



THE BORROWING HABITS OF THE NATION

Twenty Years of Data: UK Library Chart Toppers since 1994/95

UK's most borrowed author over the last 20 years

Catherine Cookson

(Her books have been borrowed over 37 million times between 1994 and 2014)

UK's most borrowed children's author over the last 20 years

Jacqueline Wilson

(Her books have been borrowed over 24 million times between 1994 and 2014)

"The Multi-Millionaires"

Seven authors clocked up over 20 million loans between 1994 and 2014:

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| 1. Catherine Cookson | 5. Josephine Cox |
| 2. Danielle Steel | 6. R L Stine |
| 3. Jacqueline Wilson | 7. Janet & Allan Ahlberg |
| 4. James Patterson | |

The Champion Lenders

2013-14	James Patterson	2003-04	Jacqueline Wilson
2012-13	James Patterson	2002-03	Jacqueline Wilson
2011-12	James Patterson	2001-02	Catherine Cookson
2010-11	James Patterson	2000-01	Catherine Cookson
2009-10	James Patterson	1999-00	Catherine Cookson
2008-09	James Patterson	1998-99	Catherine Cookson
2007-08	James Patterson	1997-98	Catherine Cookson
2006-07	James Patterson	1996-97	Catherine Cookson
2005-06	Jacqueline Wilson	1995-96	Catherine Cookson
2004-05	Jacqueline Wilson	1994-95	Catherine Cookson

UK's Most Borrowed Author in a Single Year

Catherine Cookson

(Her books were borrowed more than 5 million times in 1994-95)

Author with Staying Power Over 20 Years

Danielle Steel

(She has featured in the UK's Most Borrowed Adult Fiction Authors Top 20 every single year since 1994 and her books have been borrowed over 30 million times between 1994 and 2013)

Children's authors with Staying Power Over 20 Years

Enid Blyton

Eric Hill

Road Dahl

(They have featured in the UK's Most Borrowed Children's Authors Top 20 every single year since 1994)

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