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**Wisconsin’s Digital Library celebrates 4.25 million digital checkouts in 2017**
*Readers borrow record number of eBooks & audiobooks*

**MILWAUKEE — Feb. 22, 2018** — The Wisconsin Public Library Consortium announced today that readers borrowed over 4.25 million digital books through its OverDrive-powered [Wisconsin’s](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Crmascia%5CDownloads%5Cwww.overdrive.ocm) Digital Library in 2017, a new record. With an ever-expanding digital collection of eBooks and audiobooks, [Wisconsin’s](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Crmascia%5CDownloads%5Cwww.overdrive.ocm) Digital Library experienced year-over-year growth of 6.9 percent from 2016 as they joined the "Million Checkout Club" of 58 libraries worldwide.

Wisconsin Public Library Consortium launched [Wisconsin’s](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Crmascia%5CDownloads%5Cwww.overdrive.ocm) Digital Library in 2005, providing readers 24/7 access to eBooks and audiobooks. Reader interest and usage has grown every year since.

The top 5 titles readers borrowed through Wisconsin Public Library Consortium's OverDrive-powered digital collection in 2017 were:
1. The Girl on the Train, Paula Hawkins
2. The Whistler, John Grisham
3. Turbo Twenty-Three, Janet Evanovich
4. Small Great Things, Jodi Picoult
5. Truly Madly Guilty, Liane Moriarty

Readers just need a valid library card to access digital books from [Wisconsin’s](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Crmascia%5CDownloads%5Cwww.overdrive.ocm) Digital Library. Readers may use any major device, including Apple(R), Android™, Chromebook™ and Kindle(R) (U.S. only). Visit <https://wplc.overdrive.com> or [download the Libby app](https://meet.libbyapp.com/) to get started and borrow eBooks and audiobooks anytime, anywhere.

**About OverDrive and Libby**
OverDrive is the leading digital reading platform for libraries and schools worldwide. Libby is the highly rated "one-tap reading app" for libraries. We are dedicated to “a world enlightened by reading” by delivering the industry’s largest catalog of eBooks, audiobooks and other digital media to a growing network of 40,000 libraries and schools in 70 countries. Founded in 1986, OverDrive is based in Cleveland, Ohio USA. www.overdrive.com - meet.libbyapp.com

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