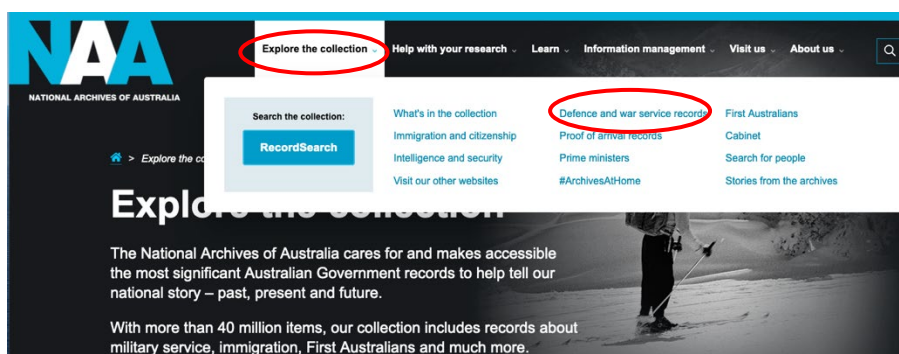


Finding service records at the National Archives of Australia

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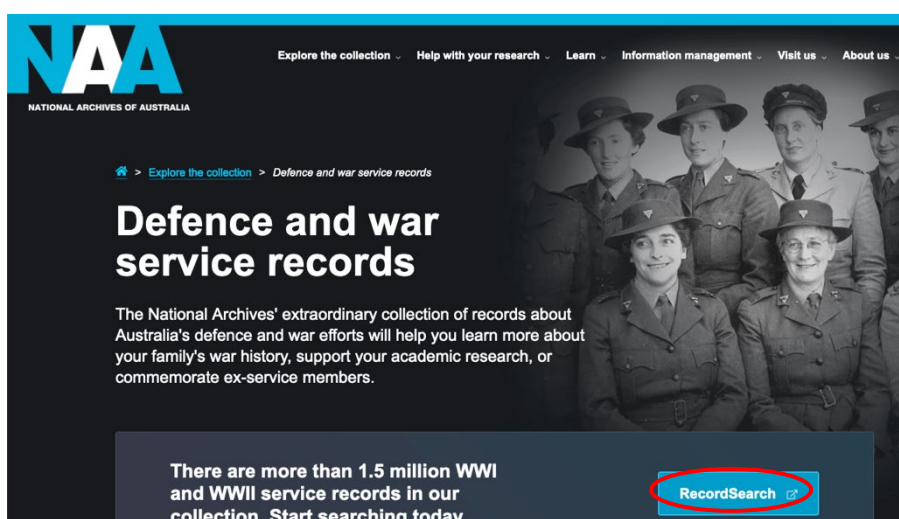
How to search

Finding the records of service from a person who has been a member of the Australian Defence Service requires their name and preferably their service number to make it an easier search. From the home page of the [National Archives of Australia](https://www.naa.gov.au) click on the tab "Explore the collection" and choose "Defence and war service records".



This page gives information about the types of records that are available in the archives.

- Click on RecordSearch.



- Choose the tab for a NameSearch. This search requires you to add the family name and the given name if available.

The screenshot shows the 'RecordSearch' interface for the National Archives of Australia. The 'NameSearch' tab is selected. The form includes the following fields and options:

- Family name:** A text input field with the placeholder 'Family name'. This field is circled in red.
- Given names:** A text input field with the placeholder 'Given names' and a dropdown menu set to 'All words'.
- Category of records:** A dropdown menu with the placeholder 'Select a category of records...'. This field is circled in red.
- Use exact spelling:** A checked checkbox.
- Buttons:** 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons.

At the bottom, there is a footer with 'Privacy', 'Copyright', 'Terms of use', 'Accessibility', 'Using the collection', 'Citation', 'Service charter', and 'Ask us a question' links, along with the Australian Government logo and 'National Archives of Australia' text.

- Choose the category of resources that you want to search
- It is a drop-down list and includes a general Australian Defence Forces personnel records plus specific ones like Army, Air Force or Navy personnel records. It is easiest to look under the general heading to find the records. The information retrieved from the Australian War Memorial records includes the service number of the person you are researching.

This screenshot shows the 'RecordSearch' interface with the 'NameSearch' form filled out. The fields are as follows:

- Family name:** 'Frederick' (circled in red).
- Given names:** 'Given names' (placeholder text).
- Category of records:** 'Australian Defence Forces personnel records' (circled in red).
- Service number:** '885A' (circled in red).
- Use exact spelling:** Checked checkbox.
- Buttons:** 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons.

The footer is identical to the previous screenshot, showing the Australian Government logo and 'National Archives of Australia' text.

- Enter the details that you know
- Click search.
- Either a list of records or a specific personal record will be provided. This will depend on the use of the Service Number for the person.

The record in the archives gives details including:

- The date range of the contents in the series

- The Series number that will provide the name of the government department that created those records
- How to cite this record when writing about your finds
- Where the physical files are kept
- What format the files are, physical or digital?
- The number of files in this series.

This record also shows that there is a digital copy of the files that can be viewed online.

| Item details for: B2455, FREDERICK J H | |
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| Title | Frederick James Henry : SERN 685A : POB Scone NSW : POE Roma QLD : NOK W Frederick Emily |
| Contents date range | 1914 - 1920 |
| Series number | B2455 Click to see which government agency or person created this item. |
| Control symbol | FREDERICK J H |
| Citation | NAA: B2455, FREDERICK J H |
| Item barcode | 1994227 |
| Location | Canberra |
| Access status | Open |
| Date of decision | 12 Apr 2001 |
| Physical format | PAPER FILES AND DOCUMENTS (allocated at series level) |
| Records authority class number | 3891 |
| Date registered | 27 May 1997 |

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 658 Name FREDERICK JAMES HENRY
Unit 12th O/T M.C. - 10th 7th M.C.
Joined on 25 Sept 1916

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT TO THE PERSON ENLISTING BEFORE ATTESTATION.

1. What is your Name? James Henry Frederick
2. In the Parish of Scone in or near the Town of Scone in the County of New South Wales
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalised British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) Natural born
4. What is your Age? 24 years 11 months
5. What is your Trade or Calling? Farmer
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? No
7. Are you married? No
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) Mr. James Henry Frederick, Scone, N.S.W.
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incongruous and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? No
11. Do you now belong to, or have you ever served in, His Majesty's Army, the Marines, the Militia, the Militia Reserve, the Territorial Force, Royal Navy, or Colonial Forces? If so, state which, and if not now serving, state cause of discharge. No
12. Have you stated the whole, if any, of your previous service? No
13. Have you ever been rejected as unfit for His Majesty's Service? If so, on what grounds? No
14. (For married men, widowers with children, and soldiers who are the sole support of widowed mothers)—Do you understand that no separation allowance will be issued in respect of your service beyond an amount which together with pay would reach eight shillings per day? No
15. Are you prepared to undergo inoculation against small pox and enteric fever? No

I, James Henry Frederick do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and I am willing and hereby voluntarily agree to serve in the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia within or beyond the limits of the Commonwealth.

Date 25 September 1916 James Henry Frederick
Signature of person enlisted.

National Archives of Australia NAA: B2455, FREDERICK J H