

**Statistics**  
*of*  
**VIRGINIA PUBLIC LIBRARIES**  
**1950-1951**



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LIBRARY	LIBRARIAN	POPULATION 1950	INCOME					PER CAPITA INCOME	TOTAL VOLUMES	TOTAL CIRCULATION	HOURS PER WEEK	
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<b>REGIONAL LIBRARIES:</b>												
Botetourt-Rockbridge Regional, Lexington (a) Botetourt County Rockbridge County	Madeline Willis	39,125	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 900.00		\$ 2,469.86	\$ 2,036.25	\$ 8,406.11	.21	12,379	97,856	36
Brunswick-Greenville Regional, Lawrenceville (a) Brunswick County Greenville County	Anne G. Browne	36,455	7,018.00	2,000.00		34.84	2,787.87	11,840.71	.32	17,941	49,950	40½
Pamunkey Regional, Hanover (a) Hanover County King William County	Kitty Winston, Acting	29,574	5,800.00	150.00		632.62	2,012.16	8,594.78	.25	12,154	35,366	36
Rockingham Public, Harrisonburg (a) Harrisonburg City Rockingham County Page County	Florence B. Yoder	61,041	6,179.54	4,384.00		2,092.88	2,592.50	15,248.92	.24	23,521	80,699	54
Southside Regional, Boydton (a) Lunenburg County Mecklenburg County	Mrs. Mary Frances Propst	47,613	9,627.02	1,239.60	\$ 580.00	49.08	2,889.37	14,385.07	.30	29,061	84,986	39
Wythe-Grayson Regional, Independence (a) Grayson County Wythe County	Mrs. W. F. Wampler	44,706	4,000.00	1,650.00	850.00	129.22	1,385.20	8,014.42	.17	17,866	40,884	40
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>258,514</b>	<b>\$35,624.56</b>	<b>\$10,323.60</b>	<b>\$1,430.00</b>	<b>\$5,408.50</b>	<b>\$13,703.35</b>	<b>\$66,490.01</b>	<b>.25</b>	<b>112,922</b>	<b>389,741</b>	
<b>COUNTY LIBRARIES:</b>												
Albemarle Charlottesville-Albemarle Public, (a) (b) Charlottesville	Daniel H. Healey											
Allegheny Charles P. Jones Memorial, (a) Covington	Helen N. Leitch	23,139	\$ 2,300.00	\$4,400.00		\$ 604.63	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 8,554.63	.37	18,333	44,901	40
Arlington Arlington County, 1059 N. Irving, Arlington	Mrs. Mildred G. Blattner	135,449	121,438.38			75.00	1,250.00	122,763.38	.90	70,513	506,140	69
Charlotte Charlotte County Free Charlotte C. H.	Mrs. Ruth Eggleston	14,057	845.00			4,648.09	875.00	6,368.09	.45	14,118	23,521	38
Elizabeth City Charles H. Taylor Memorial, Hampton	Helen E. Sturges	60,994	2,000.00	2,062.50	\$ 1,125.00	1,886.00	1,250.00	8,323.50	.13	21,791	72,164	36
Fairfax Fairfax County Public, (a) Fairfax	Ruth Ashburn	98,557	23,846.50			254.52	1,232.99	25,334.01	.25	44,945	188,796	40
Franklin Franklin County, Rocky Mount	Mrs. Cabell Smith	24,560	2,920.00	434.40	300.00	540.00	1,250.00	5,444.40	.22	18,836	27,280	36
Halifax Halifax County Public, (a) Halifax	Sterling Bagby	41,442	3,750.00		5,590.00	785.00	1,248.95	11,373.05	.27	16,991	104,028	43
Loudoun Purcellville, (a) Purcellville	Mrs. Barbara D. Graham	21,147	4,000.00			4,180.60	1,250.00	9,430.60	.44	15,883	51,465	42
Mathews Mathews County Public, Mathews	Dahlia E. Callis	7,148	3,000.00			916.29	625.00	4,541.29	.63	11,192	15,120	36
Montgomery Montgomery County, (a) (b) Christiansburg	Josephine DuPuy											
Nottoway Nottoway County, Nottoway	Mrs. Edith M. Jones	15,470	3,720.00	720.00		1,473.41	999.57	6,912.08	.44	10,950	26,124	36
Orange Orange County Public, (a) Orange	Rose Thomas Smith	12,755	806.50	950.00		1,318.17	1,111.27	4,185.94	.32	10,869	31,744	39
Patrick Patrick County Public, (a) Stuart	L. Louise Clark	15,642	2,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	463.34	1,250.00	5,713.34	.36	10,422	89,139	39
Pittsylvania Pittsylvania County Public, (a) Chatham	Edith C. Overbey, Acting	66,096	4,427.80	200.00				4,627.80	.07	10,303	35,825	48
Pulaski Pulaski County Free, (a) Pulaski	Mrs. Grace M. Carnahan	27,758	6,000.00	3,000.00		4,140.51	1,250.00	14,390.51	.51	15,107	100,972	48
Roanoke Roanoke County Public, (a) Route 1, Salem	Mrs. Blanche B. Pedneau	41,486	5,551.45	3,466.20	1,681.24		1,250.00	11,948.89	.28	11,973	102,759	36
Smyth Smyth County, (a) Marion	Katrina Umberger	30,187	500.00		5,000.00	.61	1,248.79	6,749.40	.22	16,063	108,032	40
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>635,896</b>	<b>\$187,105.63</b>	<b>\$16,233.10</b>	<b>\$14,696.24</b>	<b>\$21,286.17</b>	<b>\$17,341.57</b>	<b>\$256,662.71</b>	<b>.40</b>	<b>318,289</b>	<b>1,528,010</b>	

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<b>CITY LIBRARIES:</b>												
Alexandria Alexandria	Ellen C. Burke	61,787		\$34,839.50		\$ 2,400.00	\$ 625.00	\$ 37,864.50	.61	34,966	173,604	72
Bristol Bristol Public	Mrs. Douglas P. Widener	15,954		4,800.00		1,582.14	625.00	7,007.14	.43	18,235	29,117	45
Bristol Douglas Public (c)	Mrs. F. L. Pookrum											
Charlottesville Charlottesville-Albemarle Public (a)	Daniel H. Healey	52,831	\$ 2,934.20	11,248.00			1,874.82	16,057.02	.30	30,028	109,514	64
Danville Danville Public (a)	Mrs. Hugh L. Robertson, Acting	35,066		35,259.00				35,259.00	1.00	39,994	125,707	72
Falls Church Falls Church	Mrs. Jane Nida	7,535		13,000.00				13,000.00	2.18	11,146	81,758	52
Fredericksburg The Wallace	Mrs. Bettie V. Griffith	12,158				2,829.56	625.00	10,454.56		12,348	13,732	26
Harrisonburg Rockingham Public (a)	Florence B. Yoder											
Hopewell Maude Langhorne Nelson	Elizabeth B. Yoder	10,219		12,581.00			625.00	13,228.37	1.29	12,575	37,245	49
Lynchburg Jones Memorial	Elizabeth B. Yoder	47,727						24,680.46	.51	57,017	89,431	72
Martinsville Martinsville Public	Mrs. Lucille Dickerson	17,251		4,279.00			625.00	6,254.00	.36	6,368	14,459	44
Newport News Newport News Public, Inc. (d)	Mrs. Zola M. Davis	42,358		11,276.72		2,570.39		13,847.11	.32	26,698	50,242	60½
Norfolk Norfolk Public	Lottie E. Driver	213,513		108,487.00			625.00	109,112.00	.51	103,523	305,285	72
Petersburg Petersburg Public	Theresa D. Hodges	35,054		16,621.67			625.00	17,456.67	.49	44,006	46,481	54
								5,360		7,176	40	



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Bristol	Bristol Public	15,954		4,800.00		1,582.14		625.00	7,007.14	.43	18,235	29,117	45
Bristol	Douglas Public (c)		\$ 2,934.20	11,248.00				1,874.82	16,057.02	.30	30,028	109,514	64
Charlottesville	Charlottesville-Albemarle Public (a)	52,631		35,068					35,259.00	1.00	39,994	128,707	72
Danville	Danville Public (a)	35,068		7,535					13,847.11	.32	26,698	81,758	52
Falls Church	Falls Church	7,535		13,000.00		2,829.56		625.00	16,454.56	2.18	11,146	13,732	26
Fredericksburg	The Wallace	12,158											
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Newport News	Newport News Public, Inc. (d)	42,358		11,276.72					13,847.11	.32	26,698	50,242	60 1/2
Norfolk	Norfolk Public	213,513		108,487.00				625.00	109,112.00	.51	103,523	305,285	72
Petersburg	Petersburg Public	35,054		16,621.67				625.00	17,456.67	.49	44,006	46,461	54
Portsmouth	Portsmouth Community	80,039		4,000.00				208.00	4,208.00	.05	5,360	7,176	40
Portsmouth	Portsmouth Public	17,251		11,000.00				417.00	14,103.34	.22	20,601	87,445	66
Portsmouth	Radford Area Public (a)	38,806	4,000.00	4,832.20	\$ 766.00	2,686.34		1,875.00	14,772.48	.38	19,788	98,955	42
Richmond	Richmond Public	236,310		159,212.72		3,299.28		624.54	160,517.40	.67	201,064	560,877	72
Roanoke	Roanoke Public	91,921		49,858.00		680.14		624.54	50,477.11	.54	83,778	194,780	75
Staunton	Staunton Public	19,927		12,570.00				622.42	13,192.42	.66	20,166	48,966	51
Suffolk	Public Library of Woman's Club	12,339		250.00				2,015.00	2,265.00	.18	4,850	7,121	39
Waynesboro	Waynesboro Public	12,357		3,400.69				625.00	4,025.69	.32	17,227	24,036	38
Williamsburg	Williamsburg Public	6,735	100.00	275.00					933.84	.13	7,185	12,834	25
Winchester	The Handley	13,841		7,009.04				625.00	13,040.48	.94	33,633	33,024	66
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,057,528</b>	<b>\$7,034.20</b>	<b>\$504,799.54</b>	<b>\$766.00</b>	<b>\$50,290.96</b>	<b>\$11,865.89</b>	<b>\$574,756.59</b>	<b>.55</b>	<b>816,556</b>	<b>2,155,369</b>		
<b>TOWN LIBRARIES:</b>													
Abingdon	Abingdon Public	4,709		\$ 200.00		\$ 300.00		\$ 121.20	\$ 621.20		5,000	3,909	10
Bedford	Bedford Public	4,061	\$ 200.00	5,114.00				125.00	5,439.00		7,193	21,532	25
Berryville	Hawthorne	1,401		200.00					900.00		4,768		
Brookneal	Patrick Henry Memorial	883		100.00					554.43		3,260	3,520	38
Cape Charles	Northampton Memorial	2,427		600.00				125.00	792.61		7,175	2,511	24
Culpeper	Culpeper Town and County	2,527	600.00	600.00				125.00	1,391.38		6,301	5,487	9
Farmville	Farmville Public	2,527		600.00					1,527.00		3,920	7,353	19
Farmville	Farmville Reading Room	4,375		1,230.00					297.00		750		36
Franklin	Franklin Public (c)	4,670		250.00					750.00		2,250		
Front Royal	Warren County Community (c)	8,115											
Gloucester	Gloucester Public (c)	3,171											
Highland Springs	Highland Springs Community (c)	4,486											
Hilton Village	Warwick County Public												17
Irvington	Irvington Public										2,702		6
Leesburg	Thomas Balch (c)	308											
Madison	Madison County Public (c)	331											
Montross	Henry Hungerford	2,520		439.02				125.00	589.02		801	833	20
Narrows	Narrows Public	239	100.00	100.00					188.78		254	1,029	6
New Castle	Craig County Public	1,353									804		32
Onancock	Accawmacke Public												
Rustburg	Campbell County Reading Room (c)												
Salem	Salem Public (c)	3,902									6,622		12
Sandston	Sandston Public	1,180		300.00					600.00		4,500		4
Smithfield	B. P. Chapman Memorial	915		100.00				124.31	374.31		432	1,404	6
Tangier	Tangier Public	1,011	420.00						120.00		3,125	1,600	30
Tappahannock	Essex County Woman's Club								354.08		400	1,966	3
Tuckahoe	Tuckahoe Public	505	250.00	445.00					94.24		4,264	3,552	12
Urbanna	Urbanna Public			350.00					404.73		7,600	9,475	6
Vienna	Vienna Library Association	5,390											
Virginia Beach	Virginia Beach (c)	1,797									11,660	6,749	24
Warrenton	Warrenton (d)	1,502											
Waverly	Waverly Free Public (c)												
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>61,778</b>	<b>\$1,770.00</b>	<b>\$10,028.02</b>		<b>\$3,598.89</b>	<b>\$1,118.87</b>	<b>\$16,515.78</b>			<b>83,091</b>	<b>71,570</b>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>2,013,716</b>	<b>\$231,534.39</b>	<b>\$541,384.26</b>	<b>\$16,892.24</b>	<b>\$80,584.52</b>	<b>\$44,029.68</b>	<b>\$914,425.09</b>	<b>.45</b>	<b>1,330,858</b>	<b>4,144,690</b>		
Richmond	Virginia State Library	3,318,680							\$326,929.63*		417,810	36,112	52 1/2

- (a) Operates bookmobile.  
(b) County served by contract from city library.  
(c) No report obtained.  
(d) Subscription library.  
(e) Included in Roanoke County Public Library.  
(\*) Exclusive of State aid.