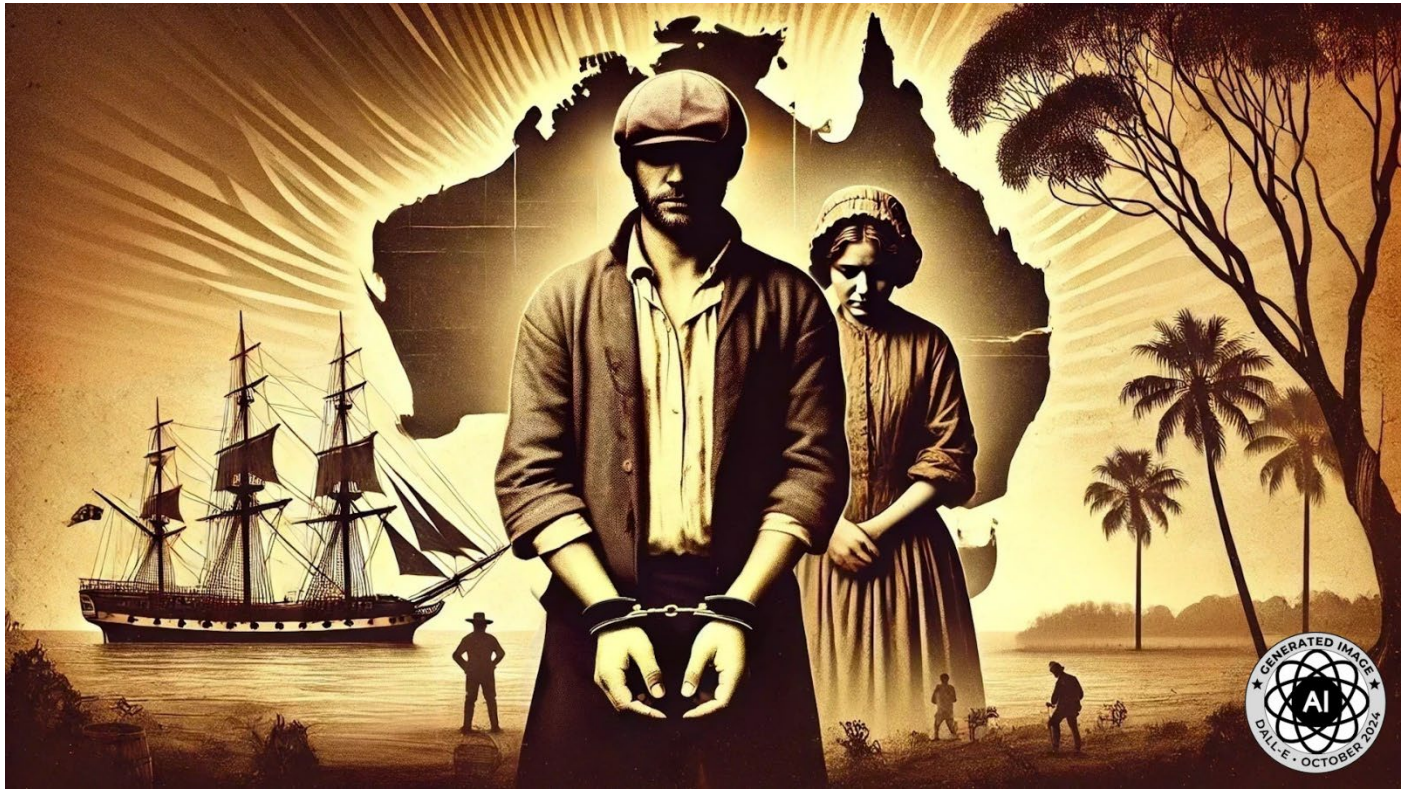
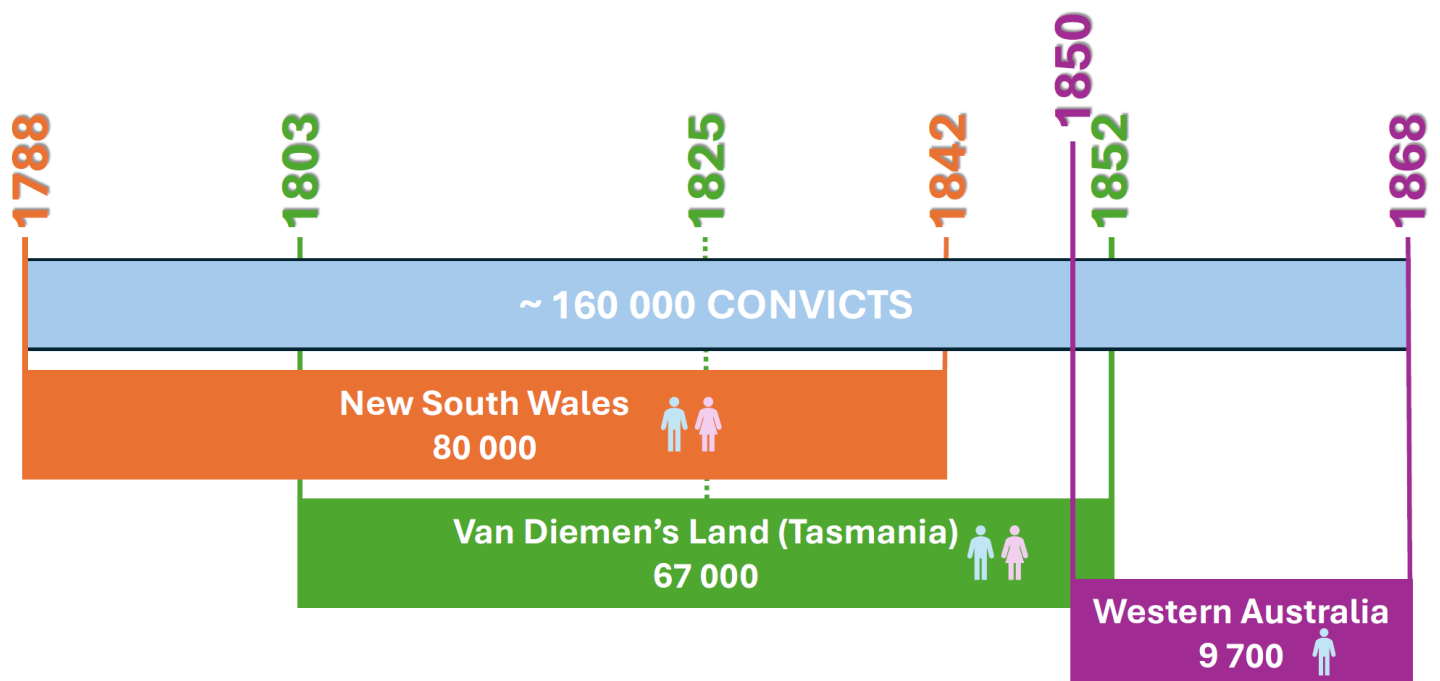


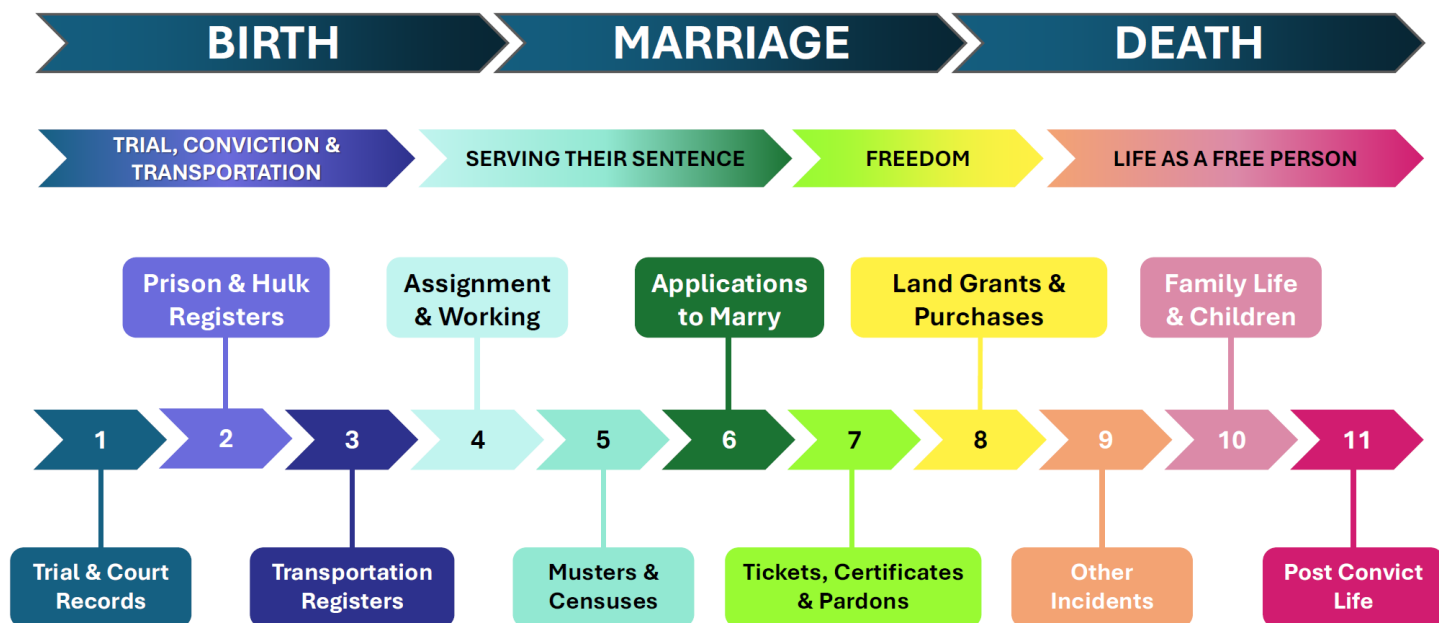
# RESEARCHING CONVICTS TRANSPORTED TO AUSTRALIA



## CONVICTS TO AUSTRALIA



## A CONVICT'S LIFE



Guide



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## 1. TRIAL & COURT REPORTS



**State Library NSW: Trial & Court Records**

<https://guides.sl.nsw.gov.au/convicts-bound-for-australia/trial-court-records>

### Newspapers

- British Newspapers 1600-1950 (Gale)
- ProQuest Historical Newspapers
- The Guardian (Manchester) 1821-2003
- The Observer (London) 1791-2003
- Times Digital Archive 1785-2019 (Gale)
- 17th - 18th Century Burney Collection Newspapers (Gale)
- And many others



**Digital Panopticon: Tracing London Convicts in Britain & Australia, 1780-1925**

<https://www.digitalpanopticon.org/>



**The Proceedings of the Old Bailey, 1674-1913**

<https://www.oldbaileyonline.org/>

## 2. PRISON & HULK REGISTERS

### **Hulks Registers 1801-1879**

[https://www.digitalpanopticon.org/Hulks\\_Registers\\_1801-1879](https://www.digitalpanopticon.org/Hulks_Registers_1801-1879)

### **Prison & Hulks Guide**

[https://guides.sl.nsw.gov.au/convicts-bound-for-australia/hulk\\_registers](https://guides.sl.nsw.gov.au/convicts-bound-for-australia/hulk_registers)

- England & Wales, Criminal Registers, 1791-1892: Ancestry Library Edition [eresource]
- Prison Hulk Registers 1801-1849: The National Archives & Ancestry (subscription needed)
- Hulk Treasury Registers 1802-1817: The National Archives & Find My Past (subscription needed)
- Hulk Registers (Cumberland, Dolphin, and Ganymede only) 1818-1839: The National Archives & Find My Past (subscription needed)
- Hulks and Prisons Quarterly Returns 1824-1879: The National Archives & Find My Past (subscription needed)

### **National Archives of Ireland's Ireland-Australia transportation database 1788–1868**

<https://www.nationalarchives.ie/>

### **Irish Newspaper Archive (Available through National Library of Australia)**

<https://catalogue.nla.gov.au/Record/000000/Offsite?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.irishnewsarchive.com%2F>

## 3. TRANSPORTATION REGISTERS

### **Guide to Penal Transportation records: Ireland to Australia, 1788–1868**

<https://www.nationalarchives.ie/article/penal-transportation-records-ireland-australia-1788-1868/>

### **Convict Transportation Registers Database, 1787-1867**

<https://www.slq.qld.gov.au/research-collections/family-history/convict-queenslanders>

### **Ireland-Australia Transportation Database**

<https://findingaids.nationalarchives.ie/index.php?category=18&subcategory=147>


### **The Log of Logs Volumes 1, 2 & 3: A list of ships traveling into Australian and New Zealand waters between 1788 and 1990.**

<https://zenodo.org/records/6901#.Wfk1rVuCyUk>







### **Surgeon's Journals, 1798–1856**

State Library NSW Catalogue Entry: <https://collection.sl.nsw.gov.au/record/9PQ8OLen>

## 4. ASSIGNMENT & WORKING RECORDS

-  **Convict Assignment Records**  
<https://mhnsww.au/guides/convict-assignment-records/>
-  **Convict assignments index 1821-1825**  
<https://mhnsww.au/indexes/undefined/convict-assignments-index/>
-  **Index of Convict Assignments in NSW, Vol 1, 1830-32 compiled by Nola M Mackey**  
Catalogue Record: <https://catalogue.nla.gov.au/catalog/765185>
-  **Convicts and Employers (NSW) Index, 1828, 1832-33, Jan 1838-Jan 1844 compiled by Pastkeys**  
Catalogue Record: <https://catalogue.nla.gov.au/catalog/3670302>
-  **Victoria: Register of convicts, 1842-1854 (VPRS 110/P0)**  
<https://prov.vic.gov.au/archive/EF32674C-F303-11E9-AE98-2FE6A21F8575?image=1>
-  **Libraries Tasmania: Convict Records**  
<https://libraries.tas.gov.au/family-history/convicts-in-van-diemens-land-now-tasmania/convict-life/convict-records/introduction/>

## 5. MUSTERS & CENSUSES

-  **Census & Musters Guide: Population muster and census records, 1788-1901**  
<https://mhnsww.au/guides/census-musters-guide/>
-  **1828 Census**  
<https://mhnsww.au/guides/1828-census/>
-  **Returns of the Colony, 1822-1870 including 'Blue Books' 1822-1857 & Public Service Lists, 1858-1870**  
<https://mhnsww.au/articles/1286/>
-  **Musters and Lists included in the Biographical Database of Australia**  
<https://www.bda-online.org.au/sources/musters-census/>
-  **Muster and census records: the Archives Authority of New South Wales**  
<https://trove.nla.gov.au/work/13183577?keyword=muster%20census>
-  **Home Office: Settlers and Convicts, New South Wales and Tasmania; (The National Archives Microfilm Publication HO10, Pieces 5, 19-20, 32-51)**  
<https://discovery.nationalarchives.gov.uk/browse/r/h/C8874>

## 6. APPLICATIONS TO MARRY

### **Convicts Applications to Marry 1825-1851**

<https://mhnsw.au/indexes/convicts/convicts-applications-to-marry/>

### **Colonial Secretary. Returns of Applications for the Publication of Banns, 1828–41**

<https://mhnsw.au/articles/905banns/>

## 7. TICKETS, CERTIFICATES & PARDONS

### **National Library of Australia: Tickets of Leave / Certificates of freedom / Pardons**

<https://www.nla.gov.au/research-guides/convicts/tickets-of-leave>

### **Museums of History NSW and State Records Authority of New South Wales**

<https://mhnsw.au/collections/state-archives-collection/>





- Butts of Certificates of Freedom: State Records Authority of New South Wales
- Copies of returns of Absolute and Conditional Pardons granted
- Registers of Conditional Pardons. Series 1170. State Records Reel 774
- Register of convicts recommended for Conditional Pardons. Series 1173. State Records Reel 797-798, copy of 4/4478-80
- Alphabetical registers of pardons. Series 1174. State Records Reel 798, copy of 6/884
- Registers of Absolute Pardons. Series 1177. State Records Reel 800, copy of 4/4486-88
- Registers of recommendations for Absolute Pardons. Series 1179. State Records Reel 800, copy of 4/4489-90.
- Copies of Conditional Pardons Registered. Series 1172. Reels 775-796, 3037

### **Libraries Tasmania: Convict Records**






<https://libraries.tas.gov.au/family-history/convicts-in-van-diemens-land-now-tasmania/convict-life/convict-records/introduction/>






## 8. LAND GRANTS & PURCHASES

-  **Land Grants Guide, 1788-1856**  
<https://mhnsww.au/guides/land-grants-guide-1788-1856/>
-  **Historical Land Records Viewer**  
<https://hlrv.nswlrs.com.au/>
-  **HLRV> OLD SYSTEM INDEXES > OLD SYSTEM GRANT INDEXES > GRANT INDEX**  
<https://hlrv.nswlrs.com.au/>
-  **How to search the Old System Grant Index and Register 1792-1862**  
<https://www.nswlrs.com.au/getattachment/fc8a5339-4c03-439c-bc86-78ee4275ba7e/Grant%20Index>

## 9. OTHER INCIDENTS

-  **Colonial Secretary Letters Received, 1826-1896**  
<https://mhnsww.au/indexes/colonial-secretary/colonial-secretary-letters-received-1826-1896/>
-  **Colonial Secretary's Papers 1788-1825**  
<https://mhnsww.au/indexes/colonial-secretary/colonial-secretarys-papers-1788-1825/>
-  **Digitised Newspapers**  
<https://trove.nla.gov.au/>
-  **Government Gazettes**  
<https://trove.nla.gov.au/>
-  **Museums of History NSW (Do a General Search for your convict name)**  
<https://mhnsww.au/collections/state-archives-collection/>

## 10. FAMILY LIFE

-  **Digitised Newspapers & Gazettes**  
<https://trove.nla.gov.au/>
-  **Births, Marriage & Death Indexes**  
<https://www.nla.gov.au/research-guides/australian-birth-death-and-marriage-records>
-  **Parish Registers & Church Indexes**  
[https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Australia\\_Church\\_Records](https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Australia_Church_Records)

## 11. POST CONVICT LIFE

### Probates and Wills

NSW: <https://mhns.w.au/collections/state-archives-collection/>

VIC: <https://prov.vic.gov.au/>

### Death Certificate

<https://www.nla.gov.au/research-guides/australian-birth-death-and-marriage-records>

### Digitised Newspapers & Gazettes

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/>

## OTHER RESOURCES



<https://ironcladsisterhood.sag.org.au/>

### CLAIM A CONVICT

<https://www.hawkesbury.net.au/claimaconvict/>



**LIBRARIES  
TASMANIA**

[https://libraries.tas.ent.sirsidynix.net.au/client/en\\_AU/names/](https://libraries.tas.ent.sirsidynix.net.au/client/en_AU/names/)



<http://www.fellowshipfirstfleeters.org.au/>



**CONVICT  
RECORDS**

<https://convictrecords.com.au/>



**Female Convicts Research Centre Inc.**

A not-for-profit organisation run entirely by volunteers

<https://femaleconvicts.org.au/>



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