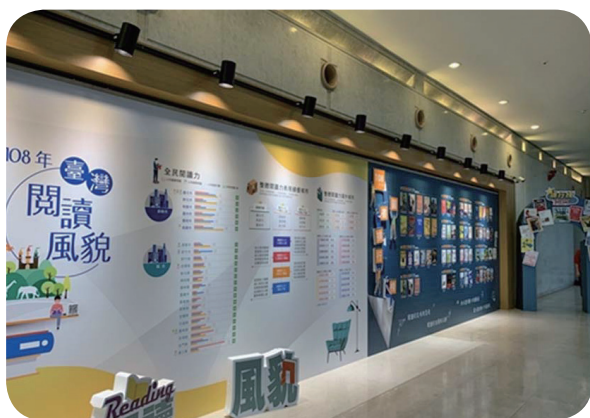


no longer limited to kung fu novels, but also include other topics, such as spiritual growth and historical books. This diversification in reading tastes is a welcome development.

In terms of reading engagement, “Cities with Outstanding Overall Reading Ability” saw Taipei City, Miaoli County, and Taitung County topping their respective categories; “Cities with Stark Improvement in Reading Engagement” included Taoyuan City, Yunlin County, and Kinmen County in their respective categories. Of these, Kinmen County saw the greatest percentage of growth and was crowned 1st place in all of Taiwan. In addition, “Cities with Outstanding Reading Engagement in Each Category” showed that the people in Sanwan Township, Miaoli County were the most active borrowers of library books, with each person borrowing on average 17.64 volumes. Sanwan has held this honor for the last 6 consecutive years. The people of Kaohsiung City go to libraries the most, with each citizen visiting an average of 9.76 times. Nearly 80% of people in Taipei have library cards, the highest percentage in Taiwan. The people of Juguang Township in Lienchiang County own, on average, 21.96 books, the highest in the country.



Exhibition of public's reading engagement and reading interests in 2019.

■ NCL E-Learning Campus Spring Digital Learning Promotional Activity

In an effort to increase the professional acumen of librarians, government employees,

and teachers—and in response to the coronavirus pandemic—National Central Library is encouraging the public to make use of the resources on its E-Learning Campus during this quarantine period to keep learning. The event is called “Further Your Academics During the Pandemic” Spring Digital Learning Promotion Event. This event will allow participants to learn what they desire and replenish their minds and bodies. On the NCL E-Learning Campus platform the following courses will be available: New Waves in Education Trends, Basic Public Library Management Acumen, and Global Vision. Eligible participants are encouraged to sign up.

» NCL E-Learning Campus platform:
<https://cu.ncl.edu.tw/mooc/index.php>



The promotional poster for the Spring Digital Learning courses.

■ NCL Offers Express Materials Delivery Service to Assist Researchers during the Pandemic

As the coronavirus pandemic continues, National Central Library is now offering a Knowledge Quick Access materials delivery service to aid in obtaining needed materials during the pandemic. It is also providing instant online reference services and a resource users' guide via its Online Reference Help website to assist patrons in finding what they need in the library.

NCL Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng stated that in an effort to reduce the use of public transportation, and limit risks of infection by