

The online Dictionary of South African English

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New
release

Now available on smartphones and tablets at dsae.co.za

This release marks the completion of a major digitisation phase from early pilot online editions to a fully-fledged web application thoroughly adapted for Desktop and Mobile devices. The same advanced feature set is now available on both platforms.

The dictionary was first published in print as *A Dictionary of South African English on Historical Principles* (Oxford University Press, 1996) – a 25-year project documenting the development of regional English usage over three centuries. It contains 4600 main entries with 45 000 bibliographically-referenced quotations covering 17 500 word forms and their histories, including first recorded use.

Following extensive digital enhancements, dictionary users can now manipulate this unrivalled record of the language variety as a structured database. Words can be grouped in dictionary 'slices', e.g. by date of entry into the language using an interactive visual slider, or filtered by *language of origin*, *subject* or *usage* category (with over 180 subcategories in all). Individual word histories – often spanning centuries – can also be navigated visually by meaning or quotation evidence, revealing developmental patterns previously submerged in the written text. Access is free at dsae.co.za.



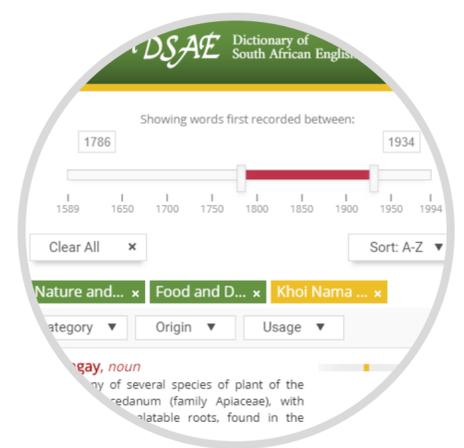
Mobile-friendly

- Fully responsive design
- Rescales to preserve advanced Desktop features and user experience
- Android & iOS; most modern browsers supported



Entry visualisations

- Word histories and source data displayed as graphics
- Data aggregation reveals new insights and relations
- Navigate complex entries structurally, not only by sequential reading of text



Powerful filtering

- Divide or combine subsets of 3 centuries of SA English by multiple categories including origin
- Refine results by date span with a visual slider, and browse related words