

Now more than ever, Delaware Libraries support diverse needs every day.



The person who needs assistance with computers and devices



The senior who is seeking community connections and conversation



The single parent who wants to take charge of finances



The homeless person who needs shelter, food, and in some cases mental health care



The student who needs help with homework and school projects



The immigrant who wants to learn English



The teen who wants to experiment with new technologies



The adult who has a dream and wants to start a business



The middle aged adult who was just laid off and desperately needs a job



The preschooler exposed to reading through storytime

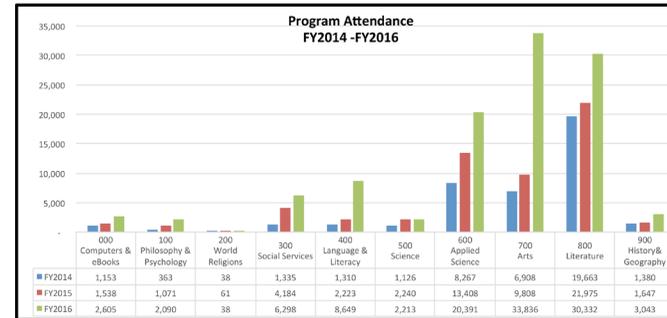


The senior who is seeking information about family roots and ancestors

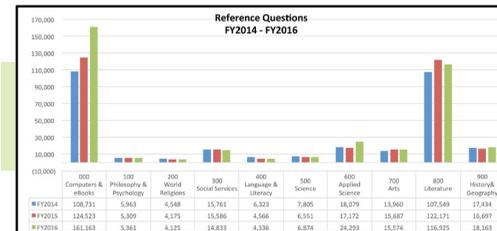


Dewey Data

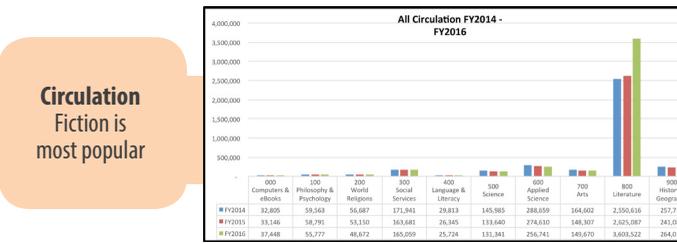
“The Dewey Delaware program is a highly creative effort to encourage libraries to offer resources, programming and services across the spectrum of human knowledge (represented by Dewey).”



Program Attendance
Summer Reading, Arts, Jobs, and STEM are most popular



Reference Questions
Provide assistance with devices, and traditional Reader's Advisory



Circulation
Fiction is most popular

Delaware Libraries

5 Years of Advancement & Achievement
The impact of federal funds on improvements in Delaware Libraries
Delaware LSTA Evaluation 2013-2017

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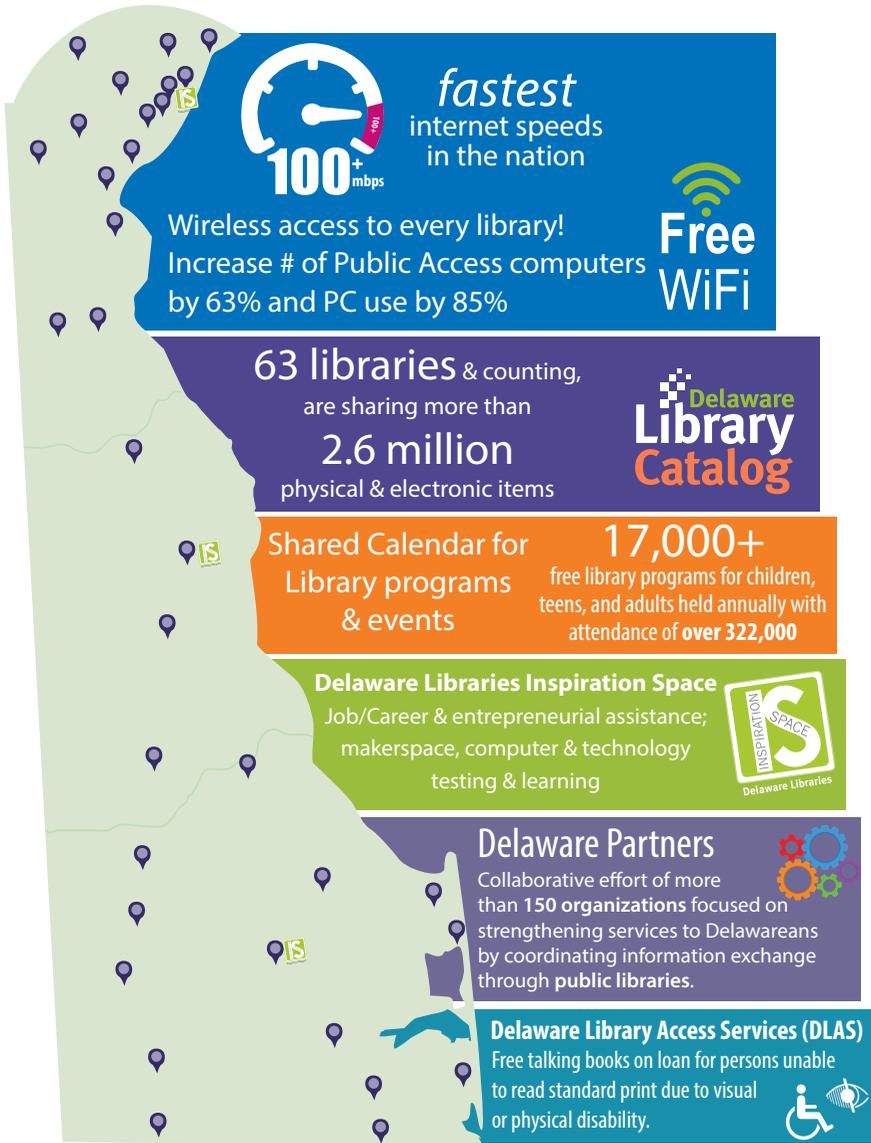
And on and on . . . with over 4 million visits per year!

Now with 3 years of trend data by subject, statewide, we will identify emerging trends earlier to be proactive in addressing community needs.

Delaware Libraries
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Delawareans are now reaping the benefits of a statewide library infrastructure!



“The **Delaware Library Catalog** has become what is arguably the finest, most comprehensive statewide resource sharing system in the nation.”

At the Library

Children Services

Early learning programs are offered year round at all Delaware Libraries. For 38 years, the Summer Library Challenge helps prevent the “summer slide” – children who do not read all summer lose 2 months of reading achievement. This years theme, “Build a Better World”, features the Performing Arts Series, Delaware AeroSpace Education Foundation (DASEF) Programs, STEM programs, Nature Society programs and more!

Inspiration Spaces

Job/Career Assistance

Specialized training for resume building, job searching, and interviewing skills, financial literacy and lifelong learning. Use new technologies, public access computers, assistive technology, videoconferencing capabilities, and wireless networking.

Micro-Business

Provides prospective entrepreneurs with the information they need to start a small business.

MakerSpaces

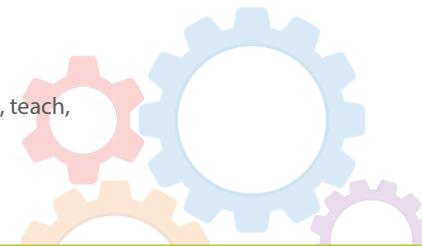
Shared spaces where people with similar interests can meet to learn, teach, socialize and collaborate around making things.

“**Delaware Partners** encourages “the role of public libraries in developing and utilizing human networks....It is now a collaborative effort of more than 130 organizations focused on strengthening services to Delawareans by coordinating information exchange through public libraries...”

This infrastructure enables Partners, in collaboration with Delaware libraries, to extend their resources and expand their reach in service to Delawareans.”



For a full list of Delaware Partners or to learn how to become a partner visit:
<http://guides.lib.de.us/departners>



“The **Delaware Libraries Inspiration Space** project is an outstanding example of leveraging a small amount of LSTA funding to accomplish significant, measurable, transformative outcomes...the program can claim as much or more solid outcome data than any other project the evaluators have examined while working with nearly two dozen states during the currently LSTA evaluation cycle.”

Claymont boy prints hand, wins arm wrestling match

Saranac Hale Spencer, The News Journal • 7:24 a.m. EDT October 29, 2015

Full Story at NBC 10: <http://www.nbcphiladelphia.com/news/local/A-3-D-Printer-and-Twelve-Hours-A-Boy-Creates-a-Robo-Hand-338505732.html>



Delaware School Libraries Master Plan

“(DE) is to be applauded both for its efforts in providing the general public with unparalleled access to resources and for confronting the school library issue.”

