Passenger Lists & Immigration Records

In US and Canada



THEY CAME ON SHIPS

Passenger Lists

- Required by law in US starting in 1820
- Before that, Lists were voluntary
- Passenger Lists Contain:
 - -Name
 - -Birth date/Age
 - —Port of Departure
 - -Ship Name
 - -Arrival Date
 - -Port of Arrival



Getting Started

Information needed for your

search:

- Ancestor'sName
- Date of immigration
- Age
- Occupation
- Travelling Companions/
 Family Members
- Search Multiple Ports of Entry



Transcription (Ancestry)

Johanna Barrett

in the Massachusetts, Passenger and Crew Lists, 1820-1963

Name: Johanna Barrett

Gender: Female

Birthdate: abt 1865

Age: 19

Port of Departure: Queenstown, Ireland and Liverpool, England

Ship Name: Marathon Arrival Date: 28 Apr 1884

Port of Arrival: Boston, Massachusetts

Source Citation

The National Archives at Washington, D.C.; Washington, D.C.; Series Title: Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Boston, Massachusetts, 1820-1891; Record Group Title: Records of the U.S. Customs Service; Record Group Number: 36

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Boston, Massachusetts. Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Boston, Massachusetts, 1820-1891. Micropublication M277. RG036. 115 rolls. National Archives, Washington, D.C.

Description

This database is an index to the passenger lists of ships arriving from foreign ports at the port of Boston, Massachusetts, USA, from 1820-1963. The names found in the index are linked to actual images of the passenger lists, digitized from National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm. Information contained in the index includes given name, surname, age, gender, ethnicity, nationality or last country of permanent residence, destination, arrival date, port of arrival, port of departure, ship name, and microfilm roll and page number. Learn more...

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WHERE TO FIND PASSENGER LISTS

Passenger Lists Online

- http://Familysearch.org
- Ancestry.com (subscription)
- http://www.castlegarden.org
- http://libertyellisfoundation.org/passenger
- www.Findmypast.com (subscription)
- www.irishtimes.com/ancestor
- www.cyndislist.com/
- http://www.geni.com/projects/Irish-emigrants-portsof-emigration-ships-and-passengerlists/8514
- http://genealogy.com (subscription)

Passenger Lists at NARA

Up to 1st January 1820, masters of ships were not legally obliged to present their ship's passenger lists to US officials, so US immigration records from this early period are scarce. However, two Pre-1820 Lists are available on microfilm at the National Archives in Washington:

- Arrivals at New Orleans 1813-1819
- Arrivals at Philadelphia 1800-1819.

Canadian Passenger Lists

- Official immigration documents from 1865 to 1935 for the ports of Canada, are housed at the Library and Archives Canada
- Only Quebec arrivalsare indexed by name
- All other port records are searchable by date and ship name only.

Canadian Passenger Lists 1881-1922

From Familysearch.org

- Index and images of ships' passenger lists
- Contains records for the ports of Quebec City, 1900-1921; Halifax, 1881-1922; Saint John, 1900-1912; North Sydney, 1906-1912; Vancouver, 1905-1912; Victoria, 1905-1912; New York, 1906-1912; and Eastern US Ports, 1905-1912. (The lists for United States ports include only those names of passengers with intentions of proceeding directly to Canada)

Quebec Federation of Genealogical Societies, Family Origins, 1621-1865

- An index of the family origins of French and foreign immigrants who settled in old Quebec from 1621 to 1865.
- The index includes individual names, gender, birth dates, baptism dates, area where the individual migrated from, parent's names, and marital status.

Filby's Book

- Filby, P. William. *Passenger and Immigration Lists Index*. ('Filby Books').
- An index of over 2,500,000 names of immigrants to North America compiled from 2,500 published sources.
- Find the index at:
 - World Vital Records
 www.worldvitalrecords.com/indexinfo.aspx?ix=pili
 - Ancestry www.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=7486&cj=1&o xid=0000584978&o lid=0000584978

Passenger Lists from Filby's

List of Passengers in the Eagle, for New York, sworn at Belfast, 10 March, 1804

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•	John McMurdy	30	5-7	Farmer,	Banbridge	Pitted with the
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Passenger Lists from Filby's

A List of Passengers on the Ship Eagle for New York, 29 May, 1803.

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•	Ann Calvert	24	spinster	u
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Passenger Lists in Newspapers

ARRIVALS FROM IRELAND

Exiles of Erin Seeking a Home Under the Stars and Stripes.

The following-named persons recently arrived in this city from Ireland. The name is given first, then the county, and their destination last, so that inquiring friends may be able to distinguish those they seek.

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Passengers on board the sloop MacDonough, arrived at this port, from New-London, 16th August. These passengers had arrived at New-London in the brig Juno from Sligo.

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Hugh Hart-Grange.

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Newspaper Resources

- Genealogybank.com (subscription)
- Newspapers.com (subscription)
- Findmypast.com (subscription)
- Ancestry.com (subscription)
- Familysearch.org
- Boston Public Library
- Boston College O'Neill Library

Irish American Newspapers at Boston College

- 1. The Exile (New York)—1817
- 2. The Shamrock, or, Hibernian chronicle (New York)—1810-1813
- 3. The Shamrock (New York)—1814-1817
- 4. United States Catholic Miscellany (Charleston, 1822-61)
- 5. The Western star, and, harp of Erin (New York)—1812-1813
- 6. Boston Pilot (Boston) or The Pilot (Boston) Jan. 1836-1837; Jan. 27, 1838-Dec. 26, 1857
- 7. Emerald Isle (Boston) Jan.5, 1837 Apr.1, 1837 O'Neill Microfilm
- 8. The Freeman's Journal and Catholic Register (New York) 1840-1918
- 9. Irish American (New York) Aug. 21,1849-Feb.1915 : [gaps] O'Neill Microfilm E184.16 1785
- 10. Irish Citizen (New York) October 1867-October 1868 O'Neill Microfilm DA903 .16
- 11. Irish World (Boston, Mass.) O'Neill Microfilm PN5143 .178 reel 2349-2350
- 12. Irish World & American Industrial Liberator (NY) Feb1878 Dec 1913 O'Neill Microfilm Merged with Gaelic American; Irish world, American Industrial liberator, the Gaelic American
- 13. Gaelic American Oct. 6, 1917 Jul. 26, 1919 O'Neill Microfilm PN4883.5 .I7574
- 14. Literary and Catholic Sentinel (Boston) Jan. 3, 1835-Dec. 26, 1835 O'Neill Microfilm
- 15. Truth Teller (New York) 1825 O'Neill Microfilm PN5142 .T75
- 16. United States Catholic Intelligencer (Boston) October 1831-September 1832 O'Neill Microfilm

MAJOR US NEWSPAPERS

- Boston Globe (Historical File + Current File) 1872-present. Searchable full text images.
- New York Times (Historical Newspapers) 1851-2011. Searchable full text images.
- Wall Street Journal (Historical Newspapers) 1889-1997. Searchable full text images.
- Washington Post (Historical Newspapers) 1877-1998. Searchable full text images.

PASSPORT APPLICATIONS

Passport Applications

- 1795 1925
- Passports for international travel required during WWI
- Required for all citizens by WWII

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Where to Find Passport Application Records

I. NARA

- In person The National Archives Building, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20408-0001. Phone 202-357-5400.
- By mail Paper copies of passport applications, 1795 March 1925, can be ordered by mail from:
 National Archives and Records Administration

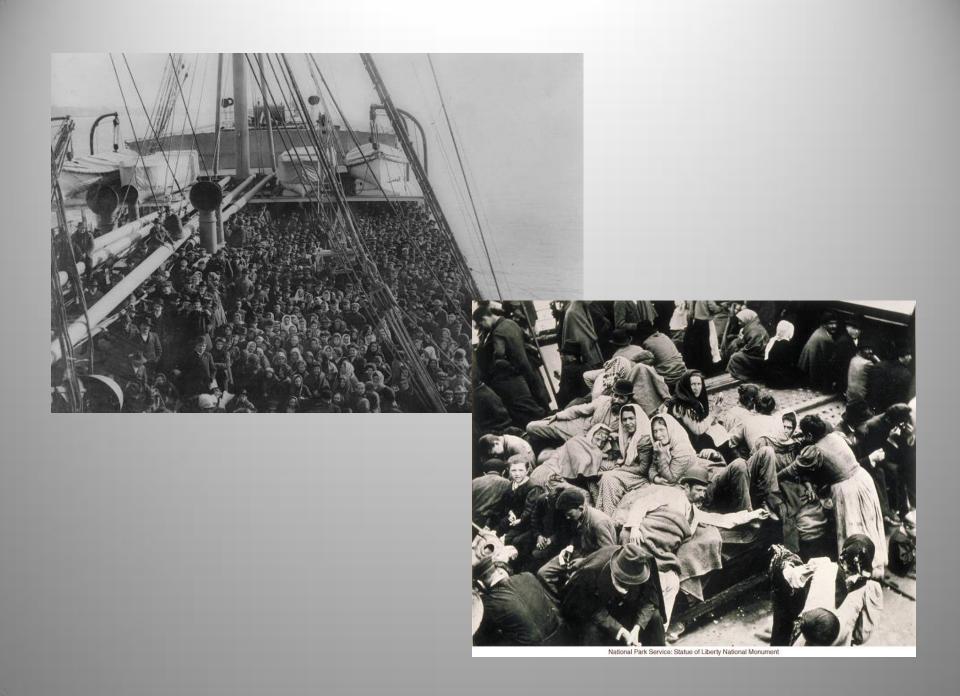
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700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20408-0001

- By online request E-mail requests should be sent to inquire@nara.gov.
- Paper copies of passport applications, Apr. 1925-present, can be ordered by mail from Department of State, Research & Liaison Branch, 1111 19th Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20522-1705.
- II. Ancestry.com
- III. Findmypast.com

Diaries & Journals





Sources for Diaries & Journals

- familysearch.org (catalogue)
- Myheritage.com (subscription)
- http://diarysearch.co.uk/ (finding aid no texts)
- Newpapers.com
- Genealogybank.com



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To make best use of your visit, use the **Navigation-bars** (buttons and text) which are on the top of every page, to help you find your way around. Some extra details of the main index pages included below.



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Ships Registries

- theshipslist.com
- Ancestry.com
 - Canada, Seafarers of the Atlantic Provinces,
 1789-1935
- http://www.nationalhistoricships.org.uk/pag es/about-the-registers.html