero cost for internet to each library system.
- By 2020, with decreases in bandwidth cost, coupled with other GPLS IT funding opportunities, the GA E-rate Team assisted GPLS library systems in applying for over \$4.4 million. Of that, more than \$203,000 was used to support internal connections/infrastructure projects.
- During the pandemic, the GA E-rate Team hosted over 20 E-rate training sessions and weekly google handout sessions to provide one-on-one E-rate guidance, ensuring GPLS library systems were equipped and aware of E-rate access for outdoor library campus access for library patrons and the surrounding community.
- GA E-rate team has ensured completion of the various filing components for annual E-rate processes. The deadlines for submissions/filings are not daily but they are federally mandated and non-negotiable with staged deadlines for each filing type published in advance of the filing season. The E-rate team maintains a 100% success rate for all participating GPLS systems.

Data Sources

Georgia Public Library Service (GPLS) produced this picture of the 62 public library systems in Georgia using statistical data from a variety of sources, primarily:

- Annual Reports submitted to GPLS from the public library systems for Fiscal Years 2000-2020
- The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) report, Public Libraries in the United States: Fiscal Year 2019
- Records of projects initiated and completed by GPLS staff.

NOTE: Fiscal Year 2020 data in this report subject to IMLS review in 2021 during the Public Libraries Survey collection process.

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