LIBRARIES AND SKILLS in Sweden

LIBRARIES IN SWEDEN
- 2.6 MILLION REGISTERED USERS in the public library each year
- There are 51.7 MILLION BOOK LOANS in Swedish libraries each year.
- There are 1.9 MILLION eBOOK LOANS in Swedish libraries each year.

ALL of them offer internet access.

SKILLS IN SWEDEN
- Sweden ranks 3 on the EU’s Digital Economy & Society Index (DESI)
- 29% of Swedish adults participate in life-long learning activities
- 50.4% of Swedish employers encounter difficulties in finding employees with the rights skills

% ADULTS WITH LOW LITERACY SKILLS
- EU: 20%
- Sweden: 13%

% ADULTS WITH LOW NUMERACY SKILLS
- EU: 24%
- Sweden: 15%

HOW GOOD ARE THE SWEDES ONLINE?

Information drawn from: European Commission Digital Economy and Society Index (DESI) 2016; European Commission Education and Training Monitor 2016; OECD Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies (PIAAC); TNS Global Survey Measuring perceptions of the benefits of ICT in public libraries in the EU; the European Bureau of Library, Information and Documentation Associations (EBLIDA) and the National Library of Sweden (Svensk biblioteksförening).

Did You Know? Millions of people access the Internet for the first time in a public library.