

Introducing American Politics and Society from JFK to Watergate, 1960–1975

Records from the Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon presidencies, plus federal agencies.

Kennedy files include documents from the 1960 presidential campaign and cover the major issues of the Kennedy presidency including women's rights, urban renewal, rural development, tax reform, civil rights, space exploration, and international trade. These topics are covered in a variety of document types, including correspondence between the president and federal personnel, Pierre Salinger's daily press briefings, transcripts of presidential press conferences, and oral histories of key Kennedy cabinet members as well as senators and representatives. A collection of Associated Press Wire Copy on the assassination of President Kennedy rounds out the Kennedy era materials in this module.

The Johnson administration collections chronicle the seven years of tumult and unparalleled change—from the Civil Rights Bill of 1964 and the War on Poverty to civil unrest and fighting in Vietnam. Of particular note is the Confidential File from the Johnson White House Central Files. This collection documents the key issues of the Johnson presidency and also provides insights into Johnson as a politician. Students of American politics and the presidency will be fascinated by the President's complex relations with the Democratic National Committee, the Democratic Party, and opposition political leaders. The files also include extensive records on the War on Poverty, and the Johnson administration's response to anti-Vietnam war demonstrations and activities.

Nixon administration materials consist of Nixon's White House files as well as a collection of the official transcripts of proceedings in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia in the four major Watergate-related trials. The Nixon White House files include John Ehrlichman's notes of meetings with President Nixon, and memoranda, reports, and news summaries that were annotated by President Nixon. Nixon's notations cover virtually all of the issues, large and small, that confronted the administration.

Other collections from federal agencies include records of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on the health and ecological effects of pollutions, an EPA collection on automobile emissions, records of the National Council on Indian Opportunity, and FBI files on the American Indian Movement. Records of the Associated Press's Cape Canaveral Bureau shed light on NASA and the U.S. space program.

This module concludes with a collection of economic records from the Ford administration. The Ford administration records are included because many of Ford's main economic advisers began during the Nixon administration and continued on to serve under Ford. The Ford presidency faced the most challenging economic conditions in the United States since the Great Depression.



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- Aeronautics and Space Reports to the Congress, 1958–1964
- Appointment Book of President Kennedy (1961–1963)
- Associated Press, Wire Copy on the Assassinations of President John F. Kennedy and Senator Robert F. Kennedy
- Associated Press: Cape Canaveral Bureau Records, 1959–2000
- Bureau of the Budget Bill Reports: Public Laws, 87th and 88th Congresses
- Citizen's Advisory Council on the Status of Women, 1963–1977:
 - Part 1: White House Files, Meetings, and Records of Task Forces
 - Part 2: Subject Files
- Civil Rights in the 1970s: Publications and Reports of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1973–1976
- Confidential File of the Johnson White House, 1963–1969:
 - Part 1: Confidential Subject and Name Files
 - Part 2: Confidential Reports File
- Council of Economic Advisers under President Johnson
- Daily Diary of President Johnson 1963–1969
- Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, 1963–1969, Council of Economic Advisers under President Johnson: House, 1963–1969:
 - Part I: History
 - Part II: Documents
- Environmental Protection Agency, Records on Automobile Emission Standards
- Environmental Protection Agency, Records on the Health and Ecological Effects of Pollution, 1971–1977
- FBI Files on the American Indian Movement and Wounded Knee
- FBI Files on the Weather Underground Organization
- FBI Files on White Extremist Organizations
- History of the Department of Justice, 1963–1969
- History of the Federal Trade Commission, 1963–1969
- Minutes and Documents of the Cabinet Meetings of President Johnson (1963–1969)
- National Economy under President Johnson: Administrative Histories
- Oral Histories of the Johnson Administration:
 - Part I: The White House and Executive Departments
 - Part II: The Congress, the Judiciary, Public Figures and Private Individuals
- Papers from the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection, Part 2: Church Committee Investigation:
 - Section A: General Files
 - Section B: Testimony
- Papers of Dean Markham and the President's Advisory Commission on Narcotics
- Papers of the Nixon White House:
 - Part 1: Official Inventories of Papers and Other Historical Materials of the Nixon White House
 - Part 2: The President's Meeting File, 1969–1974
 - Part 3: John Ehrlichman: Notes of Meetings with the President, 1969–1973
 - Part 4: The John Ehrlichman Alphabetical Subject File, 1969–1973
 - Part 5: H. R. Haldeman: Notes of White House Meetings, 1969–1973
 - Part 6: The President's Office Files, Series A. Documents Annotated by the President, 1969–1974

- Part 6: The President's Office Files, Series B. Daily News Summaries Annotated by the President, 1969–1973
 - Part 7: President's Personal Files, 1969–1974
 - Part 8: The Nixon White House Tapes: The Complete Transcripts Prepared by the Watergate Special Prosecution Force
- Political Activities of the Johnson White House 1963–1969:
 - Part I: White House Central and Confidential Files
 - Part II: White House Aides, Series A: Office Files of Marvin Watson
- President John F. Kennedy's Office Files, 1961–1963:
 - Part 1: Special Correspondence, Speech, Legislative, and Press Conference Files
 - Part 2: Staff Memoranda File
 - Part 3: Departments and Agencies File
 - Part 4: Subjects File
 - Part 5: Countries File
- President Kennedy and the Press
- President's Commission on Campus Unrest, Part 1: Executive Files
- President's Commission on Status of Women
- Records of National Commission on Violence:
 - Part 1: Executive Files
 - Part 2: Special Investigations
- Records of President Johnson's Commission on Law Enforcement, Part 1: Commission Correspondence and Memoranda
- Records of the Department of Justice: The Cabinet Committee on Drug Law Enforcement, 1976–1977
- Records of the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse, 1970–1973
- Records of the National Council on Indian Opportunity, 1968–1974:
 - Part 1: A-C
 - Part 2: D-K
 - Part 3: L-R
 - Part 4: S-Z
 - Part 5: Miscellaneous Files and Publications
- Task Force Reports of the Johnson White House
- The John F. Kennedy 1960 Campaign:
 - Part I: Polls, Issues, and Strategy
 - Part II: Speeches, Press Conferences, and Debates
- The Johnson Administration's Response to Anti-Vietnam War Activities:
 - Part 1: White House Aides' Files
 - Part 2: White House Central Files
- U.S. Army Surveillance of Dissidents, 1965–1972: Records of the U.S. Army's ACSI Task Force
- U.S. Council of Economic Advisers during the Ford Administration:
 - Part 1: Alan Greenspan Files—Correspondence, 1974–1977
 - Part 2: Alan Greenspan Files—Subject File, Economic Policy Board Meetings, Speeches and Statements, and Engagements and Meetings, 1974–1976
 - Part 3: Gary L. Seevers Files, 1973–1975
 - Part 4: William J. Fellner and Paul MacAvoy Files, 1973–1976
 - Part 5: Burton G. Malkiel Files, 1975–1977
 - Part 6: Staff Economists Files, 1973–1977



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- Part 6: Staff Economists Files, 1973–1977:
 - Part 4: Kennedy Administration-Johnson Administration (1961–1969)
 - Part 5: Nixon Administration-Ford Administration (1969–1977)
- War on Poverty, 1964–1968:
 - Part I: White House Central Files
 - Part II: Records of the President's National Advisory Commission on Rural Poverty, 1966–1967
 - Part III: White House Aides' Files (Bellinger through Humphrey)
 - Part IV: White House Aides Files (McPherson through Wilson)
 - Part V: White House Central Files - Welfare and the Poverty Program Subject Files
- Watergate in Court:
 - United States v. George Gordon Liddy, Everett Howard Hunt, James W. McCord, Bernard L. Barker, Eugenio R. Martinez, et al.
 - United States v. John B. Connally and Jake Jacobsen
 - United States v. John D. Ehrlichman, Charles W. Colson, G. Gordon Liddy, Bernard L. Barker, Felipe Dediego, Eugenio R. Martinez
 - United States v. John N. Mitchell, Harry R. Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman, Robert C. Mardian, Kenneth W. Parkinson

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