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Luxembourg government documents

INTRODUCTION

What follows is a selection only of the main categories of material. Always check the catalogues - for some of the titles mentioned, we have incomplete holdings.



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For material held by Oxford University Library Services, please consult the OLIS catalogue at <http://www.lib.ox.ac.uk/olis/>. Please contact the Official Papers Section for further assistance [http://www.ouls.ox.ac.uk/official_papers/].

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1. PARLIAMENTARY PUBLICATIONS

Luxembourg is a constitutional monarchy with a single chamber elected parliament, the Chamber of Deputies (Chambre des Députés), and an appointed Council of State (Conseil d'État). The Council of State is composed of 21 councillors formally appointed and dismissed by the Grand Duke based on proposals from the government, the Chamber of Deputies or the Council itself.

1.1 Debates

Debates are published in the **Compte rendu des travaux de la Chambre Des Députés**, published by the *Greffe* (Clerk) of the Chamber. For the period covered by the British Library's collections, the **Travaux** contain the debates, Parliamentary papers and budget documentation.

Compte rendu des travaux de la Chambre Des Députés

BL holdings: 1913/14 - 1918/19; 1939/40; 1947/48 - 1981/82; 1985/86 - 1997/98

BL shelfmark: SA.320

The Library, LSE: not held

Bodleian: not held

Debates from 2002 are available at the Chambre's website

[<http://www.chd.lu/wps/portal/public/CompteRenduDesSeances>]. A searchable database of Parliamentary Questions, Motions, Resolutions, Interpellations and Debates is also available. Click on the link Role des affaires under Recherche on the left of the Travail a la Chambre page to find it.

1.2 Bills

Projets et propositions de lois (Bills) fall into two types:

- **Projets de lois** (draft bills) introduced by the government of the day;
- **Propositions de lois** (proposals for legislation) put forward by members of parliament, political parties represented in the Chamber, etc.

The former are the more numerous but one continuous numbered sequence is used for both types. Each bill or proposal is assigned a permanent number. Published with the bill are a statement of its purpose, commentaries and advice of the different commissions and official bodies, like the Council of State, and of the constituted bodies concerned with the objectives of the bill.

Projets et propositions de lois

BL holdings: 1948/49 - (incomplete)

BL shelfmark: SA.320/2

The Library, LSE: not held
Bodleian: not held

Full text of Bills from 1986 are available on the website of the Chambre Des Députés [<http://www.chd.lu/wps/portal/public/>] together with their legislative histories and supporting documentation such as **Avis** of the Conseil d'État and Committee reports. You will again need to look under Role des affaires under Recherche on the left of the Travail a la Chambre page to find it.

The **Avis** (Opinions) of the Conseil d'État on Bills from 2008 are also available via its website [<http://www.ce.etat.lu/>].

2. LEGISLATION AND COURT REPORTS

Acts are published in Series A of Luxembourg's official gazette:

Memorial

BL holdings: 1952-1988; 1993-2003; 2005-
BL shelfmark: OGL.100
The Library, LSE: not held
Bodleian: not held

The British Library holds **Memorial A**, 1980-2001 on DVD at SPR.CD.469. Issues of **Mémorial A** from 1839 onwards can also be searched on the on the Legilux website [<http://www.legilux.lu/>].

Laws are republished in more permanent form in:

Pasinomie luxembourgeoise. Biannual. Abridged form of series A of the **Mémorial**

BL holdings: 1954-1989 (vols. 28-61)
BL shelfmark: SA.403
The Library, LSE: not held
IALS holdings: (i) 1951-1987 (vols. 26-59); (ii) 1988 (vol. 60)-1993 (vol.65)
IALS classmark: (i) GO28.E.1; (ii) FOL.GO28.E.1
Bodleian holdings: Sér. 1, 1830/40-
Bodleian shelfmark: LawLib LAW Main Libr Luxembourg 010

The Espace Législatif of the Legilux website [<http://www.legilux.lu/>] gives access to full text of current legal and administrative codes and thematic compilations of laws, as well as section A of the **Mémorial**.

The principal collection of Luxembourg case law is the **Pasicrisie luxembourgeoise** which is held by the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies at shelfmark GO.28.G.1. It includes decisions on civil, commercial, criminal and public law.

3. GAZETTES, OFFICIAL ALMANACS AND YEARBOOKS

The Official Gazette is the **Mémorial du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg**. This was a unitary publication up to 1960, after which it was issued in three parts. Part A contains legislation, Part B government notices and Part C information on organisations.

Ser. A. Recueil de législation

BL holdings: 1961-1988; 1993-2003, 2005-
BL shelfmark: OGL.100
The Library, LSE: not held
Bodleian: not held

Ser. B. Recueil administrative et économique

BL holdings: 1961-1986 (very incomplete from 1981 onwards)
BL shelfmark: OGL.100
The Library, LSE: not held
Bodleian: not held

Mémorial du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg

BL holdings: 1952-1960, no.67
BL shelfmark: OGL.100
The Library, LSE: not held
Bodleian: not held

Annexe au Mémorial. Contains patents and trademarks

BL holdings: 1952-1960, 1981, 1993-1997, 1999, 2002-2003, 2008
BL shelfmark: OGL.100/2
The Library, LSE: not held
Bodleian: not held

Free access to the full text of Ser. A is available online at the Legilux portal from 1839; Ser. B from 1954 and C from 1996 [<http://www.legilux.lu/>]. The British Library also holds **Memorial A**, 1980-2001 on DVD at SPR.CD.469.

Annuaire officiel d'administration et de législation

BL holdings: 1946-1967
BL shelfmark: SA.470
The Library, LSE holdings: 1926-1973
The Library, LSE Classmark: GOVT.PUBS 4359 (R2)
Bodleian: not held

The current edition is also available in full text on the Legilux portal [http://www.legilux.public.lu/adm/annuaire_officiel/index.html]

4. BUDGET

Budget de l'Etat

BL holdings: 1955-1956; 1958; 1967-1974; 1976-1980; 1982-1985; 1987-2006
BL shelfmark: SA.403
The Library, LSE holdings: 1951-
The Library, LSE classmark: GOVT. PUBS 4359 (R14)
Bodleian: not held

Projet de loi concernant le budget des recettes et des dépenses de l'état

BL holdings: 1950-

BL shelfmark: SA.320/2(2)

The Library, LSE holdings: 1956-

The Library, LSE classmark: GOVT.PUBS 4359 (R21)

Bodleian: not held

The budget law is published in **Mémorial Ser.A** held at the British Library at OGL.100 and available online on the Legilux Portal [<http://www.legilux.public.lu/>]

Statistiques budgetaires

BL holdings: not held

The Library, LSE holdings: 1988-1990

The Library, LSE classmark: STATISTICS 4359 (HA401)

Bodleian: not held

Issued by the Ministère des Finances. Includes figures from the budget and **exercices antérieurs**.

5. DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS

As regards the Library, London School of Economics and Political Science, these have been acquired selectively and may be traced via the Library catalogue [<http://catalogue.lse.ac.uk/>]. Similarly, British Library holdings can be traced via Explore the British Library [<http://explore.bl.uk/>] or by contacting the Enquiry Desk in the Social Sciences Reading Room. For Oxford University Library System holdings, please consult the OLIS catalogue [<http://www.lib.ox.ac.uk/olis/>].

6. NATIONAL BANK PUBLICATIONS

Compte rendu des opérations et de la situation de la Caisse d'Épargne de l'État du Grand-Duché [National Savings Bank]

BL holdings: not held

The Library, LSE holdings: 1944/47-1967

The Library, LSE classmark: GOVT. PUBS 4359 (R15)

Bodleian: not held

Rapports et bilans

BL holdings: not held

The Library, LSE holdings: 1968-

The Library, LSE classmark: GOVT. PUBS 4359 (R15)

Bodleian: not held

Banque Centrale du Luxembourg [<http://www.bcl.lu/fr/index.php>]

Came into existence on 1 June 1998, at the same time as the European Central Bank. Publications available in full text on this website include its **Annual Report**,

BCL Bulletins, Working Papers and statistical series covering inflation, monetary policy, balance of trade, public finances, etc.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

Bulletin d'information et de documentation. (formerly **Bulletin de documentation.**)

BL holdings: 1946-2005

BL shelfmark: SA.400

The Library, LSE holdings: 1946-

The Library, LSE classmark: GOVT.PUBS 4359 (R7)

Bodleian: not held

Presents general information about political, economic and cultural activities, new legislation and official events. Issues from no.2, 1998 are available on the web [http://www.gouvernement.lu/publications/informations_gouvernementales/bulletin_information.html].

All government departments produce a Rapport d'activité (annual report) and they are available on the web via the government gateway from 1999 [http://www.gouvernement.lu/publications/informations_gouvernementales/rapports_activite/index.html].

8. INDEXES

The following are suggestions only.

You can use a number of catalogues and indexes to help track down the full publication details of Luxembourg government publications. A range of published indexes, and the Library catalogues, can be used to trace many of the publications. Please ask at the Enquiry Desk in the British Library's Social Sciences Reading Room, or the LSE Library Information Desk or the Official Papers section at the Bodleian for details.

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There is no central agency in Luxembourg for official publications and therefore no official catalogue nor a national bibliography of official material. However, the national bibliography, the **Bibliographie nationale** lists most official publications:

Bibliographie luxembourgeoise

BL holdings: 1947-2004

BL shelfmark: P.P.6550.ba. Annual.

The Library, LSE holdings: 1947-1999

The Library, classmark: Z2461

Bodleian holdings: 2002-2005

Bodleian shelfmark: Bodley BOD Bookstack P.E04422

Bodleian holdings: 1939; 1946-2001

Bodleian shelfmark: Bodley BOD Bookstack Per. 2584 e.43

Ceased print publication with the 2004 edition, but now available free of charge online from 1988 [<http://bnl.public.lu/fr/bibliographie/index.html>]

8.1 Parliamentary/legislative proceedings

The official gazette, the **Mémorial**, has bi-annual indexes.

8.2 Departmental publications

At the Library, London School of Economics and Political Science, these have been acquired selectively and may be traced via the Library catalogue [<http://catalogue.lse.ac.uk>]. You may use the term 'Luxembourg' in the 'Author browse' mode of 'Quick search' to find an alphabetical listing by Luxembourg Government departments. Similarly, the British Library holdings can be traced via Explore the British Library [<http://explore.bl.uk>] or by contacting the Enquiry Desk in the Social Sciences Reading Room. Oxford University Library holdings can be traced in the OLIS catalogue [<http://www.lib.ox.ac.uk/olis/>].

8.3 Statistical material

The Library, London School of Economics and Political Science's holdings are catalogued on the Library catalogue [<http://catalogue.lse.ac.uk>]. British Library holdings can again be traced via Explore the British Library [<http://explore.bl.uk>] or by contacting the Enquiry Desk in the Social Sciences Reading Room.

Répertoire analytique des publications statistiques et économiques du 19e siècle à ce jour

BL holdings: not held

The Library, LSE holdings: 9th ed. of 1987

The Library, LSE classmark: MAIN. COLL. ZHF1413 R42

This catalogue contains all the publications of the Central Office of Statistics since its creation in 1900.

9. WEBSITES

Government of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

<http://www.gouvernement.lu/>

Information and current events listings on the web site of the Luxembourg Government

Governments on the WWW: Luxembourg

<http://www.gksoft.com/govt/en/lu.html>

A detailed list of Luxembourg governmental links, courtesy of Gunnar Anzinger, including National Institutions, Municipal Institutions, Representations in Foreign Countries, and Political Parties.

For online versions of particular series or titles, see the appropriate section of this guide.

10. STATISTICS

The Libraries have an extensive set of Luxembourg government statistics, backed up by other, non-Governmental statistics collections.

The British Library's collections of foreign government material, including statistics, are stored in Yorkshire. Please contact the Enquiry Desk in the Social Sciences Reading Room for advice on ordering.

At the Library, London School of Economics and Political Science, the most recent Luxembourg statistics are to be found in the Statistics Collection on the 1st floor at classmark 4359. The earlier years of this material are in the Historical Statistics Collection on the Lower Ground floor of the Library - also at classmark 4359. However, bear in mind that a good deal of statistical material will be found in the normal Luxembourg government section at GOVT PUBNS 4359 (...).

10.1 Statistical material

STATEC (Service Central de la Statistique et des Etudes Economiques)

[<http://www.statec.public.lu/>] is Luxembourg's national statistical office. Statistical data produced by STATEC and other agencies are available on the Statistical Portal [<http://www.statistiques.public.lu/>].

Annuaire statistique. First published 1949.

BL holdings: 1955-

BL shelfmark: OPL949.3500212 (current issue); SA.470/5 (earlier issues).

The Library, LSE holdings: 1960-

The Library, LSE classmark: STATISTICS 4359 (HA155); HISTORICAL STATISTICS (HA155)

L'économie Luxembourgeoise

BL holdings: not held

The Library, LSE holdings: 1951-1977

The Library, LSE classmark: HISTORICAL STATISTICS 4359 (HA155)

L'économie Luxembourgeoise au 20e siècle

BL shelfmark: YF.2004.b.1068

The Library, LSE classmark: STATISTICS 4359 (HA155)

Compatibilité nationale du Grand-Duché

BL holdings: not held

The Library, LSE holdings: 1951-1964

The Library, LSE classmark: GOVT. PUBS. 4359 (R17)

Comptes nationaux

BL holdings: not held

The Library, LSE holdings: (i) 1965-1982; (ii) 1960/1986

The Library, LSE classmark: (i) GOVT. PUBS. 4359 (R17); (ii) STATISTICS 4359 (HA441)

10.2 Censuses

Recensement de la population.

BL holdings/classmarks: 1970 SA.300/5; 1960 SA.380/3(4); 1947 SA.470/4 (preliminary results); 1935 SA.470/4 (wanting tom.2)

The Library, LSE holdings: 1960-

The Library, LSE classmark: STATISTICS 4359 (HA161); HISTORICAL STATISTICS (HA161)

FURTHER INFORMATION

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