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Passengers on Government Ships, New South Wales 1838-1840

Government ships were directly engaged and funded by colonial authorities to supply local employers, in contrast to bounty ships which were engaged directly by employer interest under government supervision. The two systems operated in tandem in the late 1830s. This dataset was compiled by State Archives New South Wales as 'Persons on government ships' and has been added to BDA with their permission. The data has been extracted from SANSW NRS 5313, piece numbers 4/4780 and 4/4781, detailing 44 ships containing 11,085 entries.

Entries record the immigrant's name, age, native place, calling and religion. Each entry usually also notes the name and address of the employer engaging the immigrant and the terms of employment, usually a wage.

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