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DOCUMENTATION

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ABSTRACT

War Department, United States Army (USA)
Army Research Branch, Information and
Education Division. The American Soldier
Series: "European Theater of Operations:
Fifth Division Study" (S-112; December 1943).
[machine-readable data file]/ Collected by
the Army Research Branch: the Roper Center
[producer] 1977; the National Archives and
Records Administration (NARA) [distributor]

- PROVENANCE: One in a series of empirical studies converted to tape from punch cards by the Roper Center in 1977. The data and documentation are copies, created from data collected by the Army Research Branch between 1942-1955. Due to factors such as age and military reorganizations, the series is no longer complete.
- TYPE OF FILE: Microdata with numeric codes. Units of observation are white enlisted men.
- UNIVERSE DESCRIPTION: All white enlisted men in all lettered infantry companies in the Fifth Division.
- GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE: Units of the Fifth Division located in Ireland and England
- SUBJECT MATTER DESCRIPTION: A study to collect data that would help determine the morale and mental readiness for combat of the Infantrymen of the Fifth Division. Originally, the study was intended to be part of the "Unit Morale Studies" (see agency abstract). This study provided the basis for future studies (See RELATED MACHINE-READABLE RECORDS). Problem areas covered include: job interest, combat readiness, confidence in leadership, Army adjustment, attitude toward training and physical facilities, promotions and intra-unit conditioning.

The sample was drawn from all lettered infantry companies in the Fifth Division, identified by regiments, battalions, and companies within the Division. At the time of the study, the Division had served 18 months in Iceland.

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION:

FILE STRUCTURE: non-hierarchical, fixed length.
FILE SIZE: 2369 total cases (see agency abstract for original number of cases)

SORT SEQUENCE: arranged by card number, thereunder by survey number, thereunder by ballot number (last is a Roper Center designation).

RELATED REFERENCE MATERIALS: See NARA general documentation for the American Soldier Series.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS: See list of related publications and agency documentation described in the NARA general documentation folder for the American Soldier Series.

See specifically, Sec 5 Unit Morale Program (unit morale reports prepared for each troop unit surveyed), found in RG 330, Records of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, E-94, "Research Reports."

RELATED MACHINE-READABLE MATERIALS: See the list of "Army Research Surveys (1942-1945) Available in Machine-readable Format at the National Archives" in the NARA general documentation folder for the American Soldier Series.

See specifically: S-128, S-129, S-134, S-113. Only S-134 and S-113 are available in machine-readable format). However, marginals can be obtained for the other studies from the "Study Folders," found in RG 330, Records of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, E-92.

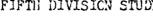
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FILE AVAILABILITY: This file is currently available from:

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EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS

FIFTH DIVISION STUDY





ES-17; SO-112

To determine the morale and mental readiness for combat of 1. PURPOSE: Infantrymen of the Fifth Division.

> A number of the morale questions which had been developed by the Research Branch Headquarters in Washington were included, and a few additional ones were devised.

Originally this study was planned to be a part of the "Unit Morale Studies" and the intention was to analyze the data by units within the division to find out which were the "low morale" and which the "high morale" units. Only a single over-all report was prepared however, and unit reports were not distributed to commanders.

This study nevertheless, was the basis for the later "Unit Morale Studies", ES-19 (SO-128), ES-21 (SO-129), and ES-26 (SC-134). It was also designed to parallel the Fighter Command Survey and Retest (ES-15, SO-113; and ES-24, SO-113b)

2. DATE OF ADMINISTRATION

December, 1943.

White enlisted men in all lettered infantry companies in the 3. SALFIE: Fifth Division.

Number: 2416

Geographic coverage: Units were located in Ireland and England.

Special Notes: At the time of the survey, the division had served 18 months in Iceland.

L. ANALYSIS MATERIALS AVAILABLE

IBM Punch cards - 1 set. Total = 2416.

Sampling Scheme - showing the identification (on the first four columns of the IBM cards) of the regiments. battalions and companies sampled within the division.

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5. STUDY DIRECTORS.

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6. REFORTS PHEPARED ON THE DATA.

A single report entitled "Attitudes and Morale in the Fifth Division" was prepared in January, 1944, but all copies have been lost or destroyed.

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FIELD FORCES SURVEY # 17

JANUARY 1944

Origin: Research Branch, ETOUSA

<u>Purpose</u>: To obtain from field force units data comparable to that secured from Fighter Command study as an aid in formulating the Unit Morale Program.

Cleared: G-1, ETOUSA

Problem Areas:

Job Interest
Adjustment to Army
Confidence in leadership
Readiness for combat

Evaluation of training Intra-unit conditions Physical facilities

Field Data: 2378 questionnaires from a cross-section of all infantry companies of the 5th Infantry Division in training in England.

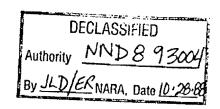
Production Data: Questionnaire precoded. Cards and codes sent to Washington 28 February 1944.

Reports Published: Unit morale reports prepared for each troop unit surveyed.

<u>Distribution of Reports</u>: Hampered by insistence of General Patton, 3rd Army Commander that reports be channelled thru his office, for historical note see Sec 5, Unit Morale Program.

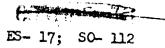
Appended Material:

Questionnaire with marginal percentages For specimen reports see history of Unit Morale Program.



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FIFTH DIVISION An American Division

Each number in column 1 indicates a different battalion, 1-3 being in the first regiment, 4-6 in the second and 7-9 in the third. The companies within each battalion are numbered 1-4 in column 2. In columns 3 and 4, code numbers indicate the inclusive serial numbers of questionnaires within respective companies.

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VALIDATION NOTES

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The raw data for the study is available in one dataset (AMSO112.CLEAN), and the documentation is available in another dataset (AMSO112.CDBK). Marginal distributions are available in the documentation dataset.

The documentation dataset contains no codes for question 67. Otherwise all other data and documentation appear to be all right with hand validation.

Frequencies should be obtained to verify the total number of cases. Consult the original documentation in the Military Reference Division (NNRM) for additional information.

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