

## Berlin Document Center Series 5800, EWZ Collections: Stammblaetter

The EWZ Stammblaetter (loosely translated as "family forms") consist of family data for more than one million ethnic German applicants and their dependents who were considered for naturalized Reich citizenship by the EWZ, 1939-1945. The typed forms are reproduced on 743 16mm rolls of accessioned BDC microfilm, NARA Publication **A3342**, series **EWZ58**, and are arranged by EWZ case numbers. This numerical arrangement makes it difficult to locate any particular name without first consulting the previously described EWZ56 or EWZ57 series to obtain the applicant's EWZ number. A roll list for the Stammblaetter series follows this introduction. The Stammblaetter vary in format, but typically include all or some of the following information:

- a. EWZ case number (upper left corner or top of form) and a separate Vomi number
- b. Names, dates and places of birth for the applicant, his/her spouse, children, parents
- c. Marital status of the applicant, with the date and place of marriage, if married
- d. Religion of the applicant, his/her spouse, parents and spousal parents
- e. Occupation of the applicant
- f. Nationality and last place of residence of the applicant and his/her parents
- g. Photograph of the applicant bearing his/her EWZ number (reverse side of form)
- h. EWZ processing information, such as date transported and latest address or camp

Unlike the E/G Kartei, the Stammblaetter were usually prepared only for applicants over the age of fifteen. As with the other EWZ collections, the percentage of Stammblaetter that survived (of the total number created) is unknown. There are gaps in the number sequences, meaning either that some Stammblaetter are missing or that those missing numbers were not used. Roll I001 has many forms which are missing from the main sequence. *Some reproduced examples of Stammblaetter follow this introduction.*

The EWZ reserved whole blocks of numbers for use in specific geographic areas, such as Bessarabia, Galicia, Wolhynia, the Bukovina, the Dobrudja, the USSR, etc., making it possible to find applicants from a given region or country (see list below). In some locations, the EWZ processed entire villages using consecutive case numbers. A NARA project to index all Russian villages by Stammblaetter numbers is partially complete; other regions may also later be indexed.

### EWZ Numbers Used in Specific Countries or Regions (as of 16 April 1942)\*

Estonia and Latvia (1939)	0001 – 10,921	85,001 – 85,950	119,522 – 119,949
	20,100 – 31,000	89,001 – 102,500	159,001 – 159,999
	60,001 – 68,000	105,000 – 108,000	162,802 – 163,000
	73,293 – 81,591	111,103 – 113,500	163,200 – 163,855
Galicia, Wolhynia and Narew district	11,001 – 20,000	81,700 – 84,000	120,001 – 158,600
	31,001 – 59,999	103,001 – 108,100	160,001 – 164,380
	68,000 – 71,000	111,000 – 112,000	164,800 – 167,000
	73,001 – 74,000	113,001 – 118,500	



North and South Buchenland and the Dobrudja	311,601 – 322,100 325,001 – 332,700 333,001 – 362,300	363,001 – 387,500 390,501 – 392,900 393,001 – 397,200	398,001 – 400,000
Bessarabia and Dobrudja	400,001 – 408,200 410,001 – 437,900 441,001 – 449,500	450,001 – 467,000 478,001 – 483,500 485,001 – 485,200	489,001 – 500,000
Litauen (Lithuania)	500,001 – 520,000 522,001 – 531,600	533,000 – 537,???	538,001 – 543,700
Generalgouvernement Ost (Eastern Poland)	183,001 – 210,545 211,001 – 213,200 216,001 – 216,600	217,001 – 217,600 218,001 – 220,900 221,001 – 221,670	223,???
Generalgouvernement West (Western Poland)	109,000 – 110,999 210,500 – 210,999	217,542 – 218,000 221,500 – 229,499	223,174 225,001 – 225,052 230,000 – 250,999 305,000 – 307,999
Baltic Refugees	295,001 – 304,000		
Special Resettlers	304,001 – 305,000	(Finland, South Africa, South America, etc.)	
Greek Germans	304,201 – 304,400		
Serbian Germans	322,001 – 324,000		
Bulgarian Germans	408,138 – 409,000		
USSR (see note)	520,001 – 522,000		

\*Source: *The Holdings of the Berlin Document Center: A Guide to the Collections* (BDC, 1994), p. 41-42, from information given by an EWZ employee, *SS-Untersturmführer* Rudolf Backofen.

Other geographic blocks of EWZ numbers that have been identified are the following:

Untersteiermark/Oberkrain (Slovenia, Yugoslavia) 800,001 – 812,106  
Ukraine, USSR

Note: The Soviet Union became the largest area of EWZ operations after the German invasion in June 1941. Stammblaetter numbers 799,384 – 800,000 and 900,001 – 1,046,998 (and possibly others) were subsequently assigned to ethnic Germans in the USSR who became candidates for resettlement.



## Berlin Document Center Series 57: EWZ Collections, E/G Kartei

The **E/G Kartei** serve as a consolidated registry for all persons processed by the EWZ and its affiliated organizations for naturalization during World War II. The collection consists of approximately 2.9 million alphabetically arranged data cards used and supplemented by the BDC. Most of the original cards consist of E-Kartei (EWZ-Kartei), two-sided cards with general information on every applicant age 15 and older, and G-Kartei (Gesundheitskartei), two-sided cards with biographical data, a photograph, genealogical chart, and summary results of health examinations. Two other types of original cards, though fewer in number, are ADERST-Kartei, similar in content to the E-Kartei but limited to ethnic Germans from south Tyrol, and Rassen-Kartei, for ethnic German residents of France (not to be confused with the other EWZ collection of **Rasse-Kartei**).

These have been supplemented by English-language index cards created by the BDC, generally for applicants who did not receive an EWZ number, did not have their own EWZ file, or whose principal file is found only in a specialized collection (e.g., ethnic Germans serving in the Wehrmacht, SS, police, or the Organisation Todt).

The E/G Kartei are reproduced on 1,964 16mm rolls of BDC Accessioned Microfilm A3342, series EWZ57. The rolls are not numbered in a single sequence, but in successive alphanumeric sequences which follow an alphabetical arrangement, as follows:

I001-I146: Aab, Anna - Bogner, Peter  
J001-J152: Bogner, Reinhold - Dick (Dyck), Lina  
K001-K153: Dick (Dyck), Katharina - Gersak, Cäcilie  
L001-L142: Gersak, Elisabeth - Hess, Filomena  
M001-M148: Hess, Regina - Kasserer, Caser  
N001-N166: Kasseroler, Alfons - Krug, Eugenie  
O001-O157: Kruk, Florentine - Mang, Eva  
P001-P157: Mang, Ferdinand - Oberhausen, Hildegard  
Q001-Q147: Oberhausen, Jakob - Regauer, Josef  
R001-R150: Rege, Adolf - Schlittenhardt, Walder  
S001-S146: Schlittenkopf, Katharina - Stahl, Gustav  
T001-T141: Stahl, Harald - Wasowicz, Josefa  
U001-U159: Wasowicz, Kasimir - Zyzniewski, Ludomir

Roll breaks by individual name (only the first name on each roll) are indicated in the accompanying roll lists.