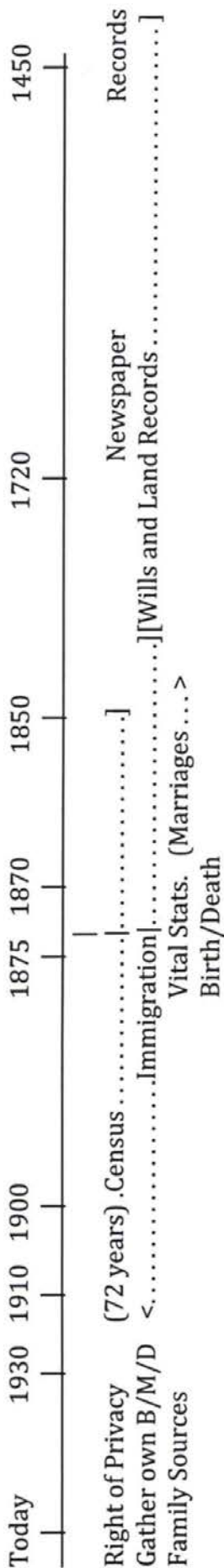


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Sources & Resources

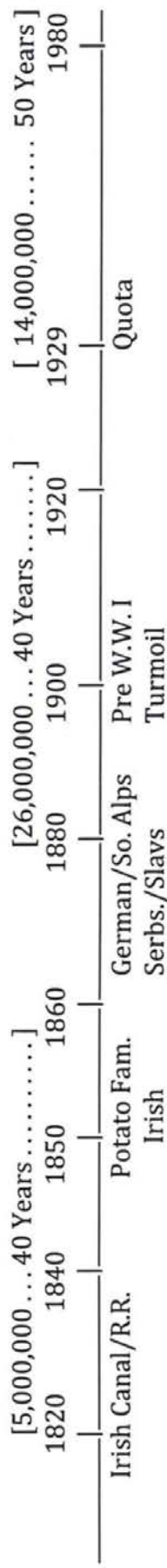
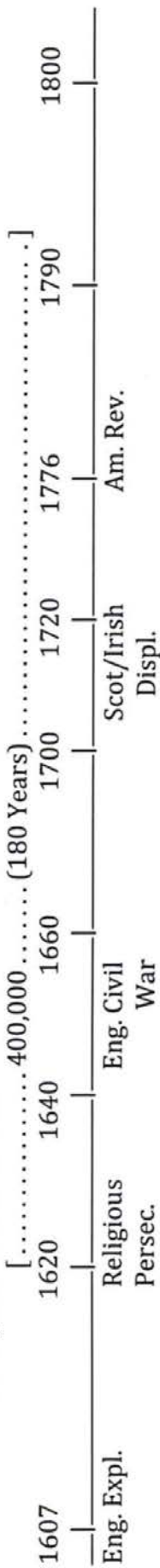
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SEARCH AREA BY YEARS



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Immigration Dates and Numbers



1907 Peak Year = 1,285,349

Beginning U.S. Research

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- I. Selecting the problem and recording basic data
 - a. Decide on a particular genealogical problem and record known facts in the pedigree and family group form.
 - i. Use personal knowledge and memory as a start
 - ii. Contact relatives, associates, and old timers for additional facts
 - iii. Consider family tradition and investigate documents in the home
 - iv. Establish a continuing program to investigate family/home sources
 - b. Initiate a good note keeping system where all research activity can be properly identified and recorded
 - i. Document all research activity; making abstracts, extracts, and copy-work neatly and accurately
 - ii. Consider filing correspondence and research; findings by name, locality or record type.
 - iii. Post research findings to the pedigree, family group sheet, and summary forms as research
 - iv.
- II. Determining the extent of previous research.
 - a. Initiate searches to locate pertinent family history already in print
 - i. Use the "surname and locality and target approach" in repositories visited.
 - ii. Check genealogical dictionaries, indexes, and compendia
 - iii. Investigate published biographical works and genealogical periodicals.
 - iv. Search appropriate local and regional histories.
 - b. Investigate general collections of the LDS Family History Society early in research and recheck them when new facts are located. (on film at FHC's or online at www.familysearch.org)
 - i. Investigate the appropriate names through the Ancestral file.
 - ii. Check the Family Search, i.e. IGI or International Genealogical Index.
 - iii. Use locality and surname searches in the FHLC (Family History Library Catalog.
 - c. If the problem was associated with LDS Church history, make an exhaustive study of the following special LDS collections
 - i. Membership records
 - ii. Emigration records
 - iii. Ordinance records
 - iv. Records of the church Historian
 - v. Miscellaneous "Early Church and Utah" records
- III. Evaluating Survey Data and Defining Research Objectives
 - a. Evaluate all survey data and reconcile apparent discrepancies
 - i. List conflicting information in summary form for better evaluation
 - ii. Correlate survey data with known facts and define specific objectives for continued research
 - b. Determine and list correct locality information for each place-name associated with the problem
 - i. Consult a good marketing guide, atlas, or postal guide for correct facts
 - ii. Consult a good gazetteer, guide book, or local history for correct town and county information detail
 - c. Determine and list major genealogical sources which exist for pertinent jurisdictions and initiate searches in them
 - i. Consider local repositories, state and national repositories, as well as the LDS Family History Library and its centers.
 - ii. Plan to use correspondence, agents and to do personal research

IV. Gaining New Facts and Data

- a. Consider vital, church and cemetery records; working from the more modern events to those earlier
 - i. Locate and obtain death certificates and obituary notices for those persons who died in a modern period
 - ii. Investigate towns, counties and states pertaining to the problem
- b. Locate the individual or family(s) of interest in existing census records and be prepared to recheck the records from time to time as new facts are located
 - i. Search the 1850-1920 enumerations first, then to earlier records
 - ii. Use local and state records where they exist to supplement federal records
 - iii. Have searches made in modern confidential census records when needed
- c. Investigate probate and civil-criminal court records for supplemental birth, marriage, death, and kinship information
 - i. Consider all possible locations of residence
 - ii. Search probate indexes, will books and case files
 - iii. Investigate civil-criminal court indexes, docket books, order books, and case files
- d. Search land-property records of the appropriate jurisdictions for kinship information, facts about family migration and movement, as well as for other important historical information
 - i. Search deed and mortgage records; extracting or abstracting pertinent information from the records
 - ii. Consider plat books, tax records, survey records, warrants, grants and land patents
- e. Check existing military records for service or pension files relating to individuals of interest
 - i. Search published and microfilmed indexes to records of early years; i.e. the Revolution, the War of 1812, or Civil War
 - ii. Obtain photo copies or microfilmed copies of pertinent files from the Nation or state archives
 - iii. Check microfilm copies of pension and bounty land-warrant application files through the LDS Family History Library or Centers
 - iv. Investigate records of modern wars through selected federal records centers and the Veterans Administration
- f. Locate and investigate extant Emigration records which might possibly pertain to the problem
 - i. Many records relating to the colonial period of American history have already been published
 - ii. Lists of passengers arriving at most Atlantic and gulf coast ports after about 1820 are on file in the National Archives
 - iii. The LDS Family History Library has microfilm copies of ship passenger lists for the ports of Boston, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New Orleans for the period 1820-1876
- g. Consider miscellaneous social-commercial records which might pertain to the problem and initiate a continuing program to investigate them
 - i. Search records of appropriate hospitals, schools, and fraternal organizations
 - ii. Investigate pertinent business-employment agencies and organizations for new information
- h. Consider re-evaluating all previous research from time to time to see if your skill has increased or new avenues of research have opened since original work was started on that particular family
 - i. Check the census records often as you find new families to see if marriages were entered into the "the boy or girl next door."
 - ii. Check land records for the families around a known ancestor to see if new information points to "the neighbors" as a possible connection.

RECORDS SELECTION TABLE

Table below can help you decide which records to search. It is most helpful for post 1800 research. In column 1 find the goal you selected. Then in column 2 the types of records that are likely to have the information you need. Additional records that may also be useful are listed in column 3. The terms used in columns 2 and 3 are the same as the subject headings used in this outline and in the locality section of the FHLC.

Records containing previous research (genealogy, biography, history, periodicals, and societies) could provide information for nearly all of the goals. These have not been repeatedly listed unless they are especially helpful for the goal.

1. If You Need	2. Look First In	3. Then Search
Age	Census, vital Records, Cemeteries	Military Records, Taxation
Birth date	Vital Records, Church Records, Bible Records	Cemeteries, Obituaries, Census
Birthplace	Vital Records, Church Records, Census	Newspapers, Obituaries
City or parish of foreign birth	Church Records, Genealogy, Biography, Naturalization and Citizenship	Military Records, Vital Records Emigration and Immigration
Country of foreign birth	Emigration and Immigration, Census, Naturalization and Citizenship, Church Records	military Records, Vital Records, Newspapers, Obituaries
County origins and boundaries	history, Maps	Gazetteers
Death	Vital Records, Cemeteries, Probate Records	Newspapers, Bible Records, Military Records
	Church Records, Obituaries	
Divorce	Court Records, Vital Records	Newspapers
Ethnicity	Minorities, Native Races, Societies	Church Records, Emigration and Immigration, Naturalization and Citizenship
		Minorities
Historical background	History, Periodicals	Census, Newspapers, Biography
Immigration date	Emigration and Immigration, Naturalization	
	Citizenship, Genealogy	
Living relatives and adoptions	Genealogy, Directories, Court Records, Obituaries	Census, Biography, Societies, Church Records
		Probate Records
Maiden name	Vital Records, Church Records, Newspapers	Cemeteries, Military Records, Probate Records, Obituaries
	Bible Records	
Marriage	Vital Records, Church Records, Census, Newspapers, Bible Records	Cemeteries, Military Records, Probate Records, Naturalization & Citizenship, Land & Property
Occupation	Census, Directories, emigration and Immigration	Newspapers, Court Records
Parents, children & other family members	Vital Records, Church Records, Census, Probate Records, Obituaries	Bible Records, Newspapers, Emigration and Immigration
Physical description	Military Records, Biography	Naturalization and Citizenship, Vital Records, Emigration & Immigration, Genealogy
		History, Periodicals
Place-finding aids	Gazetteers, Maps	Biography, Probate Records, History
Place (town) of residence when you know only the state	Census (Indexed), Genealogy, Military Records, Vital records, & other records with state wide index	
Places family has lived	Census, Land and Property, History	Military Records, Taxation, Obituaries
Previous research, compiled genealogy	Genealogy, Periodicals, Societies	History, Biography
Record-finding aids	Archives and Libraries, Societies	Periodicals
Religion	Church Records, History, Biography	Bible Records, Cemeteries, Genealogy
Social activities	History, Biography, Newspapers, Societies	Town Records, Court Records, Cemeteries
		Directories, Obituaries

SOURCES AND RESOURCES

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SURVEY		ORIGINAL RESEARCH
PERSONAL	GENERAL	ALL VITAL RECORDS

MAJOR GENEALOGICAL REPOSITORIES

1. The Library of Congress <http://catalog.loc.gov/>
2. The New York City Public Library www.nypl.org
3. The National Archives www.nara.gov/
Address 6125 Sand Point Way NE; Seattle, WA 98115 Phone 206-442-4502
4. The Newberry Library (Chicago) www.newberry.org/
5. Allen County Public Library www.acpl.lib.in.us/
6. Western Reserve Historical Society www.wrhs.org
7. Wisconsin Historical Society www.Wisconsinhistory.org/libraryarchives/
8. The Family History Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day-Saints
New name Familysearch www.familysearch.org

V C C L L M M

Lesson 3
Search & Research
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WIKIPEDIA, the free encyclopedia

Under the Library of Congress

1) NUC...National Union Catalog: Full Title:

Pre-1956 Imprints: A Cumulative Author List Representing the Library of Congress Printed Cards and Titles Reported by Other American Libraries, Compiled and Edited with the Cooperation of Library of Congress National Union Sub-Committee of the Resources Committee of the Resources and Technical Services Division, American Library Association.

2) NUCMC: National Union Catalog Manuscript Collection

3) OCLC ...Online Computer Library Center
1967 Ohio College Library Center
71,000 libraries in 112 Countries

WORLD CAT Window to the world's libraries.
Number of holdings: 1,482,826,757

Focus on Genealogy:

SOURCES AND RESOURCES

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1. The Survey:
2. On-line Vital records:
3. State Archives:
4. County Records:
5. City/Town Records:
6. Church Records:
7. Social Security Death Index:

PONDER ON THIS

1. Not all public libraries are equal
2. Not all states are equal
3. Don't start
4. Not all
5. State libraries
6. Specialties
7. Dig deeper
8. www.worldcat.org 1 billion books/libraries everywhere!

A link to both historical and genealogical societies found in the US www.usgennet.org/socadmin
Researching Quakers? www.swarthmore.edu/library/

LOCAL RESOURCES

HOW TO USE THE LIBRARIES

OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY <http://ohs.org/>
Jefferson Park Blocks

MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIBRARY <http://catalog.multcolib.org/>

GENEALOGICAL FORUM OF OREGON LIBRARY
<http://www.gfo.org/>

FAMILY HISTORY CENTERS

Dewey Classification Scheme Used In Genealogy Section

R016.929-R016.9797	Bibliographies
R266-R289.7	Histories of churches
R301.4	Ethnic minorities
R312.7	Population statistics
R325.2-R325.73	Nationalities in the U.S.
R353.6-R353.7	U.S. military
R369-R369.15	Patriotic society publications
R911-R912	Atlases and gazetteers
R914-R914.99	Europe (descriptive and geographical sources)
R917.1-R917.17	Canada (descriptive and geographical sources)
R917.3-R917.98	United States (descriptive and geographical sources)
R929	General genealogical sources
R929.1-R929.1969	Miscellaneous genealogical material by locality
R929.2-R929.20973	Family histories arranged by family name
R929.3-R929.3969	Genealogical records by locality
R929.4	Names (personal and geographic)
R929.5-R929.5969	Epitaphs and cemetery records by locality
R929.6-R929.8	Heraldry (coats of arms) and peerages
R941-R949.9	Histories of European countries
R971-R971.7	Histories of Canadian provinces, counties & towns
* R973-R973.99	Histories of U.S.: general and military records
* R974-R979.89 & R996.99	Histories of U.S.: states, counties and towns
RB	Biographies arranged by family name of subject
RB.O-RB.8	Collective biographies
* RD.9	Directories

Classification Numbers For States In Genealogy Section

STATE	MISCELLANEOUS	RECORDS	CEMETERIES	HISTORIES
Alabama	R929.1761	R929.3761	R929.5761	R976.1
Alaska	R929.1798	R929.3798	R929.5798	R979.8
Arizona	R929.1791	R929.3791	R929.5791	R979.1
Arkansas	R929.1767	R929.3767	R929.5767	R976.7
California	R929.1794	R929.3794	R929.5794	R979.4
Colorado	R929.1788	R929.3788	R929.5788	R978.8
Connecticut	R929.1746	R929.3746	R929.5746	R974.6
Delaware	R929.1751	R929.3751	R929.5751	R975.1
Dist. of Columbia	R929.1753	R929.3753	R929.5753	R975.3
Florida	R929.1759	R929.3759	R929.5759	R975.9
Georgia	R929.1758	R929.3758	R929.5758	R975.8
Hawaii	R929.1969	R929.3969	R929.5969	R996.9
Idaho	R929.1796	R929.3796	R929.5796	R979.6
Illinois	R929.1773	R929.3773	R929.5773	R977.3
Indiana	R929.1772	R929.3772	R929.5772	R977.2
Iowa	R929.1777	R929.3777	R929.5777	R977.7
Kansas	R929.1781	R929.3781	R929.5781	R978.1
Kentucky	R929.1769	R929.3769	R929.5769	R976.9
Louisiana	R929.1763	R929.3763	R929.5763	R976.3
Maine	R929.1741	R929.3741	R929.5741	R974.1
Maryland	R929.1752	R929.3752	R929.5752	R975.2
Massachusetts	R929.1744	R929.3744	R929.5744	R974.4
Michigan	R929.1774	R929.3774	R929.5774	R977.4
Minnesota	R929.1776	R929.3776	R929.5776	R977.6
Mississippi	R929.1762	R929.3762	R929.5762	R976.2
Missouri	R929.1778	R929.3778	R929.5778	R977.8
Montana	R929.1786	R929.3786	R929.5786	R978.6
Nebraska	R929.1782	R929.3782	R929.5782	R978.2
Nevada	R929.1793	R929.3793	R929.5793	R979.3
New Hampshire	R929.1742	R929.3742	R929.5742	R974.2
New Jersey	R929.1749	R929.3749	R929.5749	R974.9
New Mexico	R929.1789	R929.3789	R929.5789	R978.9
New York	R929.1747	R929.3747	R929.5747	R974.7
North Carolina	R929.1756	R929.3756	R929.5756	R975.6
North Dakota	R929.1784	R929.3784	R929.5784	R978.4
Ohio	R929.1771	R929.3771	R929.5771	R977.1
Oklahoma	R929.1766	R929.3766	R929.5766	R976.6
Oregon	R929.1795	R929.3795	R929.5795	R979.5
Pennsylvania	R929.1748	R929.3748	R929.5748	R974.8
Rhode Island	R929.1745	R929.3745	R929.5745	R974.5
South Carolina	R929.1757	R929.3757	R929.5757	R975.7
South Dakota	R929.1783	R929.3783	R929.5783	R978.3
Tennessee	R929.1768	R929.3768	R929.5768	R976.8
Texas	R929.1764	R929.3764	R929.5764	R976.4
Utah	R929.1792	R929.3792	R929.5792	R979.2
Vermont	R929.1743	R929.3743	R929.5743	R974.3
Virginia	R929.1755	R929.3755	R929.5755	R975.5
Washington	R929.1797	R929.3797	R929.5797	R979.7
West Virginia	R929.1754	R929.3754	R929.5754	R975.4
Wisconsin	R929.1775	R929.3775	R929.5775	R977.5
Wyoming	R929.1787	R929.3787	R929.5787	R978.7

National Center for Health Statistics

Where to Write for Vital Records

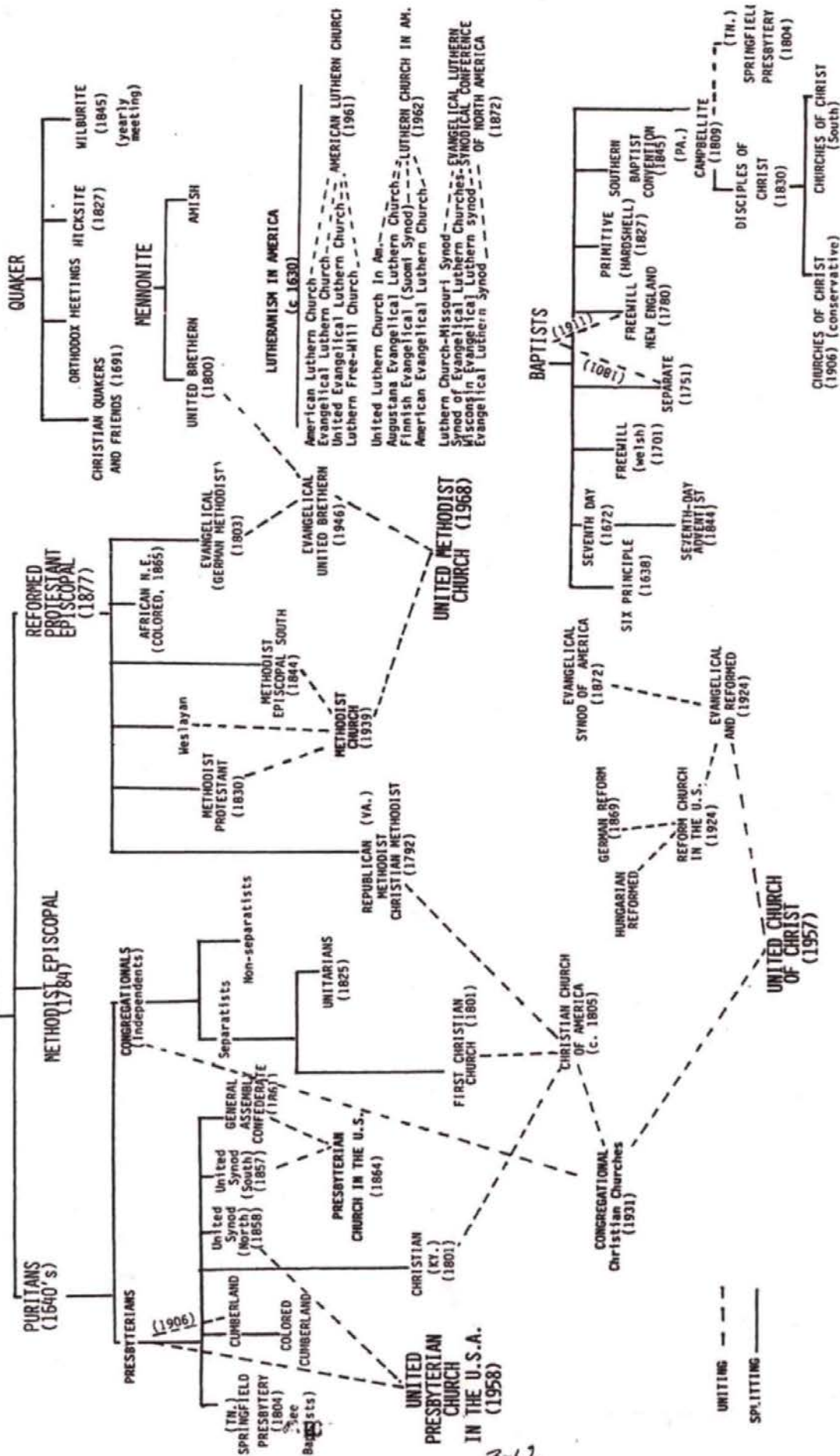
The links below are provided for those users who want direct access to individual state and territory information. To use this valuable tool, you must first determine the state or area where the birth, death, marriage, or divorce occurred, then click on that state or area. Please follow the provided [guidelines](#) to ensure an accurate response to your request.

The federal government does not distribute certificates, files, or indexes with identifying information for vital records. Also, applications for passports can be obtained through the [U.S. State Department](#).

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ANGELICAN CHURCH OF ENGLAND (1530's)



FIND YOUR CHURCH RECORDS

African Methodist Episcopal Church: (Official Website) www.ame-church.com

Amish (see Mennonite)

Anabaptists (see Mennonite)

Baptist

Indiana Baptist Collection: www.franklincollege.edu/libweb/

American Baptist Historical Society: www.abc-usa.org/abhs

Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archive: www.snhla.org

(The First) Church of Christ, Scientist: www.themotherchurch.org

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormons): www.familysearch.org

Church of the Brethern:

(Historical Library and Archives) www.cob-net.org/fobg/library.htm

Genealogy Records: <http://cob-net.org/genchurch.htm>

Fellowship of Brethern Genealogists: www.cob-net.org/fobg

Newspapers of the German Baptist Brethern before 1883: www.rothweb.com/publications/

Congregational:(see United Church of Christ) Library: www.14beacon.org

Disciples of Christ (Christian Church) www.cts.edu/Library/

Disciples of Christ Historical Society: www.discipleshistory.org/

Episcopal Church: (Archives) www.episcopalarchives.org

National Association of Free Will Baptist: (separate from Baptist) www.nafwb.org

Greek Orthodox Archdiocese if America: www.goarch.org

Preservation of American Hellenic History: www.pahh.com/

Huguenot (Historical Society) www.hhs-newpaltz.org/

National Huguenot Society: www.huguenot.netnation.com/general

Jewish (American Jewish Historical Society Library) www.ajhs.org

Avotaynu (Publisher of Jewish Genealogy) www.avotaynu.com

Center for Jewish History: www.cjh.org/

JewishGen: Home of Jewish Genealogy: www.jewishgen.org

Lutheran Concordia Historical Institute) Missouri Synod: www.chi.lcms.org

(ELCA) Evangelical Lutheran Church of America Archives: www.elca.org/archives/

Lutherans Online Genealogy Exchange:www.thrivent.com/lutheransonline/genealogy

Mennonite Church Archives www.goshen.edu/mcarchives

Menno Simons Historical Library www.emu/library/histlib.html

Pennsylvania and Mennonite Research Center: www.ristenbatt.com/genealogy/mennonit.htm

Methodist (see United Methodist Church)

Methodist Episcopal (see United Methodist Church)

Moravians (North) Archives: www.moravianchurcharchives.org

(South) Archives: www.moravianarchives.org

Moravian Church Genealogy Links: www.enter.net/~smschlack

Presbyterian (Historical Society) <http://history.pcusa.org/famhist/>

Quaker (see Society of Friends)

Reformed Church in America (Archives)

<http://rca.org/NETCOMMUNITY/Page.aspx?&pid=1861&srcid=2183>

Roman Catholic Church

American Catholic Society: www.amchs.org

Catholic Internet Directory: www.catholic-church.org/cid

Catholic Archives and Libraries: www.catholiclink.org/archivescatholiclinks.htm

Local Catholic Church History and Genealogy Research Guide: www.home.att.net/~local_catholic

University of Notre Dame Archives: www.archives.nd.edu/

Seventh Day Adventist (General conference Archives): www.adventistarchives.org

Heritage Center: www.andrews.edu/library/car/index

Shaker (also called United Society of Believers) Museum and Library

www.shakermuseumandlibrary.org/holdings.htm

Shaker and Shakerism: Guide to the Collections of the New York Public Library

www.nypl.org/research/chss/grd/resguides/shaker/

Shaker Historical Society and Museum (Shaker Heights, Ohio) www.case.edu/affil/shakhist/shaker.htm

Union Village and the Shakers of Warren Co., Ohio www.rootsweb.com/~ohwarren/Shaker/

Society of Friends (Quaker) The Quaker Corner: www.rootsweb.com/~quakers/

Haverford college Libraries: Quaker and Special Collections: www.haverford.edu/library/special/genealogy/

Friends Historical Library of Swarthmore College: www.swarthmore.edu/library/friends/

Unitarian Universalist: (Resources at Harvard Divinity School)

www.hds.harvard.edu/library/collections/uu/index.html

United Church of Christ (see Congregationalists)

Eden Archives: www.eden.edu/archives/edenarch.html

Evangelical and Reformed Historical Society and Archives: www.erhs.info

Archives and Historical Societies: www.ucc.org/aboutus/archives/

United Methodist Church

The General Commission on Archives and History: www.gcah.org/Searching.htm

Official Church Website (goto "find a church" to see congregations in the area your ancestor lived)

www.umc.org

Drew University United Methodist Archives Center: www.depts.drew.edu/lib/uma.html

Researching Your United Methodist Ancestors: www.gcah.org/Searching.htm

Archives of DePauw University and Indiana United Methodism:

www.depauw.edu/library/archives/

HYPERLINKS TO STATE ARCHIVES

- [Alabama State Archives](#)
- [Alaska State Archives](#)
- [Arizona State Archives](#)
- [Arkansas State Archives](#)
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- [Utah State Archives](#)
- [Vermont State Archives](#)
- [Virginia State Archives](#)
- [Washington State Archives](#)
- [West Virginia State Archives](#)
- [Wisconsin State Archives](#)
- [Wyoming State Archives](#)
- [NARA - National Archives and Records Administration](#)

National Archives Regional Locations

National Archives in Washington, DC 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20408 Available services: Archival Research Room, Microfilm Research Room, "National Archives Experience" - The Rotunda, The Public Vaults, The William McGowan Theater, The Lawrence F. O'Brien Gallery [Visit the National Archives Experience](#) [More Information](#) [Get Directions](#)

National Archives at Anchorage, AK (Pacific Alaska Region) 654 West Third Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99501-2145 Available services: Archival Research Room, Microfilm Research Room, Records Center, Records Management [More Information](#) [Get Directions](#)

National Archives at Atlanta, GA (Southeast Region) 4712 Southpark Blvd., Ellenwood, GA 30294 Available services: Records Center, Records Management [More Information](#) [Get Directions](#)

National Archives at Atlanta, GA (Southeast Region) 5780 Jonesboro Road, Morrow, GA 30260 Available services: Archival Research Room, Microfilm Research Room [More Information](#) [Get Directions](#)

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National Personnel Records Center (Civilian Records) National Personnel Records Center, Annex 1411 Boulder Boulevard, Valmeyer, IL 62295 Available services: Records Center, National Personnel Records Center [More Information](#) [Get Directions](#)

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HOW TO FIND A BIRTH DATE FROM A DEATH DATE
 Submitted by Ellen Benedict (by permission)

Many times on a tombstone or other death record, you will find an ancestor's age recorded you will find an ancestor's age recorder as 82 yrs. 9 mos. and 7 days. How do you figure the birth date?

You will set up an equation. On the top line, put the year of death, then the month number, then days. Directly under those figures write the age: first the years, then the months, then days.

EXAMPLE: The death date is: 9 Sep 1893
 The age is: 82 yrs. 2 mos. 7 days

Death date	1893	9	9	
Age	82	2	7	
	1811	7	2	or: 2 Jul 1811 as the birth date

But not all dates will be that easily subtracted.

EXAMPLE: The death date is: 4 June 1896
 The age is: 77 yrs. 2 mos. 8 days

Death date	1896	6	4
Age	77	2	8

Since 8 is larger than 4, we must borrow a month. Since the month is June, it has 30 days, so we are borrowing 30 days from the 6 mos. Change the 6 mos. into 5 mos. and 30 days to the 4 days. The equation would then look like this:

Death date	1896	6	34	
Age	77	2	8	
	1819	3	26	or: 26 Mar. 1819 as the birth date.

THE NUMBERS WITHIN THE YEAR CAN BE BORROWED AS YOU WOULD ANY SUBTRACTION PROBLEM.

But what happens if the equation looks like this:

Death date	1892	2	12
Age	78	6	9

We now need to borrow a whole year. We need to put that into months, so we are borrowing 12 months from 1892. Remembering to change the last digit of the year, the equation will look like this:

Death date	1891	14	12	
Age	78	6	9	
	1813	8	3	or: 3 Aug. 1813 as the birth date

30 days hath September, April, June and November; all the rest have 31 except February with 28, but one more one year in four.