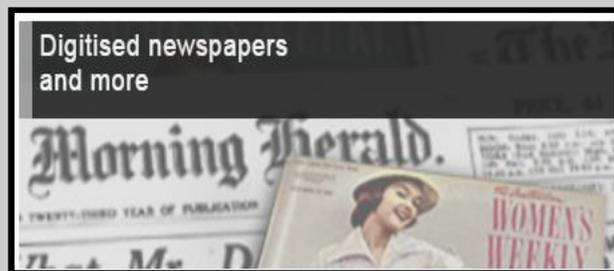
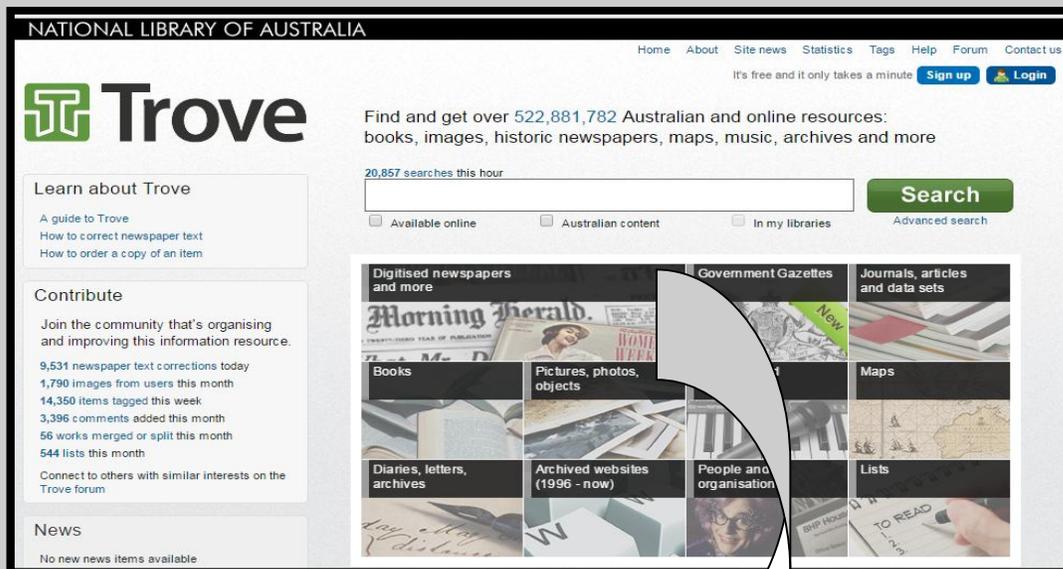


Home Page



Logo



URL

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/>

Subject

Newspapers – Australia -Archives

Accessibility

Free

**Language** English

**Publisher** National Library of Australia

**Brief History** Trove's origins can be seen in the development of earlier services such as the Australian Bibliographic Network. It was originally known as the Single Business Discovery Service, a project that was launched in August 2008. The intention was to create a single point of entry for the public to the various online discovery services developed by the library between 1997 and 2008 including Register of Australian Archives and Manuscripts, Picture Australia, Libraries Australia, Music Australia, Australia Dancing, PANDORA search service, ARROW Discovery Service and the Australian Newspapers Beta service.

**Scope and Coverage**

The scope of the project is to help you find and use resources relating to Australia and therefore the content is Australian-focused. Much of the material may be difficult to retrieve with other search tools as it is part of the deep web, including records held in collection databases, or in projects such as Picture Australia, Music Australia, the Register of Australian Archives and Manuscripts, Australia Dancing, Australian Research Online and the PANDORA web archive. Trove includes content from many libraries, museums, archives and other organizations.

There are currently 21,215,633 newspaper pages and 944,868 gazette pages digitised and available to view in this system.

This service includes newspaper and magazine titles for the following date ranges:

The screenshot shows the Trove search interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text 'Titles' and a blue 'All' button. To the right of the 'All' button are several tabs for different Australian states and territories: National, ACT, NSW, NT, QLD, SA, TAS, VIC, WA, and International. Below the search bar is a table with the following columns: Title, 1800, 1810, 1820, 1830, 1840, 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, 1890, 1900, 1910. The table is divided into sections for 'National' and 'ACT'. Under 'National', there are three entries: 'Australian Abo Call (National : 1938)', 'Australian Women's Weekly (1933 - 1982)', and 'South Australian Colonist and Settlers' Weekly Record of British, Foreign and Colonial Intelligence'. Under 'ACT', there are four entries: 'Canberra Community News (ACT : 1925 - 1927)', 'Canberra Illustrated: A Quarterly Magazine (ACT : 1925)', 'Canberra Times (ACT : 1926 - 1995)', and 'Federal Capital Pioneer (Canberra, ACT : 1924 - 1926)'. The 'Federal Capital Pioneer Magazine (Canberra, ACT : 1926 - 1927)' entry is also visible at the bottom of the table.

Title	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840	1850	1860	1870	1880	1890	1900	1910
<b>National</b>												
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<a href="#">Federal Capital Pioneer (Canberra, ACT : 1924 - 1926)</a>												
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**Kind of Information** Trove provides text-searchable access to over 700 historic Australian newspapers from each State and Territory. By 2014, over 13.5 million digitised newspaper pages had been made available through Trove as part of the Australian Newspaper Plan

(ANPlan), a "collaborative program to collect and preserve every newspaper published in Australia, guaranteeing public access" to these important historical records. The extent of digitised newspaper archives is wide reaching and includes now defunct publications, such as The Argus in Victoria.

It includes the earliest published Australian newspaper, the Sydney Gazette (which dates to 1803), and some community language newspapers. Also included is The Australian Women's Weekly. The Canberra Times is the only newspaper available beyond 1955. It allowed publication of its in-copyright archive up to 1995 as part of the "centenary of Canberra" in 2013, and the digitization costs were raised with a crowdfunding campaign. Also crowdfunded, the Australian feminist magazine The Dawn was included on International Women's Day 2012.



Front page of The Leader (Orange, New South Wales) 31 July 1915. Officially the 10 millionth newspaper page to be made available through Trove.

### Australian Newspapers Digitization Project:

On 25 July 2008 the "Australian Newspapers Beta" service was released to the public as a standalone website and a year later became a fully integrated part of the newly launched Trove. The service contains over 3 million articles from 1803 onwards, with more content being added regularly. The website was the public face of the Australian Newspapers Digitization Project, a coordination of major libraries in Australia to convert historic newspapers to text-searchable digital files. The Australian Newspapers website allowed users to search the database of digitised newspapers from 1803 to 1954 which are now in the public domain. The newspapers (frequently microfiche or other photographic facsimiles) were scanned and the text from the articles has been captured



Front cover of The Dawn Issue 1, 15 May 1888. The first feminist magazine in Australia.

by optical character recognition (OCR) to facilitate easy searching, but it contains many OCR errors, often due to poor quality facsimiles. Since August 2008 the system has incorporated crowd sourced text-correction as a major feature, allowing the public to change the searchable text. Many users have contributed tens of thousands of corrected lines, and some have contributed millions. This collaborative participation allows users to give back to the service and over time will improve the database's searchability. The text-correcting community and other Trove users have been referred to as "Trovites".

### **Australian Newspaper Digitization Program:**

Digitised newspapers are a heavily used resource on Trove attracting thousands of visits a day. They welcome organizations, including state and public libraries, historical societies, universities, businesses, local councils and community groups sponsoring the digitization of specific newspapers.

It has been estimated that approximately 7,700 newspaper titles have been published within Australia. Trove provides access to over 20 million pages from over 1000 Australian newspapers from each state and territory and from the earliest published newspaper in 1803, to the mid-20th century, including some community language newspapers. Newly digitised articles are added daily. The newspapers are digitised in a standard format which supports long-term access and full-text searching of articles.

### ***Special Features***

- ❖ Trove provides a free, public Application Programming Interface (API). This allows developers to search across the records for books, images, maps, video, archives, music, sound, journal articles, newspaper articles and lists and to retrieve the associated metadata using XML and JSON encoding.

### ***Arrangement Pattern***

Digitized materials can be browsed by Place, Titles, Date & Category. Under each of these four contents materials are arranged alphabetically.

As for example,

Titles can be retrieved in the following way

**Remarks**

Trove is an Australian online library database aggregator; a free faceted-search engine hosted by the National Library of Australia, in partnership with content providers including members of the National & State Libraries of Australia.

**Comparable Tools**

- The British Newspaper Archive ( <http://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk/>)
- The Times of India : archive (<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/archive.cms>)
- ProQuest Historical Newspapers (<http://www.proquest.com/products-services/pq-hist-news.html>)
- Irish Newspaper Archives (<https://www.irishnewsarchive.com/>)

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