



Open Data Initiatives at TPL

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Background on Open Data

Definition

“Open Data is data that can be freely used, reused and redistributed by anyone, subject only, at most, to the requirement to attribute and sharealike” – *The Open Data Handbook*



Open Data Policy

The Policy establishes the Library's commitment to:

- Open Data practices which facilitate access to high quality data sets for public use
- Utilize the TPL Open Data hub to allow for Library data to be available
- Focussing on: transparency, accountability, and in the interest of the public good



Open Data Policy Revisions

Revisions to the Open Data Policy reflect the values of the City of Toronto's recently adopted Open Data Master Plan.

Key updates to the policy include:

- Revised open data principles
- Acknowledgement of the Library's Open Government Licence for use of data
- Greater focus on co-development and collaboration with the open data community



Digital Strategy Alignment

TPL's open data portfolio is supported by TPL's Digital Strategy.

Key achievements to date include:

- A new Data Governance process that enables better management of data and its access
- The adoption of a new data quality tool
- A new TPL Data Hub and Business Intelligence tool to facilitate access and analysis of TPL data



Open Data Portal

Toronto Public Library Open Data

Introduction

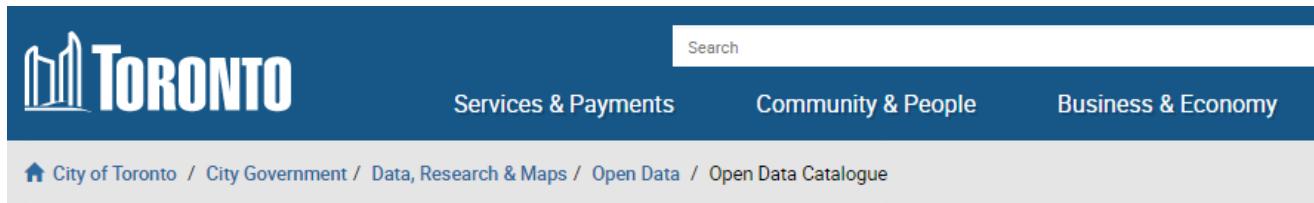
The concept of Open Data is part of a growing global movement to make public information more accessible. Providing information to the public through Open Data programs are intended to lead to more accessible, accountable and transparent government.

Toronto Public Library has released datasets on this page under [the Library's Open Data policy](#). Under this policy, Library data is made available license free and free of charge.

Members of the public may request the release of additional data sets. Staff will assess requests based on the criteria in the policy of a) public demand, b) value to the library sector including academia and c) resources required to extract and format data. A request can be made using our [Contact Us](#) page.

Library Data

Toronto Open Data Catalogue



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Toronto Open Data Catalogue. It features the City of Toronto logo on the left, followed by a search bar and three main menu items: 'Services & Payments', 'Community & People', and 'Business & Economy'. Below the navigation bar is a breadcrumb navigation showing the path: 'City of Toronto / City Government / Data, Research & Maps / Open Data / Open Data Catalogue'.

Open Data Catalogue

Welcome to the City of Toronto's Open Data Catalogue.

Data is made available under the [Open Data Licence](#).

Look for [New](#) and [Updated](#) for recent adds and changes

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Data Catalogue Totals

Catalogue last updated: May 7th, 2018

Total datasets: 269

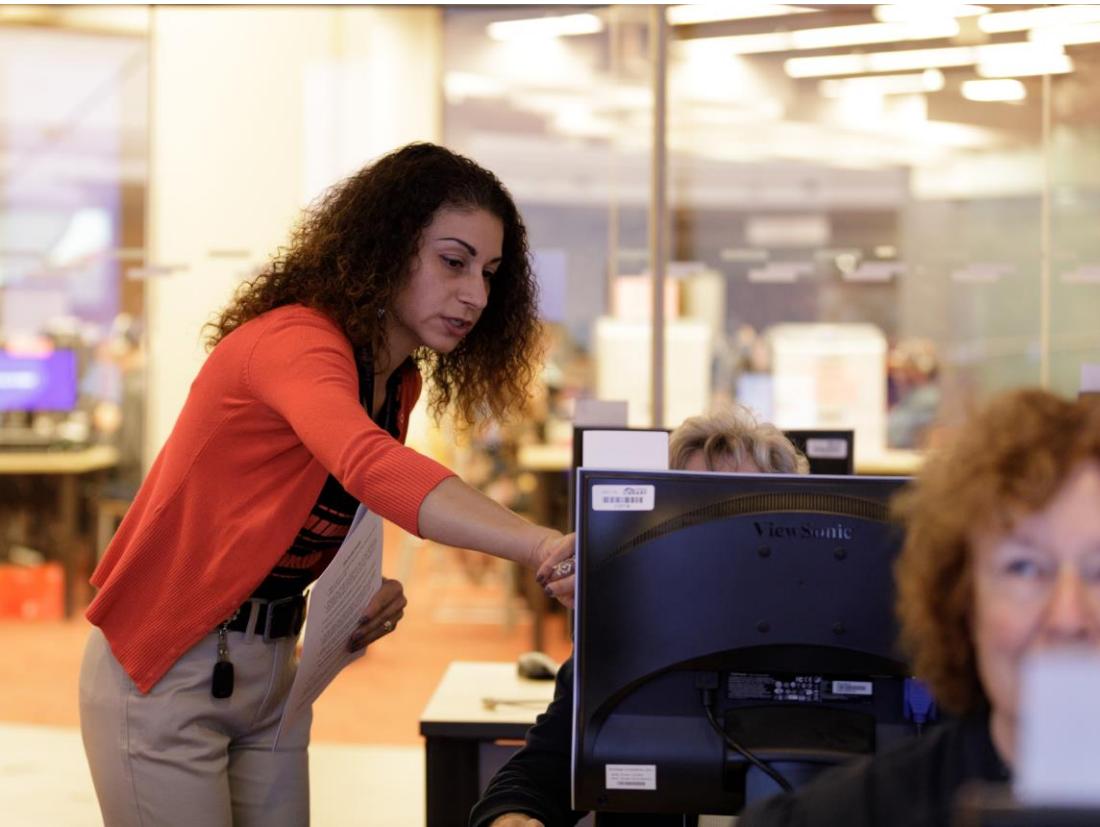
Total data files: 1231

Toronto Public Library Branch Locations

Owner	Toronto Public Library
Currency	Current
Format	KML
Refresh Rate	As Available - Publish or refresh
Website	http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/hours-locations/index.jsp [↗]
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