



Wikipedia - State Library NSW 2018

- Wikipedia is the fifth most visited site in the world and maintaining a presence on Wikipedia is recognised by the Library as an essential element in improving global access to its collections.
- Wikipedia contributors and librarians share similar skills: an understanding of quality research materials, an interest in effective citation and attribution, and clear public communication. Wikipedia's "sum of all human knowledge" mission also aligns with the service-focused goals of librarianship, where patron access to public knowledge drives both activities. American Libraries Magazine, 1 May 2018
- The State Library of NSW formulated a Wikipedia policy over 5 years ago and we still maintain a working group to monitor content development.
- Last year the SLNSW recognised participation in the editing goals of the Wikipedia working group as part of the staff Capability Performance Development plans.
- We have also created an online form for staff which can be used to request training and make suggestions for updates to Wikipedia entries.

- Between 4 Jan 2018 and 31 August 2018 the pages edited by the editors in the State library NSW Wikipedia group were viewed over 1.56 million times. This was almost all conducted as a part of BAU.
- In addition between 22 January and 2 February 2018, the working group participated in the global #1lib1ref program to improve Wikipedia pages. The group contributed 122 edits to 89 articles which related to the State Library. Between then and 30 May 2018 these pages have been visited 1, 169,788 times.
- Library staff have created Wikipedia pages for the following newly digitized newspapers: Casino and Kyogle Courier & North Coast Advertiser, Kyogle Examiner, Queanbeyan Observer, Quirindi herald and district news, The Corowa Free Press, The Grafton Argus and Clarence General Advertiser, The Sun (Sydney), Australian Aborigines Advocate.



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## List of Aboriginal Reserves in New South Wales

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

### List of Aboriginal Reserves in New South Wales

Aboriginal reserves, together with [missions](#) and [stations](#), were areas of land in [New South Wales](#) where many Aboriginal people were forced to live due to government laws and policies. The reserves were established by government authorities. The British government, which controlled the Australian colonies, had various policies of segregation and assimilation and also set aside portions of land for the sole use of Aboriginal people, a practice that continued after [Federation](#) in 1901.<sup>[1][2][3]</sup>

The reserves were operated under the direction of various government bodies including the Aborigines Protection Board (1883-1940), the Aborigines Welfare Board (1940-1969) and the Aborigines Welfare Directorate (1969-1975).<sup>[4][5][6]</sup>

Aboriginal reserves, like the missions and other institutions, had the effect of isolating, confining and controlling Aboriginal people.<sup>[7]</sup> People who were relocated to these reserves lost the human rights of freedom of movement and work, control over their personal property and the custody of their children.<sup>[8]</sup> In [New South Wales](#), some reserves were created in response to complaints by white residents who objected to Aboriginal people living in towns or in fringe camps on the edges of towns.<sup>[9]</sup>

Aboriginal Reserves were gazetted in the [Government Gazette of the State of New South Wales](#).<sup>[10]</sup> There were two types of reserves, managed reserves which are frequently called stations were normally staffed by a manager or matron and residents were provided with rations and housing.<sup>[11]</sup> Unmanaged reserves provided only rations and were under the control of the local police.<sup>[5]</sup>

Following [World War I](#), a number of reserves were revoked, which may be linked to the allocation of land to returned servicemen.<sup>[10]</sup> Between 1954-1964 more than 25 reserves were revoked and this may be due to policies of assimilation and the relocation of people to town reserves.<sup>[5]</sup>

Mylee Joseph has also created a new page with an extensive listing of [Aboriginal Reserves in New South Wales](#)

- Over 2018-2019 our Wikipedia working group will be creating and updating entries in four key subject areas. Recently digitised serials; oral histories; Fairfax Archive, Research and Discovery citations, and updating articles relating items on display in the new Mitchell Galleries.



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The working group has taken advantage of the online dashboard system set up by Wikipedia. This allows us to monitor statistics, allocate editors and focus on the ongoing work of the group through a project-based workflow