

Acquisition Proportion of Books of the Hong Kong Public Libraries in 2021-22 (by Subject)**(a) Chinese Books for Adult Lending**

Order*	Subject	Percentage of Library Collection (as at March 2020)	Percentage over the Total Number of Loans in 2019-20	Overall Acquisition Percentage in 2021-22
1	Fiction	15.9%	18.8%	18.0%
2	Travels, History & Geography; Biography	8.6%	14.6%	12.0%
3	Language & Literature	13.8%	9.5%	11.0%
4	Applied Science	9.0%	9.3%	9.5%
5	Home Economics	6.2%	6.9%	7.5%
6	Translated Fiction	6.3%	5.7%	6.0%
7	Philosophy	5.9%	5.9%	5.5%
8	Business, Economics & Finance	7.1%	6.0%	5.5%
9	Chinese History, Geography & Travels	3.2%	3.4%	4.0%
10	Arts	4.5%	4.0%	4.0%
11	Social Sciences	5.2%	3.0%	3.5%
12	Education	4.0%	3.3%	3.5%
13	Computer/IT	1.5%	2.4%	3.0%
14	Religion	2.0%	2.3%	2.0%
15	Science	2.3%	1.7%	2.0%
16	Sports & Recreation	3.0%	2.4%	2.0%
17	General Works	0.9%	0.5%	0.5%
18	Music	0.6%	0.3%	0.5%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

(b) English Books for Adult Lending

Subject	Percentage of Library Collection (as at March 2020)	Percentage over the Total Number of Loans in 2019-20	Overall Acquisition Percentage in 2021-22
Business, Economics & Finance	15.7%	13.0%	15.5%
Fiction	11.6%	14.9%	13.5%
Geography & Travels	5.3%	8.3%	8.8%
Language	3.4%	6.8%	7.6%
Social Sciences	7.4%	6.4%	6.3%
Science	5.5%	5.9%	6.0%
Computer/IT	3.6%	6.3%	6.0%
Education	5.4%	5.9%	6.0%
Arts	9.4%	6.1%	6.0%
Applied Science	7.4%	5.7%	5.7%
Philosophy	3.8%	5.3%	4.2%
History	5.1%	4.0%	3.8%
Home Economics	4.4%	3.4%	3.3%
Literature	5.0%	2.9%	2.8%
Sports & Recreation	2.9%	1.8%	2.0%
Religion	1.4%	1.5%	1.2%
Music	1.6%	1.3%	1.0%
General Works	1.1%	0.5%	0.3%
Total	100%	100%	100%

* Sorted by the "Overall Acquisition Percentage in 2021-22"

(c) Chinese Books for Junior Lending

Order*	Subject	Percentage of Library Collection (as at March 2020)	Percentage over the Total Number of Loans in 2019-20	Overall Acquisition Percentage in 2021-22
1	Picture Books	23.8%	35.2%	31.0%
2	Language & Literature	18.2%	18.6%	22.2%
3	Fiction	13.2%	10.5%	10.0%
4	Translated Fiction	13.3%	8.9%	10.0%
5	Science	10.4%	10.3%	9.0%
6	Travels, History & Geography; Biography	4.4%	3.0%	3.1%
7	Philosophy	2.3%	2.2%	2.5%
8	Applied Science	2.4%	1.9%	2.3%
9	Sports & Recreation	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%
10	Arts	1.7%	1.1%	1.6%
11	Social Sciences	1.9%	1.5%	1.3%
12	Chinese History, Geography & Travels	1.7%	1.3%	1.1%
13	General Works	1.5%	1.3%	1.0%
14	Religion	1.2%	0.8%	1.0%
15	Education	1.2%	0.9%	1.0%
16	Business, Economics & Finance	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%
17	Computer/IT	0.3%	0.1%	0.4%
18	Home Economics	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%
19	Music	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
	Total	100%	100%	100%

(d) English Books for Junior Lending

Order*	Subject	Percentage of Library Collection (as at March 2020)	Percentage over the Total Number of Loans in 2019-20	Overall Acquisition Percentage in 2021-22
	Picture Books	24.5%	32.3%	32.0%
	Language	18.8%	24.4%	29.0%
	Fiction	17.2%	20.7%	19.0%
	Science	12.0%	7.9%	6.9%
	Arts	4.5%	3.6%	2.4%
	Social Sciences	4.0%	2.0%	2.2%
	Applied Science	4.2%	2.3%	2.0%
	History	3.5%	1.3%	1.3%
	Literature	1.9%	0.9%	1.0%
	Sports & Recreation	2.0%	0.8%	0.8%
	Philosophy	0.7%	0.5%	0.6%
	Religion	0.7%	0.4%	0.5%
	Home Economics	0.8%	0.5%	0.5%
	Business, Economics & Finance	1.4%	0.6%	0.4%
	Education	0.8%	0.4%	0.4%
	Geography & Travels	1.1%	0.5%	0.4%
	General Works	0.5%	0.3%	0.2%
	Computer/IT	0.5%	0.3%	0.2%
	Music	0.9%	0.3%	0.2%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

* Sorted by the "Overall Acquisition Percentage in 2021-22"