



PENNSYLVANIA GENEALOGY

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GUIDES AND BIBLIOGRAPHIES

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U.S. FEDERAL CENSUS

All years available on-line at public access computers. Ask at 2nd floor reference desk. Also, 1790-1850, 1860 (partial) and 1870-1880 on microfilm. Published indexes are available for 1790-1860.

VITAL RECORDS AND LOCAL HISTORIES

Consult the catalog under the subject heading for the county in which you are interested.

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Atlas of Historical County Boundaries: Pennsylvania.

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The Published Pennsylvania Archives covers more than 100 volumes. It consists of the Colonial Records of Pennsylvania followed by the Pennsylvania Archives Series 1-9. All of these volumes are kept in the stacks, so you must request particular volumes from the circulation desk on the 2nd floor. The Pennsylvania Archives are also available on-line at no charge through <http://www.footnote.com>.

Colonial Records of Pennsylvania. Harrisburg: T. Fenn, 1831-40. 16 vols. Call # F854.6721. Please specify volume. The Colonial Records include the minutes of the Provincial Council of the Colony of Pennsylvania and the Supreme Executive Council of the State of Pennsylvania.

Pennsylvania Archives, Series 1-9. Philadelphia: Printed by J. Severns & Co., 1852-1856; Harrisburg: 1874-1935. Call # F854.67. Please specify series and volume.

GUIDES

The Published Pennsylvania Archives can be difficult to use. It is a huge set, with many different topics, authors, and indexing systems. If you already know the exact series and volume that you need, congratulations! If not, use the following guides to navigate the Archives.

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WEB GUIDES

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