



THE BORROWING HABITS OF THE NATION REGIONAL LIBRARY CHART TOPPERS 2006/7

LEWIS (Library Enquiry Web Information Service), PLR's sophisticated database provides in-depth information, across hundreds of subject categories on exactly which books are being read where, and with it, a fascinating snapshot of our national, and regional preferences.

Most Borrowed Books

UK

Scotland	<i>Love Over Scotland</i> by Alexander McCall Smith
Wales	<i>The 5th Horseman</i> by James Patterson
Northern Ireland	<i>Nights of Rain and Stars</i> by Maeve Binchy
London	<i>The Historian</i> by Elizabeth Kostova
South West	<i>At Risk</i> by Patricia Cornwell
South East	<i>The Island</i> by Victoria Hislop
West Midlands	<i>Gardens of Delight</i> by Erica James
East Midlands	<i>The Island</i> by Victoria Hislop
East	<i>The Da Vinci Code</i> by Dan Brown
North West & Merseyside	<i>Journey's End</i> by Josephine Cox
North East	<i>At Risk</i> by Patricia Cornwell

Most Borrowed Non-Fiction Books

UK

Scotland	<i>The Meaning of the 21st Century</i> by James Martin
Wales	<i>The Meaning of the 21st Century</i> by James Martin
Northern Ireland	<i>The Meaning of the 21st Century</i> by James Martin
London	<i>Life in the United Kingdom: A Journey to Citizenship</i>
South West	<i>Overcoming Anxiety</i> by Helen Kennerley
South East	<i>The Meaning of the 21st Century</i> by James Martin
West Midlands	<i>How to Change Your Life in 7 Steps</i> by John Bird
East Midlands	<i>The Meaning of the 21st Century</i> by James Martin
East	<i>Change Your Life in 7 Days</i> by Paul McKenna
North West & Merseyside	<i>The Meaning of the 21st Century</i> by James Martin
North East	<i>The Meaning of the 21st Century</i> by James Martin

Most Borrowed Children's Fiction Books

UK

Scotland	<i>Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince</i> by JK Rowling
Wales	<i>Horrid Henry & the Mega-Mean Time Machine</i> by Francesca Simon
Northern Ireland	<i>Horrid Henry & the Football Fiend</i> by Francesca Simon
London	<i>Horrid Henry & the Bogey Babysitter</i> by Francesca Simon
South West	<i>Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince</i> by JK Rowling
South East	<i>But Excuse Me, That is My Book</i> by Lauren Child
West Midlands	<i>Candyfloss</i> by Jacqueline Wilson
East Midlands	<i>Candyfloss</i> by Jacqueline Wilson
East	<i>Candyfloss</i> by Jacqueline Wilson
North West & Merseyside	<i>The Twits</i> by Roald Dahl
North East	<i>Candyfloss</i> by Jacqueline Wilson
	<i>Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince</i> by JK Rowling

Most Borrowed Cookery Books

UK

Scotland	<i>Jamie's Dinners</i> by Jamie Oliver
Wales	<i>Kids in the Kitchen</i> by Sara Lewis
Northern Ireland	<i>Feast: Food That Celebrates Life</i> by Nigella Lawson
London	<i>Kids in the Kitchen</i> by Sara Lewis
South West	<i>Feast: Food That Celebrates Life</i> by Nigella Lawson
South East	<i>Real Family Food</i> by Antony Worrall Thompson
West Midlands	<i>Feast: Food That Celebrates Life</i> by Nigella Lawson
East Midlands	<i>101 One-Pot Dishes</i> by Jeni Wright
East	<i>Jamie's Dinners</i> by Jamie Oliver
North West & Merseyside	<i>Puddings</i> by Delia Smith
North East	<i>Happy Days with the Naked Chef</i> by Jamie Oliver
	<i>Jamie's Dinners</i> by Jamie Oliver

Most Borrowed Sports Biographies

UK

Scotland	<i>Pele: the Autobiography</i>
Wales	<i>Gavin Henson: my Grand Slam Year</i>
Northern Ireland	<i>Gerrard: My Autobiography</i> by Stephen Gerrard
London	<i>Pele: the Autobiography</i>
South West	<i>Race Against Time</i> by Ellen MacArthur
South East	<i>Being Freddie</i> by Andrew Flintoff
West Midlands	<i>I Should Have Been at Work</i> by Des Lynam
East Midlands	<i>Gerrard: My Autobiography</i> by Stephen Gerrard
East	<i>Being Freddie</i> by Andrew Flintoff
North West & Merseyside	<i>Gerrard: My Autobiography</i> by Stephen Gerrard
North East	<i>Gazza: my Story</i> by Paul Gascoigne

Most Borrowed Biographies

UK

Scotland	<i>How to Change Your Life in 7 Steps</i> by John Bird
Wales	<i>Gavin Henson: my Grand Slam Year</i>
Northern Ireland	<i>The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid</i> by Bill Bryson
London	<i>How to Change Your Life in 7 Steps</i> by John Bird
South West	<i>The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid</i> by Bill Bryson
South East	<i>Ghost Girl</i> by Torey Hayden
West Midlands	<i>How to Change Your Life in 7 Steps</i> by John Bird
East Midlands	<i>Screw it, Let's do it</i> by Richard Branson
East	<i>How to Change Your Life in 7 Steps</i> by John Bird
North West & Merseyside	<i>How to Change Your Life in 7 Steps</i> by John Bird
North East	<i>How to Change Your Life in 7 Steps</i> by John Bird

Most Borrowed Holiday Guides

UK

Scotland	<i>The Rough Guide to Devon and Cornwall</i> by Robert Andrews
Wales	<i>Walking Edinburgh</i>
Northern Ireland	<i>Wales</i> by John King etc
London	<i>The Rough Guide to Spain</i>
South West	<i>Spain</i> by Damien Simonis etc
South East	<i>Lonely Planet Guide to China</i> by Damian Harper & Stephen Fallon
West Midlands	<i>The Rough Guide to Spain</i>
East Midlands	<i>Germany</i> (Dorling Kindersley guide)
East	<i>The Hidden Places of the Peak District</i>
North West & Merseyside	<i>Guide to Rural England</i> by Peter Long
North East	<i>An Amazon Diary</i> by Nick Gordon
	<i>Tynemouth and Cullercoats</i> by John Alexander

Most Borrowed Gardening Books

UK

Scotland	<i>How to be a Gardener: Book One</i> by Alan Titchmarsh
Wales	<i>How to be a Gardener: Book Two</i> by Alan Titchmarsh
Northern Ireland	<i>The Complete Gardener</i> by Monty Don
London	<i>How to be a Gardener: Book One</i> by Alan Titchmarsh
South West	<i>The New Vegetable and Herb Expert</i> by DG Hessayon
South East	<i>The Complete Book of Vegetable Gardening</i>
West Midlands	<i>How to be a Gardener: Book Two</i> by Alan Titchmarsh
East Midlands	<i>How to be a Gardener: Book Two</i> by Alan Titchmarsh
East	<i>How to be a Gardener: Book One</i> by Alan Titchmarsh
North West & Merseyside	<i>RHS What Plants Where</i>
North East	<i>The Allotment Handbook</i> by Caroline Foley
	<i>How to be a Gardener: Book One</i> by Alan Titchmarsh

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