

[Important Websites for Hungary Genealogy](#)

There are two "must peruse" websites for initiating original research in Hungary. There are a lot of excellent resources well documents found on both **Family Search.Org** and **The Family History Guide**.

From a single URL cited below on **FamilySearch**, you will find a comprehensive overview of resources for Hungary that covers the gamut of resources and research tools that you could ever have imagined all from one extended screen display. It is a remarkable guide to Hungarian ancestry, history, and genealogy with birth records, marriage records, death records, census records, military records and much more. The URL is https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Hungary_Genealogy. The headings are specifically cited below along with their links that you can search quickly

Hungary Genealogy

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Hungary Research Topics



Beginning Research

- [Research Strategies](#)
- [Record Finder](#)

Record Types

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Hungary Background

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Local Research Resources

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Hungary

Guide to **Hungary ancestry, family history, and genealogy**: birth records, marriage records, death records, census records, and military records.

Country Information[\[edit source\]](#)

Hungary is a country in Central Europe bordered by [Austria](#), [Slovakia](#), [Ukraine](#), [Romania](#), [Serbia](#), [Croatia](#), and [Slovenia](#). From the eighteenth century to World War I it belonged to the Austro-Hungarian Empire. The official language is Hungarian.^[1] The lands of Hungary contributed great numbers of people to the waves of European Emigration from the mid 1800s to the early 1900s. These were not just Hungarians, but also Romanians, Germans, Jews, Slovaks, Ukrainians, Serbs, and Croats. Many settled in the United States, Canada, and Australia where, generations later, their descendants now begin the task of seeking their Hungarian heritage.

Getting Started with Hungary Research

Links to articles on getting started with Hungary research.

- [Beginning Hungarian Research](#)
- [Hungary Finding Town of Origin](#)
- [Research in Greater Hungary](#)
- [Germans to Russia](#) - German-speaking citizens moving to Eastern Europe

Hungary Research Tools

Links to articles and websites that assist in Hungary research.

- [Letter Writing Guide](#)
- [Research Guide for Hungary by FHL](#)
- [Word List](#)
- [Hungary Websites](#)



Finding Your Ancestors' Town in Hungary[\[edit source\]](#)

- Genealogical records are organized by geographical locality. Civil registration (government birth, marriage, and death records) and church records (christenings/baptisms, marriages, and burials) were kept at the **local level**. To search these records, you must know the town where your ancestors lived.
- If you do not know your ancestors' town, follow the advice in the Wiki article, [Hungary Finding Town of Origin](#), to search a variety of records that might provide that information.

Hungary Clickable Map[\[edit source\]](#)



Counties[[edit source](#)]

As of 1950, Hungary contains the following counties:

- [Bács-Kiskun](#)
- [Baranya](#)
- [Békés](#)
- [Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén](#)
- [Capital City of Budapest](#)
- [Csongrád](#)
- [Fejér](#)
- [Győr-Moson-Sopron](#)
- [Hajdú-Bihar](#)
- [Heves](#)
- [Jász-Nagykun-Szolnok](#)
- [Komárom-Esztergom](#)
- [Nógrád](#)
- [Pest](#)
- [Somogy](#)
- [Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg](#)
- [Tolna](#)
- [Vas](#)
- [Veszprém](#)
- [Zala](#)

Historic Counties of Hungary[[edit source](#)]

After 1876 (or 1881 for Abaúj-Torna and Krassó-Szörény), the Kingdom of Hungary contained the following 63 counties:

Abaúj-Torna	Beszterce-Naszód	Fogarás	Kis-Küküllő	Nógrád	Szeben	Turóc
Alsó-Fehér	Bihar	Győr	Kolozs	Nyitra	Szepes	Udvarhely
Arad	Borsod	Gömör és Kis-Hont	Komárom	Pest-Pilis-Solt-Kiskun	Szilágy	Ugocsa
Árva	Brassó	Hajdú	Krassó-Szörény	Pozsony	Szolnok-Doboka	Ung
Bács-Bodrog	Csanád	Háromszék	Liptó	Sáros	Temes	Vas
Baranya	Csík	Heves	Máramaros	Somogy	Tolna	Veszprém

Bars	Csongrád	Hont	Maros-Torda	Sopron	Torda-Aranyos	Zala
Békés	Esztergom	Hunyad	Moson	Szabolcs	Torontál	Zemplén
Bereg	Fejér	Jász-Nagykun-Szolnok	Nagy-Küküllő	Szatmár	Trencsén	Zólyom

- [Abaúj-Torna](#) --now split between Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén County, Hungary, and Košice Region, Slovakia.
- [Arad](#)--In 1920, Most went to Romania—small southern part went to Békés.
- [Bács-Bodrog](#)--In 1918, Northern 15% went to Bács-Kiskun, 85% went to Yugoslavia
- [Bars](#)--Became Tekov County, Slovakia
- [Bihar](#)--now mostly in northwestern Romania (as Bihor County), and a smaller part in Hajdú-Bihar County, eastern Hungary.
- [Borsod](#)--merged into Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén.
- [Csanád](#)--divided between Békés, Csongrád, and Romania (county of Arad, Romania).
- Pest-Pilis-Solt-Kis-Kun--The present county of Pest was formed after World War II, when the former county Pest-Pilis-Solt-Kiskun was split in two parts (the other part is within present-day Bács-Kiskun).
- [Pozsony](#)
- [Zemplén](#)

FamilySearch Resources[\[edit source\]](#)

Below are FamilySearch resources that can assist you in researching your family.

- [Facebook Communities](#) - Facebook groups discussing genealogy research
- [Learning Center](#) - Online genealogy courses
- [Historical Records](#)
- [Family History Center locator map](#)
- [Reference Aids Overview at the Family History Library](#)

References[\[edit source\]](#)

1. [Jump up](#)[↑] Wikipedia contributors, "Hungary," in *Wikipedia: the Free Encyclopedia*, <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hungary>, accessed 23 March 2016.

The Family History Guide

The Family History Guide, <https://thefhguide.com/project-9-hungary.html>, provides a more sequential process of learning consisting of outstanding step-by-step “how to” research tutorials for Hungary that is organized into eleven levels offerings in a rather clear and concise format. I particularly like its infrastructure of topics for each level of tutorials.

1: Research [2: Vital Records](#) [3: Census Records](#) [4: Archives and Libraries](#) [5: Church Records](#) [6: Emigration and Immigration](#) [7: Maps and Gazetteers](#) [8: Newspapers](#) [9: Websites](#) [10: Search Records](#) [11: Get Help](#)