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## ABSTRACT

War Department, United States Army (USA)  
Army Research Branch, Information and  
Education Division. The American Soldier  
Series: "Field Forces Survey 26" (S-134; May  
1944). [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 enlisted men of the United States Army.

**UNIVERSE DESCRIPTION:** Enlisted men from the 101st Airborne  
Division.

**GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE:** European Theater of Operations.

**SUBJECT MATTER DESCRIPTION:** A study to collect data measuring  
the effect of the unit morale program coupled with  
expert morale consultation as a means of raising the  
level of unit morale. Problem areas include postwar  
plans, job interest, length of war, fairness in Army,  
facilities, combat readiness, training, pride in  
outfit.

The fieldwork was interrupted by orders from Supreme  
Commander because of the imminence of D-Day. The  
project was abandoned with about 960 questionnaires  
secured. However, the data for the study consists of  
1033 cases.

## TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION:

**FILE STRUCTURE:** fixed length, non-hierarchical  
**FILE SIZE:** 1033 total cases with one card image record

per case (see agency abstract).

**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), FACILITIES, COMBAT, ESPRIT D'CORPS, POSTWAR PLAN, ENEMIES.

**FILE AVAILABILITY:** This file is currently available from:

The Center for Electronic Records, NNX  
National Archives  
Washington, D.C. 20408  
(202) 523-3267

FIELD FORCES SURVEY 26MAY 1944

Origin: Experimental project originating with Research Branch, ETOUSA.

Purpose: Designed as a controlled experiment to measure the effect of the unit morale program when coupled with expert morale consultation as a means of raising the level of unit morale.

Cleared: 101st Airborne Division; concurrence of *First* 1st US Army.

Problem Areas:

Post-war plans  
Job interest  
Length of war  
Facilities  
Fairness  
Pride in outfit  
Readiness for combat  
Training

Field Data: Field work interrupted by order from Supreme Commander because of the imminence of D-Day. Project abandoned. 960 questionnaires secured.

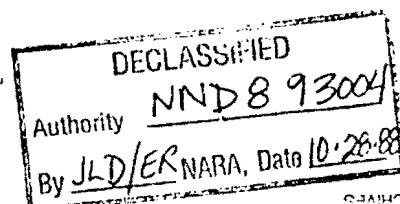
Production Data:

Questionnaires precoded  
Cards and codes to Washington 23 July 1944

Reports Published: Analysis of free answers to question on post-war job preferences computed at request of Washington office, Research Branch. Insufficient data prevented completion of experiment.

Appended Material:

Questionnaire  
Analysis of free answers



VALIDATION NOTES  
(FIELD FORCES STUDY 26, S-134)

AMS134.CLEAN (AMS0134.CDBK)

The raw data for the study is on one dataset (AMS134.CLEAN) and the documentation on another (AMS0134.CDBK). Marginals are included in the documentation dataset.

There are no codes for questions 7, 34, 63, 66-68. Otherwise the data and documentation appear to be all right with hand validation.

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