THE AMERICAN SOLDIER SERIES (ENLISTED MENS' MISCELLANEOUS STUDY, S-87)

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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: "Enlisted Mens' Miscellaneous Study"
(S-87; November 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 records are no longer complete.

TYPE OF FILE: Microdata with numeric codes. Units of observation are white enlisted men.

UNIVERSE DESCRIPTION: some enlisted men in the US Army.

GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE: AGF, ASF and AAF installations in the continental United States.

SUBJECT MATTER DESCRIPTION: A study to: collect data on the general morale of troops and the mens' adjustment to the Army, to find out mens' attitudes toward orientation in the Army, to find out mens' attitudes toward Army discipline, rules and regulations, to obtain data on mens' postwar plans and their opinions about the postwar world.

Scales and scores developed for the survey include types of responses to postwar foreign policy items and desire for postwar vocational guidance score. Specific areas of inquiry are too numerous to list (see agency abstract).

The survey includes a sample of white enlisted men from

5 AGF and ASF and 3 AAF installations in the US. The sample includes UTC and RTC men as well as regular troops. There is a sub-sample which is a cross-section of 3 (60th, 75th and 77th) Divisions. The sub-sample was drawn from the total sample and is distinguishable in the electronic documentation.

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION:

FILE STRUCTURE: non-hierarchical, fixed length.
FILE SIZE: 2043 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.

See specifically, Reports B-90, B-91, B-95, Monthly Progress Report (Feb., 1944), 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, Officers' Orientation Study (S-85), and Officers' Miscellaneous Study (S-86) in the list of surveys.

DESCRIPTORS: WORLD WAR II, US ARMY (MORALE, TRAINING, ORIENTATION, ADJUSTMENT, IDENTIFICATION WITH, ENLISTED MEN, OFFICERS, DISCIPLINE, POSTWAR CAREER/EDUCATION, POSTWAR POLITICAL PROFILE, COMBAT, ARMY FILMS/TALKS.

FILE AVAILABILITY: This file is currently available from:

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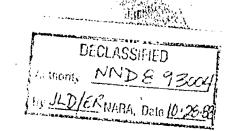
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VALIDATION NOTES

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AMS87.CLEAN (AMS0087.CDBK)

The raw data for the study is available in a single dataset (AMS87.CLEAN), and the documentation is available in another dataset (AMS0087.CDBK). Marginal distributions are available in the documentation dataset.

The documentation dataset does not have codes for questions 30, 63, 70, 82. Nor are there codes for the Postwar Foreign Policy Score (column 44 on second card image record), the Desire for Postwar Vocational Guidance Score (column 45 on second card image record) and the Serial identification number (columns 50-51 on second card image record). There are no codes or data for the open response questions.

Otherwise, the data and documentation look all right with hand validation. Frequencie should be obtained to confirm the number of total cases. Consult original documentation located in the Military Reference Division (NNRM) for additional information.

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