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*Database of Historical Place Names*

1. This report will present the results of the scientific project “Collecting the historical ethnic (near the border of Lithuania) place names and their electronic processing“ carried out by the Department of Onomastics of the Institute of the Lithuanian language in 2004–2010.
2. From various historical sources (mostly church books and a little bit from the documents of administrative legal nature) there have been collected 47 000 historical place names. 19 000 of them are digitized and given on the internet access [www.lki.lt/tevi](http://www.lki.lt/tevi)
3. This first base of toponyms created at the Department of Onomastics is a very important collection of proper names. The base is functional, its structure (the exhaustive information about historical place names and present place names) is convenient to a user, entries are given according to the present or historical place name and the year.
4. Collecting the historical place names and their e-digest construction relates to scientific research. From the scientific point of view, this compendium is mostly associated with the Dictionary of Lithuanian Place Names, written in the Onomastics department of the Institute of the Lithuanian Language, because it will help to identify the authentic forms and the origin of the place names that will be incorporated to the Dictionary of Lithuanian Place Names.
5. The abundant historical toponymic material is a unique basis for the exhaustive investigation of place names of Lithuanian border regions. New place names can be added to the base in the future.