GERMANY

Three electronic RNB databases for books printed to 1850

1. **Electronic database:** gateway-bayern.de/index_vd16.html

Period covered: 1501–1600

Identity number: VD16 + database number

Responsible institution: the Bavarian State Library (Bayerische Staatsbibliothek) — the Department of Manuscripts and Rare Books (Abteilung Handschriften und Alte Drucke)

Selection criteria: all materials printed and published in German-speaking countries.

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2. **Electronic database:** gso.gbv.de/DB=1.28/

Period covered: 1601–1700

Identity number: VD17 + database number

Responsible institution: the Head Office of the Common Library Network (Verbundzentrale des Gemeinsamen Bibliotheksverbunds)

Selection criteria: all materials printed and published in the German language or in German-speaking countries.

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3. **Electronic database:** gso.gbv.de/DB=1.65/SET=1/TTL=1/START_WELCOME

Period covered: 1701–1800

Identity number: VD18 + database number

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