This guide is designed to provide information for both beginning and advanced students in African American studies at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK). Although by no means a definitive list of sources, it can provide a starting point and remind students of the many disciplines in which one can study the achievements of black Americans. In general, indexes and reference sources are listed for the following categories, with additional sources detailed when available: (1) general reference sources; (2) biographies; (3) current events; (4) government publications; (5) statistics; (6) armed forces; (7) art; (8) education; (9) history; (10) literature; (11) music; (12) political science; (13) psychology and sociology; (14) religion; (15) business; and (16) science and technology. In all, 275 sources are listed. (SLD)
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INTRODUCTION

I speak to the black experience, but I am always talking about the human condition—about what we can endure, dream, fail at, and still survive.

Maya Angelou—1974

During the 1950s and 1960s, African-Americans began to intensify their efforts for equality in all aspects of life, including academics. As a result, there has been a burgeoning interest in black studies on American college campuses. African-Americans are studying their culture, heritage and background. This research in the role played by black Americans is producing a more balanced and accurate history of the United States.

This guide is designed to provide information for both the beginning and advanced student in African-American Studies at The University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Although no means a definitive list of sources, we hope it will provide students with a starting point and remind them of the many disciplines in which one can study the achievements of black Americans.

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LOCATION INFORMATION FOR ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS GUIDE

Ref = Reference Department, 1st floor, Hodges Library

DocMic = Documents and Microforms Department, 1st floor, Hodges Library

Stacks = Book stacks, floors 3-6, Hodges Library. Call numbers beginning with the indicated letter(s) are on the following floors:

Floor 3: A - GC, Z
Floor 4: GF - PR
Floor 5: PS - S and fiction collection
Floor 6: T - V and theses

Music = Music Library, Music Building

A NOTE ON INDEX TERMS

In general, indexes before the 1970s used the term "negroes" to refer to blacks. After that date, most indexes changed to "Blacks" or "Afro-Americans." Also, it is necessary to check for subject headings that begin with the word negro or black, such as "black women" or "negro students." Information on the civil rights movement may be found by looking under terms such as "Civil Rights--United States." Most indexes will also index articles about specific individuals under the name of the individual, for example, "King, Martin Luther Jr."
GENERAL REFERENCE SOURCES (ALMANACS, ENCYCLOPEDIAS, AND DIRECTORIES)

No race can prosper till it learns that there is as much dignity in tilling a field as in writing a poem.

--- Booker T. Washington, 1895

Deals with all aspects of African-American life and history.

Afro-American Reference: An Annotated Bibliography of Selected Resources. Ref: E185.D3 1985
This bibliography lists reference sources, indexes and newspapers in the humanities, social sciences, history, literature, education, mass media, slavery, genealogy, family studies, psychology, medicine, sports and the armed forces.

Over 3,000 bibliographies in virtually every field of study.

Contains articles with bibliographies on many aspects of black culture.

Black Americans Information Directory. Latest edition Ref: E185.5.B52
This directory brings together in one source information on organizations, programs, facilities, publications, and other resources for and about Black Americans.

Includes sources of assistance and information useful to businesses, individuals and organizations.

Contains articles on black culture and biographical sketches on black Americans.

Lists organizations, agencies, services businesses and related information or minority communities.

Index developed at the Schomburg Center at the New York Public Library. Contains citations about blacks and their contributions to the contemporary world. Organized by subject.
Comprehensive work that contains information on black history, economics, education, films, athletics, arts, literature and religion.

A listing of minority owned businesses, religious institutions, civic and social organizations in Tennessee.

BIOGRAPHY

As there were no black Founding Fathers, there were no founding mothers--a great pity on both counts.

Shirley Chisholm, 1970

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS:
Afro-Americans--Biography
Negroes--Biography

INDEXES

The following list of indexes should contain references to biographical information on prominent African-Americans. Check the index alphabetically by name to locate biographical information.

Biography and Genealogy Master Index. 1981/82- Ref: Z5305.U5B56
This source indexes biographical data from other published works, including current and retrospective biographical dictionaries and Who's Who publications. The best place to look for biographical information on anyone, living or dead.

Biography Index. 1946- Ref: Z5301.B5
An index to biographical articles published in magazines and books. Entries are alphabetical by name, with an index by occupation.

Humanities Index. Ref: AI3.H86
Use this index to find information in periodicals for persons in the fields of literature, philosophy, religion, and the performing arts.

Index to Periodical Articles By and About Blacks. Ref: AI3.I6
Check this index for biographical information on well-known African-Americans.

Social Sciences Index. Ref: AI3.S62
Indexes articles on persons in any area of the social sciences.
No man can know where he is going unless he knows exactly where he has been and exactly how he arrived at his present place.

Maya Angelou, 1972

REFERENCE SOURCES

The lives of famous as well as lesser-known blacks may be detailed either in collective biographical works or biographical dictionaries. Listed below are some of the more comprehensive biographical sources.


The first section of this volume is a series of histories of blacks in various periods from 1528 through 1971. The second contains capsule biographies of notable African-Americans. Should be used in conjunction with the Who's Who Among Black Americans for the individuals listed.


Most Entries are biographies of individual black women but also includes general topics and histories of organizations.


Useful reference work for scholars. Search alphabetically by author, or by vocation or title.


Biographical profiles of persons of African heritage, both living and deceased. Includes various nationalities and a wide variety of backgrounds.

Current Biography. 1940- Ref: CT100.C8

Published monthly, this is an excellent source of biographical information on persons currently in the news.


636 biographical entries here are enhanced by references to other sources and is more inclusive in its coverage of blacks than the Dictionary of American Biography. Persons included were deceased before 1970.


A comprehensive biographical tool as well as an index to newspaper and journal articles. Best used to track down articles on regionally famous persons. Volume two is an index by occupation.
Names in the News. 1985-  Ref: CT120.N35
An index to current information on personalities of interest as reported in newspapers from over 450 cities in the United States. Indexes by name and by vocation or avocational category. Full text of articles covered are available in microfiche.

Entries on 500 prominent African-American women, both living and dead.

A biographical listing of prominent figures in all areas of contemporary American life. Indexed also by occupation and geographical area.

CURRENT EVENTS

We must use time creatively... and forever realize that the time is always ripe to do right.

Martin Luther King, Jr., 1963

INDEXES

Indexes general interest magazines like Time and Newsweek. Also indexes black periodicals like Ebony, Jet and Black Enterprise. Good source of contemporary news articles on the civil rights movement.

InfoTrac. Ref: CD-ROM (General Periodicals Index)
An electronic system that indexes general interest and business magazines, the Wall Street Journal and financial articles from the New York Times.

True leaders have to be totally free.

Shirley Chisholm, 1980

NEWSPAPER INDEXES

The latest issues of newspapers are in the Newspaper Area, Current Periodicals, 2nd floor. Microfilm backfiles of newspapers are in the Documents and Microforms Department (DocMic).

Atlanta Constitution Index. 1984-  Ref: AI21.A87A89

Los Angeles Times Index. 1972- Ref: AI21.L67


Times-Picayune Index (New Orleans), 1972- Ref: AI21.T56


Index to Black Newspapers. 1984- Ref: AI3.I46

National Newspaper Index. Ref: CD-ROM (available on the InfoTrac terminals)

  Indexes selected articles in newspapers from over 100 U.S. cities, including Knoxville, Memphis and Nashville. All articles are available on microfiche.

The realization of ignorance is the first act of knowing.
  Jean Toomer, 1931

CONGRESSIONAL INFORMATION

  Contains articles about events in Congress. A good source of information about current legislation. At the end of the year, the information is summarized in an annual entitled The Congressional Quarterly Almanac (Ref: JK1.C66).

See also: Government Publications below.

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

Only the preservation of public services, publicly supported, can assure that each individual has equal and ready access to information.
  E.J. Josey, 1984
  American Library Association President, 1984-85
Federal Government publications provide a variety of information covering almost all subject areas. As a depository library UTK receives about 90% of the publications available for selection. Many U.S. government documents, however, are not listed in the catalog but must be accessed through various specialized indexes. Because the arrangement and shelving of documents is different from most other materials, it may save time if you ask for help before beginning your search.

INDEXES

_Marcive GPO Catalog_. 1976- DocMic and Ref: CD-ROM

This CD-ROM facilitates the searching of federal documents as all entries since 1976 are cumulated into one alphabetical listing. Reproduced from the *Monthly Catalog* computer tapes.


This is the official index for federal government publications. It provides the most comprehensive listing of documents including those of Executive Agencies, the Congress and the Judiciary. Search by subject, title, title keyword, personal and corporate author and a variety of number indexes.


This index provides access by subject and author to information in nearly 200 periodicals issued by federal government agencies. Also available through a computer search—see a reference librarian for details. Titles of interest to African-Americans include:

- **Black News Digest.** DocMic Pamphlet File L1.20/6:
  Weekly news on employment and earnings of interest to blacks and Hispanics from the Department of Labor.

- **Civil Rights Update.** DocMic Pamphlet File CR1.15:
  Published by the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, this newsletter reports Commission actions, news from state advisory committees, and other activities relating to civil rights.

- **Minority Business Today.** DocMic Pamphlet File C1.79:
  Quarterly newsletter from the Department of Commerce, which covers assistance and government contracts designed for minority businesses.

- **New Perspectives: The Civil Rights Quarterly.** Stacks: JC599.U5C69
  Articles on civil rights, discrimination, affirmative action and comparable worth. (Discontinued in 1986).

- **Spotlight on Affirmative Employment Programs.** DocMic Pamphlet File PM1.18/3:
  This newsletter focuses on current activities in affirmative action programs within the Federal Government.
Congressional Information Service Index (CIS/Index), 1970-
DocMic: KF49.C62
This indexes and abstracts all congressional publications, hearings, reports and public laws by subjects, names, titles, and document numbers. Abstracts describe the contents of documents including the names of witnesses testifying at hearings. Legislative histories of public laws are also included. All publications are in microfiche. Also available through a computer search--see a reference librarian for details.

CIS Federal Register Index, 1984-
DocMic: J1.A2
This weekly service comprehensively indexes the Federal Register (Microfiche: J1.A2) by subjects, names, a CFR section index and an agency docket number index. The Federal Register, published daily, lists new rules and regulations, presidential proclamations, and executive orders.

A government that can give liberty in its constitution ought to have the power to protect liberty in its administration.
Frederick Douglass, 1888

REFERENCE SOURCES

Annual cumulation of agency rules and regulations. Kept current by the Federal Register. Includes a general index volume arranged by subject and agency names.

Statutes at Large, 1873- Stacks: KF50
A chronological arrangement of all public and private laws. Each volume contains a subject index.

Revised every six years, this is a subject arrangement of all federal laws currently in force. Includes a general index volume and an "Index of Titles Cited by Popular Name".

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance. Looseleaf. Latest edition only kept. Ref: HC106.5.A573
A directory of Federal assistance programs, including grants to individuals. Lists each program, administering agency, eligibility requirements, etc. Updated twice annually.

Annual listing of about 200 occupations, describing job characteristics, work conditions, earnings, benefits, hiring trends, and much more.
Subject Bibliographies. DocMic: Z1223.A199A54
Bibliographies on government publications covering over 250 topics. Updated periodically, latest editions kept only. Number 6, "Minorities," lists currently available documents for minority groups.

Lists and describes federal agencies and officials responsible for enforcing equal opportunity laws and programs.

An annotated bibliography designed as a research and study guide.

STATISTICS

At the bottom of education, at the bottom of politics, even at the bottom of religion itself, there must be for our race ... economic foundation, economic prosperity, economic independence.

Booker T. Washington, 1915

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS:
Afro-Americans--Statistics
Negroes--Statistics

The United States Government is the largest producer of statistical data. Many government agencies produce detailed statistics covering many subjects. The Census Bureau, particularly, publishes data from the decennial census of population and housing and from the quinquennial economic censuses which are of interest to minority groups. These reports include information on the characteristics of racial groups, such as income, education, employment status, family composition, and age. 1990 data from the decennial census are available.

INDEXES

Indexes and abstracts all U.S. government statistical publications. Provides access by subjects, names, titles, category, etc. to the statistical tables in each publication. The subject index cites materials on African-Americans under "Black Americans." Most publications are available either in paper or microfiche. Also available through a computer search -- see a reference librarian for details.

Indexes and abstracts statistical publications of state governments, private organizations and commercial publishers. Arrangement and indexing is the same as for ASI above.

One may receive the information but miss the teaching.
Jean Toomer, 1931
REFERENCE SOURCES

**Black Americans: A Statistical Sourcebook.** Ref: E185.5.B512 1990

Includes population, vital, health, education, government, crime, labor and income statistics. Most data are for the 1980s.


This annual summary provides statistics on the social, political and economic organization of the United States. Arranged by broad subject areas and includes an index. Source references are indicated.

**Statistical Record of Black America.** Ref: E185.5.S7 1990

Brings together statistics compiled by both governmental and private organizations. Divided by broad subject areas with more detailed subject indexing.


Annual compilation of Tennessee statistical data for the state, MSA's, counties and cities. Includes an index.


Provides statistics for periods 1970 or earlier. Arranged similarly to the Abstract above.

**County and City Data Book.** 1949- Latest edition Ref and DocMic: HA202.A36

Published every five years, this serves as a handy source of data for counties, cities and places with a population of 2,500 or more.

**State and Metropolitan Area Data Book.** 1979- Latest edition Ref and DocMic: HA203.S83

Contains a variety of statistical information for state and metropolitan areas.


Presents selected demographic, social, economic, and other statistical data on the black population.


This Bureau of the Census report is updated periodically and is based on the Current Population Survey. It presents data on the demographic, social, and economic status of blacks and reports changes which have occurred in the black population nationally and regionally since 1980.


Includes statistics on health and financial expenditures for services.

Analyzes trends in housing successions and identifies the incidence of black-to-white and white-to-black housing turnovers in cities and suburbs.


Data issued irregularly on total employment for minorities in higher education institutions in the United States. Data also given for individual states.


Annual report presenting employment data.


Presents educational and employment data for minorities and women in health professions. Includes statistical tables and charts. Revised periodically.


A statistical compilation of facts on every facet of the black population through to 1915.


A supplement to the above volume.


Part I focuses on trends in population, income, education, etc. from 1790-1975; Part II covers social and economic characteristics from 1975-1978.


This volume brings together socioeconomic census data on black Americans, showing population growth, household and family characteristics, labor force, education, etc. Includes a population density map of the "Number of Black Persons by State".


Includes basic economic data on black-owned and other minority businesses, such as annual payroll, and number of paid employees. Published every five years as part of the economic censuses.
Peace is the exhaustion of strife, and is only secure in her triumphs in being in instant readiness for war...

Mifflin Gibbs, 1902

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS:
Afro-American Soldiers
Afro-American Veterans
United States, Army--Afro-Americans
United States, Navy--Afro-Americans

REFERENCE SOURCES

**Black Americans in Defense of Our Nation.** U.S. Army. DocMic: Sudocs Dl.2:B56/991
A history of black Americans in the military from the colonial period to the post-Vietnam War era. Includes photographs and biographical information.

A pictorial history arranged by wars through to the Vietnam War. Includes appendices and an index of names.

A bibliography of black military history arranged by wars.

Traces the changing status of blacks in military service from the American Revolution to the Vietnam War using original document sources.

A documentary history tracing the participation of blacks in the American armed forces from colonial times to the Vietnam War. Documents are drawn from government, military and personal records which trace the development of military policy towards black servicemen.

A history of the development and changes in policies regarding black participation in military service. Includes bibliographical references and an index.

BEST COPY AVAILABLE
This volume, part of the Army Historical Series on World War II, describes the use of black troops in the war and the development of policies with respect to their participation.

Art is the soul of a people.
Romare Bearden, 1972

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS: Afro-American Art
Afro American Artists

INDEXES
Art Index. 1929- Ref: Z5937.A78
Indexes articles on black art and architecture.

RILA (International Repertory of the Literature of Art). 1973-
Ref: Z5937.R25
Indexes and abstracts international articles, books, dissertations, conference proceedings and exhibition catalogs. Also available through a computer search—see a reference librarian for details.

Black art has always existed. It just hasn’t been looked for in the right places.
Romare Bearden, 1972

REFERENCE SOURCES
Identifies black artists who have made a contribution to American culture through their published works of art. Indexes reproductions in books, articles and exhibition catalogs.

Ref: Z5956.A47D38
Arranged by subject and indexed by author. Includes a list of black art at the National Archives.

Ref: Z5956.A47I38
Indexed by both subject and artist and lists a basic bibliography.
EDUCATION

No race can accomplish anything till its mind is awakened...

Booker T. Washington, 1904

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS:
Afro-American College Students
Afro-American Universities and Colleges
Afro-Americans - Education
Afro-Americans - Education (Higher)
Afro-Americans - Study and Teaching
Negroes - Education
Universities and Colleges, Black

INDEXES

Education Index. 1929- Ref: Z5813.E23
Subject and author index to periodicals in education.

Current Index to Journals in Education. 1969- Ref: Z5813.G87 Also available on ERIC Ref: CD-ROM
Indexes by subject and author information in educational journals. Short abstracts are included.

Resources in Education (RIE). 1966- Ref: LB1028.U552 Also available on ERIC Ref: CD-ROM
Indexes and abstracts federally funded research reports as well as pamphlets, guides, etc. Available on microfiche by ED number.

Knowledge is the prime need of the hour.

Mary McLeod Bethune, 1955

REFERENCE SOURCES

A bibliography on and about black studies programs which includes books, pamphlets, dissertations and articles.
Profiles some 111 colleges and universities as seen from the black perspective. Includes also general information on financial aid, recruitment practices, etc., and some statistics.

The Condition of Education. National Center for Education Statistics.
Latest edition Ref: L112.A64
This annual work addresses key issues in education including trends in major areas. Includes statistical analyses.

Latest edition Ref: L11.D48
Provides annual statistical information on American education from kindergarten through graduate school. Tables include enrollments, finances, employment, graduates, income, etc. Check index in back under "Blacks".

Lists scholarships, fellowships, loans, grants, awards, and internships for blacks and other minorities.

Annual listing of post-secondary opportunities (loans, fellowships, and scholarships) for minorities and women. Also includes a list of sources arranged alphabetically by major heading and/or subject area.

A practical guide suggesting strategies for campus personnel to help increase minority participation in all aspects of campus life.

Provides current and historical data on the professional participation of women and racial and ethnic minorities in the workforce. Includes statistics on general education enrollments, degrees granted and the number employed in general professions.

Summarizes federal data from surveys on traditionally black institutions. Includes statistics on enrollment, degrees earned, student composition, revenue, financial aid, salaries, etc.

HISTORY

The price of liberty is eternal vigilance.
Frederick Douglass, 1889
CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS:

Afro-Americans--History
Afro-Americans--Genealogy
Afro-Americans--Civil Rights

INDEXES

PAIS International 1915- Ref: 1950-
Indexes journal articles, books, and U.S. government documents on political subjects. Good source of contemporary articles on civil rights in the United States. Includes extensive material on foreign countries. Also available on compact disc from 1972-present.

America: History and Life. 1954- Ref: Z1236.A48
Contains abstracts to scholarly journal articles in the area of United States and Canadian history and anthropology. Indexes book reviews and dissertations as well. Also available through a computer search—see a reference librarian for details.

Index to Periodical Articles by and about Blacks. 1950- Ref: A13.16
Indexes journals which are designed to address black issues, such as the Black Law Journal and the Journal of Negro Education.

Indexes articles in nineteenth and twentieth century newspapers, such as the Boston Liberator, and periodicals, such as the Anti-Slavery Record. Good source of anti-slavery material and post-civil war articles.

Indexes a wide range of scholarly and popular journals and magazines.

History must restore what slavery took away, for it is the social damage of slavery that the present generation must repair and offset.

Arthur Alfonso Schomberg

REFERENCE SOURCES

Lists annotated article citations taken from America: History and Life from 1954-1974.
The American South: A Historical Bibliography. vols. 1 and 2.
Ref: F209.A45 1986

A guide to black genealogical research that includes general references, war records, slavery material, and a section on records from each state.

Chronology of African-American History: Significant Events and People from 1619 to the Present. Ref: E185.H64 1991
Information on events, legislation, court decisions and people in a chronological format. Indexed by subject. Includes a bibliography.

Newspapers are listed in alphabetical order by state and city.

A guide to selected materials in the Library of Congress of use to those researching African-American lineages. References are arranged by state and include family histories, newspapers, organizations and other reference materials.

Lists books and articles published from the 1700s to 1928 by subject.

A scholarly dictionary of slavery in the U. S. Each article is signed with a bibliography. Includes a subject index.

A scholarly encyclopedia with signed articles and bibliographies. There is a lengthy section in "Black Life" from pp. 135-232. See also "Blacks" in the index.

Includes newspaper and magazine article citations from the 1960s on the Civil Rights Movement.

A guide with information in sources such as catalogs, bibliographies and indexes for the study of U. S. history. There is a separate section on black history on pp. 180-186.

Historic Landmarks of Black America. Ref: E185.53.H1C36 1991
A guide for students of African-American history and travelers to sites of historical interest. Divided geographically with a chronology, bibliography and subject index.
Provides detailed maps of information and events in African-American history and culture. Organized chronologically with brief narration and statistics.

Includes book and article citations, divided by subject, for material published from the 1940s to 1970.

Includes book and article citations.

UNPUBLISHED MANUSCRIPT SOURCES

Lists federal records that contain material for black studies.

Black Studies: Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications. Ref: E185.U5 1984
A list of microfilmed collections that deal with black studies available from the National Archives. Includes post-Civil War records for Tennessee. Selected items may be available for loan through Interlibrary Loan, 1st floor.

There is no future for a people who deny their past.
Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., 1945

HISTORICAL NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES

Unless otherwise noted, all the newspapers listed below are in DocMic.

American Periodical Series. AP2.U5; AP2.U51; AP2.U53
This microfilm set of approximately 923 18th and 19th century periodicals includes several newspapers and magazines that are relevant to black studies, such as:

Abolition Intelligence and Missionary Magazine
Anti-Slavery Record
Friends Review
Genius of Universal Emancipation
Liberator
Liberty Bell
National Era

American Periodicals, 1741-1900: An Index to Microfilm Collections.
This is a printed index to the above collection. Entries are arranged by title with a capsule history, by subject and editor, as well as by reel number.
Miscellaneous Negro Newspapers. AN3.N4M6
A filmed collection of nineteenth century newspapers; most date from the 1860s to 1900. Reel guide: AN3.N4M63

Chicago Defender. 1909. AN19.C4C44

The Colored American. 1898-1904. AN3.N4C6
Index for the years 1827-1841 included in Antebellum Black Newspapers. Stacks: E185.5.J33

The Competitor. 1920-1921. Stacks: E185.5.C82
The index to The Competitor is in the stacks: E185.5.C82G7.


The Liberator. 1831-1865. E449.L678

Messenger. 1917-1928. E185.5.M4

We are not makers of history. We are made by history.

Martin Luther King, Jr., 1963

RESEARCH COLLECTIONS

SLAVERY - DOCUMENTS

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS
Abolitionists--History
Afro-Americans--History--To 1863
Slavery
Slavery--Africa
Slavery--America
Slavery--Southern States
Slavery in the United States
Fugitive Slaves--Southern States--History

19 vols. + supplements.
Slave narratives taken from interviews with former slaves of the antebellum South. The first volume, From Sundown to Sunup, is a sociological study of slave communities. Other volumes contain interviews with slaves from southern states including Tennessee. The last volume is an index by slave names, by state, and by subject.

This volume which contains the correspondence of the Skipwith family who worked on a cotton plantation in Alabama, represents the first published edition of a single slave family's letters.


A selective compilation of documents pertaining to black life in the years between the beginning of the Civil War and the advent of Radical Reconstruction. Taken from the records of Federal and Confederate agencies held in the National Archives. The volumes to be completed in five series will document slave reactions to the war, fugitive slave experiences, emerging patterns of race relations, the efforts of freedmen to acquire capital and land, violence in black-white contacts, the enforcement of justice in the courts, laws that subverted black rights, and black social institutions. (Summary from Historical Documentation Editions, National Archives, 1988.)


A study of slavery and fugitive slaves in eighteenth century Virginia, Maryland, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Georgia. These advertisements contain data about the runaway slave population including sex, age, birthdate, etc.


Part of the Federal Writer's Project conducted from 1936-1938 and published in 1941 was this folk history from interviews with former slaves. This set covers first-person accounts from Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, and Texas.

PERSONAL PAPERS

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS: Use the name of the person as the subject e.g. Douglass, Frederick or Afro-Americans--History--Collected Works Afro-Americans--Civil Rights--History


Chronicles the activities of more than 300 black abolitionists. Many documents, including original manuscripts and letters. Includes an index in each volume. Includes volumes on the British Isles, Canada and the United States.


The FBI file on the Highlander School includes documents on labor history and civil rights of interest to African-Americans.


Documents (meetings, reports, articles, etc.) are drawn from the Washington files of the FBI released under the Freedom of Information Act. Sections are arranged mostly in chronological order. Includes a paper guide.


This file consists of dispatches regarding Jackson's itineraries; death threats against him; newspaper clippings about his career; transcripts of court documents on his lawsuits; transcripts of his debated; interviews; and the investigation of his activities on the behalf of Libyan oil interests. A four-paged paper guide is included.

The Frederick Douglass Papers. Series one. 5 vols. Stacks: E449.D733

The speeches, debates and interviews of Frederick Douglass in chronological order. Each volume contains an index.


These papers include memorabilia; correspondence to and from Carver; writings and speeches; writings about Carver; and miscellaneous materials. The collection also includes material about Carver held in repositories other than Tuskegee. A 50-page paper guide summarizes the contents of each reel.


Published in chronological order, each volume contains an index.


Covers period 1822-1879. Index in each volume.


Begun in 1953, this file covers Malcolm X as militant minister of the Nation of Islam, to leader of the Organization of African-American Unity and his assassination in 1965. Also includes a view of the various factions and leaders and the FBI's attempts to disband them. Arranged chronologically. There is no printed guide to reel contents.

An informative source on Garvey's career and activities as well as the origins of black separatism and social protest in the 1920's. Items arranged chronologically. There is no printed guide to reel contents.


Personal papers of Marcus Garvey and historical documents of the Universal Negro Improvement Association. Covers the period 1826-1940.


Most items in this file relate directly to the assassination investigation and conviction of James Earl Ray. Some background data on King's role as a civil rights activist is included. Arranged in chronological order.


Provides first-hand information on the policies and plans of Rev. King from the earliest days of the civil rights movement until his assassination in 1968. Memos and transcripts of actual meetings are included. All documents are arranged chronologically according to the date of compilation.


Includes verbatim transcripts and detailed summaries of telephone conversations between King and Stanley D. Levison, a New York lawyer and businessman. These files shed light on King's civil rights activities as well as his personal feelings and reactions to the events of the time. The guide is an index to the contents of the microfilm reels.

ORGANIZATIONAL PAPERS

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS:

Look under the name of the organization as subject e.g. Congress of Racial Equality.

or

Afro-American--Congresses
Afro-American--History--Sources
Civil Rights--United States--History--Sources


Contains ASWPL papers and publications as well as documents relating to ASWPL's advocacy of federal anti-lynching legislation throughout the 1930's. Also includes one-act plays written in response to a contest held by ASWPL. Printed guide.

Presents in detail materials from the files of the CORE, a pioneering civil rights organization for nonviolent change in black America. Includes a printed guide.


This collection consists of correspondence and subject files. Arranged in three series: the Southern Regional Office; the Louisiana Office; and the Research Office. The material is organized into subject files in chronological order by month.


This contains the Southern Education Reporting Service's documentary collection of source materials in race relations research. Sources include newspapers, Supreme Court hearings, legislation, magazine articles, and pamphlets. Index provided.


The following parts are included:

Part I - Meetings of the Board of Directors, records of annual conferences, major speeches and special reports, 1909-1950.


Part II - Personal correspondence of selected NAACP officials, 1919-1939.


Part VI - The Scottsboro Case, 1931-1950.

Paper guides to the materials in each part are available. DocMic: E185.5.N276A1


Proceedings of state conventions mainly from the North and the West, with several conventions from the South in the second volume. Conventions are grouped by state and chronologically within each state. Includes bibliographical references and index.


Traces the history of the black convention movement in the years following the Civil War to the year 1900. Proceedings are arranged chronologically, beginning with the national conventions, followed by the states, for each of the given years. Includes bibliographical references and index.

These papers document the history of the SNCC, including significant events from the civil rights movement in the 1960s. The arrangement of the files is chronological with papers included from the Atlanta, New York, and Washington offices. Use the paper guide to identify reel contents. 
(DocMic: E185.61.S916)

Universal Negro Improvement Society Papers. See Personal Papers Section under Marcus Garvey.

GENERAL PAPERS


This series contains early writings of black Americans, published in small editions between 1793 and 1899. Works include: Benjamin Banneker's Almanac; speeches by Absalom Jones, Booker T. Washington, Martin R. Delany, and Russell Parrott; hymns and a play by William Wells Brown; poetry by Frances Ellen Watkins Harper; and narratives of freed and escaped slaves, 1838-1868. There is no printed guide but the series is divided into seven subjects.


A collection of newspaper clippings, articles, essays, position papers, pamphlets, on sex and racism affecting individual black women, black women in politics, and Third World women in employment. Includes printed guide.


This set reproduces articles of fiction, poetry, book reviews and literary notices originally published in newspapers and periodicals between 1827 and 1940. The guide is an index by author and title.


These volumes present primary source materials (announcements, letters, speeches) on black workers in urban and industrialized areas and encompass the history of African-American labor from colonial times through 1980. Each volume contains an author-title-subject index.


This collection on African-American labor and migration history brings together into one compilation the primary materials taken from federal departments and agencies files. Most data are from the records of the Department of Agriculture, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, and the U.S. Railroad Administration. Includes a reel guide in paper format. [See also related material in The Peonage Files of the U.S. Department of Justice (below)]

A group of 30 memoranda and specialized research reports prepared as background for Gunnar Myrdal's An American Dilemma: The Negro Problem and Modern Democracy (Stacks: E185.6.M95). This collection serves as a guide to the social, political, educational and economic status of black America during the 1940's.


These FBI files on five cities which were the centers of the civil rights struggle, provide a day-by-day record of activities, strategies, and alliances of the movement. Information on Martin Luther King and groups such as the SCLC, SNCC, CORE, and the NAACP can also be gleaned from the records. A printed reel guide is included.


This collection documents in depth the federal government's policies and attitudes towards peonage throughout the South. The records include letters from victims, complaints, requests for investigations, and the correspondence between Justice officials and local prosecutors. A major portion of the collection pertains to European immigrant laborers. Included are previously restricted FBI case reports and the Justice Department records on the landmark Alonzo Bailey case brought before the U.S. Supreme Court. The files provide a view of Southern economic and social conditions, specifically race relations and labor conditions from the perspective of the workers. Printed guide: HD4875.U5P46


Series I: Selections from Louisiana State University. Includes reel guide.

A race is not measured by its ability to condemn, but to create.

Booker T. Washington, 1903

LITERATURE--FILMS--THEATER--COMMUNICATIONS

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS:
- Afro-American Authors--Biography
- American Literature--Afro-American Authors
- Afro-Americans--Bibliography
- Afro-Americans in Art
- Afro-Americans in Literature
- Afro-Americans in Motion Pictures
- Afro-Americans in the Performing Arts

INDEXES

*Humanities Index*. 1974- Ref: A13.H86
Indexes scholarly journal articles in literature, philosophy, religion and the performing arts.

The precursor to the *Humanities Index*, this index contains journal article citations for both the humanities and the social sciences.

This is the precursor to the *Social Sciences and Humanities Index*.

*Essay and General Literature Index*. 1900- Ref: A13.E752
Indexes essays in books, with emphasis on the humanities and social sciences.

*Arts and Humanities Citation Index*. 1977- Ref: 25931.A78
This indexes articles and footnote citations in the humanities and arts. It has a subject index that is compiled from the keywords in the title. Also available through a computer search--ask a librarian for details.

*Modern Language Association International Bibliography (MLA)*, 1921- Ref: 27006.M64 Ref: CD-ROM
The MLA indexes books and articles on modern languages, literature, folklore and linguistics. Also available on a compact disc from 1980 to present.

Indexes poetry written by blacks or which speak of the black experience.
Index to Black American Literary Anthologies. (1979) Stacks: Z1229.N39K34
Indexes anthologies by author and title.

Index to Black American Writers in Collective Biographies. (1983)
Ref: Z1229.N39C35 1983
Indexes books which contain short biographies of several people.

If the writer exists for any social good, his role is that of preserving in art those human values which can endure by confronting change.
Ralph Ellison, 1961

REFERENCE SOURCES

Literary biographies that include selected bibliographies of primary and secondary works.

Includes citations for articles about the image and role of blacks in films. Lists black films, actors and actresses.

Indexes novels, short story collections, criticism and general works by author, title and subject.

This bibliography includes general chapters on subjects such as the civil rights movement and religion and specific chapters on authors such as James Baldwin and Malcolm X.

Includes general bibliography as well as bibliographies for specific authors. Poetry from 1760-1975 and drama from 1850-1975.

An index to over 850 stories by approximately 300 authors for the period 1950-1982. Arranged both chronologically and by author. Some stories are annotated with commentary. Includes title index.

A bibliography of drama, fiction, poetry and criticism.
Includes bibliographies on selected individuals and lists of black poetry, novels, music and art.

Lists citations for criticism, reviews and biographical information.

Lists authors, plays, criticism and general works.

Lists writers, major works and criticism.

Includes annotations and lists holding libraries.

Lists biographical and critical writings about black authors from the eighteenth century to the 1970s. Includes lengthy articles about Richard Wright, Ralph Ellison, James Baldwin and Amiri Baraka (LeRoi Jones).

A selected bibliography of works written or edited by black americans organized by broad subjects with title and author indexes.

Black Journals of the United States. Ref: PN4882.5.D36 1982
Profiles black journals with a chronology of events in black journalism history.

Black Literature Criticism: Excerpts from Criticism of the Most Significant Works of Black Authors Over the Past 200 Years. v. 1-3 Ref: PS153.N5B56 1992
Contains selections from the best criticism of works by major black writers.

Plays are listed by playwright and indexed by title.

Summarizes black novels and provides information about black writers and characters. Includes an extensive bibliography.

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Ref and Stacks: Z1361.N39G55
   Includes references to anthologies, histories, criticisms, speeches and essays.

   Facts and critiques of Hollywood films, movies, television series and specials featuring black performers. Also includes a series of biographical profiles and index.

   Lists material on history, biography, racial problems, culture and Africa.

   A comprehensive reference work to black American playwrights, including screenwriters, scriptwriters and musical theater collaborators, from 1950 to the present. Each entry contains biographical and play information. Both a bibliography and indexes are included.

Dictionary of Literary Biography.
   Each author in this multi-volume set is covered in a long biographical essay. The volumes that deal with black writers are as follows:


   Contains a brief entry for each play.

   Biographical directory of over living and deceased black artists in film, television and other performing arts. Includes a classified index by type of activity, directory of organizations, and a bibliography.

Early Black American Playwrights and Dramatic Writers. Ref: PS153.W5P44 1990
   Biographical dictionary on pre-1950 black playwrights. Includes additional lists of minor playwrights. A chronology of works by genre, a bibliography and a title index.
Frame by Frame: A Black Filmography. (1979)
Ref and Stacks: PN1995.9.N4K57
Lists films that have black themes or that have black writers, actors, actresses, directors or producers.

Harlem Renaissance and Beyond. Ref: PS153.N5R65 1990
Contains literary biographies of 100 black women writers from 1900 - 1945. An extensive bibliography concludes the volume.

Index to Poetry by Black American Women. Ref: PS153.N5C38 1986
Includes title/first line, author and subject indexes. Entries from the title index refer to the source publications listed in the front.

Excerpts of criticism of fiction, poetry and drama from Africa, the Caribbean and the United States.

Lists authors, plays and criticism.

Quotations in Black. (1981) Ref: PN6081.3.Q67
Lists quotations by prominent blacks, primarily Americans. Includes a section of black proverbs from various countries. Author and subject/keyword indexes are located in the back.

Lists the major works of black writers as well as a biographical sketch. Authors are also listed by state and time period. Includes a bibliography. Useful for locating information about obscure writers.

MUSIC

These songs [spirituals] are to Negro culture what the works of the great poets are to English culture: they are the soul of the race made manifest.

Paul Robeson, 1934

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS: Afro-Americans--Music Afro-American Musicians

INDEXES

Music Index. 1949-. Music Ref: ML118.M84
OCLC Music Library. Music Ref: CD-ROM
A compact disc that indexes music recordings. May search by artist and by title of individual songs as well as by album title.

RILM Abstracts (International Repertory of Music Literature). 1967-
Music Ref: ML1.183

"Music is either good or bad, and it's got to be learned.
You got to have balance."  Louis Armstrong, 1952

REFERENCE SOURCES

Afro-American Religious Music: A Bibliography and a Catalogue of Gospel
The first part is a bibliography of books and articles and the second part is a catalog of compositions and composers.

Comprised of song lyrics from the antislavery movement divided topically. The source of each song is given. Includes a title index and a bibliography.

Music Ref: ML102.P66B65 1983
Chapters four and five describe "Blues and Black Popular Music" and "Ragtime and Jazz," respectively, including bibliographies of sources.

Provides biographical sketches for living and dead musicians. In addition, each musician is listed according to his/her music specialty.

Provides biographical sketches of both living and dead musicians and lists jazz groups.


Black Music. (1979) Music Ref: ML156.4.P6T8
A survey and a buying guide--lists records and indexes by title.
An annotated bibliography of references on 87 black composers and performers. Citations include references to reviews and indicates the presence of photographs, discographies, etc.

Includes general reference books, general bibliography and bibliographies for selected musicians.

Survey of research material and archives. Lists general reference works and manuscript repositories by state. Indexed by titles, names and subjects.

Lists composers, conductors, instrumentalists, singers, and opera companies in alphabetical sequence giving reference materials and general references for each. Includes bibliographic guides to special collections.

A guide to the best examples of blues records in several broad categories.

A Bibliography of books and articles divided by subject. Includes author and title indexes.

Compiled from weekly Cash Box charts. Organized by performer and indexed by title with a chronological listing.

Includes biographical information as well as bibliographies and discographies.

Includes articles on terminology and theory, musical instruments, record labels, festivals and individual musicians. V. 2 has an extensive bibliography.
POLITICAL SCIENCE

All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights.

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS: Afro-Americans--Politics and Government
Afro-Americans--Politics and Suffrage
Negroes--Politics and Suffrage

INDEXES

International Political Science Abstracts. 1951- Ref: JA36.15
Subject and author index to over 500 English and foreign language
political science journals.

PAIS International Ref: 1950 - ; Stacks: 1919-1949 HBL.A1P35
Provides world-wide coverage from English language sources by subject
and author to articles, books, pamphlets, and government documents. Covers
topics in the social sciences, including politics and contemporary public
policy. Also available on compact disc from 1982-present.

Covers articles published in the leading American political science
journals. Volume I provides an index by subject, names, and geographic
areas. Volume II contains numbered citations with abstracts. Also
available through a computer search--ask a reference librarian for details.

The most potent weapon in the hands of the oppressor is the mind of
the oppressed.

REFERENCE SOURCES

U. S. House of Representatives. Stacks: J1.S3 #13947
Provides background information on forty-five black congressmen.
Includes photos, political party affiliation, committee assignments and
background information for each member.
A directory of names, titles, addresses and terms of office for black elected officials arranged by state. Includes statistical charts and tables.

Historic Documents. 1972- Stacks: E839.5.H57
This annual publication reprints major speeches, Supreme Court rulings, reports and other original documents. Introductory comments give source, origin, and importance of document.

Prepared under the auspices of the National Urban League, this annual publication provides a detailed account of significant events affecting black America in selected areas such as economics, politics, and education. Includes reports and papers, some with statistics, and a chronology of events concerning race relations.

A bibliography of the literature on the political activities of black Americans. Arranged topically, it includes articles, books and dissertations.

PSYCHOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY

Anyone who has ever struggled with poverty knows how extremely expensive it is to be poor.  
James Baldwin, 1960

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS:  Afro-American--Civil Rights
Afro-American Men
Afro-American Youth
Afro-American Women
United States--Race Relations

INDEXES

Social Sciences Index. 1974- Ref: AI3.S62
Indexes journal articles and book reviews on sociology, psychology, political science, history, anthropology, economics, criminal justice and the social aspects of medicine.

Social Sciences and Humanities Index. 1965-1974. Ref: AI3.R47
The precursor to the Social Science Index, this index contains journal article citations for both the humanities and the social sciences.

International Index to Periodicals. 1907-1965. Ref: AI3.R47
This is the precursor to the Social Sciences and Humanities Index.

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Social Science Citation Index. 1966- Ref: Z7163.S63
This indexes articles and footnote citations in the social sciences. It has a subject index that is compiled from the keywords in the title. Also available through a computer search--ask a librarian for details.

Psychological Abstracts. 1927- Ref: BF1.P65 Also Ref: CD-ROM
Indexes and abstracts journal articles and dissertations on psychological subjects. Also available on CD-ROM from 1974 to present.

Sociological Abstracts. 1952- Ref: HM1.S6 Also Ref: CD-ROM
Indexes and abstracts journal articles and conference papers on theoretical sociological subjects. Also available on CD-ROM from 1974 to present.

Social Work Research and Abstracts. 1977- Ref: HV1.N38
Indexes and abstracts journal articles in the field of applied social welfare. Also available through a computer search--ask a reference librarian for details.

This index is the precursor to Social Work Research and Abstracts.

...the inner spirit, the inner voice; the human compulsion when deeply distressed to seek healing counsel within ourselves, and the capacity within ourselves both to create this counsel and to receive it.

Alice Walker, 1981

REFERENCE SOURCES

Published by CRDBA (Consortium for Research on Black Adolescence), this work includes annotated references to books and articles. It explores issues of black adolescence such as health, drug abuse, suicide, education, sexuality, and teen parenting. Each section includes a narrative summary and overview.

Articles entitled "Civil Rights" and "Blacks" contain information about African-Americans. Volume 3 is a statistical supplement.

Has separate sections for black Americans under the various chapters. Includes information on encyclopedias, biographical sources, directories, document sources and statistical sources.
RELIGION

Where there is no vision, people perish.

James Baldwin, 1960

SUBJECT HEADING: Afro-Americans--Religion

INDEXES

Religion Index One: Periodicals, 1949- Ref: Z7753.A5
Indexes scholarly periodical articles on all religions. Also available through a computer search—ask a librarian for details.

Catholic Periodical and Literature Index, 1930- Ref: A13.C3
Indexes articles, books, reviews of films and plays and Papal documents.

Religious and Theological Abstracts, 1958- Ref: BR1.R286
Indexes and abstracts scholarly articles on all religions.

Nature has created us with the capacity to know God, to experience God, just as it has created us with the capacity to know speech. The experience of God, or in any case the possibility of experiencing God, is innate.

Alice Walker, 1981

REFERENCE SOURCES

Lists annotated citations of books and articles about this topic. Included are sections on literature, music, art, audio-visual material and reference books.

Comprehensive listing of existing African-American religious bodies, organizations and agencies. Divided by religious denominations with geographical and personal name indexes.

The first volume includes an article on "Afro-American Religions," (pp. 96-102) with a bibliography and a section on the Muslim movement.

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Includes several articles with bibliographies on black religion, black Catholicism and the civil rights movement.

Divided by broad subject area and indexed by personal names.

BUSINESS

The Negro may wind up with a mouthful of civil rights, but an empty stomach and living in a hovel. Whitney M. Young, Jr, 1963

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS:
Afro-American Business Enterprises
Afro-Americans in Business
Minority Business Enterprises-United States
Afro-American Executives
Afro-Americans-Economic Conditions
Afro-Americans-Employment
Afro-Americans as Consumers

INDEXES

ABI-Inform. Ref: CD-ROM.
A computerized index that abstracts over 800 business journals. Combine "Blacks" or "Minorities" with other appropriate subject terms.

InfoTrac. Ref: CD-ROM. General Periodicals Index.
A computerized index of general and business periodicals. Uses several appropriate index terms that begin with "Afro-American," such as "Afro-American Business Enterprises."

Business Periodicals Index. 1958 - Ref: Z7164.C8B8
An index to English-language business periodicals. Uses index terms that begin with "Blacks" or "Black."

See also: Government Publications, page 5

A great deal of prejudice against the negro exists in this country, but it stops when it comes to buying. Booker T. Washington, 1900
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

"Our scientific power has outrun our spiritual power. We have guided missiles and misguided men."

Martin Luther King, *Strength to Love*, 1963

CATALOG SUBJECT HEADINGS: Afro-American Inventors
Afro-American Scientists
Afro-Americans in Science
Afro-Americans in Medicine
Blacks in Medicine
Minorities in Medicine
Negro Scientists
Negroes in Medicine

INDEXES

*Applied Science and Technology Index*. 1914- Ref: Z7913.I7
Subject index to periodicals in engineering disciplines and related technical fields. Includes technical book reviews.

*Engineering Index*. 1892- Ref: Z5851.E62
Indexes the engineering literature worldwide, including journals, technical reports, books, and conference proceedings. Gives abstracts of citations. Also available through a computer search--ask a librarian for details.

A subject index to non-technical general science periodicals. Also available on CD-ROM from 1984 to present.

*Science Citation Index*. 1964- Ref: Z7401.S365
Indexes all disciplines in the sciences national and international. Search by cited author, source, or by title keyword. Also available through a computer search--ask a librarian for details.

"Nobody wishes more than I do to see such proofs as you exhibit, that nature has given to our black brethren, talents equal to those of other colours of man..."

Thomas Jefferson, 1793

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REFERENCE SOURCES

**Black Inventors of America.** Stacks: T39.B87 1989
This publication focuses on the contributions of black inventors to American industry and commerce. Features biographical sketches of seven inventors along with drawings and patent information. Numerous other inventors are included in the "patent and invention index."

Includes early African scientists and inventors and the major contributions of blacks to modern technology.

**Blacks in Science and Medicine.** Ref: Q141.B58 1990
A biographical directory of African-Americans with advanced degrees who have contributed to science and medicine. Includes a bibliography of sources and an index of professions represented.

A biographical history of black medicine.

A topical bibliography to reference sources, basic texts, biographies, conference proceedings, and journal articles.

**Science and Engineering Indicators.** Latest edition R.: Q172.5.S34.
This biennial report of the National Science Board includes statistics on achievement by minorities in science and technology, doctoral degree recipients, employment, and competence of pre-college students in computers, math and science.

This biennial report analyzes science and engineering employment and educational characteristics of women, minorities, and persons with physical disabilities. Presents an overview of findings regarding the differing employment experiences and characteristics among the groups.
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