

Living Learning Libraries benchmark tables – by standard

The Library Council of NSW has formulated recommended minimum standards and guidelines for public library services in NSW, to help councils assess the level of service given by their public libraries to their respective communities. These standards and guidelines are published in *Living Learning Libraries — a population approach: standards and guidelines for NSW public libraries*.

Cohorts

Population-based peer cohorts are used for benchmarking, allowing easier comparisons among library services based on the populations of their communities. The cohorts are defined as follows:

rural standalone	population up to 20,000
rural regional library member	population up to 20,000
urban small	population 20,001 to 50,000
urban medium	population 50,001 to 150,000
urban large population	150,001 and above

Cohorts are updated annually.

Benchmark tables

Tables listing the ranking and performance data of libraries within their cohorts using the 2020/21 statistics are provided for libraries to use for benchmarking purposes, noting that they reflect the impact of lockdown and the constraints of building capacity limits and physical distancing requirements across the public library network in NSW during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The benchmark tables should be used in conjunction with *Living Learning Libraries*.

Performance targets

Cohort Median

Libraries that are below their cohort median for a given standard are encouraged to consider the median as a target to attain. Libraries are encouraged to aim to be the top of their cohort to demonstrate council is delivering best practice services to the local community.

Evidence base

The NSW Public Library Benchmarks 2022 are calculated using 2020/21 statistics with data submitted by councils as at 30 June 2021 and per capita calculations based on ABS population figures for June 2019.

For more information see www.sl.nsw.gov.au/public-library-services/content/living-learning-libraries

S1 Library Expenditure Per Capita (by Library Service)

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Expenditure per Capita	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	216.08	
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	158.27	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	105.91	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	87.92	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	80.71	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	77.83	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	75.61	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	74.55	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	70.93	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	67.18	▲
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	66.40	M
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	59.17	▼
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	53.42	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	53.06	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	52.45	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	47.65	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	45.56	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	42.27	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	41.85	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	36.08	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	29.31	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	111.50	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	89.48	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	76.26	▼
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	93.41	
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	85.55	
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	73.85	
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	72.97	
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	72.63	
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	67.31	
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	67.09	
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	62.12	▲
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	57.03	M
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	52.45	▼
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	51.84	
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	49.06	
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	48.21	
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	46.91	
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	46.08	
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	45.50	
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	34.09	

S1 Library Expenditure Per Capita (by Library Service)

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Expenditure per Capita	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	112.21	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	88.78	
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	78.97	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	75.09	
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	65.78	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	62.45	
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	60.18	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	58.03	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	56.77	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	56.70	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	55.39	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	52.27	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	50.95	▲
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	50.48	M
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	46.51	▼
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	44.93	
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	44.71	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	42.92	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	41.69	
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	41.48	
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	41.08	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	40.99	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	40.63	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	38.91	
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	37.53	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	33.19	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	30.03	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	90.47	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	85.70	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	75.13	
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	65.77	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	62.41	
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	58.67	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	50.81	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	49.38	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	48.25	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	48.13	
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	44.85	▲
			44.00	M
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	43.15	▼
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	42.40	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	42.10	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	41.61	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	40.05	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	37.90	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	34.08	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	33.64	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	32.35	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	30.83	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	29.94	

S2 Library Members, % of Population (by Library Service)

Library	Cohort	Population	Members, % of population	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	66.86%	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	54.64%	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	52.90%	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	50.67%	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	46.84%	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	44.48%	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	43.99%	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	39.13%	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	38.82%	▲
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	37.89%	M
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	37.89%	M
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	35.21%	▼
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	34.44%	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	32.55%	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	30.35%	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	30.10%	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	29.40%	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	29.36%	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	28.80%	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	23.70%	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	20.44%	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	40.99%	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	24.35%	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	10.46%	▼
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	51.57%	
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	50.65%	
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	50.62%	
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	50.50%	
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	48.81%	
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	48.08%	
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	47.06%	
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	45.82%	▲
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	43.84%	M
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	36.10%	▼
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	34.58%	
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	34.53%	
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	29.48%	
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	27.39%	
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	26.11%	
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	25.09%	
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	5.76%	

S2 Library Members, % of Population (by Library Service)

Library	Cohort	Population	Members, % of population	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	72.13%	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	64.56%	
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	60.73%	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	60.00%	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	54.46%	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	53.76%	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	50.22%	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	48.65%	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	47.15%	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	46.16%	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	45.44%	
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	44.25%	
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	42.89%	▲
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	40.55%	M
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	38.28%	▼
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	37.81%	
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	37.60%	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	37.37%	
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	31.30%	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	30.60%	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	29.58%	
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	27.79%	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	25.95%	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	25.63%	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	23.18%	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	22.87%	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	13.21%	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	72.15%	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	63.16%	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	51.54%	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	50.40%	
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	46.42%	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	42.95%	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	42.26%	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	41.61%	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	37.51%	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	33.71%	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	30.06%	▲
			29.99%	M
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	29.92%	▼
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	29.36%	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	28.82%	
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	23.80%	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	23.37%	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	23.12%	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	22.59%	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	20.68%	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	20.26%	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	17.13%	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	17.09%	

S5 Visits per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Visits per Capita	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	N/A	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	3.83	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	3.40	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	3.29	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	2.84	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	2.70	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	2.68	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	2.50	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	2.44	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	2.19	▲
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	2.15	M
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	2.15	M
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	2.15	M
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	2.13	▼
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	1.80	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	1.79	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	1.55	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	1.54	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	1.51	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	1.43	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	1.24	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	2.46	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	1.99	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	0.94	▼
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	6.55	
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	3.88	
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	3.80	
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	3.63	
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	3.05	
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	2.75	
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	2.74	
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	2.61	▲
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	2.42	M
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	2.30	▼
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	2.19	
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	2.15	
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	2.14	
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	1.94	
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	1.84	
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	1.60	
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	1.24	

S5 Visits per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Visits per Capita	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	4.64	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	4.31	
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	4.08	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	3.44	
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	3.29	
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	3.13	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	3.06	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	2.96	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	2.75	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	2.74	
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	2.70	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	2.68	
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	2.28	▲
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	2.19	M
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	2.08	▼
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	2.00	
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	1.91	
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	1.87	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	1.73	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	1.71	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	1.66	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	1.58	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	1.57	
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	1.47	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	1.44	
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	1.38	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	0.50	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	4.15	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	2.84	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	2.81	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	2.31	
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	2.21	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	2.20	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	2.17	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	2.04	
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	2.01	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	2.01	
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	1.88	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	1.79	▲
			1.84	M
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	1.77	▼
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	1.71	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	1.65	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	1.52	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	1.51	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	1.49	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	1.23	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	1.15	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	1.12	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	0.81	

M = cohort median

S9 Library Expenditure on Library Materials Per Capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Material Expenditure per Capita	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	16.97	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	10.93	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	9.11	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	7.89	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	7.67	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	7.08	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	6.45	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	6.37	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	6.19	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	5.88	▲
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	5.59	M
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	5.40	▼
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	4.77	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	4.54	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	4.32	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	4.25	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	4.09	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	3.65	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	3.33	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	2.41	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	1.79	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	11.40	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	4.36	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	0.75	▼
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	9.95	
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	7.26	
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	7.21	
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	6.44	
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	6.28	
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	6.06	
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	5.63	
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	5.01	▲
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	4.82	M
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	4.61	▼
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	4.07	
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	3.78	
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	3.58	
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	3.48	
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	3.35	
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	3.20	
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	3.14	

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S9 Library Expenditure on Library Materials Per Capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Material Expenditure per Capita	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	12.00	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	6.99	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	6.82	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	6.58	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	6.11	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	6.10	
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	5.85	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	5.63	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	5.48	
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	5.13	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	5.04	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	4.91	
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	4.75	▲
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	4.72	M
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	4.71	▼
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	4.71	
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	4.42	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	4.13	
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	3.98	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	3.77	
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	3.67	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	3.60	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	3.42	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	3.39	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	2.81	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	2.71	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	1.83	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	6.09	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	5.78	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	5.68	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	5.43	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	4.43	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	4.35	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	4.07	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	3.86	
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S10 Items per capita

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Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	4.85	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	4.76	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	3.93	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	3.68	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	3.61	▲
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	3.39	M
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	3.33	▼
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Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	2.17	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	2.14	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	2.05	
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Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	3.06	
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	2.83	
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	2.66	
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	2.52	
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	2.46	
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	2.45	
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	2.38	▲
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	2.37	M
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	2.26	▼
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	2.09	
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	1.88	
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	1.75	
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	1.65	
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	1.58	
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	1.52	
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	1.46	

S10 Items per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Items per Capita	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	3.88	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	3.45	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	3.29	
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	2.98	
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	2.72	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	2.68	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	2.47	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	1.98	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	1.81	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	1.80	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	1.71	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	1.70	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	1.65	▲
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	1.58	M
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	1.54	▼
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	1.51	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	1.50	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	1.49	
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	1.45	
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	1.40	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	1.27	
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	1.17	
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	1.17	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	1.12	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	1.11	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	0.95	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	0.77	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	3.50	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	1.82	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	1.56	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	1.37	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	1.32	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	1.31	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	1.28	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	1.22	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	1.21	▲
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	1.20	M
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	1.20	M
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	1.20	M
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	1.19	▼
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	1.09	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	1.09	
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	1.07	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	1.05	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	0.94	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	0.86	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	0.82	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	0.74	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	0.67	

S11 Acquisitions per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Acquisitions per Capita	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	0.63	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	0.56	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	0.56	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	0.44	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	0.33	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	0.33	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	0.31	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	0.28	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	0.27	▲
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	0.23	M
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	0.23	M
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	0.22	▼
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	0.20	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	0.19	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	0.19	
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	0.18	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	0.17	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	0.15	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	0.14	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	0.11	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	0.05	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	0.47	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	0.24	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	0.09	▼
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	0.42	
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	0.34	
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	0.30	
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	0.28	
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	0.27	
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	0.25	
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	0.24	
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	0.21	▲
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	0.20	M
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	0.18	▼
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	0.17	
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	0.17	
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	0.16	
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	0.16	
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	0.15	
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	0.13	
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	0.13	

S11 Acquisitions per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Acquisitions per Capita	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	0.45	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	0.38	
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	0.32	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	0.28	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	0.25	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	0.22	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	0.20	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	0.18	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	0.17	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	0.16	
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	0.16	
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	0.16	▲
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	0.15	M
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	0.15	M
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	0.15	M
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	0.14	▼
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	0.14	
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	0.13	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	0.13	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	0.12	
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	0.12	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	0.11	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	0.10	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	0.09	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	0.09	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	0.08	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	0.03	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	0.66	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	0.62	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	0.58	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	0.52	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	0.49	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	0.20	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	0.16	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	0.16	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	0.16	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	0.16	▲
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	0.13	M
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	0.13	M
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	0.12	▼
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	0.11	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	0.09	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	0.09	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	0.09	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	0.09	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	0.08	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	0.08	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	0.06	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	0.06	

S12a Percentage of library collection purchased in the last 5 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 5 Years	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	NA	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	76.64	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	71.00	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	52.13	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	49.01	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	48.49	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	46.00	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	45.81	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	45.76	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	43.80	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	42.00	▲
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	40.32	M
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	40.00	▼
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	33.75	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	33.58	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	31.00	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	30.00	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	28.26	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	27.44	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	20.89	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	9.94	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	70.00	▲
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	33.62	M
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	24.31	▼
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	84.30	
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	75.74	
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	68.00	
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	57.00	
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	56.00	
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	55.00	
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	51.96	
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	50.93	▲
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	50.89	M
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	48.72	▼
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	48.39	
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	45.15	
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	45.00	
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	43.42	
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	41.10	
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	33.32	
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	31.93	

M = cohort median

S12a Percentage of library collection purchased in the last 5 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 5 Years	
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	NA	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	74.50	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	72.90	
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	71.00	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	69.81	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	68.00	
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	64.00	
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	62.46	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	59.50	
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	54.09	
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	50.33	
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	50.00	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	50.00	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	49.78	▲
			48.89	M
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	48.00	▼
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	47.00	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	46.05	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	46.00	
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	45.68	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	45.00	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	44.00	
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	42.57	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	41.75	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	39.60	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	37.32	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	34.31	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	33.00	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	NA	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	83.60	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	76.10	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	72.59	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	70.54	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	69.00	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	68.00	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	68.00	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	66.20	
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	65.70	▲
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	65.38	M
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	63.00	▼
			62.5	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	62.00	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	58.00	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	57.00	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	56.50	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	55.00	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	55.00	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	50.37	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	47.26	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	46.00	
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	41.78	

M = cohort median

S12b Percentage of library collection purchased in last 10 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 10 Years	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	NA	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	90.64	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	85.50	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	82.53	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	81.00	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	80.65	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	78.68	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	75.00	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	74.08	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	74.00	
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	72.13	▲
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	66.25	M
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	62.10	▼
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	61.00	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	60.00	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	56.50	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	55.45	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	54.39	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	50.00	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	49.18	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	45.92	
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	61.45	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	42.88	M
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	NA	▼
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	97.00	
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	94.60	
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	88.64	
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	84.52	
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	81.18	
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	80.00	
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	80.00	
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	79.32	▲
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	78.98	M
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	77.37	▼
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	76.00	
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	75.79	
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	72.00	
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	71.00	
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	64.79	
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	58.10	
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	56.24	

S12b Percentage of library collection purchased in last 10 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 10 Years	
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	NA	
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	94.00	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	92.34	
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	89.79	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	89.50	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	88.00	
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	86.71	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	86.00	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	86.00	
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	85.00	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	84.87	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	83.82	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	83.50	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	82.00	▲
			81.36	M
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	80.72	▼
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	80.00	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	79.23	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	78.60	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	78.22	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	78.00	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	78.00	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	77.76	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	74.50	
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	71.12	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	65.65	
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	61.56	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	48.00	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	NA	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	NA	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	96.70	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	94.00	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	93.22	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	92.03	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	92.00	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	91.00	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	88.00	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	87.67	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	87.39	▲
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	86.70	M
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	85.48	▼
			84.71	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	83.94	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	81.00	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	79.00	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	78.53	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	75.00	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	74.81	
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	68.03	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	54.00	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	43.50	

M = cohort median

S13 Turnover of stock

Library	Cohort	Population	Stock Turnover Rate	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	2.00	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	1.93	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	1.71	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	1.65	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	1.61	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	1.59	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	1.26	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	1.20	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	1.19	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	1.12	▲
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	1.08	M
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	1.06	▼
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	1.03	
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	0.90	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	0.86	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	0.81	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	0.80	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	0.62	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	0.59	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	0.55	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	0.27	
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	1.24	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	1.16	M
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	0.63	▼
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	4.54	
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	3.38	
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	3.35	
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	3.30	
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	3.05	
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	2.46	
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	2.45	
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	2.32	▲
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	2.16	M
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	2.16	M
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	2.07	▼
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	1.98	
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	1.92	
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	1.42	
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	1.27	
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	1.10	
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	1.02	

S13 Turnover of stock

Library	Cohort	Population	Stock Turnover Rate	
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	6.30	
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	5.88	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	4.70	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	4.36	
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	4.24	
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	4.01	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	3.58	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	3.54	
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	3.49	
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	3.40	
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	3.18	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	3.18	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	3.17	▲
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	3.07	M
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	2.89	▼
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	2.89	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	2.77	
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	2.53	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	2.50	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	2.50	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	2.23	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	2.13	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	2.01	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	1.95	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	1.65	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	1.63	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	1.42	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	6.15	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	5.83	
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	5.63	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	5.07	
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	4.93	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	4.72	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	4.66	
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	4.64	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	4.28	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	3.87	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	3.75	▲
			3.68	M
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	3.62	▼
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	3.52	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	3.28	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	3.02	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	2.73	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	2.66	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	2.62	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	2.08	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	1.84	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	1.78	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	1.62	

M = cohort median

S14 Circulation per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Circulation per Capita	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	6.65	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	5.88	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	5.65	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	5.02	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	3.96	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	3.89	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	3.83	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	3.74	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	3.60	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	3.46	▲
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	3.44	M
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	3.21	▼
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	3.01	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	2.79	
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	2.62	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	2.53	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	2.47	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	2.41	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	2.05	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	1.83	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	1.75	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	4.29	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	3.55	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	2.79	▼
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	9.15	
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	7.53	
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	5.81	
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	5.69	
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	5.32	
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	5.31	
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	5.28	
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	4.86	▲
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	4.78	M
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	4.23	▼
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	3.56	
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	3.55	
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	3.05	
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	3.02	
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	2.88	
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	2.34	
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	2.31	

S14 Circulation per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Circulation per Capita	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	9.96	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	8.76	
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	7.95	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	7.76	
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	6.98	
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	6.87	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	6.72	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	6.09	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	5.76	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	5.59	
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	5.34	
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	5.32	
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	4.41	▲
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	4.27	M
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	4.21	▼
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	3.86	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	3.82	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	3.59	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	3.43	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	3.36	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	3.31	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	3.30	
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	3.26	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	3.06	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	2.83	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	1.82	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	1.21	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	7.04	
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	5.94	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	5.53	
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	5.15	
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	5.09	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	5.01	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	4.76	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	4.64	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	4.50	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	4.23	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	4.10	▲
			3.88	M
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	3.66	▼
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	3.66	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	3.18	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	3.07	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	2.79	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	2.34	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	2.02	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	1.92	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	1.91	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	1.77	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	1.24	

M = cohort median

Living Learning Libraries benchmark tables – by cohort

The Library Council of NSW has formulated recommended minimum standards and guidelines for public library services in NSW, to help councils assess the level of service given by their public libraries to their respective communities. These standards and guidelines are published in *Living Learning Libraries — a population approach: standards and guidelines for NSW public libraries*.

Cohorts

Population-based peer cohorts are used for benchmarking, allowing easier comparisons among library services based on the populations of their communities. The cohorts are defined as follows:

rural standalone	population up to 20,000
rural regional library member	population up to 20,000
urban small	population 20,001 to 50,000
urban medium	population 50,001 to 150,000
urban large population	150,001 and above

Cohorts are updated annually.

Benchmark tables

Tables listing the ranking and performance data of libraries within their cohorts using the 2020/21 statistics are provided for libraries to use for benchmarking purposes, noting that they reflect the impact of lockdown and the constraints of building capacity limits and physical distancing requirements across the public library network in NSW during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The benchmark tables should be used in conjunction with *Living Learning Libraries*.

Performance targets

Cohort Median

Libraries that are below their cohort median for a given standard are encouraged to consider the median as a target to attain. Libraries are encouraged to aim to be the top of their cohort to demonstrate council is delivering best practice services to the local community.

Evidence base

The NSW Public Library Benchmarks 2022 are calculated using 2020/21 statistics with data submitted by councils as at 30 June 2021 and per capita calculations based on ABS population figures for June 2019.

For more information see www.sl.nsw.gov.au/public-library-services/content/living-learning-libraries

Rural Standalone cohort

S1 Library expenditure per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Expenditure per Capita	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	216.08	
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	158.27	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	105.91	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	87.92	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	80.71	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	77.83	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	75.61	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	74.55	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	70.93	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	67.18	▲
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	66.40	M
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	59.17	▼
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	53.42	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	53.06	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	52.45	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	47.65	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	45.56	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	42.27	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	41.85	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	36.08	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	29.31	

S2 Library members, % of population

Library	Cohort	Population	Members, % of population	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	66.86%	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	54.64%	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	52.90%	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	50.67%	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	46.84%	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	44.48%	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	43.99%	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	39.13%	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	38.82%	▲
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	37.89%	M
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	37.89%	M
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	35.21%	▼
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	34.44%	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	32.55%	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	30.35%	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	30.10%	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	29.40%	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	29.36%	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	28.80%	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	23.70%	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	20.44%	

Rural Standalone cohort

S5 Visits per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Visits per Capita	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	N/A	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	3.83	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	3.40	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	3.29	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	2.84	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	2.70	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	2.68	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	2.50	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	2.44	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	2.19	▲
Parke	Rural Standalone	14,728	2.15	M
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	2.15	M
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	2.15	M
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	2.13	▼
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	1.80	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	1.79	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	1.55	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	1.54	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	1.51	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	1.43	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	1.24	

S9 Library material expenditure per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Material Expenditure per Capita	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	16.97	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	10.93	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	9.11	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	7.89	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	7.67	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	7.08	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	6.45	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	6.37	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	6.19	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	5.88	▲
Parke	Rural Standalone	14,728	5.59	M
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	5.40	▼
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	4.77	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	4.54	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	4.32	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	4.25	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	4.09	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	3.65	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	3.33	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	2.41	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	1.79	

Rural Standalone cohort

S10 Items per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Items per Capita	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	9.66	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	6.85	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	6.24	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	5.82	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	4.88	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	4.85	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	4.76	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	3.93	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	3.68	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	3.61	▲
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	3.39	M
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	3.33	▼
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	3.01	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	2.80	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	2.17	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	2.14	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	2.05	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	2.04	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	2.01	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	1.72	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	1.17	

S11 Acquisitions per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Acquisitions per Capita	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	0.63	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	0.56	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	0.56	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	0.44	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	0.33	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	0.33	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	0.31	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	0.28	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	0.27	▲
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	0.23	M
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	0.23	M
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	0.22	▼
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	0.20	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	0.19	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	0.19	
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	0.18	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	0.17	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	0.15	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	0.14	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	0.11	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	0.05	

Rural Standalone cohort

S12 Age of collection

S12a Percentage of collection purchased in last 5 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 5 Years	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	NA	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	76.64	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	71.00	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	52.13	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	49.01	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	48.49	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	46.00	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	45.81	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	45.76	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	43.80	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	42.00	▲
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	40.32	M
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	40.00	▼
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	33.75	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	33.58	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	31.00	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	30.00	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	28.26	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	27.44	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	20.89	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	9.94	

S12b Percentage of library collection purchased in last 10 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 10 Years	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	NA	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	90.64	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	85.50	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	82.53	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	81.00	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	80.65	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	78.68	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	75.00	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	74.08	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	74.00	
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	72.13	▲
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	66.25	M
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	62.10	▼
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	61.00	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	60.00	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	56.50	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	55.45	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	54.39	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	50.00	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	49.18	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	45.92	

Rural Standalone cohort

S13 Stock turnover rate

Library	Cohort	Population	Stock Turnover Rate	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	2.00	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	1.93	
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	1.71	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	1.65	
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	1.61	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	1.59	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	1.26	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	1.20	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	1.19	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	1.12	▲
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	1.08	M
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	1.06	▼
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	1.03	
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	0.90	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	0.86	
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	0.81	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	0.80	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	0.62	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	0.59	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	0.55	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	0.27	

S14 Circulation per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Circulation per Capita	
Inverell	Rural Standalone	17,780	6.65	
Upper Lachlan	Rural Standalone	8,274	5.88	
Glen Innes Severn	Rural Standalone	8,873	5.65	
Balranald	Rural Standalone	2,306	5.02	
Cobar	Rural Standalone	4,417	3.96	
Grenfell	Rural Standalone	3,596	3.89	
Berrigan	Rural Standalone	8,784	3.83	
Nambucca	Rural Standalone	19,861	3.74	
Leeton	Rural Standalone	11,343	3.60	
Tenterfield	Rural Standalone	6,470	3.46	▲
Yass Valley	Rural Standalone	17,321	3.44	M
Upper Hunter - Muswellbrook	Rural Standalone	14,167	3.21	▼
Wentworth	Rural Standalone	7,090	3.01	
Broken Hill	Rural Standalone	17,269	2.79	
Parkes	Rural Standalone	14,728	2.62	
Bourke	Rural Standalone	2,625	2.53	
Lachlan	Rural Standalone	6,089	2.47	
Hilltops	Rural Standalone	18,617	2.41	
Oberon	Rural Standalone	5,419	2.05	
Gunnedah	Rural Standalone	12,690	1.83	
Upper Hunter Shire	Rural Standalone	16,355	1.75	

Rural Regional Library Member cohort

S1 Library expenditure per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Expenditure per Capita	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	111.50	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	89.48	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	76.26	▼

S2 Library members, % of population

Library	Cohort	Population	Members, % of population	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	40.99%	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	24.35%	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	10.46%	▼

S5 Visits per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Visits per Capita	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	2.46	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	1.99	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	0.94	▼

S9 Library material expenditure per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Material Expenditure per Capita	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13381	11.40	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10021	4.36	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11392	0.75	▼

S10 Items per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Items per Capita	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	6.98	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	3.24	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	2.26	▼

S11 Acquisitions per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Acquisitions per Capita	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	0.47	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	0.24	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	0.09	▼

S12 Age of collection

S12a Percentage of library collection purchased in the last 5 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 5 Years	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	70.00	▲
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	33.62	M
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	24.31	▼

S12b Percentage of library collection purchased in the last 10 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 10 Years	
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	61.45	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	42.88	M
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	NA	▼

Rural Regional Library Member cohort

S13 Stock turnover rate

Library	Cohort	Population	Stock Turnover Rate	
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	1.24	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	1.16	M
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	0.63	▼

S14 Circulation per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Circulation per Capita	
North Western	Rural Regional Library Member	13,381	4.29	▲
Central Murray	Rural Regional Library Member	10,021	3.55	M
Murray River	Rural Regional Library Member	11,392	2.79	▼

Urban Small cohort

S1 Library expenditure per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Expenditure per Capita
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	93.41
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	85.55
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	73.85
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	72.97
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	72.63
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	67.31
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	67.09
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	62.12
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	57.03
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	52.45
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	51.84
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	49.06
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	48.21
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	46.91
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	46.08
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	45.50
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	34.09

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S2 Library members, % of population

Library	Cohort	Population	Members, % of population
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	51.57%
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	50.65%
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	50.62%
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	50.50%
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	48.81%
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	48.08%
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	47.06%
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	45.82%
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	43.84%
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	36.10%
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	34.58%
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	34.53%
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	29.48%
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	27.39%
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	26.11%
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	25.09%
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	5.76%

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S5 Visits per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Visits per Capita
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	6.55
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	3.88
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	3.80
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	3.63
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	3.05
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	2.75
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	2.74
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	2.61
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	2.42
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	2.30
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	2.19
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	2.15
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	2.14
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	1.94
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	1.84
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	1.60
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	1.24

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Urban Small cohort

S9 Library material expenditure per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Material Expenditure per Capita
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	9.95
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	7.26
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	7.21
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	6.44
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	6.28
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	6.06
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	5.63
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	5.01
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	4.82
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	4.61
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	4.07
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	3.78
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	3.58
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	3.48
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	3.35
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	3.20
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	3.14

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S10 Items per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Items per Capita
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	3.11
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	3.06
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	2.83
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	2.66
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	2.52
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	2.46
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	2.45
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	2.38
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	2.37
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	2.26
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	2.09
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	1.88
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	1.75
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	1.65
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	1.58
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	1.52
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	1.46

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S11 Acquisitions per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Acquisitions per Capita
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	0.42
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	0.34
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	0.30
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	0.28
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	0.27
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	0.25
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	0.24
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	0.21
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	0.20
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	0.18
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	0.17
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	0.17
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	0.16
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	0.16
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	0.15
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	0.13
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	0.13

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Urban Small cohort

Age of collection

S12a Percentage of Library Collections purchased in last 5 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 5 Years
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	84.30
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	75.74
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	68.00
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	57.00
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	56.00
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	55.00
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	51.96
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	50.93
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	50.89
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	48.72
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	48.39
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	45.15
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	45.00
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	43.42
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	41.10
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	33.32
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	31.93

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S12b Percentage of Library Collections purchased in last 10 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 10 Years
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	97.00
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	94.60
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	88.64
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	84.52
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	81.18
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	80.00
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	80.00
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	79.32
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	78.98
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	77.37
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	76.00
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	75.79
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	72.00
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	71.00
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	64.79
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	58.10
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	56.24

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Urban Small cohort

S13 Stock turnover rate

Library	Cohort	Population	Stock Turnover Rate
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	4.54
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	3.38
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	3.35
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	3.30
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	3.05
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	2.46
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	2.45
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	2.32
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	2.16
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	2.16
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	2.07
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	1.98
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	1.92
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	1.42
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	1.27
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	1.10
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	1.02

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S14 Circulation per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Circulation per Capita
Mosman	Urban Small	30,785	9.15
Armidale Regional	Urban Small	29,704	7.53
Kempsey	Urban Small	29,921	5.81
Bega Valley	Urban Small	34,727	5.69
Kiama	Urban Small	23,685	5.32
Western Riverina	Urban Small	42,668	5.31
Eurobodalla	Urban Small	38,952	5.28
Singleton	Urban Small	23,380	4.86
Goulburn Mulwaree	Urban Small	31,554	4.78
Bathurst	Urban Small	43,996	4.23
Snowy Monaro	Urban Small	20,997	3.56
Richmond-Upper Clarence	Urban Small	32,278	3.55
Strathfield	Urban Small	47,767	3.05
Mid-Western	Urban Small	25,367	3.02
Burwood	Urban Small	40,866	2.88
Lithgow	Urban Small	21,516	2.34
Big Sky	Urban Small	20,458	2.31

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Urban Medium cohort

S1 Library expenditure per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Expenditure per Capita	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	112.21	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	88.78	
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	78.97	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	75.09	
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	65.78	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	62.45	
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	60.18	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	58.03	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	56.77	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	56.70	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	55.39	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	52.27	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	50.95	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	50.48	▲ M
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	46.51	▼
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	44.93	
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	44.71	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	42.92	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	41.69	
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	41.48	
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	41.08	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	40.99	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	40.63	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	38.91	
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	37.53	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	33.19	
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	30.03	

S2, Library members, % of population

Library	Cohort	Population	Members, % of population	
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	72.13%	
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	64.56%	
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	60.73%	
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	60.00%	
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	54.46%	
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	53.76%	
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	50.22%	
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	48.65%	
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	47.15%	
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	46.16%	
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	45.44%	
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	44.25%	
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	42.89%	
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	40.55%	▲ M
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	38.28%	▼
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	37.81%	
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	37.60%	
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	37.37%	
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	31.30%	
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	30.60%	
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	29.58%	
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	27.79%	
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	25.95%	
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	25.63%	
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	23.18%	
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	22.87%	

Urban Medium cohort

S5 Visits per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Visits per Capita
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	4.64
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	4.31
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	4.08
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	3.44
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	3.29
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	3.13
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	3.06
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	2.96
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	2.75
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	2.74
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	2.70
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	2.68
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	2.28
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	2.19
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	2.08
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	2.00
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	1.91
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	1.87
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	1.73
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	1.71
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	1.66
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	1.58
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	1.57
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	1.47
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	1.44
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	1.38
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	0.50

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S9 Library material expenditure per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Material Expenditure per Capita
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	12.00
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	6.99
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	6.82
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	6.58
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	6.11
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	6.10
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	5.85
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	5.63
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	5.48
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	5.13
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	5.04
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	4.91
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	4.75
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	4.72
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	4.71
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	4.71
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	4.42
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	4.13
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	3.98
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	3.77
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	3.67
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	3.60
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	3.42
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	3.39
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	2.81
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	2.71
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	1.83

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Urban Medium cohort

S10 Items per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Items per Capita
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	3.88
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	3.45
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	3.29
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	2.98
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	2.72
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	2.68
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	2.47
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	1.98
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	1.81
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	1.80
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	1.71
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	1.70
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	1.65
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	1.58
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	1.54
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	1.51
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	1.50
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	1.49
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	1.45
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	1.40
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	1.27
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	1.17
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	1.17
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	1.12
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	1.11
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	0.95
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	0.77

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S11 Acquisitions per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Acquisitions per Capita
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	0.45
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	0.38
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	0.32
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	0.28
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	0.25
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	0.22
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	0.20
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	0.18
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	0.17
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	0.16
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	0.16
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	0.16
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	0.15
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	0.15
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	0.15
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	0.14
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	0.14
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	0.13
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	0.13
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	0.12
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	0.12
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	0.11
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	0.10
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	0.09
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	0.09
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	0.08
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	0.03

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Urban Medium cohort

S12a Percentage of Library Collections purchased in last 5 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 5 Years
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	NA
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	74.50
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	72.90
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	71.00
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	69.81
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	68.00
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	64.00
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	62.46
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	59.50
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	54.09
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	50.33
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	50.00
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	50.00
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	49.78
			48.89
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	48.00
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	47.00
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	46.05
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	46.00
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	45.68
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	45.00
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	44.00
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	42.57
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	41.75
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	39.60
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	37.32
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	34.31
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	33.00

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S12b Percentage of Library Collections purchased in last 10 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 10 Years
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	NA
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	94.00
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	92.34
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	89.79
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	89.50
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	88.00
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	86.71
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	86.00
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	86.00
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	85.00
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	84.87
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	83.82
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	83.50
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	82.00
			81.36
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	80.72
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	80.00
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	79.23
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	78.60
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	78.22
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	78.00
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	78.00
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	77.76
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	74.50
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	71.12
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	65.65
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	61.56
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	48.00

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Urban Medium cohort

S13 Stock turnover rate

Library	Cohort	Population	Stock Turnover Rate
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	6.30
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	5.88
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	4.70
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	4.36
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	4.24
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	4.01
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	3.58
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	3.54
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	3.49
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	3.40
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	3.18
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	3.18
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	3.17
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	3.07
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	2.89
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	2.89
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	2.77
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	2.53
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	2.50
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	2.50
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	2.23
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	2.13
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	2.01
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	1.95
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	1.65
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	1.63
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	1.42

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S14 Circulation per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Circulation per Capita
Lane Cove	Urban Medium	55,496	9.96
Woollahra	Urban Medium	59,431	8.76
Port Macquarie-Hastings	Urban Medium	85,952	7.95
Midcoast	Urban Medium	94,395	7.76
Willoughby	Urban Medium	81,196	6.98
Blue Mountains	Urban Medium	79,195	6.87
North Sydney	Urban Medium	75,094	6.72
Ryde	Urban Medium	133,224	6.09
Shellharbour	Urban Medium	74,622	5.76
Clarence	Urban Medium	64,871	5.59
Albury City Libraries	Urban Medium	55,055	5.34
Ku-Ring-Gai	Urban Medium	127,603	5.32
Maitland	Urban Medium	87,395	4.41
Waverley	Urban Medium	74,276	4.27
Canada Bay	Urban Medium	96,550	4.21
Shoalhaven	Urban Medium	107,191	3.86
Riverina	Urban Medium	141,283	3.82
Wingecarribee	Urban Medium	51,760	3.59
Coffs Harbour	Urban Medium	77,648	3.43
Macquarie	Urban Medium	69,713	3.36
Central West	Urban Medium	86,212	3.31
Cessnock	Urban Medium	61,256	3.30
Hawkesbury	Urban Medium	67,749	3.26
Queanbeyan-Palerang	Urban Medium	62,239	3.06
Central Northern	Urban Medium	97,795	2.83
Camden	Urban Medium	107,806	1.82
Wollondilly	Urban Medium	54,005	1.21

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Urban Large cohort

S1 Library expenditure per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Expenditure per Capita
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	90.47
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	85.70
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	75.13
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	65.77
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	62.41
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	58.67
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	50.81
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	49.38
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	48.25
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	48.13
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	44.85
			44.00
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	43.15
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	42.40
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	42.10
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	41.61
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	40.05
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	37.90
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	34.08
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	33.64
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	32.35
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	30.83
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	29.94

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S2 Library members, % of population

Library	Cohort	Population	Members, % of population
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	72.15%
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	63.16%
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	51.54%
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	50.40%
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	46.42%
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	42.95%
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	42.26%
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	41.61%
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	37.51%
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	33.71%
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	30.06%
			29.99%
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	29.92%
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	29.36%
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	28.82%
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	23.80%
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	23.37%
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	23.12%
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	22.59%
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	20.68%
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	20.26%
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	17.13%
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	17.09%

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Urban Large cohort

S5 Visits per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Visits per Capita	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	4.15	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	2.84	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	2.81	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	2.31	
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	2.21	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	2.20	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	2.17	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	2.04	
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	2.01	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	2.01	
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	1.88	▲
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	1.79	M
			1.84	▼
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	1.77	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	1.71	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	1.65	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	1.52	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	1.51	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	1.49	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	1.23	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	1.15	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	1.12	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	0.81	

S9 Library material expenditure per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Library Material Expenditure per Capita	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	6.09	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	5.78	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	5.68	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	5.43	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	4.43	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	4.35	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	4.07	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	3.86	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	3.80	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	3.60	▲
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	3.48	M
			3.46	▼
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	3.45	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	3.37	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	3.36	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	2.97	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	2.66	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	2.62	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	2.61	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	2.43	
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	2.33	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	1.60	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	0.77	

Urban Large cohort

S10 Items per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Items per Capita	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	3.50	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	1.82	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	1.56	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	1.37	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	1.32	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	1.31	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	1.28	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	1.22	▲
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	1.21	M
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	1.20	M
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	1.20	M
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	1.20	▼
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	1.19	
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	1.09	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	1.09	
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	1.07	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	1.05	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	0.94	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	0.86	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	0.82	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	0.74	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	0.67	

S11 Acquisitions per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Acquisitions per Capita	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	0.66	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	0.62	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	0.58	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	0.52	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	0.49	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	0.20	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	0.16	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	0.16	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	0.16	▲
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	0.16	M
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	0.13	M
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	0.13	▼
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	0.12	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	0.11	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	0.09	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	0.09	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	0.09	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	0.09	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	0.08	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	0.08	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	0.06	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	0.06	

Urban Large cohort

Age of collection

S12a Percentage of Library Collections purchased in last 5 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 5 Years	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	NA	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	83.60	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	76.10	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	72.59	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	70.54	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	69.00	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	68.00	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	68.00	
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	66.20	▲
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	65.70	M
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	65.38	▼
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	63.00	
			62.50	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	62.00	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	58.00	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	57.00	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	56.50	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	55.00	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	55.00	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	50.37	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	47.26	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	46.00	
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	41.78	

S12b Percentage of Library Collections purchased in last 10 years

Library	Cohort	Population	% of Collection Purchased in Last 10 Years	
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	NA	
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	NA	
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	96.70	
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	94.00	
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	93.22	
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	92.03	
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	92.00	
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	91.00	
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	88.00	
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	87.67	▲
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	87.39	M
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	86.70	▼
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	85.48	
			84.71	
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	83.94	
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	81.00	
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	79.00	
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	78.53	
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	75.00	
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	74.81	
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	68.03	
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	54.00	
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	43.50	

Urban Large cohort

S13 Stock turnover rate

Library	Cohort	Population	Stock Turnover Rate
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	6.15
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	5.83
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	5.63
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	5.07
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	4.93
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	4.72
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	4.66
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	4.64
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	4.28
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	3.87
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	3.75
			3.68
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	3.62
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	3.52
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	3.28
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	3.02
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	2.73
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	2.66
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	2.62
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	2.08
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	1.84
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	1.78
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	1.62

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S14 Circulation per capita

Library	Cohort	Population	Circulation per Capita
Richmond-Tweed	Urban Large	223,039	7.04
Hills, The	Urban Large	183,791	5.94
Hornsby	Urban Large	152,419	5.53
Randwick	Urban Large	156,619	5.15
Lake Macquarie	Urban Large	207,775	5.09
Newcastle	Urban Large	251,533	5.01
Northern Beaches	Urban Large	274,041	4.76
Wollongong	Urban Large	219,798	4.64
Sutherland	Urban Large	232,369	4.50
Inner West	Urban Large	201,880	4.23
Parramatta	Urban Large	260,296	4.10
			3.88
Central Coast	Urban Large	345,809	3.66
Georges River	Urban Large	160,272	3.66
Blacktown	Urban Large	382,831	3.18
Liverpool	Urban Large	231,296	3.07
Sydney	Urban Large	248,736	2.79
Bayside	Urban Large	181,472	2.34
Canterbury-Bankstown	Urban Large	380,406	2.02
Cumberland	Urban Large	242,674	1.92
Campbelltown	Urban Large	174,078	1.91
Penrith	Urban Large	216,282	1.77
Fairfield	Urban Large	210,825	1.24

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