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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., <a href="mailto:osiaref@si.edu">osiaref@si.edu</a>
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## Administrative Information

### Preferred Citation

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## Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of the websites and blog maintained by the Smithsonian Institution Archives (SIA) as they existed in the summer of 2011.

The main SIA website includes information about Archives programs and divisions; collection information; and publications. This website was crawled on September 2, 2011 and the files were also copied from the web server on August 11, 2011. Both sets of files are included in this accession. A redesigned website was launched shortly after it was crawled.

The Smithsonian Photographic Services (SPS) became part of SIA on January 7, 2008 and continued to maintain two websites. The first website was to disseminate policies and exhibit the work of the staff photographers. It was crawled on June 21, 2011. As of summer 2011, it was no longer being actively maintained. The second was for browsing, downloading, and purchasing images. It was crawled on June 6, 2011, before being shut down in the fall of that year.

The Smithsonian Photography Initiative (SPI) became part of SIA on March 31, 2009 and continued to maintain the website, "Click! Photography Changes Everything," a collection of essays and stories by invited contributors and visitors discussing how photography shapes our culture and our lives. Although the website continues to be maintained, content is no longer being added. This website was crawled on June 8, 2011.

The "America's Smithsonian" website was developed in conjunction with a traveling exhibition (1995-1998) of the same name. The exhibition was part of the Smithsonian Institution's 150th birthday celebration and featured many of the institution's most treasured objects. The website was crawled on July 26, 2011.

"The Bigger Picture: Visual Archives and the Smithsonian" was originally SPI's blog and was rebranded as "The Bigger Picture: Exploring Archives and Smithsonian History," in 2010. The blog presents an inside look at the Smithsonian Institution's history and invites readers to explore the role of both formal and informal archives in today's world. The blog was crawled on September 2, 2011. It was incorporated into the main SI website shortly thereafter.

Materials are in electronic format.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Archives -- Collection management
- Archives -- Public relations
- Blogs
- Museum archives
- Photography
- Publications
- Traveling exhibitions
- Web sites

Types of Materials:

- Electronic records
- Web sites

Names:

- America's Smithsonian (Traveling exhibition) (1995-1998)
- Smithsonian Institution
- Smithsonian Institution. Smithsonian Photographic Services
- Smithsonian Photographic Initiative

Preferred Titles:

- America's Smithsonian (Website)*
- Click! Photography Changes Everything (Website)*
- The Bigger Picture: Exploring Archives and Smithsonian History (Blog)*
- The Bigger Picture: Visual Archives and the Smithsonian (Blog)*

## Container Listing

### Electronic Records

Electronic Records	Smithsonian Institution Archives Website, crawled September 2, 2011
Electronic Records	Smithsonian Institution Archives Website, August 11, 2011
Electronic Records	Smithsonian Photographic Services Website, crawled June 21, 2011
Electronic Records	Smithsonian Photographic Services Browsing Website, crawled June 6, 2011
Electronic Records	Smithsonian Photography Initiative, "Click! Photography Changes Everything" Website, crawled June 8, 2011
Electronic Records	"America's Smithsonian" Website, crawled July 26, 2011
Electronic Records	"The Bigger Picture: Exploring Archives and Smithsonian History" Blog, crawled September 2, 2011