Scandinavian Genealogical Research Resources

Denmark

The Transcribed Census Records and Digitized Church Records are websites provided by the Danish government and available to the researcher at no cost.

Transcibed Census Records http://www.ddd.dda.dk/

This is a valuable resource since the census records list every name in each household. In the Danish Demographic Database you can search for information using various search techniques. Efforts are constantly being made to add more data to the databases since all of the census records have not been transcribed.

It is recommended that the researcher use both this website in addition to the Digitized Census Records to achieve desired family history research together. It also provides excellent documentation for your source material. Begin by going to the Arkivalieronline website www.sa.dk/ao

Along with the church records, the National Census records were also some of the first Danish records to be digitized. The following census years are available through Arkivalieronline:

1787	1801	1834	1840	1845	1850	1855	1860	1870
1880	1890	1901	1906	1911	1916	1921	1925	1930

Digitized Church Records

Some of the first records to be digitized on the website are the Lutheran church records. Each parish has records digitized from the earliest records up to the 20th century (dates vary depending on the parish). Records typically include the following: Birth/ baptism, confirmation, betrothal/marriage, death/ burial, Arkivalieronline website www.sa.dk/ao

Following records are also digitized:

Probate records, Civil records, Fire Insurance records, Court records

FamilySearch Wiki

FamilySearch Wiki is a community website dedicated to helping people throughout the world learn how to find their ancestors. The content is variously targeted to beginners, intermediate, and expert researchers.

The Denmark portal page has many helpful articles that can help you learn how to find, use, and analyze Danish records of genealogical value.

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/ Wiki Home Page https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/ denmark

Norway

National Archives of Norway

http://digitalarkivet.uib.no/index-eng.htm

The Digital Archives is a public service from the National Archives of Norway. Here you can search in transcribed source material for free. Instructions can be translated into English Digitized Parish Records and Census Records are recommended with the use of other digitized records which are available.

FamilySearch Wiki

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Local History Books (Bygdebøker)

Detailed and chronological accounts of individual farms, owners and families Generally all people who have lived on farm are mentioned. Can go back to 1600s

Often includes from 10 to 20 Generations

Bygebøker at the University of Minnesota Libraries http://wilson.lib.umn.edureference/bygdebkr.html Approx. 500 volumes Search: Bygdebok

University of North Dakota Library-no interlibrary loans

University of Wisconsin–Madison Library http://madcat.library.wisc.edu/
Will loan books. Search Norway Farms

Sweden

Access to Swedish Church Records

The easiest way to access the Swedish Church Records is through the internet using sites such as SVAR, Arkiv Digital, FamilySearch, and Ancestry.com. Three of these sites require a subscription for access (Arkiv Digital and the FamilySearch Collections are available at FamilyHistory Centers at no cost to the researcher.) The Genline images are available through Ancestry.com (a fee-based website) in its World Deluxe Membership subscription.

You can find microfilm and microfiche through the Family History Library, and FamilySearch Centers. The original copies of the church records before 1895 are preserved by the National and Regional Archives in Sweden.

Swedish Government Website (Arkiv Digital)

This is the most complete set of Swedish records. It is a fee-based website obtained through the Swedish government or in any Family History Center at no charge.

FamilySearch Wiki

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/ Wiki Home Page

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Sweden

FamilySearch Wiki is a community website dedicated to helping people throughout the world learn how to find their ancestors. Through the Sweden page you can learn how to find, use, and analyze Swedish records of genealogical value. The content is variously targeted to beginners, intermediate, and advanced researchers.

Research Tools is a sub-title in FamilySearch Wiki which contain digitized parish records and indexes for many parishes. Parish records are being adds as being digitized and indexed. May be viewed at home or from any computer having internet access. Other research tools are identified.

Ancestry.com

Sweden, Church Records, 1500-1941

This provides excellent source material for the researcher. Website includes, parish records (births/baptisms, betrothal/marriages, death/burials), Husförhör (Household examination), Inflyttning (Moving in), Utflyttning (Moving out), and others. This is not as complete as records available on the Swedish government website.

Available at home (by subscription), Santa Clara Central Park Library (no charge) and Santa Clara Family Center, 875 Quince Ave., Santa Clara (no charge).