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In order to honor its legislative spirit and implement the spirit of the Archives Act, promote public access to the archives, and optimize develop the evidential functions of archives in administrative on and historically aspects of archives, according to the regulations of Archives Act, we collect and transfer the government agency archives which have to be permanently preserved. We also accept donations, trusteeship and acquisition of valuable documents from private sectors to ensure the archives worthy of with long term preservation value to be properly stored preserved and to be utilized after charting description, arrangement and conservation. Up to now, 25 categories of approximately 28.7 kilometers of archives are collected by National Archives Administration, including those related with government policies, interior affairs, judicial and legal affairs, legislative and control affairs.

To facilitate public access to the archives, the latest information about the archives has been provided since 2010 by the quarterly the National Archives Newsletter. A total of 242.862 m length of archives (14 major categories) was preserved between Jul. and Sep. 2023. The source agencies, content summaries, information period and lengths of these acquisitions are listed in the table below:

1. Government Policy : The total length of archives is 4.07 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Executive Yuan	National defense construction project, etc.	61-81	3.83
Office of the President, ROC(Taiwan)	The abolition of seals of Embassy of the Republic of China, Tegucigalpa, Honduras, the abolition of seals of Consulate-General of the Republic of China, San Pedro Sula, Honduras, etc.	54-86	0.24

2. Interior Affairs : The total length of archives is 50.455 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Ministry of the Interior, ROC(Taiwan)	Servicemen enshrining in national Martyrs' Shrine, promoting Chinese Cultural Renaissance, etc.	38-76	42.79
Ministry of the Interior, National Immigration Agency, ROC (Taiwan)	Investigation on cross-strait entry and exit, etc.	41-79	0.075
Construction and Planning Agency, Ministry of the Interior	Kaohsiung Metropolitan Park development plan, Kinmen area public water supply system improvement plan, Tamshui River basin water pollution prevention and control planning, etc.	39-88	7.59

3.Foreign and Overseas Community Affairs : The total length of archives is 6.505 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, ROC (Taiwan)	Overseas cultural promotion plan, commencement of Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Kansas, etc.	53-80	6.505

4. National Defense and Veterans Affairs : The total length of archives is 14.93 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
All-out Defense Mobilization Agency, MND	Purchase application for offshore patrol cutters, safety maintenance for Taipei military facility lands, etc.	69-81	14.93

5.Fiscal and Financial Affairs : The total length of archives is 40.47 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Ministry of Finance, ROC, National Treasury Administration, Ministry of Finance, etc.	The cases of central bank transactions, defense conference funding, etc.	38-61	3.9
Wurih Brewery, Taiwan tobacco& Liquor Corporation	Market survey, factory safety and sanitation inspection, etc.	87-91	11.55
Research Institute of Liquor & Biotechnology	Liquor testing, etc.	87-91	6.4
Chiayi Distillery, Taiwan Tobacco& Liquor Corporation	Research and development incentives, etc.	82-87	18.62

6.Education and Sports Affairs : The total length of archives is 0.005 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
K-12 Education Administration, Ministry of Education	921 Earthquake "Taiwan Province student group insurance" review meeting, etc.	89	0.005

7. Economic and Trade Affairs : The total length of archives is 1.745 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Taichung Branch, Export Processing Zone Administration, Ministry of Economic Affairs	Amendment to "Management Regulations of the Export Processing Zone", etc.	76	0.025
Bureau of Standards, Metrology and Inspection, MOEA	Inspection field establishment, product regulation and classification, etc.	49-58	1.72

8. Transportation and Public Works Affairs : The total length of archives is 1.52 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Fifth Maintenance Office Directorate General of Highways, MOTC	Provincial highway disaster restoration and required funds, high way toll management, etc.	65-70	0.42
Freeway Bureau, MOTC	Science and Technology Development Program, etc.	69-74	1.1

9. Culture and Media Affairs : The total length of archives is 8.97 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Ministry of Culture	School entrance regulation for Mongolian and Tibetan students, the Mongolian and Tibetan Committee handling of people's petition cases, etc.	39-84	8.97

10. Health Care Affairs : The total length of archives is 0.015 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Taipei Hospital, MOHW	Record of the coordination meeting for Taipei Railway Hospital takeover planning, etc.	75	0.015

11. Agricultural Affairs : The total length of archives is 97.35 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Council of Agriculture, Executive Yuan	Report of important measures to accelerate rural construction, farmland readjustment, soil and water conservation research project, etc.	57-89	86.8

Dongshih Forest District Office, Forestry Bureau, COA	Hehuanshan ski resort expansion, forestry management plan, etc.	32-64	9.12
Nantou Branch, Forestry and Nature Conservation Agency, Ministry of Agriculture	Application for excavation of buried objects, etc.	65-79	0.18
Fisheries Agency, Ministry of Agriculture	Fishermen's association and fish market organization regulations, fishermen's association management, etc.	75-81	1.25

12. Local Affairs : The total length of archives is 2.812 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Guangfu Township Office, Hualien County, Hualien County Police Bureau, Wandan Household Registration Office, Pingtung County, Agriculture Bureau of Kaohsiung City Government, Lujhu Household Registration Office, Kaohsiung City, Shimen District Office, New Taipei City Government, etc.	Cattle registration certificate, mountain control, application for seal certification, fertilizer distribution, road naming, nuclear related accidents, tap water engineering, bridge management, cultivated land survey, epidemic prevention and infectious disease management, etc.	35-81	2.812

13. Political Affairs : The total length of archives is 14.005 meters

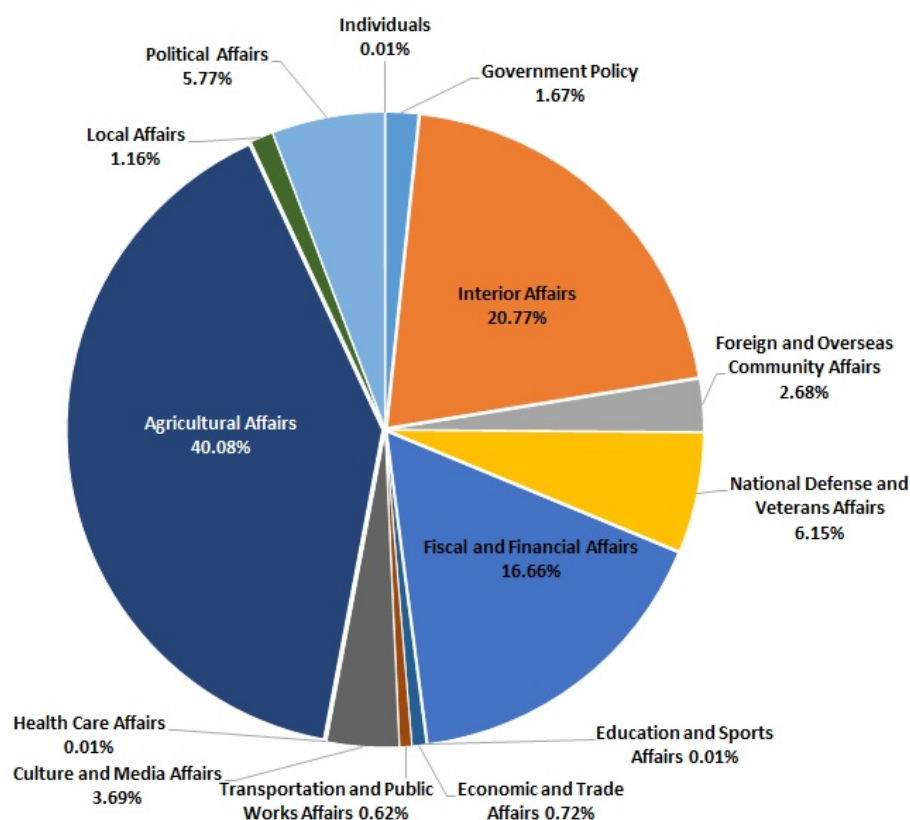
Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, ROC (Taiwan)	U.S. Human Rights Policy and related Organizations' concerns about Taiwan's Human Rights Situation, etc.	58-80	3.575
Ministry of the Interior, National Immigration Agency, ROC (Taiwan), Banking Bureau, FSC, Northern Region Reserve Command, Armed Forces Reserve Command, MND, Fuchien High Court Kinmen Branch Court, etc.	Public security report meeting, property seizure of rebels, banning books, issues regarding banning of Japanese songs in various entertainment venues, intelligence security education and training, original of the 1959 annual criminal judgement, cases of military mutiny, etc.	48-97	10.43

14. Individuals : The total length of archives is 0.01 meters

Source Authority	Summary	Year Range (the Republic Era/RE)	Length (Meters)
Hsiao, Chen-Kuo (Donor)	The staff training completion certificate of Taiwan Forestry Bureau, etc.	12-60	0.01

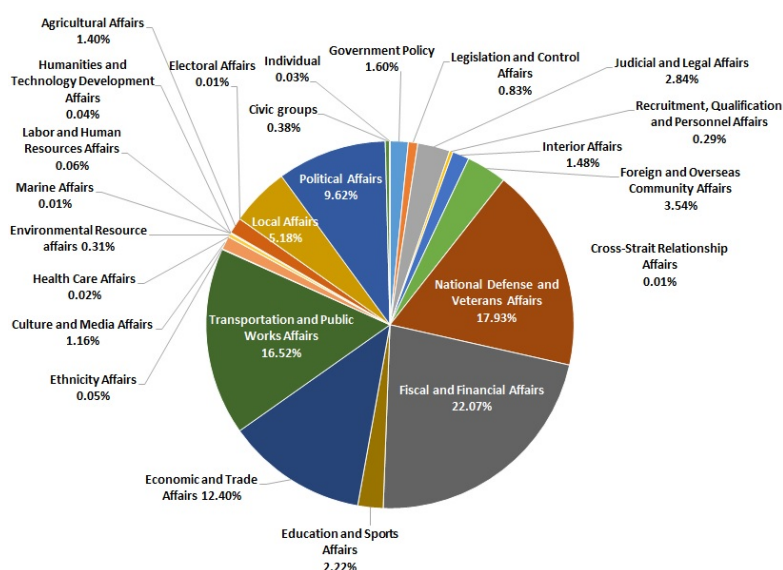
The quantity and ratio of new archives under each category collected in Jul. – Sep. 2023 are illustrated in the pie chart and the table below:

	Category	Length (Meters)
1	Government Policy	4.07 (1.67%)
2	Interior Affairs	50.455 (20.77%)
3	Foreign and Overseas Community Affairs	6.505 (2.68%)
4	National Defense and Veterans Affairs	14.93 (6.15%)
5	Fiscal and Financial Affairs	40.47 (16.66%)
6	Education and Sports Affairs	0.005 (0.01%)
7	Economic and Trade Affairs	1.745 (0.72%)
8	Transportation and Public Works Affairs	1.52 (0.62%)
9	Culture and Media Affairs	8.97 (3.69%)
10	Health Care Affairs	0.015 (0.01%)
11	Agricultural Affairs	97.35 (40.08%)
12	Local Affairs	2.812 (1.16%)
13	Political Affairs	14.005 (5.77%)
14	Individuals	0.01 (0.01%)
	Grand Total	242.862 (100%)



As of Sep. 30th, 2023, the National Archives collection totaled 28,695.328 meters in length (paper materials accounted for 27,753.583 meters; non-paper materials for 941.745 meters, including 249.76 meters of photographic materials, 663.705 meters of video and audio tape materials, 13.175 meters of electronic media, 15.105 meters of abolished seals restructured agencies). The numbers and proportions of the various categories of archives are shown in the table on the left and the pie chart below:

Category	Length (Meters)
Government Policy	458.358(1.6%)
Legislation and Control Affairs	238.81(0.83%)
Judicial and Legal Affairs	814.419(2.84%)
Recruitment, Qualification and Personnel Affairs	83.22 (0.29%)
Interior Affairs	424.949(1.48%)
Foreign and Overseas Community Affairs	1015.14 (3.54%)
Cross-Strait Relations Affairs	3.2 (0.01%)
National Defense and Veterans Affairs	5145.968 (17.93%)
Fiscal and Financial Affairs	6334.18 (22.07%)
Education and Sports Affairs	636.685(2.22%)
Economic and Trade Affairs	3559.372 (12.4%)
Transportation and Public Works Affairs	4741.387 (16.52%)
Ethnicity Affairs	14.97 (0.05%)
Culture and Media Affairs	334.006(1.16%)
Health Care Affairs	5.76 (0.02%)
Environmental Resource affairs	87.755 (0.31%)
Marine Affairs	1.29 (0.01%)
Labor and Human Resources Affairs	16.83 (0.06%)
Humanities and Technology Development Affairs	11.79 (0.04%)
Agricultural Affairs	400.764 (1.4%)
Electoral Affairs	2 (0.01%)
Local Affairs	1488.012(5.18%)
Political Affairs	2760.463(9.62%)
Civic groups	108.23 (0.38%)
Individuals	7.77 (0.03%)
Grand Total	28,695.328 (100%)



Introduction to Midwifery Personnel Archives

In the early era of underdeveloped medical care, pregnant women could choose self-delivery or hired experienced midwives to deliver the baby at their own homes. In addition to lack of proper treatment in case of obstructed labor, the deficit of correct hygienic practice easily caused the death of pregnant women and babies. During the period of Japanese rule of Taiwan, the Governor-General of Taiwan formulated the "Midwife Development Regulations" in 1902, hoping to effectively reduce the risk of maternal and infant death through modern professional midwifery-related medical training. After the National Government moved to Taiwan, to promote maternal and child healthcare, the "Midwives Act" was promulgated in 1943 (Figure 1). Since most midwives were populated in urban areas, the "Draft Plan for Rewarding Midwives to Practice in the Remote Areas" was formulated in 1965 to encourage midwives to practice and provide better healthcare for pregnant women in remote areas.

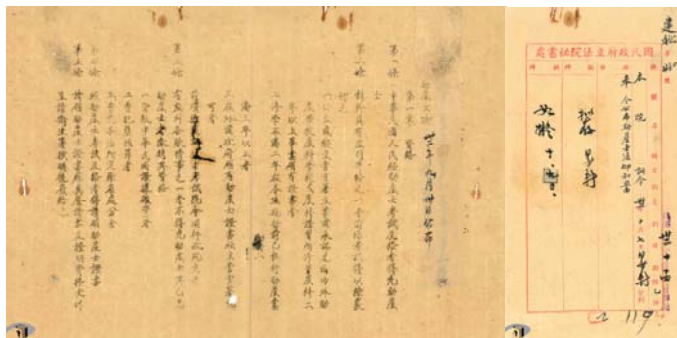


Figure 1: Enactment of the Midwifery Act

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With the advancement of medical care, the establishment of the health insurance system and the gradual popularization of medical care, obstetricians gradually take over the functions of midwives. In recent years, thanks to the midwifery relevant personnel, the development of the midwifery profession has been restarted. In 2003, the "Midwives Act" was amended to the "Midwifery Personnel Act" to strengthen management and to promote public awareness of the importance of midwifery personnel.

Welcome to [A+ online system](#) to learn more about the history of the Taiwan midwives.