

LGBTQ+ Research Resources

A Note on the Sorting of the List: While organizations are listed by their locations in order, some may collect items focused on their regional location, and others may collect items from the national or international LGBTQIA+ community. Therefore, in each major section, organizations within each region are sorted in order of which are most locally focused to which focus further outward, starting first with those local to the Pacific Northwest, then moving alphabetically down the list.

Primary Sources

	LOCATION	ORGANIZATION	COLLECTION	DESCRIPTION
U.S.	WASHINGTON	King County Department of Records and Licensing Archives: Exhibits	Responding to AIDS: The Seattle-King County Department of Public Health 1982-1996 A History of the King County Women's Program: The First Years: 1978-1985	Established in 1978 during a period when there was renewed and widespread national interest in the social, political and economic status of the American woman. Many activists became part of what has been called "second-wave feminism", the "women's rights movement," or "women's liberation."
		UW Seattle Civil Rights & Labor History Project	LGBTQ Activism in Seattle History Project	Explores the history of the LGBTQ activism in Seattle and western Washington - contains video oral histories, documents, and photos
		UW Libraries, Special Collections	Northwest Lesbian and Gay History Museum Project oral histories, 1995-2015	Oral history collection of LGBTQ+ and heterosexual narrators focusing on their experiences before the activist period, and activism from early days to the present.
		Northwest Lesbian & Gay History Project	N/A	Oral history collecting, LGBT memorabilia, and tracing the geographical distribution of LGBT-related venues and living spaces.
		MOHAI (Museum of History and Industry)	N/A	Search by subjects, interviewee, creator, etc.
	CALIFORNIA	Lambda Archives of San Diego	N/A	Search the archives for images, videos, recordings, and more materials about the LGBTQ+ History of San Diego
		June L. Mazer Lesbian Archives	Video Archives and Digital Collections	Event documentation, personal oral histories, and talks about our collections; t-shirts, buttons, and more coming soon
		GLBT Historical Society	Online Resources and Online Exhibitions	Materials and knowledge to support and promote understanding of LGBTQ history, culture and arts in all their diversity.
		UCLA Library for Oral History Research	N/A	Search under multiple topics/collections to find LGBT history-related interviews and recordings
		ONE Archives	Exhibitions	Art shows and public programs that explore the complexity of LGBTQ history through the lens of arts, culture, and contemporary issues.
		ONE National Gay & Lesbian Archives at the USC Libraries	ONE National Gay & Lesbian Archives	Collections of personal papers from activists, artists, and ordinary citizens, as well as records from LGBTQ political, social, educational, and cultural organizations.
		UC San Diego Library	UC San Diego: LGBTQ History in Government Documents: Timeline of Documents	Fact sheets, Executive Orders, court cases, and other official documents related to LGBTQ+ issues in the government
	FLORIDA	Stonewall National Museum & Archives	Virtual Exhibitions; Archives by Topic; and Online Interviews	The Archives contain serials, papers, objects, textiles, sound recordings, and other media.
	GEORGIA	Georgia State University Library	LGBTQ Digital Collections	Miscellaneous materials documenting the Georgia LGBTQ community.
	ILLINOIS	Leather Archives & Museum	Online Exhibits and Online Catalog	Community archives, library, and museum of Leather, kink, fetish, and BDSM history and culture.
		Gerber/Hart Library & Archives: Midwest LGBTQ History & Culture	Online Exhibits	Collection items of individuals, organizations, and businesses, as well as publicly distributed items.
	MASSACHUSETTS	http://www.historyproject.org/The History Project: Documenting LGBTQ Boston	DOCUMENTED (digital repository); Exhibitions; projects (current and prior); virtual events	Documenting and preserving the history of New England's LGBTQ communities through images, documents, videos, interviews, and more
	NEW YORK	NY Public Library: Digital Collections	Gay & Lesbian History	Three related digital collections available for online viewing with photos, documents, and more
		ACT UP Oral History Project	Interviews (recordings and PDF transcripts)	A collection of interviews with surviving members of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power, New York.
		Lesbian Herstory Archives	Online Collections	Gathers, preserves and provides access to records of Lesbian lives and activities.
	RHODE ISLAND	Leslie-Lohman Museum of Art	Online Collections; Online Events	The only dedicated LGBTQ+ art museum in the world with a mission to exhibit and preserve LGBTQ+ art and foster the artists who create it.
		Brown University	Pembroke Center Oral History Project	These oral histories record the experiences of the women, transgender, and gender non-binary students, alums, and faculty and staff who were at Brown University and Pembroke College as early as 1907; accompanied by transcripts, photos, bios
	WASHINGTON, D.C.	Library of Congress	LGBT Pride Month: Audio & Video	Recorded poetry & literature, interviews, LGBTQ history, keynote presentations, Veterans History Project, StoryCorps
			LGBTQ+ Politics and Political Candidates Web Archive	The U.S. Women's and Girls' Magazines Web Archive consists of websites of women's media which previously existed as print magazines, but are now published solely on the web.
	ONLINE	Kameny Papers	N/A	Dr. Franklin E. Kameny, an early prominent gay civil rights activist, saved every relevant artifact, making this archive perhaps the most complete archive in the gay civil rights movement.
		FBI Records: The Vault	Mattachine Society	An early homosexual rights advocacy organization. It became the subject of an FBI internal security investigation between 1953 and 1956.
		JSTOR	Independent Voices	Open access digital collection of alt-press newspapers, magazines and journals - produced by feminists, dissident GLs, campus radicals, Native Americans, anti-war activists, Black Power advocates, Hispanics, LGBT activists, the extreme right-wing press and alt-lit magazines.
		OutHistory	Search online archive or view Featured content	Search LGBTQ+ history by time period, US location, person, visual or oral history collection, subject, or documents; reference bibliographies and timelines
		Internet Archive Global Events	Internet Archive Global Events: 2013 Supreme Court Hearings on DOMA/Prop 8	News articles, blogs, organizational websites, and social media related to the 2013 Supreme Court hearings and subsequent rulings for the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) and California's Proposition 8.
		Ivy Plus Libraries Confederation	U.S. Women's and Girls' Magazines	
U.S. STATS	ONLINE	US Census Bureau: Explore Census Data	American Community Survey (ACS); Same-Sex Couples	The ACS helps people understand changes in their communities; Census Bureau surveys collect info about same-sex couples. The level of detail varies.
		Center for Disease Control (CDC)	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS); LGBT Health	Learn about how states are using BRFSS data to support and evaluate projects, monitor trends and needs, assess risks, provide training, etc.; learn about the needs and perspectives of LGBT folks to help eliminate disparities
		UCLA School of Law, Williams Institute	LGBT People in the US Not Protected by State Non-Discrimination Statutes	Independent research on sexual orientation and gender identity law, including demographics. Includes LGBTStats, articles on LGBT policy and law.
		Movement Advancement Project (MAP)	LGBT Population	Series of maps showing raw LGBT populations, population density, LGBT adults and couples raising children, and table-formatted representations of this data
		2015 US Trans Survey	Read the Full Reports (English & Spanish)	A second iteration of the National Transgender Discrimination Survey (NTDS), measuring how things are now and how they have changed over the 5 years since the release of the NTDS.
		Pew Research Center	A Survey of LGBT Americans: Attitudes, Experiences and Values in Changing Times (June 13, 2013)	This report is part of a series, LGBT in Changing Times, that explores attitudes about sexual orientation and identity. The series is based on several Pew Research surveys.
		Social Justice Sexuality Project	2010 Data & Survey	One of the largest national surveys of Black, Latinx, AAPI, and multiracial LGBTQIA+ people, with 5,000+ respondents from 50 US states and Puerto Rico.
		Cambridge University Press	Historical Statistics of the United States; see also: Guide to the Millennial Edition regarding temporal periods	Includes: Population; Work and Welfare; Economic Structure and Performance; Economic Sectors; Governance and International Relations

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INTERNATIONAL	AUSTRALIA	AQuA (Australian Queer Archives)	Collections	<i>Material from the lives and experiences of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and gender diverse, intersex, queer, Brotherboy and Sistergirl (LGBTIQ+) Australians.</i>	
	CANADA	Archives Gaias du Québec (Gay Archives of Quebec)	The Walls Have Ears (audio exhibit); Stories from Our Lives; Stories from LGBTQ2S+ Communities in Quebec; Videos; Le Berdache magazine	<i>Manuscripts, images, recordings, and other memorabilia pertaining to the LGBTQ+ of Quebec. Site in Québécoise Français.</i>	
		The ArQuives	Archives & Collections	<i>Canada's LGBTQ2+ Archives - A/V, posters, photos, and more</i>	
	ENGLAND/U.K.	Gay History & Literature	N/A	<i>Essays by Rictor Norton, a London-based American writer on literary and cultural history, with a focus on gay history.</i>	
	GERMANY	Schwules Museum	Search the catalog; Virtual events (online exhibits & tours, & more)	<i>The non-profit association Verein der Freundinnen und Freunde eines Schwulen Museums in Berlin e.V. (Friends of a Gay Museum in Berlin) is responsible for the Schwules Museum.</i>	
	INDIANA	Kinsey Institute: Indiana University	Search the library catalog	<i>The Kinsey Institute Collections encompass print materials, film and video, fine art, artifacts, photography, and archives from over 6 continents.</i>	
	NETHERLANDS	IHLIA	Online Collection	<i>The largest LGBTI collection in Europe, with small portion of collection online. Site in Dutch.</i>	
	WASHINGTON, D.C.	Library of Congress	Library of Congress: LGBTQ+ Studies Web Archive	<i>Online content documenting LGBTQ+ history, scholarship, and culture in the US and worldwide: non-profit organizations, journalism and news external link, creative works and expressions, historical records, etc.</i>	
		United Nations Digital Library	Human Rights Bodies	<i>Search for documents, votes, speeches, public domain publications, etc.</i>	
		Where Love Is Illegal	N/A	<i>Sharing and Documenting LGBTI Stories of Discrimination and Survival from Around the World (an interactive project)</i>	
		LGBTQ Religious Archives Network	Collections Catalog; Online Exhibitions; Oral Histories	<i>Identifies more than 330 primary source collections from or about LGBTQ+ religious organizations or activists. Most are held in public archives.</i>	
		Women Writers Project	How to subscribe to the Women Writers Online (WWO) full publications	<i>A long-term research and publication project focusing on early women's writing in English. Provides access to rare materials by women that otherwise would go unread and untaught.</i>	
		LGBTQ Video Game Archive	N/A	<i>A curated/researched collection of information of LGBTQ content in digital games from 1980s-present</i>	
		Digital Transgender Archive	N/A	<i>An online hub for digitized historical materials, born-digital materials, and information on archival holdings throughout the world.</i>	
		ONLINE	Ivy Plus Libraries Confederation	South Asian Gender and Sexuality	<i>The work of activists, grassroots organizations, and social justice movements committed to LGBTQAI+ people and women in South Asia and its diasporas.</i>
				#MeToo and the Women's Rights Movement in China	<i>Captures and preserves web content related to the #MeToo movement and women's rights activities in the Greater China Region</i>
			Pew Research Center	Gender & LGBT	<i>Surveys, statistics, and research about gender and LGBT issues in the US and internationally</i>
Palgrave Macmillan	International Historical Statistics		<i>Online reference of worldwide historical data</i>		
INTERNATIONAL STATS		Community Marketing & Insights	N/A	<i>LGBTQ market research firm - 100% LGBTQ-owned and -operated. (Also has over 5,000 panelists in Canada.)</i>	

Secondary Sources

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U.S.	OREGON	Gay & Lesbian Archives of the Pacific Northwest (GLAPN)	N/A	<i>Online resources include articles about queer Pacific Northwest history, Northwest queer heroes, videos, recommended books</i>
	CALIFORNIA	UC San Diego Library	LGBTQ History in Government Documents: Selected LGBTQ History Sources	<i>List of recommended reading about LGBTQ+ history and government</i>
	WASHINGTON, D.C.	National Museum of American History	LGBTQ History	<i>The resources gathered on this page offer a path into the museum's efforts in finding LGBTQ+ history and making sense of it.</i>
	ONLINE	Organization of American Historians	The American Historian: Queer History (May 2019 issue)	<i>Research articles, research from the history archives, obituaries</i>
			Process: a blog for American history (tag: lgbtq)	<i>Articles tagged 'lgbtq' - Captures digital content related to LGBTQ+ political candidates and political issues and topics at various levels of government, with a focus on lesser-known local and state politics.</i>
		Internet Archive Global Events	Internet Archive Global Events: 2013 Supreme Court Hearings on DOMA/Prop 8	<i>News articles, blogs, organizational websites, and social media related to the 2013 Supreme Court hearings and subsequent rulings for the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) and California's Proposition 8.</i>
		Unerasd: Counting Transgender Lives	N/A	<i>A comprehensive look at transgender murders since 2010. *The article contains links to an internal database that can no longer be found.</i>
		Georgetown Public Policy Review	Invisible in Data: The Lack of LGBTQ Data Collection	<i>An essay on the lack of comprehensive data collection and analysis of the US LGBTQIA+ population and its implications</i>
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INTERNATIONAL	CANADA	U Victoria: Transgender Archives	Discovery Tool	<i>Searches the world's largest collection of Trans, nonbinary, Two-Spirit, and other gender-diverse publications.</i>
	ENGLAND/U.K.	Gay History & Literature	Homosexuality in 18th-Century England	<i>A sourcebook of primary documents compiled by Rictor Norton - documents faithfully reproduce the language and typeface of the original sources.</i>
	INDIANA	Kinsey Institute: Indiana University	Frequently Asked Questions about human sexuality; Research ; News , and Events ; Lecture Series	<i>The Kinsey Institute Collections encompass print materials, film and video, fine art, artifacts, photography, and archives from over 6 continents.</i>
	ONLINE	NBJC: We've Always Been Here & Ubuntu Biography Project	Ubuntu	<i>Celebrating legacies and achievements of LGBTQ+/SGL people.</i>
		LGBTQ Religious Archives Network	Biographical Sketches	<i>Prominent figures and leaders in LGBTQ+ religious movements around the world</i>
		Black Feminisms	Irma McLaurin Black Feminist Archive ; Scholarly articles: #Sayhername and The Jezebel Speaks	<i>Uplifting Black feminist scholar-activism and conducting research; includes the Black Feminist Digest</i>
		Women Writers Project	Exhibits and Women Writers in Review	<i>A long-term research and publication project focusing on early women's writing in English. Provides access to rare materials by women that otherwise would go unread and untaught.</i>
		U of Rochester: River Campus Libraries	AIDS Education Posters	<i>8,000+ posters documenting efforts to educate and inform people in 100+ countries in 60+ languages, 1982-present. Contains student projects using the posters, links to other resources, and interactive features.</i>

Tertiary Sources

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U.S.	CALIFORNIA	Teaching LGBTQ History	LGBTQ Rights Timeline in American History	Organized in units that are typically taught in middle/high school U.S. History classrooms, consistent with people and events listed in the new California History-Social Science Framework (2016).
		ONE Archives	Lesson Plans; Teaching LGBTQ History Webinars; History Panels	Educator training and materials to support teachers in teaching students about LGBTQ+ history
	FLORIDA	Stonewall National Museum & Archives	LGBTQ History Timelines and Archeion Journal	Archeion is a quarterly journal of SNMA's archive, library, and museum. The history timeline is organized by topic.
INTERNATIONAL	ONLINE	American Historical Association: Committee on LGBT History	Syllabi	Syllabi about LGBTQ+ curricula submitted by professors around the country
		Fordham U: Internet History Sourcebooks Project	People with a History: An Online Guide to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Trans* History	Content Notice: Some use of problematic language. Includes hundreds of original texts, discussions, and [soon] images, and addresses LGBT history in all periods, and in all regions of the world.
	PHYSICAL BOOK	Charles Scribner's Sons	Global Encyclopedia of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) History, 1st Edition	A global view of the history of LGBTQ, covering significant figures and events worldwide. Complements courses in a variety of disciplines, including history, American studies, literature, psychology, sociology and others.
			Cassell's Encyclopedia of Queer Myth, Symbol, and	Drawing upon religion, mythology, folklore, anthropology, history and the arts, the Encyclopedia is a
	PHYSICAL	Cassell Publishing		

Compiled Sources

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U.S.	ONLINE	Library of Congress	Freely Accessible Gender, Minority Studies & Anthropology Online Resources	<i>A collection of publicly available gender, minority studies & anthropology online resources selected by Library of Congress staff.</i>
			LGBT Pride Month: Resources	<i>Social media, research guides, civil rights & the government, literature & poetry, and more</i>
		UW-Madison Libraries: The Office of the Gender and Women's Studies Librarian	LGBTQ+ Archives, Libraries, Research Centers, and Special Collections - United States	<i>List of archives, libraries, research centers, and collections of LGBTQ+ historical items in the US</i>
		GLAA	GLAA: Preserving Our History (Archives)	<i>Contains links to other archive websites, news articles, writing by GLAA members, and other source material</i>
		Online Archive of California	<i>Browse institutions, libraries, collections, or map for LGBTQ publications, sources, and more.</i>	
		Society of American Archivists	Lavender Legacies Guide: Lesbian and Gay Archives Roundtable Guide to Sources in North America	<i>*Some listed resources may not be up to date. Contains a list of archives and museums of LGBTQ+ history in each state or territory.</i>
		Edmonds College Library	Edmonds College Library: Stonewall Uprising & LGBTQ History	<i>List of articles, streaming films, books, history archives</i>

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INTERNATIONAL	ONLINE	UCSB: Voice of the Shuttle	Gender and Sexuality Studies: General Resources Queer Studies (a sub-topic)	Over 70 pages of links to humanities and humanities-related resources on the internet; a briefly annotated guide to online resources.
		Royal Historical Society	LGBT+ Histories and Historians	Includes guides on getting started with research; reading lists; archives, networks, and heritage; gender-neutral pronouns; guidance, support, and advice; contexts and other reports. Project is designed to grow over time with updates to material.
		LGBTQ Religious Archives Network	LGBTQ History Resource (religious and non-religious)	Recommendations and links
		Archives Gaies du Québec (Gay Archives of Quebec)	Bibliography	Manuscripts, images, recordings, and other memorabilia pertaining to the LGBTQ+ of Quebec. Site in Québécoise Français.
		AQuA (Australian Queer Archives)	LGBTIQ+ Archives	Material from the lives and experiences of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and gender diverse, intersex, queer, Brotherboy and Sistergirl (LGBTIQ+) Australians.
		NYU Libraries	NYU Libraries: Gender and Sexuality Studies	Primary-Source Research Materials Beyond Bobst: This guide provides an overview of available gender and sexuality studies resources and materials.
		UMichigan Library	Research Guides: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender & Queer Studies	LGBTQ Statistics; Databases for LGBTQ Research; Article Databases & Electronic Reference; Archives & Primary Sources; Journals, Magazines & Newspapers - some may require login access
		Black Feminisms	Archives on Black Women	Databases and lists of archives, book recommendations, academia, and other resource by and about Black feminist scholars
			Books on Black Feminism	
			Feminist Media by Women of Color	
			Academic Books by and About Black Women - 2020 Ed.	
		Women's Knowledge Digital Library	N/A	An online repository of information by and about women and girls.

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