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# McArthur Public Library

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## 1000 MB/s

### Value Based on Local Usage:

Quantity of Use	Service	<b>Retail Value</b>	Value of Service
66367.00	Adult Books, DVDs, etc.	\$18.00	\$1,194,606.00
35321.00	Children's Books, DVDs, etc.	\$10.00	\$353,210.00
4459.00	Ebook/Audio Bk Downloads	\$13.00	\$57,967.00
48.00	Museum Passes	\$20.00	\$960.00
1094.00	Adult Programming	\$14.00	\$15,316.00
6276.00	Children's Programming	\$11.50	\$72,174.00
1058.00	Teen/YA Programming	\$14.00	\$14,812.00
23597.00	Computer Use	\$12.00	\$283,164.00
12350.00	Reference Questions Asked	\$15.00	\$185,250.00
	TOTAL		\$2,177,459.00

\*Based on vetted 2017 usage. 2018 will be posted as soon as vetted by State Data Coordinator and IMLS. This number does not reflect total value [e.g. wifi usage, meeting room space, etc.].

#### Where did these numbers come from?

https://www1.maine.gov/msl/libs/data/annualreportstats.shtml

https://www.maine.gov/msl/services/calculator.htm



Eric Klinenberg – Palaces for the People: How Social Infrastructure Can Help Fight Inequality, Polarization, and the Decline of Civil Life [2018]

#### "Partnering with Maine's Public Library System

Workforce boards will work to promote the resources of Maine's public library system as a key means of addressing this issue. Maine has over 266 public libraries, the smallest of them serving an island population and the largest serving Maine's predominant urban hubs (Portland, Lewiston-Auburn, and Bangor). *Libraries are vital centers of community access to technology and resources for online learning*. Recent surveys reveal that 750,000 Mainers have a library card and <u>over 1.7 million high speed internet sessions took place through 230 libraries (each having between 100 mbps to 1 gigabit of fiber connections). *Maine libraries offer safe, family velcoming environments* where single parents can access job search resources with children in tow. They offer informal training in digital literacy from how to set up email accounts (*critical for rural participants to register for labor exchange and file unemployment claims*), to assisting with uploading resumes to various job sites."</u>

[State of Maine 2016-2020 Unified Plan – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act – p. 27]

