



# BRITISH COLUMBIA LIBRARIES: Connecting Communities

## ✓ PROGRAMS/VISITS

Over **63.6 million visits**  
to B.C. public libraries and their  
websites



**76,267 (3.3%↑)**  
library programs  
offered (*record high*)



**91,190 + (5.3%↑)**  
**children**  
registered in the BC  
Summer Reading Club Program



**1.74 million**  
program attendees  
(*record high*)



## ✓ PROVINCE-WIDE PROGRAMS

✓  
**RESOURCE  
SHARING**  
(interlibrary  
loans)

✓  
**BC  
ONECARD**

✓  
**BC SUMMER  
READING CLUB  
(BC SRC)**

✓  
**NATIONAL  
NETWORK OF  
EQUITABLE LIBRARY  
SERVICE  
(NNELS)**

✓  
**PROFESSIONAL  
LEARNING**

✓  
**SHARED  
INFRASTRUCTURE**  
(e.g. library  
catalogues)

## ✓ DIGITAL USE



**19% increase**  
in wireless use since 2017



**3,634**  
**computers**  
available for  
public use



**5.9 million**  
items available in  
digital format

**9.5 million**  
digital checkouts

## ✓ ANNUAL LIBRARY LENDING



**146,000 + items lent**  
through interlibrary loan  
(*8% increase since 2016*)



**10.2 million**  
items available in  
physical format

**43 million**  
physical items borrowed



**58.4 million**  
total items circulated

