German Jewish Research

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321 C.E.	Record of Jewish community in Cologne
1095	Crusades Massacre of Jewish communities of Worms, Mainz, Cologne
13th c	Jewish communities formed in Munich, Berlin
14th c	Expulsion blamed for Black Plague
17th c	Jews welcomed in Prussia, Hamburg, Bradenburg and Pomerania
1789	Napoleon capture of German states. Jewish emancipation granted
1812	Jews granted citizenship in Prussia
1848	German Revolution Jews given citizenship
1871	United German States includes Alsace-Lorraine, Baden, Wurttemburg, Bavaria, Silesia, Posen
1918	Alsace Lorraine ceded to France, Upper Silesia, Posen, West Prussia to Poland
1933	Nazi rise to power

FREE COPYRIGHT FREE MAPS *http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:Maps_of_the_German_Empire*

GerSIG - Jewish Gen German-Jewish Website *www.jewishgen.org/gersig/*
Maps, newspapers, family websites, etc

JewishGen Germany Database –www.jewishgen.org/databases/Germany/
JOWBR Cemetery Index ***www.iajgsjewishcemeteryproject.org//germany/index.html***

- **Family Finder**
- **Online Worldwide Burial Registry**
- **Holocaust Database**
- **Yizkor Book Necrologies** .
- **Jewish Families of Northern Germany**
  Lower Saxony, North-Rhine-Westphalia, Hamburg, Bremen, and Hessen.
- **West Prussia 1812 Citizenship**
- **Name Adoption List Index (NALDEX)**
  surname-adoption by German Jews. Phase I from early 19th-century Prussia
- ***Aufbau* Survivors Lists**
  newspaper *Aufbau*, NewYork, 1944-1946.
- **Westphalian Jews and the Holocaust**
- **Jews in Würzburg, 1900-1945**
  Biographical dictionary Würzburg, Lower *Franconia*

Jewish Records Indexing - Poland birth, marriage and death records from towns in Prussia.

Germany Kehila links http://kehilalinks.jewishgen.org/W_Europe.html

- Altdorf (48°16' N, 07°49' E)
- Beckum
- Bollendorf
- Floss
- Fulda
- Ibbenbüren *In Progress Contact* David Rosenthal
- Kirchheim an der Weinstraße (Kirchheim an der Eck) (*In Progress Contact* Carolyn Lee Kohlman)
- Neustadt (Alaska Connection)
- Schmieheim
- Schwanfeld

FEEFHS.org - The Federation of East European Family History Societies
Germany Genealogy Resources - *www.feefhs.org/links/germany.html*
Maps of the German Empire - *www.feefhs.org/maplibrary.html*

Die Jüdischen Gefallenin - Jewish Servicemen Killed in Action In the German Army, German Navy And German Colonial Forces 1914-1918. A Roll of Honor Commemorating the 12,000 German Jews Who Died for their Fatherland in World War I. *www.germanjewishsoldiers.com/introduction.php*

Aufbau – Alex Calzareth's index of announcements 1934 - 2004 *http://www.calzareth.com/aufbau/* Alex' database links to*: http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~alcalz/aufbau/saved.html*

LEO BAECK INSTITUTE - research library devoted to the study of the history and culture of German-speaking Jewry. *www.lbi.org/* also has digitized records on line at www.lbi.org/digibaeck/

STAMMBAUM English language publication of German Jewish genealogy 1992-2007 Issues 1 – 31 with index. Focuses on Germany, but includes Austria, Switzerland, Alsace, Bohemia.
www.lbi.org/publications/periodicals/stammbaum also in our Library

GEDANKBUCH - The Memorial Book of the Federal Archives for the Victims of the Persecution of Jews in Germany (1933-1945) To search in the directory of names: *www.bundesarchiv.de/index.html.en*

INDEX OF GERMAN-POLISH AND POLISH-GERMAN NAMES of the localities in Poland & Russia, by Anna Sluszkiewicz - *www.atsnotes.com/other/gerpol.htm*l

NAME ADOPTION LISTS - During the first decades of the 19th century Jews were forced by law to take civil names. *www.a-h-b.de/AHB/links_e.htm*

YAD VASHEM –Holocaust Research, *www.yadvashem.org/*

$ Ancestry.com German databases:

Germany, Index of Jews Whose German Nationality was Annulled by Nazi Regime, 1935-1944
http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=2027
Card Catalog then Germany for extensive list of Census, Military, directories, etc

German Phone Directories, 1915-1981 *http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=1564*

Meyers Gazetteer of the German Empire -*http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=1074*

Jewish Community Locator - *http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=1472*
Alternative to JewishGen Gazetteer

Hamburg Passenger Lists - *http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=1068*

FamilySearch.org

General information	*https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Germany*
German Word List	*www.familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/German_Word_List*
German Letter Writing	*www.familysearch.org/learn/wiki/*en/Germany_Letter_Writing_Guide
Germany	*https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Germany*
German Research Outline	*www.Gerrmanroots.com/outline.html*

Searchable Indexed Databases a/o Feb 2013 with Jewish names

Deaths and Burials, 1582-1958
Births and Baptisms, 1558-1898
Bremen Passenger Departure Lists, 1904-1914
Marriages, 1558-1929
Mecklenburg-Schwerin Census 1867, 1890. 1900
Westfalen, Minden Citizen Lists, 1574-1902

GERMANY: Location of State Archives: www.rijo.homepage.t-online.de/pdf/EN_DE_AR_archives.pdf

ALEMANNIA JUDAICA www.alemannia-judaica.de/
Baden-Württemberg, Alsace, Switzerland, Vorarlberg, and Bavarian Swabia on

Jewish cemeteries
Synagogues
Jewish cultural centers
Jewish Museums
Current Jewish communities
Basic Research Outline
German Genealogy

German Jewish Journals 1806-1938 www.compactmemory.de/

POSEN www.posen-l.com/index.php
Surname search
1905 Community Search

Kartenmeister www.kartenmeister.com/preview/html/english.html
Border Changes and town name changes

Holocaust Museum www.ushmm.org/outreach/en/article.php?ModuleId=10007687

SteveMorse.org
German Jews 1933 Census in progress, Auschwitz Prisoner Photos, Dachau

JewishLink www.jewishlink.net/genealogy.html

Jewish Genealogy in Bavarian Swabia www.jgbs.org/Welcome.php