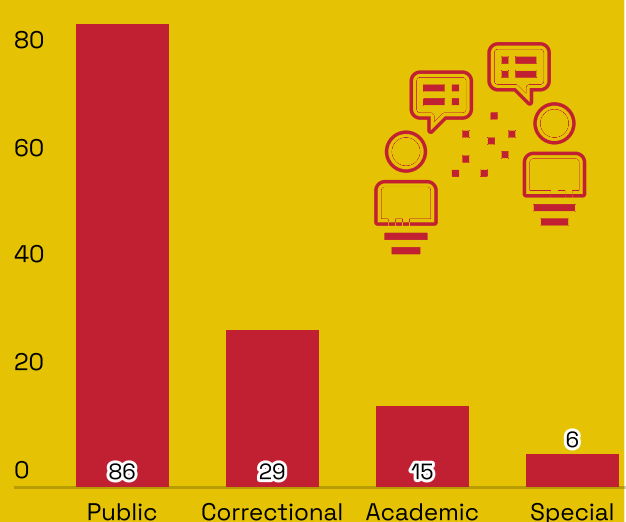# SWIFT Fast Facts

SWIFT, formerly known as Statewide Interlibrary Loan Fast Track, is an interlibrary loan (ILL) service for libraries, allowing patrons and/or staff to search and place requests for materials located in member libraries throughout the state of Colorado. The service was originally launched in 2000 but has since migrated to Innovative Interface's INN-Reach software, joining the Prospector service of the Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries. Below is a timeline of this migration and the growth this service experienced as a result.

Participating libraries today...

Library Type	Count
Public	86
Correctional	29
Academic	15
Special	6

December 8th, 2020

The Prospector migration begins for lending and patron initiated borrowing at four public libraries and staff initiated borrowing at one public library.

By the end of 2020, nine more libraries, including one academic library, had begun migrating their systems.

In **February 2021,** all but two of the current actively participating **correctional facilities** were set up with staff-initiated borrowing capabilities.

By **March,** 42 more public or academic libraries were set up for staff-initiated borrowing, and one more had been migrated for lending and patron-initiated borrowing.

By the end of **August 2021,** all but two of the libraries currently participating in staff-initiated borrowing were migrated for this capability.

Correctional Library Participation
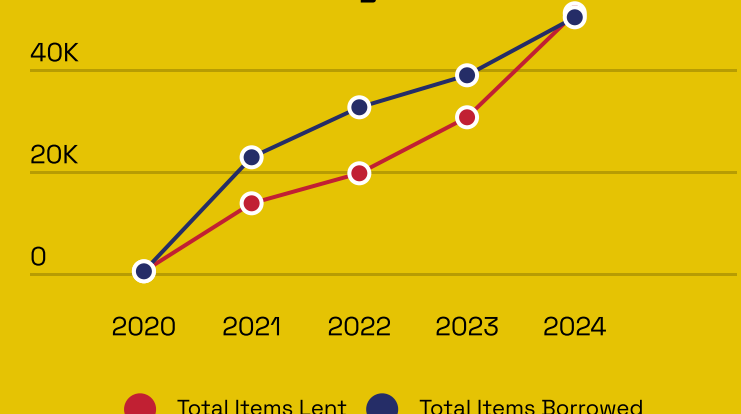
22/29 facilities are actively participating.

22,804 items were borrowed in 2024.

45% of all items borrowed through SWIFT in 2024 were borrowed by correctional facilities.

Usage Trends

Legend: Total Items Lent; Total Items Borrowed
(Years: 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024; values range 0 to 40K+)

In **April 2022,** all of the four **Early Adopter libraries** and one additional library were migrated for lending, making them now capable of all three functionalities (lending as well as both staff and patron initiated borrowing).

Rural Public Library Participation

48/53 total public libraries designated as *rural* in Colorado participate.

In **September 2022,** eleven more libraries (including rural public libraries, federal correctional institutions, and a mental health institution) were migrated for staff initiated borrowing capabilities.

185% increase in the number of items SWIFT libraries contributed to Prospector from 2022 to 2023.

349,143 - 2022 → 993,851 - 2023

By **September 2023,** another 58 libraries were set up for lending and/or patron-initiated borrowing capabilities.

215% increase in the number of people living within a public or academic service area with SWIFT borrowing capabilities.

260,301 - 2020 → 819,770 - Present
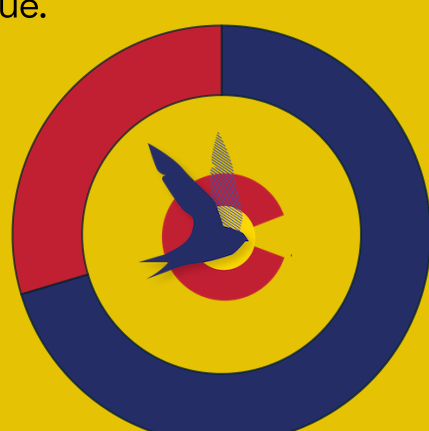
In 2023, **175,132** of the **591,464** total SWIFT titles available were unique.

- Non-unique titles
- Unique titles

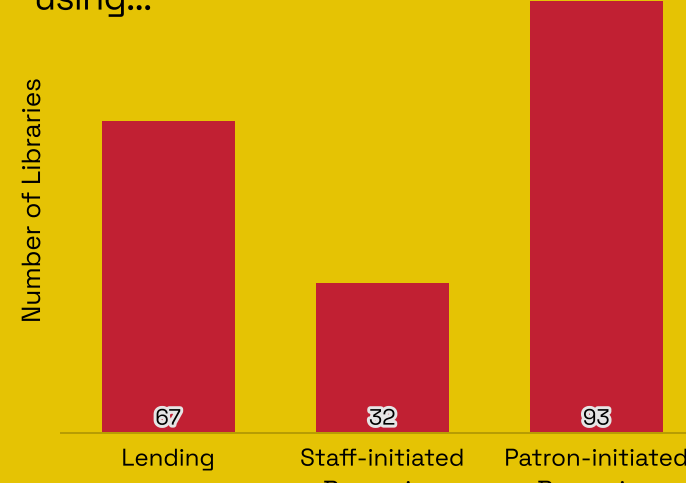From 2020 to 2024, **116,257** items were lent, and **144,983** items were borrowed! This was accomplished by libraries using...

By **October 2024,** another 23 libraries had added patron initiated borrowing capabilities.

Today...

125/136 SWIFT libraries are migrated to Prospector.

Number of Libraries

Capability	Number of Libraries
Lending	67
Staff-initiated Borrowing	32
Patron-initiated Borrowing	93