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Newspapers and magazines from the era provide interesting articles about many facets of life during the war years. State libraries generally maintain a good collection of newspapers; see particularly *Trove* on the National Library of Australia website. Wartime issues of the *Australian Women's Weekly* carried interesting articles about Australian women, men and children. Through its recipes, patterns and advertisements, the *Weekly* also gives a good indication of how everyday life was affected by wartime rationing and other things that were not available.

Oral history

This project has made use of the oral histories collected in the Keith Murdoch Sound Archives at the Australian War Memorial. Oral history is a fascinating type of history. Its value is debated, as it records memories of historic events recalled years later. This memory is filtered by time and other events. Collecting oral histories from women who remember the war would be an interesting project for local schools and communities to undertake.

Private records

The Australian War Memorial has a large collection of private records, including letters, diaries, cards, and other recollections. Many women in the local community have similar items, which can provide a valuable snapshot of history.

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Official records

Official records from the Memorial's collection, such as unit histories and diaries, were used in this project. Some official records may be available at the various State Archives offices.

***Nurses: from Zululand to Afghanistan* exhibition (travelling from 16 February 2013 to 27 August 2015)**

The Australian War Memorial is paying tribute to Australian military nurses in the travelling exhibition *Nurses: from Zululand to Afghanistan*. Through photographs, objects and works of art drawn from the Memorial's collection, it tells the story of Australian military nursing from 1879 to the present.

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