

Research in Ireland

Republic of Ireland

National Library of Ireland

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The National Library is Ireland's main repository of filmed Catholic parish registers. Other records held include newspapers, city and regional directories, estate records, the Householders Index and Griffith's Primary Valuation.

Irish Genealogical Research Society

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National Archives

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The National Archives holds records for all of Ireland and those previously held by the Public Record Office at Four Courts, Dublin and by the State Paper Office in Dublin (neither of which exists today). Records at the National Archives include Church of Ireland parish records, gravestone inscriptions, census returns, probate records, deeds, Tithe Applotment books, rebellion and outrage papers, convict reference files and other historical and genealogical sources.

National Maritime Museum of Ireland

Haigh Terrace
Dun Laoghaire
Co. Dublin

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Irish Maritime history, newspaper cuttings, logs, diaries and photographs etc.



Irish Centre for Migration Studies

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www.irishships.com

Histories of Irish shipowners and ships, including the Guinness boats. Photographs of ships, research links and web links.

Northern Ireland

Public Record Office of Northern

Ireland (PRONI)
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The Public Record Office of Northern Ireland holds records for all of Ireland. They have a fairly complete collection of church records (all denominations) for all of Northern Ireland as well as some records for the counties of Donegal, Cavan and Monaghan. Holdings also include estate papers, gravestone inscriptions, census records, Tithe Applotment books, valuation lists and other historical and genealogical sources.

Ulster Scot Historical Society

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Ulster Historical Foundation

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Ulster Folk & Transport Museum

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The Library, which is situated in the Museum's Administration Building, contains about 25,000 books and many periodicals, covering a wide range of topics from cookery to local history, from costume to early motor cars. The archives have an equally wide scope, containing reminiscences, linguistic and folklore material, transport material, maps, plans and much more.

Centre for Migration Studies at the Ulster American Folk Park

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Much of the Folk Park's collections reflect factors that influenced people to emigrate from Ireland, the museum also has a growing collection of material directly related to the process of emigration.

Centre for Coastal and Marine Research

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The Centre examines various aspects of coastal environments, from the physical processes to the human impacts on today's coastal and marine environments. As well as local research programmes, investigations are being conducted in many international locations.

Linen Hall Library

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Extensive collection of genealogical and heraldic material. Some of its holdings are duplicated in other repositories such as the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland, the National Library of Ireland, and the National Archives. Others of its holdings, such as its printed family histories, are unique.

Suggested reading:

J. Anderson Black (Paddington Press) *Your Irish Ancestors*

John Andrews *Ireland in Maps*

R. J. Dickson *Ulster Emigration To Colonial America 1718-1775*

Godfrey F. Duffy *Tracing Your Donegal Ancestors*

James Fairley *Irish Whales & Whaling*

Irish Manuscripts Commission *Guide to the Genealogical Office*

Billy Kennedy *The Scots-Irish in the Carolinas*

Shane McAteer & Brian Trainor *Guide to Sources for Researching McAteer Families in Ireland*

Tony McCarthy & Tim Cadogan *Tracing Your Cork Ancestors*

Ian Maxwell *Researching Armagh Ancestors: A practical guide for the family and local historian*

Ian Maxwell *Researching Down Ancestors: A Practical guide for the family and local historian*

North of Ireland Family History Society *These Hallowed Grounds: Volume 1, A Record of the Memorials in Kilrush and St. Patrick's Burying Grounds, Lisburn.*

Michael H. O'Connor *Tracing Your Kerry Ancestors*

M. Perceval-Maxwell *The Scottish Migration To Ulster In The Reign of James 1*

Public Record Office of Northern Ireland
Irish Elections: 1750-1832

J. G. Ryan & B. Smith *Tracing Your Dublin Ancestors*

Brian Smith *Tracing Your May Ancestors*

Brian Trainor (ed) *Researching Irish Australians: Directory of Research With Will Abstracts & Grave-stone Inscriptions*

Ulster Historical Foundation *Heraldry: Ulster and North American Connections*

Ulster Historical Foundation *Merchants in Plenty: Joseph Smyth's Belfast Directories Of 1807 and 1808 Websites*

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