

# Hessen Resources at the Immigrant Genealogical Library

## Introduction

The Map Guide to German Parish Registers series has one volume on the Grandduchy of Hessen (Vol. 1), with a list of available town lineage books shown on pages 16-17. Separately, two more volumes (9 & 10) are devoted to the Prussian Province of Hessen-Nassau, split between the Regierungsbezirk Wiesbaden and the Regierungsbezirk Kassel -- but only six town lineage books for the total province were named as of 2005 (see pages 18-19 and page 167). But that's not all! Our HES section also includes the Principality of Waldeck and Pyrmont, which is included in the Westphalia II book (Vol. 40) beginning at page 503. And we have quite a few of these books from the Waldeck region, as can be seen below.

## Online (a sampling)

Hessian Troops — <http://vhrz259.hrz.uni-marburg.de/en/subjects/intro/sn/hetrina>  
AmRev-Hessians-L mailing list archives — <http://tinyurl.com/qhqljm>  
AmRev~Hessian mailing list links page — <http://tinyurl.com/ns7orp8>  
Hessischen Landesarchiv — <https://arcinsys.hessen.de/arcinsys/start.action>  
Kurhessen-Waldeck online Ev. church books — <http://tinyurl.com/kgw5n59>  
Hessian civil registers online from Marburg State Archive — <http://tinyurl.com/o4q34e3>  
Ahnenforschung.org “Regional Research” — <http://forum.genealogy.net>  
Middle Germany Genealogical Assoc. (German) — <http://www.amf-verein.de>  
Hessen GenWiki (German) — <http://wiki-de.genealogy.net/Portal:Hessen>  
Hessian emigrants to Hungary (English) — <http://tinyurl.com/nmdz34j>  
Mailing Lists (for all German regions, plus German-speaking areas in Europe)  
— <http://list.genealogy.net/mm/listinfo/>  
Hessian Regional History Information System — <http://www.lagis-hessen.de/en>

## Periodicals

IGS/G-AG: “Die Hessische Soldaten” (Spr’91)  
“The State Archives at Marburg and Speyer” (Fall’91)  
German Genealogical Digest: “Hessen Areas of Germany” (Autumn 1993)  
Germanic Genealogy Journal: “Spotlight on Hesse [Hessen]” (Fall 2014)  
*Der Blumenbaum*, Oct.-Dec. ’12: “...Names from Nordeck-Winnen, Gießen...”  
The German Connection: Migration from the Schwalm Valley - v. 14 (1991)  
“On Finding Hesse-Homburg” - v. 19  
“Emigration from Rheinhessen in 19th c.” - v. 20  
book review, Minert’s Hesse Place Name Indexes  
The Palatine Immigrant: “Deserter-immigrants/HETRINA” v.IV, #4.  
“Emigrant Sources at Darmstadt” v.XII, #2.  
*Der Kurier*, March 2015: “Wiesbaden Consulate: Fee Book & Invoice Books”  
*Hessische Heimat*, 33. Jahrgang: “Von Hessen nach Amerika” (Herbst/Winter 1983)  
Also of interest — Nov. ’75 Genealogical Helper, pp. 714-15, for Hessian soldiers.  
Boxes for HES:  
Hessische Familienkunde (Hessian Genealogy), various issues from 1964-89  
Hessisches Ahnenlisten, Band 1 (1960-67), 2 (1967-74), 3 (1975-83), part of 4 (1986- )  
Journal of the Johannes Schwalm Historical Assoc., Inc., all issues from 1977-2005

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## **Books**

### Archival reference

The Hessian State Archive and the Darmstadt City Archive (German)

Darmstadt and the Hessian Province of Starkenburg (German)

Libraries in Marburg, an Inventory with Addresses (German)

Maps in the Archive, Marburg Archive School (German)

### Atlases

Hesse Place Name Indexes, by Roger Minert

Hesse-Nassau Place Name Indexes, by Roger Minert

Frankfurt am Main: The Old Imperial City and its Surroundings (German)

Holiday Map for Hessen

### Bibliography

Genealogical Bibliography for Hesse, 1955-56 (German)

Genealogical Bibliography for Hesse, 1957-59 (German)

### Censuses

2900 Residents of the Starkenburg Districts, 1623 and 1626/27 (German)

### Churches

Cathedrals, Churches and Convents in Hesse (German)

List of Villages and Towns in the Hessian Part of Odenwald, with Church Book Dates

Büttelborn Church Book, 1641-1727

### Directories

Hessian Manual, Fourth Part: Sovereign Lands and Acquired Jurisdictions (German)

### Emigration

HETRINA series -- Hessian Troops in the American Revolution (German-English)

7 volumes of family name indexes — incl. 1 for Waldeck & 2 for Hanau regiments

HESAUS books -- Hessian Emigrants (German-English)

from Hanau in the 18th c. and from Hessen-Kassel in the 1840-1850 period

Emigrations from the Odenwaldkreis (5 volumes, German)

The Waldeckina Emigration Between 1829 and 1872 (2 volumes, German)

Emigration issue of "Hessische Heimat," Fall/Winter 1983 (German)

Emigration from Hesse — 1984 Exhibition of the Hessian State Archive (German)

The Emigration from the Duchy of Nassau, 1806-1866 (German)

From Beedenkirchen and Mittershausen to America, with index (German)

Residents of the Buseck Valley, 1544-1669 (German)

From Herbstein into the Whole World (English translation)

Resident List of the Dominion of Rodenstein until the Middle 17th Century (German)

Viernheim Emigrants' Book, with index (German)

List of earliest known ancestors of Alfred Görlach of Holzheim

Heraldry — Hessian Registers of Coats of Arms (2 volumes, German)

### History

A Social History of Hesse: Roman Times to 1900 (English — excellent!)

Special 40th Anniversary Volume of the Hessian Family History Society (German)

Special 50th Anniversary Volume of the Hessian Family History Society (German)

Historical Place Index for the Area of the Former Grandduchy of Hesse (German)

"Counties in Hesse," from the J. of the Hessian Historical Society (German)

The Rhein=Main Region before 1787 (German)

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200 Year Anniversary of the Brothers Grimm, An Invitation to Visit Their Cities (German)  
Histories—Towns, Districts and Regions (Grandduchy of Hessen)

Beerfelden, Brensbach, Echzell, Erbach, Giessen, Heppenheim a.d. Bergstrasse (2),  
the Odenwald (2), Stierbach

Histories—Towns, Districts and Regions (Hessen-Nassau)

Biebighausen, Eifa, Hatzfeld, Heimarshausen, Holzhausen, Reddighausen

Histories—Towns, Districts and Regions (Waldeck)

Bad Wildungen, Korbach

### Immigration

The Hessians of Nova Scotia — data on 225 Hessian soldiers (English)

The Hessians of Upper Canada — data on 172 more Hessian soldiers (English)

Military (both by the Johannes Schwalm Historical Association)

The Hessians of Lewis Miller — 22 portraits of soldiers of York, PA in later life

Diaries of a Hessian Chaplain and the Chaplain's Assistant (English translation)

### Travel

Giessen (German and English)

### U.S. Sections

Annette K. Burgert, 18th c. Emigrants from Pfungstadt, Hessen-Darmstadt to PA

Clifford Neal Smith, Muster Rolls & POW Lists - German Mercenary Troops (3 pts.)

Mercenaries from Hessen-Hanau Who Remained in Canada

Emigrants from the Principality of Hessen-Hanau, 1741-1767

Political Activists from Hesse, 1832-34, among whom Many to America

Annotated Hessian Chaplaincy Record, 1776-1784

### Ortssippenbücher

Lists of earliest ancestors, by Hessian Family Hist. Soc. members (4 vol.-German)

Hessen Grand-Duchy	Prov. Oberhessen	Kr. Giessen	Grüningen
			Holzheim
			Hüttenberger Land
			Oppenrod/Burkhardsfelden
			Steinbach
	Prov. Rheinhessen	--none--	--none--
	Prov. Starkenburg	Kr. Bensheim	Bickenbach/Hartenau
			Bürstadt
			Zwingenberg
		Kr. Darmstadt	Ober Ramstadt
		Kr. Dieburg	Brensbach
			Georgenhausen, Dils-hofen & Zeilhard
			Lichtenberg
			Wersau/Bierbach
			Groß/Klein-Zimmern
		Kr. Erbach*	Niederkainsbach
			Vielbrunn/Seckmauern
		Kr. Groß Gerau	Gernsheim
		Kr. Heppenheim	Fürth (Odenwald)

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Hessen-Nassau	Kassel	Kreis Frankenberg (only)	Heppenheim a.d. Bergstr.
	Wiesbaden	Obertaunuskreis (only)	Höringhausen
Waldeck	Kreis der Eder		Homberg/Friedrichshof
			Armsfeld
			Bergfreiheit
			Bericherhütte/mühle
			Braunau
		Kreis des Eisenberges	Frebershausen
			Freienhagen
			Kleinern
			Mehlen
			Adorf (Diemelsee)
			Alleringhausen
			Benkhausen
			Eppe
			Fürstenberg
			Goldhausen
			Helmscheid
			Immighausen
			Lengefeld
			Meineringhausen
			Mühlhausen
			Neerdar
			Niederense
			Nordenbeck
			Oberense
			Rhena
			Sachsenberg
			Strothe
			Welleringhamhausen
		Kreise der Twiste	Külte
			Landau
			Lütersheim
			Massenhausen
			Schmillinghausen
			Vasbeck
			Wetterburg
		Kreis Pyrmont (Piedmont)	--none--

\* Newly published Ortsfamilienbücher for Kirch Bromback & König Parishes (today's towns of 64732 Bad König & 64753 Brombachtal) in Kreis Erbach, Province Starkenburg, Großherzogtum Hessen may be found at: <[www.online-ofb.de/](http://www.online-ofb.de/)>, where the blank is filled in by one of these town names: Balsbach, Gumpersberg, Hembach, Kinzig (Mittel-, Nieder-, & Ober-), and Langenbrombach.

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### Vertical Files

IGS "Hessen" guide to Hessian history and to our collection holdings  
IGS "History of Hesse" chart from the March 1988 newsletter  
IGS "Hesse Researchers Report" (and instructions for staff completion of forms)  
"Hesse" pages from Wendy Uncapher's "Lands of the German Empire and Before"  
book review of Dan C. Heinemeier's "A Social History of Hesse"  
copy of Chapter 11 from Heinemeier, on Hessians in the War of Independence  
book review of "Die Hessians im Amerikanischen Unabhängigkeitskrieg: 1776-1783"  
book review of "The Hessians of Lewis Miller," by Johannes Schwalm Hist. Assoc.  
note on Clifford Neal Smith monographs dealing with German Am. Rev. soldiers  
query answer explaining Kurhessen = Hessen-Cassel = RB Cassel in Hessen-Nassau  
Myra Vanderpool Gormley "Shaking Your Family Tree" answer re: Hessian soldiers  
partial list of "Hessians" from Brunswick in the Am. Rev., from German Gen. Digest  
The German Connection — Merzhausen as being birthplace of Johannes Schwalm  
The German Connection — doctoral student researching emigrants from Schwalm  
list of emigrants from the Odenwald to America & Russian Poland (German)  
list of mostly Hessian-Darmstadters who died in America, from 1894-96 (German)  
"A Short History of Bad Karlshafen: the Spa on the Weser River" (English)  
GGSA Bulletin listing of 1840-65 emigrants from Nieder-Olm, near Mainz (English)  
GGSA Bulletin listing of 1830-1907 from Brandau, Neunkirchen, Hesse-Darmstadt  
GGSA Bulletin note on the HETRINA collection and its importance  
list of 19th c. emigrants of bakers from the town of Kirchhain, with notes (German)  
emigrants from Solz (near Fulda) in the years 1832-62 (German)  
list of the citizens of Wiesbaden in the year 1647 (German)  
Wiesbaden tax register from the start of the Thirty Years' War (German)  
1991 note: German researcher publishing on emigrants from Maulbach/Homberg-Ohm  
note from Kory Meyerink talk that Hesse-Darmstadt has good church records at the FHL  
brief note on an article describing the Medieval social organization of Frankfurt am Main  
brief note describing the work of the Johannes Schwalm Historical Association  
contact info (1991) re: info on emigrants from Maulbach parish, ner Homberg a. d. Ohm  
brief note on "Standesamtsregister Hessen" (German, re: das Hessische Staatsarchiv)  
two notes & map on Hessian genealogical societies & their areas of interest (German)  
response of HStAr-Marburg to a 1986 inquiry about 1840-66 emigrants (German-Engl.)  
response of HStAr-Marburg to a 1989 inquiry about 1851-66 emigrants (German)  
brief note on [ancestry.com](#)'s archived civil records projects for Frankfurt and Mannheim  
brief mailing list post on Frankfurt commercial history naming many 16th c. Huguenots  
Max Kade Institute profile of Jas. Klauser, credited with building Wisconsin-Hessen ties  
map showing locations of villages in Waldeck  
alphabetical list of major towns featured in our Ortssippenbücher collection  
German Life articles on Hessian soldiers, Bad Wimpfen, Wetzlar, apple wine

**But, there's still more on Hessen available online....**

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### Online Ortsfamilienbücher for Hessen:

**Knickhagen (Fuldata)** (34233), **Wilhelmshausen (Fuldata)** (34233), **Holzhausen (Immenhausen)** (34376), **Wabern** (34590), **Gießen** (3539x), **Lang-Göns** (35428), **Niedergirmes** (35576), **Aßlar** (35614), **Werdorf** (35614), **Bechlingen** (35630), **Breitenbach** (35630), **Dillheim** (35630), **Dreisbach** (35630), **Kölschhausen** (35630), **Niederlemp** (35630), **Naunheim** (35584), **Lahnau** (35633), **Greifenstein** (35753), **Ulm** (35753 Greifenstein), **Edingen** (35764), **Friedberg** (61169), **Ossenheim/Bauernheim** (61169), **Leidhecken/Wetterau** (61197), **Bingenheim/Wetterau** (61209), **Bad Orb** (63619), **Wallernhausen/Wetterau** (63667), **Ober-Beerbach** (64342), **Seeheim-Jugenheim** (64342), **Steigerts** (64342), **Stettbach** (64342), **Dilshofen** (64354 Reinheim), **Georgenhausen** (64354 Reinheim), **Spachbrücken** (64354 Reinheim), **Zeilhard** (64354 Reinheim), **Frankenhausen** (64367 Mühlthal), **Nieder-Beerbach** (64367 Mühlthal), **Nieder-Modau** (64372 Ober-Ramstadt), **Ober-Modau** (64372 Ober-Ramstadt), **Ober-Ramstadt** (64372), **Zwingenberg** (64673), **Klein-Gumpen** (64385 Reichelsheim), **Laudenau** (64385 Reichelsheim), **Affhöllerbach** (64395), **Bierbach** (64395), **Brensbach** (64395), **Höllerbach** (64395), **Kilsbach** (64395), **Mummenroth** (64395), **Nieder-Kainsbach** (64395), **Stierbach** (64395), **Wallbach** (64395), **Wersau** (64395), **Allertshofen** (64397 Modautal), **Asbach** (64397 Modautal), **Ernsthofen** (64397 Ernsthofen), **Herchenrode** (64397 Modautal), **Hoxhohl** (64397 Modautal), **Neunkirchen** (64397 Modautal), **Neutsch** (64397 Modautal), **Brandau** (64397 Modautal), **Klein Bieberau** (64397 Modautal), **Lützelbach** (64397 Modautal), **Webern** (64397 Modautal), **Groß-Bieberau** (64401), **Rodau** (64401 Groß-Bieberau), **Billings** (64405 Fischbachtal), **Hauses** (64405 Fischbachtal), **Hottenbach** (64405 Fischbachtal), **Lichtenberg** (64405 Fischbachtal), **Meßbach** (64405 Fischbachtal), **Niedernhausen** (64405 Fischbachtal), **Nonrod** (64405 Fischbachtal), **Obernhausen** (64405 Fischbachtal), **Steinau** (64405 Fischbachtal), **Walldorf** (64546 Mörfelden), **Mittershausen** (64646 Heppenheim), **Scheuerberg** (64646 Heppenheim), **Ellenbach** (64658 Fürth), **Erlenbach** (64658 Fürth), **Linnenbach** (64658 Fürth), **Seidenbach** (64658 Fürth), **Lauten-Weschnitz** (64668 Rimbach), **Mitlechtern** (64668 Rimbach), **Lindenfels** (64678), **Eulsbach** (64678 Lindenfels), **Glattbach** (64678 Lindenfels), **Schlierbach** (64678 Lindenfels), **Seidenbuch** (64678 Lindenfels), **Winkel** (64678 Lindenfels), **Winterkasten** (64678 Lindenfels), **Beedenkirchen** (64686 Lautertal), **Schmal-Beerbach** (64686 Lautertal), **Schannenbach** (64686 Lautertal), **Staffel** (64686 Lautertal), **Wurzelbach** (64686 Lautertal), **Gumpersberg** (64732 Bad König), **Mittel-Kinzig, Ober-Kinzig, Nieder-Kinzig** (64732 Bad König), **Balsbach** (64753 Brombachtal), **Birkert** (64753 Brombachtal), **Böllstein** (64753 Brombachtal), **Hembach** (64753 Brombachtal), **Kirchbrombach** (64753 Brombachtal), **Langenbrombach** (64753 Brombachtal)

### Hessian volumes of the Deutsche Geschlechterbücher available online:

32, 47, 52, 64, 66, 84, 94, 107; see - <http://wiki-de.genealogy.net/DGB#Digitalisate>.

[These and all volumes can also be found in the Main Los Angeles Public Library.]

### Hessian towns indexed by Band 15 of the Familiengeschichtliche Quellen:

Giessen, Helsen, Massenhausen, Oberliederbach, and Vasbeck.