



Claims Conference ועידת התביעות
The Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany

International Shoah Archivists Working Forum

Participant Information

General Information

Name and address of institution/archive:

KZ-Gedenkstätte Dachau
Alte Römerstr. 75
85221 Dachau

Internet address of web site, if applicable:

www.kz-gedenkstaette-dachau.de

Brief description of archival collecting scope in regard to the Holocaust (please indicate any focus on specific geographic areas, topics, or time periods):

Collection of publications, reports, documents, photographs, videos, tapes, plan-drawings and objects concerning Dachau and other concentration camps, national-socialism and resistance, further concerning jews and other victim-groups of persecution; altogether 37.000 unities and 15.000 books of them.

Inclusive: documents of former prisoners of Dachau (1933 – 1945), about 150 documents of "Kristallnacht"-jews, about 500 documents of non-"Kristallnacht"-jews ; Collection of publications, reports, documents, photographs and objects concerning the prosecution of jews in Munich, Bavaria , southern Germany and Austria ; Collection of books about holocaust and jewish culture

Microfilming and Digitization

Total estimated number of pages of Holocaust-relevant archival records (for purposes of estimating, please assume that 1 meter=10,000 pages and 1 foot=3,000 pages):

about 200.000 pages of archival records
inclusive about 15.000 pages concerning persecution of jews.

Estimated number of pages of original records:

about 20.000 pages

Estimated number of pages of these original records that have been microfilmed:

no microfilming program

Estimated number of pages of these original records that have been digitized:

about 1.000 pages

Estimated number of pages of records microfilmed and/or duplicated from elsewhere:

about 20.000 pages

Estimated number of pages of these records microfilmed and/or duplicated from elsewhere that are on microfilm:

about 10.000 pages

Estimated number of pages of these records microfilmed and/or duplicated from elsewhere that have been digitized:

about 3.500 pages

Conservation of Individual Items of Particular Significance

If there are specific original archival materials in your collection that are of major historical significance and of exceptional intrinsic value that are in urgent need of conservation, please list them:

no such material

If you know of specific original archival materials in collections other than your own that are of major historical significance and of exceptional intrinsic value that are in urgent need of conservation, please list them:

not known

Acquisitions

If your archive is actively acquiring Holocaust-relevant archival records, please briefly describe your acquisitions program, including an estimate of the average number of pages acquired annually and the sources for such acquisitions (private donors, other repositories, etc.):

Contacts with survivors of the holocaust and their descendants
 Acquisitions in Dachau and the towns of the subcamps
 Altogether about 200 objects and documents per year
 All documents are acquired by privat contacts, there is no acquisition program in Dachau.

If your archive has an exchange program with other archives, please briefly describe it:

There is no exchange program.

Does a list of your institution's microfilming and other acquisitions projects already completed and/or currently in progress exist? If so, in what form is it and how can it be accessed?

A data base of the digitized documents and objects is only for the internal use in the memorial site.

Cataloging

Briefly describe your current cataloging practices:

A database of all the documents is in progress, actual about 7.500 datas are accessible.

Estimated proportion of Holocaust-related collections in your archive that are already adequately cataloged and in what language(s):

About 25 per cent of the collection is digitized, the description is only in German language.

Has your archive developed a controlled vocabulary for the cataloging of its collections? If so, please describe briefly. If not, please explain:

There is a Dachau- and a holocaust-referred-Thesaurus to register the categories and related terms. A short survey over the Thesaurus you will find in the attachment.

Are the cataloging records accessible in an electronic format? If so, are they accessible to the public (if the electronic catalog is available on the Internet, please provide the Internet address)?

The catalogue is not accessible and usable for the public.

Is there more detailed information such as finding aids, survey notes, or other descriptive tools available for the collections in your archive? If so, please describe (if available on the Internet, please provide the Internet address; if not available on the Internet, please attach an example). Is such more detailed information available to the public?

A catalogue for the user based on the thesaurus and the indices is in preparation.

Accessibility

Briefly describe your current policies regarding access to your collections.

The collection is only accessible for visitors of the archive.

Does your archive duplicate archival collections for other repositories? If so, please explain under what circumstances:

At the moment we give duplicates to other insitutions in the case of exhibitions or publications. The protection of personal data must be regarded.