

Electronic Databases

America: History and Life

Coverage: 1964 to the present

Full Text: Some

Description: This database covers nearly all aspects of U.S. and Canadian history, from prehistory to the present. It indexes books, dissertations, and articles from over 1,700 English-language journals published worldwide.

Historical Abstracts

Coverage: 1955 to the present

Full Text: Some

Description: This database covers world history since 1450 except for the U.S. and Canada. It contains linked articles, citations, and abstracts from worldwide literature in over 1,800 journals. It also covers thousands of books and dissertations.

Early American Imprints I & II

Coverage: 1639-1819

Full Text: Yes

Description: Early American pamphlets, booklets, broadsides, and other imprints. Part of the *Archive of Americana*.

America's Historical Newspapers

Coverage: 1690-1922

Full Text: Yes

Description: Contains U.S. newspapers searchable by date/era, title, place of publication, or type of article. Part of the *Archive of Americana*.

American Civil War Online

Coverage: 1855-1875

Full Text: Yes

Description: This family of Civil War Collections contains photographs and written records that delve into this important era in U.S. History. Includes *American Civil War Research Database*, *American Civil War Letters and Diaries* and *Images of the American Civil War*.

In the First Person

Coverage: 1600 to the present

Full Text: Yes

Description: An index and full-text resource of **personal narratives** in English, including diaries, letters, and transcripts of oral histories. Some audio and video files are available.

JSTOR

Coverage: Varies, emphasis on back issues of journals

Full Text: Yes

Description: The JSTOR archives include scholarship published in over 1000 of the highest-quality academic journals across the humanities, social sciences, and sciences. Strong in American history.

Project Muse

Coverage: Varies

Full Text: Yes

Description: Paired with JSTOR, this database is a treasure trove for those in the humanities, arts, or social sciences.

Chicano Database

Coverage: 1960 to the present

Full Text: No

Description: This database indexes scholarship on the Mexican-American, Chicano/a, and Latino/a experiences.

World History Collection

Coverage: 1964 to the present

Full Text: Varies

Description: This collection offers a global look at history with content from Africa, Asia, North and South America, Europe and the Middle East.

Credo Reference and Gale Virtual Reference Library

Coverage: Varies

Full Text: Yes

Description: Digitized **reference sources** including historical dictionaries and encyclopedias from reputable publishers.

Internet Resources

American Memory from the Library of Congress

Location: <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem>

Description: This extraordinary collection of **primary documents** includes maps, diaries, letters, photographs, and audio & video materials. It chronicles life in the United States, spanning pre-colonial times to the present day. Researchers can browse by topic, time period, place, or can perform a guided search.

Discovering America's Women's History Online

Location: <http://library.mtsu.edu/digitalprojects/womenshistory.php>

Description: This database provides access to digital collections of **primary sources** that document the history of women in the United States from the 17th to the 21st century. Researchers can browse the database by subject, place, time period, and primary source type.

AMDOCS: Documents for the Study of American History

Location: <http://www.vlib.us/amdocs/>

Description: This site provides links to maps, charters, speeches, letters, and many other **primary source** materials that document various aspects of U.S. history from the 11th century to the present. Arranged chronologically.

Primary Resources for History (University of Washington)

Location: <http://www.lib.washington.edu/subject/History/tm/>

Description: This site covers the U.S., Europe, Middle East, and Asia. Links are organized by geographic area & topic. These all link to sites that have **primary documents**: diaries, letters, newspaper clippings, etc. from their respective time periods.

Internet History Sourcebooks Project (Fordham University)

Location: <http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/>

Description: "Collection of public domain and copy-permitted **historical texts** presented cleanly (without advertising or excessive layout) for educational use." Categories include Modern, East Asian, Global, and Women's History sourcebooks.

Latin American Network Information Center (LANIC)

Location: <http://lanic.utexas.edu/la/region/history>

Description: Provided by the Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies at the University of Texas at Austin, this page has extensive links to historical & political resources organized by country. Many are in Spanish. While some links are to non-scholarly websites, most of the links are scholarly in nature.

Latin American History Links (Yale)

Location: <http://www.library.yale.edu/latinamerica/>

Description: This site is well-organized by type of resource, e.g. history, maps, dictionary, online newspapers, etc.

Documenting the American South (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)

Location: <http://docsouth.unc.edu/>

Description: While this site's scope is the entirety of Southern history, it necessarily offers a wealth of **primary documents** for students of the ante- and post-bellum periods, as well as the Civil War itself.

Valley of the Shadow (University of Virginia)

Location: <http://valley.vcdh.virginia.edu>

Description: This unique site offers a parallel look at all kinds of **primary documents** (letters, diaries, newspapers) from two communities: Augusta County, Virginia, and Franklin County, Pennsylvania. Though one was Union and the other Confederate, the voices of ordinary citizens and soldiers resonate without regard to political allegiance.

The American Civil War Homepage (University of Tennessee)

Location: <http://sunsite.utk.edu/civil-war/>

Description: Web directory of electronic resources created by a professor and a librarian at the University of Tennessee. Content is comprehensive and most sites are scholarly, although some links are inoperable or lead to commercial sites.

World Digital Library

Location: <http://www.wdl.org/en/>

Description: The World Digital Library (WDL) makes available on the Internet, free of charge and in multilingual format, significant **primary materials** from countries and cultures around the world.

Print Resources

PRIMARY SOURCE MATERIALS

The Indian Removals (Ref E 93.U979 1974) 5 volumes

Description: Correspondence on the subject of the emigration of Indians, between the 30th November, 1831, and 27th December, 1833, also known as Document 512 of the U.S. Senate, 23d Congress, 1st session.

American Decades: Primary Sources (Ref E 169.1 .A471977 2004) 10 volumes

Description: More than 2000 primary sources on 20th century American history and culture. They go beyond typical speeches, government documents, and literary works to include screenplays, scrapbooks, CD liner notes, and dozens of other types of materials.

Documents of American History, 9th ed. (Commager) (Ref E 173 .C66 1973c) 2 volumes

Description: Contains the “fundamental sources of American history” from 1492 to 1973. The documents are of an official or quasi-official nature. The 8th edition (1968) has several documents that were eliminated when the 9th edition was compiled.

The Columbia Documentary History of Race & Ethnicity in America (Ref E 184 .A1 C57 2004)

Description: Each of the chronologically arranged chapters contains a summary essay, an annotated bibliography, as well as public and private primary source documents dating from the 17th century to the present day.

The Revolutionary Diplomatic Correspondence of the United States (Ref E 249 .U583) 6 volumes

Description: Letters written from 1775 to 1784 were obtained from published memoirs, family archives, and the records of the Department of State. Volume I contains a Preliminary Index and Historical and Legal notes. The remaining volumes contain chronologically arranged letters.

Historic Documents (Ref E 839.5 .H57) multiple volumes

Description: Published by Congressional Quarterly since 1972, this annual series presents public affairs through selected primary source documents such as speeches, government reports, treaties, court decisions, and presidential statements. Arranged chronologically, the entries have introductions that put issues and events into context.

Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States (Herbert Hoover to G. W. Bush) (Ref J 80 .A283) multiple volumes

Description: This is a resource “containing the public messages, speeches, and statements of the President” issued by the Office of the Press Secretary, compiled and published by the Office of the Federal Register. It continues *Messages and Papers of the Presidents, 1789-1908*.

The State of the Union Messages of the Presidents, 1790 – 1966 (Ref J 81 .C66) 3 volumes

Description: Introduced by Arthur M. Schlesinger, these documents “present a sweeping view of American history as seen through the writings of the Presidents of the United States.”

ENCYCLOPEDIAS

Berkshire Encyclopedia of World History (Ref D 23 .B45 2005) 5 volumes

Description: Nearly 330 scholars from a variety of disciplines provide a “connected, holistic view of World History.” Included are a 56-page overview, several major articles that cover essential themes and patterns, and hundreds of smaller articles on processes, movements, places, events, and people.

Oxford Encyclopedia of Women in World History (Ref HQ 1121 .O93 2008) 4 volumes

Description: This resource contains nearly 1,250 biographical and thematic entries. Included are extensive bibliographies, a detailed 4400-year chronology, and a topical outline.

Women in World History (Ref HQ 1115 .W6 1999) 16 volumes

Description: This monumental set contains over 10,000 biographical entries of women from 3100 BCE to end of the 20th century. The scope is worldwide and includes the most famous and influential as well as the obscure and nearly-forgotten. Genealogical charts, extensive cross-references, and ample bibliographies facilitate understanding and further research.

The Encyclopedia of American Political History (Ref E 183 .E48 2001)

Description: With over 240 entries, this resource provides ready answers to immediate questions about American political history. The descriptive time line and dictionary of abbreviations provide context to articles, and the ample bibliographies facilitate further research. Separate entries for each president from Washington to Clinton are included.

Encyclopedia of American Social History (Ref HN 57 .E58 1993) 3 volumes

Description: Nearly 200 scholars from several disciplines have contributed essays discussing major issues including gender, race, class, and orientation. Ample bibliographies encourage further reading. Some essays cover particular periods of American history, whereas others deal with broad themes associated with social history.

Encyclopedia of American Cultural and Intellectual History (Ref E169.1 .E624 2001) 3 volumes

Description: This resource continues and supplements the *Encyclopedia of American Social History*. More than 200 scholarly "reference essays" cover a wide variety of topics. The first set of essays cover specific periods of American history and are arranged chronologically. Later essays are arranged thematically. Illustrations, excerpts from original texts, and bibliographies are included.

Oxford Encyclopedia of Latinos & Latinas in the United States (Ref E 184 .S75 O97 2005) 4 volumes

Description: More than 900 articles and 400 maps, charts, and illustrations cover Latino/a life and culture in the U.S. Also included are biographical, historical, and thematic essays, as well as bibliographical references.

Encyclopedia of American Foreign Policy (Ref E 183.7 .H28 2004)

Description: This source covers U.S. foreign policy from the American Revolution to the contemporary era. Entries include countries, concepts, people, things, and organizations.

The Gale Encyclopedia of Native American Tribes (Ref E 77 .G15 1998) 4 volumes

Description: Covering almost 400 North American tribes, each signed article contains information on historical and contemporary issues. Maps and overview essays contextualize the articles, and extensive bibliographies facilitate further research.

Encyclopedia of the American Civil War: A Political, Social, and Military History (Ref E 468 .H47 2000) 5 volumes

Description: More than 1600 articles describe and explain the coming of war, its conduct, and its consequences. They are enhanced by primary documents, maps, illustrations, a glossary, and an extensive bibliography.

Conspiracy Theories in American History (Ref E 179 .C66 2003) 2 volumes

Description: Alphabetical entries are supplemented by a narrative overview and summary of theoretical approaches to studying conspiracies and conspiracy theories. Important sources, further reading, and over 100 excerpts from original source documents are also included.

Encyclopedia of Latin American History and Culture, 2nd ed. (Ref F 1406 .E53 2008) 6 volumes

Description: Contains over 5800 entries covering topics from prehistoric times to the present. Articles are arranged alphabetically, but a thematic outline of topics in volume 6 facilitates research. Ample bibliographies follow each entry.

Encyclopedia of European Social History from 1350 to 2000 (Ref HN 373 .E63 2001) 6 volumes

Description: This unique compendium is arranged into 23 major themes related to European Social History and contains over 200 essays. Featured are a decade-by-decade narrative chronology, comprehensive bibliographies, and nearly 300 biographies.

See individual Collection Guides for the following microform resources:

American Periodicals Series (APS) <http://rattler.tamucc.edu/electres/resourceguides/apseries.html>

History of Women (HOW) <http://rattler.tamucc.edu/electres/resourceguides/historyofwomen.html>

Library of American Civilization (LAC) http://rattler.tamucc.edu/electres/resourceguides/lac/LAC_0611.pdf

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