

Finding your ancestor on a Ship Passenger List

How to use the same techniques whether it is the *Increase* from London to New England in 1635, or the *Isabella* from Bremen to New York in 1841.

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Naples, Florida

The Genealogical Society of Collier County

Ron's recommendations
of places to look at
familysearch.org
for
ship passenger lists

Search Historical Records

Search for a deceased ancestor in historical records to uncover vital information from their life.

Deceased Ancestor's Name

First Names Last Names

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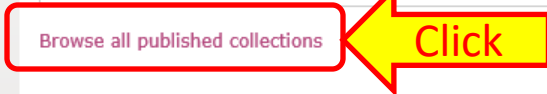
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- ▶ Other (6)
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- ▶ South America (111)
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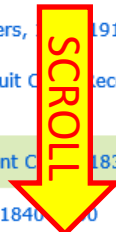
- ▶ Census & Lists (189)
- ▶ Birth, Marriage, & Death (1253)
- ▶ Probate & Court (211)
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Historical Record Collections

2169 collections

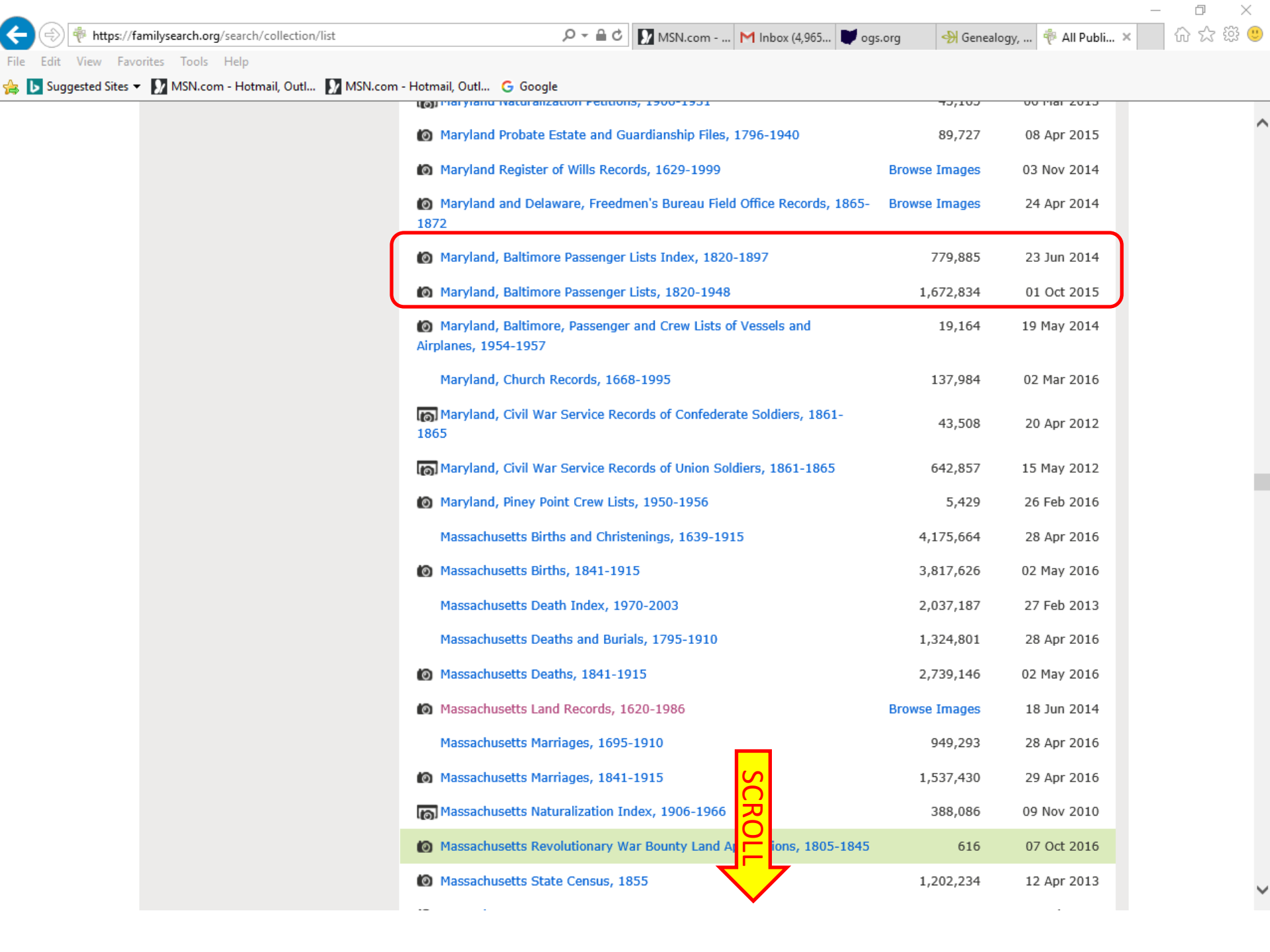
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Title	Records	Last Updated
Alabama Births and Christenings, 1881-1930	6,841	12 Mar 2012
Alabama Civil War Service Records of Confederate Soldiers, 1861-1865	1,213,534	20 Apr 2012
Alabama Civil War Service Records of Union Soldiers, 1861-1865	31,582	20 Apr 2012
Alabama County Marriages, 1809-1950	2,310,900	21 Jul 2015
Alabama Deaths and Burials, 1881-1952	105,683	25 Feb 2013
Alabama Deaths, 1908-1974	1,858,819	24 Mar 2010
Alabama Estate Files, 1830-1976	25,297	11 Dec 2013
Alabama Marriages, 1816-1957	1,412,065	21 Jul 2015
Alabama Probate Records, 1809-1985	Browse Images	19 Feb 2013
Alabama State Census, 1855	34,978	12 Dec 2011
Alabama State Census, 1866	243,781	12 Dec 2011
Alabama, Census of Confederate Veterans, 1907, 1921, 1927	Browse Images	31 Oct 2016
Alabama, Freedmen's Bureau Field Office Records, 1865-1872	Browse Images	07 Jul 2014
Alabama, Jefferson County Circuit Court Papers, 1816-1916	Browse Images	14 Aug 2012
Alabama, Madison County Chancery and Circuit Court Records, 1829-1968	Browse Images	26 Jun 2014
Alabama, Mobile Magnolia Cemetery Interment Cards, 1836-1995	32,735	22 Apr 2015
Alabama, Sumter County Circuit Court Files, 1840-1900	Browse Images	17 Aug 2012

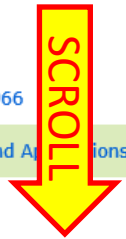


Browser window showing a search results page on familysearch.org. The URL is https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list. The page displays a list of historical records collections, including Louisiana, Eastern District Naturalization Petitions, 1838-1861 (1,450 records, 10 Nov 2010), Louisiana, Freedmen's Bureau Field Office Records, 1865-1872 (Browse Images, 20 Jan 2015), Louisiana, New Orleans Passenger Lists, 1820-1945 (1,822,375 records, 12 Oct 2015), Louisiana, Orleans Court Records, 1822-1880 (Browse Images, 04 Nov 2014), Louisiana, Orleans Parish Estate Files, 1804-1846 (7,080 records, 21 Mar 2014), Louisiana, Orleans Parish Second District Judicial Court Case Files, 1846-1880 (Browse Images, 31 Oct 2014), Louisiana, Orleans Parish Vital Records, 1910, 1960 (12,961 records, 11 Oct 2016), Louisiana, Orleans Parish Will Books, 1805-1920 (Browse Images, 04 Nov 2014), Louisiana, Parish Marriages, 1837-1957 (1,107,552 records, 10 Feb 2016), Luxembourg Births and Baptisms, 1662-1840 (10,383 records, 11 Mar 2012), Luxembourg Census Records, 1843-1900 (Browse Images, 25 Mar 2014), Luxembourg Church Records, 1601-1948 (Browse Images, 09 Jan 2015), Luxembourg Civil Registration, 1662-1941 (32,614 records, 16 Aug 2016), Luxembourg Deaths and Burials, 1702-1798 (1,554 records, 08 Apr 2010), Luxembourg Marriages, 1700-1810 (1,786 records, 09 Mar 2012), Luxembourg Notarial Records, 1621-1821 (Browse Images, 24 Sep 2012), Maine & Massachusetts, Case Files of Deceased and Deserted Seamen, 1837-1965 (Browse Images, 26 Aug 2016), Maine Births and Christenings, 1739-1900 (940,649 records, 09 Mar 2012), Maine Death Index, 1960-1996 (401,960 records, 19 Nov 2012), Maine Deaths and Burials, 1841-1910 (172,473 records, 17 Feb 2016), Maine Marriages, 1771-1907 (597,443 records, 17 Feb 2016), Maine Revolutionary War Bounty Land Applications, 1780-1838 (4,952 records, 07 Oct 2016), and Maine Vital Records, 1670-1921 (1,998,307 records, 06 Oct 2016). A red box highlights the Louisiana, New Orleans Passenger Lists, 1820-1945 collection. A yellow arrow with the word 'SCROLL' points downwards towards the bottom of the list.


















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Louisiana, Eastern District Naturalization Petitions, 1838-1861	1,450	10 Nov 2010
Louisiana, Freedmen's Bureau Field Office Records, 1865-1872	Browse Images	20 Jan 2015
Louisiana, New Orleans Passenger Lists, 1820-1945	1,822,375	12 Oct 2015
Louisiana, Orleans Court Records, 1822-1880	Browse Images	04 Nov 2014
Louisiana, Orleans Parish Estate Files, 1804-1846	7,080	21 Mar 2014
Louisiana, Orleans Parish Second District Judicial Court Case Files, 1846-1880	Browse Images	31 Oct 2014
Louisiana, Orleans Parish Vital Records, 1910, 1960	12,961	11 Oct 2016
Louisiana, Orleans Parish Will Books, 1805-1920	Browse Images	04 Nov 2014
Louisiana, Parish Marriages, 1837-1957	1,107,552	10 Feb 2016
Luxembourg Births and Baptisms, 1662-1840	10,383	11 Mar 2012
Luxembourg Census Records, 1843-1900	Browse Images	25 Mar 2014
Luxembourg Church Records, 1601-1948	Browse Images	09 Jan 2015
Luxembourg Civil Registration, 1662-1941	32,614	16 Aug 2016
Luxembourg Deaths and Burials, 1702-1798	1,554	08 Apr 2010
Luxembourg Marriages, 1700-1810	1,786	09 Mar 2012
Luxembourg Notarial Records, 1621-1821	Browse Images	24 Sep 2012
Maine & Massachusetts, Case Files of Deceased and Deserted Seamen, 1837-1965	Browse Images	26 Aug 2016
Maine Births and Christenings, 1739-1900	940,649	09 Mar 2012
Maine Death Index, 1960-1996	401,960	19 Nov 2012
Maine Deaths and Burials, 1841-1910	172,473	17 Feb 2016
Maine Marriages, 1771-1907	597,443	17 Feb 2016
Maine Revolutionary War Bounty Land Applications, 1780-1838	4,952	07 Oct 2016
Maine Vital Records, 1670-1921	1,998,307	06 Oct 2016

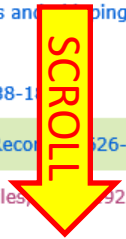


Maryland Probate Estate and Guardianship Files, 1796-1940	89,727	08 Apr 2015
Maryland Register of Wills Records, 1629-1999	Browse Images	03 Nov 2014
Maryland and Delaware, Freedmen's Bureau Field Office Records, 1865-1872	Browse Images	24 Apr 2014
Maryland, Baltimore Passenger Lists Index, 1820-1897	779,885	23 Jun 2014
Maryland, Baltimore Passenger Lists, 1820-1948	1,672,834	01 Oct 2015
Maryland, Baltimore, Passenger and Crew Lists of Vessels and Airplanes, 1954-1957	19,164	19 May 2014
Maryland, Church Records, 1668-1995	137,984	02 Mar 2016
Maryland, Civil War Service Records of Confederate Soldiers, 1861-1865	43,508	20 Apr 2012
Maryland, Civil War Service Records of Union Soldiers, 1861-1865	642,857	15 May 2012
Maryland, Piney Point Crew Lists, 1950-1956	5,429	26 Feb 2016
Massachusetts Births and Christenings, 1639-1915	4,175,664	28 Apr 2016
Massachusetts Births, 1841-1915	3,817,626	02 May 2016
Massachusetts Death Index, 1970-2003	2,037,187	27 Feb 2013
Massachusetts Deaths and Burials, 1795-1910	1,324,801	28 Apr 2016
Massachusetts Deaths, 1841-1915	2,739,146	02 May 2016
Massachusetts Land Records, 1620-1986	Browse Images	18 Jun 2014
Massachusetts Marriages, 1695-1910	949,293	28 Apr 2016
Massachusetts Marriages, 1841-1915	1,537,430	29 Apr 2016
Massachusetts Naturalization Index, 1906-1966	388,086	09 Nov 2010
Massachusetts Revolutionary War Bounty Land Applications, 1805-1845	616	07 Oct 2016
Massachusetts State Census, 1855	1,202,234	12 Apr 2013



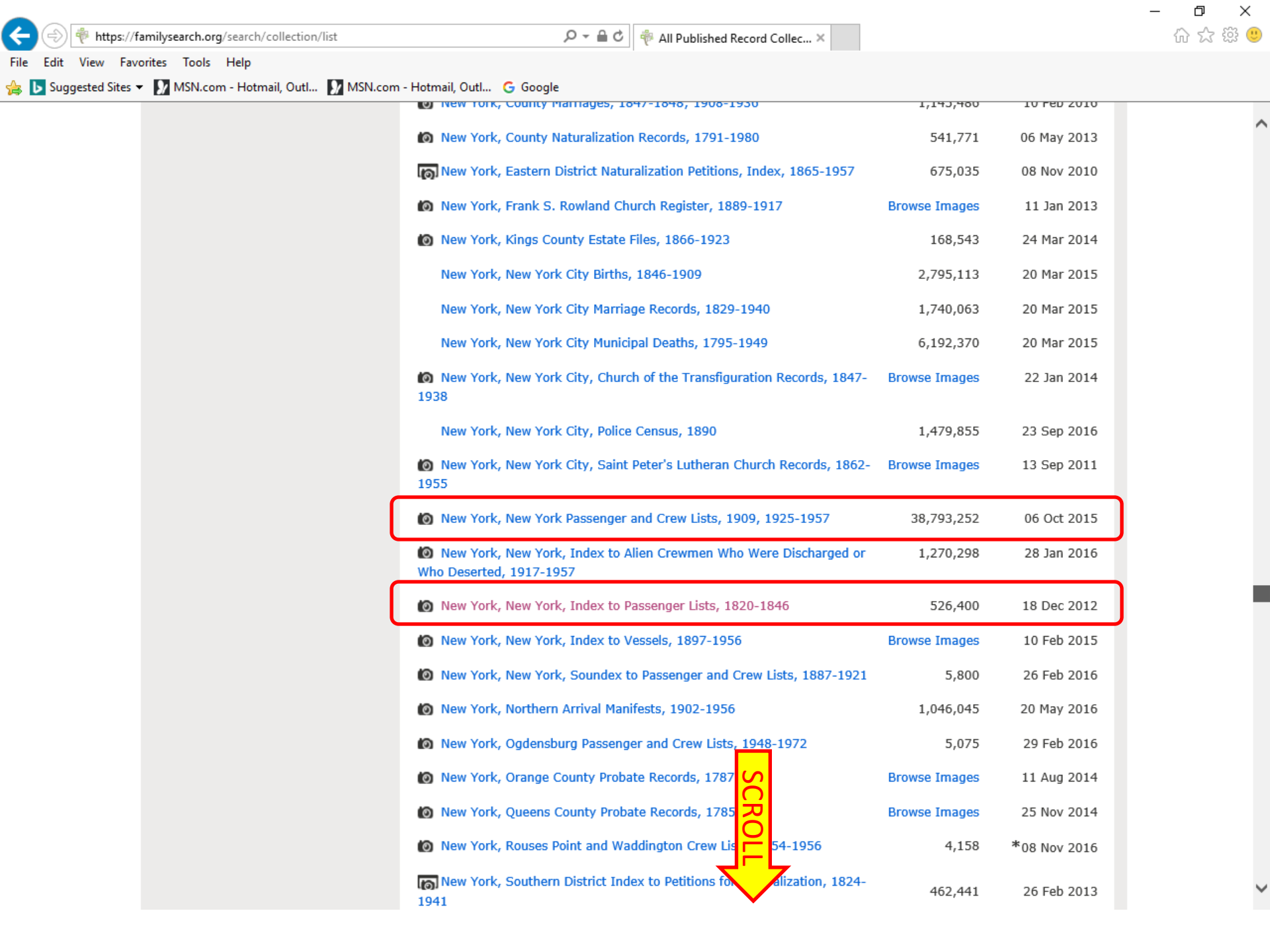
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 Massachusetts Revolutionary War Bounty Land Applications, 1805-1845	616	07 Oct 2016
 Massachusetts State Census, 1855	1,202,234	12 Apr 2013
 Massachusetts State Census, 1865	1,352,817	26 Feb 2013
 Massachusetts State Vital Records, 1841-1920	755,766	27 Sep 2013
 Massachusetts Town Records, ca. 1638-1961	255,234	20 Apr 2016
 Massachusetts, Boston Crew Lists, 1917-1943	140,843	05 Feb 2015
 Massachusetts, Boston Passenger Lists Index, 1899-1940	2,555,815	25 Aug 2016
 Massachusetts, Boston Passenger Lists, 1820-1891	903,407	01 Sep 2016
 Massachusetts, Boston Passenger Lists, 1891-1943	2,913,815	06 Jun 2014
 Massachusetts, Boston Tax Records, 1822-1918	Browse Images	12 Aug 2014
 Massachusetts, Boston, Crew Lists, 1811-1921	424,219	02 Oct 2015
 Massachusetts, Delayed and Corrected Vital Records, 1753-1900	31,701	19 Feb 2016
 Massachusetts, Federal Census Mortality Schedule, 1870	Browse Images	22 Jan 2015
 Massachusetts, Federal Census Mortality Schedule, 1880	Browse Images	22 Jan 2015
 Massachusetts, Index to Boston Passenger Lists, 1848-1891	1,139,732	*08 Nov 2016
 Massachusetts, Plymouth County, Probate Estate Files, 1686-1915	Browse Images	25 Jun 2014
 Massachusetts, Plymouth County, Probate Records, 1633-1967	Browse Images	14 Nov 2012
 Massachusetts, Revolutionary War, Index Cards to Muster Rolls, 1775-1783	Browse Images	25 Nov 2015
 Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934	227,863	06 Oct 2015
 Massachusetts, Springfield Vital Records, 1638-1925	68,176	14 Apr 2011
 Massachusetts, Town Clerk, Vital and Town Records, 1636-2001	2,405,620	19 Jul 2016
 Massachusetts, Worcester County, Probate Files, 1636-1925	Browse Images	11 Aug 2014



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Record Title	Count	Date
New York Births and Christenings, 1640-1962	1,367,988	09 Mar 2012
New York Book Indexes to Passenger Lists, 1906-1942	11,883,075	*11 Nov 2016
New York Deaths and Burials, 1795-1952	249,927	27 Feb 2013
New York Land Records, 1630-1975	Browse Images	18 Jun 2014
New York Marriages, 1686-1980	767,083	11 Jul 2016
New York Naturalization Index (Soundex), 1792-1906	744,919	13 Feb 2015
New York Passenger Arrival Lists (Ellis Island), 1891-1924	Browse Images	25 Jan 2016
New York Passenger Arrival Lists (Ellis Island), 1892-1924	24,414,218	25 Mar 2010
New York Passenger Lists, 1820-1891	13,463,708	26 Jan 2016
New York Probate Records, 1629-1971	Browse Images	21 Sep 2015
New York Records of the State National Guard, 1906-1954	724,527	15 Jan 2015
New York State Census, 1855	2,818,214	31 Jan 2013
New York State Census, 1865	2,623,218	26 Jun 2015
New York State Census, 1875	3,125,090	27 Mar 2013
New York State Census, 1892	3,766,108	22 May 2015
New York State Census, 1905	7,513,232	27 Sep 2016
New York State Census, 1915	9,742,867	23 Jun 2012
New York State Census, 1925	11,117,922	23 Jun 2012
New York State Health Department, Genealogical Research Death Index, 1957-1963	590,658	19 Dec 2013
New York, Bronx Probate Estate Files, 1914-1931	Browse Images	15 Jan 2014
New York, Buffalo, St. Paul's Episcopal Church Records, 1812-1970	Browse Images	04 Dec 2012
New York, Church and Civil Marriages, 1704-1998	23,819	11 Jul 2016
New York, Civil War Service Records of Union Soldiers, 1861-1865	60,000	20 Apr 2012



New York, County Marriages, 1847-1848, 1908-1930	1,143,480	10 Feb 2010
New York, County Naturalization Records, 1791-1980	541,771	06 May 2013
New York, Eastern District Naturalization Petitions, Index, 1865-1957	675,035	08 Nov 2010
New York, Frank S. Rowland Church Register, 1889-1917	Browse Images	11 Jan 2013
New York, Kings County Estate Files, 1866-1923	168,543	24 Mar 2014
New York, New York City Births, 1846-1909	2,795,113	20 Mar 2015
New York, New York City Marriage Records, 1829-1940	1,740,063	20 Mar 2015
New York, New York City Municipal Deaths, 1795-1949	6,192,370	20 Mar 2015
New York, New York City, Church of the Transfiguration Records, 1847-1938	Browse Images	22 Jan 2014
New York, New York City, Police Census, 1890	1,479,855	23 Sep 2016
New York, New York City, Saint Peter's Lutheran Church Records, 1862-1955	Browse Images	13 Sep 2011
New York, New York Passenger and Crew Lists, 1909, 1925-1957	38,793,252	06 Oct 2015
New York, New York, Index to Alien Crewmen Who Were Discharged or Who Deserted, 1917-1957	1,270,298	28 Jan 2016
New York, New York, Index to Passenger Lists, 1820-1846	526,400	18 Dec 2012
New York, New York, Index to Vessels, 1897-1956	Browse Images	10 Feb 2015
New York, New York, Soundex to Passenger and Crew Lists, 1887-1921	5,800	26 Feb 2016
New York, Northern Arrival Manifests, 1902-1956	1,046,045	20 May 2016
New York, Ogdensburg Passenger and Crew Lists, 1948-1972	5,075	29 Feb 2016
New York, Orange County Probate Records, 1787-1956	Browse Images	11 Aug 2014
New York, Queens County Probate Records, 1785-1956	Browse Images	25 Nov 2014
New York, Rouses Point and Waddington Crew Lists, 1854-1956	4,158	*08 Nov 2016
New York, Southern District Index to Petitions for Naturalization, 1824-1941	462,441	26 Feb 2013



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