LIBRARIES AND SKILLS in United Kingdom

LIBRARIES IN THE UK

- 72% of people in England believe that libraries are an essential service to the community
- 99% of them offer WiFi access

There are 233 MILLION LIBRARY VISITS in Great Britain per year
There are 183 MILLION BOOK LOANS in England each year
There are 5.4 MILLION eBook LOANS in England each year

SKILLS IN THE UK

UK ranks 5 on the EU’s Digital Economy & Society Index (DESI)

- 14.6% of British adults participate in life-long learning activities
- 26% of British employers encounter difficulties in finding employees with the right skills

% ADULTS WITH LOW LITERACY SKILLS

- EU: 20%
- UK: 16%

% ADULTS WITH LOW NUMERACY SKILLS

- EU: 24%
- UK: 24%

37% of eligible voters in The United Kingdom voted in the 2019 European Parliament elections

Did You Know?


LIBRARIES IN THE UK

3730

Population: 66 million
One library per 18,242 inhabitants