

**Reichssicherheitshauptamt selected records (R 58)**  
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**Descriptive summary**

Title: Reichssicherheitshauptamt selected records (R 58)

Dates: 1933-1945

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Creator: Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiter-Partei

Extent: 14,442 microfiche

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Languages: German

**Scope and content of collection**

Contains files relating to the surveillance and persecution of leftist political parties and their organs, and labor unions; the control of the press and literature; the combat against and the destruction of anti-Nazi organizations in the occupied and annexed territories and the treatment of prisoners of war and foreign laborers; and the persecution of Jews. Also includes documents of organizational orders and decrees relating to the Sicherheitspolizei, opinion and situation reports of the SD from 1938 to 1944, activity reports for the USSR from 1941 to 1942, and SD reports on the political and economic situation in areas outside Germany.

**Administrative Information**

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Existence and location of originals: Bundesarchiv (Germany)

#### **Historical note**

Reichssicherheitshauptamt- this organization was also known by the abbreviation RSHA, and includes the Gestapo

#### **System of arrangement**

Record Group R 58, Reichssicherheitshauptamt. Organized: File 1-1566; 2001-4265 (files 2554-3000 not allocated). File 2001-4265 formerly held at the East German State Archives in Potsdam as a collection of 17.01 PSt 3

#### **Indexing terms**

Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiter-Partei. Schutzstaffel. Reichssicherheitshauptamt.  
Jews--Germany--History.  
Antisemitism--Germany.  
Forced labor--Germany--History--20th century.  
World War, 1939-1945--Prisoners and prisons, German.  
Political parties--Germany.  
Labor unions and fascism.

## **GUIDE TO THE COLLECTION**

A published finding aid, in German, describing the contents of this collection is available in the USHMM Library. Please ask at the Reference Desk for assistance in locating this guide.