Tips on using Ancestry Library Edition

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About 1841 England Census

This database will detail those persons enumerated in the 1841 Census of England and is an every-name index. In addition, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to the actual images of the 1841 Census, reproduced by courtesy of The National Archives, London, England. There are over 15,000 records accessible through this database.

The 1841 Census for England was taken on the night of 6 June 1841. All responses were to reflect the individual's status as of 6 June 1841 for all individuals who had spent the night in the house. People who were traveling or living abroad were enumerated at the location where they spent the night on census night.

Information in this database:

- Name of street, avenue, road, etc.
- House name or number
- Surname of head of household
- Name of persons who had spent the night in the household
- Age*
- Sex
- Person's occupation
- Where born**
About 1890 United States Federal Census Fragment

These records have been extracted from the remaining population schedules for the 1890 Federal Census, which was destroyed by a fire at the Commerce Department in Washington, DC on 10 January 1921. The surviving fragments consists of 1,233 pages or pieces, including enumerations for Alabama, the District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, South Dakota, and Texas. The records of only 6,160 of the 62,979,766 people enumerated survived the fire.

The original 1890 census enumerated people differently than ever before that time. Each family was enumerated on a separate sheet of paper. 1890 was the only year this was done.

The only surviving fragments are as follows:

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Mary Bartlett, no initial, born 1823 (with a little cushion for error), in Massachusetts
Mary P. Bartlett
in the Massachusetts, U.S., Town Birth Records, 1620-1850

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Suggested Records

- U.S., Find a Grave Index, 1600s-Current
  Mary Prentis Maxwell

- North America, Family Histories, 1500-2000
  Mary Prentiss Bartlett

- Massachusetts, U.S., Compiled Marriages, 1633-1850
  Mary P. Bartlett

- Massachusetts, U.S., Death Records, 1841-1915
  Mary Maxwell
Search

First & Middle Name(s)  Last Name

Anna                James

Place your ancestor might have lived

City, County, State, Country

Search  Show more options

Place your ancestor might have lived

Brooklyn, New York City, New York, USA
Brooklyn Navy Yard, New York City, New York, USA
Brooklyn Park, Hennepin, Minnesota, USA
Brooklyn Center, Hennepin, Minnesota, USA
Brooklyn Windham, Connecticut, USA
Brooklyn Park, Anne Arundel, Maryland, USA
Brooklyn, Anne Arundel, Maryland, USA
Brooklyn, Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, USA
EXACT: Exactly what you typed

SOUNDS LIKE: A phonetic algorithm match of what you typed

SIMILAR: A similar meaning or spelling to the one you typed

SOUNDEX: Common algorithm used to generate alternate spellings of a surname

INITIALS (FIRST NAME ONLY): will include records that just have initials in the first name

WILDCARDS: * will match any number of characters; ? will match only one character. You may use the * and ? anywhere in your search, but you must have at least 3 letters in total
Family trees can help you start your search.

All 1850 United States Federal Census results for Jessie

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Search Filters

Searches: Jessie

Lived In: circleville, pi...

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National Archives

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Jene McQueen
in the 1850 United States Federal Census

- **Name:** Jene McQueen
  - [Janet Mcqueen]
  - [Jene Macqueen]
  - [Janet "Jessie" "Jane" Macqueen]

- **Gender:** Female
- **Age:** 20
- **Birth Year:** abt 1830
- **Birthplace:** Ireland
- **Home in 1850:** Circleville, Pickaway, Ohio, USA
- **Line Number:** 25
- ** Dwelling Number:** 39
- **Family Number:** 41
Celebrate the Black history in you.

Whether you’re interested in your ancestors’ lives or curious about your African ethnicity, Ancestry® can help you uncover the names, places, and details that connect you to your family’s unique story.

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- Grandfather
- Grandparent’s First Name
- Any place where your grandparent lived
- City, State, Country

A step-by-step guide to uncovering your family history.

Given the profound effects of slavery and the Civil War on the Black community, African American family history research can pose unique challenges as you follow your family into the 18th century. But that doesn’t mean you won’t find your ancestors.

Step 1: Family Tree
First things first, create a free family tree on Ancestry®. Start by asking your family members to share memories, details, and documents—then just follow the prompts and fill in the blanks.

Step 2: 1940 Census
The 1940 U.S. Federal Census on Ancestry® is a wonderful, free resource that reveals names, occupations, birthplaces, and more for anyone who was living in America at that time.

Step 3: Work Backwards
Next you’ll want to start working backward through time. Take what you’ve learned and apply it to some of our other record collections—obituaries, marriage records, city directories—from the ’30s, ’20s, and beyond.
James Alan Bland
October 22, 1854 - May 5, 1911

Spouse  Mannie Friend
Mother   Lilly Bland
Father   Allan Bland
Born     Flushing, Queens County, New York, United States of America
Died     Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA
Residence Bala-Cynwyd, PA. Philadelphia Ward 14, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA
          Washington Ward 1, Washington, Washington, District of Columbia, USA
          Troy Ward 3, Troy, Rensselaer, New York, USA

Don’t see your grandfather?
Tell us more about James

JAMES  BLAND

First name  Last name

Any place where he lived
Washington, District of Columbia, USA

Hide additional information

What decade was he born?
1850 - 1859

What decade did he die?
Select a decade...

Any other places he may have lived
City, County, State, Country

James’s close family members
Full name of family member (Optional)

Family member relationship
Father  Mother  Spouse
Note the “exact & initials” search for his first name!
African American research tips, with grateful thanks to Deborah Downey

Early 20th Century: The genealogical research is the same as for any other American born during this time.

Census
State census
Military records
Educational records
Wills/probate

Fraternal, social and professional organizations (organizations are mostly separate for African Americans due to discrimination and segregation)

Reconstruction Period: Same as above with additional information in the Freedmen Bureau, and registration for voting (lists men only until 1965)
During the Period of Slavery in America:
In most of America where slavery was prevalent, reading and writing was forbidden, so searching records of enslavement is often only useful to fill in the earlier life of individuals who became known later. The Federal Slave Schedules provide sketchy information; though wills of enslavers may provide more, this is difficult and time-consuming research.

There are Civil War records of the U.S. Colored Troops (USCT) which would include those in the north who enlisted, or enlisted in the south during the years of the war.

After the war, you may find some African Americans in the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR); although mostly segregated, both Black and white Civil War veterans joined. Many African Americans from the north and south were enlisted with a rank and/or occupation of musician. Only records for Nebraska, Iowa, Pennsylvania, New York, and Kansas are included in Ancestry.
Those Who Were Free during the Slavery Period in America:
Although there were a great many free persons of color during this period, the great majority would live in the north.

Although the basic research would be the same (the 1850/1860 censuses which included all members of the household who were free persons) you can search by name.

NB: Each decade the census changed categories and how groups were counted.

Prior to 1850 is a lot more complicated as only heads of households’ names were listed, and other members were counted according to male/female and age groups, or those censuses did or did not distinguish between those who were free or enslaved.

Free people of color were counted on a second page or separate column in many of those censuses, significantly complicating searching.

Prior to 1800: The first federal census was in 1790 but included few free African Americans, so fruitful research is limited to tax records and perhaps what was written about earlier settlers of the time. Possible additional resources would be those African Americans who fought in the Revolutionary War.
Questions?
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Google doc address: https://bit.ly/MOUG_Ancestry_tips