

# Genealogy Records Quick Guide

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Archives

Courthouse records are valuable sources for genealogy information. Indexes to historical records are available on the Lancaster County Archives website.

### Birth Records

- ✓ **Birth Registers:** (1852-1855), (1881-1906 City) (1893-1907)
- ✓ **Delayed Birth Certificates:** (c.1870-c.1906)

### Marriage Records

- ✓ **Marriage License Register/Applications:** (1852-1855) (1885-1998)

### Death Records

- ✓ **Wills:** (beginning 1730)
- ✓ **Intestate:** (beginning 1753) (*Bond Books*)
- ✓ **Orphans' Court:** (1742-1928) (*Miscellaneous Books*)
- ✓ **Death Affidavits:** (1874-1978)
- ✓ **Death Registrations:** (1852-1855) (1894-1907)
- ✓ **Estate Files:** (beginning 1902)
- ✓ **Inventory:** (1861-1962)
- ✓ **Accounts:** (1850-1962)
- ✓ **Veterans**

### Miscellaneous

- ✓ **Deeds:** (1729-present) ([www.lancasterdeeds.com](http://www.lancasterdeeds.com))
- ✓ **Naturalizations:** (beginning 1800)
- ✓ **Civil Records:** (beginning 1873)
- ✓ **Trust Books:** (beginning 1841)
- ✓ **Births/Deaths beginning 1906:** contact *PA Division of Vital Records*

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