

E-BOOK LENDING CZECH REPUBLIC

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PLATFORMS USED BY PUBLIC LIBRARIES FOR E-LENDING

- Palmknihy – more than 15 000 e-books



- Flexibooks – about 6 000 e-books



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- Overall offer is about 32 000 e-books for e-lending
 - last year – 22 000 e-books
 - Other platforms (used mostly by academic or research libraries)
 - Bookport (9 000 e-books)
 - EBSCO eBooks (1000 e-books)
 - ePubli (700 e-books)

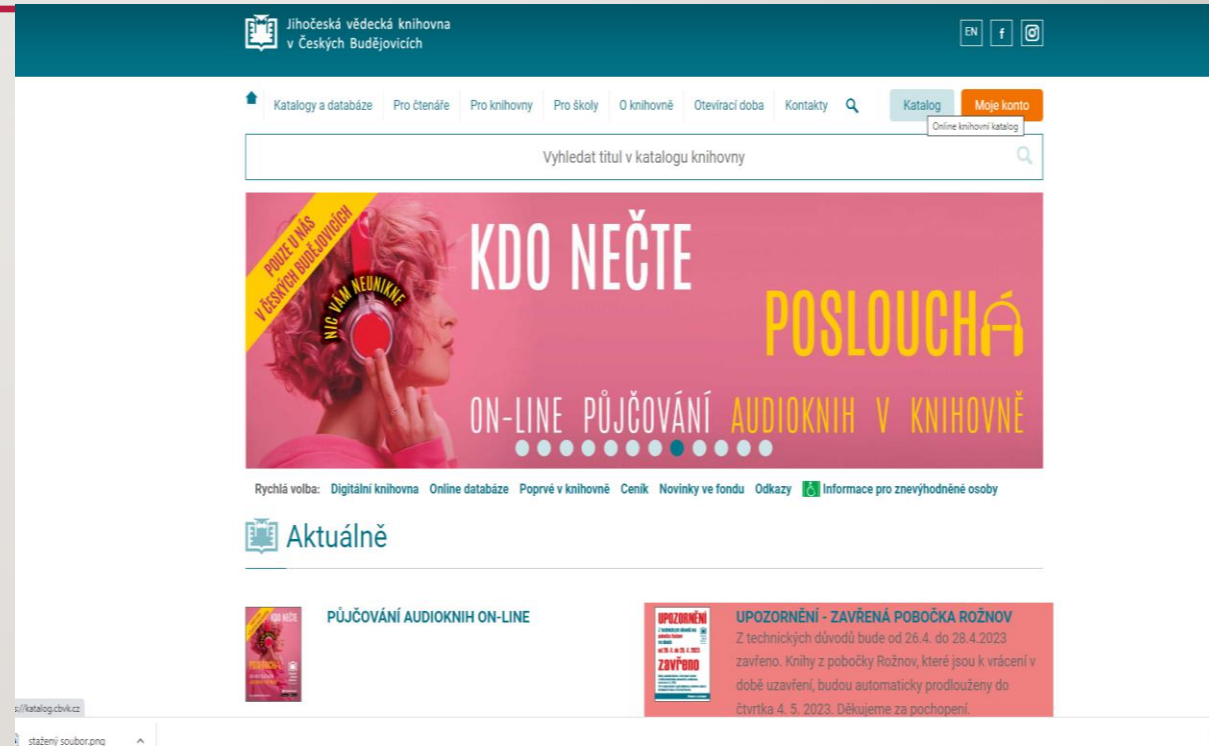
PALMKNIHY (PALMBOOKS) - ONLINE BOOKSTORE

E-book lending is done through public libraries only

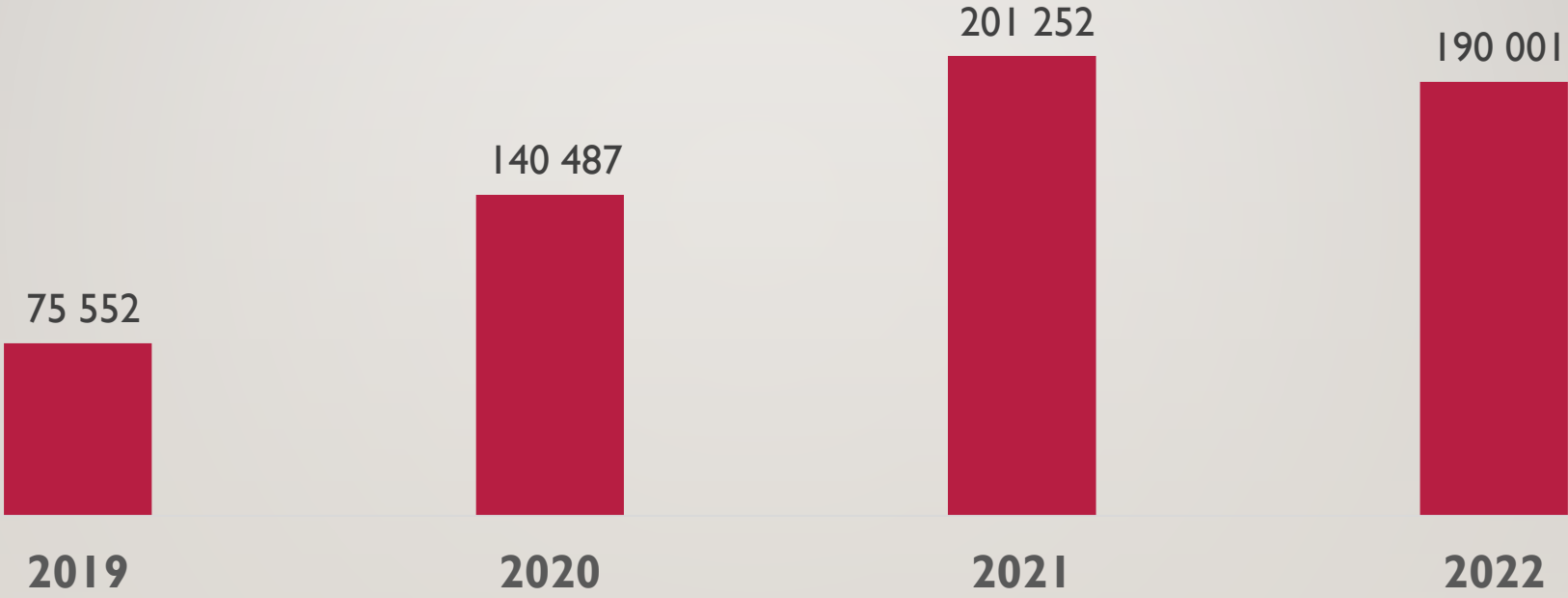
- 15,000 e-books, 250 publishers
- 292 of Czech libraries provide e-lending through this platform
- E-lending is integrated into the library system
- Libraries pay EUR 2 (49 CZK) for one e-loan
- Limit of 3 e-loans per month/user; cost per circulation/simultaneous use

E-LENDING OF AUDIOBOOKS (PALMKNIHY)

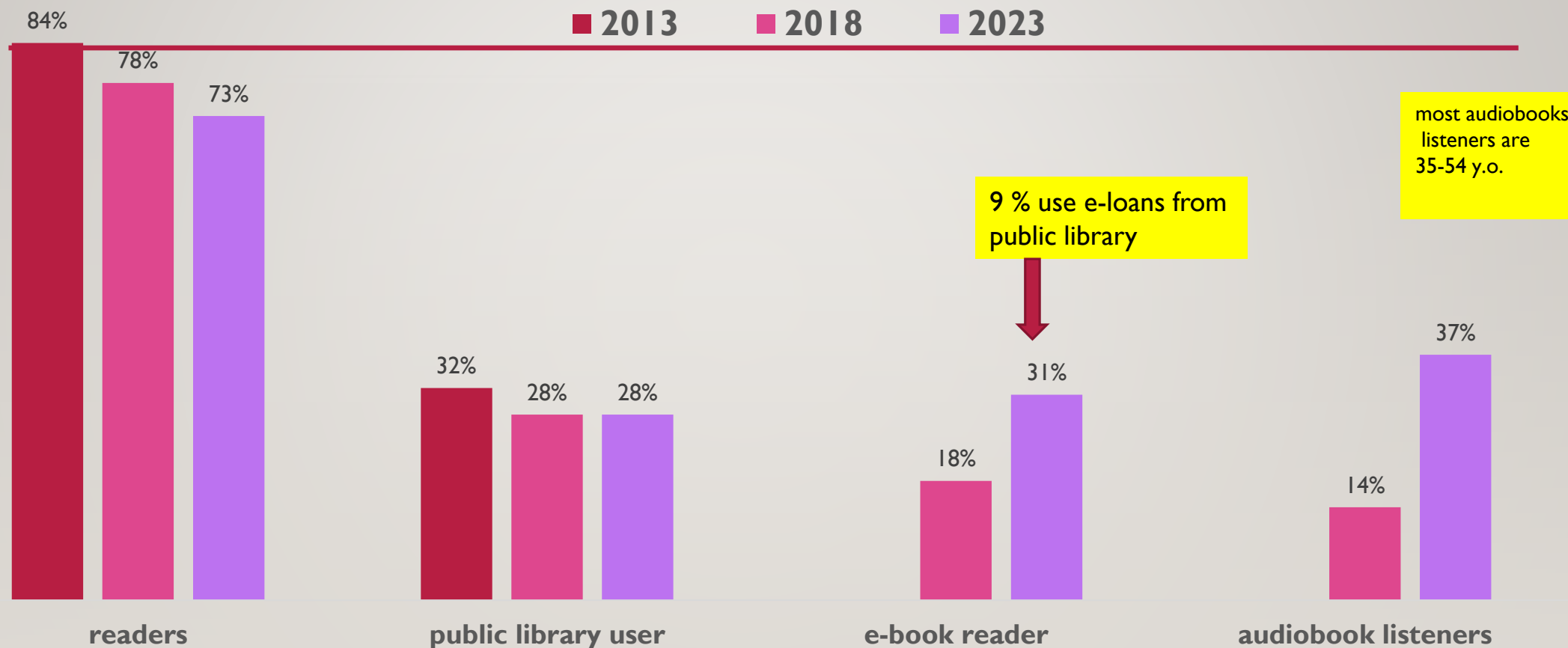
- Started in 2023
- Offer of 500 audiobooks
- Same price as e-books
(for library)



NUMBER OF E-LOANS



SURVEY OF READERSHIP IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC 2023



CHALLENGES

- The offer of e-books
 - limited, although the offer is gradually expanding
- Publishers
 - unwillingness of authors and publishers to provide e-books for e-lending services

THANK YOU!

