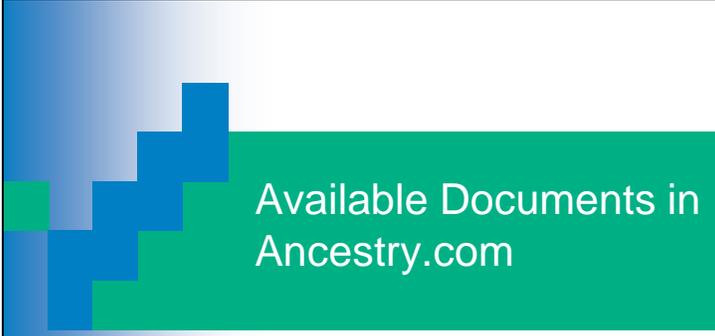


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Available Documents in Ancestry.com

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Maine State Library



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Welcome again to Ancestry.com! All you really need to start is the name of the person you're looking for, but let's take a look at what's under the "Search" tab... you get several options for refining (or narrowing down) your search. For instance, let's click on "Census and Voter Lists"...

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Collection Description

Home Search Charts and Forms

Census and Voter Lists
Many countries look periodic censuses to keep track of various aspects of the population. Where available, these records often include helpful details about your ancestors and their families and allow you to pinpoint their location at a particular point in time.
While the questions in census records vary from place to place, and year to year, you can find information like names of other household members, ages, birthplaces, residence, occupation, immigration and citizenship details, marriage information, military service and more.

Hide

Search [Clear Form](#) [Show Advanced](#) **Narrow by Category**

Name
First & Middle Name(s) Last Name

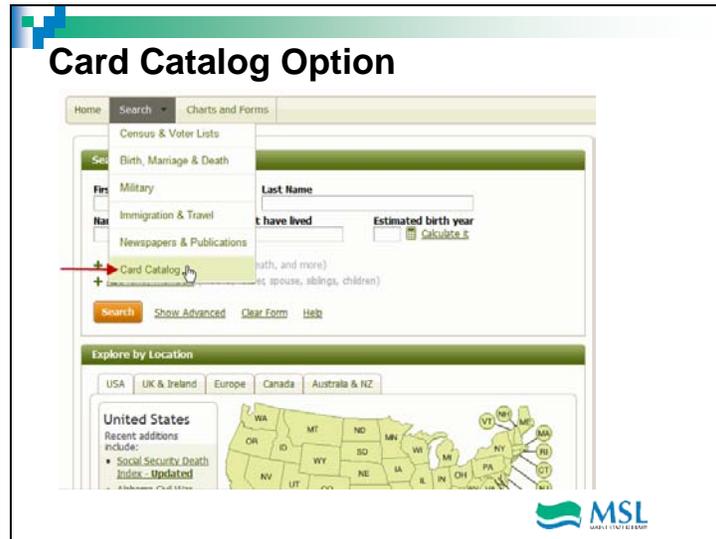
Event
Birth Year Location

Narrow by Category
[U.S. Federal Census Collection](#)
[UK Census Collection](#)
[Canadian Census Collection](#)
[1700s Censuses](#)
[1800s Censuses](#)
[1900s Censuses](#)

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...and you can decide if you want to continue your search as is. Look on the right-hand side of the page, and you have even further options for narrowing...

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This will provide an entire list of the documents in the databases within Ancestry.com. You also have the ability to search separate collections.

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Card Catalog List

Home Search Charts and Forms

Ancestry Card Catalog

Search Titles

Title

Keyword(s)

Search

or Clear All

Filter Titles

Reset all filters and start over

FILTER BY COLLECTION

- Census & Voter Lists 396
- Birth, Marriage & Death 1000+
- Military 386
- Immigration & Travel 206
- Newspapers & Publications 52

Matches 1-25 of 7,639

Sort By Popularity

Title	Collection	Records	Activity
1910 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	93,627,060	
1930 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	124,430,959	
1920 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	107,634,003	
1900 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	77,277,541	
1880 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	50,460,997	
1870 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	40,405,477	
1850 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	27,483,658	
Social Security Death Index	Birth, Marriage & Death	89,824,799	
1850 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	20,029,649	
England & Wales, FreeBMD Marriage Index: 1837-1913	Birth, Marriage & Death	22,698,349	
England & Wales, Birth Index: 1916-2005	Birth, Marriage & Death	71,912,080	

There are thousands of documents to choose from



And a few ways to find them! You can search by title (or part of one with the keyword option), or, again, use the collection filter.

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Limiting Your Search

[Reset all filters and start over](#)

FILTER BY COLLECTION

Census & Voter Lists	25
Birth, Marriage & Death	43
Military	91
Immigration & Travel	23
Newspapers & Publications	3
Pictures	13
Stories, Memories & Histories	127
Maps, Atlases & Gazetteers	6
Schools, Directories & Church Histories	30
Tax, Criminal, Land & Wills	20
Reference, Dictionaries & Almanacs	32

FILTER BY LOCATION

Australia	5
Canada	8

<input type="checkbox"/> Selected U.S. Federal Census Non-Population Schedules, 1850-1880	Census & Voter Lists	4,152,968
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	340,614
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. General Land Office Records, 1796-1907	Tax, Criminal, Land & Wills	2,340,335
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army Register of Enlistments, 1798-1914	Military	1,278,006
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marine Corps Muster Rolls, 1798-1940	Military	11,989,087
<input type="checkbox"/> Passenger Ships and Images	Immigration & Travel	3,865
<input type="checkbox"/> 1890 Veterans Schedules	Census & Voter Lists	881,002
<input type="checkbox"/> American Civil War Regiments	Military	6,308
<input type="checkbox"/> Civil War Prisoner of War Records, 1861-1865	Military	1,565,511
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Naturalization Records - Original Documents, 1793-1972 (World Archives Project)	Immigration & Travel	773,142 <small>UP</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Official records of the Union and Confederate Armies, 1861-1865	Military	193,819
<input type="checkbox"/> Maine Marriages, 1892-1996	Birth, Marriage & Death	837,133
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1928	Military	391,018



If you scroll down some more, you'll see you can limit by location, dates and languages...

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Example Search for "Maine"

Ancestry Card Catalog

Search Titles

Title

Keyword(s)
Maine

Search
or Clear All

Filter Titles
Reset all filters and start over

FILTER BY COLLECTION

Census & Voter Lists	25
Birth, Marriage & Death	43
Military	51
Immigration & Travel	20
Newspapers & Publications	3
Pictures	13

Matches 1-25 of 339

Sort By: Popularity

Title	Collection	Records	Activity
1910 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	93,627,068	
1920 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	124,450,859	
1920 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	107,434,003	
1900 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	77,277,341	
1880 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	50,400,997	
1870 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	40,405,477	
1860 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	27,493,658	
Social Security Death Index	Birth, Marriage & Death	89,824,799	
1830 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	20,093,649	
United States Obituary Collection	Birth, Marriage & Death	23,473,309	
U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1	Schools, Directories & Church Histories	418,692,659	
U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2	Schools, Directories & Church Histories	402,475,497	



This gave us 339 titles! And we can sort by popularity, date and title, in addition to filtering...

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Document Descriptions

Pictures	13	1890 Veterans Schedules	Census & Voter Lists	881,502
Stories, Memories & Histories	127	American Civil War Reimbursements	Military	6,358
Maps, Atlases & Gazetteers	6	Civil War Prisoner of War Records, 1861-1865	Military	1,565,511
Schools, Directories & Church Histories	30	U.S. Naturalization Records - Original Documents, 1795-1972 (World Archives Project)	Immigration & Travel	775,142 UPDATED
Tax, Criminal, Land & Wills	30	Official records of the Union and Confederate Armies, 1861-1865		
Reference, Dictionaries & Almanacs	33	Maine Marriages, 1892-1996	Maine Marriages, 1892-1996	
FILTER BY LOCATION		U.S. National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1938		
Australia	9	U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Patents, 1790-1909		
Canada	8	Headstones Provided for Deceased Union Civil War Veterans, 1879-1903		
Europe	19	U.S. World War II Navy Muster Rolls, 1938-1949		
Mexico	3	U.S. Rosters of World War II Dead, 1939-1945		
USA	332	Abstract of Graves of Revolutionary Patriots		
Africa	1	U.S. Pensioners, 1818-1872		
Asia	5	Founders of the American Revolution		
North America	336			
FILTER BY DATES				
1600s	1700s	1800s	1900s	

Place your cursor on the title for a description.



Just put your cursor on a title! Now you'll know what you're getting into! Let's look at one more item in this lesson, by going back up to the top of the page one more time...

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Charts and Forms

Home Search Charts and Forms

Ancestral Chart
An ancestor chart records the ancestors from whom you directly descend—those for whom you intend to compile a complete and correct family unit. It shows at a glance the progress you have made towards this goal and what remains to be done.
[Download Form >>](#)

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CHARTS & FORMS

- Ancestral Chart**
Allows you to record the ancestors from whom you directly descend.
- Research Calendar**
Gives an account of every record source you have searched.
- Research Extract**
Summarizes information which may be time-consuming or difficult to reread quickly.
- Correspondence Record**
Helps you keep track of those with whom you have corresponded.
- Family Group Sheet**
Enables you to compile complete, correct and connect families.
- Source Summary**
Provides quick reference to

These are easy to print – you can use them instantly!

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See what other handy items Ancestry offers to help you with your research? Let's scroll down a bit to see everything!



Next Tutorial

The next tutorial will look at:

- Search results
- Available print options
- See “Searching Ancestry”



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