



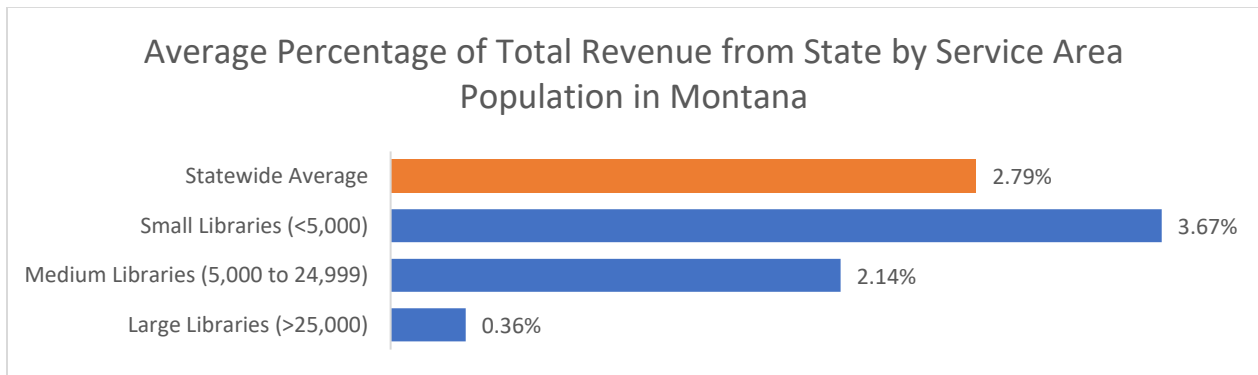
Public Library State Revenue FY2019

The following data was compiled using the Institute of Museum and Library Services FY2019 Public Library Survey, the most recent authoritative data set available. The data are collected annually from approximately 9,000 public libraries in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and outlying territories. Libraries that suppressed or did not submit population or revenue data were excluded from this report.

Library Operating Revenue

Montana

In FY2019, Montana public libraries reported an average total operating revenue of \$38.19 per capita. Of the total revenue, an average \$.88 per capita was state government income. The average percentage of total revenue from state government income was 2.79%. When grouped by population size, smaller libraries reported state aid as a larger portion of their overall revenue than medium and large libraries.

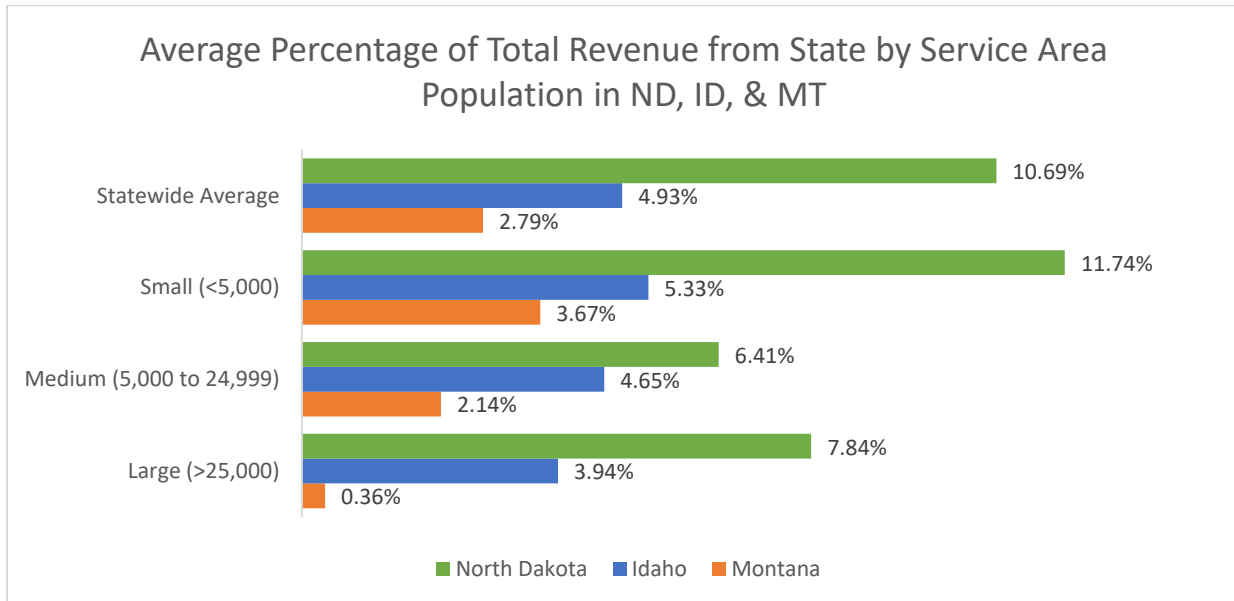


Regional Comparison

Upon including the bordering states of Idaho, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wyoming with Montana, the regional averages shifted upward. The average total operating revenue was \$42.26 per capita with state revenue accounting for \$1.51 per capita. State income was 3.97% of the total operating revenue on average.

State	Average Total Operating Revenue Per Capita	Average State Revenue Per Capita	Average Percentage of Total Revenue from State
ID	55.88	2.60	4.93%
MT	38.19	0.88	2.79%
ND	27.43	3.29	10.69%
SD	39.52	0.00	0.00%
WY	59.43	0.00	0.00%
Grand Total	42.26	1.51	3.97%

Notably, South Dakota and Wyoming did not contribute state revenue during FY2019. However, of the three states in the region that provided state aid, Montana provided the smallest contribution on average across all service area population bands.



National Comparison

Nationally, the average total operating revenue was \$60.85 per capita with \$3.77 per capita from state income. On average, 7.53% of total revenue was attributed to state income. The average Montana library total operating revenue was less than two-thirds the size of the national average. Moreover, libraries in other states attributed a larger portion of their budget to state income. The difference was further observed when the libraries were broken down by population size. While all service area populations demonstrated a difference between state and national averages, large libraries in Montana received a much smaller portion of their revenue from state income compared to their national counterparts, .36% and 8.67% respectively.

