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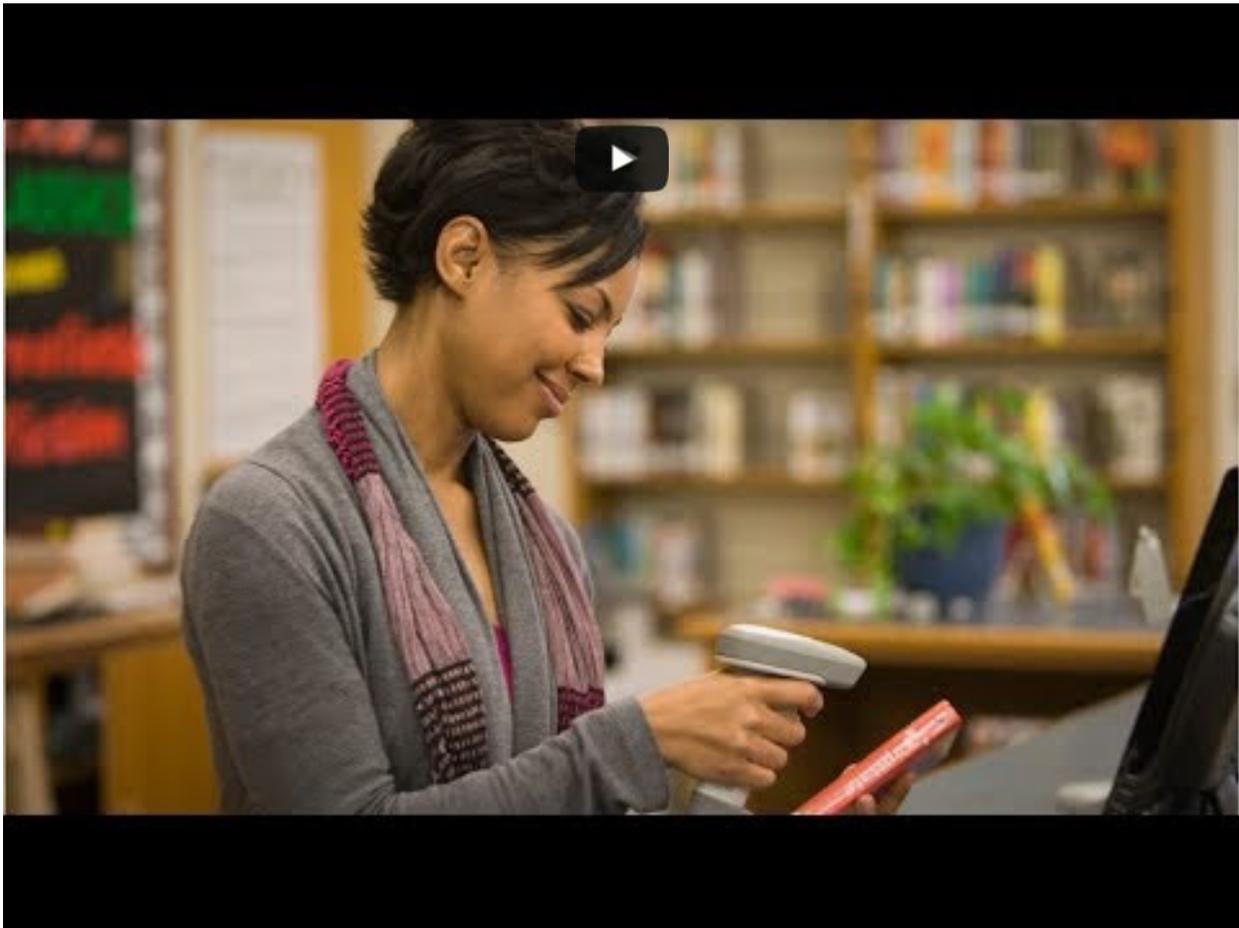
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The median annual wage for librarians and library media specialists was \$64,320 in May 2024.

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Employment of librarians and library media specialists is projected to grow 3 percent from 2023 to 2033, about as fast as the average for all occupations.

About 13,300 openings for librarians and library media specialists are projected each year, on average, over the decade. Many of those openings are expected to result from the need to replace workers who transfer to different occupations or exit the labor force, such as to retire.

[State & Area Data](#)

Explore resources for employment and wages by state and area for librarians and library media specialists.

[Similar Occupations](#)

Compare the job duties, education, job growth, and pay of librarians and library media specialists with similar occupations.

[More Information, Including Links to O*NET](#)

Learn more about librarians and library media specialists by visiting additional resources, including O*NET, a source on key characteristics of workers and occupations.

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