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ABSTRACT

War Department, United States Army (USA)
Army Research Branch, Information and
Education Division. The American Soldier
Series: "ASF Officer Assignment Study" (S-83;
October 1943 and January 1944). [machinereadable 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 ASF Officers.

UNIVERSE DESCRIPTION: ASF Officers in the US Army.

GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE: Continental United States.

SUBJECT MATTER DESCRIPTION: A study to collect data from Officers in administrative position in the US. Specific items of inquiry include: job assessment, utilization of civilian skills, Army training, job satisfaction. Scores developed include: Job Personnel Requirement, Replaceability of Personnel, Requirements of Job, Satisfaction with Assignment and Utilization of Skill Scores.

The sample was drawn from ASF Officers in technical and administrative jobs at five US installations. The sample was to exclude all officers likely to be sent overseas

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION:

FILE STRUCTURE: fixed length, non-hierarchical FILE SIZE: 785 total cases with two card image records per case.

- 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.
- 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.
- DESCRIPTORS: WORLD WAR II, US ARMY (MORALE, TRAINING, ORIENTATION, ADJUSTMENT, IDENTIFICATION WITH, ENLISTED MEN, OFFICERS), JOB SKILLS.

FILE AVAILABILITY: This file is currently available from:

The Center for Electronic Records (NNX)
National Archives
Washington, D.C. 20408
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(ASF OFFICER ASSIGNMENT STUDY)

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There are no codes for data for questions 14-17, nor for the four scores developed for the study. Codes are also not available for the outfit and serial identification number variables (columns 20-23) in the second card image record. Columns 14-18 in the second card image record contain data with no codes or variable name.

Frequencies should be obtained to verify the total number of cases in the study. Otherwise, the data and documentation appear to be all right with hand validation.