

Canadian Airmen of W.W.I , 1914- 1919.

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Purpose

This file was created as a working tool for the compilation of volume I of the Royal Canadian Air Force official history. The data cover the period 1914 - 1919 and collection of them for this file began in 1971.

Description

The file includes all traceable Canadian airmen of WWI serving in the British flying services. There was no comprehensive body of personnel records for such people. This file is largely based on a card file created in 1919 parts of which were subsequently lost. Further information was obtained from naval service records, secondment records and the records of the Curtis flying school. The file includes the records of over thirteen thousand individuals.



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| CANADIAN AIRMEN OF W.W.I. | | | | 1 | | |
| Variable No. No. de variable | Field Position Position de zone | Field Type - Type de zone | Source Reference Source Références | VARIABLE CODE - DESCRIPTION | VARIABLE CODE DES DESCRIPTIONS | COMMENTS COMMENTAIRES |
| 1 | 1-9 | A | | RECORD IDENTIFICATION NUMBER | | |
| 2 | 10-29 | A | | SURNAME | | |
| 3 | 30-41 | A | | 1st NAME | | |
| 4 | 42-51 | A | | 2nd NAME | | |
| 5 | 52-61 | A | | 3rd NAME | | |
| 6 | 62-65 | A | | RANK (ATTAINED) | | |
| 7 | 66 | A | | PROVINCE-COUNTRY CODE | | |
| 8 | 67-77 | A | | NAME OF TOWN | | |
| 9 | 78-79 | A | | DATE OF BIRTH-DAY | | |
| 10 | 80-81 | A | | DATE OF BIRTH-MONTH | | |
| 11 | 82-83 | A | | DATE OF BIRTH-YEAR | | |
| 12 | 84-93 | A | | PREVIOUS OCCUPATION | | |
| 13 | 94-97 | A | | JOINING SERVICE | | |
| 14 | 98-105 | A | | JOINING METHOD | | |
| 15 | 106-107 | A | | JOINING DATE-DAY | | |
| 16 | 108-109 | A | | JOINING DATE-MONTH | | |

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| Variable No. No. de variable | Field Position Position de zone | Field Type - Type de zone Source Reference Source Réference | VARIABLE CODE - DESCRIPTION | VARIABLE CODE DES DESCRIPTIONS | COMMENTS COMMENTAIRES | |
| 17 | 110-111 A | | JOINING DATE-YEAR | | There are 3 given as 19 85 88 presumed to be in error. | |
| 18 | 112-115 A | | TRAINING COUNTRY (1st) | | | |
| 19 | 116-117 A | | TRAINING COUNTRY (1st) DATE-DAY | | | |
| 20 | 118-119 A | | TRAINING COUNTRY (1st) DATE-MONTH | | There is one given as 19 presumed to be in error. | |
| 21 | 120-121 A | | TRAINING COUNTRY (1st) DATE-YEAR | | | |
| 22 | 122-125 A | | TRAINING COUNTRY (2nd) | | | |
| 23 | 126-127 A | | TRAINING COUNTRY (2nd) DATE-DAY | | | |
| 24 | 128-129 A | | TRAINING COUNTRY (2nd) DATE-MONTH | | | |
| 25 | 130-131 A | | TRAINING COUNTRY (2nd) DATE-YEAR | | | |
| 26 | 132-145 A | | SPARE INFORMATION - often includes date of going overseas | | | |
| 27 | 146-151 A | | UNIT (1) | | | This field contains some keypunch errors and unknown codes. |
| 28 | 152-153 A | | UNIT (1) DATE-DAY | | | |
| 29 | 154-155 A | | UNIT (1) DATE-MONTH | | | |
| 30 | 156-157 A | | UNIT (1) DATE-YEAR | | | |
| 31 | 158-160 A | | UNIT (1) FUNCTION | | Contains 3 dated 19 presumed to be in error. | |
| 32 | 161-175 A | | UNIT (2) INFORMATION | | | |



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| 33 | 176-190 | A | UNIT (3) INFORMATION | | v. unit (1) for format of units (2) to (9) |
| 34 | 191-213 | A | REMARKS - 1 | | |
| 35 | 214-228 | A | UNIT (4) INFORMATION | | |
| 36 | 229-243 | A | UNIT (5) INFORMATION | | |
| 37 | 244-258 | A | UNIT (6) INFORMATION | | |
| 38 | 259-281 | A | REMARKS (2) | | |
| 39 | 282-296 | A | UNIT (7) INFORMATION | | |
| 40 | 297-311 | A | UNIT (8) INFORMATION | | |
| 41 | 312-326 | A | UNIT (9) INFORMATION | | |
| 42 | 327-349 | A | REMARKS (3) | | |
| 43 | 350-354 | A | HONOUR/AWARD (1) | | v. #43-46 for format |
| 44 | 355-356 | A | HONOUR/AWARD (1) DATE-DAY | | |
| 45 | 357-358 | A | HONOUR/AWARD (1) DATE-MONTH | | |
| 46 | 359-360 | A | HONOUR/AWARD (1) DATE-YEAR | | |
| 47 | 361-371 | A | HONOUR/AWARD (2) INFORMATION | | |
| 48 | 372-382 | A | HONOUR/AWARD (3) INFORMATION | | |



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| 49 | 383-385 | A | WOUNDED/POW (1) | | |
| 50 | 386-387 | A | WOUNDED/POW (1) DATE-DAY | | |
| 51 | 388-389 | A | WOUNDED/POW (1) DATE-MONTH | | |
| 52 | 390-391 | A | WOUNDED/POW (1) DATE-YEAR | | |
| 53 | 392-400 | A | WOUNDED/POW (2) INFORMATION | | v. #49-52 for format |
| 54 | 401 | A | DISPOSITION | | |
| 55 | 402-403 | A | DISPOSITION DATE-DAY | | |
| 56 | 404-405 | A | DISPOSITION DATE-MONTH | | |
| 57 | 406-407 | A | DISPOSITION DATE-YEAR | | |
| 58 | 408-417 | A | REASON | | There are several which appear in error. Contains some errors. |
| 59 | 418-428 | A | HONOUR/AWARD (4) INFORMATION | | v. #43-46 for format |
| 60 | 429-439 | A | HONOUR/AWARD (5) INFORMATION | | |
| 61 | 440-450 | A | HONOUR/AWARD (6) INFORMATION | | |
| 62 | 451-459 | A | WOUNDED/POW (3) INFORMATION | | |
| 63 | 460-468 | A | WOUNDED/POW (4) INFORMATION | | |