German Genealogy

German Emigration Records

Many German emigrants exited through the ports of Bremerhaven and Cuxhaven. Bremerhaven was the port of Bremen because the Bremen port was full of silt and needed dredging. Ships could not get into Bremen. Cuxhaven was the port for Hamburg. Other German ports were primarily located along the eastern sea board and included Stettin, Gdansk (Danzig), Libau, Memel, and Riga. Germans also used Scandinavian ports (especially Copenhagen). The ports in Antwerp, Belgium and le Havre, France were also used.

Some causes for German emigration:

- Compulsory military conscription was unpopular. Many young men emigrated without permission in order to avoid military service. It has been estimated that more than fifty percent of young men of military age emigrated illegally.
- In the early 1800s, an economic depression and over-population caused restrictions on marriages and attempts to limit growth in poor areas of the south and central Germany. Young couples in these areas often emigrated separately or together, often with illegitimate children.
- Only three religions were allowed in German lands: Catholic, Lutheran and Reformed. Prussian King Friedrich Wilhelm III united the Reformed (Calvinist) and Lutheran churches in 1817 on the 300th anniversary of the Reformation. These religious restrictions caused some to emigrate for religious convictions.
- Industrialization in the mid 1800s created many new jobs, but also caused the decline of the cottage industries which had kept many families from starving. The hardest hit were the linen weavers who worked on looms in their homes. Mechanical looms and the competition from foreign markets drove many to pack up and leave.
- Rising grain prices in the early 1830s, mid 1840s, and 1850s created a hardship on sustaining a family.
- Some communities tried to get rid of the chronically underprivileged members of the society, with some towns paying the passage costs in exchange for the individual giving up all citizenship rights and promising not to return.
- Improved transportation with the removal of tolls on the Rhine, Main and Neckar rivers in the 1830s, made it cheaper to travel to a port city. The railroad miles also doubled by 1846-47.
- Industrialization wiped out home industries such as spinning, weaving, etc.
- Land prices were increasing, but the income produced from the land did not have the corresponding increase. Selling the land rights often provided enough money to allow a family to emigrate.
- Some farm sizes had become so small that they no longer could support a family.
- From 1830-1845, growing grapes for the wine industry was unstable, and a series of bad crops caused many to emigrate.
- The largest share of taxes and military personnel came from tradesmen, farmers, artisans, and laborers. Many did not want their children to feel the brunt of upcoming wars, unemployment, indebtedness, and impoverishment.
- Relatives or friends who had already emigrated sent positive reports back to their hometown. Their reports encouraged others to follow.
- Some political refugees, especially after the failed 1848 revolution, decided to leave.
- Many shipping companies employed agents who actively canvassed specific geographic areas and wrote up shipping contracts with prospective emigrants.
- Reports of cheap land in other countries lured people to leave.
Some destination sites for the emigrants:

- Many from the crowded south of the German areas in the 1700s moved to new Prussian lands opening in Pomerania, West and East Prussia, Silesia, and Posen.
- Hungary, Spain, Russia, and France were other destinations which developed German-speaking pockets.
- Following the Thirty Years' War in 1648, the Swiss moved in to rebuild destroyed regions, but this did not always work out as planned.
- In the 1700s, it is estimated that 830,000 Germans emigrated to Russia, while only 125,000 went to America. Catherine the Great invited German farmers to emigrate to her unsettled frontier in the southern Ukraine along the Black Sea and the Sea of Azor. About 37,000 accepted the 1763 invitation.
- From 1717-1775, most of the Germans going to America landed in Philadelphia and gave Pennsylvania the largest German population.

Some emigration events:

- In the early 1700s, the first major region to emigrate was from the Palatinate, Hesse, southern Rhineland, parts of Baden and Württemberg. Reasons for this included: inherited land parcels became too small to support a family, the area was under constant threat of war or recovering from a war, the ongoing struggle with neighboring France, and the winter of 1708-09 devastated the wine industry for years and jeopardized the jobs in that region.
- Mennonite miners and their families found jobs in the Virginia ironworks.
- Baptist Dunkers left in 1729.
- Salzburg Lutherans moved to Georgia in 1731.
- Schwenkfelders left in 1734.
- Moravian Brethren left after 1735.
- Around 1815, authorities in the southwest German areas paid to have their poor shipped to America.
- Baden liberalized their emigration laws in 1803, Württemberg in 1815, Prussia in 1818, and Hesse in 1821.
- From the 1700s to the late 1840s, emigration from Hesse was popular and affordable, but the increased poverty in the late 1840s allowed only the small families and individuals to afford the costs of emigration.
- From the mid-1820s to 1850s, LeHarve became an important port for Germans from Württemberg, Baden, Alsace and Switzerland.
- From 1844-1847, about 7,000 Hessians headed to the hill country of Texas.
- It is estimated than about 20,000 Hessians emigrated to America in 1854. Of the number, over 9,000 were from Hesse-Kassel.
- From 1848-1854, approximately 773,000 Germans emigrated to America, with nearly 2/3 of them from Hesse-Kassel, Hesse-Darmstadt, the Palatinate, Baden and Württemberg.
- Emigration spread beyond Württemburg and along the Rhine after 1830.
- After 1850, most of Mecklenburg's emigrants consisted mainly of day laborers and farmhands.
- About 800 Rappites (or Harmonists) emigrated from northwest Württemberg from 1803-1805, with most coming through the ports of Baltimore or Philadelphia.
- German-speakers from northern Alsace (Bas-Rhin) were encouraged to leave during the 1820s and 30s, and those from southern Alsace (Haut-Rhin) after 1843.
- In the 1830s and 1840s southern Hanover and northern Westphalia saw heavy emigration with the drop in linen prices and years of poor harvests. Spinners and weavers in Silesia were also hard hit by the introduction of mechanical looms.
- Nassau had the highest per capita emigration rate in the 1800s.
• Following the First Schleswig War in 1851, many defeated soldiers left for eastern Iowa.
• Peak years for emigration from Westphalia included 1833-1850s and 1880-1885. Many headed to Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Minnesota, and South Dakota.
• With the the exit of many lower middle class small farmers, village shopkeepers, and artisans, emigration from Baden peaked between 1847 and 1857.

The above information is from the German Interest Group - Wisconsin Newsletter, 14, 4 (February 2007).

German/European Ports Used by German Emigrants

**Hamburg**

- Passenger Lists, 1850-1934
- The direct Passenger Lists
- The indirect Passenger Lists
- Combined index 1850-1871 (Klüber-Kartei - two alphabetical indexes on film; also contains some entries from other than the Hamburg passenger lists.
- Police registers of city residents and passports issued, various sets of records found in the Family History Library catalog under "Hamburg -- Emigration and Immigration", "Hamburg -- Population" and "Hamburg -- Passports."

**Bremen**

Bremen began keeping passenger lists in 1832, but most lists have been destroyed. Currently, 2,953 passenger lists dating from 1920 to 1939 are kept in the Archive of the Bremen City Chamber of Commerce. Members of the Family History Association of Bremen, "die Maus", are currently creating an index of this material for the Internet.

Some reconstructed passenger lists have been published. This information was taken from the U.S. arrival lists. For example:

- Zimmerman, Gary J., and Marion Wolfert. *German Immigrants -- Lists of Passengers Bound from Bremen to New York*, 4 volumes. FHL Ref 974.71 W3g

**Antwerp, Belgium**

For Antwerp, the Family History Library is currently filming emigration records and hotel registers that include Germans, especially from the Rhineland and the Southwestern part of Germany, and give towns of origin. These records are cataloged under "Belgium, Antwerpen, Antwerpen-Emigration-Immigration". The "Vreemdelingendossiers" begin in 1840. There are indexes. The first film number of the set is 2234256. Scanned images of the indexes are also available.

**Le Havre, France**

The only actual ships' lists known to exist are crew lists.

Records of some Le Havre ship departures may be found at:

Archives Départementales de la Seine-Maritime
In addition, a card index of about 40,000 passengers who left the port of Le Havre from 1784-1840 is reportedly in the possession of a local genealogical society at:

Groupement Genealogique du Havre et Seine-Martime
BP 80
F-76050 Le Havre Cedex
France

Some emigration material in the Family History Library can be found in the Catalog under:
Germany, Elsass-Lothringen -- Emigration-Immigration
France, Alsace-Lorraine -- Emigration-Immigration
France, Bas-Rhin (or Haut-Rhin or Moselle) -- Emigration-Immigration

Available is a set of films called *Registres des émigrés, 1817-1866, an alphabetical car index lists individuals who traveled through France on their way to their new residence abroad*. (Family History Library film #s 1125002 through 1125007). Some of these materials are also available in Schrader-Muggenthaler, Cornelia. *The Alsace Emigration Book*. (FHL Ref. 944.38 W2s), 2 vols.

**Stettin**

The Greifswald Landesarchiv holds some passenger lists that include emigrants that left from the port of Stettin, now Szczecin, Poland. These lists cover parts of the years 1871, 1876-1891, and 1896-1898. The archives address is:

Landesarchiv Greifswald
Martin-Andersen-Nexo-Platz 1
D-17489 Greifswald
Germany

Friedrich R. Wollmershäuser, a German genealogist, has an index to these lists. He charges a fee for researching these records. His website is [http://www.anthonj.de/genealogen/](http://www.anthonj.de/genealogen/).

**Other Ports**

Other German ports were primarily located along the Eastern sea board and included Gdansk, Libau, Memel, and Riga. Germans also used Scandinavian ports (especially Copenhagen), British ports (Queenstown, Glasgow, Liverpool, Hull, Newcastle, and Edinburgh), and other French and Northern Italian ports. No passenger lists are known to have survived.

**German Emigration Resources**

- [About 100 People Who Emigrated from Villingendorf (Baden-Württemberg) to America in the 19th Century](http://example.com)
• Amerikauswanderer aus den Ämtern Bünde, Rödinghausen, Kirchlengern und Gohfeld-Mennighüffen im 19. Jahrhundert / herausgegeben und verlegt vom Kreisheimatverein Herford. Herford : Der Verein, [1990] 192 p. (Wittekindsländ ; Heft 3) A list of 19th emigrants to America from Kreis Herford; arrangement is by town then year of emigration, with a name index. Many settled in the Middle West.

• Amerikanetz Netzwerk westfälische Amerika-Auswanderung seit dem 19. Jahrhundert. Network Westphalian Emigration to America since the 19th century. A loose yet comprehensive network of individuals combing their work on the Westphalian emigration. Many links; also access to databases.


• Arbeitsgemeinschaft Genealogie Schleswig Holstein (Hans Peter Voß from Kiel). Their projects include an emigrant database and transcriptions of Schleswig Holstein Census records. Work in progress. Online access is possible, valuable information and data.


• Auswanderer, Aken, Dusseldorf, Koln. Computer printout (published?) available at: "Das Hauptstaatsarchiv "Dusseldorf", Mauerstrasse, Dusseldorf, Germany.


• Auswanderer aus dem Gebiet des ehemaligen preußischen Regierungsbezirks Trier 1700 - 1900. (Rhineland). Emigrants from the former Regierungsbezirk Trier 1700-1900.

• Auswanderer aus Gechingen, Kreis Calw (Wuerttemberg). Emigrants from Gechingen, Wuerttemberg.

• Auswanderer-Museum-Oberalben. The Museum displays the history of emigration from the Palatinate to America. Some reference literature and name lists. Limited opening
hours.

- **Auswanderer und ihre Familien aus dem ehemaligen Großherzogtum Oldenburg.** Emigrants from the former Grandduchy of Oldenburg compiled from various sources. Homepage of the Oldenburg Genealogical Society.

- **Auswanderung aus Bayern nach Amerika.** Web site of Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte at Munich. In 2004 and 2005 the Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte did present an extensive exhibit Bye Bye Bayern – Grüß Gott Americ”. Catalog may still be available.

- **Auswanderung aus dem alten Amt Wildeshausen.** Emigration from the former county of Wildeshausen.

- **Auswanderung aus dem Rheingau.** Hessen.
- **Auswanderer aus Mestlin - Mecklenburg** List of emigrants to America and information about emigration to America from Mestlin.

- **Auswanderung aus Südwestdeutschland:** Eine Dokumentation des Landesarchiv Baden-Württemberg. Database of emigrants from Baden and Wuerttemberg, known as "Glatzle" collection.

- **Auswanderung aus Württemberg.** You can search a Württemberg emigration database here for free. First click on "Recherche," then on "Suchformular" to bring up the search form. In the "name" box type a name or just a surname, then click on the "Abschicken" button. You can get more listings for a name by using the pull down box next to the word "Sätze" -- the default is 10. This index is derived from different sources than the 8 volumes of books used for the Ancestry.com link listed below. (In German)

- **Auswanderung Landratsamter Polizeiprasidium Koln.** Computer printout (published?) available at: "Das Hauptstaatsarchiv Dusseldorf", Mauerstrasse, Dusseldorf, Germany.

- **Auswanderung nach Amerika / Emigration to America.** Emigrants from the District of Delmenhorst in Oldenburg.

- **Baden Emigration Index.** The Baden Emigration Index is an A to Z listing of those who left Baden from the 17th to the 20th centuries and received official permission to emigrate. If your ancestor emigrated without receiving permission they will not be included in the index. Information given in this index includes: name, place of origin (village, town or city) and year of emigration. The modern state of Baden-Württemberg is comprised of the former regions of Baden, Württemberg and Hohenzollern. The Baden Emigration Index covers only the former region of Baden. FHL films beginning with 1180096.

- **Baden Emigration Index 1866-1911.** Contains the names of more than 28,000 persons who left Baden between 1866 and 1911. Each entry includes the emigrant's name, residence or place of birth, and the year of departure. (Ancestry.com - requires payment)

- **Ballin Stadt, Hamburg.** Between 1850 and 1939, Hamburg served as the “Gateway to the World” for some 5 million European emigrants who left their homeland via the city’s port in search of a better life across the Atlantic. These people, many of whom were fleeing from political and religious persecution or simply wanted to escape a life of poverty and hunger, sought a new beginning, a better livelihood and the opportunity to make a fresh start in the "land of plenty". And they all had high hopes of a better life. The BallinStadt (BallinCity) Museum is dedicated to these people.
- **Bayerischer Landesverein für Familienkunde e.V.** The Bavarian Genealogical Society covers four regions in Bavaria. They also have emigration card files.


- **Die Bevölkerung des Herzogtums Schleswig am 13.Februar 1803.** Sponsored by the Genealogy Work Group-Holstein e.V., this site has databases of the population of this area in 1803, and a listing of Emigrants. It is a work in progress.

- **Bezirksverband Pfalz.** Institute for Palatine History and Folklife Studies at Kaiserslautern. A widely known facility which has proved itself valuable to many researchers. 300,000 card files on Palatine emigrants, literature, resources, publications.


- **Brandenburg, Prussia Emigration Index** (Ancestry.com - requires payment) These records are also available on microfiche from the Family History Library under the title: Brandenburgishes Landeshauptarchiv Potsdam, Auswanerungskartei. FHL microfiche #6109219 (22 total Fiches).

- **Brandenburgisches Landeshauptarchiv.** Excerpts of emigration files from the Regierungsbezirk Frankfurt/Oder


Pfälzer, Folge 27) Emigrants from Steinweiler during three centuries.

- **Bremen Passenger Lists, 1920-1939.** From 1875 - 1908, the staff of the "Nachweisungsbureau" decided to destroy all lists older than 3 years because of lack of office space. With the exception of 2,953 passenger lists for the years 1920 – 1939 all other lists were lost in World War II. This is a set of 3,017 lists dating 1920-1939 (of 4420 made during this time period), which was saved by Die Maus, a Bremen based genealogical society. Over 635,000 passengers are in the database which can be searched by surname, ship name, day of departure, destination harbor and hometown of the passenger.

- **Bremen Passenger Lists 1920 - 1939.**

- Broermann, Karl. *[Auswanderung der Mülheimer nach Pennsylvanien. English & German]* The emigration of the Mülheimers to Pennsylvania: both a local and German culture picture from the 17th century. Translated by Rosalie N. Castleberry. Windermere, Fla. (12404 Summerport Ln., Windermere 34786) : R.N. Castleberry, c1991. 46 p."With also a photocopy of the original German article: Die Auswanderung der Mülheimer nach Pennsylvanien.""The original article was published in the December, 1938 issue of the Mülheim Historical Society's Zeitschrift." An "index to Mulheim emigrants" who came to Germantown (now a part of Philadelphia) is on pages 48-49.


century emigrants from Pfungstadt who settled in Pennsylvania; contains extensive genealogical information.


- Burgert, Annette Kunselman. *The Hochstadt origins of some of the early settlers at Host Church, Berks County, Pa.* Worthington, OH (P.O. Box 93, Worthington 43085) : AKB Publications, c1983. A list of emigrants from Hochstadt who settled in Berks County, Pennsylvania.


Byler, John M. *Amish immigrants of Waldeck and Hesse: a record of 263 immigrants, with a record of their descendants to those who were married by about 1865, plus historical records of Germany, shiplists, etc.* Bellville, OH : J.M. Byler, 1993. Genealogical information about 263 emigrants from Waldeck and Hesse.

*Cooper County, Missouri Immigration Records.* Includes separate databases for emigrants from Sachsen-Coburg, Sachsen-Kronach, and Sachsen-Meiningen.

*CUXAUS:* A regional multimedia data base allowing online research of approximately 6,700 data entries on emigrants from the county of Cuxhaven, Niedersachsen, Germany.


*Deutsche Einwanderung in die Vereinigten Staaten, 1820-1915.* Graph showing the German emigration to the United States, 1820-1915.

Diffenderffer, F. R. *The German Exodus to England in 1790.* Published 1897. For reprints see: Tolzman, D. H.

*Dithmarschen Emigrants (1868-1920)* A listing of about 3600 people who emigrated from Dithmarschen, Schleswig-Holstein. A Genealogical Researcher in Dithmarschen (Mr. Jochims) has spent two years to compile this database of the applications for emigration [Landesarchiv Schleswig Abt.309]. He also used some other sources to build this base; not for all persons listed here are applications of emigration available. He was able to locate about 3600 Dithmarschen emigrants. As the majority of applications were lost or destroyed, less than 10 percent of the total emigrants appear in this document.


*18th Century German Emigration Research.* By Gary T. Horlacher, 2000. This article is an expanded version of an article published in the *German Genealogical Digest* Vol. 12, No. 4, Winter 1996 Edition, and from a conference report at the Utah Genealogical Association (UGA) 6th Annual Conference 16-17 April 1999.

*Emigrant World BallinStadt.* Between 1850 and 1939, Hamburg served as the “Gateway to the World” for some 5 million European emigrants who left their homeland via the
city’s port in search of a better life across the Atlantic. These people, many of whom were fleeing from political and religious persecution or simply wanted to escape a life of poverty and hunger, sought a new beginning, a better livelihood and the opportunity to make a fresh start in the “land of plenty”. And they all had high hopes of a better life. The BallinStadt (BallinCity) Museum is dedicated to these people. The Hamburg passenger lists from that period of time provide a wealth of information about the million emigrants who left from Hamburg. In cooperation with Ancestry.com, the original Hamburg passenger lists were made accessible to the public at BallinStadt and a family research center was set up in the new migration museum. The new migration center BallinStadt is named for Albert Ballin, an entrepreneur, a visionary who has been credited with making Hamburg a leading passenger port and initiating the first luxury cruises.

- **Emigrants from the District of Rendsburg** (529 individuals from Schleswig-Holstein) These 529 emigrants appear in the applications for emigration (Entlassung aus den Nexus) for the years 1868 up to 1884, located in the county-archives of Schleswig under the reference "Abt.309 No.33096 to No.33101". Occasionally, relatives who lived outside of Schleswig-Holstein (e.g.: U.S.A.) are listed. Their names appear in the same reports. N.B.: Since the majority of applications were either lost or destroyed, fewer than 10 percent of actual emigrants appear in this document.

- **Emigrants from the island of Fehmarn 1871-1882** (Schleswig-Holstein) The 189 inhabitants (families) of the isle of Fehmarn listed here filed an application for emigration during the years 1871-1882. N.B.: Since the majority of applications were either lost or destroyed, fewer than 10 percent of actual emigrants appear in this document.

- **Emigrants to America from Herford, Hiddenhausen, and Vlotho in the nineteenth century.** Herford : Kreisheimatverein Herford, c1989. 192 p. : ill. ; 24 cm. (Wittekindsland ; v. 2) Nineteenth century emigrants from three towns in Westphalia.

- **Emigration and settlement patterns of German communities in North America.** Indianapolis ; Nashville, IN : Produced and distributed by NCSA LITERATUR, c1995. A collection of essays on German emigration to North America.

- **Emigration Archive Sources edited by Carol Bowen**. Excellent information on emigration records for Mecklenburg, Hamburg and Bremen.

- **Emigration database Lippe**. Database of emigrants from Lippe-Detmold.

- **Emigration from Banat**. This database is taken from US Customs & Immigration passenger ship records prior to World War I. The mostly German settled Banat area was once part of the Austrian Empire and is now divided among Romania, Yugoslavia and Hungary.

- **Emigration from Bühlertal, Baden**

- **Emigration from Southwest Germany**. Emigrations from Baden, Württemberg and Hohenzollern.

- **Emigration Irscher Bürger nach Nord Amerika (1856-1882)**

- **Emigration out of Schleswig-Holstein, 19th century**. At least 55,000 native Schleswigers and Holsteiners who really emigrated, plus an additional 10 % for errors that there may be, and people that I know did not emigrate from Schleswig or Holstein, but from other places. Searching is free, but emigrant's place of origin provided by compiler upon fee payment.
- **Emigrant List from the former Duchy of Braunschweig 1846-1871** except the City of Braunschweig & the County of Holzminden, by Fritz Gruhne (surnames from the book)
- **Emigrants from Elmsland, Niedersachsen to the American Mid-West (19th Century)**. Mostly to Illinois & Missouri.
- **Emigrants from Kreis Meschede and Kreis Olpe (Westfalen) to the USA**
- **Emigrants from Külsheim, Baden-Württemberg, Germany to America & Elsewhere**
- **Emigrants from Kuppenheim, Rastatt, Baden**
- **Emigrants from Reimsbach (Saarland) to America 1846-1889**
- **Emigrants from Schleswig-Holstein to New Amsterdam (now New York) in 1636-1667**
- **Emigrants from the Attendorn (Germany) area, see: Heimatblatter fur das kurkolnische Sauerland**, volumes from around 1948-1958
- **Emigrants from the former Amt Damme, Oldenburg (now Niedersachsen), Germany, mainly to the United States, 1830-1849**
- **Emigrants from Rendsburg, Germany 1868-1884**
- **Emigrants from the isle Fehmarn, Germany 1871-1882**
- **Emigrants from the Grafschaft of Bentheim.**
- **Emslanders to the American Mid-West**. This webpage is devoted to the identification of 19th century German emigrants who came to America from that part of Hannover known today as Emsland, Niedersachsen, and settled in the mid-western United States.
- Faust & Brumbaug. Swiss Emigrants in the 18th Century to the American Colonies. Zurich (1734-1744), Bern (1706-1795) and Basel (1734-1794) archives. 2,300 names.
- **Forschungsstelle Niedersächsische Auswanderer in den USA** (research institute for emigration from Lower Saxony to USA)
• **Genealogie im Oldenburger Münsterland.** Lists from the Southern part of Oldenburg, known as "Oldenburger Muensterland" (predominantly Catholic).

• **Genealogische Datenbank der Griesen Gegend / Genealogical Data Base of the Griesen Gegend (Mecklenburg).** Various lists of emigrants; some list only names, other extensive personal information.

• **Genealogy in Schleswig-Holstein.** Homepage of Hans Peter Voss from Steenfeld. Emigrant lists and other genealogical sources.


• **The German Americans: An Ethnic Experience.**

• **German and American Sources for German Emigration to America** by Michael P. Palmer. An encyclopedia type article about emigration including types of records, sources for ship lists, ports used, etc.

• **THE GERMAN AND JEWISH INTELLECTUAL ÉMIGRÉ COLLECTION.** In recognition of the serious scholarly interest in the mass migration of German speaking exiles from the Nazi regime, a German and Jewish Intellectual Émigré Collection was established in 1976 at the University at Albany, State University of New York. The German and Jewish Intellectual Émigré Collection is comprised of over 95 collections (approximately 750 cubic feet) of personal papers, organizational records, tape recordings, photographs, and related research materials documenting the German intellectual exodus of the 1930s and 1940s.

• **German Emigrants to South Australia, 1837-1860.** These lists have been transcribed from the original passenger lists, by Robert Janmaat of Adelaide, who has generously shared them with TheShipsList. Where available, extracts regarding a particular ship have been included, from the Sydney Shipping Gazette and the South Australian Register. The South Australian Government Gazette (return showing deaths on board Emigrant ships 1849 to 5th June 1865) has also been consulted.

• German Emigration Records. The LDS Family History Library has the 1991 edition of the Germanic Emigrants Register (FHL fiche 6312192; computer number 445448). The list consists of 10 microfiche and contains about 118,000 names. You can also write to: Germanic Emigrants Register, Postfach 10 08 22, 51608 Gummersbach, Germany.

• **German Emigration Center / Deutsches Auswandererhaus.** The largest emigration museum in Europe. Since 1830, more than 7 million Europeans departed from Bremerhaven on their way to the New World. The three focal points of the new Center are: experiencing migration, tracing roots, and understanding migration.

• **German Emigration Lists.** People who left Germany: this webpage contains links to online German emigration lists and indexes. (Requires Ancestry.com membership)
• **German Emigration Research by Progenealogists.**

• The **German Migration Resource Center** encourages a world-wide exchange of genealogy information about German immigrants. Visitors may post or read an Immigrant Query, post or locate a German Family Reunion or Festival, and order genealogy books.

• **German Passenger Lists.** A database of over 110,000 passengers.

• **German Resources.** Detailed listings of local databases. Regional emigrant lists and databases.

• **Germanic emigrants register** [microform]. Jan. 1992 ed. Diepholz, Germany : [Germanic Emigrants Register]; Warthausen : COM-Service EDV Habel, 1992. 23 microfiches. An alphabetic listing of names, including birthdates, time of emigration, and destination; covers the entire former German Empire and emigration years from 1820 through 1918. Each fiche includes at the end an index of names listed on that fiche and their frame location.


• **Germans to America,** lists of passengers arriving at U.S. ports". The book series **Germans to America** is up to volume 60 now. This series indexes passenger arrival lists from US ports, giving names, ages, occupations, and sometimes places of origin for many German immigrants, grouped by families. It also lists the ship, ports, and the date of the passenger ship list. The quality of the transcription varies, and because of its inclusion criteria, it is to be considered an incomplete index to German passengers, but it still can be quite useful. Make sure you consult the original passenger lists also!
  o **List** of volumes and dates (vol. 1- / 1850-).
  o **List** of known holding libraries.
  o Addenda for 1850-1855 are being published in **The German Connection** by the German Research Association:
    ▪ Volume 21, No. 1, 1997 (2 Jan 1850 - 12 Jan 1850)
    ▪ Volume 21, No. 2, 1997 (14 Jan 1850 - 25 March 1850)
    ▪ Volume 21, No. 3, 1997 (26 Mar 1850 - 11 May 1850)
    ▪ Volume 21, No. 4, 1997 (15 May 1850)

• Grand Duchy of Hessen-Darmstadt: Emigration Index 1800-1900, incomplete (FHL 1124278, 1124279, 1124280, 1124319, 1124320); Gieg, Ella **Auszanderungen aus dem Odenwalkkreis,** five volumes (FHL 943.41 W2gi); Schmahl, Helmut, **Die Auswanderung aus Rheinhessen im 18. und 19. Jahrhundert** (FHL 943.41 W2sh).

• **Großeneder Auswanderer.** List of 19th century emigrants from the village of Grosseneder in Nordrhein-Westfalen.

• **Gross-Umstadt [Groß-Umstadt] Emigrants**

• Gruhne, Fritz. **Auszandererlisten des ehemaligen Herzogtums Braunschweig. Ohne Stadt Braunschweig u. Landkreis Holzminden, 1846-1871.** (Braunschweig) Braunschweigischer Geschichtsverein, 1971. 293 p. 24 cm. (Quellen und Forschungen zur braunschweigischen Geschichte, Bd. 20) Emigrants are listed by town; a surname index follows. Does not include emigrants from the city of Braunschweig and the district of Holzminden. **Every Name Index** to this work.


• Hall, Charles M., editor. The Antwerp emigration index / by Charles M. Hall and Heritage International. [Logan, Utah (Box 368, Logan 84321) : Everton Publishers, 1986?] Lists emigrants from the port of Antwerp for the year 1855 only.


• Hamburg. Auswanderungsamt. Hamburg emigration records, 1850-1873. 66 microfilm reels. Consists of lists of emigrants moving through the port of Hamburg. Microfilm of originals in: Staatsarchiv (Hamburg). Includes both direct lists (passengers who sailed
directly from Hamburg to their destination and indirect lists (passengers who sailed from Hamburg, but who stopped at another European port before reaching their destination). Entries include name of the ship, master of the vessel, departure date, name of passenger, age, previous residence, occupation, and destination.

- **The Hamburg Passenger Departure Records** Many emigrants left from the German ports of Bremen and Hamburg (as well as other European ports). Most of the Bremen passenger departure records were destroyed. But the Hamburg lists survive - they are available online at Ancestry, and on microfilm from the Family History Library, which means they can be ordered from many local Family History Centers (although there may be restrictions on ordering these records in Europe). Here you will find links to online Hamburg indexes and digitized images, and sites with offline research tips. At the bottom of the page is a brief guide to help you read the German language passenger lists after you find them. Hamburg passenger lists are available from 1850-1934. However, the lists from January-June 1853 are missing. There are also no lists for the World War One years (1915-1919).

- **The Hamburg Passenger Lists, 1850–1934**. The Hamburg passenger lists contain the names of millions of Europeans who emigrated through Hamburg between 1850 and 1934 (except 1915–1919). Nearly one-third of the people who emigrated from central and eastern Europe during this time are included on these lists. If you have ancestors who emigrated from these areas, the Hamburg passenger lists could provide important genealogical information about them, including their hometowns. Extensive indexes make these records easier to use than most other passenger lists and emigration records.

- **Hamburg Passenger Lists, 1850-1934**, ocean ship passenger lists.

- **Hamburg Permits to Emigrate** (Reisepass Protokolle). Applications for Permits or Passports of persons sailing from Hamburg to America have been microfilmed for the years 1851 to 1929. The applications, indexed, required the physical description of the applicant, the former place of residence, and names of family members. In the Family History Library Catalog enter "Reisepasse Protokolle." The 323 films are listed by number.

- **Hegensdorfer Auswanderer 1824-1893**. List of emigrants from the village of Hegensdorf in Nordrhein-Westfalen. Also includes the nearby village of Keddinghausen.

- **Heimliche Auswanderung [Secret Emigration] aus 15 Orten (709 Personen)**
A list of 709 people who emigrated from the Eastern part of Westfalen (today Nordrhein-Westfalen). These emigrants are from the following towns: Auenhausen, Borgentreich, Borgholz, Buehne, Dalhausen, Drankhausen, Manrode, Muddenhagen, Natingen, Natzungen, Ossendorf, Rothe, Sandebeck, Scherfede. Note: this webpage loads very slowly as it is almost 1 mb in size.
  - Geduldete Auswanderung [Permitted Emigration] from the same area.


- **Hessen-Nassau. Struck, Wolf-Heino, Die Auswanderungen aus dem Herzogtum Nassau (FHL 943.42 W2s; Auerbach, Inge, Hessische Auswanderer -- Auswanderer aus Hessen-Kassel 1840-1850 (FHL 943.41 W29a); Auerbach, Inge, Auswanderung aus Kurhessen (FHL 943.41 W2ai).**
• **Hessisches Archiv-Dokumentations- und Informations-System.** Online inventory system for the Hessen State archives. Enter the surname in the box labeled "Schnellsuche". Emigrants specifically are found under the heading "Auswanderer-Nachweise", but can be found under other topics as well. Click on the topic for a detailed list of entries.

• **Hessisches Staatsarchiv Darmstadt Auswanderer-Nachweise**
  Emigration database from the Hessen State Archives in Darmstadt (type a name or surname into the box under "Schnellsuche" then click the magnifying glass icon)

• **Historic Emigration Office**, Hamburg

• **Historical Family Research - Reinhart Hofer.** The list consists of over 7000 emigrants of the period of 1830 to 1914. They mostly originate from districts of Lower and Upper Bavaria as well as Upper Palatinate and Frankonia. Sources are: state and church archives, private collections, contemporary newspaper publications and literature. If you find your emigrant ancestor, please contact Hofer for more information. He will send it for a reasonable fee.

• **The history of the emigration from the former Amt Damme (Oldbg) , particularly to North America, within the years 1830 -- 1880**, written by Johannes Ostendorf.


• **IMAR Mecklenburg Emigrant Database.** Over 25,000 names (of 170,000) have been entered so far into this database, which is searchable online by surname only. A donation is requested to obtain the full listing by mail.

• **Immigrants from Villingendorf, Germany to America in the 19th century.**

• **Immigration Resources.** Immigration related news, books and web resources.

• **Index to Palatine passenger lists**

• **Institute for Migration and Ancestral Research**, an organization that deals with emigration to America from Mecklenburg. It has at its disposal a database with 25,000 emigrants. No online access to records.

• Jacobs, H. E. _The German emigration to America, 1709-1740_. Published 1898. For reprints see: Tolzman, D. H.

• Jansen, Norbert. _Nach Amerika! Geschichte der liechtensteinischen Auswanderung nach den Vereinigten Staaten von Amerika_. Verlag des Historischen Vereins fuer das Fuerstentum Liechtenstein. Vaduz, 1976. 216 pages. Includes a list of all known emigrants from Liechtenstein to US.


- Kiening : *Genealogy northwest of Munich/Bavaria* Lists of property owners found in the communities East of Munich. Not emigrants specifically, but they can be used to link emigrant surnames to specific towns.


- Kuby, Alfred Hans. *1833 thru 1906, Palatine emigrants from Edenkoben (in Rheinland Pfalz, West Germany) to North America.* Mechanicsburg, Pa. (P.O. Box 535, Mechanicsburg 17055) : PennsylvaniaChapter of Palatines to America, c1989. Edenkoben emigrants to North America during the years 1833 through 1906; arranged by date of emigration, with a surname index.

- Kunz, Manfred. *Flucht aus der Not in die Neue Welt: Bad Camberger Auswanderung im 19. Jahrhundert.* Bad Camberg : Magistrat der Stadt Bad Camberg, Stadtarchiv, 1991. vi, 142 p. : ill. ; 21 cm. (Bad Camberger Archivschriften, ISSN 0937-9282 ; Nr. 5) A list of nineteenth century emigrants from Bad Camberg is on pages 134 to 140.

- Landesarchiv Baden-Württemberg. Emigration from south-west Germany. Emigration from Southwestern Germany/Württemberg. Documentation of Hauptstaatsarchiv Stuttgart – online database. More than 50,000 emigrant names from Württemberg and additional data concerning place of birth, destination, reasons for emigrating, year of emigration and number of accompanying relatives.

- Landkreis Cuxhaven Emigrants 1830-1930

- *Let's go to America! : the path of emigrants from Eastern Westphalia to the USA / [translated by William George]. Löhne : H. Brackmann, [1986?] Lists of emigrants are arranged by town; contains a name index.

- Link to Your Roots. Das Hamburger Staatsarchiv (The Hamburg State Archive) is in the process of putting its massive compilation of ship passenger lists (Passagierlisten) online. Due to the sheer volume of names, it will take at least four years to make all of the data available on the Internet. The massive archive of the port of Hamburg consists of 555 volumes meticulously compiled by the shipping lines (Reedereien) that transported German and other emigrants (Auswanderer) from Hamburg to the New World (die Neue
Welt) between 1850 and 1934. During those 85 years more than five million people left Europe for good, seeking a new life in North America. To the delight of genealogical researchers, almost every one of them was listed by name, date of birth and date of departure — something unique to Hamburg. The Hamburg project bears the English title **Link to Your Roots** and is designed to help the many descendants (Nachfahren) of those emigrants to find their European origins.

- **Lippe-Detmold**: Verdenhaven, Fritz, *Die Auswanderer aus dem Fürstentum Lippe* (FHL 943.55 W2v).
- **List of 19th Century Emigrants from Alstätte (Alstaette), Westphalia to Cincinnati & Ohio**. This village is now part of Ahaus.
- **List of Secret Emigration (19th Century)**. 709 names from Auenhausen, Bortgentreich, Borgholz, Buehne, Dalhausen, Drankhausen, Muddenhagen, Natingen, Natzungen, Ossendorf, Rothe, Sandebeck, Scherfede, and Tietelsen, Germany.
- **Lower Saxonian State Archives**. Click on Auswandererquellen/Emigrant Data. This opens emigrant databases for Braunschweig/Wolfenbüttel, Hannover and Osnabrück. Online research is possible, however findings are in the form of reference file numbers for archival holdings only, no detailed records are available online.
- **Mörsdorf, Robert. Die auswanderung aus dem Birkenfelder land. Bonn a. Rh., Ludwig Röhrscheid verlag, 1939. xvi, 188 p. A list of emigrants from the Birkenfeld area; includes year of emigration, name, hometown, occupation, number of dependents, and country of destination.
- **Names of Mecklenburg-Schwerin Emigrants, 1844-1915, edited by Carol Gohsman Bowen**.
- **NARA Genealogical Information**, National Archives and Records Administration. This is a listing of the microfilm copies made in 1985 by the Genealogical Society of Utah for the Family History Library of original records held at the National Archives in Suitland.
Maryland. This copy of index and passport applications is extensive but incomplete. It includes passport applications 1795-1924, and indexes 1830-1831, 1850-1852, and 1860-1925. It corresponds with the National Archives microfilm series M1371, M1372, and M1490. There are 2090 microfilm reels, 16 and 35 mm, in this collection.

- **Nattheimer Auswanderer nach Amerika - Emigrants from Nattheim to USA**
- **Niedersächsisches Landesarchiv (Lower Saxonian) State Archives.** Click on Auswandererquellen/Emigrant Data. This opens emigrant databases for Braunschweig/Wolfenbüttel, Hannover and Osnabrück. Online research is possible, however findings are in the form of reference file numbers for archival holdings only, no detailed records are available online.
- **Niedersachsen - Lower Saxony.** Emigration sources for the modern state of Niedersachsen, including material for Oldenburg.
- **Niedersachsen Staatsarchiv.** Search for emigrants from Hannover, Osnabrück & Wolfenbüttel 1825-1870.
- **Das Nordfriesische Auswanderer-Archiv.** Emigrants from Northern Friesland database.
- **Nordfriisk Institut.** The database of the Nordfriisk Institut at Bredstedt has data of about 5,000 overseas emigrants from North Frisia and the Northwest of the former Duchy of Schleswig, today Danish territory. Publications, literature.
- **O'Donnell, Krista, Renate Bridenthal and Nancy Reagin, editors. The Heimat Abroad: The Boundaries of Germaneness.** University of Michigan Press, 2005. Provides global coverage and perspective of this worldwide migration. German communities in the United States, Mexico, Brazil, Africa, southeast Europe, and elsewhere are surveyed.
- **Offenburger Auswanderer.** Searchable database of emigrants from Offenburg (in Baden) to North America.
- **Offenburg, Baden, Germany Emigrants**
- **Oggenhausener Auswanderer nach Amerika - Emigrants from Oggenhausen to USA**
- **Online German Emigration Records, Lists & Indexes.** Arranged by regions of Germany, this site contains links to emigrant records (or indexes to those records).
- **Palatine Passenger Lists Index.**
- **Palatine Project.** The Palatine Project is an ongoing effort, using sources from German speaking countries as well as early colonial American sources, to annotate and/or reconstruct the passenger lists of Germans who came to America in the first large wave of emigration in the 18th century.
- **Palatines to America.** Palatines to America is a genealogical society dedicated to the study of ancestors from all German-speaking lands, not only just the Palatinate but they also have a special focus on the Palatinate.
lists on 781 fiches; annual indexes of names (not in strict alphabetical order) on 272 fiches.


- **Prussian Emigration Records in Polish Archives** (Based on records stored at the State Archive in Szczecin / Stettin) By Tadeusz Hubert Pilat, AG, MLS.


- **Regional Databases Northern Germany** covers counties of Cloppenburg, Vechta, Cuxhaven, Delmenhorst, Bad Laer, total of 19,000 names, detailed, precise information, time covered varies by county 1830-1890.

- **Regional Emigration Lists** (Nordrhein-Westfalen). Links to lists of emigrants from the area of modern-day Nordrhein-Westfalen.

- **Regionale Auswandererdatenbank Cuxaus**. Auswanderer aus dem Landkreis Cuxhaven 1830 - 1930. Database of emigrants who left from the port of Cuxhaven.

- **Rendsburg, Schleswig-Holstein Applications of Emigration, 1868-1884**

- **Rendsburg, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany Emigrants (1868-1870)**

- **Rhineland: Mergen, Joseph,** *Auswanderungen aus dem Saarland* (FHL 943.42 W29m)


- **Rieckenberg, Heinrich.** *Schaumburger Auswanderer, 1820-1914*. Bösendahl, 1988. x, 535 p. (Schaumburger Studien, ISSN 0581-9660 ; Heft 48) Emigrants are listed by year, with a name index. (FHL 943.59 H2ss v. 48)


- **Roemer, Hermann.** *Die Auswanderung aus Markgröningen Kreis Ludwigsburg im Zusammenhang derwürttembergischen Auswanderung sippenkundlich dargestellt*. Ludwigsburg, Eichhornverlag,1941. A list of emigrants from Kreis Ludwigsburg; contains surname and place indexes.

- **Saxon Forefathers - Immigrants to America - Sächsische Vorfahren - Auswanderer nach Amerika**. Lists names and date of emigration, but not town of origin. Additional
information can be requested from site owner.

- **Schaumburger Auswanderer 1820-1914**

- Schaumburg-Lippe: Rieckenberg, Heinrich, *Schaumburger Auswanderer* (FHL 943.59 H2ss v. 48)


- Schrader-Muggenthale. *Alsace Emigration Book*. Volume 1. 13,000 persons who emigrated from or through Alsace, 1740-1875.


- Smith, Clifford Neal. *Brunswick Deserter-Immigrants of the American Revolution*. McNeal, Arizona: Westland Publications, 1973, 1994. 54 p. (German-American genealogical research monograph, ISSN ISSN 0094-7806 ; 1) Alphabetical list of deserter-immigrants giving birthplace, age, date, and place where the individual left service.

- Smith, Clifford Neal. *Eighteenth-century emigrants from Kreis Simmern (Hunsrueck), Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany, to Central Europe, Pfalzdorf am Niederrhein, and North America*. McNeal, Ariz. : Westland Publications, 1982. iii, 23 p. (German-American genealogical research monograph, ISSN 0094-7806 ; no. 16) Alphabetical list of emigrants; the names first appeared in two articles by Dr. Walter Diener that were published in Germany in 1935 and 1939.


- Smith, Clifford Neal. *Emigrants from Former AMT Damme, Oldenburg, Germany*. Baltimore, Maryland: Clearfield Co., 1981, 2004 reprint. (German-American genealogical research monograph, ISSN 0094-7806 ; no. 12) Emigrants are listed by town; a surname index follows.

- Smith, Clifford Neal. *Emigrants from Saxony (Grandduchy of Sachsen-Weimar-Eisenach) to America, 1854, 1859*. DeKalb, Ill. : Westland Publications, 1974. 32 p. (German-American genealogical research monograph, ISSN 0094-7806 ; no. 4) Alphabetical list of emigrants mentioned in two periodical articles written by Dr. Herbert Koch.

- Smith, Clifford Neal. *Emigrants from the island of Foehr (formerly Denmark, now Schleswig-Holstein, Germany) to Australia, Canada, Chile, the United States, and the West Indies, 1850-1875*. McNeal, Ariz. : Westland Publications, 1983. iii, 33 p. (German-American genealogical research monograph, ISSN 0094-7806 ; no. 17) Alphabetical list of emigrants "gleaned from the Hamburg ship lists in the Staatsarchiv Hamburg."

- Smith, Clifford Neal. *Emigrants from the West-German Fuerstenberg territories (Baden and the Palatinate) to America and Central Europe, 1712, 1737, 1787 / translated by Clifford Neal Smith*. McNeal, Ariz. : Westland Publications, 1981. ii, 46 p. (German-American genealogical research monograph, ISSN 0094-7806 ; no. 9) An alphabetical list of the names of individuals which appear in: *Untersuchung zur Geschichte der*


- Smith, Clifford Neal. From Bremen to America in 1850 : fourteen rare emigrant ship lists / Clifford Neal Smith. McNeal, Ariz. : Westland Publications, 1987. (German-American genealogical research monograph, ISSN 0094-7806 ; no. 22) The ship lists were originally published in the weekly newspaper Allgemeine Auswanderungs-Zeitung; contains a surname index.


- Smith, Clifford Neal. Immigrants to America (mainly Wisconsin) from the former Recklinghausen district (Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany) around the middle of the nineteenth century. McNeal, Ariz. : Westland Publications, 1983. iv, 28 p. (German-American genealogical research monograph, ISSN 0094-7806 ; no. 15) Alphabetical list of emigrants from the Recklinghausen district, many of whom settled in Wisconsin.

- Smith, Clifford Neal. Mercenaries from Ansbach and Bayreuth, Germany, who remained in America after the Revolution. Thomson, Ill. : Distributed by Heritage House, 1974. 52 p. (German-American genealogical research monographs ; no. 2) List of names first published in Erhard Städtler's Die Ansbach-Bayreuther Truppen im Amerikanischen Unabhängigkeitskrieg 1777-1783.


- Smith, Clifford Neal. Reconstructed passenger lists for 1850 : Hamburg to Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, and the United States / Clifford Neal Smith. McNeal, Ariz.

- **Stettin, Germany Passenger Records Information.** A small number of emigrants left for the USA from the port of Stettin (today called Szczecin in Poland). The surviving passenger departure lists are presently only available in the Vorpommersches Landesarchiv in Greifswald, Germany. They are available for the years 1871, 1876-1891 & 1896-1898 (other years are lost).


- **Stumpp, Karl. The Emigration from Germany to Russia in the Years 1763-1862.** Translated by Prof. Joseph S. Height and others. Lincoln, Nebraska: American Historical Society of Germans from Russia, 1978.


- **300 Jahre Auswanderung aus Otterberg / bearbeitet von Hans Steinebrei ; unter Mitarbeit von Franz Rink und Roland Paul.** Kreisverwaltung Olpe, Kreisarchiv.


- **Transcribed Ships Manifests Departing from Germany.** Ports of departure include: Altona, Bremen, Bremerhaven, Cuxhaven, Geestemunde, Hamburg, Stettin, Swinemunde (currently Swinoujscie, Poland), German Unspecified Ports.

- **Treu, F. Die Auswanderung aus dem kurkolnischen Sauerland im Zuge der Theresianischen Banatbesiedlung 1763-1772.** Olpe, Germany: Kreisverwaltung Olpe, Kreisarchiv.

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- **United States Passport Applications, 1795-1924.** A catalog of microfilm of records held by the National Archives.


- **Verein für mecklenburgisch Familien- und Personen-geschichte e. V.** Database of Mecklenburg-Strelitz emigrants.


- Waldeck. Thomas, Karl, *Die Waldecksche Auswanderung zwischen 1829 und 1872* (FHL 943.41 W2tk)


- Walterscheid, Johannes. *Auszanderer aus dem Siegkreis.* Bonn a. Rh., L. Röhrscheid, 1939. Emigrants from Siegkreis are listed by hometown, then by date of emigration; contains a personal name index.


- Wesner, Doris. *Alsatian Connections: Family Genealogies of Alsatian Emigrants to America.* Apollo, Pennsylvania: Closson Press, 1995-

- **Welcome to My Genealogy Home on the Web.** Links for emigrant lists from the Baden towns of Kuppenheim, Steinmauern, Oetigheim, stein am Kocher, Herbolzheim, Kochertümm, Neckarsulm, Bingswangen, Dahenfeld, and Schefflenz.


from the Minden region from 1816 to 1900; volumes 47-48, emigrants (those without
permission) from the Minden region from 1814 to 1900.


- Westphalian emigrants from the administrative district Minden II : Secret emigrations: Names of men from Großeneder, Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany that dodged the military service through secret emigration in the nineteenth century.

- Whitehead, John Frederick and Johann Carl Büttner, with Susan E. Klepp and Anne Pfaelzer de Ortiz, editors. *Souls for Sale: Two German Redemptioners Come to Revolutionary America: The Life Stories of John Frederick Whitehead and Johann Carl Büttner.* University Park, Pennsylvania: State University Press, 2006. Story of two German adolescents, recruited by labor contractors, who were sold to masters in America.


- Wolfert, M. *German Immigrants: lists of passengers bound from Bremen to New York, 1868-1871, with places of origin.* Previous volumes (1, 2, 3) cover 1847-1867. Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1993

- Wuerttemberg Emigration Index, 8 Volumes. Originally published in book form as 8 volumes, *The Württemberg Emigration Index* (compiled by Trudy Schenk), can be searched on the Internet at Ancestry's website for a subscription fee. This index does not include every single person who emigrated from Württemberg. Only those who had permission to emigrate are included, and some of the records were lost or not microfilmed. However, the index is still a very useful tool for doing genealogical research in this region (FHL 943.47 W22st).


- Zimmerman, Gary J. & Marion Wolfert. *German Immigrants from Bremen to New York. 1847-1862.* 2 Volumes. 57,000 individuals.

- Zimmerman, Gary J. & Wolfert, M. *German immigrants: Lists of passengers bound from Bremen to New York, 1855-1862.* 1986