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HE NATIONAL LIBRARY AT A GLANCE



The Library's Main building in Canberra. The Library's role is to collect, preserve and make accessible nationally significant resources.



The Library holds more than nine million items including books, journals, newspapers, maps, music, manuscripts, pictures, oral histories, ephemera and electronic resources. As well as a vast collection of Australiana, the Library has considerable collections of general overseas and rare book materials, and world-class Asian and Pacific collections. Each year, the Library receives 120 000 journal issues, 70 000 newspaper issues and 45 000 books through deposit, purchase or donation.

Approximately 88 per cent of the Library's collection is listed in its online catalogue and nearly 127 000 collection items—including pictures, maps, manuscripts, music and printed materials—have been digitised and can be viewed on the Library's website and online catalogue, and via Libraries Australia. In 2006–2007, the Library's website received 140 million page views, a 27 per cent increase compared with the previous year. Approximately 13 million of these page views were of collection items such as this digitised image, which was the 100 000th image digitised as part of the Library's digitisation project.



More than 532 000 local, interstate and international visitors came through the Library's doors in 2006–2007. Of these, approximately 66 000 visited the Library's onsite exhibitions and over 43 000 participated in Library events and education activities. During 2006–2007 a further 189 000 people around Australia visited the collaborative travelling exhibition, *National Treasures from Australia's Great Libraries*.

