

 *Summer Reading continues—
let's "Color Our World" together!*

Art has the power to transform, uplift, and connect us. It allows us to see the world through different lenses, fostering empathy and understanding. This summer, we're celebrating the beauty of creativity in all its forms—through stories, art, music, and more.



 Program Runs Through August 3

 Who Can Participate? All ages!

 For a complete list of programs and events, visit our online calendar at newaygolibrary.org/calendar.

 How to Join:

Stop by the library or register online at <https://newaygolibrary.readsquared.com/>. Log your reading, complete creative challenges, and earn prizes along the way!

 Final Day to Log Reading:

Saturday, August 3 – Don't miss the deadline to complete your reading goals to be entered into the Prize Drawings! Grand Prize for each level is an Amazon Kindle! Prize drawing winners will be notified by phone!

 Thank you to our generous partners and sponsors who helped to make our 2025 Summer Reading program possible.

 Note – The Children/Teen Summer Reading level prizes will be available through August 30.

 Share Your Voice: Submit a Book Review!

We're encouraging everyone to share their own reflections! Patron book reviews help the library grow in the right direction. When you share what you liked (or didn't!) about a book, it gives us real insight into what our community is reading and enjoying. Your feedback helps us choose future books that better match your interests—and sometimes even brings attention to hidden gems we might've missed.

Plus, reviews help other readers discover new titles. Whether it's a glowing recommendation or an honest take, your review can spark curiosity and start conversations. It's a simple way to be part of shaping our library and connecting with fellow book lovers.

1. Library Staff Opportunities.

- ✓ Director Franklin - NADL Board Mtg - 6/17, Lakeland Mtg - 7/10. MI Library Director Zoom Mtg – 7/11
Webinar - Fortifying Your Library: Protecting Your Library and Staff Through Policy – 7/9
- ✓ Monthly Staff Meeting – All Attended.
- ✓ Liz Patin has completed her 90-day Probation and is an official member of the Newaygo Library Staff! 🎉

2. Programming Participation – June 2025.

- ✓ Summer Reading Juggler – All ages – 100
- ✓ Summer Reading Drummunity – All ages – 42
- ✓ Bear Color Scavenger Hunt – Children’s Library -
- ✓ Drop-In Dragon Eye Craft – Tween/Teen - 39
- ✓ Summer Reading Medieval Swordsmanship – Tween/Teen – 24
- ✓ How to Draw Fantasy – Tween/Teen – 18
- ✓ May Combined Story Times – 100 Adults and Children.
- ✓ Adult Book Club – 4
- ✓ Music in the Park: Grace Theisen – 85
- ✓ Drop-In Coastal Wreath – Adult – 16

2. Collection Management and Development.

- ✓ Added: 84 new physical items.

3. Grants and Donations.

- ✓ Received Endowment Request for Circ from FACH - \$3,300.

4. Wowbrary Newsletter – 461 Subscribers; Remind Subscribers –212;

5. Social Media.

- ✓ FB: 1950 Follows; Instagram: 296 Follows; Twitter: 34 Follows.

6. Building Maintenance.

- ✓ July 9: Bishops Heating & Cooling repair Upstairs Air Conditioner
- ✓ June 4: Trail’s End applied pesticide to exterior of facility.

7. Library Circulation.

- ✓ 48 new library accounts.

Mary Franklin

Mary Franklin, Library Director



Lakeland App



Read Squared App
(Reading log)



Remind
(Text notification for library events)



hoopla App
(Instantly borrow digital materials)



MeL
(Books and databases)



Shoutbomb
(Text notifications for library account info)

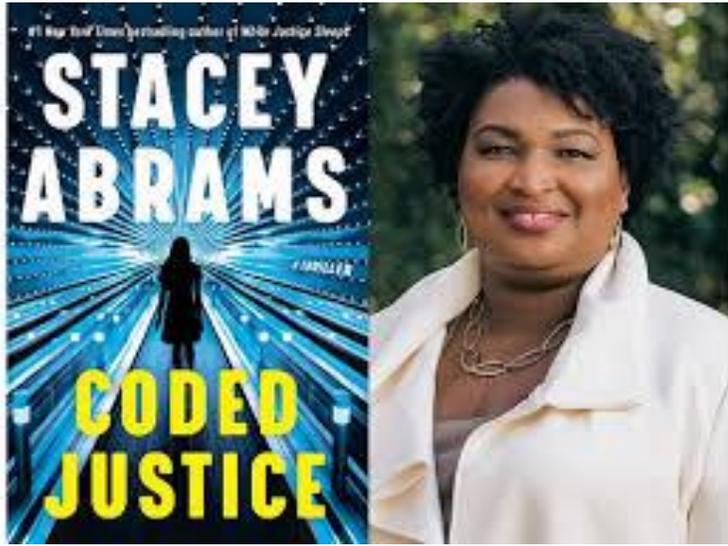


libby App
(Digital books)



Wowbrary
The Newest Stuff at Your Library

FEATURED AUTHOR FOR AUGUST



STACEY ABRAMS is a *New York Times* bestselling author, entrepreneur, lawyer and political leader.

Her newest book *Coded Justice* is a twisty and prescient new thriller in the #1 New York Times bestselling Avery Keene series, by nationally renowned author and leader Stacey Abrams, *Coded Justice* follows Avery down a dark rabbit hole into the breathtaking—and dangerous—use of AI in the medical industry.

NEW BOOKS & DVDs





UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT NEWAYGO LIBRARY



PRESCHOOL STORYTIME: Tuesdays at 11 a.m. Three stories plus a craft are shared in the lower level.

YE OLDE JUNK JOURNAL: MEDIEVAL STYLE DROP IN CRAFT – AGES 10 TO 18: August 4th – 9th



Make a Medieval Journal - Ages 10 – 18. Step into the past and create your own medieval-style junk journal! Use a variety of papers, textures, and decorative elements to build a unique notebook inspired by the Middle Ages. Use it to collect favorite quotes or memories in this upcoming school year! All supplies provided—just bring your imagination. No registration required; Ages 10 - 18 while supplies last. Sponsored by MACC.

AUGUST ADULT BOOK CLUB: August 7th 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Come to the August Book Club at Newaygo Library on August 7th at 2:30 pm to discuss *Beach House Rules* by Kristy Woodson Harvey! The book is about a mother and daughter who learn to lean on their community of women, and each other, after their world is turned upside down! RSVP online @ newaygolibrary.org or at 231-652-6723.



SEW MUCH FUN: DRAWSTRING BACKPACKS – AGES 10 TO 18: August 9th 10:30 am – 12:30 pm



Need an extra backpack for sports? Gym class? A sleepover? Jean Matthews is back to teach some basic sewing skills while you create your own drawstring backpack at the library. This is for ages 10 - 18 and does require registration. Sponsored by MACC.

EXTREME DUCT TAPE WORKSHOP – AGES 10 TO 18: August 12th 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Join in the fun as a REAL Duct Tape Artist teaches simply amazing, yet amazingly simple duct tape crafts. All supplies are provided, so you only need to bring yourself, your friends, and your sense of creativity. Ages 10 - 18. Sponsored by MACC. Registration required.



ERIN BARTELS – AUTHOR TALK: August 14th 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Come join Newaygo Library in the City Chamber Room at 6:00 pm as three-time Michigan Notable Book Award winner Erin Bartels shares fascinating information about the lives and art of women painters of the Impressionist movement, including how their dreams and struggles influenced the writing of her latest award-winning novel, *The Lady with the Dark Hair*! This event is supported by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

Would you like to be notified by text of Newaygo Library events?

Sign up for our events reminder program! "Remind" will send out a text and email about events going on at NADL. To sign up, go to: remind.com/join/nadl1915 or Text @nadl1915 to 81010

MICK HANNA BAND: August 15th 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Join us on 8/15 at the Newaygo Farmer's Market from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm to hear the music of Mick Hanna! Mick Hanna has been playing and singing music in the Fremont and Newaygo areas for more than 40 years. His style is easy going, the music he plays and sings is mainly oldies, love songs, ballads, and an occasional "rocker" played on an acoustic guitar. He's sometimes alone, and sometimes brings a few friends to play along. Listeners will likely recognize most, if not all, of the songs he covers. This program is supported by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.



ADULT DROP-IN CRAFT: August 18th – 23rd

The craft will be a Summer Junk Journal! Adults and Teens only! One per person. Please stay tuned to the Newaygo Library Website for more information! Sponsored by the MACC.



MICHIGAN LUMBERJACK: August 21st 6:00 pm

Join Newaygo Library on August 21st at 6:00 pm in welcoming Jerry Berg from the Swordsmanship Museum and Academy to present a program on the history of lumberjacks and the logging industry in Michigan! Supported in part by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

END OF SUMMER SMASH BROS SWITCH TOURNAMENT AGES 10-15: August 19th 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Sign up to participate in our End of Summer Nintendo Switch Super Smash Bros Tournament for ages 10 - 15. Free to enter, but there are only 16 slots available. Small prizes for all participants, so sign up with a friend soon! Parent permission required. Tuesday, August 19, 1 - 2:30.



FLY-TYING WORKSHOP: August 23rd 10:30 am – 12:30 pm



Join us on Saturday, August 23rd, as we welcome back local fly-tying instructor Kevin Feenstra to host another fly-tying class! Feenstra is a fly-fishing guide on the local Muskegon River and loves to share his passion with others! All supplies will be provided. ADULTS AND TEENS ONLY! RVSP REQUIRED. This class is supported by the Michigan Arts and Culture Council.

LIBRARY CLOSED – LABOR DAY WEEKEND: August 29th – September 1st

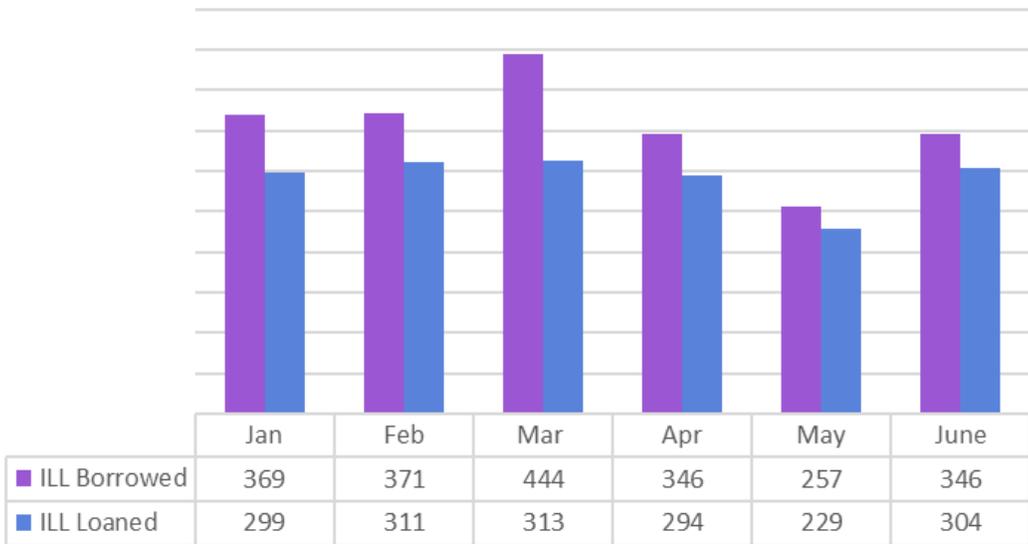
Newaygo Area District Library will be closed in observance of the Labor Day Holiday. We hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday!



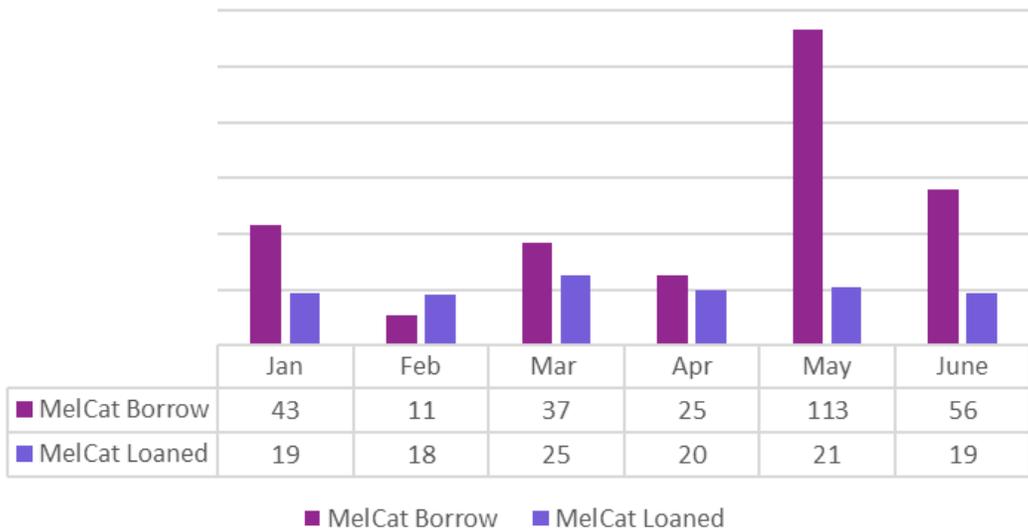
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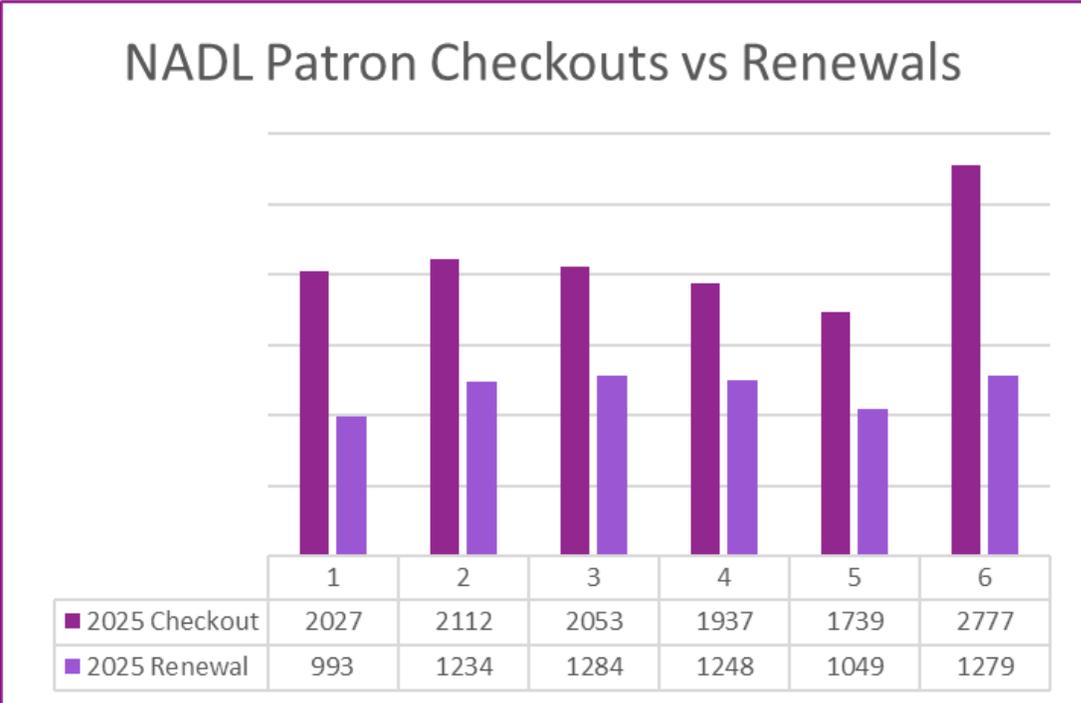
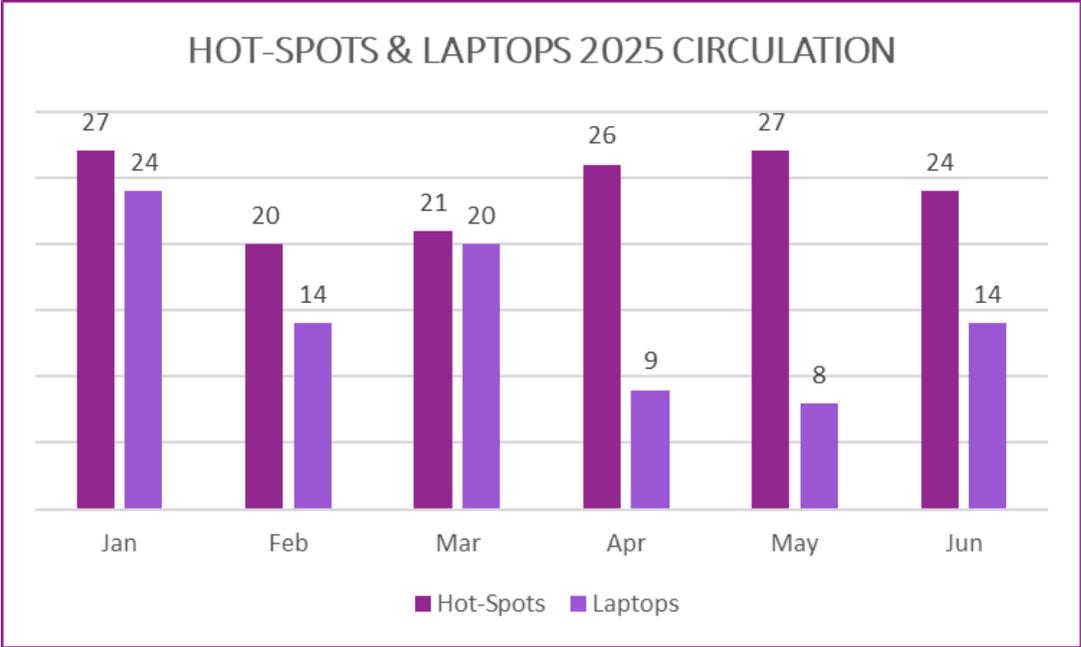
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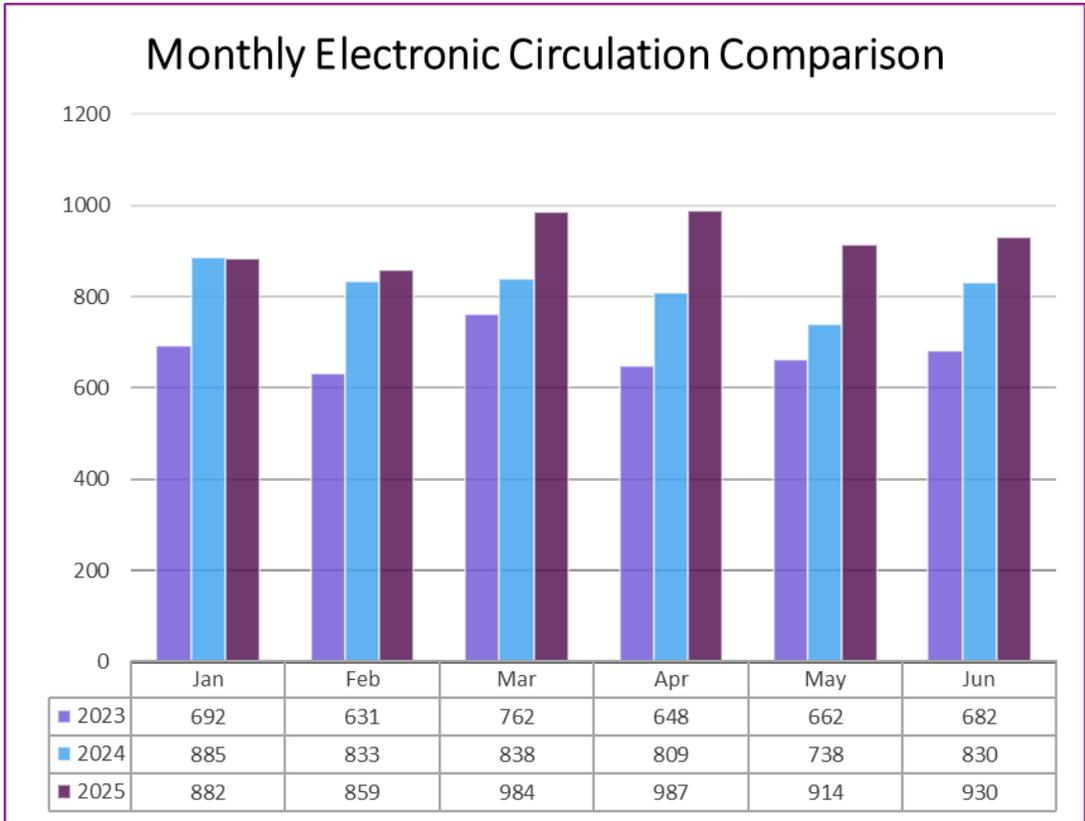
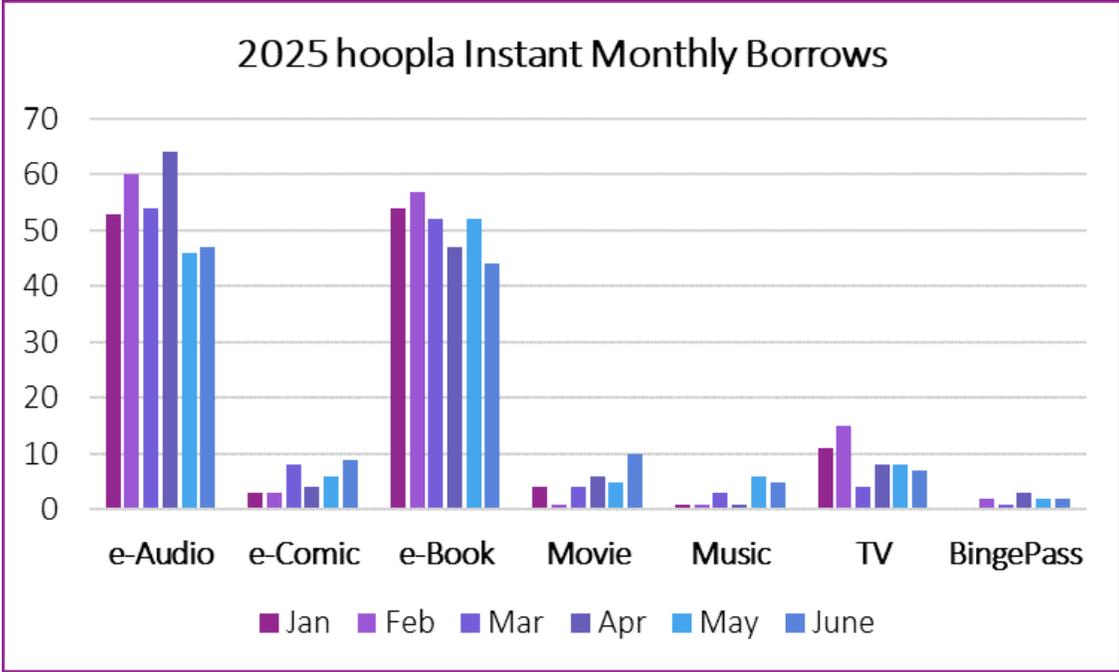
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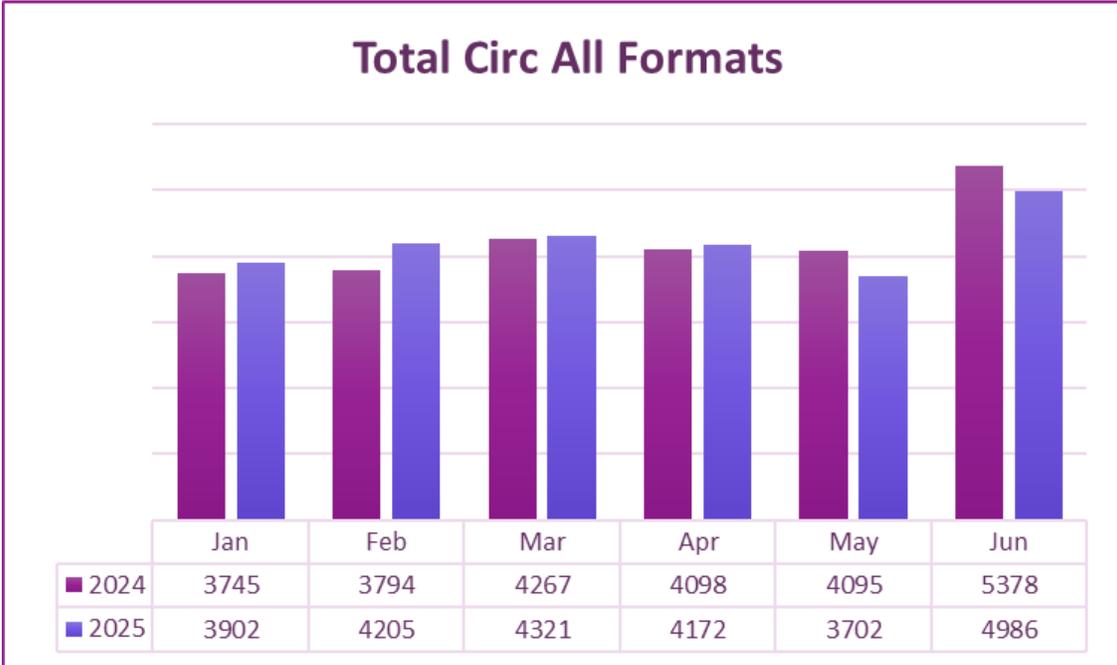
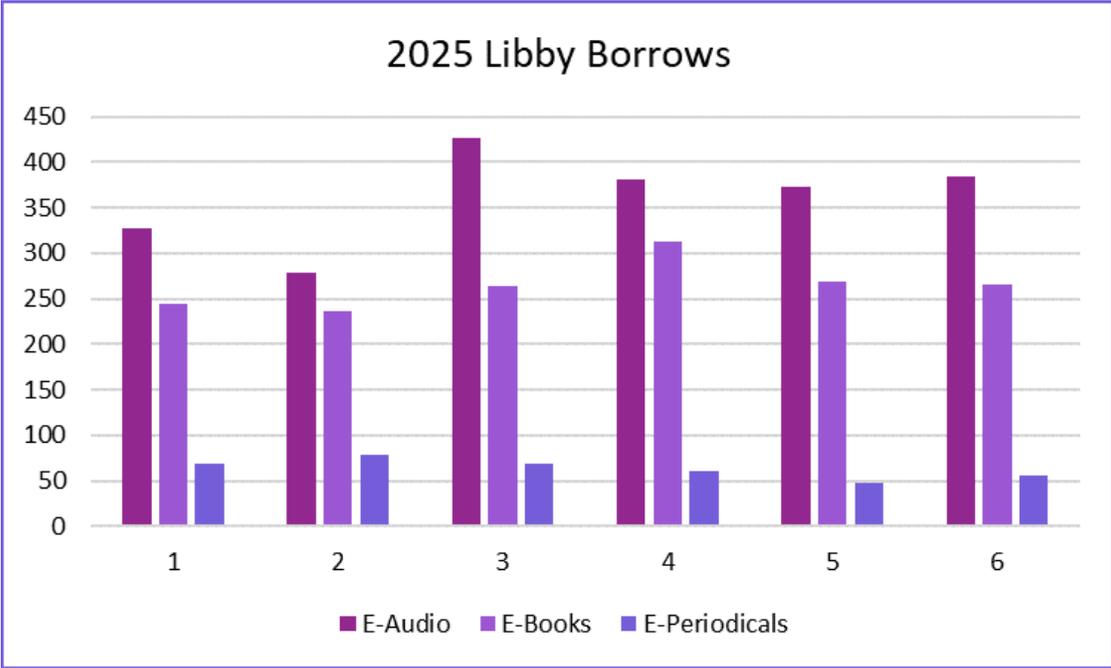


2025 MelCat Borrows vs Loans









Physical Circulation 5 YR Comparison

