

21 April 2017 - National Archives Bicentenary

The National Archives is celebrating 200 years of gathering national treasures that show us how life in Norway has been.

In addition to the Central Office in Oslo, the National Archives also includes eight regional state archives, the Norwegian Health Archives and the Sámi Archives. After leaving Akershus Castle in 1866, the National Archives moved around to different locations in the capital before settling in 1978 into its permanent offices and with a large warehouse carved into a mountain in Sognsvann, Oslo.



Today, our collective national memory consists of shelves that cover more than 260 km and are overflowing with our history. Some of the most recent material of significance that the National Archives has stored for posterity is related to the events that unfolded on 22 July 2011, in particular

material that captures the reactions of children. Technical solutions and methods of archiving are changing rapidly, and the National Archives is currently undergoing extensive adaptations to ensure that it will also be able to fulfil its mission in the future.