

Border Force National Museum

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Useful websites for researchers

Please note that the museum is not able to hold public records. If they still exist, you will find them at the National Archives (London), or in the relevant County Records Office.

However there are a number of websites that may be able to help you with your query, and some of these are listed below.

Government websites

UK Border Force	www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk	
HM Revenue and Customs	www.hmrc.gov.uk	
Serious Organised Crime Agency (SOCA)	www.soca.gov.uk	
HM Revenue and Customs UK trade information	www.uktradeinfo.com	Statistics about trade movement in and out of the UK
Government News Network	http://nds.coi.gov.uk/default.aspx	Press coverage for all government departments
Home Office	www.homeoffice.gov.uk	
HM Treasury	www.hm-treasury.gov.uk	
Department for Business, Innovation and skills 10 Downing Street	www.bis.gov.uk ; www.berr.gov.uk www.dius.gov.uk	Previously Department of Trade and Industry
European Migration Network	www.emn.sarenet.es/html/index.html	European immigration research across EU
Directgov	www.direct.gov.uk	Information about local and central government
DirectgovKids	www.kids.direct.gov.uk	Interactive games and activities about local and central government, with guidance for teachers and parents
Proceedings of the Old Bailey	www.oldbaileyonline.org	Outlines court cases between 1674-1913
Merseyside Police	www.merseyside.police.uk	
Youth Offenders Teams	www.yjb.gov.uk/en-gb.yjs/youthoffendingteams	

International websites

World Customs Organisation	www.wcoomd.org	Central body covering Customs activities
International Association of Customs Museums	www.customsmuseums.org	

Archive and heritage websites

National Archives	www.nationalarchives.gov.uk	National repository for public documents
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British Library	www.bl.uk/campaign	<i>Campaign! Make an impact</i> – looks at issues effecting young people today, encouraging active citizenship and campaign skills
Liverpool Record Office and Local History Library	http://www.liverpool.gov.uk/Leisure_and_culture/Libraries_and_archives/index.asp	
Port cities UK	www.portcities.org.uk	Online maritime history resource for Bristol, Hartlepool, Liverpool, London and Southampton
English Heritage	www.english-heritage.org.uk	
Royal Armouries, Leeds	www.royalarmouries.org	National museum interpreting weapons
HM Waterguard	www.hm-waterguard.org.uk	Preventive service of HM Customs and Excise looking at its history, officers and work
JPR History	www.jrphistory.co.uk	History of Kingston upon Thames and HM Customs & Excise by John Pink
Galleries of Justice, Nottingham	www.galleriesofjustice.org.uk	Explores issues of law and order

Educational websites

Citizenship Foundation	www.citizenshipfoundation.org.uk	Charity encouraging good citizenship amongst young people
Count On	www.counton.org	Maths games and activities
NRICH Maths Project	www.nrich.maths.org	Teaching resources for children, parents and teachers for enriching maths
Personal Finance Education Group	www.pfeg.org/	Charity helping schools teach relevant personal finance
Time for Citizenship	www.timeforcitizenship.org	Primary school resource supporting citizenship in the national curriculum
Tutor2u	www.tutor2u.net	e-learning resources for teachers and students looking at the humanities and business studies

Endangered species and animal welfare websites

CITES	www.cites.org	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora
IUCN Red List of Threatened Species	www.iucnredlist.org	International Union for Conservation of Nature looks at the status of plants and animals
IFAW	www.IFAW.org	International Fund for Animal Welfare
WWF	www.wwf.org.uk	World Wildlife Fund

Fakes

Anti Counterfeiting Group	www.a-cg.org/	
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Please note that the accuracy of the web addresses were last checked February 2010.

Departmental structure changes

Please note that the department has gone through many changes over the last century.

- Before 1909 Customs and Excise were separate departments. Excise was under the control of the Board of Inland Revenue.
- Between 1909 – 2005 HM Customs & Excise existed. Inland Revenue and Immigration were separate departments.
- In 2005 HM Customs & Excise merged with Inland Revenue to establish HM Revenue and Customs.
- In 2009 the border protection role of HM Revenue and Customs was merged with Immigration to form UK Border Force. The tax collecting activities remain with HM Revenue and Customs.

Do you need any further help?

We hope this information was useful, but if you have any further queries please see 'Useful publications for Researchers'

<http://www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk/maritime/visit/floor-plan/seized/research.aspx> or contact us.

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