



Access to Archival Databases (AAD): Looking Down from Above to Look it Up!

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The Electronic Records Division of the National Archives maintains custody of thousands of genealogical records, helpful to those looking to fill in the gaps in their family histories.

In this presentation, John LeGloahec, an archives specialist with the Electronic Records division, will

highlight records and access tools for genealogists. John will also highlight NARA's Access to Archival Databases (AAD), which provides item-level records to researchers on a variety of subject areas.

Every year, the Electronic Records Reference Branch receives thousands

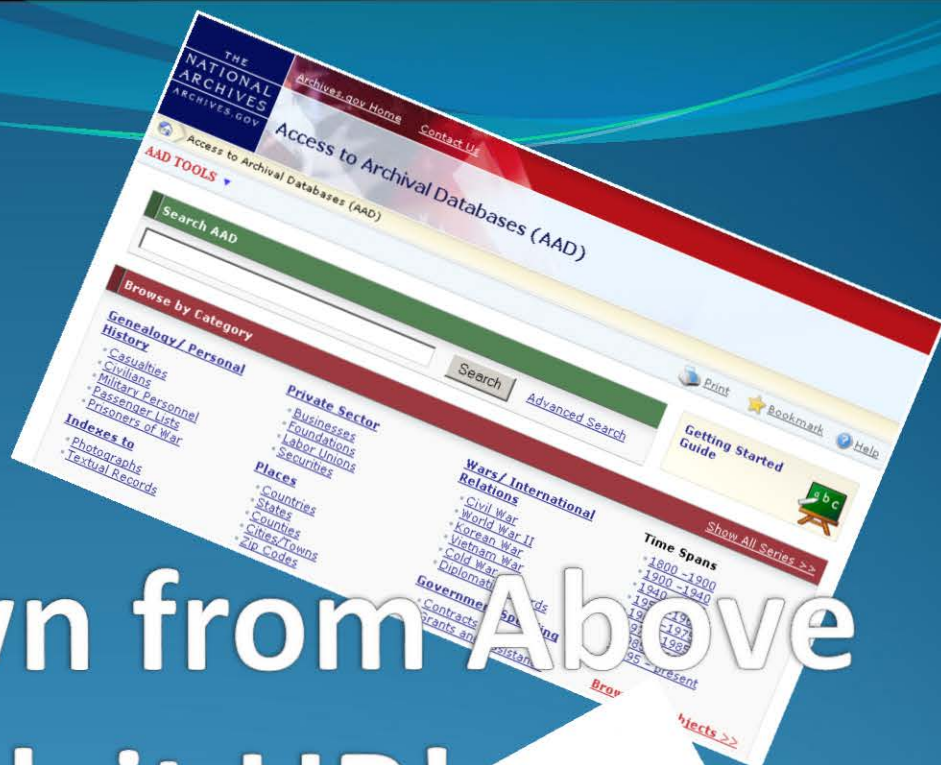
of inquiries about the unit's holdings. Many of these inquiries concern military information, which is what this office makes available most often. Within AAD are more than 100 million "stand-alone" records that are easily understood on their own and do not require supporting records.



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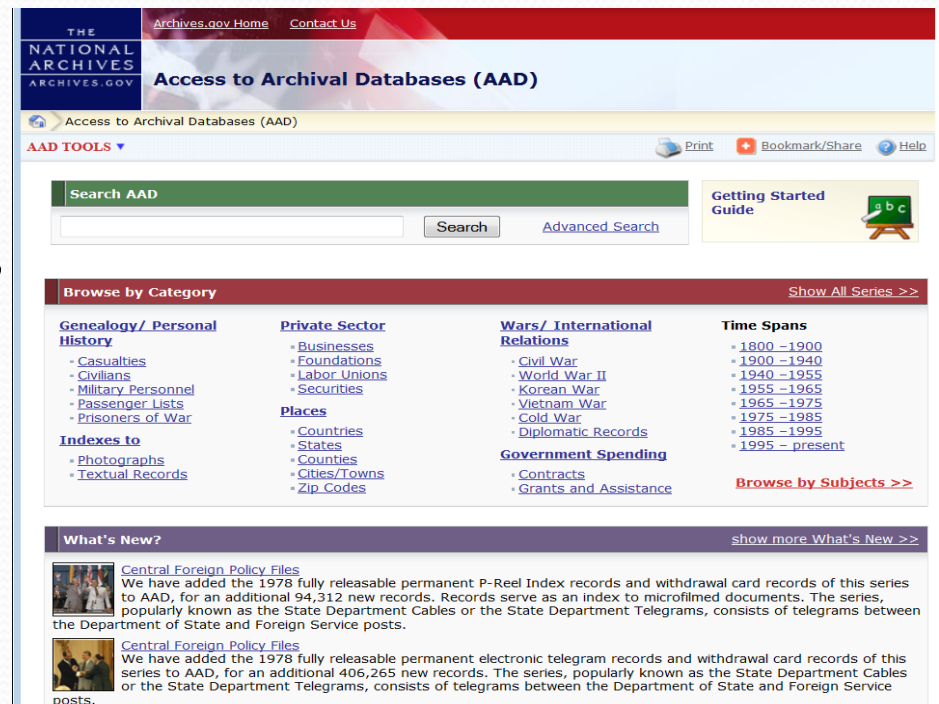
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The Electronic Records Division

- Collecting “born-digital” records of the federal government for nearly 50 years.
- Most of the records are raw statistical data
- Advantage: in many cases, records are made available more quickly than paper records
- Disadvantage: raw data can be “scary” to work with by the average researcher

Access Tools

- Access to Archival Databases (AAD)
 - Sixty-four different series, in excess of 864 different files, and more than 120 million individual records
 - Nearly 2.5 million “hits” on AAD – daily average of about 9,000 in this fiscal year



Access Tools

- The National Archives Catalog (direct download)
 - More than 100 series, 5000 files and 11.8 billion records
 - All are available for viewing and/or downloading




Reference Reports

<http://www.archives.gov/research/electronic-records/info-for-researchers.html>

- Census Data
- Digital Cartographic Data
- Federal Civilian Employees
- Federal Domestic Contracts, Grants, and Awards
- Housing and Mortgage Records
- Internal Revenue Service
- International Relations and Trade
- Military Conflicts
- Securities and Exchange Commission

Genealogy Reference Report

- World War II
 - Records of Duty Locations for Naval Intelligence Personnel (Naval Group China)
 - World War II Army Enlistment Records (ASNF)

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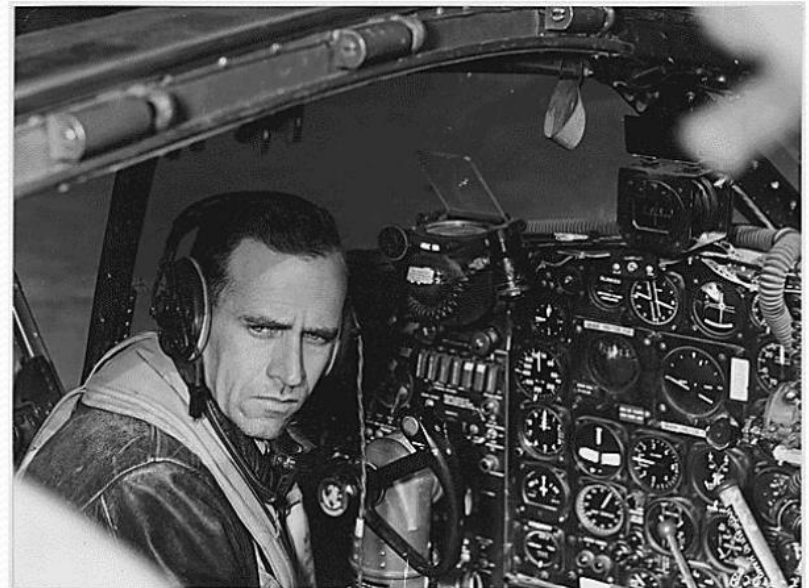
Genealogy Reference Report

- World War II
 - Japanese Americans Relocated During WWII (Internee files)
 - World War II Prisoners of War
 - World War II Prisoners of the Japanese



Genealogy Reference Report

- Korea
 - Repatriated Korean Conflict Prisoners of War
 - Korean War Data File of American Prisoners of War
 - Korean Conflict Casualty File (KCCF)
 - Korean War Casualty File (TAGOKOR)



Genealogy Reference Report

- Vietnam
 - Records on Military Personnel Who Died, Were Missing in Action or Prisoners of War as a Result of the Vietnam War
 - Casualty Information System
 - Awards and Decorations System (AWADS)
 - The Coffelt Database



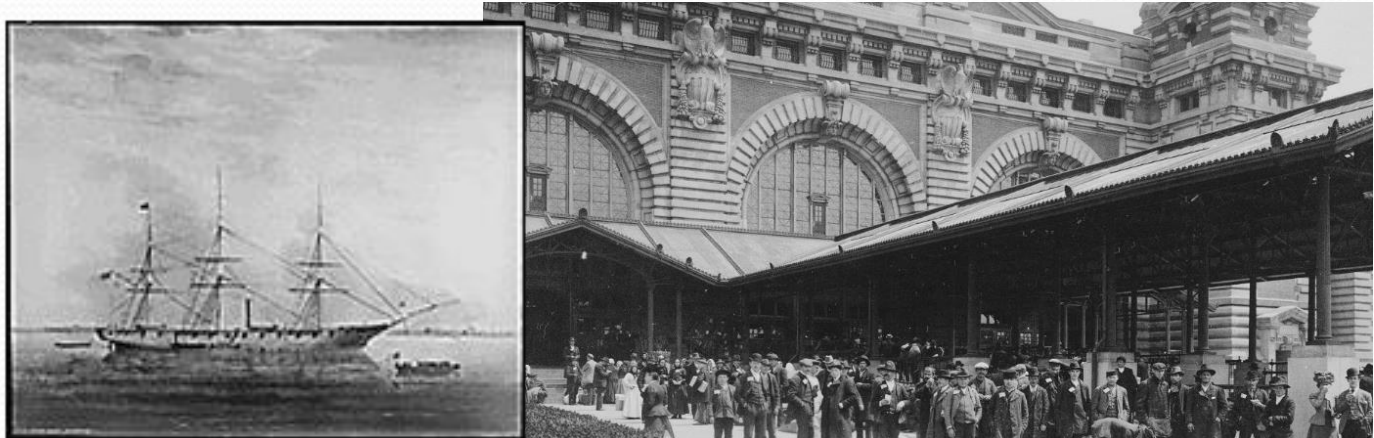
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- Multiple Conflict
 - Defense Casualty Analysis System (DCAS) Extract Files
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- Awards Information Management System (AIMS)



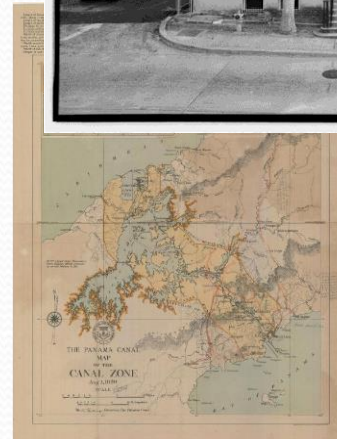
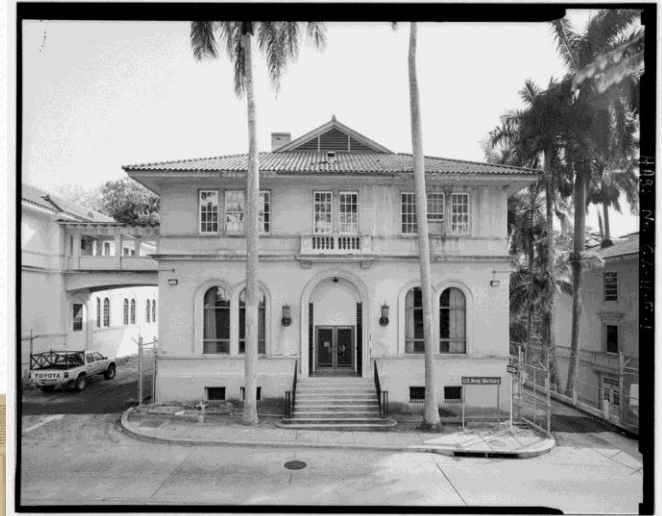
Genealogy Reference Report

- Immigration
 - Germans to America Passenger Data File, 1850–1897
 - Italians to America Passenger Data File, 1855–1900
 - Russians to America Passenger Data File, 1834–1897
 - Famine Irish Passenger Record Data File, 1846–1851



Genealogy Reference Report

- Additional Genealogy Series
 - Index to the Gorgas Hospital Mortuary Records, 1906–1991
 - Insider Trading information
 - National Science Foundation, Personnel Files, 1954–1970



Finding Records in the Access to Archival Databases (AAD)

- See associated handout for search terms and “how-to” guide



Downloading Records from the National Archives Catalog

- See associated handout for search terms and downloading FAQs



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