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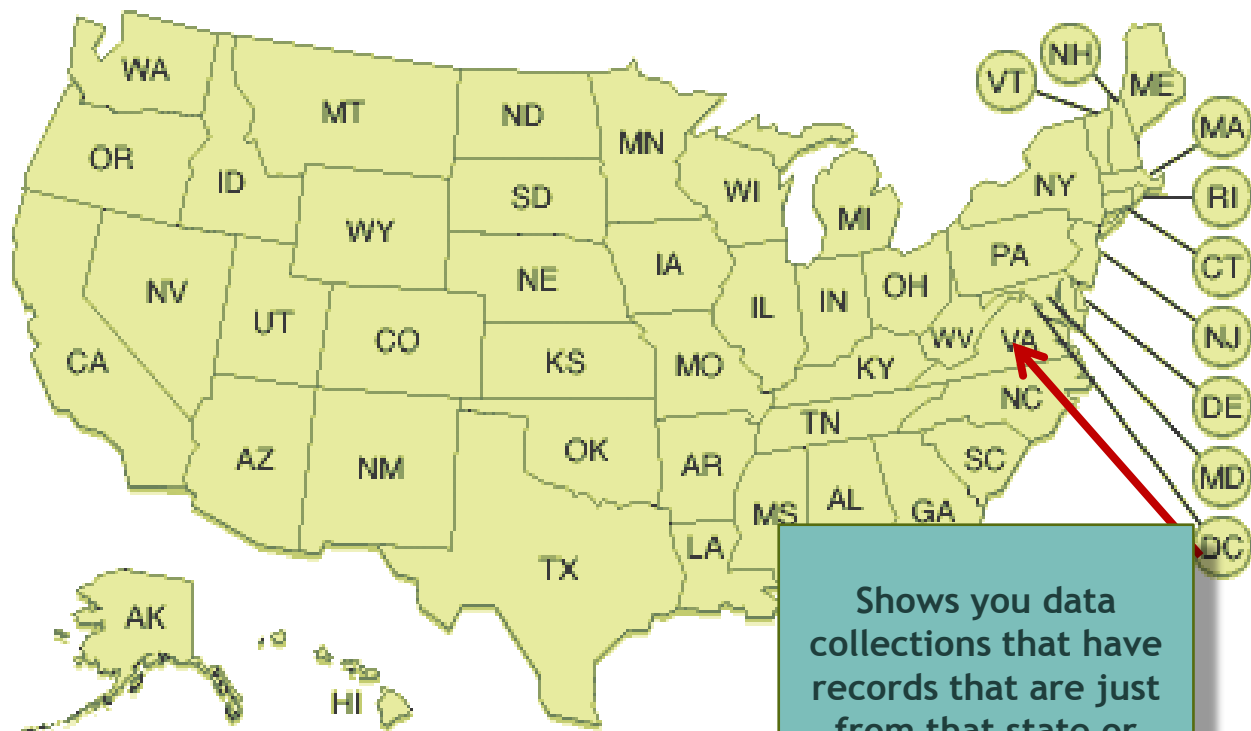
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[U.S., Union Soldiers Compiled Service Records, 1861-1865](#) **FREE** 227,562

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Virginia Birth, Marriage & Death

Welcome to our Virginia family history research page. Here you'll find record collections, history, and genealogy resources to help you trace your Virginia ancestors.



These are BMD data collections specific to Virginia at the state level

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- [Virginia County Records, Volume VII](#)
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They do not include data collections that are specific to a certain county.
Look at the county of interest AND surrounding counties

2,289,110
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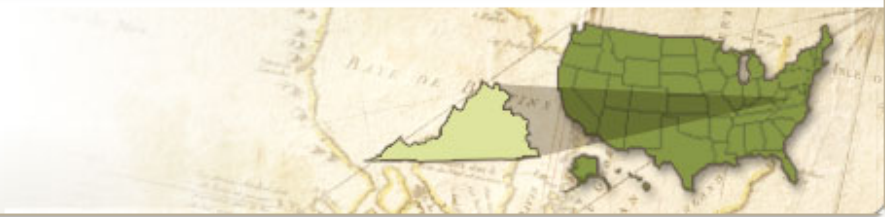
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1,986
893

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Arlington	1	Madison	2
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1900 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	77,277,539	
1920 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	107,634,003	
U.S. City Directories, 1821-1989 (Beta)	Schools, Directories & Church Histories	1,051,103,051	
1910 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	93,627,808	
1880 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	50,480,997	
1870 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	40,405,477	
1911 England Census	Census & Voter Lists	33,847,691	
Social Security Death Index	Birth, Marriage & Death	92,980,529	
1850 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	20,053,649	
English & Welsh Family Bible Records	Birth, Marriage & Death	23,622,312	

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1850 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	20,053,649
1860 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	27,483,658
1901 England Census	Census & Voter Lists	30,580,800
1841 England Census	Census & Voter Lists	14,772,291
1891 England Census	Census & Voter Lists	27,126,989
1881 England Census	Census & Voter Lists	24,766,872
1851 England Census	Census & Voter Lists	16,625,538
1861 England Census	Census & Voter Lists	18,450,707
1871 England Census		96,275
Australia, Electoral Rolls, 1901-1996		87,156
London, England, Electoral Rolls, 1832-1965		232,274
1840 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	2,585,887
Canada, Voters Lists, 1935-1980	Census & Voter Lists	88,879,280
1830 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	1,828,796
Iowa, State Census Collection, 1836-1925	Census & Voter Lists	9,549,935
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Selected U.S. Federal Census Non-Population Schedules, 1850-1880	Census & Voter Lists	5,319,494
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New York, State Census, 1925		
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New York, State Census, 1915		
Minnesota, Territorial and State Census, 1849-1905	Census & Voter Lists	5,709,688
U.S. Federal Census Mortality Schedules, 1850-1885	Census & Voter Lists	1,579,624 UPDATED
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1870 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists		
1850 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists		
1860 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	27,483,658	
1840 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists	2,585,887	
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1820 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists		
U.S., Civil War Draft Registrations Records, 1863-1902	Census & Voter Lists		
Selected Non-Population Schedules, 1850-1880	Census & Voter Lists		
1810 United States Federal Census	Census & Voter Lists		
U.S. Federal Census Mortality Schedules, 1850-1885	Census & Voter Lists		
U.S. IRS Tax Assessment Lists, 1862-1918	Census & Voter Lists	8,850,878	

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Unlike the Place Pages which were data collections specifically about Virginia but nowhere else, these collections may have other places as well

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





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U.S. Federal Census Mortality Schedules, 1850-1885	1800s		
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1860 U.S. Federal Census - Slave Schedules	1800s	3,859,287	
1850 U.S. Federal Census - Slave Schedules	1800s	3,193,212	
Virginia Census, 1607-1890	1800s	197,777	
U.S. Census Reconstructed Records, 1660-1820	1800s	171,563	
U.S. Federal Census Mortality Schedules Index	1800s	492,925	
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There are 31 Data Collections that have at least some Census & Voter List Records from Virginia from the 1800

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Maybe make a spreadsheet of Sources you want to check every time you research Virginians from the 1800s

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Adoption records usually result from court processes,

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J. Stander and Sophia Stander his
wife respectfully represent
unto your Honor that they
are residents of the State and
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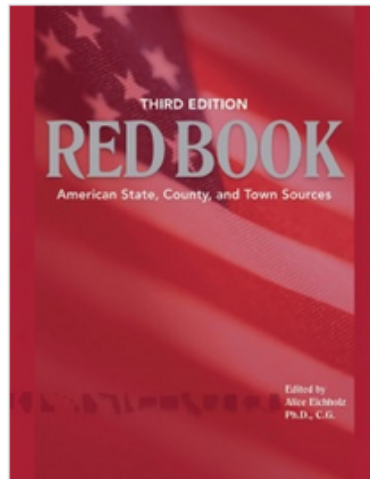
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History of Virginia



County Map of Virginia

Virginia was established as an economic venture that got off to a very shaky start. In 1584 Queen Elizabeth I of England gave Sir Walter Raleigh (commonly misspelled Raleigh) permission to establish colonies in the New

World. Raleigh was the first to name the Virgin Queen, but his expedition failed due to the supply ship's arrival and

Select Virginia Vital Records

The second attempt at colonization was made for a financial opportunity that would return their investment on the fabulous scale of the six-year-old British East India Company. The endless lands of the new world appeared to contain such a golden promise.

In 1606 King James I chartered the Virginia Company of London (often called the London Company). In April 1607 the *Susan Constant*, the *Godspeed*, and the *Discovery*, commanded by Capt. Christopher Newport, made landfall at Point Comfort. Sealed orders appointing seven men to the Council were opened, and the Council elected Edward Maria Wingfield president. Under his direction, "gentlemen," craftsmen, and laborers founded the first permanent English settlement on James Isle. Long on expectations but short on experience, they were struck with disaster. The struggle and hardships that decimated and discouraged the colonists are well known. So few of those who arrived on the first three ships survived that not many Americans living today can trace their ancestry to an original Jamestown settler. The Colony was nearly abandoned in 1610 and might not have survived but for one man—John Rolfe.

In 1612, John Rolfe began experiments in growing and processing tobacco. His export of tobacco to a London merchant in 1614 began a trade that made Virginia viable economically. Then he married Pocahontas, daughter of the great werowance, or sub-chief, Powhatan, which helped assure a few years of peaceful coexistence with the native tribes of Virginia.

The London Company was reorganized under the Great Charter of 1618, and by the end of 1619, several events occurred that had far-reaching impact. Free settlers were granted land, establishing property ownership. The House of Burgesses, America's first representative assembly, was organized, setting an

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The first laws of Virginia were called the *Lawes Divine, Morall and Martiall*, and were enacted by Sir Thomas Dale in 1610. Dale's Code required colonial Virginia ministers to record all christenings, marriages, and burials in registers, in much the same way those events were recorded in England. Most of the registers compiled in response to the law have not survived. In 1619 ministers were required to present the register to the Secretary of the Colony, and in 1642 the parish clerks were required to submit a monthly list of vital records to the "commander of every monethly court." Few, if any, of the monthly lists were recorded.

The House of Burgesses strengthened the law regarding vital records in March 1660. Act 20, *An Act to record all Marriages, Births and Burials*, decreed, "That every parish shall well, truly and plainly record and sett downe in a booke provided for that purpose, all marriages, deaths and births that shall happen within the precincts of the parish, and in the month of March in every yeare, the person appointed by the parish so to do, shall make true certificate into the clerke of every county to the intent the same may there remaine on record for ever." If the county clerks recorded the certificates, they are unfortunately lost.

Marriage in early Virginia was by publication of banns. In 1631 the House of Burgesses directed that marriage licenses were to be granted by the governor, although couples could have banns read instead and pay less for their marriage. Consent, either written or verbal, was required for anyone under twenty-one and for all servants. Marriages were not to be performed "at any unreasonable tymes but only betweene the howers of eight and twelve in the forenoone."

Marriage bonds were required in 1643. The couple wishing a license gave bond to the clerk for their marriage; the clerk then issued a license. Every year the clerk was required to submit a list of licenses issued. These records were burned in the various fires at Jamestown, Williamsburg, and Richmond.

The existing marriage laws were superseded by an 1853 state law requiring county and independent city clerks to issue marriage licenses and keep marriage registers. Before a license was issued, the parties to be married had to offer the following information: full names, ages, places of birth and residence, proposed marriage date and place, marital status (widowed or single), parents' names, groom's occupation, and minister's name. After the marriage ceremony, the minister returned the information to the clerk, who recorded it in a marriage register. Many counties have the original form on file at the courthouse.

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independent city courthouses.

Research in the Library of Virginia county collection can be done at a local library as well. The library participates in the American Library Association Interlibrary Loan program and will loan up to five reels of their extensive collection for a period of twenty-eight days. Obtain the microfilm reel number from the Library of Virginia online catalog and ask your local librarian to place the ILL request.

Virginia is the only state with independent cities; they are independent of the county or counties in which they are located geographically. Researchers should treat them as they would a county when constructing a research plan. A list of records for sixteen independent cities is available at the Library of Virginia and can be viewed at www.lva.lib.va.us/whatwehave/local/local_rec/county_city/index.htm. Since population determines independent city status in Virginia, twenty-five towns did not incorporate until after 1904. See Lyndon H. Hart III and J. Christian Kolbe, comps., *A Preliminary Guide to Pre-1904 Municipal Records in the Archives Branch, Virginia State Library and Archives* (Richmond, Va.: Virginia State Library, 1983). Many Virginia counties have been absorbed by independent cities. To the extent possible, the records of the county are detailed separately from those of an independent city.

Some counties in Virginia have "Burned County Records" requires willingness to research ancestors from "Burned Record Counties". The Library of Virginia has a *Burned Record Counties Database* with entries copied these and filed them to form the *Burned Records County Collection*, which can be accessed through the library's manuscript room. See *VA—Notes: Burned County Records* at www.lva.lib.va.us/whatwehave/local/va22_burnedco.htm for details about burned county records and a link to the database. Counties with severe record loss include Appomattox, Buchanan, Buckingham, Dinwiddie, Elizabeth City, Gloucester, Hanover, Henrico, James City, King and Queen, Nansemond, New Kent, Prince George, and Warwick. As previously lost records are discovered and new information surfaces from the counties and independent cities, the beginning dates of record categories on the following pages may change.

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A5	Accomack	P.O. Box 388 Accomack 23301-0388	1663	Northampton	1854	1774	1853	1663	1695	1663
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Virginia Census Research

Censuses began in Virginia in 1790; however, the 1790 and 1800 censuses were destroyed or lost, except for the 1800 enumerations of Accomack and Louisa counties. Tax lists from 1787 offer a substitute for the missing 1790 census.

Federal census records for Virginia exist from 1810, and were taken every ten years. 1810 census is incomplete for many counties in the state, but has been reconstructed from tax lists. Two early censuses of Virginia have survived intact; only statistical abstracts remain of other censuses conducted. The first census is dated 16 February 1624 and is a list of the names of persons living in Virginia and the names of those who died since April 1623. The colony conducted a second census in January and February 1625. The best transcription of the 1625 Musters is in Virginia F. Meyer and John Frederick Dorman, *Adventurers of Purse and Person, Virginia, 1607–1625*, 3d ed. (Richmond: Order of First Families of Virginia, 1987). Another census was conducted in 1634, but is apparently lost.

Virginia Vital Records

Virginia registration of births, deaths, and marriages began on a county level in 1853 and continued until 1896. Many counties abandoned registration during the Civil War, or recorded only a small percentage of events. Marriage bonds and licensing were in place from the 1600s in Virginia, though are sporadic and fragmented. They are usually found among the county levels of records, and are often published.

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 Web: Virginia, Find A Grave Index, 1607-2012	Death, Burial, Cemetery & Obituaries	2,289,110	UPD
 Virginia, Deaths and Burials Index, 1853-1917	Death, Burial, Cemetery & Obituaries	757,683	
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Overview of Immigration Research

This article originally appeared in "Immigration Records" by **Loretto Dennis Szucs, FUGA, Kory L. Meyerink, MLS, AG. FUGA, and Marian L. Smith** in *The Source: A Guidebook to American Genealogy*

We are all descended from immigrants. Whether they came to America in prehistoric times via the Bering Strait or later on ships or airplanes, at some point in history, every person's ancestors came from somewhere else. And almost everyone has a strong desire to know why, when, and from where their ancestors emigrated. Most of us begin with the simple goal of finding "Old Country" origins. Yet the quest usually does not end when that discovery is made. Once we begin tracking ancestors back in time and across

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Knowing the immigrant's birthplace or last place of residence before emigrating is essential to finding more information in the native land. Yet, unless the ancestors arrived relatively recently in the United States, family origins may have been forgotten. Because most foreign records are kept at the town level, discovering the name of a native town, county, or parish is an important goal. Without that information, it is impossible to know where to conduct research in the country of origin.

Every American hoping to link generations and reach back in time will ultimately be faced with immigration questions. The twofold purpose of this chapter is to facilitate the search for immigrant origins by (1) identifying the principles of immigration research, and (2) describing a vast body of American sources that document immigration.

The sources described in this chapter focus on the original records most likely to provide key immigration information about ancestors and other relatives who came to North America, specifically the United States. Many such sources have been indexed, abstracted, or transcribed

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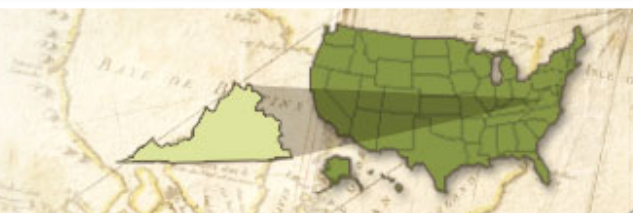
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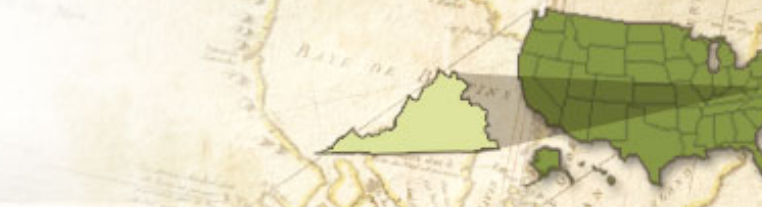
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 United States Obituary Collection	Newspapers	26,173,608	
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 Richmond, Virginia Newspaper Obituaries, 1804-38	Newspapers	3,766	
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 Stars and Stripes Newspaper, 1918-1919	Newspapers	568	
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 U.S., 'Happy Days' Newspaper of the Civilian Conservation Corps, 1933-1940	Newspapers	5,799	
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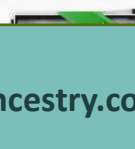
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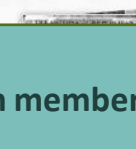
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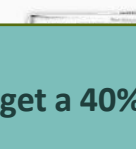
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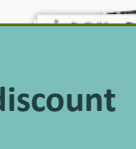
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Αἰστῖνῖς, Αἰστῖνῖν, g. -e, (Esther) ; an Irish name, meaning 'a dreamh' ; in use in Derry and Omeath.

Αἰτῖε, g. id., Atty ; the name of a holy virgin, patroness of Cill Αἰτῖε in the barony of Kenry, Co. Limerick, where her feast-day (Jan. 15) was formerly kept as a holiday and a station held.

Αἰαῖο, g. id., Alley ; a pet form of Αἰλίρ, q.v.

Αἰαστρίονα, g. id., Alastrina, Alexandra ; the fem. form of Αἰαρταρ, q.v. Lat. Alexandra.

Αἰλῡν, g. id., Allison ; dim. of Αἰλίρ, q.v. ; in use down to recent times.

Ἀννα, Ἀννα, g. id., Anna, Anne ; Heb. Hannáh, grace ; a Biblical name, borne by the mother of Samuel, the wife of Tobias, and the mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is to the last of these that the name owes its popularity. Very common in Ireland ; confused with the native name Ἀἰνε, q.v. Lat. Anna.

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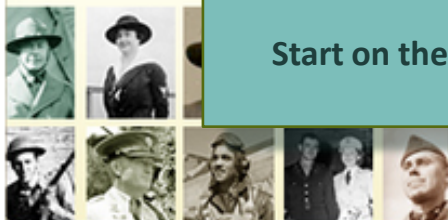


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Nicholas A. Snavely

Birth 1818
Groseclose, Wythe County,
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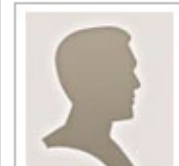
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Frances C. (1849-)

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