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History	<p>A Board of Management for the Brisbane Trades and Labour Hall and Literary Institute was formed on 4 February 1889 replacing the existing Trades Hall Committee. The Board's objective was to secure a meeting place for trade unions within the city. A grant of land was secured and the foundation stone of the Trades Hall was laid on 4 April 1893. In 1922, the Trades Hall Council in Brisbane amalgamated with the Trades and labour Council of Queensland. The objectives of the Council were to protect and advance the interests of affiliated unions and to control industrial disputes. By 1952 to title of the Council had standardised as the Trades and Labor Council of Queensland.</p>
Record Summary	<p>Trades and labour Hall Council, Brisbane: minutes, financial reports, documents. 1896 - 1922 Trades and Labor Council of Queensland: minutes, financial reports, documents. 1922 - 70 Trades Union congress (Queensland): minutes. 1934 - 35 United Operative Stonemasons' Society: minutes. 1866 - 70 Brisbane Eight Hour Anniversary Union: minutes, letters day book. 1887 - 1922 Shearers' Strike: miscellaneous document. 1890 - 91</p>
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- 1 Minutes - Trades and Labor Council 1922 - 61 6.1 reels  
Typescript minutes of general, special and annual meetings and executive meetings of the Trades and Labor Council as the co-ordinating agency of the Labour movement in Queensland.
  - 1 12 Apr 1922 - 4 Nov 1935 [reel 1]
  - 2 6 Nov 1935 - 22 Apr 1942 [reel 2]
  - 3 6 May 1942 - 19 Feb 1947 [reel 3]
  - 4 27 Feb 1947 - 8 Sep 1954 [reel 4]
  - 5 22 Sep - 1954 - 5 Mar 1958 [reel 5]
  - 6 18 Mar 1958 - 3 Aug 1960 [reel 6]
  - 7 23 Aug 1960 - 15 mar 1961 [reel 7]
  
- 2 Cash Book - Trades and Labour Hall, Brisbane 1896 - 1923 Part reel 7  
The management of the Trades Hall was vested in an elected Board of Management. The cash book contains a ledger of accounts (1896 - 98), printed half-yearly abstracts of accounts (1896 - 1923) and half-yearly reports of the Board of Management (1901, 1903, 1906, 1911). From 1912 to 1922, the Board of Management issued annual reports. Printed copies of these reports were pasted into the cash book. [see also D11/8, D11/16]
  - 1 1 Jul 1896 - 30 Jun 1923
  
- 3 Financial Statements - Trades and Labor Council 1927 - 70 Part reel 7  
Printed annual statements of income and expenditure of the Trades and labour Council and of its various committees including the Trades and Labor Hall Trustees, Brisbane.
  - 1 Jun 1928 - Jun 1952
  - 2 Jun 1953 - Jun 1970
  
- 4 Minutes - Labor Day Committee 1922 - 43 Part reel 7 and 10  
Manuscript and typescript minutes of meetings of the Labor Day Committee of the Trades and Labor Council of Queensland. The Committee was sometimes designated as the Sports Committee and was responsible for planning the celebration of Labor Day in Brisbane. The event was usually celebrated by a parade and sports day. Until 1922, the Brisbane Eight Hours Anniversary Union performed the same function. [see also D11/11. D11/20-22]  
The minutes 1922 - 35 were re-filmed on reel 10

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- 1 9 Aug 1922 - 15 May 1935 [reels 7 and 10]
- 2 22 Jan 1936 - 5 Jun 1939 [reel 7]
- 3 15 Jan 1940 - 26 Apr 1943 [reel 7]
- 5 Minutes - Industrial Council 1914 - 16 Part reel 8  
 On 9 Aug 1914 a meeting of representatives of Brisbane unions affiliated with the Trades Hall council was held to discuss the effect of the War on employment. This group became known as the Combined Union of Brisbane. By December 1914, interest had waned and the Industrial Council assumed the role performed by the Combined Unions. The volume contains the fair minutes of the Combined Union (1914) and the rough minutes of the Industrial Council (1915 - 16)
- 1 9 Aug 1914 - 13 Sep 1916
- 6 Minutes - Trades Hall council, Brisbane 1919 - 20 Part reel 8  
 Manuscript minutes of ordinary and executive meetings until amalgamation with the Trades and labour council of Queensland in April 1922, the various trades hall councils tended to function independently. The council in Brisbane was the most prominent and formed the nucleus of the Trades and Labour Council [see also D11/16]
- 1 22 Aug 1919 - 16 Aug 1920
- 7 Minutes - Trades Union Congresses 1934 - 35 Part reel 8  
 Typescript minutes of the 10th (1934) and 11th (1935) Trades Union congresses held by the Trades and Labour Council of Queensland to promote the trades union movement. A financial statement from the 9th (1932) congress is also included.
- 1 23 Nov 1934 - 18 Nov 1935
- 8 Miscellaneous Documents - Trades and Labour Hall, Brisbane 1889 - 1929 Part reel 8
- 1 Mortgage indenture for Trades and Labour Hall, 30 Jun 1889
- 2 First Annual Report of Board of Management of the Trades and Labour Hall and Literary Institute 1889
- 3 Half-yearly Report of Board of management 1890
- 4 Prospectus of the Trades and Labour Hall building Fund [n.d.]
- 5 Copy of inscription on the foundation stone of the Hall
- 6 The Worker Vol 2 No 21 4 Apr 1891

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- 7 AWU shearer's tickets of William Rumley 1901 - 02
  - 8 William Rumley - elector's right 1902
  - 9 Shearing Agreement for Queensland signed by William Rumley 2 Aug 1904
  - 10 Letter to T Foley of the Waterside Workers of Townsville regarding amendments to the Trades Disputes Bill and the shops and Factories Bill 25 Oct 1906
  - 11 Annual report and balance sheet of Brisbane Eight Hour Anniversary Union 1904 -5
  - 12 Proceedings of White Labour Conference held at Townsville 20 Feb 1905
  - 13 Annual report and balance sheet of Brisbane Eight Hour Anniversary union 1917 - 18
  - 14 Proposed constitution of The Australasian Trades Union congress 1929
- 9 Trades and Labor Hall Trust, Brisbane 1934 - 35 Part reel 8  
Correspondence and minutes relating to the operation of the Trust Account by the trustees in view of proposed amendments to the Act governing the establishment of the Trades and Labour Hall.  
[see also D11/19]
- 1 Correspondence 28 Jan 1934 - 12 Mar 1935
  - 2 Minutes of meeting of trustees 5 Jul 1934
- 10 Miscellaneous Documents 1889 - 1940 Part reel 8
- 1 Report of Select committee on Trades and labour Hall Mortgage and Leases Bill 1893
  - 2 Trades and labour council submission to Trades Union Congress regarding the revision of the school curriculum 1929
  - 3 Proposed scheme for Health Insurance drawn up by a Committee appointed by the Trades Union congress 1929
  - 4 Regulations for the Management of the Trades Hall council, Melbourne 1940
- 11 Labor Day Committee 1929 - 35 Part reel 8  
Miscellaneous items removed from the minutes of the Labor Day Committee.  
[See also D11/4, D11/20-22]
- 1 Prize list for the art union conducted in association with Labor Day celebrations 15 May 1929
  - 2 List of contributors to Labor Day funds 28 Mar 1936
  - 3 Labor Day sports programme 1 May 1933



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- Minutes of a lodge of the Society probably at Brisbane. The minutes are in manuscript, however D11/13/3 contains a typescript copy of minute (1866-67) with comments made about 1969
- 1 29 Jan 1867 - 1 Nov 1870
  - 2 30 Jan 1866 - 15 Jan 1867
  - 3 1866 - 1867
- 14 Minutes - Industrial Committee 1922 - 35 Part reel 9  
 Manuscript and typewritten minutes of an Industrial Committee which sought to investigate disputes between union affiliated with the Council and to co-ordinate industrial action when more than one union was involved.
- 1 31 Aug 1922 - 23 Aug 1935
- 15 Minutes - Research and Education Committee 1924 Part reel 9  
 The Committee was responsible for the collection and dissemination of data on the activities and conditions of the working-class movement throughout the world. It also sought to encourage and interest in, and the study of, this movement. Minutes are in both manuscript and typewritten form.
- 1 22 Jan 1924 - 12 Feb 1924
- 16 Minutes - Board on Management 1911 - 22 Part reel 9  
 Manuscript and typewritten minutes of meetings of the board of Management, Executive and Library Committee of the Trades and Labour Hall, Brisbane
- 1 1 Sep 1911 - 4 Feb 1916
  - 2 31 Aug 1917 - 29 Sep 1922
- 17 Minutes Committee of Management 1922 - 23 Part reel 9  
 When the Trades and Labour Council of Queensland and the Brisbane Trades Hall council amalgamated in 1922, a Committee replaced the old Board of Management. The minutes are in typescript and include the minutes of the Library Committee which appears to have been part of the Committee of Management
- 1 13 Oct 1922 - 29 Mar 1923
- 18 Minutes - Hall Committee 1923 - 37 Part reel 9

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Initially known as the Housing Committee, the Hall Committee replaced the Committee of Management as the body responsible for the maintenance, use and general supervision of the trades Hall. Included in its responsibilities was the administration of the Trades hall library

- 1 27 Apr 1923 - 31 Aug 1923
- 2 29 Sep 1923 - 29 Nov 1935
- 3 28 Feb 1936 - 22 Oct 1937

19 Minutes - Trustees of Trades and Labour Hall 1913 - 35 Part reel 9

The ownership of the Trades Hall and its fittings was vested in the trustees who were usually the President and Secretary of the Trades and Labour Council and elected representatives of affiliated unions. [See Also D11/9]

- 1 28 Nov 1913 - 16 Aug 1935

20 Day Book - Brisbane Eight Hours Anniversary Union 1904 - 33 Part reel 9

The Day Book contains statements of income and expenditure associated with the celebration of the eight hour day. After 1922, the Union became the Labour Day Committee of the Trades and Labour Council of Queensland. [See also D11/4, D11/11, D11/21 - 22]

- 1 Jun 1904 - Jun 1933

21 Minutes - Brisbane (Queensland) Eight Hours Anniversary Union 1887 - 91 Part reel 10

The minute book was used as a paste-up book for the minutes of the Labor Day Committee 1922 - 35 and in the attempt to separate the two, some pages have been damaged. Although the title supplied by the microfilmer is for the Queensland Eight Hours Anniversary Union, it would appear that the minutes are of meetings of the Brisbane Eight Hours Anniversary Union.

[See also D11/4, D11/11, D11/20, D11/22]

- 1 12 Jan 1887 - 21 Feb 1891

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22 Letterbooks - Brisbane Eight Hours Anniversary Union 1888 - 1909 Part reel 10

The letterbooks contain press copies of letters sent by the Union. Many of the letters are illegible due to smudging. [See also D11/4, D11/11, D11/20-21]

1 15 Oct 1888 - 13 Mar 1894

2 Feb 1905 - Apr 1909