Library Facts & Figures SPPL by the Numbers

Public Service

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Items in our collection	1,041,284	1,088,824	1,012,824	1,133,528	1,144,567	1,158,603	1,149,081
Items loaned	2,689,400	3,045,344	3,218,381	3,339,830	3,394,667	3,365,469	3,321,165
Library agencies	13	13	14	14	14	14	14
Hours open weekly system-wide	675	683	723	730	730	730	730
Visitors system-wide	1,909,327	2,027,073	2,254,335	2,330,830	2,438,589	2,785,784	2,775,188
Full-time equivalent staff	179.6	175.3	185	179.8	189.3	180	185.4
Public access computers	na	213	250	259	298	312	314
Users of library computers	228,874	287,149	327,166	353,416	382,799	623,482	958,882
Online visits	na	890,227	1,064,659	1,083,998	1,333,317	1,573,314	1,809,311
Programs for children and teens	1,945	2,281	2,005	2,127	2,169	2,624	2,580
Children and teens attending programs	66,068	67,509	67,976	72,910	72,211	74,842	75,329
Total Wireless Connections	na	na	na	na	na	24,889	41,920
Number of Card Holders	na	na	na	na	na	178,930	316,687

Number of Cardholders checking out items in year	na	na	na	na	na	93,067	88,569
Homework Center student visits ¹	1,630	5,292	7,243	13,255	17,789	21,348	16,528
Summer Reading	11,767	10,554	9,389	9,000	6,198	6,363	8,000
Program participants ²	22,486	18,978	18,765	15,558	12,591	13,466	11,500
Programs for adults	2072	1,899	2,449	2,173	580 ³	1,181	981
Adults attending programs	37,015	35,761	41,801	37,454	8,462	18,822	31,222
Information inquiries to staff	402,610	459,524	493,116	na	436,800	448,422	482,118

¹After 2002, Homework Center statistics reported on the basis of the school-year calendar, ("2003" represents the 2002-2003 school year.) Homework Centers are located at Dayton's Bluff, Rice Street, Rondo, Riverview and Sun Ray.

²Top number is participants in Reading Program portion of SRP, bottom number is attendance at programs. From 2002-2007, SRP changed significantly. Focus was refined to be more literacy-based and incentive rewards changed.

³Definition of "programs for adults" refined and narrowed by state and federal authorities who collect library statistics.

General Fund Budget

	2002^{1}	2003	2004 ²	2005 ³	2006	2007	20084
Operatin g	\$11,151,280	\$11,548,280	\$12,652,309	\$13,299,384	\$13,533,056	\$13,924,387	\$14,521,831
Dollar increase	\$625,241	\$397,591	\$1,103,438	\$647,075	\$233,672	\$391,331	\$595,444
Percent increase	5.94%	3.57%	9.55%	5.11%	1.76%	2.89%	4.29%

¹Increase reflects funding for new collection for new Rice Street Branch

²Increase reflects creation of library agency and assumption of Central Service and IS charges. Dayton's Bluff Branch opened in last quarter of 2004.

³Increase reflects Rondo start-up costs.