

Online Sources Research Guide

We have a variety of archive content available online, from whole collections that have been digitised, to libraries of images and audio selected from throughout our collections.

The Churchill Papers: The digital edition of the Churchill Papers is published by Bloomsbury Academic and is available online to subscribing institutions. <https://www.churchillarchive.com>

The Thatcher Papers: This archive is gradually being opened, and digitised selections are being made available on the official website of the Margaret Thatcher Foundation.
<https://www.margaretthatcher.org>

Access Portal: Selections from many of our collections are available online in full on our Access Portal, with new material being added over time. <https://oa.churchillarchives.libnova.com>

The Franklin Papers: Most of Rosalind Franklin's papers are available online from the Wellcome Library.
<https://wellcomecollection.org/works/ka25u4ft>

The speeches of Enoch Powell: Annotated typescripts of speech texts and broadcasts by Enoch Powell.
<http://www.enochpowell.info>

The British Diplomatic Oral History Programme: Transcripts of interviews with former diplomats
<https://bdohp.chu.cam.ac.uk>



Churchill Archives Centre is pleased to offer up to **one hour of copying for free, per researcher, per month**. The amount that can be copied in this time will vary by the complexity and variety in the collection(s) requested. Visit <https://archives.chu.cam.ac.uk/copies-and-research>.

Searching beyond Churchill Archives Centre

National Archives Discovery: <https://discovery.nationalarchives.gov.uk>

Archives Hub: <https://archiveshub.jisc.ac.uk>

Archive Grid: <https://researchworks.oclc.org/archivegrid>

List of every archive in the UK. Search individual catalogues as not all county record offices have their catalogues integrated into the above search engines.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_archives_in_the_United_Kingdom

Once subscribed to an e-mail list for **UK Education and Research communities**, you can send an e-mail to archivists and researchers around the country asking about the availability of source material.

<https://www.jiscmail.ac.uk/cgi-bin/webadmin?A0=archives-nra>



Digital delights

The Institute for Historical Research have collated a list of open and free to access historical material, sorted by type of material and time period.

<https://www.history.ac.uk/library/collections/online-resources>

The Internet Archive, a non-profit library of millions of free books, movies, software, music. It's a good place to look for magazines, as well as older book chapters and articles. <https://archive.org>

Digital Transgender Archives is an online hub for digitized historical materials, born-digital materials, and information on archival holdings throughout the world.

<https://www.digitaltransgenderarchive.net>

Graces Guide: Grace's Guide is the leading source of historical information on industry and manufacturing in Britain. <https://www.gracesguide.co.uk>

Google Arts and Culture: Many British archives and museums have digitalised material through the Google Arts and Culture programme. Also look at their respective Flickr pages.

<https://artsandculture.google.com>

LSE Digital Library offers digitised material from LSE Library collections and also born-digital material that has been collected and preserved in digital formats. Includes publications such as *The Common Cause*, *Votes for Women*, *The Vote*, and The Brexit Collection amongst many others.

<https://digital.library.lse.ac.uk>

Mass-Observing COVID-19 Database shares material collected by Mass Observation during the COVID-19 pandemic (2020-2021). This database contains both the catalogue and the narrative responses. http://massobs_covid.geodata.soton.ac.uk/projects_database/covid_combined

Wellcome Collection Online: As well as consulting material in person, you can also look at digitised material by entering your search terms, clicking search, and filtering the Location to 'Online'.

<https://wellcomecollection.org/collections>

For video sources, try **British Pathé**, **BFI Player**, and the **National Library of Scotland's Moving Image Archive**.

<https://www.britishpathe.com> | <https://player.bfi.org.uk/free> | <https://movingimage.nls.uk>

For oral history sources, try the **East Midlands Oral History Archive**.

<https://cdm16445.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p15407coll1>

For Cambridge students, see **databases subscribed to by the University of Cambridge**, filtered by History, including newspaper databases. <https://ejournalcambridge.wordpress.com>



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