

Maryland

Immigration

Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Baltimore, 1820–1891.

Microfilm	50 rolls	NARA M255	Immigration	Maryland
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These passenger lists for the port of Baltimore are chronologically arranged by the arrival date of the vessel. The lists contain the name of each passenger, age, sex, occupation, the county to which he or she belonged, and the country to which he or she intended to become an inhabitant. There are notations as to the number and cause of deaths on board. The indexes are items b and c below.

The earlier lists have been published by Michael Tepper, *Passenger Arrivals at the Port of Baltimore 1820–1834*, R929.373/P287.

Index to Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Baltimore, 1820–1897.

Microfilm	171 rolls	NARA M327	Immigration	Maryland
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This index, based on the Soundex system, is a card index to the names on passenger lists of vessels arriving at Baltimore 1829–1897. Each card has the family and given name of the passenger, the names of those accompanying him or her, age, sex, marital status, occupation, nationality, last permanent address, destination, port of entry, name of vessel, and date. The quantity of information, however, does vary. The names of persons constituting a family group are usually given on the front of the card under the heading “accompanied by.” In some cases, these names are on the reverse of the cards and were not, unfortunately, filmed. The passengers are not the ones who appear in the item c following.

Quarterly Abstracts of Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Baltimore, Maryland, 1820–1869.

Microfilm	6 rolls	NARA M596	Immigration	Maryland
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Index to Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Baltimore, 1833–1866.

Microfilm	22 rolls	NARA M326	Immigration	Maryland
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This is a card index arranged on the Soundex system to the names on lists of passengers on vessels arriving at the port of Baltimore between 1833 and 1866. Each card contains the family name and given name of the passenger, the names of those accompanying him or her, age, sex, marital status, occupation, nationality, last permanent residence, destination, port of entry, name of vessel, and date. The quantity of data on the cards varies. The names of persons apparently constituting a family group are usually on the front of the card under the heading “accompanied by.” These people also have individual cards. This index is for passenger lists maintained by the city of Baltimore to fill gaps in the lists held by the federal government. The passengers are not the ones who appear in item b above.

Index to Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Baltimore, 1897–July 1952.

Microfilm	43 rolls	NARA MT520	Immigration	Maryland
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Land

Maryland. Land Office. Patent Series, 1637–1853.

Microfilm	87 rolls		Locality	Maryland
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Access to the series is available by Gust Skordas' *The Early Settlers of Maryland: An Index to Names of Immigrants Compiled from Records of Land Patents, 1633–1680, in the Hall of Records, Annapolis, Maryland*, R929.3752/ S628E. Carson Gibb's *A Supplement to The Early Settlers: Comprising 8,680 Entries Correcting Omission and Errors in Gust Skordas, The Early Settlers Of Maryland*, R929.3752/S628E/1968/Suppl. Later coverage is available by Peter Wilson Coldham's *Settlers of Maryland, 1679–1783*, R929.3752/C688S/ 2002.

Military—Revolutionary War (1775–1783)

Continental Loan Office Records Delaware and Maryland, 1777–1790.

Microfilm	1 roll	NARA M1008	Locality	Delaware
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Military—Civil War (1861–1865) Union

Index to Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Maryland.

Microfilm	13 rolls	NARA M388	Locality	Maryland
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Military—Civil War (1861–1865) Confederate

Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Maryland.

Microfilm	22 rolls	NARA M321	Locality	Maryland
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The compiled service records consist of a jacket envelope containing card abstracts pertaining to the soldier as taken from muster rolls, returns, rosters, payrolls, appointment books, hospital registers, Union prison registers and rolls, parole rolls, and inspection rolls as well as any original papers relating to the soldiers. The records are arranged by military unit and thereunder alphabetically by name of veteran.

Miscellaneous

The Calvert Papers.

Microfilm	27 rolls		Locality	Maryland
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This collection of more than 1,300 documents contains the official and personal papers of the six Lords Baltimore as well as other members of the Calvert family. They are grouped into the following categories:

- a. old guides to the Calvert Papers, rolls 1–2
- b. family papers 1584–1783, rolls 2–6
- c. colonial ventures, 1623–1805, rolls 6–25
- d. correspondence, rolls 25–27
- e. miscellaneous and unidentified fragments, roll 27. Of particular genealogical interests are the quit rents for the following counties: Anne Arundel 1651–1752, Baltimore 1658–1761, Calvert 1651–1759, Cecil 1658–1762, Charles 1642–1762, Dorchester 1659–1761, Frederick 1760–1, Kent 1638–1761, Prince George's 1650–1761, Queen Anne's 1640–1761, St. Mary's and Charles Counties 1760, Somerset and Worcester 1663–1761, and Talbot 1658–1761. There are also debt books for 1750, land grants, land warrants, alienation fines for 1753, and various court records.

Access to the collection is via *The Calvert Papers: Calendar and Guide to the Microfilm Edition* by Donna M. Ellis, R016.9752/C167YE/1989.

Naturalization

Indexes to Naturalization Petitions to the U.S. Circuit and District Courts for Maryland, 1797–1951.

Microfilm	25 rolls	NARA M1168	Immigration	Maryland
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These indexes contain the names of those individuals naturalized in federal courts in Maryland between 1797 and 1951. Since an alien could seek citizenship in any court, many individuals will be omitted because they applied to state and local courts. The first index, covering 1797–1906, is an alphabetical card index giving the name of the alien, the country of nativity, the date of the declaration of intention or petition for naturalization, the court to which the alien applied, and the volume and page number.

The second index covers October 1906–April 1915, the third covers April 1915–April 1920, and the fourth covers April 1920–October 1925. This index provides the name of the alien and his or her naturalization petition number and nothing else.

The fifth index covers November 1925–December 1951. It is in alphabetical order providing the name of alien, residence, age, date of the order of admission, date of certificate of naturalization, petition number, and the certificate number. In addition some cards contain the signature, date, and court where the declaration of intention was filed, registration number, and any name change by the petitioner.

The sixth index concerns aliens who joined the armed forces of the United States and who filed for naturalization while in the service between May 1918 and April 1923. It contains the name of the soldier, his petition number, and the volume. The military unit to which he was assigned and the camp where he was stationed will sometimes appear.

Newspapers

The Maryland Gazette, 1745–1839.

Microfilm	14 rolls		Locality	Maryland
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Probates

Prerogative Court of Maryland Wills 1635–1777, v. 1–41.

Microfilm	40 rolls		Locality	Maryland
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The prerogative court recorded duplicate copies of all colonial wills forwarded to the court from the counties. For those counties which have had record losses, these testamentary documents are particularly valuable. In addition to the estates of decedents from Maryland, the court also recorded wills from individuals in Barbados, Delaware, and London if they owned realty in the colony. In some instances the prerogative court copy is the only will extant for the testator. Such is the case for a number of wills from Anne Arundel county.

The index to these records is James M. Magruder's *Index to Maryland Colonial Wills, 1634–1777, in the Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md.*, R929.3/ M3ZM/1969. Abstracts appear in Jane Baldwin Cotton's *The Maryland Calendar of Wills*, R929.3752/C815M/1988. Her eight volume set covers the period 1635–1743 and features 8,000 abstracts. F. Edward Wright resumed the series with volume IX.