

Commonly Accessed Web Sites of Interest to Genealogists in New Mexico

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Cyndi's List: <http://www.cyndislist.com/>

- Does not contain any genealogical data but is an excellent source for locating other sites with a wide variety of genealogical material

Familysearch.org: www.familysearch.org

- web site of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints designed to assist genealogists
- Offers FREE genealogy software (Personal Ancestral File (PAF)) for download
- Can be used to access the International Genealogical Index (IGI), which contains a massive amount of genealogical data contributed by members of the LDS Church and others:
http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/frameset_search.asp?PAGE=igi/search_IGI.asp&clear_form=true
- Can be used to access the 1880 US census, 1881 Canadian census, and/or the 1881 British census:
http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/frameset_search.asp?PAGE=census/search_census.asp
- Ancestral files
http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/frameset_search.asp?PAGE=af/search_AF.asp&clear_form=true
- Pedigree Resource files
http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/frameset_search.asp?PAGE=prf/search_PRF.asp&clear_form=true

World Gen Web: <http://www.worldgenweb.org/>

- World wide network of geographically located web sites devoted to genealogy
 - Mexico Gen Web: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~mexwggw/>
 - United States Gen Web: <http://www.usgenweb.org/>
 - New Mexico Gen Web: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~nmgenweb/>

Social Security Death Index:

- Several sites contain some or all of the following data about a deceased person who collected Social Security Death Benefits or Railroad Retirement Benefits:

Family Tree Legends site: <http://www.familytreelegends.com/ssdi>

Roots Web site: <http://ssdi.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/ssdi.cgi>

Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System:

- To locate information about someone who served in the Civil War
<http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/index.html>

Message boards:

- Allows people with an interest in a common surname, locality, or other common interest to post notes about ancestors in hopes of connecting with others searching the same interest (free)

<http://boards.ancestry.com/>

<http://boards.rootsweb.com/>

Ellis Island Records: <http://www.ellisland.org/>

- Holds information about passengers who immigrated to the US thru Ellis Island in New York Harbor
- Use <http://www.stevemorse.org/> for more versatile searching of Ellis Island records

Castle Garden Passenger/Immigration records: <http://www.castlegarden.org/>

- Castle Garden was the predecessor location to Ellis Island where immigrants entered the United States thru New York, from 1830 to 1892

Ancestry.com: www.ancestry.com

- Web site with extensive resources; most resources available only by subscription

Census maps for each US census: http://www.genealogyinc.com/map_census.html

- Will show how county boundaries changed from year to year as a state's population changed; not available for all states (including New Mexico)
- Also has a link to individual county maps for some states (but not New Mexico)

Archivo General de la Nacion (National Archives of Mexico):

<http://www.agn.gob.mx/inicio.php>

- Similar to National Archives in US; **solamente en Español**

National Archives of Canada: <http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/>

Native American genealogy: Native web:

http://www.nativeweb.org/resources/genealogy_tracing_roots/

also

[http://www.nativeweb.org/resources/genealogy_tracing_roots_/american indian and first nations_genealogy/](http://www.nativeweb.org/resources/genealogy_tracing_roots_/american_indian_and_first_nations_genealogy/)

New Mexico Death Index Project: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb/nm/nmdi.htm>

- Holds information about deaths of New Mexicans from 1899 to 1940; not necessarily a complete list of deaths

Daughters of the American Revolution:

<http://www.dar.org/natsociety/default.cfm>

Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter: <http://blog.eogn.com/>

- daily blog with a wealth of information about genealogy

Heritage Quest on-line: accessed via link on library computers

- Accessible to holders of a Los Lunas or Belen library card
- Contains original images of all US censuses, searchable by name of head of household ONLY
- Over 20,000 family and local histories
- Freedmans' Bank records regarding freed slaves
- Revolutionary War pension records
- Index of over 1.9 million genealogy and local history articles

Roots Web's World Connect Project: <http://worldconnect.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi>

- Has huge number of names in database
- Very flexible search criteria

- Most entries have no source or a questionable source
- Useful for locating other researchers who are looking for the same ancestors

Hispanic Genealogical and Research Center (HGRC): <http://www.hgrc-nm.org/>

- Web site has searchable **New Mexico Pedigree Database** with names of over 95,000 New Mexicans
- Web site has index to all articles in quarterly journal, available for sale from society

Forms

- Free genealogy forms can be downloaded from these sites, a variety of forms are available, including forms for transcribing data from the US census (different forms for different census years)

Family Tree Magazine: <http://www.familytreemagazine.com/forms/download.html>

Familysearch.org: <http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/rg/research/type/Form.asp>

Roots Web: http://helpdesk.rootsweb.com/get_started/charts_forms.html

Ancestry.com: <http://www.ancestry.com/trees/charts/ancchart.aspx?>

New Mexico Genealogical Society: <http://www.nmgs.org/>

- Numerous sources for New Mexico, especially about church records; some source data on-line; has many publications for sale about New Mexico, including Valencia County

Rootsweb.com: <http://www.rootsweb.com/>

- Huge web site with many subsidiary sites containing, among other things:
 - } Surname lists
 - } Mailing lists
 - } Blank forms
 - } Links to many other useful web sites including:
 - ▶ Social Security Death Index
 - ▶ World Connect Project
 - ▶ US Gen Web and World Gen Web
 - ▶ Blank forms
 - } Searchable databases (see “Index of All Search Engines and Databases”)

Cyndi's List - Myths, Hoaxes, & Scams regarding genealogy:

<http://www.cyndislist.com/myths.htm>

National Archives and Records Administration: <http://www.archives.gov/genealogy/>

- Good starting point for finding out what records are available at the National Archives
- Regional Archives located in Denver: <http://www.archives.gov/rocky-mountain/index.html>

Links to various census records: <http://www.censuslinks.com/>

- Includes links to census lists around the world, including some state census records

WorldCat: tool for locating a book at a library anywhere in the world

<http://www.worldcatlibraries.org/>

National Archives of Ireland: <http://www.nationalarchives.ie/>

- Starting point for locating records of ancestors from the Republic of Ireland

United States Vital Records: <http://www.vitalrec.com/>

- Private company to help locate and purchase copies of vital records (births, marriages, deaths, divorces)
- Has links to each state (and many counties within states) office from which to obtain copies of vital records
- Copies of vital records in most states are obtained from the state's department of health

New Mexico Genealogy Resources & Vital Records:

<http://www.genealogybranches.com/newmexico.html>

- Private web site sponsored by an individual
- Information about a wide variety of New Mexico records

AfriGeneas -African Ancestored Genealogy: <http://www.afrigeneas.com/>

- Web site for African American genealogy
- Has several databases with census records, death records, slave data, surnames

- **Mailing lists**
- **Guides to African American genealogy**

City directories: <http://www.uscitydirectories.com/>

- **City directories, usually one for each year, list people living in that city, their address, and sometimes their occupation**
- **Site only lists where to find copy of a city directory, not actual listings from directories**
- **City directories are only available for some cities around the country**

National Archives of United Kingdom: <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/default.htm>

- **Starting point for locating records of ancestors from United Kingdom (England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland)**

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