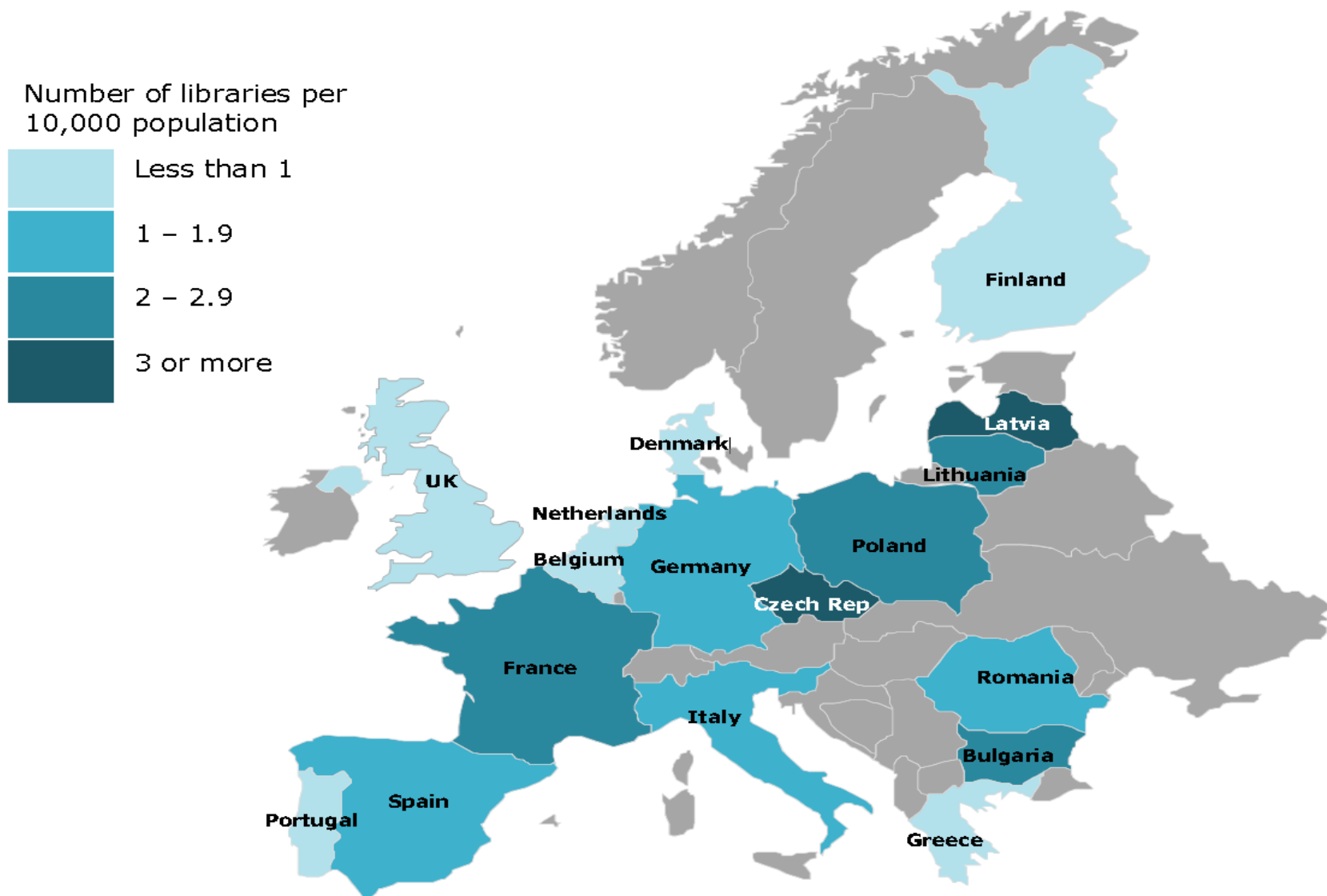


LIBRARIES IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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EU = 63 000 public libraries,

CR = 5 400

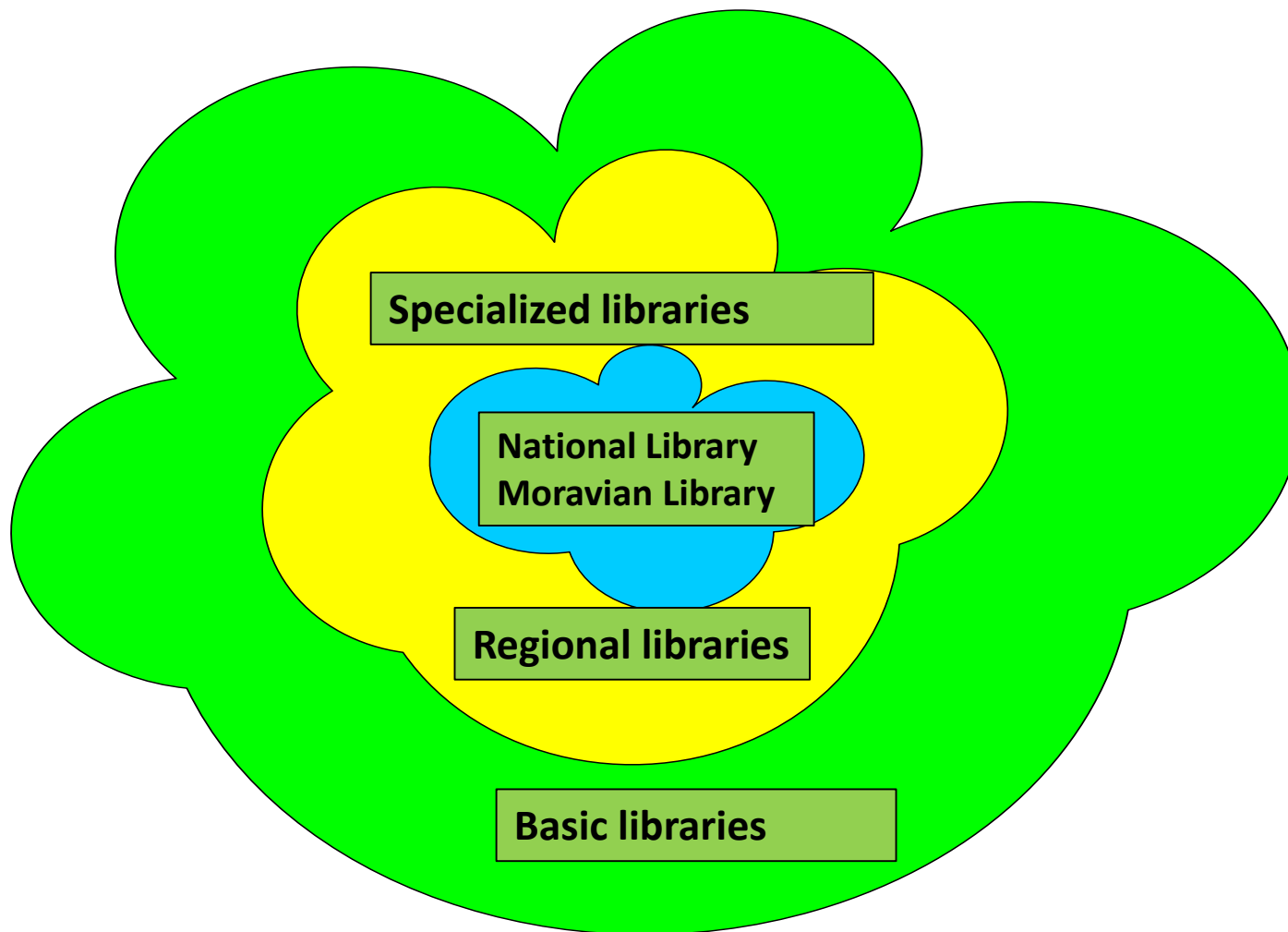


Czech Republic

- Inhabitants
CR 10 553 843 (2016)
Prague – 1 267 449
- Population density
134 inhabitants/km²
- Area
78 866 km²



System of libraries in CR



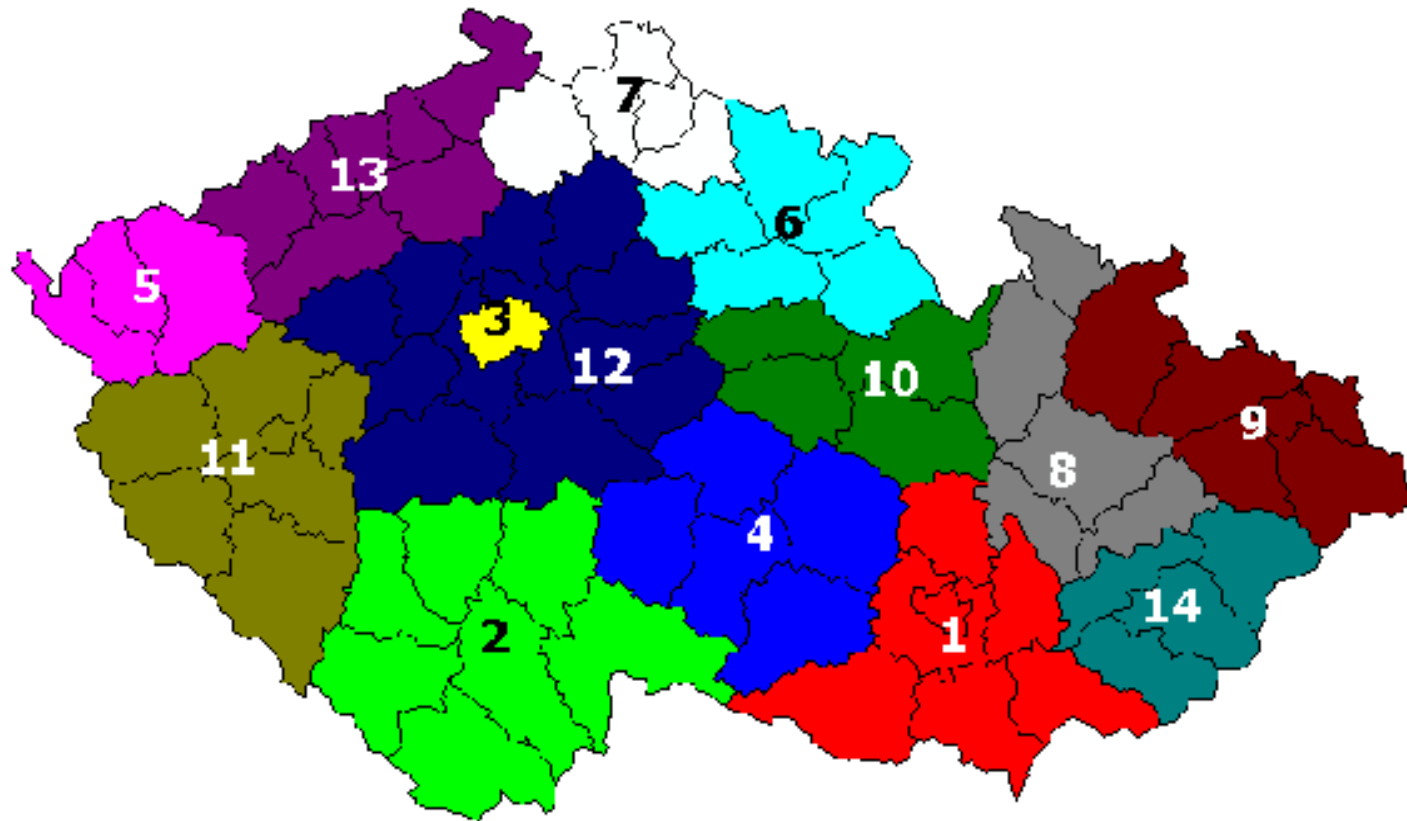
Library System

- governed by the Ministry of Culture
 - National Library (Prague)
 - Moravian Library (Brno)
 - K. E Macan Library and Printing Shop for the Blinds
- governed by the regional authorities and government departments
 - [*Central Specialized Libraries*]
 - Regional Libraries („Research“ – „Study“)
- governed by the local government, selfgovernment, other bodies, institutions
 - all other libraries („basic“, „basic specialized“ libraries)

Library Landscape

- 10,5 mil. inhabitants
- 14 Regions = 14 Regional Libraries
- ca 6000 communities => 5354 public libraries in municipalities/communes (2017; 1995: 6179)
- **All (large) central libraries reside in Prague**
 - National Library of the Czech Republic
 - National Library of Technology
 - National Library of Medicine
 - National Museum and Library of Education
 - (Food and Agriculture Library)
 - Library of the Czech Academy of Sciences
 - Library of the National Museum
 - Library of the Parliament
 - K.E. Macan Library and PrintShop for Blind
- **Second largest library – out of Prague**
 - Moravian Library (Brno)

14 regions = 14 regional libraries



- **Basic libraries**

- universal library collections
- village and municipal public libraries

- **Specialized libraries**

- special library collection
- university, museum, hospital, archive, school, Academy of Science libraries

Fundamental System Bonds

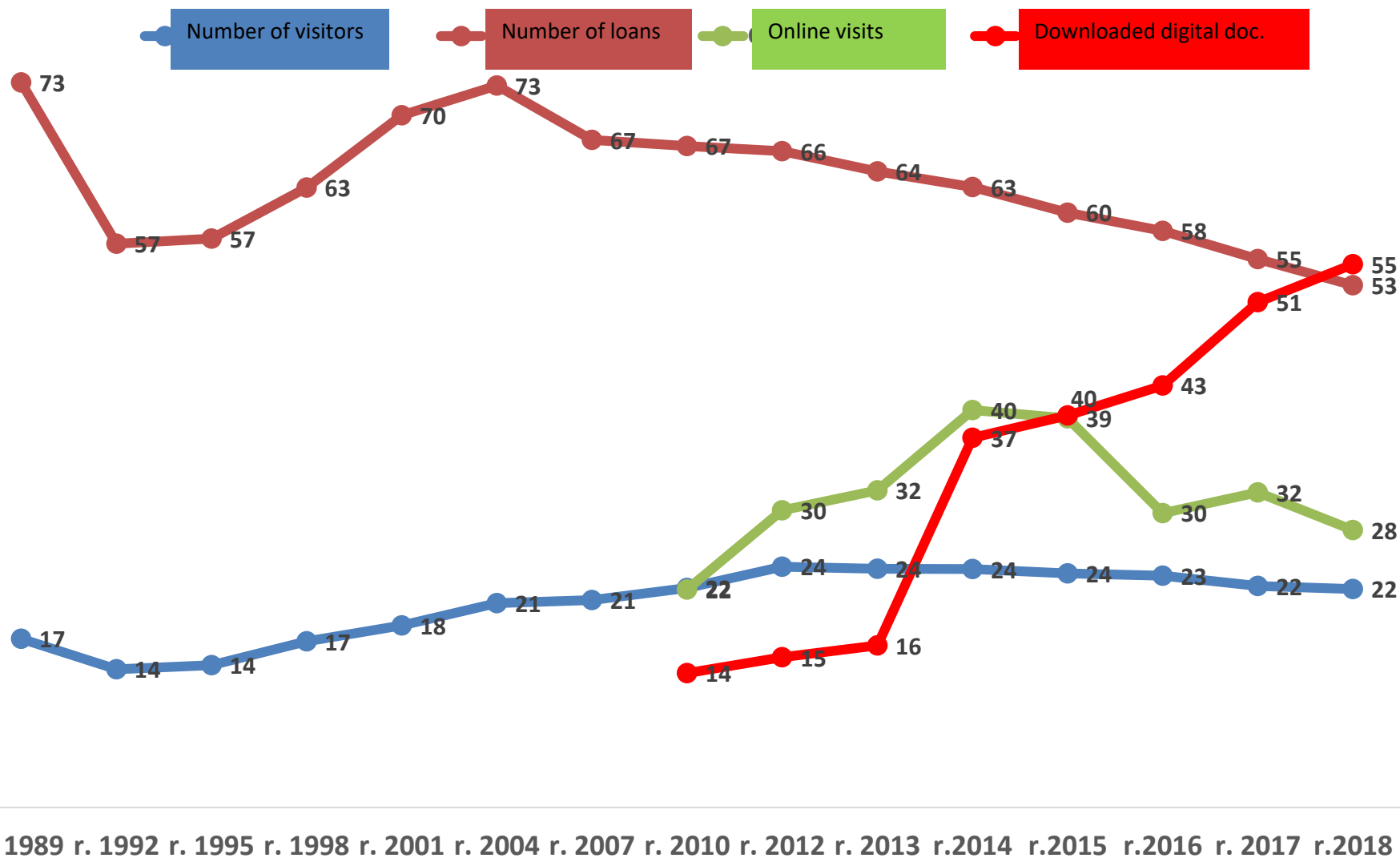
1. Every library must provide prescribed obligatory services.
2. Obligatory supply of documents from other libraries by way of ILL.
3. Legal Deposit Libraries are obliged to preserve „Conservation Collection“ for posterity
 - 3 + 1 (12 = regional) / + 1 Legal Deposit Libraries – non-periodicals / visually impaired
 - 5 / 1 Legal Deposit Copies (National Library – 2 copies, „regional“ copy, vis.impaired)
 - 16 / 1 Legal Deposit Copies for periodical publications
4. National Library, Regional and specialized libraries provide other libraries, in the respective field of their activity, with various kinds of education, methodological and standardisation consultation and guidance.
5. Libraries may benefit from nation-wide (extended) collective licences (lending of sound recordings, electronic document supply, public readings) – negotiated and administered by the National Library.
6. National Library is authorised to negotiate with collective management organisations on behalf of the System of Libraries.

Library Statistics (2018)

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

- public libraries personnel (FTE) – 6 058
- acquisitions funding – CZK 343 mil. (14 mil. EUR)
- user workplaces – 52 843
- PCs for the public – 10 858
- with Internet access – 9 999
- library items - 64 360 000
- loans - 52 705 410
- visitors - 22 046 948
- users of online services - 28 005 293
- documents downloaded – 55 mil.

Visitors, loans, downloaded digital documents (mil.)



Professional Librarian Organisations

- Association of Library and Information Professionals of the Czech Republic

<www.skipcr.cz>



- Library Association of the Czech Republic

<www.sdruk.cz>



- Association of Libraries of Czech Universities <www.akvs.cz>

