

# LIBRARIES AND SKILLS

## in Ireland



Population:  
**4.9 million**



One library per  
**14,759 inhabitants**

**2019**

### LIBRARIES IN IRELAND



There are  
**17 MILLION**  
**LIBRARY VISITS**  
in Ireland per year



There are  
**1.2 MILLION**  
**REGISTERED**  
**USERS**  
in public libraries

**The majority**  
of them offer internet  
and WiFi access



There are  
**16.9 MILLION**  
**BOOK LOANS**  
in Ireland  
each year

### SKILLS IN IRELAND



Ireland ranks **7**  
on the EU's Digital  
Economy & Society  
Index (DESI)



**12.5%**

of Irish adults  
participate in life-long  
learning activities



**32%**

of Irish employers encounter  
difficulties in finding employees  
with the right skills

#### % ADULTS WITH LOW LITERACY SKILLS



**20%**



**17%**



#### % ADULTS WITH LOW NUMERACY SKILLS



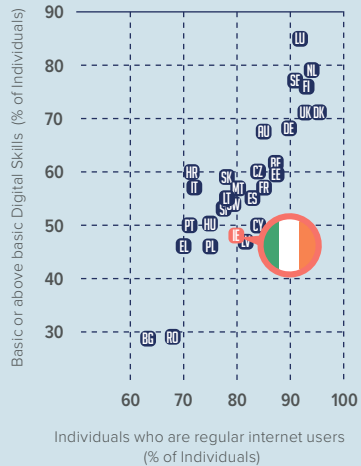
**24%**



**25%**



#### HOW GOOD ARE THE IRISH ONLINE?



#### Did You Know?

50% of eligible voters in Ireland voted in the 2019 European Parliament elections