

Hong Kong Public Libraries
Usage of e-Book Collections (2018 to 2020)

Different service providers have used different statistical elements, such as the number of e-books consulted, searches, tracks played and browses by category to present the usage of their databases. The usage statistics of e-book collections of the Hong Kong Public Libraries provided by individual e-book database service providers from 2018 to 2020 are tabulated below.

Item	Title of e-Book Collections	Statistical Elements Adopted: online reading/download	Use Count			2020 vs 2019 (%)
			2018	2019	2020	
<i>Collections adopting similar statistical elements based on the number of e-books consulted</i>						
1	HyRead ebook	online reading, borrowing and trial	353,543	600,520	2,009,714	235%
2	SUEP e-Book (launched in April 2017)	online reading, borrowing and trial	116,279	211,572	961,564	354%
3	FunPark (launched in April 2018)	online reading	25,149	30,350	136,640	350%
4	Apabi Chinese eBooks	online reading and borrowing	56,716	54,572	118,916	118%
5	eBooks on EBSCOhost	online reading and download	26,634	24,899	52,668	112%
6	ProQuest Ebook Central (1)	online reading and download	30,998	23,135	35,571	54%
7	OverDrive eBooks (launched in February 2019)	borrowing	-	18,962	83,231	339%
Sub-total			609,319	964,010	3,398,304	253%
<i>Collections adopting other statistical elements</i>						
8	Naxos Spoken Word Library (Audio book)	tracks played	26,315	28,949	42,976	48%
9-10	Safari Books Online (2)	searches	8,971	7,502	11,727	56%
11	Vista E-BOOK in Traditional Chinese	browses by category	13,015	11,821	27,356	131%

Notes:

(1) Formerly known as ebrary Academic Complete.

(2) Including Safari Business Books Online and Safari Tech Books Online.