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## A brief intro to State Records NSW

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## Ancestry and State Records NSW

- ▶ Records available through Ancestry.com

Convict records  
Immigration records  
Passenger indexes  
Naturalisation papers

## Immigration records

Immigration to 1922

Assisted immigrant lists at [https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search\\_form?id=9](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=9)  
Also at Ancestry: <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=1204>

Unassisted passengers lists at [https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search\\_form?id=43](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=43)

Mariners and ships in Australian Waters provides passenger lists for passenger vessels arriving in Australia between 1845-1922 <http://marinersandships.com.au/>

## Naturalisation records

- ▶ Naturalisation papers indicate non-British subjects wishing to own land or vote.
- ▶ Indexes available from 1834-1903 through Ancestry.com

## Railway Records

- ▶ Check your Births, Death and Marriage records (did your forbears work on the rail road)
- ▶ Railway Employment records - What can you find

NAME IN FULL *Chifley Joseph Benedict* Date of Birth *22 April 1885* Date of Issue No. *2233*

Temporary Staff Certificate No. *10387* Date commenced on probation for 6 months *15 September 1903*

Board of Examiners' Certificate No. *10387* Date commenced to contribute to Railway Service Superannuation Fund *1 October 1903*

For particulars of Insurance Policies transferred to the Railway Service Superannuation Board, see Insurance Card.

DATE	POSITION	STATION	BRANCH	RATE OF PAY	REMARKS
15 Sep 1903	Shop boy	Bathurst	Locomotive	3/6	
20 Sep 1903				4/0	
24 Sep 1903				5/0	
1 Aug 1904	Clonmel			6/0	
28 Sep 1904	Clonmel			6/0	
15 Nov 1904	Clonmel			7/0	
10 Dec 1904				7/0	
5 Dec 1904	Fireman			8/0	
18 Dec 1904				8/0	
6 Aug 1905				9/0	
5 Oct 1905	Driver			11/0	
18 Feb 1906				12/0	
18 Dec 1906				13/0	
18 Dec 1906				14/0	
18 Dec 1906				15/0	
14 S 17	Discharged by Proclamation - Left work on 17/12/06				
2 Oct 17	Driver	Bathurst	Loco	12/0	
17 Dec 17				13/0	
17 Dec 17	Fireman			14/0	
23 Sep 18	Driver			15/0	
10 Nov 19	Driver			16/0	
10 Nov 19	Driver			17/0	
6 Dec 19	Driver			18/0	
10 Dec 19	Driver			19/0	
7 Dec 19	Driver			20/0	
22 Dec 19	Driver			21/0	

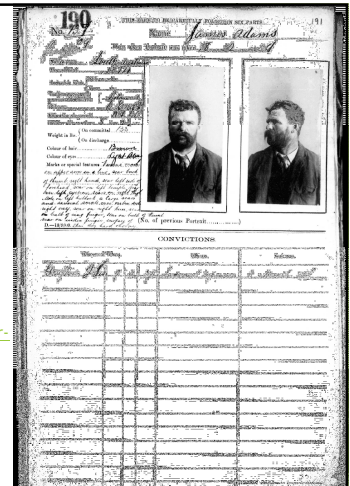
Railway History Card for Ben Chifley. State Records NSW, NRS 12922

## Indexes to Railway records

- ▶ [Railway Employment Records 1856 to 1917 at https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search\\_form?id=50](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=50)
- ▶ [Nominal Roll of the First Railway Section \(AIF\) https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search\\_form?id=7](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=7)
- ▶ [Railways and Tramways Roll of Honour 1914 to 1919 https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search\\_form?id=46](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=46)

## Prison records

- ▶ [Index to gaol photographs https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search\\_form?id=22](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=22)
- ▶ [Prison officers and staff https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/prison-officers-staff-guide](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/prison-officers-staff-guide)
- ▶ [Criminal Depositions Deposition Books\) Index http://help.nla.gov.au/trove/becoming-partner/for-smaller-collections#anchor-3https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search\\_form?id=40](http://help.nla.gov.au/trove/becoming-partner/for-smaller-collections#anchor-3https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=40)



## Police photographs - Justice & Police Museum

Forensic photographs carried out by NSW Police Department between 1910-1960. Can be confronting images. Available at <http://collection.hht.net.au/firsthhtpictures/quickSearch.jsp>

## Probate packets

- ▶ The last will and testament
- ▶ Codicils (additions or revocations of the will)
- ▶ Letters of administration

<https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/series/13660>

- ▶ Need to place your order before 2.00pm at least two working days prior to your visit.

## Government gazettes

- ▶ These are on Trove. Look at <http://trove.nla.gov.au/gazette>.
- ▶ Includes: deaths in government hospitals, asylums, etc; victims of crime; promotions of troops; persons failing to pay rates; intestate estates; licenses (publicans, hawkers, etc); professionals; Justice of the Peace appointments.

## School records

- ▶ [School Teachers' rolls](#) 1869 to 1908
- ▶ <https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/school-teachers-rolls>
- ▶ [Schools and related records](#) index
- ▶ <https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/schools-and-related-records>

## Miscellaneous indexes

- ▶ [Unemployed in Sydney 1866](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=81) - [https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search\\_form?id=81](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=81)
- ▶ [Publicans Licenses Index 1830 to 1861](#)
- ▶ <https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/publicans-and-innkeepers/indexes>
- ▶ [Bankruptcy Index 1888 to 1929](#) - [https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search\\_form?id=59](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=59)
- ▶ [Insolvency Index 1842 to 1887](#) - [https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search\\_form?id=10](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/search_form?id=10)
- ▶ [Chemist, Druggist and Pharmacist index 1876-1920](#)  
<https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/chemists-druggists-and-pharmacists-index>

## Miscellaneous indexes

- ▶ [Nurses index 1926 to 1954](https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/nurses-index) - <https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/nurses-index>
- ▶ [Divorce Records Index 1873 to 1923](#) (Record series in the index: Family Law (Divorce) Index, 1873-1976, [8/3242-3247], Fiche 6130-6410)
- ▶ <https://www.records.nsw.gov.au/archives/collections-and-research/guides-and-indexes/divorce/indexes>

## Sands Directory - City of Sydney

- ▶ Like the Queensland Post Office Directory
- ▶ Problems with Ancestry - indexed by name. Tracing a property is all but impossible
- ▶ <http://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/learn/search-our-collections/sands-directory>