

Library community, k12 libraries in Turkey and the importance of MIL for everyone

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Turkey

- ▶ 209 Universities: 131 state, 78 foundation
 - ▶ Library Science Education: 14 Universities
 - ▶ Open education
 - ▶ Distance education
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- ▶ <https://yokatlas.yok.gov.tr/lisans-bolum.php?b=10021>

Library statistics

- ▶ Public libraries: 1213
- ▶ University libraries: 606
- ▶ School libraries: 32,158



K12 arena

- ▶ 18,241,881 students
- ▶ 66,849 schools:
 - ▶ 10,669 kindergarten
 - ▶ 24,739 primary
 - ▶ 18,935 middle
 - ▶ 12,506 high schools

Student population

- ▶ State schools 15,189,878
- ▶ Private schools 1,468,198
- ▶ Open education 1,583,805

- ▶ Teachers:
- ▶ 1,117,686

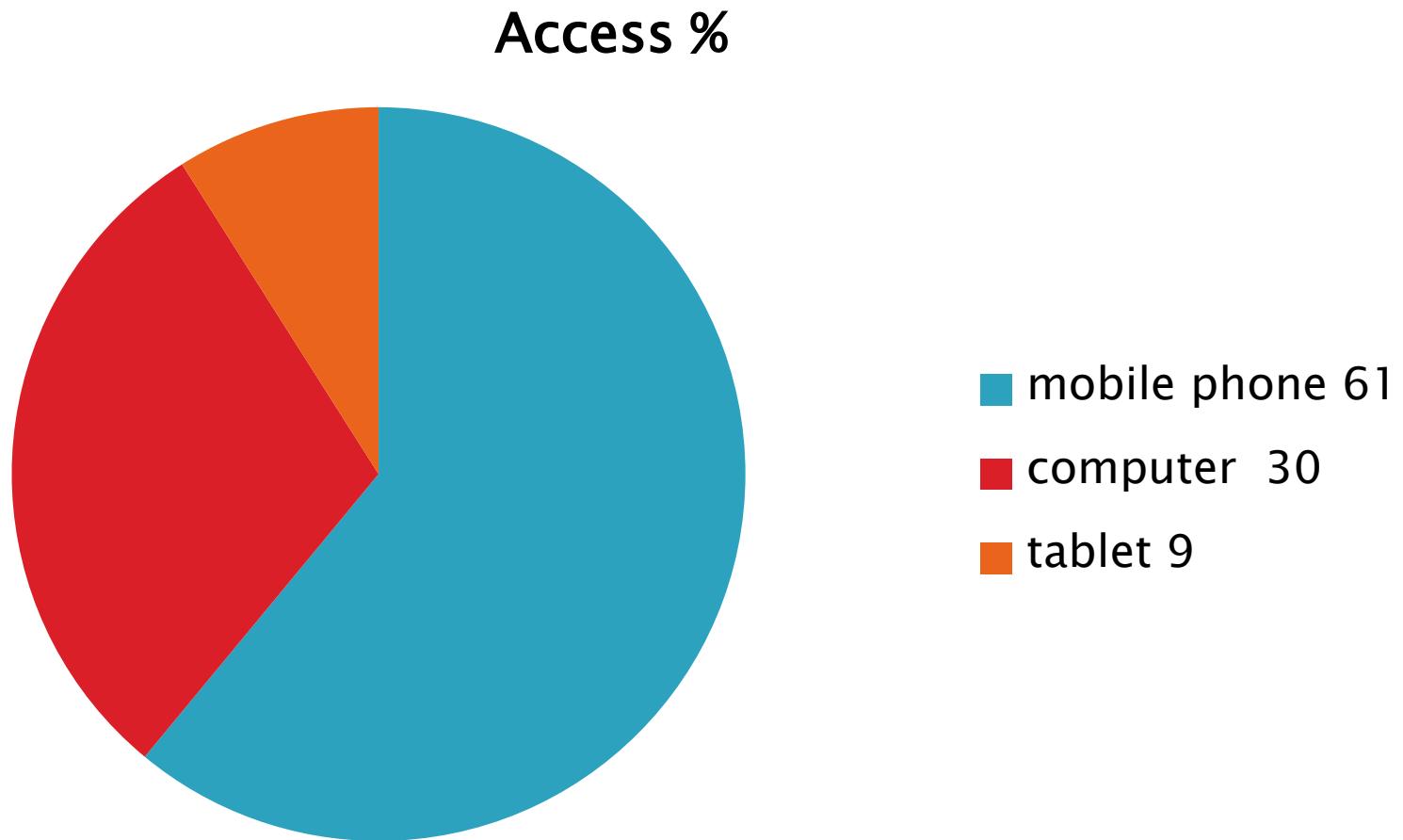
- ▶ <https://data.tuik.gov.tr/Bulten/Index?p=Kutuphane-Istatistikleri-2020-37201>

EBA (Network of Education & Informatics)

Access from 3 tv channels
Primary-middle-high school

- ▶ 18,241,881 total number of students
 - ▶ 13,991,221 attending
 - ▶ 4,994,221 absent
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- ▶ <http://yegitek.meb.gov.tr/www/sayilarla-uzaktan-egitim/icerik/3205>

EBA access by Internet





- ▶ <https://www.duvarenglish.com/students-set-up-mountaintop-tent-to-study-in-turkish-village-without-internet-news-55928>



- ▶ <https://www.ntv.com.tr/galeri/egitim/derse-baglanmak-icin-daga-cikiyorlar,ScCZC1Bo7kqMBGwXcTjy0w/9wX-cHd71kmcZUg-DBdnVw>

Pandemic times

- ▶ Access of information
 - ▶ Explosion of information
 - ▶ Misinformation literacy
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- ▶ Providing quality information
 - ▶ Information privilege (J. Valenza)

How do we prioritize MIL

- ▶ Reach out to your community
- ▶ Collaborate with class teachers
- ▶ Talk about the search process
- ▶ Dealing with misinformation
- ▶ Reaching relevant information is crucial

MIL – life skill

- ▶ Understanding the need for information
- ▶ Being able to formulate questions
- ▶ Establish research
- ▶ Evaluate everything



School library

- ▶ Atmosphere of democracy
- ▶ Creativity
- ▶ Team work
- ▶ Critical thinking
- ▶ Problem solving

- ▶ Selecting the right sources
- ▶ Providing quality information
- ▶ Curating what is best & needed
- ▶ Cultural center



«To be a librarian is not to be neutral or passive, or waiting for a question. It is to be a radical positive change agent in your community.»

R. David Lankes

- ▶ Know your community
- ▶ Embrace new models
- ▶ Keep learning
- ▶ Connect with the world

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