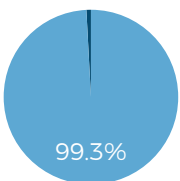




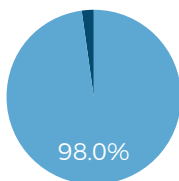
# PUBLIC LIBRARIES: BUSINESS AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

There are 365 tax-supported libraries in Missouri, compared to only 31 career centers. Libraries offer many services that help Missourians develop workforce skills.

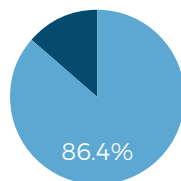
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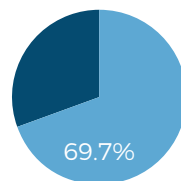
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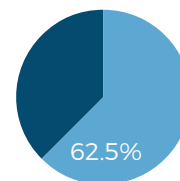
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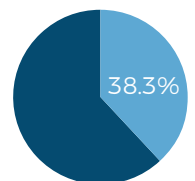
Test Preparation Support



Computer Skills for a Job Search



Meeting Room Space



Workforce Development Programs or Services



### LIBRARY RESOURCES

To provide business and workforce development services, libraries require library staff, training facilitators, computers with strong internet connectivity, databases and meeting rooms.



### COMPUTER USE

Library patrons used public computers 4,601,200 times in 2018 for employment, to file taxes, complete homework, conduct research and other activities.



### LIBRARY VISITS

Public libraries had 48.9 million total in-person and online visitors in 2018. With a just under \$5.1 million in state funding for FY2019, the state spends 10¢ per library visit.

# Missouri Employment Resources

- Job Centers (31)
- Library Facilities (365)

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MoBroadbandNow Community Anchor Institutions

Missouri job center data from:  
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