

## OhioLINK Borrowing & Lending 2008-09

All Case libraries share in the consortia borrowing and lending activities with other OhioLINK member institutions. The shared OhioLINK Central Catalog has nearly 48 million items and materials may be borrowed and delivered to the member library of your choice.

OhioLINK system algorithms are load-balanced twice a year to adjust the request activity and to aim for a 1% Lend/Borrow ratio. This year our ratio is 0.45%, reflected in our lower Lending activity. Case lending requests can vary widely since the changing research needs of the 140+ libraries can change more than our campus does. Case borrowing remains relatively stable each year.

- **All Case Libraries, Borrowing: 27,469, + 2.75% from 07-08 (26,713)**
- **All Case Libraries, Lending: 12,458, - 56% from 07-08 (28,715)**

Books, bound journal volumes from repositories, and some media and microfilm can be requested via OhioLINK's user-initiated, unmediated borrowing functions.

Locate an available item on the OhioLINK Central Catalog

Request it and Select a pickup location

In 3-5 days an email alerts you to pick it up at the library you selected.

OhioLINK's 89 academic member institutions contribute their holdings to the [OhioLINK Central Catalog](#), as do two public libraries (Westerville in central Ohio, and Cuyahoga County Public Library in NE Ohio), and the Center for Research Libraries (Chicago.)

Materials that are not available in the OhioLINK Central Catalog, or that are not online in e-journal or e-book collections are supplied via KSL ILLiad requests.

*In 2008, OhioLINK members delivered 777,000 books and other physical library items to the students, faculty, and staff of OhioLINK member libraries.*