



Internet use and safety report

How the internet at Your library was used from 15 to 28 October 2026, how the filter kept it safe, and what to look at next.

PREPARED FOR
Your library

21,043

LOOKUPS BY PEOPLE

118

WEBSITES AND SERVICES

1,102

BLOCKED FOR SAFETY

100.00%

FILTER AVAILABILITY

INTRODUCTION

About this report

This report shows how the internet at Your library was used from 15 to 28 October 2026: what people used it for, which services they relied on and when, and how the web filter kept them safe. Figures come from the filter that handles every website lookup on your network. No personal information is collected: the filter does not know who used a computer or phone.

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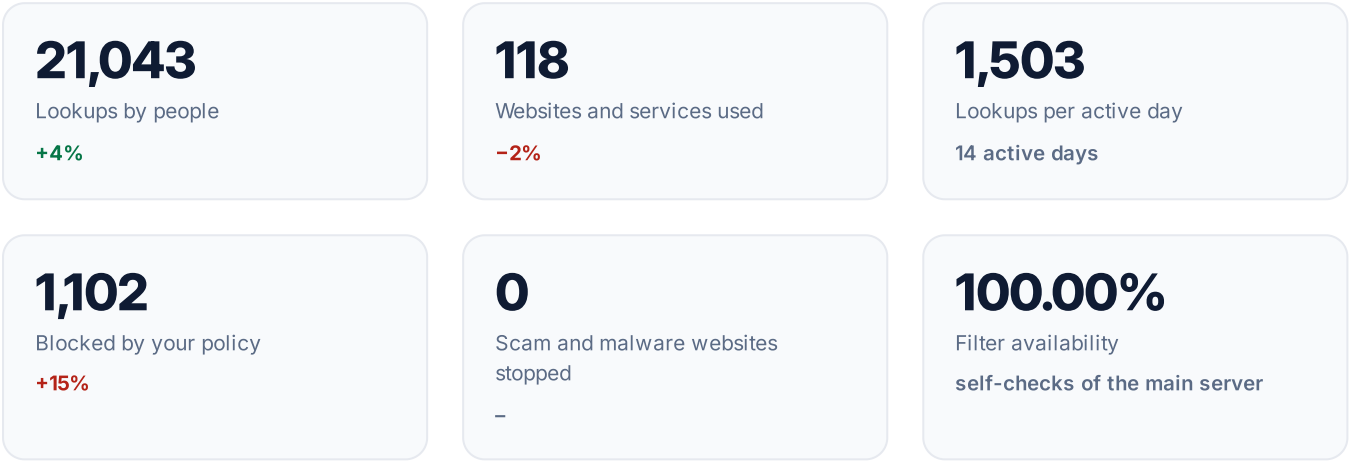
How to read the figures

Lookup	A device asking where a website is. One visit to a page usually makes several lookups, so lookups measure activity, not people.
People-facing use	Lookups for websites and services people use. Device updates, advertising networks and IT systems are counted separately (Behind the scenes).
Blocked	A lookup the filter stopped because of your policy. The person sees your block page.
Compared with	Every change is against the previous 14 days (1 to 14 October 2026).

15 TO 28 OCTOBER 2026 AT A GLANCE

21,043 lookups by people on the network

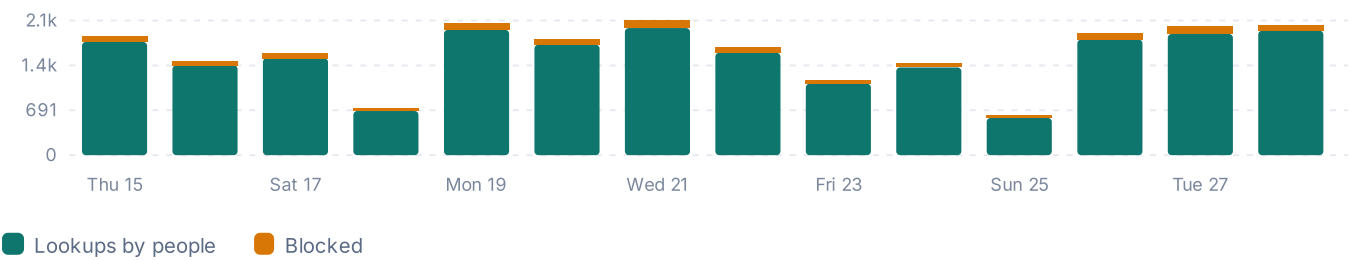
Compared with the previous 14 days. People-facing figures leave out device updates, advertising and IT systems.



Headline findings

- 01** **21,043 lookups by people on the network**
Up 4% compared with the previous 14 days. Busiest day: Wednesday 21 October with 1,957 lookups.
- 02** **Search, office and online tools was the biggest use, 24% of lookups**
Followed by video, music, sports and entertainment (13%), social media and communities (9%), learning and education (9%).
- 03** **Games grew 19%**
624 lookups, up from 524 in the previous 14 days.
- 04** **Library services and e-resources: 927 lookups**
Most used: Libby / OverDrive, WorldCat, EBSCO.
- 05** **1,102 lookups blocked by your policy**
Including 305 adult content, 257 VPN or proxy websites, 75 automatic encrypted DNS attempts by browsers and apps.

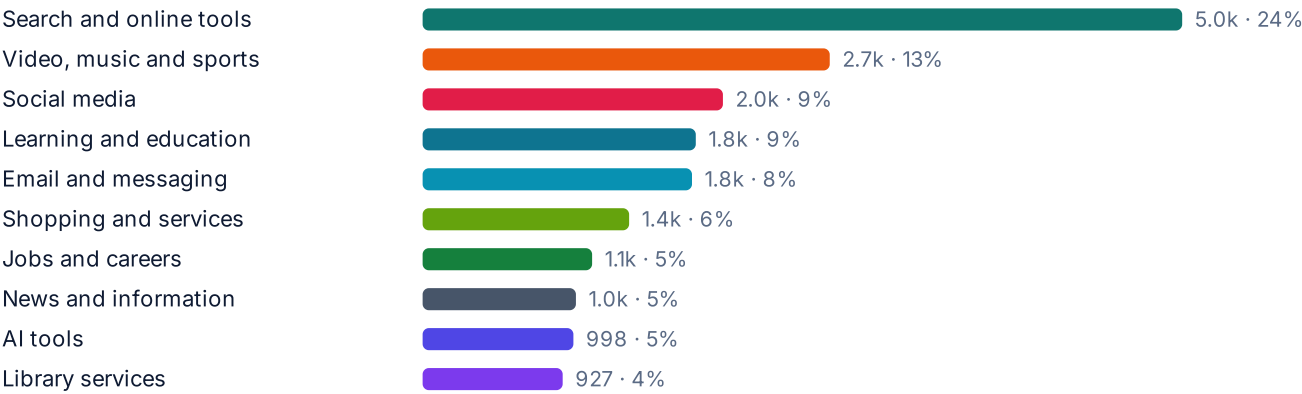
Lookups per day



SECTION 1

What the internet was used for

Every website and service is grouped by purpose, so the board can see the public value of the connection: learning, jobs, government services, health and more.



By purpose, with the change

PURPOSE	LOOKUPS	SHARE	PREVIOUS 14 DAYS	CHANGE	MOST USED
● Search, office and online tools	5,027	23.9%	4,934	+2%	Google Search and services, Google Docs and Drive
● Video, music, sports and entertainment	2,694	12.8%	2,722	-1%	YouTube, ESPN
● Social media and communities	1,987	9.4%	1,977	+1%	Facebook, Instagram
● Learning and education	1,807	8.6%	1,778	+2%	Wikipedia, Khan Academy
● Email, calls and messaging	1,782	8.5%	1,669	+7%	Gmail, Outlook
● Shopping, travel and everyday services	1,366	6.5%	1,288	+6%	Amazon, Walmart
● Jobs and careers	1,121	5.3%	1,000	+12%	Indeed, USAJOBS
● News and information	1,014	4.8%	1,005	+1%	The Weather Channel, Yahoo
● AI tools	998	4.7%	957	+4%	chatgpt.com, claude.ai
● Library e-books, databases and services	927	4.4%	924	no change	Libby / OverDrive, WorldCat
● Government and public services	923	4.4%	844	+9%	IRS, Social Security
● Games	624	3.0%	524	+19%	Chess.com, Coolmath Games

Library services and e-resources: 927 lookups. Includes your own website and catalog, e-books, databases, PC booking and printing.

SECTION 2

Most used services and websites

Known services are shown by name (for example YouTube or Google Classroom); other websites by their address. Adult website names are masked.

#	SERVICE OR WEBSITE	PURPOSE	LOOKUPS	SHARE	CHANGE	DAYS
1	Google Search and services	● Search, office and online tools	3,149	15.0%	-2%	14
2	YouTube	● Video, music, sports and entertainment	2,032	9.7%	-1%	14
3	Wikipedia	● Learning and education	734	3.5%	-1%	14
4	Indeed	● Jobs and careers	725	3.4%	+13%	14
5	Google Docs and Drive	● Search, office and online tools	669	3.2%	+13%	14
6	Gmail	● Email, calls and messaging	622	3.0%	+5%	14
7	Facebook	● Social media and communities	614	2.9%	-6%	14
8	Outlook	● Email, calls and messaging	561	2.7%	+13%	14
9	Amazon	● Shopping, travel and everyday services	535	2.5%	+4%	14
10	Microsoft 365	● Search, office and online tools	451	2.1%	+13%	14
11	Libby / OverDrive	● Library e-books, databases and services	450	2.1%	+3%	14
12	Instagram	● Social media and communities	351	1.7%	+3%	14
13	chatgpt.com	● AI tools	333	1.6%	+11%	14
14	TikTok	● Social media and communities	305	1.4%	+8%	14
15	IRS	● Government and public services	285	1.4%	+26%	14
16	Khan Academy	● Learning and education	285	1.4%	+9%	14
17	PayPal	● Banking and finance	270	1.3%	+18%	14
18	USAJOBS	● Jobs and careers	268	1.3%	+10%	14
19	Canva	● Search, office and online tools	266	1.3%	-6%	14
20	Bing	● Search, office and online tools	253	1.2%	+9%	14

New this period

No new services with meaningful use.

No longer used

Nothing dropped away.

SECTION 3

When people were online

Use these patterns for staffing, opening hours and maintenance windows. Darker squares mean more activity.

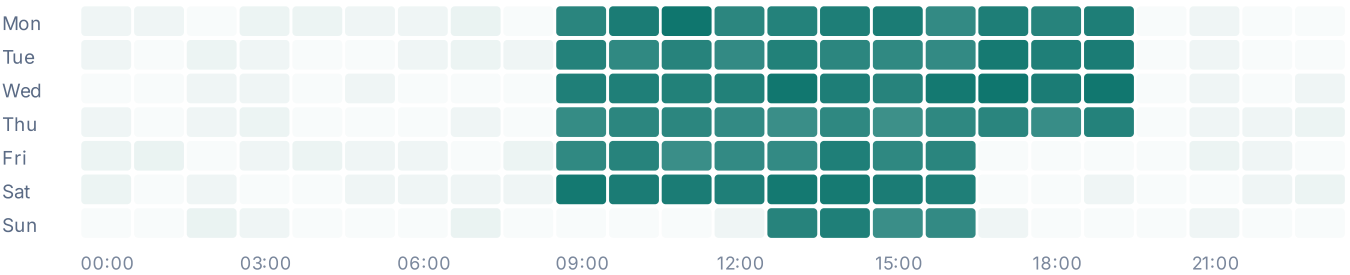
Wed 21 Oct
Busiest day
1,957 lookups

Wednesday 17:00
Busiest hour of the week
peak in the heat map below

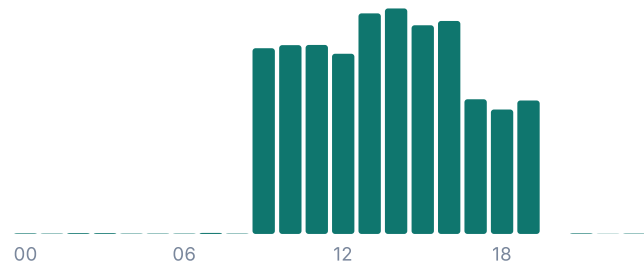
14:00 to 15:00
Busiest hour of the day
across all days

Wednesday
Busiest weekday

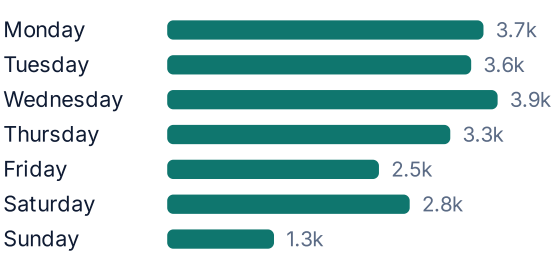
Day of the week and hour



Hour of the day



Day of the week



Times in America/New_York.

SECTION 4

Branches and networks

Each branch or network separately. Unblocks are staff and patron unblocks on that network.



Figures per network

NETWORK	LOOKUPS BY PEOPLE	SHARE	BLOCKED	UNBLOCKS
Public computers	11,230	53.4%	546	3
Staff Wi-Fi	5,468	26.0%	34	1
Children's area	4,345	20.6%	522	0

SECTION 5

AI tools on your network

49 AI tools were reached in this period, matched against a register of more than 11,000 AI tools that is updated every day. New means not seen in the previous 14 days.

AI TOOL	WEBSITE	LOOKUPS	BLOCKED	STATUS
ChatGPT	chatgpt.com	333	20	Partly blocked
Claude	claude.ai	116	0	Allowed
Microsoft Copilot	copilot.microsoft.com	115	0	Allowed
Grammarly	grammarly.com	84	0	Allowed
Perplexity	perplexity.ai	66	6	Partly blocked
Character.AI	character.ai	0	41	Blocked
DeepL	deepl.com	41	0	Allowed
QuillBot	quillbot.com	30	0	Allowed
Otter.ai	otter.ai	25	0	Allowed
Khanmigo	khanmigo.ai	23	0	Allowed
Gamma	gamma.app	21	0	Allowed
Grok	grok.com	18	0	Allowed
Meta AI	meta.ai	14	3	Partly blocked
Midjourney	midjourney.com	14	3	Partly blocked
Remove.bg	remove.bg	13	4	Partly blocked
Suno	suno.com	8	5	Partly blocked
Talkie	talkie-ai.com	0	13	Blocked
DeepSeek	deepseek.com	0	13	Blocked
MagicSchool	magicschool.ai	13	0	Allowed
Gauth	gauthmath.com	0	12	Blocked
Photomath	photomath.com	0	10	Blocked
Undetectable AI	undetectable.ai	0	7	Blocked
Gemini Notebook (formerly NotebookLM)	notebooklm.google	7	0	Allowed
ElevenLabs	elevenlabs.io	0	6	Blocked
ZeroGPT	zerogpt.com	6	0	Allowed
Replit	replit.com	5	0	Allowed

SECTION 6

Safety and protection

What the filter stopped under your policy. The person who tried sees your block page; nothing else is recorded about them.

305

Adult content blocked

0

Scam, malware and brand-new websites

257

VPN and proxy websites blocked

75

Encrypted DNS kept on the filter (automatic)

Blocked by category

CATEGORY	BLOCKED	PREVIOUS 14 DAYS	CHANGE
Adult Pornography and explicit content	305	277	+10 %
VPN / Proxy / Anonymizers Tools that go around the filter	257	216	+19 %
AI / LLM Tools AI chatbots and tools	178	142	+25 %
Gambling Betting and online casinos	124	108	+15 %
Gaming Online games	83	80	+4 %
Filter bypass (public encrypted DNS) Encrypted DNS services that would skip the filter	75	65	+15 %
Custom block list	57	44	+30 %
Dating Dating sites	23	25	-8 %

Most blocked websites

WEBSITE	REASON	BLOCKED
po•••ub.com	Adult	74
xv•••os.com	Adult	65
croxyproxy.com	VPN / Proxy / Anonymizers	59
nordvpn.com	VPN / Proxy / Anonymizers	56
xh•••er.com	Adult	53
draftkings.com	Gambling	52
character.ai	AI / LLM Tools	41
on•••ns.com	Adult	40

SECTION 7

CIPA compliance record

The Children's Internet Protection Act asks libraries and schools that receive E-Rate discounts for a technology protection measure and records. This page summarises yours for the period.

✓ Visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography or harmful to minors are blocked

Adult category blocked in profile Public computers, Children's area, Staff

✓ Tools that go around the filter are blocked

VPN, proxy and anonymizer websites, plus encrypted DNS services

✓ Adults can have the filter disabled for bona fide research or other lawful purpose

4 staff unblocks and 0 patron self-unblocks recorded, each ending by itself

✓ The filter was in place throughout the period

Availability 100.00%

✓ Records are kept

Activity log, unblock log and this report; monthly report email on

Filtering policy on record

PROFILE AND NETWORKS	BLOCKED CATEGORIES	SAFESEARCH
Profile Public computers used by: Public computers	Adult, Gambling, VPN / Proxy / Anonymizers, Phishing / Malware	Off
Profile Children's area used by: Children's area	Adult, Gambling, Dating, VPN / Proxy / Anonymizers, Phishing / Malware	On
Profile Staff used by: Staff Wi-Fi	Adult, VPN / Proxy / Anonymizers, Phishing / Malware	Off

Unblock log (latest 5)

TIME	NETWORK	EVENT	MINUTES
Tue 27 Oct 13:20	Public computers	Staff unblock started	30
Sat 24 Oct 09:58	Public computers	Staff unblock started	60
Wed 21 Oct 09:56	Staff Wi-Fi	Staff unblock started	15
Sat 17 Oct 13:54	Public computers	Filter fully back on (staff)	
Sat 17 Oct 13:44	Public computers	Staff unblock started	30

Always allowed: 6 websites · Always blocked: 3 websites · Staff unblock: PIN for 15, 30 or 60 minutes, then on again by itself · Patron self-unblock: off

This record supports your own documentation. It is not legal advice and does not guarantee E-Rate eligibility.

SECTION 8

Behind the scenes

Computers, phones and IT systems also talk to the internet on their own: updates, advertising networks, security agents and cameras. This traffic is kept apart from the people-facing figures.

● Lookups by people	21,043 · 76%
● IT, security and building systems	0 · 0%
● Device updates, ads and content networks	5,411 · 20%
● Blocked	1,102 · 4%



Largest background sources

SERVICE	TYPE	LOOKUPS	SHARE OF ALL
googleapis.com	Device updates, ads and content networks	951	3.5%
gstatic.com	Device updates, ads and content networks	942	3.4%
microsoft.com	Device updates, ads and content networks	800	2.9%
apple.com	Device updates, ads and content networks	799	2.9%
msftconnecttest.com	Device updates, ads and content networks	593	2.2%
windowsupdate.com	Device updates, ads and content networks	508	1.8%
digicert.com	Device updates, ads and content networks	492	1.8%
windows.com	Device updates, ads and content networks	326	1.2%

SECTION 9

Recommendations

Coloured numbers are actions; grey ones are notes for the record.

- 1 Consider blocking brand-new domains**
Most scam websites are only days old. Blocking domains registered in the last 30 days stops many of them before they are listed anywhere.

- 2 Check SafeSearch**
SafeSearch is off in at least one profile. With it on, Google, Bing and other search engines hide explicit images in results for everyone on that network.

- 3 VPN and proxy websites were blocked**
257 lookups to VPN or proxy websites were stopped: these are the tools people use to go around a filter. Nothing to do unless staff need a VPN for work; then add it to Always allowed.

- 4 Encrypted DNS kept on the filter**
75 times a browser or app tried its own encrypted DNS service (usually automatically) and was kept on the filter. This is expected and shows the protection works.

- 5 Review 3 new AI tools**
AI tools appeared that were not seen in the previous period: DeepAI, Replika, PixAI. Decide whether they fit your policy.

- 6 Unblock records are complete**
4 staff unblocks and 0 patron self-unblocks were recorded, each with the time, the network and the length, and each ended by itself.

About the figures

Figures come from the lookups your filter handled for Your library, grouped by day in America/New_York. Websites are grouped by purpose from a database of 20 million categorized websites and a register of named services and AI tools. Short gaps are possible while a device uses a cached answer. Report generated 31 October 2026, 00:46.