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Compiled and edited by specialist bibliographers and historians at the University of London, BBIH is a joint research and publishing project of the UK's Royal Historical Society and Institute of Historical Research, and its publisher Brepols.

AIMS AND SCOPE

The *Bibliography of British and Irish History Online* provides bibliographic data on historical writing dealing with the British Isles, and with the British empire and Commonwealth, during all periods for which written documentation is available - from 55BC to the present.

In addition to 600,000+ bibliographical records, BBIH offers links to online catalogues to help you find the items that it lists in research libraries in Britain and Ireland. It also provides links to the full text where available.

The bibliography is a guide to the work of historians - it does not contain original sources, unless they have been edited and republished by historians (except for a selection of key sources published before 1901).

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KEY FEATURES

- A database of **over 600,000 records, updated three times per year**, with around 12,000 records added annually
- Covers **British and Irish history** and relations with the empire and Commonwealth, **from 55 BC to the present**
- Includes records from partner projects: *London's Past Online* and *Irish History Online*
- Bibliographic data are drawn from many sources: numerous journals not available online, and data from the British Library's Electronic Table of Contents Database and from the *British National Bibliography*
- Incorporates books, articles in journals (print and electronic), review articles and articles in collections of essays
- Over **750 journals and series** regularly checked
- Contents reviewed by **specialist academics** for accuracy and completeness, and prepared by professional bibliographers and historians at the Institute of Historical Research, the UK's national centre for history
- Indexed using a specially designed classification hierarchy
- A **metrics component** enables users to examine in detail trends in British and Irish history, see journal profiles (e.g. information on subjects and periods covered), and find authors' publication profiles

SUBJECT AREAS

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- Place: Publisher, year: Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2012
- Description: xviii, 346 p.
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- The global reach of the Bibliography of British and Irish History
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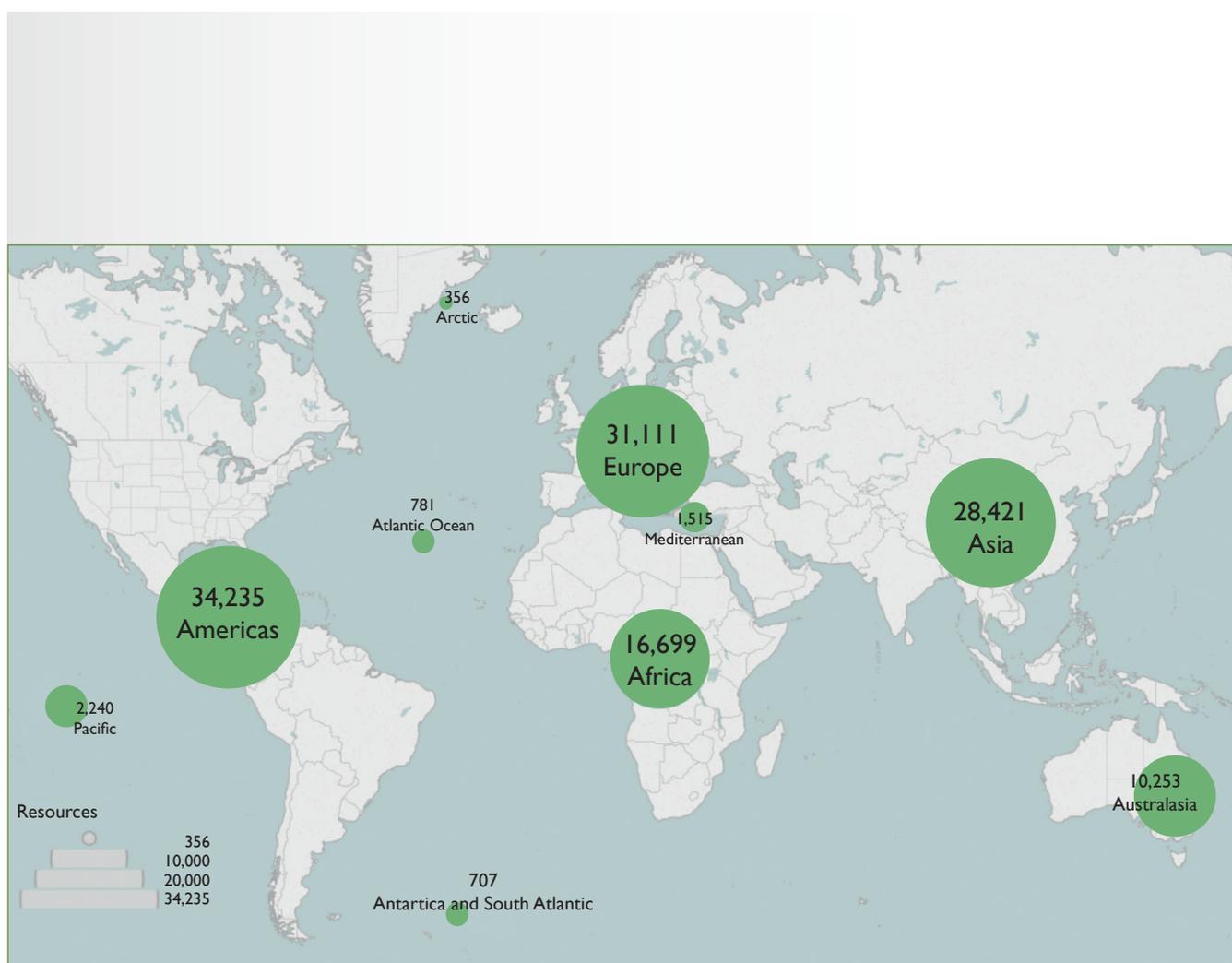
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THE GLOBAL REACH OF THE BIBLIOGRAPHY

Given the global reach of British and Irish history, the Bibliography provides extensive coverage of scholarly content relating to Britain, Ireland, the British empire and Commonwealth and the British world. Using data visualization tools, we mapped the number of resources available onto a global frame using the figures from an update in 2019 and the place names listed.

The expansion of the British empire explains the significant number of resources concerning North America, the Indian Subcontinent, Australia, South Africa. However, other less obvious areas also feature prominently. There are nearly 2,500 records of books, chapters and articles relating to Russia, over 1,500 to China, and nearly 1000 to Japan.



Visit the website of the Institute of Historical Research for more details on the global scope of the Bibliography:
<https://www.history.ac.uk/projects/bbih>

REVIEWS

The *Bibliography of British and Irish History* is, quite simply, indispensable. A superb resource—well maintained, regularly updated, and with the very best search tools—this is the indispensable ‘go to’ for all serious scholarship on British and Irish History.

Professor Mark Ormrod, University of York, UK

The Bibliography is the first resource I recommend, and rely on for myself, when starting research on the history of British Atlantic. Searches reveal the latest work on the Atlantic World, and the British in colonial America—including scholarly articles, book chapters, monographs and reviews.

Dr Jordan Landes, Curator, Friends Historical Library, Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania

It’s hard to imagine historical research and teaching without BBIH at my side. The Bibliography offers a great deal not only to historians of Britain and Ireland, for it also reflects an expansive view of what students and researchers need to know about this country’s European and global entanglement.

Professor Miri Rubin, Queen Mary University of London, UK

BBIH is an invaluable, long-established, hand-curated resource. It not only provides powerful tools to help students and scholars find relevant secondary content, but also makes possible large-scale, quantitative and qualitative surveys of whole fields of historical study.

Professor Joanna Innes, University of Oxford, UK



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