

# GOING TO THE LIBRARY IS ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY

Libraries are good for the environment. Your library acts as a pioneer, since libraries are proven to be environmentally friendly. Are you already taking part?

**95** Carbon footprint of libraries  
**ktCO<sub>2</sub>e**

The carbon footprint comprises all library activities, such as energy consumption, material purchases, e-services and transport.

Did you know that visiting the library on foot or by bike only generates greenhouse gas emissions of less than 1kg CO<sub>2</sub>e?

## Average carbon footprint

**90000**

You can reduce your carbon footprint with your library card by using the versatile services of the library.

A kantele, tennis racket or snow shoes – the footprint is also reduced through co-ownership.

The average carbon footprint of all libraries in 2022 corresponds to the average footprint of about 9,000 people in Finland!

**90%** Trust in libraries

Almost 90% of Finns trust in libraries. Libraries hold scientific information, which also covers climate change and climate work.

Learn more from the professionals working in your local library!



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Gaia Consulting Oy has calculated the entire carbon footprint of libraries in Finland with the use of sample libraries.



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**Your local library supports climate action – libraries offer a forum for active citizenship in climate matters as well!**