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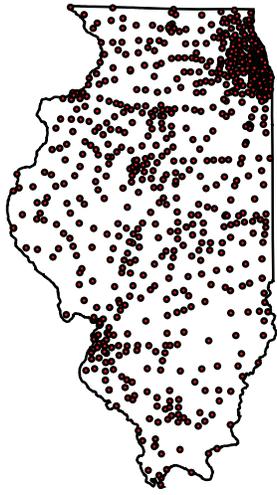
**86.2% of Illinois' public libraries offer IT and other technical training, helping people gain essential technology skills for the 21st Century workforce.**

**88.6%**

**88.6% of Illinois' public libraries act as the bridge between government and its services, offering free access and assistance to help people complete online government forms.**

**62.4%**

**62.4% of Illinois' public libraries are often the only free source of Internet access in their communities, providing a vital link to technology and information.**



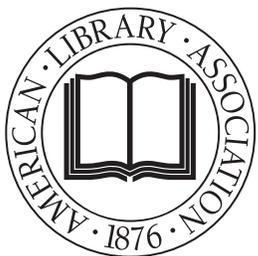
**Public libraries are essential to communities, providing a vital link to the Internet, technology, and information. With their E-government, employment, and educational services and resources, public libraries are helping people access the information they need today — while building the next generation workforce.**

**There are 791 public library buildings in Illinois.**

**People visited Illinois' public libraries 77,552,921 times.**

**16,328,937 people used the public access Internet at Illinois' public libraries.**

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