

The collective biographies (*liezhuan* 列傳) of the 26 official dynastic histories

	Shiji	Hanshu	Houhanshu	Sanguozhi	Jinshu	Songshu	Nanqishu	Liangshu	Chenshu	Weishu	Beiqishu	Zhoushu	Nanshi	Beishi	Suishu	Jiu Tangshu	Xin Tangshu	Jiu Wudaishi	Xin Wudaishi	Songshi	Liaoshi	Jinshi	Yuanshi	Mingshi	Qingshigao	Xin Yuanshi	remarks	
皇后 <i>Huanghou</i> Empresses	49*	97-98*	10	5, 34, 50	31-32	41	20	7	7	13	9	9	11-12	13-14	36	51-52	76-77	11, 49, 86, 104, 121	13-20	142-143	71	63-64	114, 116	113-114	214	104	In <i>Houhanshu</i> as <i>benji</i> . In <i>Sanguozhi</i> 34 together with princes. In <i>Jinshu</i> and <i>Songshu</i> called 后妃 <i>houfei</i> . In <i>Xin Wudaishi</i> together with members of the imperial house.	
外戚 <i>waiqi</i> Relatives of empresses and consorts					93					83	48			80	79	183	206			463-465		120*		300			In <i>Shiji</i> as <i>shijia</i> . In <i>Shiji</i> und <i>Hanshu</i> empresses and relatives in one chapter. In <i>Jinshi</i> called 世戚 <i>shiqi</i> .	
刺客 <i>Cike</i> Assassins	86																										Only <i>Shiji</i> .	
循吏 <i>Xunli</i> Benevolent officials	119	89	76		90*	92*	53*	53*		88*	46		70	86	73	185	197			426	105*	128	191-192*	281	476-479	229	In <i>Jinshu</i> , <i>Songshu</i> , <i>Liangshu</i> , <i>Weishu</i> and <i>Jinshi</i> called 良吏 <i>liangli</i> , in <i>Nanqishu</i> 良政 <i>liangzheng</i> , in <i>Liaoshi</i> 能吏 <i>nengli</i> .	
伶官 <i>Lingguan</i> Masters of music																			37		109							
酷吏 <i>Kuli</i> Cruel officials	122	90	77							89	47			87	74	186	209					129						
宦者 <i>Huanzhe</i> Eunuchs			78							94*						184*	207-208			38	466-469	109*	131	204	304-305*	247	In <i>Jiu Tangshu</i> , <i>Liaoshi</i> and <i>Mingshi</i> called 宦官 <i>huanguan</i> , in <i>Weishu</i> 閹官 <i>yanguan</i> .	
黨錮 <i>Danggu</i> Court cliques			67																								Only <i>Houhanshu</i> .	
閹黨 <i>Yandang</i> Eunuch factions																							306				Only <i>Mingshi</i> .	
儒林 <i>Rulin</i> The forest of scholars	121	88	79		91			48	33	84	44	45	71	81-82	75	189*	198-200*			431-438			189-190*	282-284	480-483	234-236	In <i>Jiu Tangshu</i> , <i>Xin Tangshu</i> and <i>Yuanshi</i> called 儒學 <i>ruxue</i> .	
道學 <i>Daoxue</i> Neo-Confucians																				427-430								
游俠 <i>Youxia</i> Wandering knights	124	92																										
佞幸 <i>Ningxing</i> Flatterers	125	93																		470			307					
恩倖 <i>Enxing</i> Favourites						94	56*			93	50		77	92														In <i>Nanqishu</i> called 倖臣 <i>ningchen</i> .
滑稽 <i>Huaji</i> Humorists	126																											Only <i>Shiji</i> .
日者 <i>Rizhe</i> Soothsayers	127																											Only <i>Shiji</i> .
方技 <i>Fangji</i> Diviners and magicians	128*		82*	29	95*					91*	49*	47*		89-90*	78*	191	204			461-462	108		203	299	502-505*	242	In <i>Shiji</i> called 龜策 <i>guice</i> , in <i>Houhanshu</i> 方術 <i>fangshu</i> , in <i>Jinshu</i> , <i>Zhoushu</i> , <i>Beishi</i> , <i>Suishu</i> and <i>Qingshigao</i> 藝術 <i>yishu</i> , in <i>Weishu</i> 術藝 <i>shuyi</i> , in <i>Beiqishu</i> and <i>Jiu Tangshu</i> 方伎.	
貨殖 <i>Huozhi</i> Profiteers	129	91																										Only <i>Shiji</i> and <i>Hanshu</i> .

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文苑 <i>Wenyuan</i> The garden of literati			80		92		52*	49-50*	34*	85	45		72*	83	76*	190	201-203*			439-445	103-104*	125-126*		285-288	484-486	237-238	In <i>Nanqishu</i> , <i>Liangshu</i> , <i>Chenshu</i> , <i>Nanshi</i> , <i>Suishu</i> and <i>Liaoshi</i> called 文學 <i>wenxue</i> , in <i>Xin Tangshu</i> and <i>Jinshi</i> 文藝 <i>wenyi</i> .	
獨行 <i>Duxing</i> Libertines			81														194*		34*							239-240*	In <i>Xin Tangshu</i> called 卓行 <i>zhuoxing</i> , in <i>Xin Wudaishi</i> 一行 <i>yixing</i> , in <i>Xin Yuanshi</i> 篤行 <i>duxing</i> .	
隱逸 <i>Yinyi</i> Worthies living in retirement			83*		94	93	54*	51*		90*			75-76	88	77	192	196			457-459			199	298	500-501*	241	In <i>Houhanshu</i> called 逸民 <i>yimin</i> , in <i>Liangshu</i> 處士 <i>chushi</i> , in <i>Weishu</i> 逸士 <i>yishi</i> , in <i>Nanqishu</i> 高逸 <i>gaoyi</i> , in <i>Qingshigao</i> 遺逸 <i>yiyi</i> .	
列女 <i>Lienü</i> Outstanding women			84		96					92				91	80	193	205			460	107	130	200-201	301-303	508-511	244-246		
孝友 <i>Xiaoyou</i> Persons displaying filial piety and brotherly harmony					88			57*								188	195					127	197-198				In <i>Liangshu</i> called 孝行 <i>xiaoxing</i> .	
忠義 <i>Zhongyi</i> Persons displaying loyal conduct					89											187	191-193			446-455		121-124	193-196	289-295	487-496	230-233		
孝義 <i>Xiaoyi</i> Persons displaying filial piety						91	55	47*	32*	86*		46	73-74	84*	72					36*	456			296-297	497-499		In <i>Liangshu</i> , <i>Chenshu</i> and <i>Beishi</i> called 孝行 <i>xiaoxing</i> , in <i>Weishu</i> 孝感 <i>xiaogan</i> , in <i>Xin Wudaishi</i> 義兒 <i>yier</i> .	
止足 <i>Zhizu</i> Persons displaying self-sufficiency								52																			Only <i>Liangshu</i> .	
節義 <i>Jieyi</i> Women displaying female chastity										87				85														
誠節 <i>Chengjie</i> Persons with high sincerity															71													
死節 <i>Sijie</i> Officials dying for the dynasty																												Only <i>Xin Wudaishi</i> .
死事 <i>Sishi</i> Officials dying for a noble cause																												Only <i>Xin Wudaishi</i> .
疇人 Hereditary astronomers																									506-507			Only <i>Qingshigao</i> .
釋老 <i>Shilao</i> Buddhist and Daoist monks																							202			243		
藩鎮 <i>Fanzhen</i> Military governors																	210-214											Only <i>Xin Tangshu</i> .
諸夷蕃將 <i>Zhuyi fanjiang</i> Barbarian progovernors																	110											Only <i>Xin Tangshu</i> .
Other dynasties in China					(101-130)	95	57			95-99				93						478-484								In <i>Jinshu</i> other states as <i>zajji</i> , in <i>Xin Wudaishi</i> as <i>shjia</i> .

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土司 <i>tusi</i> Native rulers																								310-319	512-517	2487			
藩部 <i>Fanbu</i> Mongols																									518-525		Only <i>Qingshigao</i> .		
屬國 <i>Shuguo</i> Tribute states																									526-529		Only <i>Qingshigao</i> .		
Barbarians and foreign countries	110, 113-116, 123	94-96	85-90	30	97	95-98	58-59	54		100-103		49-50	78-79	94, 95-99	81-84	194-199	215-222	137-138	72-74	493-496			208-210	329-332					
外國 <i>Waiguo</i> Foreign countries																				485-492	115*	134-135		320-328		249-257	In <i>Liaoshi</i> called 國外 <i>guowai</i> .		
宗室 <i>Zongshi</i> The imperial houses and 諸王 <i>zhuwang</i> princes	50-52, 58-60, 106, 118	35-36, 38, 44, 47, 53, 63, 80	14, 42, 50, 55	19-20, 34, 51, 59	37-38, 59, 72, 64, 87	51, 61, 68, 72, 79-80, 90	21-22, 35, 40, 45, 50	8, 22-23, 29, 44, 55	14-15, 28, 36	14-22	10-14	10-13		13-14, 41-44, 51-54, 65	15-19, 51-52, 57-58, 71	43-45, 59	60, 64, 76, 86, 95, 107, 116, 150, 175		12, 50-51, 87, 105, 122	13-20, 61-71	144-148	72		65-66, 69, 76, 80, 85, 93	115	115-121	215-221	105-114	In <i>Liaoshi</i> called 國外 <i>guowai</i> . In <i>Shiji</i> 50-52, 58-60 as <i>shijia</i> . In <i>Xin Wudaishi</i> together with empresses as <i>shijia</i> .
宗室宰相 <i>Zongshi zaixiang</i> Members of the imperial house acting as prime ministers																											Only <i>Xin Tangshu</i> .		
Rebels and usurpers		99			98-100	99		[55], 56	35, [36]			48			85	200										474-475			
流賊 <i>Liuzei</i> Roaming bandits																								309			Only <i>Mingshi</i> .		
賊臣 <i>Zeichen</i> Rebels													80															Only <i>Nanshi</i> .	
姦臣 <i>Jianchen</i> Treacherous subjects																				471-474	110-111		205	308					
叛臣 <i>Panchen</i> Rebellious subjects																				475-477		133	206						
逆臣 <i>Nichen</i> Obstreperous subjects																					112-114	132	207						
Author's biography	130	100				100				104				100														In <i>Shiji</i> and <i>Weishu</i> autobiography. In <i>Songshu</i> with preface.	