

# Frequency of reading books

### Global GfK survey



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#### Global GfK survey: Frequency of reading books



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## Methodology

### Countries covered, methodology and sample size



GfK interviewed in summer 2016 more than 22,000 consumers (aged 15 and older) in 17 countries online. The data have been weighted to reflect the demographic composition of the online population age 15+ in each market.

- Argentina (online/n=1007)
- Australia (online/n=1001)
- Belgium (online/n=1004)
- Brazil (online/n=1500)
- Canada (online/n=1002)
- China (online/n=1510)
- France (online/n=1501)
- Germany (online/n=1502)
- Italy (online/n=1503)

- Japan (online/n=1500)
- Mexico (online/n=1000)
- Netherlands (online/n=1003)
- Russia (online/n=1501)
- South Korea (online/n=1000)
- Spain (online/n=1500)
- UK (online/n=1501)
- USA (online/n=1536)



#### Question



Please indicate how often you do the following activity:

#### Read books

Options:

- Every day or most days
- At least once a week
- At least once a month
- Less often
- Never



## **Global results**



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#### Highlights

- Across 17 countries 30 percent of the online population read books "every day or most days"
- Nearly 60 percent read books either daily or at least once a week
- China has the highest percentage of "every day" book readers
- Non-readers for books highest in Netherlands and South Korea
- Women are more likely to be avid book readers than men
- High income households read books more regularly than low income



### Frequency of reading books Average across all 17 countries – Total plus breakdown by gender





### Frequency of reading books Average across all 17 countries by age groups





### Frequency of reading books Average across all 17 countries by income groups





### Country results – Europe

## Belgium



### Frequency of reading books Belgium – Total plus breakdown by gender





### Frequency of reading books Belgium by age groups





### Frequency of reading books Belgium by income groups





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Medium high income

Medium low income

high income = the top ca. 25% earners

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High income

Low income

### France



Frequency of reading books France – Total plus breakdown by gender





### Frequency of reading books France by age groups





### Frequency of reading books France by income groups





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Low income





### Frequency of reading books Germany – Total plus breakdown by gender





### Frequency of reading books Germany by age groups





### Frequency of reading books Germany by income groups





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Low income





Frequency of reading books Italy – Total plus breakdown by gender





### Frequency of reading books Italy by age groups





### Frequency of reading books Italy by income groups





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### Netherlands

### Frequency of reading books Netherlands – Total plus breakdown by gender





### Frequency of reading books Netherlands by age groups





Frequency of reading books Netherlands by income groups





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## Russia



### Frequency of reading books Russia – Total plus breakdown by gender





### Frequency of reading books Russia by age groups





### Frequency of reading books Russia by income groups





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Frequency of reading books Spain – Total plus breakdown by gender





#### Frequency of reading books Spain by age groups





#### Frequency of reading books Spain by income groups





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## **United Kingdom**



#### Frequency of reading books United Kingdom – Total plus breakdown by gender





#### Frequency of reading books United Kingdom by age groups





Frequency of reading books United Kingdom by income groups





## Country results – North America

## Canada



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#### Frequency of reading books Canada – Total plus breakdown by gender





#### Frequency of reading books Canada by age groups





Frequency of reading books Canada by income groups





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## USA

Frequency of reading books USA – Total plus breakdown by gender





# Frequency of reading books USA by age groups





# Frequency of reading books USA by income groups





## Country results – Latin America

## Argentina



#### Frequency of reading books Argentina – Total plus breakdown by gender





#### Frequency of reading books Argentina by age groups





Frequency of reading books Argentina by income groups





## Brazil



Frequency of reading books Brazil – Total plus breakdown by gender





#### Frequency of reading books Brazil by age groups





#### Frequency of reading books Brazil by income groups





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## Mexico



#### Frequency of reading books Mexico – Total plus breakdown by gender





#### Frequency of reading books Mexico by age groups





#### Frequency of reading books Mexico by income groups





## Country results – Asia-Pacific

## Australia



#### Frequency of reading books Australia – Total plus breakdown by gender





#### Frequency of reading books Australia by age groups





#### Frequency of reading books Australia by income groups





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## China



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#### Frequency of reading books China by age groups





#### Frequency of reading books China by income groups





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Frequency of reading books Japan – Total plus breakdown by gender





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# Frequency of reading books Japan by income groups





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Low income

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## South Korea



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Frequency of reading books South Korea by income groups





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