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Publishing activity and printing

- Books and brochures in 2021 -

In the Republic of Serbia, in 2021, published were 12 807 books and brochures, presenting the increase of 23.3% relative to 2020.

Total number of books includes also all books and brochures printed in the Republic of Serbia and among the publishers are also those from abroad, separately presented.

All editions of books and brochures are distributed by areas, as defined in classification scheme of the Universal Decimal Classification (UDC), used all over the world.

The greatest number of published books and brochures related to the area of linguistics, philology and literature -42.6%, then to the area of social sciences -26.2%.

The smallest number of published books referred to the area of religion, theology (2.4%), philosophy, psychology (3.2%), as well as in the area of natural sciences (3.3%).

84.5% of books and brochures were published in Serbian language, while editions in other languages and multilingual editions encompassed 15.5%.

1. Books and brochures by subject areas (according to UDC Classification)

		Republic of Serbia							
	Total ¹⁾	Srbija – sever			Srbija – jug				1
		all	Beogradski region	Region Vojvodine	all	Region Šumadije i Zapadne Srbije	Region Južne i Istočne Srbije	Region Kosovo i Metohija ²⁾	Abroad
Total	12807	10562	8189	2373	2201	1363	798	40	44
Generalities	618	486	363	123	126	82	44	-	6
Philosophy, psychology	404	369	318	51	34	22	11	1	1
Religion, theology	310	206	140	66	102	82	19	1	2
Social sciences (general)	3353	2989	2633	356	355	248	97	10	9
Natural sciences Applied sciences, medicine,	428	344	224	120	83	48	33	2	1
technology	977	810	556	254	166	88	69	9	1
Art	783	633	416	217	148	108	37	3	2
Linguistics, philology and literature Archaeology, geography, biography,	5451	4370	3318	1052	1062	603	447	12	19
history	483	355	221	134	125	82	41	2	3

¹⁾ Total number of books in the Republic of Serbia also includes the publishers from abroad.

2) Incomplete coverage

2. Books and brochures by language of publishing

		Republic of Serbia								
			Srbija – seve	r						
	Total ¹⁾	all	Beogradski region	Region Vojvodine	all	Region Šumadije i Zapadne Srbije	Region Južne i Istočne Srbije	Region Kosovo i Metohija ²⁾	Abroad	
Total	12807	10562	8189	2373	2201	1363	798	40	44	
Serbian	10826	8858	7028	1830	1935	1215	685	35	33	
English	274	241	181	60	32	10	19	3	1	
Hungarian	217	216	68	148	1	1		-		
Boshnak	146	90	88	2	56	51	5	_	_	
Croatian	119	116	75	41	1	-	1	_	2	
Slovakian	80	79	37	42		_	-	_	1	
Ruthenian	77	77	66	11	_	_	_	_	_	
Romanian	25	25	11	14	_	_	_	_	_	
Russian	16	14	12	2	2	2	_	_	_	
German	11	10	9	1	_	_	_	_	1	
French	9	9	8	1	_	_	_	_	_	
Italian	7	6	5	1	1	_	1	_	_	
Bulgarian	5	1	1	_	3	_	3	_	1	
Albanian	4	2	2	_	2	-	_	2	_	
Spanish	4	4	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Chinese	3	3	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Macedonian	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Romani	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	
Serbian-English	558	462	371	91	95	51	44	-	1	
Serbian-German	49	46	38	8	2	1	1	-	1	
Serbian-Russian	41	35	30	5	4	-	4	-	2	
Serbian-French	35	31	29	2	4	4	-	-	-	
Serbian-Hungarian	20	16	2	14	4	1	3	-	-	
Serbian-Slovakian	13	11	1	10	2	-	2	-	-	
Serbian-Italian	10	7	6	1	3	-	3	-	-	
Serbian-Roma	6	3	3	-	3	1	2	-	-	
Serbian-Bulgarian	4	1	1	-	3	-	3	-	-	
Serbian-Spanish	4	1	-	1	3	1	2	-	-	
Serbian-Macedonian	2	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	
Serbian-Romanian	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Serbian–Slovenian	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Serbian-Turkish	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Multi-language	202	163	96	67	38	22	16	-	1	
Other	34	30	15	15	4	2	2	-	-	

¹⁾ Total number of books in the Republic of Serbia also includes the publishers from abroad.

Notes:

Data on publishing activity and printing in the Republic of Serbia in 2021 are the result of regular annual survey "Annual statistical journal of books and brochures".

This survey aims at collecting the data on publishing of non-periodicals issued in our country and made available for public use, according to the most important bibliographic features that enable analysing of phenomena and trends within publishing activity and printing.

The data have been taken from the electronic catalogue of the National Library of Serbia COBISSNBS, with their assistance. Data on 2021 refer to the bibliographical records, classified as current bibliography of Serbia related to books and brochures (monographs).

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