

FACILITY	LEVEL	CAPACITY	POPULATION	OVER / UNDER POP.	COST / INMATE / YEAR	CIRCULATION LIBRARY OPEN?	ACCESSIBILITY & OPEN HOURS	PRISONER FEEDBACK
Dwight	1	858	1139	+ 281	33,977	Yes	Library open full time days. Accessibility is good except for the Intake area and the Infirmary. The psychiatric unit does not come, but their books are taken to them, and restricted by staff. She said that the legal materials "kept the library open. Legal materials are a right, but circulation books are not a right." Did not ask about hours.	
Menard	1	1938	3466	+ 1528	20,736	To a degree.	"Occasionally someone (non-librarian) comes in and allows prisoners to use it." Perhaps 20 hours a week.	
Pontiac Stateville	1	1058	1612	+ 554	33,031	Yes	Unknown	
	1	2980	3357	+ 377	32,693	Yes	Limited.	
Tamms	1	700	432	- 268	64,116	Yes (for those in work camp)	Requests can be delivered to prisoners every two weeks. Books mailed in get delivered. The library is open one day a week for the level #7 inmates (who number fewer than 200). There are Satellite pod libraries with the legal materials and 2 paralegals.	
Hill	2	896	1801	+ 905	16,321	No	Opened by E. Moline Librarian one day a week for law.	"Our library is closed to the population for an undetermined amount of time."
Lawrence	2	2257	1959	- 298	19,389	Yes	8am-3pm 4 days a week; not sure the distinction b.t law hours and circulation hours.	"...the meager library that we have here."
Pinckneyville	2	1376	2210	+ 834	18,355	No	Very limited to nonexistent. They can't bring in Law and Circulation people at the same time, so right now she doesn't have a paralegal so she has to be in the law library and can't open the circulation; only 15 men can come at a time; right now circulation has not been open.	"I'am at Pinckneyville Institution & its' difficult to get anything from the library."
Western Illinois	2	1102	1963	+ 861	17,433	Yes		

STAFF (LIBRARIANS, INMATE WORKERS)	CONDITION OF BOOKS	PRIMARY SOURCE OF DONATIONS	DONATION PROCESS	NOTES
Graduate Degree Librarian, full-time. Inmates can work there. No civilians.	Books are all old except the ones that come in from Books to Prisoners, donated by the inmates. No magazines. Used to have \$2500 a year for magazine and newspaper subscriptions.	A few donations come in from the community, but not many. " We used to get publisher donations through IDOC, but they stopped that a few years ago." This conflicts with what volunteer services told us. donations) and donations from the community but none match the selections that come from BookstoPrisoners (i.e. books they want to read).	"It is very easy. You just bring them to the warehouse at the north end of the campus and then they get delivered to me a couple of days later. No paperwork at all. "	There is a great need for up to date health information, especially for women. No reference books. Need for non-fiction greater than for fiction (date of publication is not such an issue with fiction). This prison is by far the biggest customer of Books toPrisoners, which indicates they cannot get what they need in the prison library. anything over the phone and that we'd have to mail in a survey (700 West Lincoln, Attn: Library, Pontiac, IL 61764) to be approved by the warden before they would give any information.
No librarian at this time.	Not current.			
No MLS, but other staff.	Old, outdated, poor condition.			
Librarian is full-time, has a degree but not a Masters in Library Science. Does not have other staff but would really like to have two other staff persons to help fill the orders from the C-Max people, which are delivered on carts.	The books are not in bad condition but the selection is wanting.			"We really need reference books and job search books. The Level 7 people are in a class on re-entry and we have no job search books for them."
She is there 4 days a week & has paralegals and clerks.	Has lots of fiction, needs technical, encyclopedias, almanacs, etc.	Inmates, used bookstore out of town donates and CO's mother donates from a Chicago Library.	Not sure how, but she says they would take donations from community groups.	
She is full-time.		Inmates and organizations (but organizations have not donated in about 3 years).	Says church organization had donated with no problem in the past. Families cannot donate or give books to incarcerated man. community sat on the shelf because no one wanted to process them. The inmate who did that got transferred. There has to be a memo from the Warden for books in regular	This was a prison cited as desperately needing books by the librarian at another prison, but that conflicted with the story from this librarian.
Yes.	"We are alive and well."	Donations from the community, from librarian's own book collection and the local library and from mailed-in books.		

Big Muddy River	3	952	1836	+ 884	16,365	Yes	Circulation is open 14 hours/week, the rest of the time for law, I assume.	
Danville	3	896	1810	+ 914	17,014	Yes	open 10 hours a day, 4 days, each house gets 2X a week to come; the first 25 men who sign up from each house get to go, but people with law issues get priority.	
Dixon	3	1430	2108	+ 678	25,263	Occasional; attached to Health Care Unit.	Open hours fluctuate but are approximately 10-12 hrs/wk.	
Illinois River	3	1011	1950	+ 939	17,014	ON LOCKDOWN AS OF 5/20/10		
Shawnee	3	1046	1944	+ 898	17,693	Yes	Limited.	
Centralia	4	750	1515	+ 765	21,600	No	Law library section is sometimes opened by someone on a 90-day temporary assignment.	
Decatur	4	492	527	+ 35	38,171	No	Closed since Feb., 2010. Not even access to legal materials : "Our ladies are unhappy because they cannot get to see their legal materials."	
Graham	4	974	1816	+ 842	20,769	No	Closed since Feb, 2010. Trying to get a temporary position. Inmates get in to do legal work.	"I currently have no access to a library."
Lincoln	4	500	972	+ 472	23,000	Yes		
Logan Sheridan	4	1050	1883	+ 833	17,732	Yes	They fill out a request sheet and get in within 2-4 days. Hours : 8:30 - 10:30 and 12:30 - 2:30 five days a week.	
	4	848	943	+ 95	43,600	No	Closed since 2008.	"They don't have a laybery."
Jacksonville	5	1100	1490	+ 390	26,077	Yes	Good.	"...have been referred to your [Books To Prisoners'] address by the Library here at the Jacksonville Correctional Center."
Robinson	5	600	1187	+ 587	20,524	Yes	Unknown.	

Librarian and some inmate workers.	"Books are trashed."	Staff, inmates, sometimes a church group (but group has not been active for awhile).	Not sure, rules change a lot depending on the warden.	Librarian says labor is not an issue, just desperately needs books and supplies; also says that new hires might not have MLS and therefore not be up to par on how to run a library.
Librarian, 4 law clerks, and 3 general library clerks.	Books are old.	Inmates, volunteers like me.	She says it is unclear how it happens (depends on the warden).	Elizabeth herself has collected donations but time is an issue, etc. Used to be part of the Alliance but can't afford it now.
One full-time librarian who was too busy at the time to give much information, but the library is open and staffed.	Books are old.			In a call on 5/18, B.K. was told the small library was "connected to the Health Care Unit."
called due to the facility being on lockdown, but she is full-time.				
Waiting for a librarian to be hired. Plenty of books but no librarian. When it was open, they had inmates for clerks. It was a paying job and people liked having it.		Lots of staff donate books. They go out to book sales and the libraries in town call when they have leftovers from book sales.	Donations can come through Asst. Warden with no problem.	Parkland College has GED courses there and that seemed to be a source of some books.
vacation. The library is open but not today.				
He is the only librarian but is full-time.	Very old.	Don't get many donations. We really need books that are "current, since the 80's."		I told him that the IDOC had just sent out boxes of brand new books donated from publishers. He said he had not received anything like that in years.
Librarian is degreed and full time.	"Got enough books."	System under the State of Illinois. Not all prison libraries can do that because there are costs involved."		"Western and East Moline really need books, plus all the higher security places are hurting because they have not enough money. "

Taylorville	5	600	1186	+ 586	20,034	Yes	She is there from 7:30 - 3:30 five days a week. Prisoners hours are 8:30 - 11:00 and 12:00 -2:30 five days a week. Only 20 inmates at a time because of space.
East Moline	6	688	1084	+ 396	23,434	Yes	Open 10am-8pm 3 days a week; not sure the distinction b.t law hours and circulation hours.
Southwestern	6	600	672	+ 72	40,544	yes	Good; 6 hours a day, 5 days a week. None; union rules make staffing by guards unfeasible. Mattis says 'they have to let them in to the law library' so the school principal opens the law library 2 days a week to let men in.
Vandalia	6	949	1459	+ 510	23,528	No; library closed for one year.	"Unfortunately, this institution's lending library is not currently open."
Vienna	6	885	1527	+ 642	20,714	Yes	Limited to Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons. "I work in the general library. I noticed that we are lacking in certain areas of interest." functional." "I currently have no access to a library." I currently have no access to a library. "As we recently lost our librarian, we have no way of getting reading material now." Sheridan Correctional Center we have no library." "We have no library at this prison." out...so basicly we limited 2 what we can read..." "...they do not have a library down here." me, the library here is closed up. Only thing open is the law library and they try to keep me away from that." library."

One librarian (Jamie Davis) and no other professionals. The inmates can work in the library - as many as three, and she very much needs help, but they are moved around a lot - get freedom, get into a GED program, get punished (i.e. deprived of the opportunity for work), so rightnow shehas no help and she says she does not know when it will come as they have to "get processed."

Books are old and beat up. "We do get new books sometimes." (possibly those books Marcy Morris mentioned), but if they are paperbacks, they get beat up. We tape them up but pretty soon, they are missing pages. Hardbacks are better because they last longer.

She is there 3-4 days a week & has some inmate workers.

Outdated.

Inmates; she says no donations are allowed from community.

He is full time, recently hired he says. Some inmate workers.

Some books in good shape.

Not sure, he is new to job.

Only only certain titles can come in past the "Publications Review Board." They need non-fiction particularly (mentioned by two other librarians at Tamms and Dwight). Also needed are Westerns and Spanish language books. I asked whether the volunteers could help her with the cards and envelopes and she got used to that idea. Finally she offered that she lived in Springfield herself and could take books to the prison and also get the librarian but a staff review of the books would have to happen to determine if they are says he is sure it can and does happen.

Space: The Law Library is in another room, that is smaller than the Circulation Library but as its legal materials expand, it is forecast to be trading places with Circulation so that their space will be even more restricted.

She says she started a staff and inmate donation day at another prison and that was successful.

He is new but used to be an RA or LA? Not sure, and not sure that he has an MLS.

Some inmate workers--when it was open, I assume.

Could get donations but there would be a bit of paperwork.

Mattis says men would really like to have the library back!

Librarian and some inmate workers.

Needs donations/books.

Inmates.

Can and has happened, just has not in recent past

Asked if B2P to could send books directly to her --she needs donations!

