

# State Library of Queensland

1896 –

**Other Names:**

- Brisbane Public Library
- The Public Library of Queensland

**URL:** <http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/>

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## Details

The State Library of Queensland was established in 1896 and opened in 1902. The State Library is the legal deposit library for Queensland, the main reference and research library of Queensland and its primary role is to ensure Queensland's documentary heritage is collected, preserved and made accessible to the public. The Library holds some records from past 'care providers', generally found in the John Oxley Library and genealogical records including birth and death certificates in the Family History Unit.

The State Library of Queensland contains the John Oxley Library on Level 4. The John Oxley Library was opened in 1934 and is responsible for collecting, managing and providing access to material that documents Queensland's history, development and cultural life. The John Oxley Library collects widely and is assisted by the State Library's legal deposit role, which requires publishers, authors and others to deposit a copy of their works with the library.

Some records of the Congregational, Methodist, Presbyterian and Uniting Church out-of-home care institutions were transferred to the John Oxley Library in Brisbane. These records only relate to church administration and operations. There are no individual files of former residents.

The State Library of Queensland also has a large collection of genealogical resources within its Family History Unit. The resources cover records from Queensland, other Australian states and other countries and include census records, immigration and shipping, births, deaths and marriages among other items.

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## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Holds

- [Forgotten Australians : Micah Pilot Oral History and Digital Story Project \[sound and video recording\] \(March 2011 - April 2011\)](#)
- [Adele Kieseker Collection, Queen Alexandra Home for Children](#)
- [Jones Family Cutting Book \(6 September 1916 - 10 July 1947\)](#)  
The John Oxley Library holds the original copy of the Jones Family Cutting Book.
- [Society of St Francis Records, 1953-1978 \(1953 - 1978\)](#)