Guide to the Archives Center Road Maps Collection

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Collection Overview

Repository: Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title: Archives Center Road Maps Collection
Identifier: NMAH.AC.1295
Date: circa 1930-2000
Extent: 0.5 Cubic feet (maps)
Language: English.
Summary: This collection comprises road maps of the United States and Mexico spanning from the 1935 until 1996.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information
Collection donated by unknown donor.

Provenance
Transferred to the Archives Center by the Division of Work and Industry, National Museum of American History.

Processing Information
Collection processed by Holly Nelson.

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Biographical / Historical

The collection features maps that span from 1935 to 1996 and cover multiple states and regions, which is indicative of American driving culture.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains largely United States state and region road maps from the 1935 to 1996. States represented include California, Texas, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Florida, New Hampshire, Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Washington, D.C.

Regions include the North, Northeast, Southwest, as well as whole maps of the United States and Mexico.

Many of the maps include multiple destinations.

Arrangement

Collection is arranged into 2 series.

Series 1: State Maps

Series 2: Regional Maps

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

  Types of Materials:
  Road maps -- United States
Container Listing

Series 1: State Maps, circa 1935-1996

Box 1, Folder 1  California, Texas, circa 1935-1996
Box 1, Folder 2  Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, circa 1935-1996
Box 1, Folder 3  Florida, New Hampshire, Wisconsin, circa 1935-1996
Box 1, Folder 4  Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, circa 1935-1996
Box 1, Folder 5  Kentucky, Tennessee, circa 1935-1996
Box 1, Folder 6  Maryland, Washington DC, circa 1935-1996
Box 2, Folder 1  North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, circa 1935-1996
Box 2, Folder 2  Ohio, circa 1935-1996
Box 2, Folder 3  Pennsylvania, New Jersey, circa 1935-1996

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Series 2: Regional Maps, circa 1930-2000

Box 2, Folder 4  North, Northeast, circa 1935-1996

Box 2, Folder 5  Southwest, United States, Mexico, circa 1935-1996

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