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### Arrivals & Departures NSW 1788-1825

#### Free Persons, Crew, Military & some Convicts

#### Historical Background

The data for the publication of a CD-ROM covering the above information, was transcribed or extracted from records, as explained below, as part of the Australian Biographical & Genealogical Record Project (ABGR) and has been added to the BDA Database by agreement with the Society of Australian Genealogists, which holds the Copyright.

#### Overview

This CD-ROM lists 5523 names of persons who arrived in New South Wales between 1788 and 1825 on ships, whalers and trading vessels, and 2819 persons who departed, these include convicts being moved from one colony to another. The CD also includes, where names are known, crew members, military and passengers on convict transports although details of the convict transportees have not been included as the Convict Indents are available elsewhere and a CD of the period 1788-1812 has already been published by the SAG.

#### Source References

The primary source used was the State Records of NSW's *Index to the Colonial Secretary's Papers* (ICS) online at [www.records.nsw.gov.au](http://www.records.nsw.gov.au) . Other sources consulted included the published:-

*Musters and Lists New South Wales and Norfolk Island 1800-1802* edited by Carol J Baxter. Pub. by Australian Biographical and Genealogical Record (ABGR), in association with the Society of Australian Genealogists, Sydney, 1988.

*Musters of New South Wales and Norfolk Island 1805-1806* edited by Carol J Baxter, Pub. by ABGR in association with the Society of Australian Genealogists, Sydney, 1989.

*General Muster of New South Wales, Norfolk Island and Van Diemen's Land, 1811* edited by Carol J Baxter. Pub. by ABGR in association with the Society of Australian Genealogists, Sydney, 1987.

*General Muster of New South Wales 1814* edited by Carol J Baxter. Pub. by ABGR in association with the Society of Australian Genealogists, Sydney, 1987.

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*General Muster and Land and Stock Muster of New South Wales 1822* edited by Carol Baxter. Pub. by ABGR in association with the Society of Australian Genealogists, Sydney, 1988.

*General Muster List of New South Wales 1823, 1824, 1825* edited by Carol J Baxter. Pub. by ABGR in association with the Society of Australian Genealogists, Sydney, 1999.

*Census of New South Wales November 1828* edited by Keith Johnson and Malcolm Sainty. Pub. by Library of Australian History, Sydney, 2001.

*Historical Records of New South Wales* (Government Printer 1892-1901); *Historical Records of Australia* (Library Committee of Commonwealth Parliament 1914-1925) and the *Australian Dictionary of Biography* Pub. by Melbourne University Press 1966- ; and online at [www.adb.online.anu.edu.au](http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au) to 2006. Some other published works were also consulted as noted in the References given in individual Reports.

The CD does NOT contain details from *Ships Musters 1816-25* (SRNSW 4/4771-5) which lists all departing passengers. This dataset may also be found on the website of the Society of Australian Genealogists.

### Databases

The information contained in the Database was extracted from vastly different sources including lists and letters and naturally some manipulation of the data was required during the inputting process. Fields only contained data if it was included in the original return or, if added by data entry volunteers for ease of use (e.g. gender and marital status). Some entries contain little information; others a wealth of information.

A record was created for every person mentioned in a particular source; e.g. if a source noted "Mrs Smith and two children", a record was made for Mrs Smith and two more for children named "Smith" were added (although in some instances the children might have a different unknown surname and further research is required).

In some cases additional material may be found in the original source and it should be consulted as well to check the meaning of information and accuracy of transcription and data entry.

For more information on the ships mentioned, including their movements, consult *Shipping Arrivals and Departures Sydney 1788-1825* compiled and published in 1977 by the late Dr J S Cumpston of Canberra, which is to date, the most comprehensive list of shipping arrivals and departures available although it does contain a few errors and omits a few ships.

Researchers are always advised to examine the original reference given at State Records NSW to ensure accuracy.

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