

## 2) War-Time Documents Section

This section holds records on foreigners who were brought to the territory of the Reich for work assignment during the period from 1939 to 1945, or who came voluntarily within the scope of the "Reichswerbung" (enlistment for work).

The documentary material comprises excerpts from records of registration offices, records established by employers, labour offices, social insurance authorities, hospitals, physicians, by police authorities, prison administrations, registry offices and other institutions, which shortly after the war had been requested by the occupying authorities to furnish such reports. The documentary material kept by the ITS pertains mainly to the area of the present Federal Republic of Germany.

The documents give information about place and period of residence, dates of employment and insurance, as well as eventual treatment in hospitals or by panel-doctors, furthermore about death cases reported by registry offices or cemetery administrations.

Specifically the following documents resp. excerpts are concerned:

<u>Registers:</u>	nominal lists established by labour offices registry offices district magistrate offices mayors' offices
<u>Registers established by employers:</u>	nominal lists established by firms/industrial plants craftsmen farmers
<u>Registers established by insurance agencies:</u>	nominal lists established by health insurance agencies statutory professional associations and statutory accident insurance agencies insurance agencies (social insurance)
<u>Reports on cases of illness:</u>	nominal lists established by hospitals Boards of Health panel-doctors
<u>Registers established by registry offices:</u>	birth certificates marriage certificates death certificates nominal lists of deceased persons
<u>Registers established by police authorities:</u>	nominal lists established by municipal police stations or police presidents' offices
<u>Registers established by courts and prisons:</u>	nominal lists established by district courts and prisons



The most important activity of this section is to deal with applications for proof of employment during the war to support pension claims, and for records of illness for those persons who were treated in hospitals or by panel-doctors. In addition, tracing inquiries have to be checked regarding those persons sought who were last heard of from places of civil employment, as well as such applications for Certificates of Incarceration, when employment as foreign labourer preceded the incarceration.

The significance of this section has grown continuously during the last years and the tendency of the work-load is still increasing.

The War-Time Documents Section holds 6.399 files with a total of 1.907.485 sheets, plus 1.301.246 original index cards.

(15 employees)

The main task of this section is to establish Certificates of Residence required by Jewish persons for the reception of German citizens in support of their last heard of in the scope of the Federal Law of Internationality. The responsible authorities can judge whether they are competent to issue the Certificates of Residence, especially that Jewish persons stayed in Germany during the period from 1933 to May 1945 or in their country of origin, according to the Federal Law of Internationality, in which cases the Federal State in which the applicant stayed on the 31st day of January 1945 is responsible for the payment of internationality. This section also deals with applications for photographs and X-ray photographs and X-ray photographs; the latter are, where a legal matter, very necessary for the present legislation. Moreover, all matters are handled for proof of employment during the war to support pension claims because, as already mentioned, the 1933 law was great matter sections. These particulars can also be of importance in tracing matters.

The following figures are held in the War-Time Documents Section:

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about 1.500.000 original index cards for approximately 2.000.000 persons

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The significance of this section has grown considerably during the years and the tendency of the work is still to expand.

The War-Time Economic Section holds 2 1/2 million with a total of 1 1/2 million plus 1 301,344 special cases.

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