

Book Trade History

From printing and bookmaking to distribution and selling, the history of the book trade for various regions can be explored in these diverse resources.

(Descriptions are from information provided by the sites.)

[Bibliografía sobre historia de la edición iberoamericana](#)

Bibliografía selecta en torno al campo editorial: fuentes y obras de referencia.

- [La edición en Portugal](#), por Daniel Melo y João Luís Lisboa (Universidade NOVA de Lisboa). Resumo com bibliografia.
- [Sobre outros países](#).

[15thcBOOKTRADE \(Univ. of Oxford\)](#)

Bibliography and links to research tools and scholarly literature.

In 2005 were published the six volumes of *A Catalogue of Books Printed in the Fifteenth Century* now in the Bodleian Library (= Bod-inc) which provided groundbreaking textual descriptions and identifications for over 5,500 editions. The catalogue was converted into electronic form by the Bodleian Library.

The 15cBOOKTRADE Project has converted Bod-Inc into an international database which can host the description of editions not in the Bodleian and therefore not yet described to the same high standard. The 15cBOOKTRADE Project team is adding editions from Oxford Colleges, the British Library, Venice libraries, from unique copies which are available in digital form or are held in libraries which collaborate with the project.

This new database, [TEXT-inc](#), offers a corpus of texts printed in the 15th century and provides one platform for the storage of and access to this highly valuable data to be searched together, linked to ISTC, GW, and MEI.

See also the virtual exhibition based on this research, curated by Cristina Dondi: [Printing R-Evolution](#)

[Atlas of Early Printing – 1450-1500 in Europe \(University of Iowa\)](#)

Interactive map covering printers, trade routes, fairs, etc.

[The British Book Trade Index \(BBTI\)](#)

Brief biographical and trade details of all those who worked in the English and Welsh book trades up to 1851.

[Early Modern Printers – Netherlands, 1450-1800.](#)

Interactive map.

[Exeter Working Papers in Book History](#)

Biographical and bibliographical information on the book trades, particularly for the later eighteenth century. Focus is on the UK but also includes continental Europe.

[The French Book Trade in Enlightenment Europe \(FBTEE\)](#)

Mapping the Trade of the Société Typographique de Neuchâtel, 1769-1794.

As the STN sold the works of other publishers alongside its own editions, their archives it has long been considered a broadly representative source for studying the history of the book trade and dissemination of ideas in the late Enlightenment.

[Material Evidence in Incunabula \(MEI\) search by PRICES](#)

MEI is a database specifically designed to record and search the material evidence (or copy specific, post-production evidence and provenance information) of 15th-century printed books: ownership, decoration, binding, manuscript annotations, stamps, prices, etc. MEI is linked to the Incunabula Short Title Catalogue (ISTC), provided by the British Library

Price search - advanced search strings can be used for:

Amount (e.g. *data.provenance.priceAmount:4*)

Currency (e.g. *data.provenance.priceCurrency:ducati*)

[The Scottish Book Trade Index](#)

Names, trades and addresses of people involved in printing in Scotland to 1850.