PRIMARY SOURCES FOR HISTORY

To locate primary sources, you can check our library catalog or the web using:

(key words) PLUS any combination of these terms:

primary sources, digital library, digital collections, digital repository, oral history, photographs, archive, FINDING AID, declassified documents.

The best sources are government (national, state or regional sources) or college and university collections. Government agencies have digital collections, too, such as the US Naval Academy.

This list is a small sample of general history sites that contain primary sources; not all are academic but many are a launching pad for your research.

100 Milestone Documents  ourdocuments.gov
Archiving Early America  earlyamerica.com
Avalon Project--Documents in Law, History, & Diplomacy, Yale Law School
Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library, Yale
Christopher Columbus' Journal, Fordham
Chronology of US Historical Documents, U of Oklahoma
Collections Search Center, Smithsonian Institution
Cornucopia: Discovering UK Collections
Documents Relating to American Foreign Policy The Cold War
Economic Depressions and Panics, Federal Reserve Archive

EuroDocs: Online Sources for European History

European History Primary Sources

French Revolution Documents

Historical Text Archive

Internet History Sourcebooks Project, Fordham University

Labyrinth: Resources for Medieval Studies, Georgetown University

Lincoln / Net

London Lives 1690-1800

Making of America, Mellon Foundation

Many Pasts http://historymatters.gmu.edu/browse/manypasts/

Mississippi Summer Project 1964, Miami University Libraries

National Archives Featured Exhibits

National Jukebox

National Security Archive

Primary Documents in American History, Library of Congress

Primary Source Documents Pertaining to Early American History

The Great War Archive (and First World War Poetry Digital Archive)

Throwaway History: The Broadside in American Culture

Tennessee Virtual Archive

Timelines: Sources from History, British Library

University of Exeter Digital Collections Online

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