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Army Automatic Declassification Program



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Agenda

- Authorities and Requirements
- Record Lifecycle
- What is Classified Information?
- Agency Review Options
- Army Declassification Program Status
- ADA Contacts





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Authorities and Requirements

- [Executive Order 12958, National Security Information](#)
 - As of 31 Dec 06, all classified permanently historical records under title 44, United States Code, shall be automatically declassified unless reviewed
 - As records become 25 years old, they must be reviewed (Rolling Requirement)

- [National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000](#)
 - No DoD record will be automatically declassified unless reviewed

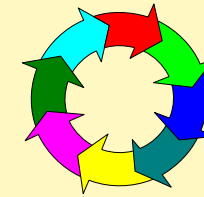
- [Kyl/Lott Amendments](#)
 - Required agencies to conduct page-by-page review of records likely to contain unmarked RD/FRD
 - Required all declassification reviewers to be DOE certified
 - [Lott Amendment](#) required agencies to conduct a page-by-page review of all documents processed prior to Oct 98





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Lifecycle of a Record

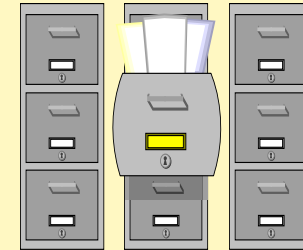


PERFORM MISSION



**CREATE RECORD INFORMATION
(OFFICE OF RECORD)**

**All Records
100%**



**CURRENT
FILES AREA
(CFA)**



**NATIONAL
ARCHIVES**

**Permanent
10%**



**FEDERAL
RECORDS
CENTERS (FRC)**



**INSTALLATION
RECORDS
HOLDING
AREA (RHA)**





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What does “Classified” mean?

- Webster definition:
 - Divided into classes or placed in a class
 - Withheld from general circulation for reasons of national security
- US Government uses three levels of classification:
 - **TOP SECRET, SECRET and CONFIDENTIAL**
 - Levels based upon damage to national security
- Terms that **do not** designate classified information:
 - For Official Use Only (FOUO)
 - Sensitive But Unclassified (SBU)
 - Limited Official Use Information (LOU)
 - Controlled Unclassified Information (CUI)
 - DoD Scientific and Technical Information (STINFO)





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Agency Review Options

- Declassify
 - No longer causes damage to national security
 - Does not mean public release

- Exempt
 - Classify beyond 25 years
 - Nine exemption categories such as intelligence sources and methods, war plans, state of the art technology, etc.

- Exclude
 - Restricted Data/Formerly Restricted Data
 - Information governed by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954

- Refer
 - Other agencies equities to the originator
 - One agency cannot declassify another agency's information

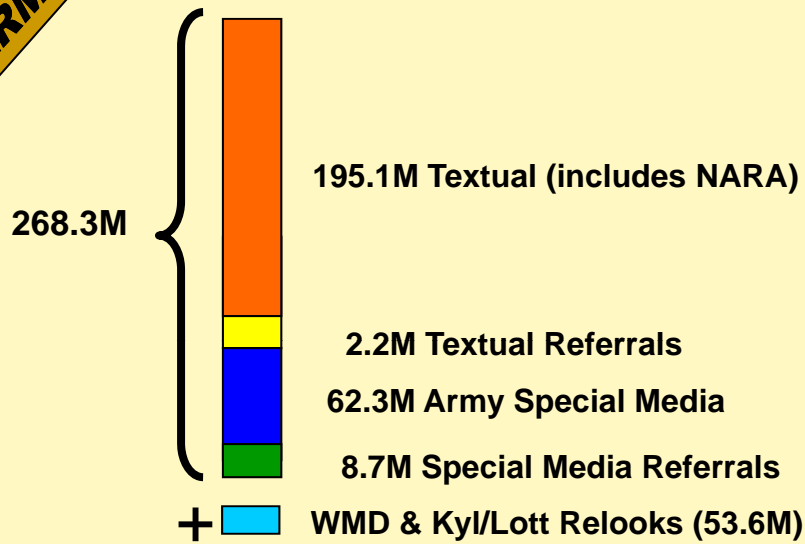




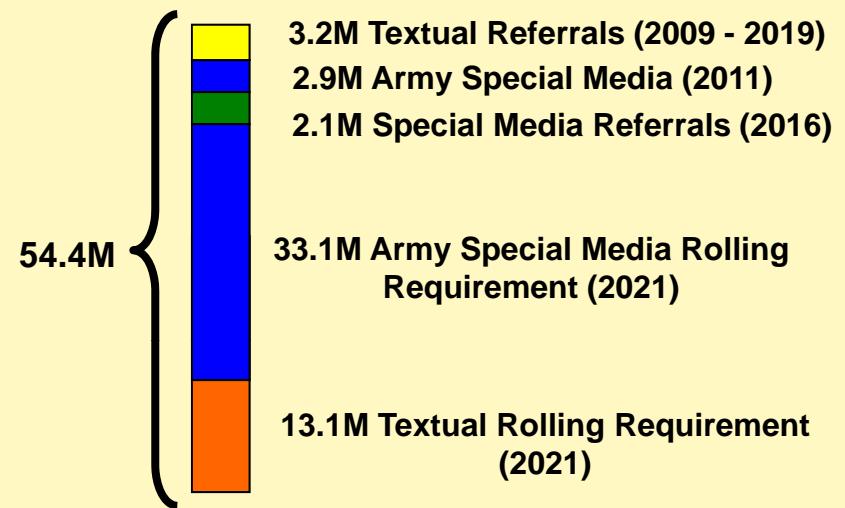
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Army Declassification Program Status

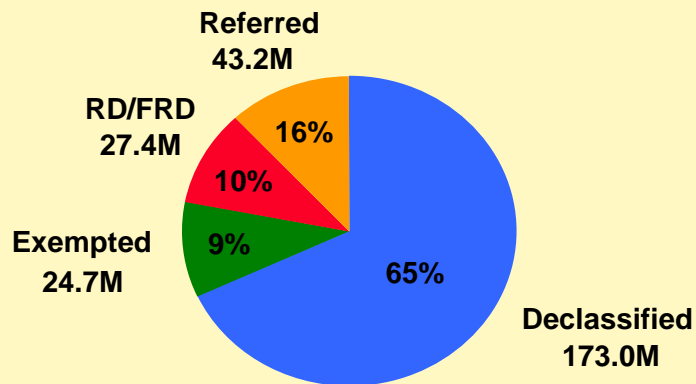
COMPLETED as of 1 Oct 2009



PRODUCTION REQUIREMENTS thru 2021



ARMY DECLASSIFICATION REVIEW RESULTS



FY 2009 PRODUCTION RESULTS

- Total FY 2009 Requirement: 5.6M pages
- Total FY 2009 Production: 6.5M pages
 - 5.8M Special Media (90%)
 - .7M Textual (10%)
- Total FY 2010 Production Requirement: 5.6M





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