

MICROFILM CABINET GUIDE

Vital Records

Subject	Years	Cabinet	Drawer
Short Birth Index	1860 - 1883	6	1
Birth Index	1860 - 1903	6	1
	1904 - 1915	6	7
Birth Registers	1860 - 1903	6	2
	1904 - 1915	6	7-8
Birth (Doctor's) Returns	1860 - 1903	0	1-7
	1883 - 1903	6	4-7
Short Death Index	1860 - 1902	7	2
Death Indexes	1860 - 1905	7	1
	1906 - 1915	7	2
Death Register	1860 - 1890	7	3
Cemetery Returns	1803 - 1860	7	1
		9	2-5
Death Returns/ Certificates	1890 - 1903	8	7-9
		9	1-2
	1904 - 1909	7	4-9
Death Returns	1860 - 1890	8	1-6
		9	6-7
		10 11	1-9 1
Marriages	First Check "Navy" Books in Reading Room 1860 - 1885		
Short Marriage Index		7	1
Marriage Index	1860 - 1885	7	1
	1885 - 1915	12	2
Marriage Registers	1860 - 1885	7	1
Marriage Returns	1860 - 1885	15	8
Marriage Certificates	1885 - 1915	12	3-9
Naturalizations	1793 - 1880 Ask at Reception desk		
	1881 - 1930	12	2

Deed Records

Subject	Years	Cabinet	Drawer
Grantee/ Grantor Indexes	1683 - 1944	1	1-8
Exemplifications	1669 - 1833	2	1
Deeds	1684 - 1902	2 - 5	

Directories

Subject	Years	Cabinet	Drawer
Business Directories	1869 - 1916	0	9
City Directories	1785 - 1935	0	7-8

Each cabinet has a drawer list located on top of the cabinet.
Check at Receptionist desk for location of other microfilm records.

**Where Do I Go When It Is Not at the Philadelphia City Archives?
Resources in Philadelphia**

Subject	Location	Contact Information
Births after June 1915 Deaths after 1915	* PA Department of Health 110 North 8 th Street	215.560.6011 To order certificates on a VISA card call 724.656.3100
Census Records Passenger Lists	Mid Atlantic National Archives 9 th and Chestnut Street	215-606-0100 215-606-0112
Deeds after 1955 Mortgages after 1963	City Hall Room, 154 Broad and Market Streets.	215.686.2292
Divorces	City Hall, Room 266 Broad and Market Streets	215.686.6663
Marriages after June 1915	City Hall, Room 415 Broad and Market Streets	215.686.2234 8:00 to 4:30 M to F
Wills, Administrations	City Hall, Room 180 Broad and Market Streets	215.686.6253
Newspapers, Maps Telephone Books	Free Library of Philadelphia	215.686.5396

Local Resources

Free Library of Philadelphia

1901 Vine Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.686.5396 Newspaper Center 215.686.5431 Map Collection 215.686.5396

www.library.phila.gov

Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania (GSP)

2207 Chestnut Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.545.0391

www.genpa.org

Historical Society of Pennsylvania (HSP)

1300 Locust Street

215.732.6200

www.hsp.org

Mid Atlantic National Archives

9th and Chestnut

215-606-0100

www.archives.gov/midatlantic

PA Department of Health: Vital Records

110 North 8th Street

215.560.6011 To order certificates on a VISA card call 724.656.3100

<http://www.dsf.health.state.pa.us/health/cwkkkkp/view.asp?a=168&Q=202324>

For downloadable request forms please visit www.health.state.pa.us/vitalrecords

* Please note that this is not a Research Office

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Photographs, Blogs and Videos

PhillyHistory Photographs.

PhillyHistory.com is an on-line source for locating the City of Philadelphia photographic archives. <http://www.phillyhistory.org> Photographs provide unique visual examples of Philadelphia in the past back from late 1800's. One may even find photographs of your ancestor's home, street, work place, school, place of worship or the local hospital and businesses. The Philadelphia City Archives is one of the country's largest municipal archives with about 2 million photographs dating from the late 1800's.

PhillyHistory Blog: The PhillyHistory.org Blog provides information on the stories behind the photos at the Philadelphia City Archives.

<http://www.phillyhistory.org/blog/> Local historians, journalists, students, and PhillyHistory staff publish articles each week that explore various images and the people, places, and events they depict in Philadelphia's history. Articles may include everything from a neighborhood history to behind the scenes features on the PhillyHistory project to profiles of Philadelphians.

PhillyHistory and Google Field Trip App: Select images and content from the PhillyHistory.org Blog (<http://www.phillyhistory.org/blog/>) are now available through the Field Trip app created by Niantic Labs at Google (<http://www.fieldtripper.com/>). Field Trip is available for iPhones and Android devices and helps users find and explore interesting stories about the cities around the world. The articles from PhillyHistory will provide information on historic events and locations around Philadelphia, and users of the app will be able to click a link to visit the PhillyHistory website for more information.

The Field Trip app has been downloaded over a million times, making it an excellent opportunity for sharing information about PhillyHistory.org and the City Archives with a larger audience. Few municipal governments have been involved with the project so we're excited to share our photos and spread the word about the history of Philadelphia! More info about the project is available at

<http://www.phillyhistory.org/blog/index.php/2014/05/phillyhistory-now-available-on-field-trip/>

YouTube Videos

Behind the Scenes at the Philadelphia City Archives

Take a journey through the City Archives and learn about some of its fascinating collections via The Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania

<http://phillyinfocus.com/video/behind-the-scenes-at-the-philadelphia-city-archives/>

Historic Films

View historic films from the City Archives at

<http://www.youtube.com/phillydeptofrecords>