

# The Telegraph Historical Archive 1855-2016\*

This is the fully-searchable digital archive, allowing researchers and students to search the full text of over 950,000 pages of the newspaper's backfile, from its first issue in 1855 to the end of 2000, including issues of *The Sunday Telegraph* from 1961 along with the various supplements. The value of this archive lies in its fascinating picture of politics, society and culture, giving a mix of news as it was experienced at the time.

Various source media, *The Telegraph Historical Archive 1855-2000*



# OVER 140 YEARS OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COVERAGE

Launched in 1855, by 1896 *The Telegraph* was the biggest-selling newspaper in the world. It is generally seen by press historians as the start of a new era of journalism, and marked the first step toward the mass-market style that has developed into rival newspapers like the *Daily Mail*. *The Telegraph* is one of the few newspapers to have noticeably and deliberately shifted its political standpoint, moving from its early left-leaning liberalism to a more right-leaning conservatism in the late 1870s, and in the 1850s and 1860s it expanded coverage into the arts, culture, and the sciences.

\* 2001-2016 is available as an add-on to customers who purchased the original archive up to 2000.

## KEY STATISTICS

Number of articles

**Over 9 million**

Number of pages

**Over 950,000**

Earliest document

**1855**

Latest document

**2016\***

## A CHANGING APPROACH TO NEWS

*The Telegraph Historical Archive* provides a unique opportunity to explore the effect of political allegiance on reporting, as it is one of the few newspapers to noticeably change its political position

## COMPARE DIFFERENT VIEWPOINTS

A valuable counterpoint to the journalism of major rival papers, giving insight into how the reporting of news stories was affected by the target audience

## CROSS-SEARCH FOR NEW CONNECTIONS

Explore a deeper picture of arts and culture in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century, as *The Telegraph* was one of the earliest newspapers to actively cover these fields

### A MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESOURCE

- Arts and Culture
- Business and Economics
- Politics and International Relations
- Science and Technology
- Social History



### FEATURES AND TOOLS

#### Term Frequency

See the frequency of search terms within a content set to begin assessing interactions and how they developed over time.

#### Term Clusters

Developing research topics by identifying and organising frequently occurring themes, and revealing hidden relationships between search terms.

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