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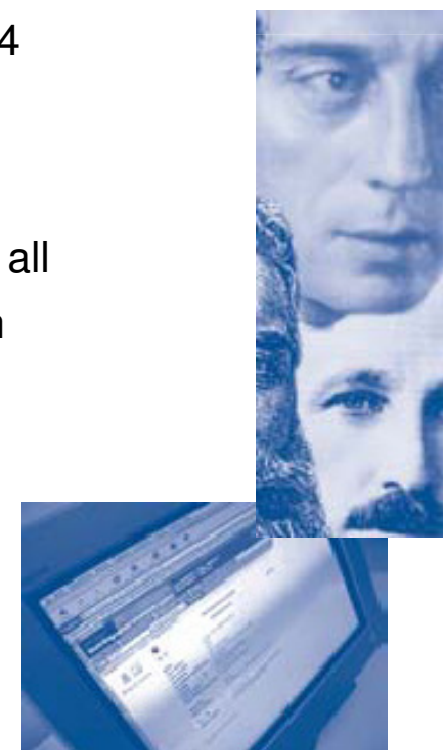
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With the “World Biographical Information System (WBIS) Online” K. G. Saur presents the most comprehensive and extensive biographical online library.

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- include information on more than 5 million people: men and women from all classes and professions, from all countries and regions of the earth, from the 4th millennium BC to the present.



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Unique in its scale the database offers:

- Altogether **57** digitized Biographical Archives
- Biographical entries for **6** million persons from the World Biographical Index
- Biographical articles for **5.56** million persons
- Altogether **8.4** million articles, published from 1559 to the end of the 20th century.



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(233 Sources published 1807-1993)
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(376 Sources published 1760-2002)
- **Australasian Biographical Archive (ANZO-BA and Suppl.)**  
(194 Sources published 1866-1987)
- **Baltic Biographical Archive (BaBA I, II)**  
(317 Sources published 1772-1995)
- **Biographical Archive of the Classical World (BAA)**  
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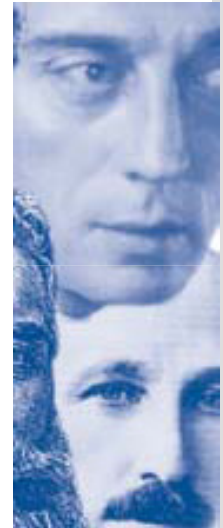
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- **British Biographical Archive (BBA I, II und III)**  
(748 Sources published 1601-2002)
- **Canadian Biographical Archive (CaBA)**  
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(212 Sources published 1711-1994)
- **Chinese Biographical Archive (CBA)**  
(89 Sources published 1898-1994)
- **French Biographical Archive (ABF I, II, III and Suppl.)**  
(611 Sources published 1647-1999)
- **German Biographical Archive (DBA I, II, III)**  
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- **Greek Biographical Archive (GBA)**  
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- **Italian Biographical Archive (ABI I to IV and Suppl.)**  
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- **Japanese Biographical Archive (JaBA)**  
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- **Jewish Biographical Archive (JBA I, II and Suppl.)**  
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- **Korean Biographical Archive (KBA)**  
(Sources published 1875-2000; Persons up to 2000)
- **Polish Biographical Archive (PAB I, II and Suppl.)**  
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- **South-East European Biographical Archive (SOBA)**  
(175 Sources published 1711-1995)
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(1122 Sources published 1602-2000)
- **Turkish Biographical Archive (TBA)**  
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  - ASIA
  - EUROPE
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- Jewish Biographical Archive
  - Biographical Archive of the Classical World
  - **Biographical Archive of Christianity (2011)**



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More than just a list of prominent names:

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  - Memoirs
  - Encyclopedias
  - Who's Who
  - Almanacs
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  - Display of the original biographical articles as a facsimile image

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- Libraries have high flexibility to build up their individual biographical collections for the library's special needs.
- Independent from the number of Biographical Archives subscribed, libraries have access to the complete World Biographical Index including short biographical information on more than 6 Million persons.

## Search possibilities in WBIS Online

- K. G. Saur Database Platform
- Interface in 6 languages:  
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- Occupation Classification in 6 languages
- 4 Search options (Basic Search, Biographical Search, Bibliographic Search, Microfiche Search)
- 12 Search criteria
- Export of data:
  - Print functionality
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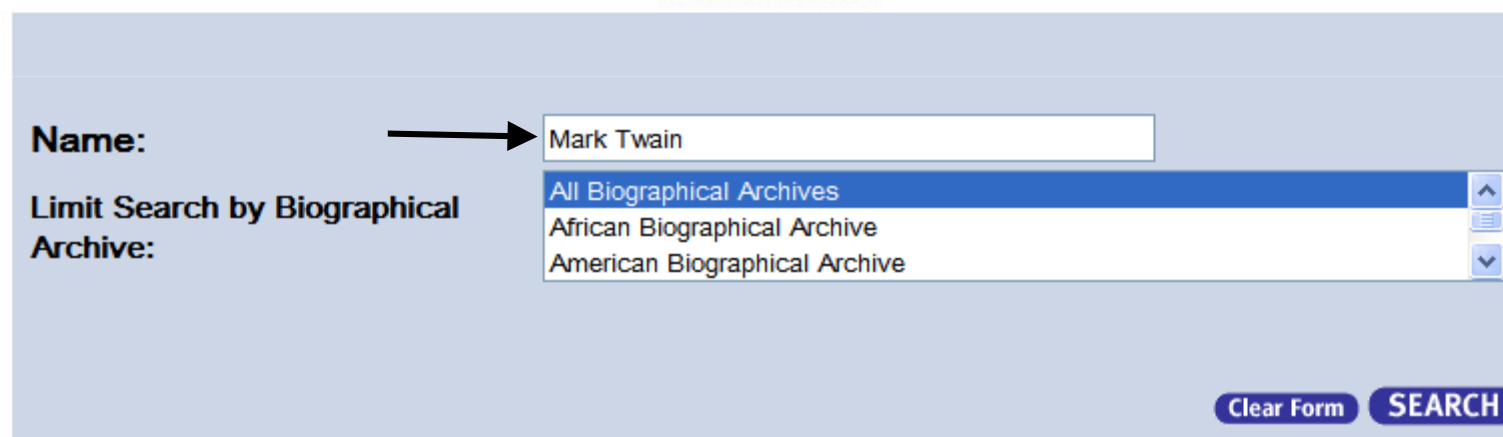


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<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<a href="#">Twain, Mark</a>	writer	1835	Arab-Islamic Biographical Archive
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**Name:** Clemens, Samuel Langhorne  
**Other Name(s):** c.h. Mark Twain  
**Gender:** male  
**Year of birth:** 1835  
**Year of death:** 1910  
**Occupation:** novelist; journalist  
**Occupation classification:** Narrative Writers (583); Journalists, Correspondents, Editors, Critics (585)  
**Archive:** American Biographical Archive (ABA)  
**Fiche Location:** I 312,342-392;S 20,116-130;III 61,341-344;III 521,113-127  
**Short title(s) of source(s):** Drake F.S.; Clemens; Barrows; MOT 1887; Appleton; Wheeler: Freethinkers; Rep. men: CT; Plarr; Adams: Authors; Pratt A.T.C.; Mem.: SD; Nat. cyc.; WW US 1899-1900; Biog.: US; Conard; Harper's; Century Cyc.; Merriman; WW Lyceum; Leonard; WW US 1908-1909; Herringshaw. Nat-Lib; Knight: Authors; Men: Am; Duyckinck/Duyckinck 1875; Salzman; Parapsychology; Vinson: Novelists; Kirkpatrick; Larousse  
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but seldom or never known save as Mark  
Twain, b. Florida, Mo., in 1835. Ed. in com-  
mon schools only, which fact partially accounts  
for his sense of humor. Despite lack of col-  
lege course has since been tagged with sym-  
bolic letters by several of the leading colleges.  
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