

MAJOR WEB SITES FOR LDS AND UTAH RECORDS

- FamilySearch and FamilySearch Wiki -- updated pamphlets of Utah and LDS and hundreds of links
 - [Tracing LDS Families](https://wiki.familysearch.org/en/Tracing_LDS_Families) (#34080) and updated on https://wiki.familysearch.org/en/Tracing_LDS_Families
 - [Utah Research Outline](https://wiki.familysearch.org/en/Portal:Utah) (#31081) and updated on <https://wiki.familysearch.org/en/Portal:Utah>
- Early LDS Members database from 1830 to Utah period -- <http://earlylds.com> -- 53,000 names
 - There is an introduction in the file itself -- search for "Intro" as the Given Name and read the notes for that "individual"
 - Snows still have much more data to add and correct
- Family History Library Catalog -- http://www.familysearch.org/eng/Library/FHLC/frameset_fhlc.asp -- is now scanning and posting online entire volumes
 - Click on the red "To view a digital version of this book click here." and it takes you to the BYU Harold B. Lee Library website
 - Example -- [Ancestry and Descendants of Lieut. John Henderson of Greenbrier County, Virginia](#) by Joseph Lyon Miller, 1875
 - Example -- [Genealogy of the Hibbard Family](#) by Augustine George Hibbard, 1901
 - To find all such digitized books, see the paragraph below on Harold B. Lee Library Online Collections
- Harold B. Lee Library and BYU Online Collections
 - To find your ancestor in all digitized FH's at the BYU HBL, go to <http://contentdm.lib.byu.edu/cdm4/search.php> and search for your key words in all of the Family Histories collections, each of which contains several hundred volumes, so the FHL has already digitized thousands of FH books -- all completely word-searchable
 - Can search all of their digitized books or just separate collections by searching Family Histories 1, for example
 - To see how many books there are in each collection do a search for something like "." which will be in each book -- Family Histories 1 has at least 285 items
 - All such books appear in the FHLC with the words "To view a digital version of this book click here." in red
- Trails of Hope: Overland Diaries and Letters, 1846-1869 web site: <http://overlandtrails.lib.byu.edu/search.html>
- Mormons and Their Neighbors -- <http://www.lib.byu.edu/Ancestry/> -- searchable with references to more than 100,000 individuals
- FH Archives: <http://www.lib.byu.edu/fhc/>
- 19th Century Mormon Publications Online -- <http://relarchive.byu.edu/MPNC/>

- Search engine for entries in Church Chronology, Encyclopedic History of the Church, LDS Biographical Encyclopedia, and Progressive Men of Eastern Idaho -- <http://www.lib.byu.edu/dlib/misc/>
- Studies in Mormon History and Culture -- <http://mormonhistory.byu.edu/screens/infoabout.html>
- BYU Idaho Family History Center -- <http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/fhc/FamilyHistory.htm>
- Mormon Trek Westward (1847-1868)
 - **Mormon Pioneer Overland Travels (1847-1868)** on LDS Church web site <http://www.lds.org/> -- click on Church History > Church History Library > Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel -- is being added to regularly and has many journals, documents, etc. -- try searching for an ancestor's surname (numbers in parentheses are the ages at that time) -- parts of the Nauvoo databank (see below) are being added
 - For maps of the Mormon Trek Westward go to <http://www.lds.org/>, then About the Church/Church History/History of the Church/The Pioneer Story/Start the Trail from the Beginning -- The 3 boxes at the upper left show the 3 parts of the Mormon Trail
 - For history of the Mormon Trek Westward see About the Church/Church History/Church History in the Fulness of Times/Chapter 26
- Marie Taylor's web site -- <http://www.warnes.net/Teslacorp/GenealogyLinks> or try <http://genealogy-links.org>
 - Many LDS/Utah references including information on history, genealogy, immigration, and much more - The "Cyndi's List of LDS records", but website is frequently down.
- Utah and US Government and Archives
 - Utah History Research Center, Rio Grande Building, SLC -- Utah State Archives and Utah State Historical Society -- <http://historyresearch.utah.gov>
 - Utah State Archives -- <http://archives.utah.gov/index.html> -- has many records of courts, civil, naturalization, land
 - Utah's Online Library -- <http://pioneer-library.org/>
 - Utah Collections Media Encyclopedia -- <http://www.uen.org/ucme>
 - Utah History Encyclopedia -- <http://www.media.utah.edu/UHE/UHEindex.html>
 - Utah Digital Newspaper collection 1879-1956 -- <http://digitalnewspapers.org>
 - Trails to Utah and the Pacific (American Memory, Library of Congress) -- <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/award99/upbhtml/overhome.html>
 - NUCMC -- National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections -- <http://www.loc.gov/coll/nucmc/>
 - Utah Digital Maps -- <http://usgwarchives.org/maps/utah/>
- Portals for Utah (lists of links) -- some free, some commercial

- Linkpendium for Utah (over 5,000 links) -- <http://www.linkpendium.com/genealogy/USA/UT/>
 - Cyndi's List of FH for Utah (about 1,500 links) -- <http://www.cyndislist.com/ut.htm>
 - Cyndi's List for LDS (about 250 links) -- <http://www.cyndislist.com/llds.htm>
 - 10 Great Mormon Databases -- http://www.mormontimes.com/mormon_living/family_history/?id=2968
 - All genealogy -- <http://www.all-genealogy.com/united-states/utah.htm>
 - USGenWeb project - Utah -- <http://www.rootsweb.com/~utgenweb/>
 - Genealogylinks.net -- <http://www.kindredtrails.com/utah.html>
 - FamilyHistory.com (Ancestry.com) -- <http://www.familyhistory.com/state.asp?state=UT>
 - World Vital Records (lots of LDS data) -- <http://worldvitalrecords.com/> (available in all FHC's) -- includes the Susan Easton-Black Membership of the Early LDS Church
 - Ancestry.com -- <http://www.ancestry.com/search/locality/dbpage.aspx?i=d&tp=2&p=47>
 - Allvitalrecords.com -- <http://www.allvitalrecords.com/index.asp?state=UT>
 - Awesomenealogy.com -- http://www.awesomenealogy.com/state_utah.shtml
 - Genealogy Today Utah links -- <http://www.genealogytoday.com/roots/xweb.mv?qy=utah&xp=AR&xc=Smart.Search&xo=search&xn=-1&xz=search.html>
 - About Genealogy -- <http://genealogy.about.com/cs/utah/>
 - Genealogy Links for Utah -- <http://www.genealogylinks.net/usa/utah>
- Ancestral File Submission Sheets -- [606 microfilms](#) of the hard copy submissions of notes and sources to the Ancestral File -- see the submission to get the film number, if it was microfilmed -- lots of LDS family history data here
 - LDS InfoBase collection -- early Church publications, periodicals, General Conference talks -- <http://ldsinfobase.net/index.html>
 - LDS-Hist: Historical Resources on the Internet -- <http://lds-hist.hplx.net/lds-hist/Links.html>
 - Utah Censuses indexed -- http://www.xmission.com/~nelsonb/census_search.htm
- UTAH, ARIZONA, AND IDAHO VITAL RECORDS**

- **General information**

- Utah Vital Records information, application forms, costs, addresses, etc. -- <https://silver.health.utah.gov/>
- Many older vital records at Utah History Research Center, Rio Grande Building, SLC -- Utah State Archives and Utah State Historical Society -- <http://historyresearch.utah.gov>
- County clerks and record offices for Utah counties -- <http://www.vitalrec.com/utcounties.html>
- Can find many references to births, marriages, and deaths in Utah Digital Newspaper collection 1879-1956 -- <http://digitalnewspapers.org>

- **Births**
 - Utah births are mostly recorded by counties - early ones are on film at FHL -- many are also available in the State Bureau of Vital Records
 - Arizona births from 1855-1933 are online with index and scanned images of certificates -- <http://genealogy.az.gov>
- **Marriages**
 - Most Utah marriage records are by counties -- check counties, also in the State Bureau of Vital Records and in the Utah State Archives
 - Complete index of newspaper references for marriages from the Deseret News and Deseret News Semi-Weekly from 1852 to 1888 are at http://www.rootsweb.com/~utsaltla/obit_DeseretNews_1850s.html and http://www.rootsweb.com/~utsaltla/obit_DeseretNewsSW.html
 - Project to post all Utah marriage records online at <http://usgwarchives.org/marriages/utah/utah.htm> -- but only has two counties so far
 - Project to index all western states marriages -- BYU-I Western States Marriage Record Index -- <http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/westernStates/search.cfm>
- **Deaths and burials**
 - Complete index of newspaper references and some obituaries for deaths from Deseret News and Deseret News Semi-Weekly from 1852 to 1888 are at http://www.rootsweb.com/~utsaltla/obit_DeseretNews_1850s.html and http://www.rootsweb.com/~utsaltla/obit_DeseretNewsSW.html
 - Utah Burials Index from Utah State Historical Society -- <http://history.utah.gov/apps/burials/execute/searchburials>
 - Utah Death Certificates, 1904-1956 (ongoing) are being posted online
 - Searchable at <http://www.familysearch.org> by clicking on Search Records > Record Search Pilot, then selecting United States and Utah -- example - Grant, Heber Jeddy, died 1945 -- Slider on upper right hand side of screen increases and decreases size of image of certificate
 - Also searchable at <http://historyresearch.utah.gov/inventories/81448.html> - type in name at <http://historyresearch.utah.gov/indexes/index.html> and see if name is in the Death Certificate database
 - Many Utah deaths were recorded by cities, e.g. Salt Lake City, Ogden, and Logan, and are on FHL films -- may not be online yet
 - Salt Lake City Cemetery Records -- available online in the Utah Burials Index (see above) and on CD
 - Online Utah Death Records and Indexes -- <http://deathindexes.com/utah/index.html>
 - For Idaho deaths the BYU-I FHC will find and copy death certificates for free -- <http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/index.cfm>
 - Arizona Deaths from 1844 to 1958 are online with index and scanned images of certificates -- <http://genealogy.az.gov>

LDS CHURCH RECORDS

- See https://wiki.familysearch.org/en/Tracing_LDS_Families for much information and many links
- Many LDS Church records are listed in [Utah Statewide Indexes and Collections](#) in Family History Library Catalog
- **Membership of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 1830-1848** by Susan Easton-Black (FHL #6031596, 95 fiche -- many FHC's have this set)
 - Descriptive brochure online at [Membership of the LDS Church, 1830-1848](#) (#34932, Free)
 - Compilation includes information much latter than 1848, since many of those people and their children lived until later
 - File is now online at <http://www.worldvitalrecords.com>, a commercial website, but available free at all FHC's
- **Early Church Information File**
 - Descriptive brochure online at [Early Church Information File](#) (#34544, Free)
 - Card file of 1.5 million references to early Church members from histories, journals, etc.; filmed on 75 rolls of microfilm in 1991 -- additions since then are only available in the FHL -- these are the references only, not the articles themselves
 - To find the index film you need see the Film Notes in [Early Church Information File in FH Library Catalog](#) ; or go to the FHLC and enter Early Church Information File in the Keyword Search and then click on View Film Notes
- **Deceased Membership Records since 1941** -- can sometimes get information by phone from Deceased Membership Office (1-801-240-3500)
 - Some records have been **filmed** and are available in the FHL, but not in FHC's -- you can transcribe anything, but no photocopies allowed
 - All deceased membership records and temple data are being entered into the IIGI, so it will contain all proxy and deceased member data
 - If needed, can get an LDS Church Birth Certificate -- phone number is
801-240-3577
- **Early Ward and Branch Records** -- old "Form E's" from each unit, listed members; have been filmed and are being extracted into IIGI
 - See Jaussi and Chaston's [Register of Genealogical Society Call Numbers](#) to find the film number for the particular church unit
- **Church Census Records** -- on 651 FHL films starting with #25708
 - 1914, then every 5 years from 1920 to 1960, except for 1945
 - Arranged alphabetically by head of household
- **Member Autobiographies**
 - 4-page form that all Church members were asked to complete in 1924-1929

- In hard copy in FHL and on 10 microfilms (FHL #1059454-1059463)
- **[Patriarchal Blessing Index](#)** (1830's-1993)
 - Two indices: 1833-1993, fiche (FHL #6334933, 68 fiche) and 1833-1963, film (on 66 films starting with FHL #392631)
 - Can obtain copies of patriarchal blessings of all your LDS ancestors 4 at a time -- info on <http://lds.org/churchhistory/archives/pbinfo>
 - Be sure to check index with various spellings of names and under maiden and married names -- many members received 2 or 3 patriarchal blessings
 - Church Historian's office has a computerized index that is easier to search, but you have to go there to use it
- **[Missionary Index, 1830-1979](#)** -- fiche (FHL #6334932, 8 fiche)
 - Missionary records in Church Historian's Office
- **Temple Records**
 - IGI and IIGI -- details are discussed in other classes
 - **[Archive Section of Family Group Sheets](#)** (1942-1969, used to be available on 4th Floor of JSMB, but now only available on film)
 - Family group sheets submitted for temple work -- is a primary source for temple work done, if it has the ordinance date stamped, not typed nor hand written
 - **[Endowment Index \(1846-1969\)](#)** -- sometimes called the Temple Index Bureau Card File or TIB -- card file with 30 million cards with endowment data primarily; filmed on 3081 films; temple data in it has already been extracted from original temple records and put into IIGI, but there may be more genealogical data on the cards, so it's worthwhile to check
 - **[Nauvoo Temple Endowment Register](#)** -- fiche (FHL #6051326, 3 fiche) and typescript index in hard copy at FHL
- **[Patron Section Family Group Sheets](#)** (1962-1979, used to be available on 4th Floor of JSMB, but now is only available on 4,018 FHL films starting with #540714)
 - Family group sheets submitted to share information -- take with a grain of salt
 - Filed alphabetically by husband's surname
- **Histories of the Church, the Seventies, and Local Church Units**
 - Use the FHLC Keyword search = "**[LDS Ward](#)**" (about 1600 films), Author search = "**[Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints](#)**" (about 6000 films), or Keyword search = "**[Quorum](#)**" (about 80 films), and ward name
 - Minute Books (1837-1977), Quarterly Reports of wards and Branches (1956-1983) -- available at Church Historian's Office
 - Minute Books of Seventies Quorums -- these have many biographies in them from Nauvoo -- see Nauvoo Databank below
 - **[Biographical Record of Early Seventies](#)** -- in FHLC
 - **[Record of Members of the Quorums of the Seventy, 1844-1894](#)** -- in FHLC
- **Mormon Battalion records** -- records available in book, on film, and on CD of daily happenings taken from journals -- do a Google search for "Mormon Battalion"
- **Selected Collections** from the Church Historians Office -- graphics images on 74 DVD's

- 400,000 images of personal journals, documents, and histories from Church Historian's Office
- Can be purchased through the BYU Studies Office, BYU, but the set is very expensive -- <http://byustudies.byu.edu/Products/ProductsDetail/DVDs.aspx>
- Collection is available in some libraries, e.g. FHL, BYU Library
- Contains the Journal History of the Church 1847-1923 -- "scrapbook" of day-by-day chronology of the Church 1847-1923 -- index is on 58 films (FHL #1233503-1233550 and 1255971-1255980) --
http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Library/fhlcatalog/supermainframeset.asp?display=titledetails&titleno=52638&disp=Journal+history+%28Church+of+Jesus+Chris%20%20&columns=*,0,0 and now on a 4-DVD set with images of the Card File Index (published by BYU Studies Office)
- Some additional indexing of the Selected Collections is being done on http://www.saintswithouthalos.com/ss/sc_alpha.phtml
- 4 DVD's with corrections were sent to owners in Sep 2003
- LDS Church Almanac -- published by Deseret News about every two years in December
 - Latest one is 2009 Almanac printed in Dec 2008
 - The 1997 Church Almanac for the LDS Sesquicentennial has list of companies crossing the plains and their leaders
- Annotated Record of Baptisms for the Dead 1840-1845, Nauvoo, Hancock County, Illinois -- by Susan Easton-Black and Harvey Bischoff Black, 2002
 - 7 volumes, including index volume
 - Includes information on proxies and work done in baptisms for dead in Mississippi River
- Nauvoo Databank -- see Class Notes on Nauvoo Databank at <http://uvpafug.org>, Class Outlines, Don's Listings
 - Electronic collection of hundreds of journals, biographies, documents, records, and Church information
 - Available in Nauvoo, Illinois; Kirtland, Ohio; and at a few FHC's in Utah
 - Parts are also posted on the Internet now -- see links in Class Notes on Nauvoo Databank
- LDS immigration records
 - Mormon Immigration Index -- on CD (#50174, \$6), 1841-1890 -- includes date of immigration, ship, plus journals of fellow passengers -- is being updated from 1890 to 1924 and will be posted online at <http://www.lds.org>
 - LDS to Zion --
http://www.warnes.net/Teslacorp/GenealogyLinks/index_html?Tab=8-LDS%20to%20Zion (website frequently down)
 - LDS Danish and Scandinavian immigration -- see <http://www.ida.net/users/really/>
 - Tracing Mormon Pioneers web page --
<http://www.xmission.com/~nelsonb/pioneer.htm>

- **[Names of Persons and Sureties Indebted to the Perpetual Emigrating Fund Company from 1850 to 1877 Inclusive](#)** -- film (FHL #25686) -- a printed and online pdf copy is in **[Mormon Historical Studies](#)**, Vol.1, No. 2, Fall 2000, 141-242
- **[Crossing the Plains Index Database](#)**, Melvin L. Bashore, Church Historian's Office -- see **[Mormon Pioneer Overland Travels \(1847-1868\)](#)** on LDS Church web site and **<http://www.xmission.com/~nelsonb/resources.htm>**
- Mormon immigration info, passenger lists, ships, etc. -- **http://www.xmission.com/~nelsonb/pioneer_search3.htm**