



Family History Internet Site

State Library of Queensland

- **One Search Catalogue** <http://onesearch.slq.qld.gov.au/> allows access to published material on a variety of Indigenous topics and images.
- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Collections**
 - <https://www.slq.qld.gov.au/research-collections/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-collections>

such as

- Margaret Lawrie <http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/atsi/collections/lawrie>
Margaret Lawrie enquiry form
<http://askslq.altarama.com/ref100.aspx?key=MargaretLawrie>
- Norman Tindale <http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/family-history/atsi/tindale>
Tindale enquiry form
<http://askslq.altarama.com/ref100.aspx?key=Tindale>

Search the index in the State Library of Queensland's [One Search](#) catalogue. Select "SLQ Family History Indexes".

- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages.**
 - <https://www.slq.qld.gov.au/discover/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-cultures-and-stories/languages>
- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community History**
 - <https://www.slq.qld.gov.au/research-collections/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-people/community-history>
- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Contemporary Stories**
 - <https://www.slq.qld.gov.au/discover/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-cultures-and-stories/contemporary-stories>
- **Indigenous Knowledge Centres**
 - <https://www.slq.qld.gov.au/about-us/partnerships-and-collaboration/local-government-and-public-libraries/indigenous-knowledge>
 - Indigenous Knowledge Centre blogs <http://ikc.org.au/>
- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Blogs, exhibitions and recordings**
 - <https://www.slq.qld.gov.au/discover/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-cultures-and-stories/blogs-exhibitions-and-recordings>
 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mission and Reserves
<http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/atsi/community-history/missions>
 - Indigenous Language <http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/atsi/languages>.
- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and stories**
 - <http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/atsi>
- **Family History Internet** <http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/resources/family-history>
- **Online enquiry form** (<http://askslq.altarama.com/ref100.aspx?key=RefAtt>) if you have a research enquiry (They will provide an answer within 10 working days).
- **Ancestry** is available on One Search which will link you to the Ancestry Library Edition database.

AIATSIS

I highly recommend that you visit Australian Institution of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) <http://aiatsis.gov.au/> as a first point of call. View the online tutorial to better understand the AIASIS systems <http://aiatsis.gov.au/research/guides-and-resources/tutorials> .

- **Mur@ Library catalogue** (<http://www.aiatsis.gov.au/collections/muraread.html>) an Indigenous culturally friendly catalogue, that will let you search by group and family names.
- **Family history** (<http://aiatsis.gov.au/research/finding-your-family>) view their family history kit (<http://aiatsis.gov.au/research/finding-your-family/family-history-kit>)
- **The Aboriginal Biographical Index (ABI)** (<http://aiatsis.gov.au/research/guides-and-resources/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-biographical-index>) is compiled by an indexer who currently reads through books from the AIATSIS collection and creates records for the names of people mentioned in the them. There are about 70, 000 records in the ABI and it is being continuously updated from both historical and contemporary Australian Indigenous works. View also databases and indexes (<http://aiatsis.gov.au/research/guides-and-resources/databases-and-indexes>)
- **Aboriginal language Map** (<http://aiatsis.gov.au/explore/articles/aiatsis-map-indigenous-australia>) site allows you to purchase the map represented in the *Encyclopaedia of Aboriginal Australia*. This map was created using the published resources available between 1988 and 1994, the map attempts to represent language, tribal or nation groups of Australia's Indigenous peoples.
- **Guide and Resources** <https://aiatsis.gov.au/research/guides-and-resources>
- **AIATSIS: the great keeping place** <https://aiatsis.gov.au/gallery/video/aiatsis-great-keeping-place>

Centre for Indigenous Family History Studies (<http://www.cifhs.com/>)

This web site has material extracted from publically available archival records mentioned below. A worthy Internet site, but remember that the words used in these extracts are those that appear in the original documents, which could be offensive to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Some of the sources are from:-

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| (1) Births, Deaths and Marriages | (10) Health and Medical |
| (2) Auditor General Reports | (11) Police and Courts |
| (3) Aboriginal Trackers | (12) Protector of Aborigines Letter books |
| (4) Colonial Secretary | (13) Queensland Parliamentary Papers |
| (5) Education and School | Marriages |
| (6) Employment | (15) Removals |
| (7) Exemptions | (16) Settlements and Missions |
| (8) Gaols and Prisoners | (17) Torres Strait Islanders |
| (9) General | |

Link-up (<http://www.link-upqld.org.au/>). Link-up provides a caring and private service to members of the Stolen Generation. If you are looking for your family of origin, Link-up can help you reunite with your family members if you have been:

- adopted
- fostered
- removed
- separated
- institutionalised.

Queensland Registry of Birth, Death and Marriages

Department of Justice and Attorney General - Queensland Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages has a history researcher online database (captured February 2017)

View the Family Research site at <https://www.qld.gov.au/law/births-deaths-marriages-and-divorces/family-history-research/>

They hold records of life events (births, deaths and marriages) that took place in Queensland, from 1829 to present day.

Historical records are available to anyone online, without proof of ID. Historical records are:

- births that took place more than 100 years ago (1829 to 1917).
- marriages that took place more than 75 years ago (1829 to 1942).
- deaths that occurred more than 30 years ago (1829 to 1987).

The Department of Justice and Attorney General also hold historical church records for:

- baptisms and burials between 1829 and 1856
- church marriages between 1839 and 1856
- some marine birth and death records to 1920
- some death records for Service Personnel who enlisted in Queensland for World Wars 1 and 2.

To access more recent records, you need to satisfy the Queensland Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages access policy.

Ancestry – Free Charts and forms (<https://www.ancestry.com/cs/charts-and-forms>)

Ancestor charts and records are a great way of keep track of family members. This Internet site provides a variety of genealogy charts and research aids for free download. Note that the files are in Adobe Acrobat™ format, but worth printing off if you are serious about doing your family history.

Find My Past (<http://www.findmypast.com.au/>)

Findmypast.com.au is a family history and genealogy website, which launched in May 2010. With millions of records covering Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and the Pacific Islands. The great variety of records satisfies the family history buff as well as the social and local historian alike.

I am not sure if this site will be of value for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, but it can't hurt.

Note that while within State Library of Queensland you have free access to certain records through a partnership with findmypast. Otherwise you will need to register and sign in.

- Cemetery records
- Death records
- Probate, land & court records
- Migration records
- Directories
- Criminal reports
- Electoral rolls
- Almanacs
- Military records
- Government gazettes

Family Search (<https://familysearch.org/>) which has several sites to assist people with their family history and a world online database where you can capture Australian information <https://familysearch.org/search>

Queensland State Archives

(<https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/arts/heritage/archives/collection/atsi>)

Queensland government agencies have managed the affairs of Indigenous Australians over a long period of time and the Queensland State Archives is the official repository of agencies

Agencies such as: -

- Border Police and Native Police
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=2377>
- Colonial Secretary's Office
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=107>
- Home Secretary's Office
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=123>
- Northern Protectors of Aboriginals
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=142>
- Southern Protectors of Aboriginals
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=1834>
- Office of the Chief Protector of Aboriginals
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=135>
- Office of the Director of Native Affairs
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=136>
- Department of Aboriginal and Islander Affairs
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=137>
- Department of Aboriginal and Islander Advancement
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=143>
- Department of Community Services
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=139>
- Department of Community Services and Ethnic Affairs
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=217>
- Department of Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=2568>
- Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs Department, Aboriginal and Islander Affairs Division
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=41>
- Department of Families, Youth and Community Care
<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/AgencyDetails.aspx?AgencyId=49>

You can check the Queensland State Archives online catalogue at (<http://www.archivessearch.qld.gov.au/Search/BasicSearch.aspx>)

Brief guide 50 to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

<https://publications.qld.gov.au/dataset/brief-guides-at-qsar/resource/3a08df52-1b0e-4bbd-957a-c948a0712612>

Guide to searching the Queensland State Archives catalogue, ArchivesSearch.

<https://publications.qld.gov.au/dataset/7c47a324-e4dc-46ee-b0b9-7f4992331e94/resource/19d71a1f-ed94-4b96-8fe9-bf4d27347689>

National Library of Australia Indigenous (<http://www.nla.gov.au/what-we-collect/indigenous>).

- **Trove** <http://trove.nla.gov.au/> Most people use Trove to view newspapers and Gazettes. It is more than a search engine or catalogue.
- **Bringing Them Home Oral History Project** - <http://www.nla.gov.au/oral-history/bringing-them-home-oral-history-project> over 300 interviews collected between 1998 and 2002 with Indigenous people and others, such as missionaries, police and administrators involved in or affected by the process of child removals. [Listen online](#) to a selection of interviews.
- **Mura Gadi** - <https://www.nla.gov.au/mura-gadi-has-moved>. An online guide to significant manuscripts, pictures and oral histories in the National Library of Australia relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples prior to 2003. This bibliography is current to 1999.

National Archives of Australia (<http://www.naa.gov.au/>)

- **Finding records relating to an Indigenous person – Fact sheet 264**
<http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/fact-sheets/fs264.aspx>
- **Fact sheet on *Bringing them home name index* – Fact Sheet 175**
<http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/fact-sheets/fs175.aspx>
- **The 1967 referendum – Fact sheet 150**
<http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/fact-sheets/fs150.aspx>
- **Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody – Fact sheet 112**
<http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/fact-sheets/fs112.aspx>
- **Charles Nelson Perkins – Fact sheet 225**
<http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/fact-sheets/fs225.aspx>
- **Neville Bonner – Fact sheet 231**
<http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/fact-sheets/fs231.aspx>
- **Aboriginal petitions – Fact sheet 268**
<http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/fact-sheets/fs268.aspx>
- **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people – Fact sheet 113**
<http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/fact-sheets/fs113.aspx>
- **Indigenous family history beyond the National Archives – Fact sheet 270**
<http://www.naa.gov.au/collection/fact-sheets/fs270.aspx>

Australian Human Rights Commissions

Bringing them home: The 'Stolen Children' report (1997)

<https://www.humanrights.gov.au/our-work/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-social-justice/publications/bringing-them-home>

Anti-Discrimination Commission Queensland (adcq)

Aboriginal people of Queensland: a brief human rights history

http://www.adcq.qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0013/10606/Aboriginal-timeline-FINAL-updated-25-July-2018.pdf

Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander family history.

(<https://www.datsip.qld.gov.au/department-aboriginal-torres-strait-islander-partnerships>).

This Department has with it the Community and Personal Histories section <https://www.datsip.qld.gov.au/people-communities/aboriginal-torres-strait-islander-family-history> which have councillors to assist you with navigating the Queensland State Archives Records. They have an office in the Public Search Room at Queensland State Archives. The office is staffed most days, however, it is a good idea to phone on 07 3273 3949 before travelling to the Public Search Room at Runcorn. Alternatively, you may call 1800 650 230 for assistance.

FINDING YOUR CLAN NAME ONLINE

When trying to find research information on your group it is advised to use as many varieties of groups as possible.

South Australia Museum. The South Australian Museum have placed online Norman Tindale Collection catalogue of Australian Aboriginal Tribes information duplicated from *Aboriginal tribes of Australia: their terrain, environmental controls, distribution, limits, and proper names*. Digital copy of map <http://hdl.handle.net/10462/deriv/18673> and information of the location of the group, co-ordinates, area size, and more is locatable at <http://archives.samuseum.sa.gov.au/tindaletribes/index.html>

The **South Australia Museum** digital copy of the *Aboriginal tribes of Australia* map <http://archives.samuseum.sa.gov.au/tribalmmap/> will enlarge until you can view the group name, then links to the catalogue where you can view information.

AIATSIS – Dr Horton Aboriginal Map AIATSIS published the Dr Horton Map with their *The Encyclopaedia of Aboriginal Australia: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, society and culture* <http://aiatsis.gov.au/explore/articles/aiatsis-map-indigenous-australia>. If you wish to purchase this map visit <http://www.aiatsis.ashop.com.au/c/4326118/1/linguistics-languages.html>

ABC – Indigenous - Gambay: a map of Australia's first Languages
<https://www.abc.net.au/indigenous/features/gambay-languages-map/>

National Native Title Tribunal Native Title Application and Determination Area as of Dec 2016 <http://www.nntt.gov.au/assistance/Geospatial/Pages/Maps.aspx> . Native title representative bodies can be found online at <https://www.qld.gov.au/atsi/environment-land-use-native-title/native-title-representative-body/>