

TO: California Public Library Directors

FROM: Greg Lucas, California State Librarian

DATE: May 31, 2024

SUBJECT: Certification of Population Figures 2024

Section 18021 of the California Education Code specifies that the State Librarian must determine and certify on June 1 of each fiscal year the population served by each public library of the state based on census data compiled by the United States Department of Commerce or estimates prepared by the California Department of Finance, whichever is more current. For such purposes, no person shall be deemed to be served by more than one public library. The figures certified are for January 1, 2024 and based on the most recently published (May 1, 2024) State of California, Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit document: E-1 Cities, Counties, and the State Population and Housing Estimates with Annual Percent Change — January 1, 2023 and 2024.

If you have questions about the Certified Population Figures, please contact Library Development Services at <u>LibraryStatistics@library.ca.gov</u> or by phone at (916) 603-7212.

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION

"I certify that the attached population figures have been prepared using the most recently published and available combined estimate for cities and counties from the California Department of Finance, adjusted to reflect the geographic service areas of California Public Libraries."

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