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## Introduction and Summary of FY2001 Statistics

The 2001-2002 edition of Iowa Public Library Statistics includes information on income, expenditures, collections, circulation, and other measures, including staff. Each section is arranged by size code, alphabetically by city. The totals and percentiles for each size code grouping are given immediately following the alphabetical listings. Totals for all reporting libraries are given at the end of each section.

There are 542 libraries included in this publication (531 reporting). The *Table of Cities and Size Codes* lists the libraries alphabetically and gives their size codes. The purpose of the table is to allow a user of this publication to locate information about a specific library.

The following table lists the size code designations, the population range in each size code, the number of libraries reporting in each size code, and the total population of the reporting libraries in each size code. The total population of the 542 libraries is 2,197,166. Population data is used to determine per capita figures used throughout the publication.

Size	Population Range	Number	Total Population
A	Less than 500	142	46,114
B	500-999	140	104,781
C	1,000-2,499	134	210,281
D	2,500-4,999	46	160,314
E	5,000-9,999	43	290,053
F	10,000-24,999	14	192,738
G	25,000-49,999	11	331,217
H	More than 50,000	9	801,271
I	County library	3	60,378

Library size codes are based on the jurisdiction population of the city, i.e. the population of the city which the library was established to serve. Population figures are from the 2000 U.S. Census.

Public library statistics are used at the local, regional, state, and national levels to compare library performance, justify budget requests, track library data over time, assist in planning and evaluation, and provide valuable information for grants and other library programs.

Each of the 50 states collects information according to guidelines established by the Federal State Cooperative System for public library data (FSCS). The information contained in the Iowa Public Library Statistics is based on definitions approved by FSCS. Iowa received the Kepple award from FSCS for timely and accurate data in FY01.

FSCS also provides state-by-state rankings for public libraries. According to the most recent data, Iowa public libraries rank as follows in comparison with other states:

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Total income-	28	Circulation-	11
State income-	30	Library visits-	14
Salaries-	28	ILL/borrowed-	22
Books/Serials-	16	Reference Questions-	38

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The following table compares FY2001 and FY2002 data for Iowa libraries.

Category	FY2001	FY2002	% change
Income	92,350,860	89,708,637	-2.9
Expenditures	92,165,290	85,624,457	-7.1
Collections	12,819,144	12,865,915	.4
Circulation	25,468,824	26,358,337	3.5

The data elements and definitions used to collect the information included in the Iowa Public Library Statistics are included in the *Public Library General Information Survey* section at the end.

