



Annual Kirjakori statistics overview on Finnish children's and youth literature 2024

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- The number of children's and teen books has been recorded in the Kirjakori statistics since 2001.
- The annual Kirjakori statistics overview is based on the books donated by authors, illustrators, and publishers.
- Kirjakori 2024 overview and exhibition includes 1306 books for children and young people.
- All categories are showcased in the exhibition, from picture books to chapter books, and novels for young adults, as well as poetry, comics and graphic novels, and non-fiction.
- There are books from 123 domestic and foreign publishers.
- The percentage of domestic books in Kirjakori is almost 55%, making it more than 50% for the eighth year in a row.
- There are 20 Finnish-Swedish books written in Swedish, and one Inari Sámi language book included in the domestic books.
- There are also 33 Easy language books and 5 bilingual books (2 Finnish-English, 2 Finnish-Ukrainian, 1 Finnish-Romany language).
- The National Bibliography 1/25: the number of books for children and young people from 2024 is 1373 (includes e.g., new editions, translations, colouring books).
- Estimate: There were appr. 1400 books published for 0–18-year-olds in Finland in 2024.

Books in Kirjakori 2001–2024

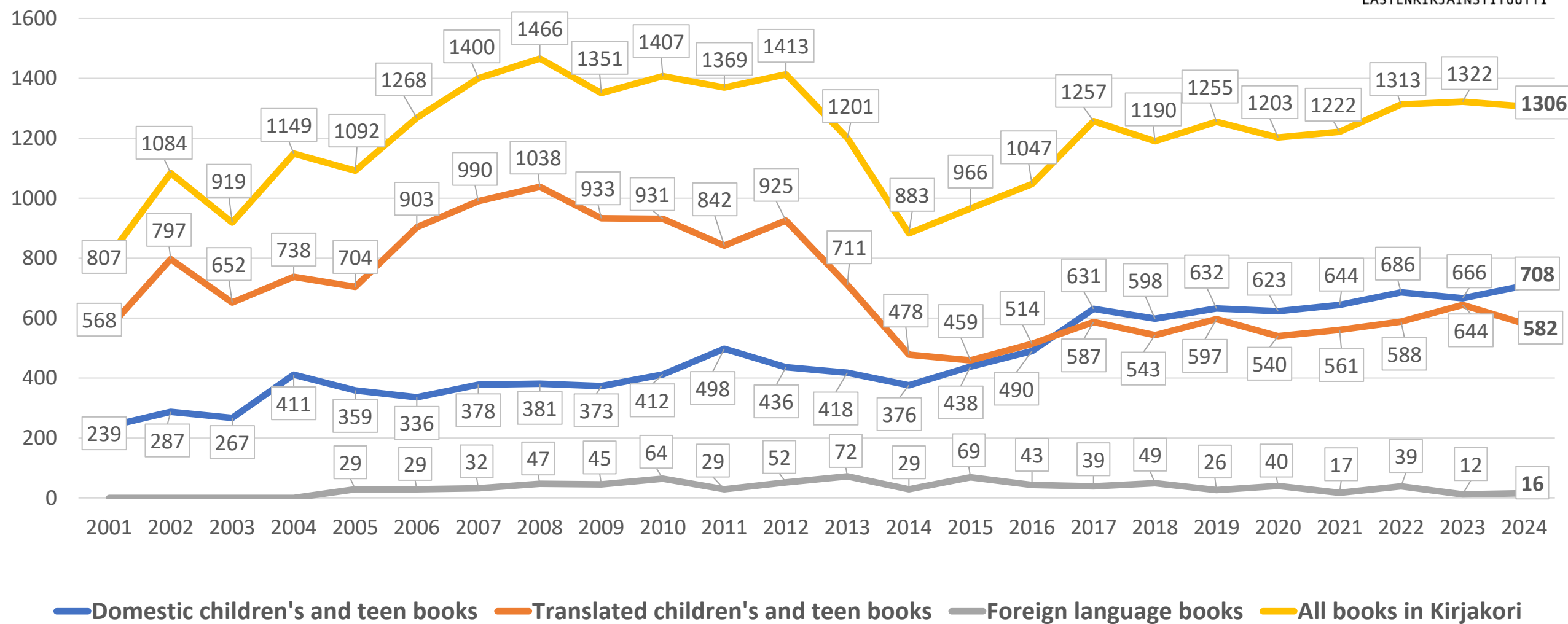


Figure 1. Books in Kirjakori 2001–2024.

NB: Foreign language books, for example translations of Finnish authors' works into other languages, have been a separate category since 2005. From 2014 only a selection of translated comics and graphic novels have been included in the library's collection.

Categories in children's and youth literature

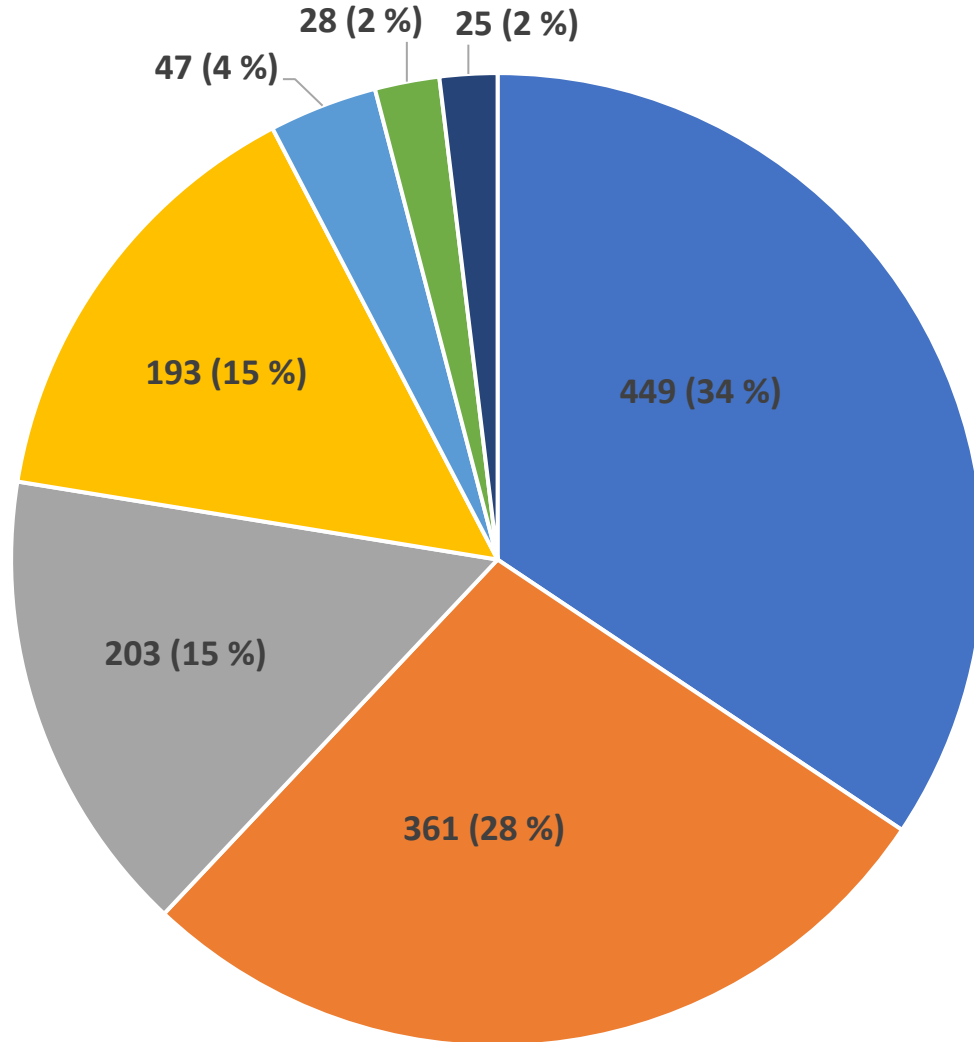


Figure 2.
All children's and youth literature by category (1306 books).

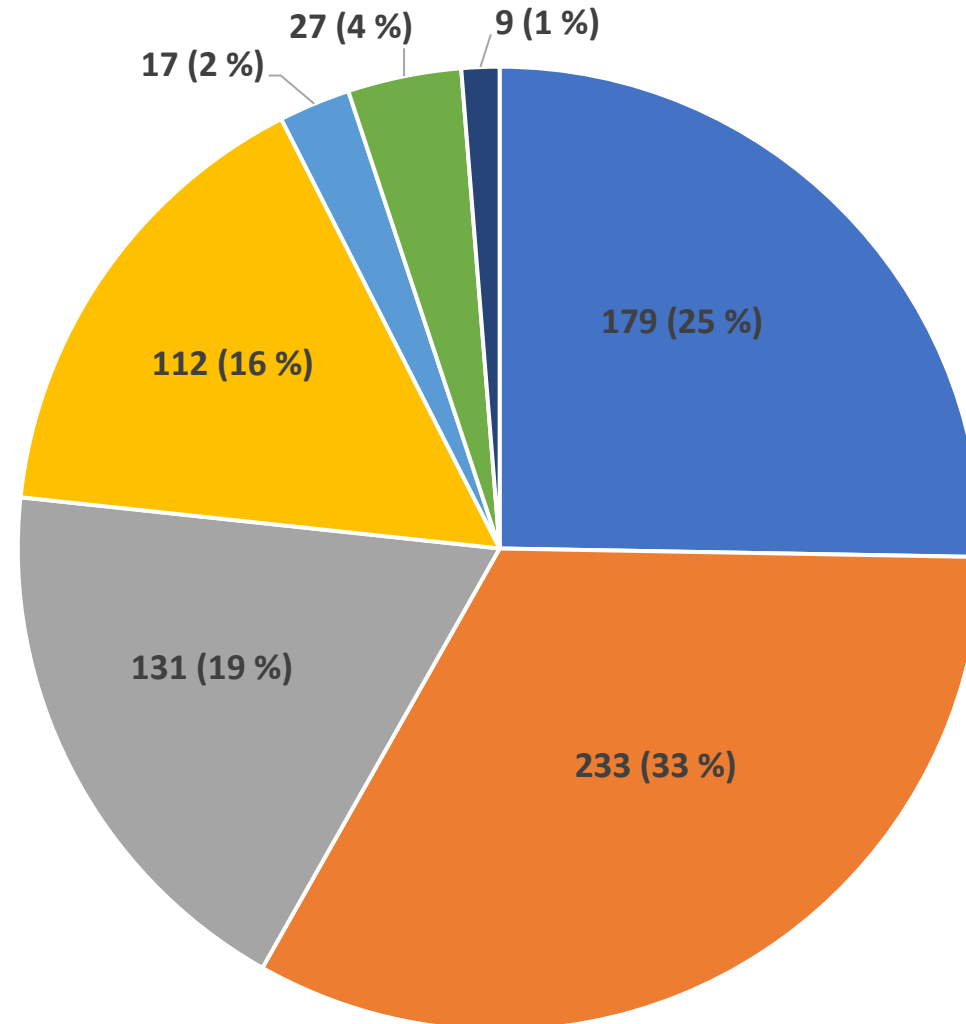


Figure 3.
Domestic children's and youth literature by category (708 books).

- Picture books
- Children's books
- Teen books
- Non-fiction
- Graphic novels
- Poetry
- Others

Categories in domestic children's and youth literature 2020–2024

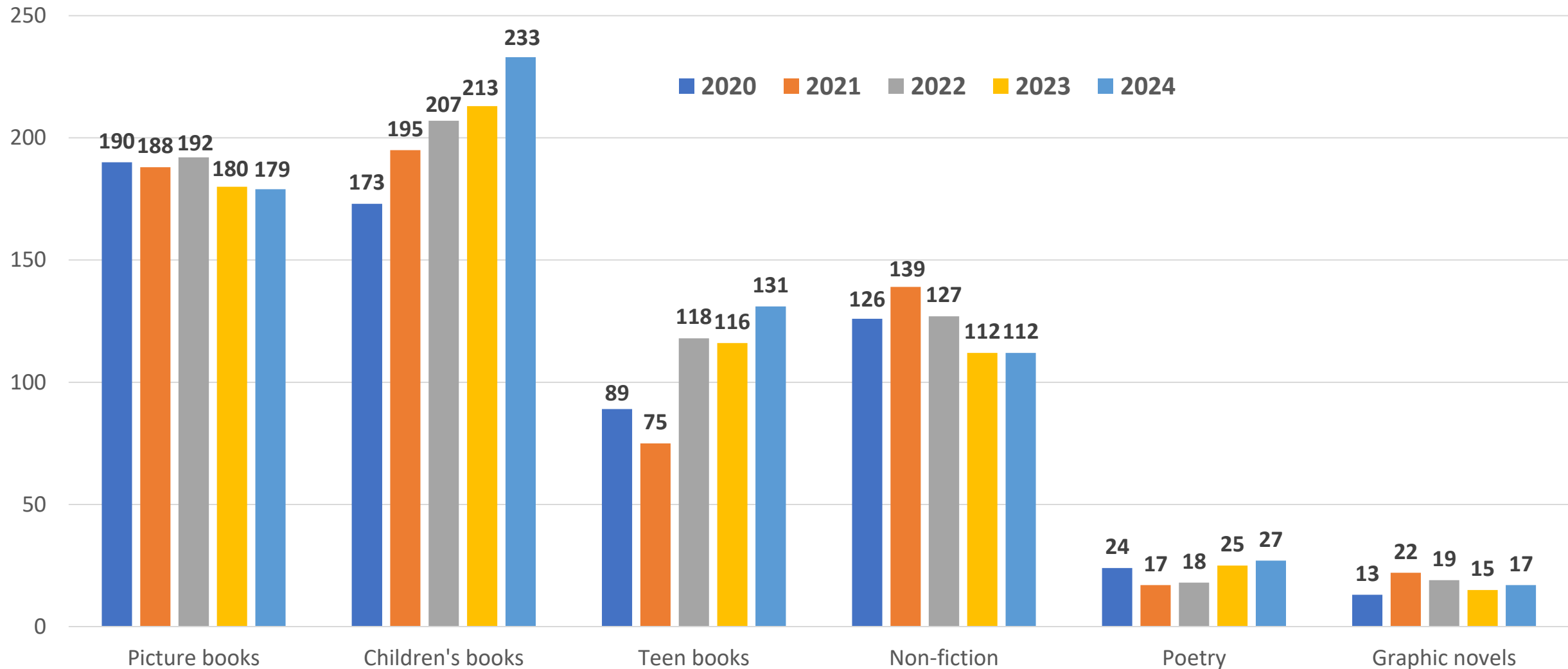


Figure 4. Domestic children's and youth literature by category 2020–2024.

Children's and teen books by original language

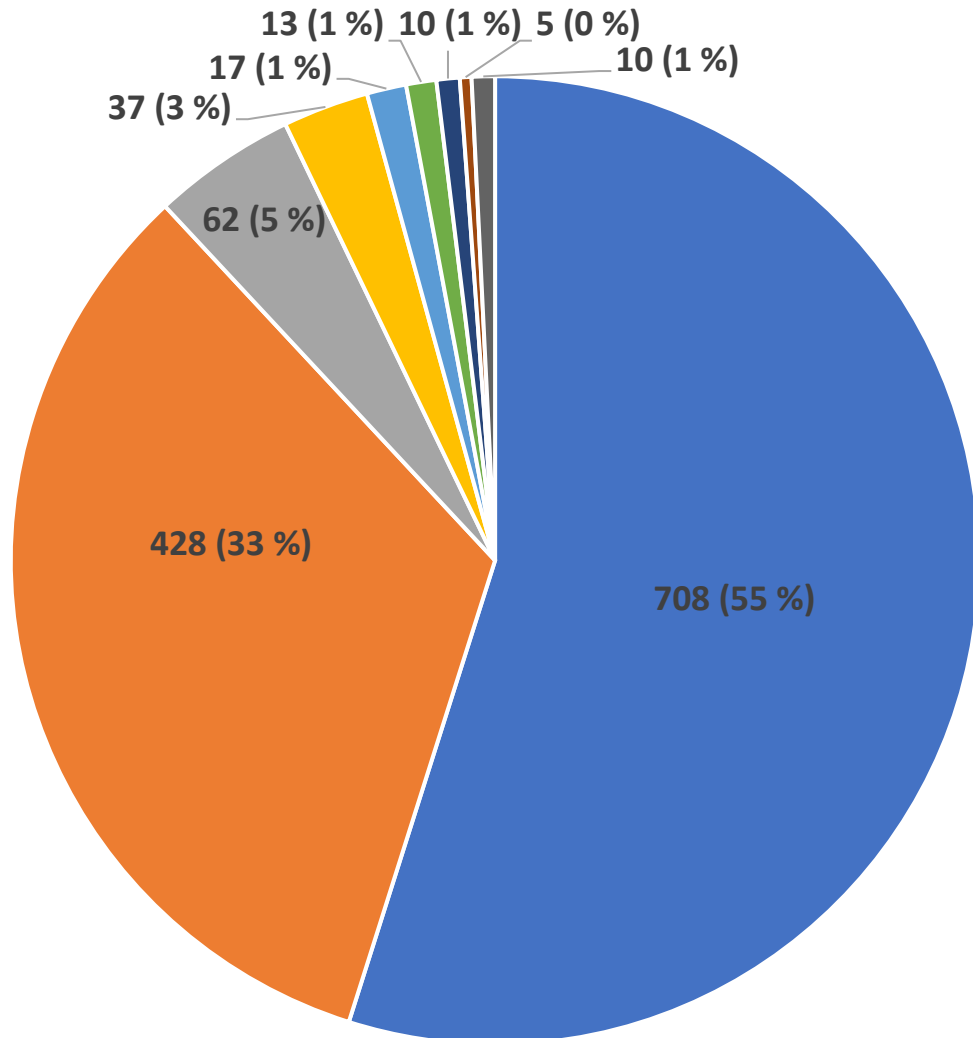


Figure 5. Children's and teen books by original language (1290 books, no foreign language books).

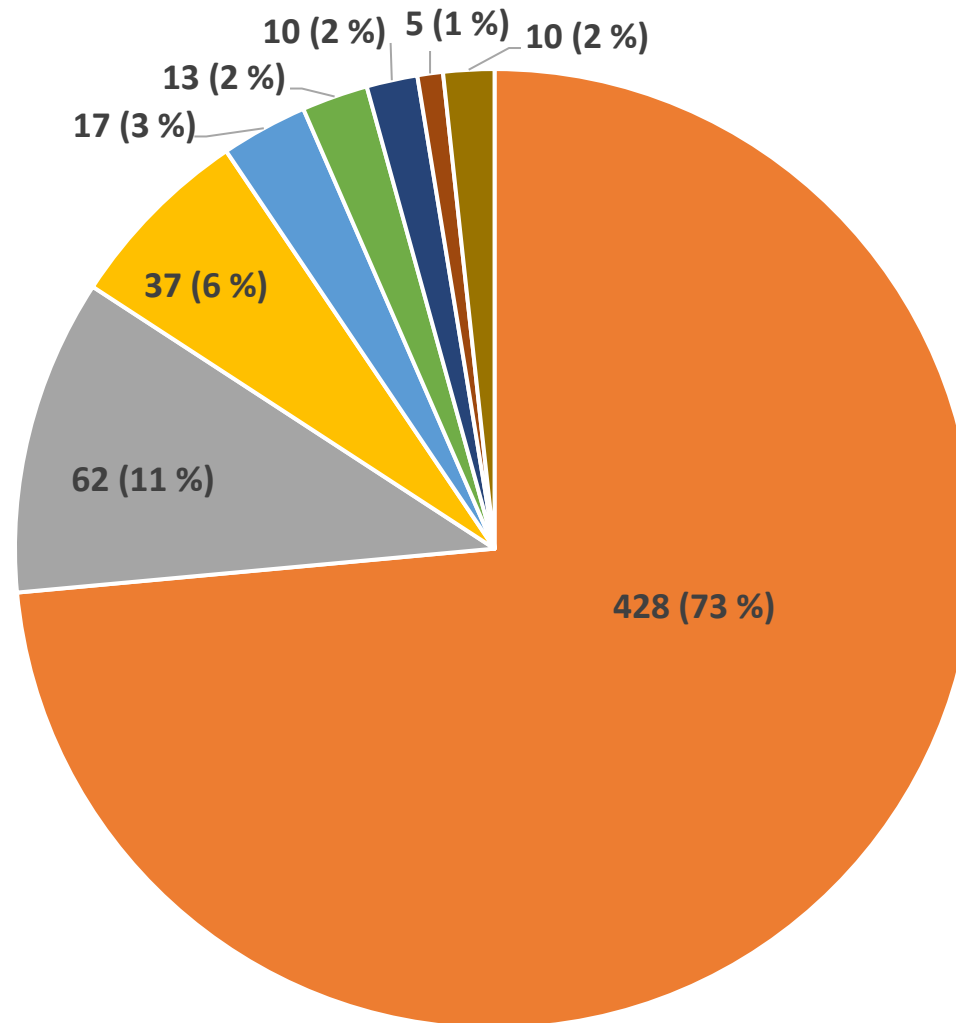
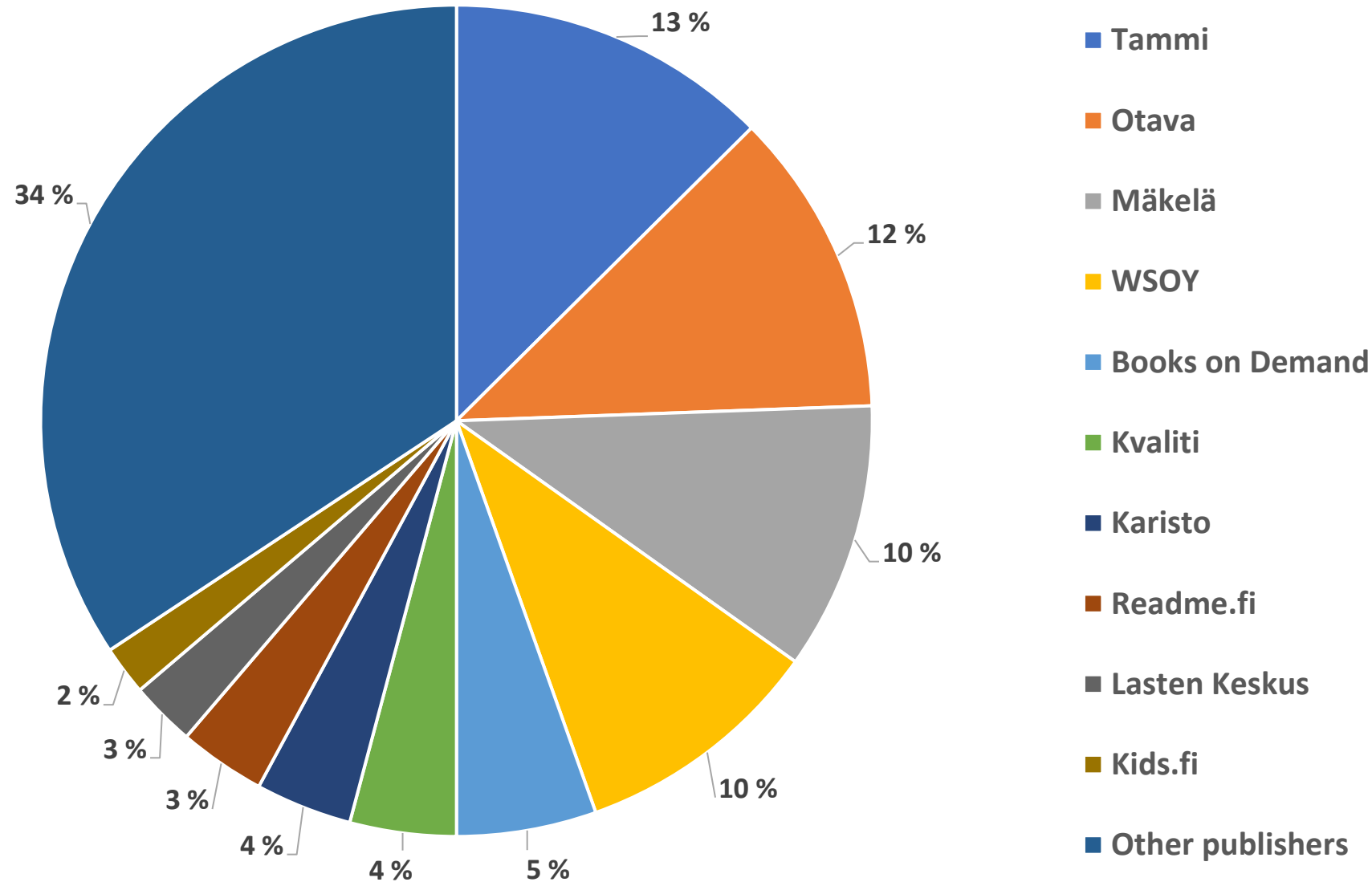


Figure 6. Children's and teen books by original language (582 books, no domestic or foreign language books).

Other languages:
Catalan, Icelandic, Italian,
Japanese, Latvian, Spanish.

Publishers of children's and teen books



Kirjakori 2024 includes books from 123 domestic and foreign publishers. In Kirjakori 2023 there were books from 129 publishers.

10 publishers published around 66% of the books in Kirjakori 2024.

Figure 7. 10 biggest publishers by the number of titles in Kirjakori 2024.

Picture books 2001–2024

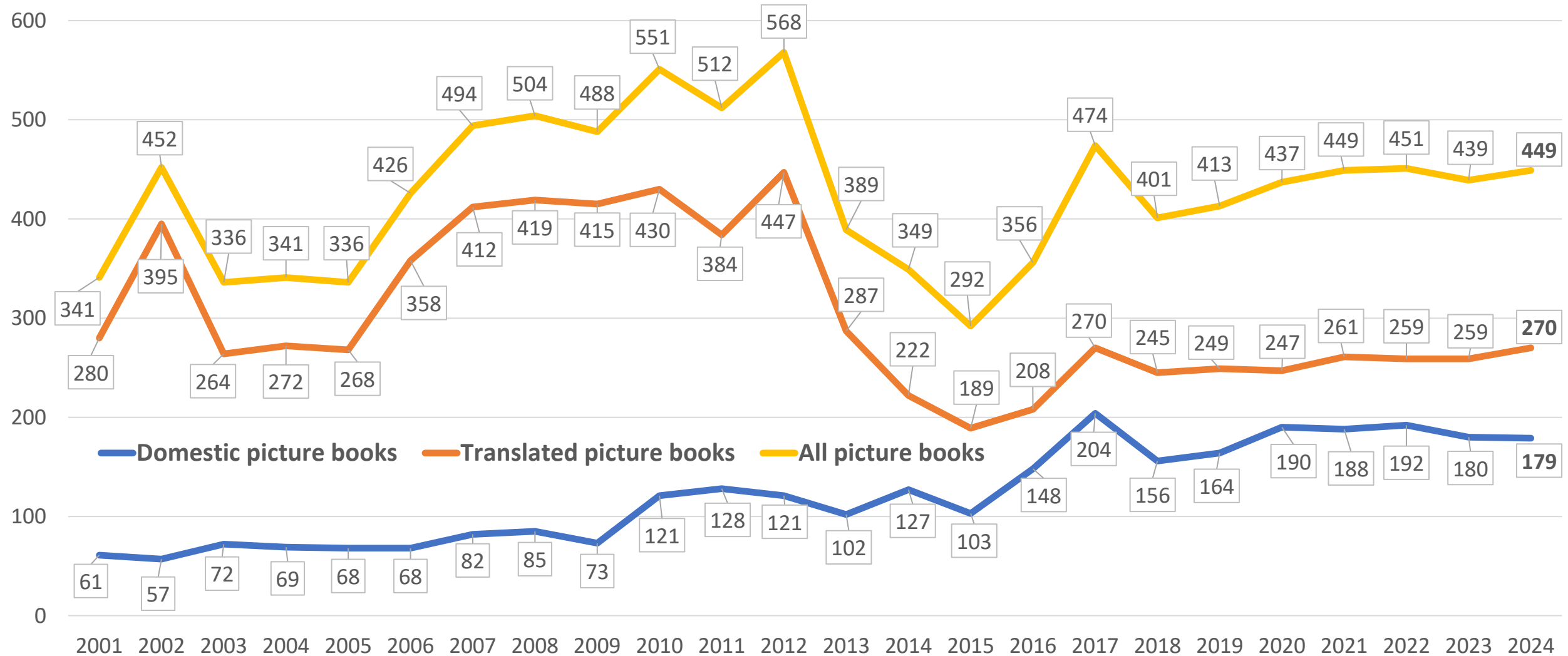


Figure 8. Domestic and translated picture books 2001–2024.

Children's books 2001–2024

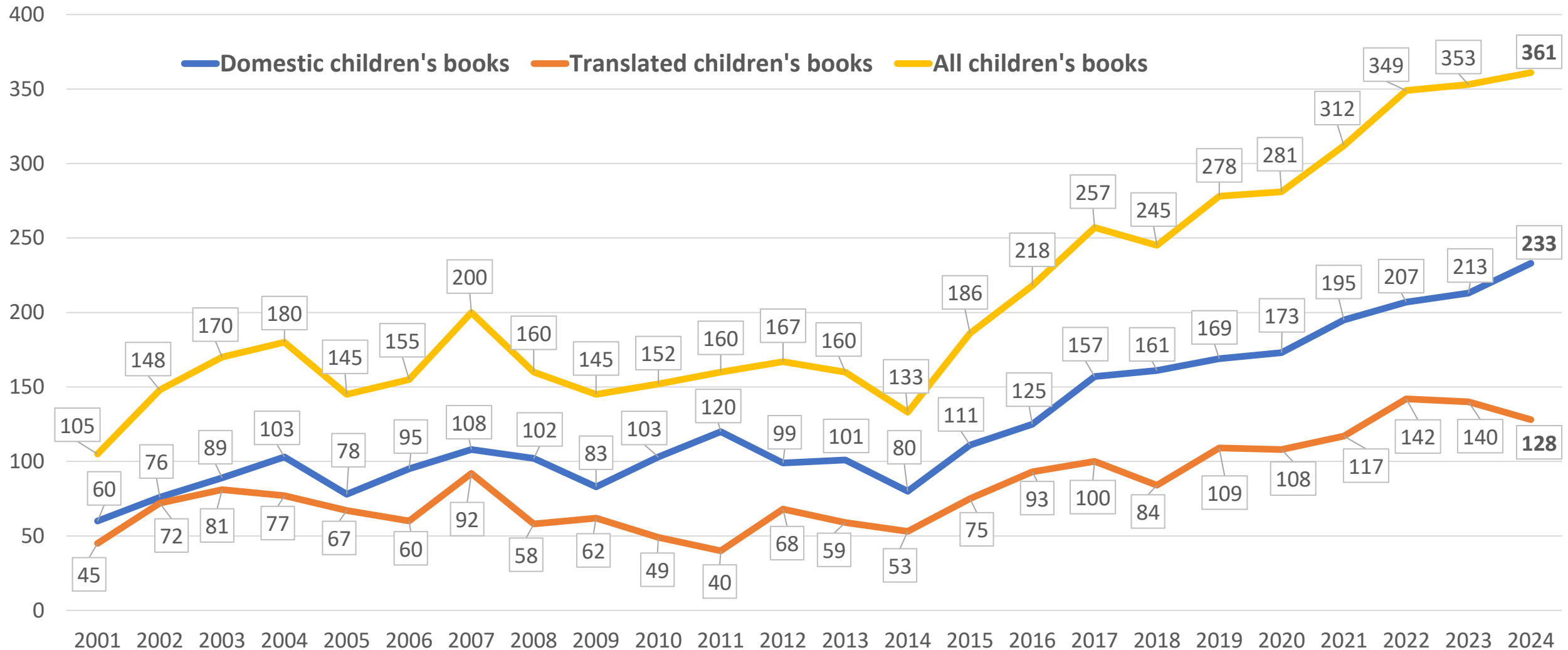


Figure 9. Domestic and translated children's books 2001–2024.

Teen books 2001–2024

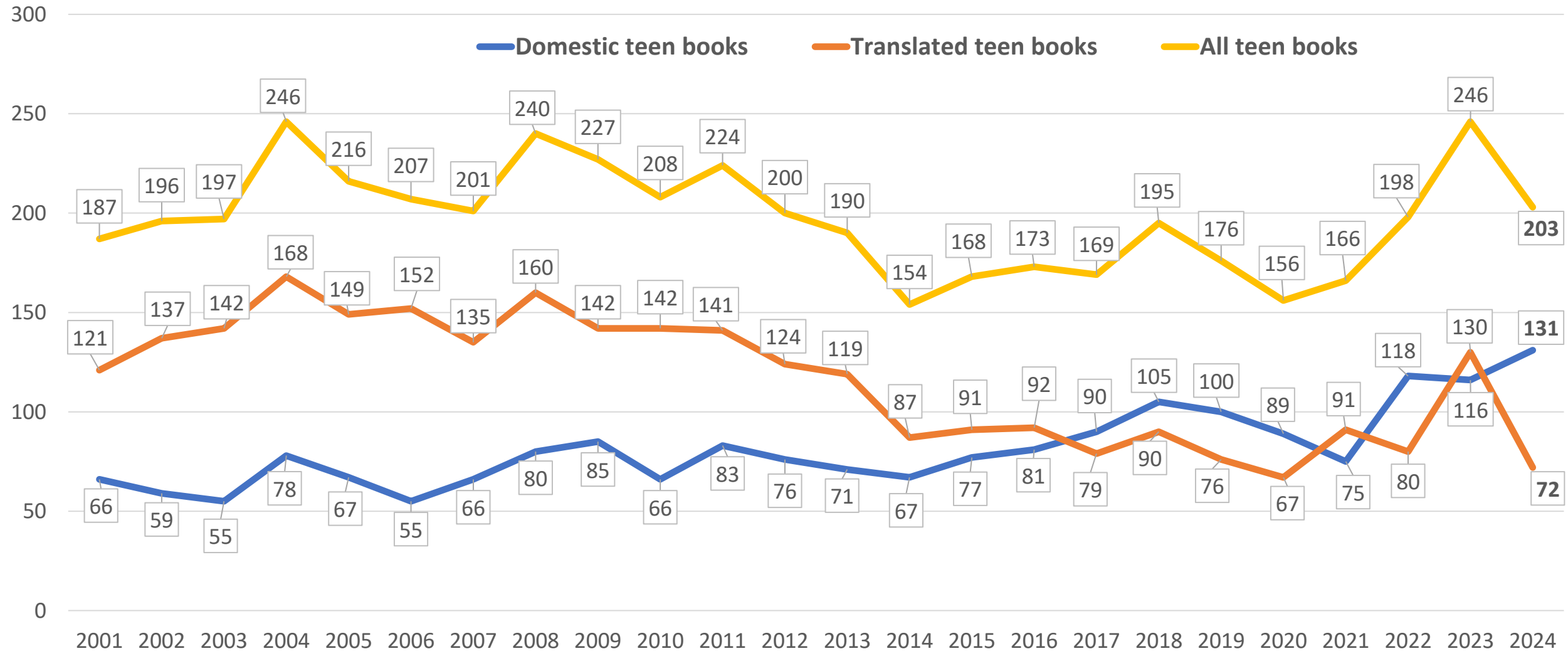


Figure 10. Domestic and translated teen books 2001–2024.

Non-fiction 2001–2024

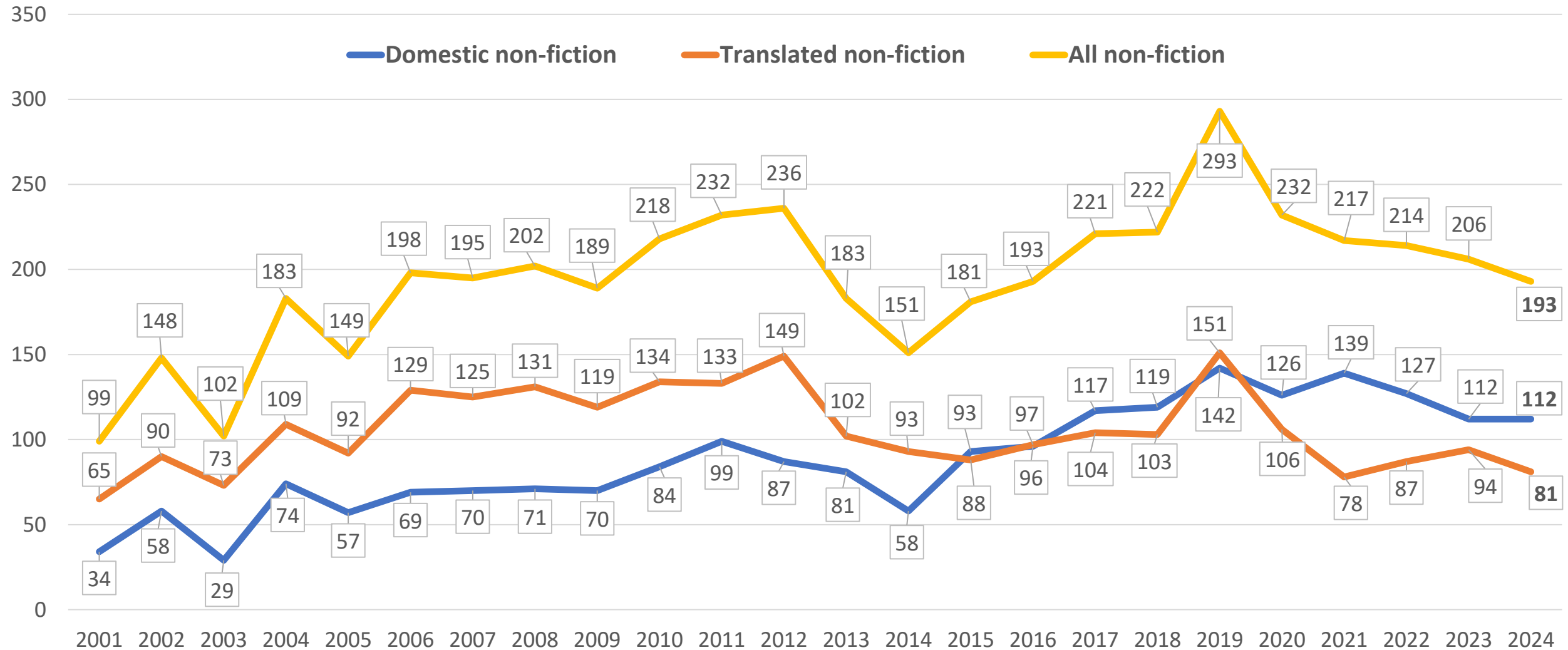


Figure 11. Domestic and translated non-fiction 2001–2024.

Kirjakori statistics: last five years

Table 1. Kirjakori statistics 2020–2024.

KIRJAKORI STATISTICS	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
PICTURE BOOKS					
Domestic picture books	190	188	192	180	179
Translated picture books	247	261	259	259	270
TOTAL	437	449	451	439	449
CHILDREN'S BOOKS					
Domestic children's books	173	195	207	213	233
Translated children's books	108	117	142	140	128
TOTAL	281	312	349	353	361
TEEN BOOKS					
Domestic teen books	89	75	118	116	131
Translated teen books	67	91	80	130	72
TOTAL	156	166	198	246	203
POETRY					
Domestic poetry	24	17	18	25	27
Translated poetry	1	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	25	17	18	25	28
COMICS AND GRAPHIC NOVELS					
Domestic comics and graphic novels	13	22	19	15	17
Translated comics and graphic novels	11	14	19	21	30
TOTAL	24	36	38	36	47
NON-FICTION					
Domestic non-fiction	126	139	127	112	112
Translated non-fiction	106	78	87	94	81
TOTAL	232	217	214	206	193
OTHERS (ABC books, plays, joke books)	8	8	6	5	9
FOREIGN LANGUAGE BOOKS	40	17	39	12	16
TOTAL	1203	1222	1313	1322	1306



The annual Kirjakori statistics overview is based on the books donated by creators and publishers.

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