National Library of Australia’s TROVE Digital Newspapers

The Australian Newspapers Digitisation Program (National Library of Australia) started digitising newspapers in March 2007 with the aim of scanning just over 4 million pages over 4 years. Go to http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper

These pages cover a range of titles from every state and territory.
Some figures so far…
- Over 20 million pages finished and available
- Over 170 million articles finished and available

At present Trove has digitised over 1000 newspapers including over 90 Queensland newspapers. Below is a listing of some of the titles available:

Bowen Independent (Qld. : 1911 - 1954)
Brisbane Courier (Qld. : 1864 - 1933)
Brisbane Telegraph (Qld. : 1948 - 1954)
Cairns Morning Post (Qld. : 1907 - 1909)
Cairns Post (Qld. : 1884 - 1893)
Cairns Post (Qld. : 1909 - 1954)
Cloncurry Advocate (Qld. : 1931 - 1953)
Courier (Brisbane, Qld. : 1861 - 1864)
Courier-Mail (Brisbane, Qld. : 1933 - 1954)
Daily Mail (Brisbane, Qld. : 1903 - 1926)
Daily Mercury (Mackay, Qld. : 1906 - 1954)
Evening Advocate (Innisfail, Qld. : 1941 - 1954)
Evening Telegraph (Charters Towers, Qld. : 1901 - 1921)
Geraldton Advocate and Johnstone River Guardian (Qld. : 1895 - 1896)
Johnstone River Advocate (Geraldton, Qld. : 1906 - 1908)
Johnstone River Advocate and Innisfail News (Qld. : 1928 - 1941)
Leader (Brisbane, Qld. : 1918 - 1919)
Mackay Mercury (Qld. : 1887 - 1905)
Mackay Mercury and South Kennedy Advertiser (Qld. : 1867 - 1887)
Moreton Bay Courier (Brisbane, Qld. : 1846 - 1861)
Morning Post (Cairns, Qld. : 1897 - 1907)
National Leader (Brisbane, Qld. : 1916 - 1918)
North Australian (Brisbane, Qld. : 1863 - 1865)
North Queensland Register (Townsville, Qld. : 1892 - 1905)
Northern Herald (Cairns, Qld. : 1913 - 1939)
Northern Miner (Charters Towers, Qld. : 1874 - 1954)
Northern Mining Register (Charters Towers, Qld. : 1891 - 1892)
Northern Sportsman (Innisfail, Qld. : 1928)
Queensland Country Life (Qld. : 1900 - 1954)
Queenslander (Brisbane, Qld. : 1866 - 1939)
Sunday Mail (Brisbane) (Qld. : 1926 - 1954)
Telegraph (Brisbane, Qld. : 1872 - 1947)
Townsville Daily Bulletin (Qld. : 1907 - 1954)
Worker (Brisbane, Qld. : 1890 - 1955)

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Searching Trove Newspapers

If you know the exact issue of a newspaper you are after, you can simply select the newspaper title, year, month and date of publication and view the digitised paper in its entirety.

From the Image View page, you can zoom in and out, view a version which you can then print or save, and also purchase a high quality copy of the image.

Note: Cairns Libraries has The Cairns Post (1884-1893, 1909- to the present) on microfilm at the City branch (our films arrive every 3 months). You can view/print/scan this newspaper on our microfilm reader/scanner.

Use the Advanced Search function if you only want to search specific publications (eg. Only Queensland newspapers).

You can also do a more general search of specific keywords or names in the “Search articles for” search box.

The initial results will be numerous as all digitised newspaper titles are searched – however, from your results screen you can quickly filter your results by Newspaper Title, and Category (Advertising, article, family notices, detailed lists, guides, literature and illustration), as well as Decade.

Note: You can subscribe to a RSS feed (also known as a web feed) which will email you when new issues or titles have been added to the page.
To refine your results, add ‘filters’ by Publication, or Category or Decade. Simply click on items from the left-hand menu. E.g. Filter by stories in “The Sydney Morning Herald”, that are categorised as “Family Notices” etc.

TIP! To search for an exact term, put it in inverted commas (“ ”).
Searching for John Best will return any article that contains instances of both words, (not necessarily this combination) whereas searching for “John Best” will only return an article that has this exact term.

Need more help?
Ask us! Or go to http://help.nla.gov.au/trove/using-trove/digitised-newspapers for general user information and detailed advice on search strategies such as Boolean (And, Or, Not), Exact term searches (“john deakes”) and Wildcard and Truncation searching (e.g. find all references to “mathematics tutorial”, “maths tutor” by inputting math* tutor*.
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**The British Newspaper Archive**
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**PapersPast**
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**London Digital Archive 1785-1985**
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**19th Century British Newspapers, 1800-1900**
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