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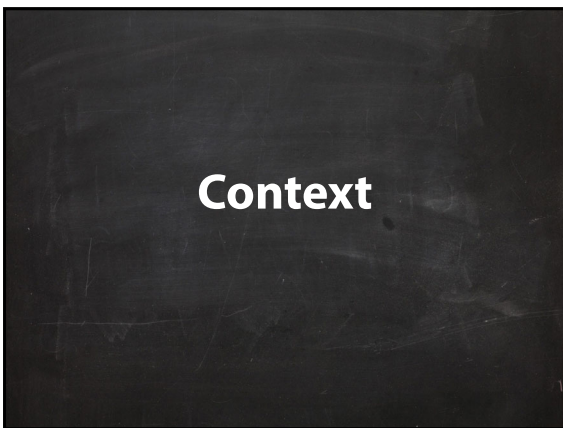
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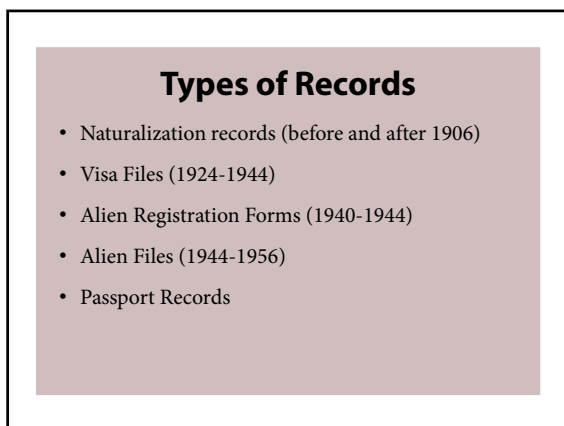
- Most American records will not name an exact birthplace
- Shifting borders in Europe
- European records are organized at the local level
- Lack of reliable, unified indexing projects

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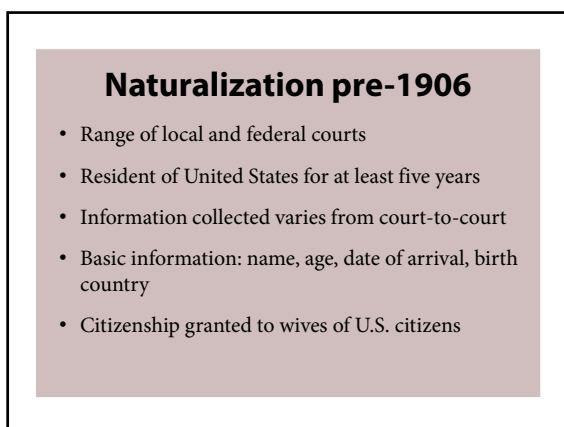
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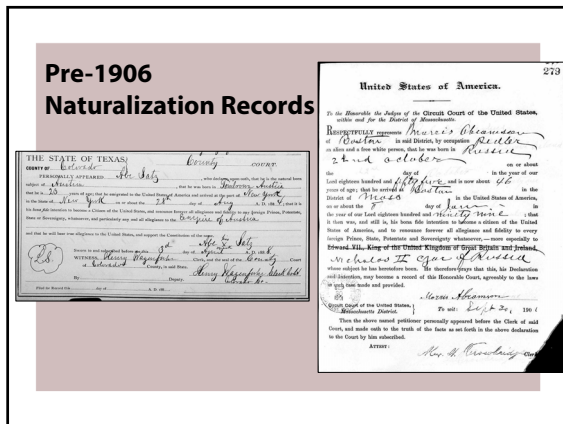
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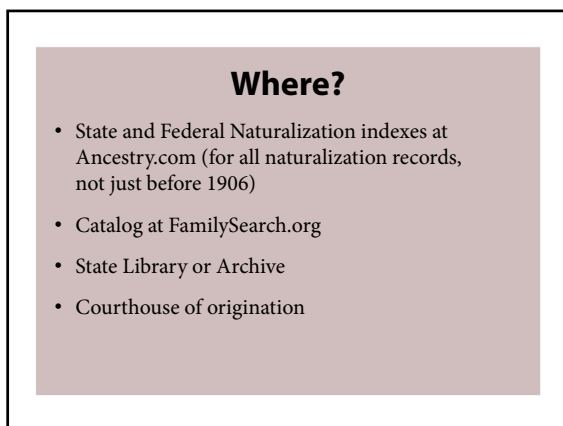
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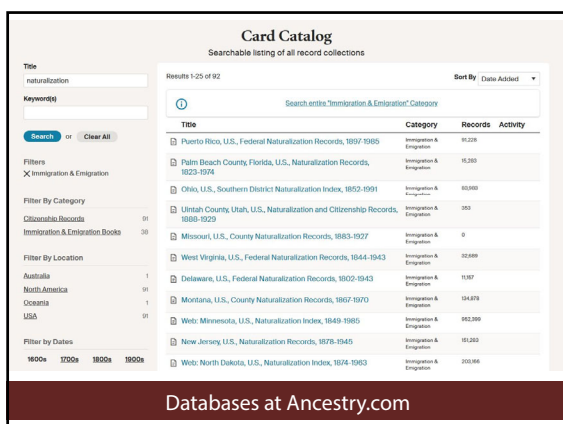
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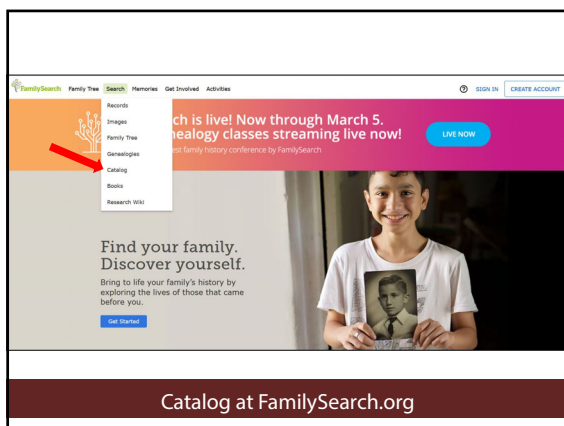
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Address	
Certificate no. (or vol. and page) <i>D-416</i>	Title and location of court <i>U.S. Dist. Ct. Cin. O.</i>
Country of birth or allegiance <i>Germany</i>	When born (or age)
Date and port of arrival in U. S.	Date of naturalization <i>Oct. 14, 1884</i>
Name and address of witnesses <i>John Schellhammer</i>	

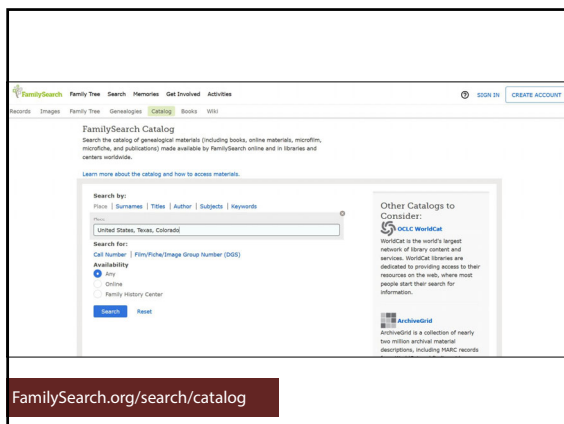
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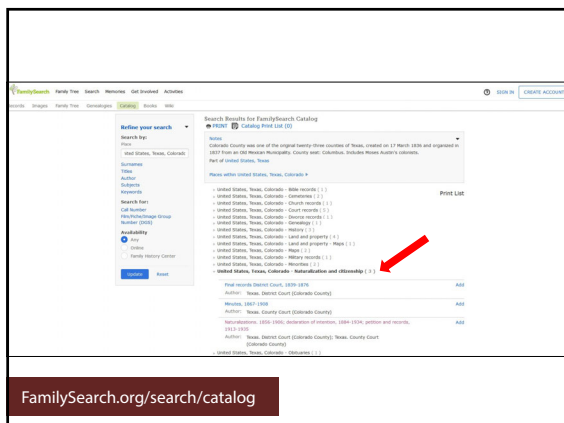
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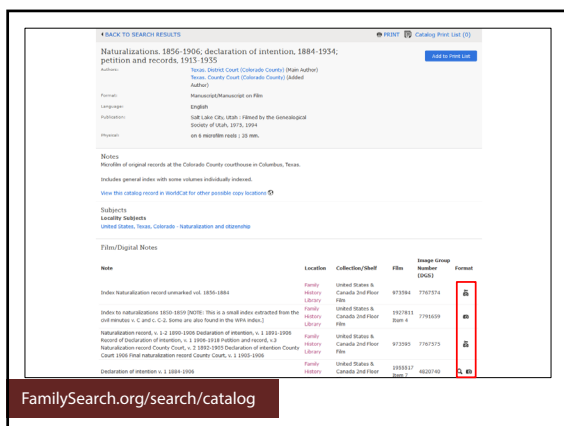
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Naturalization post-1906 (Certificate Files)

- September 27, 1906 – March 31, 1956
- Various local courts
- Consolidated (and standardized) naturalization records with the federal government
- Declarations of Intention, Petitions for Naturalization, Certificates of Naturalization
- Certificates of Arrival

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Certificate Files

- Held by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service
- Records 1906 to ca. 1944 on microfilm only
- Records 1944 to 1956 in hardcopy only
- After 1956: local USCIS office
- Local court records

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New Jersey State and Federal Naturalization Records

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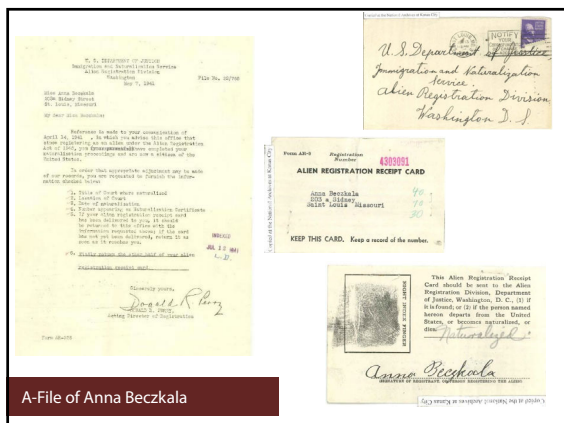
Visa Files

- July 1, 1924 – March 31, 1944
- Only retained for permanent residents
- Not digitized
- U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
- Proof of birth, including the names of parents
- Residence five years preceding
- Medical or personal affidavit
- Photograph!

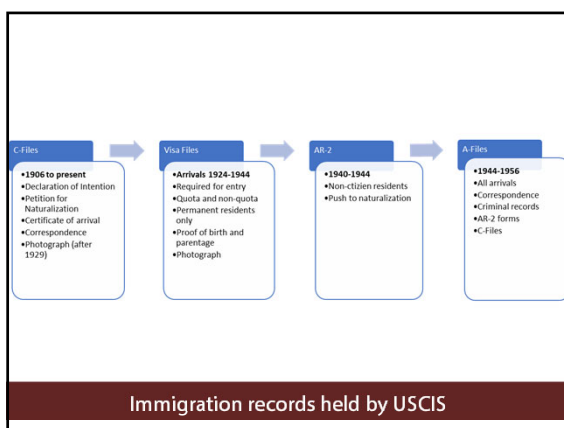
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U.S. Immigration Visas, 1924-1944

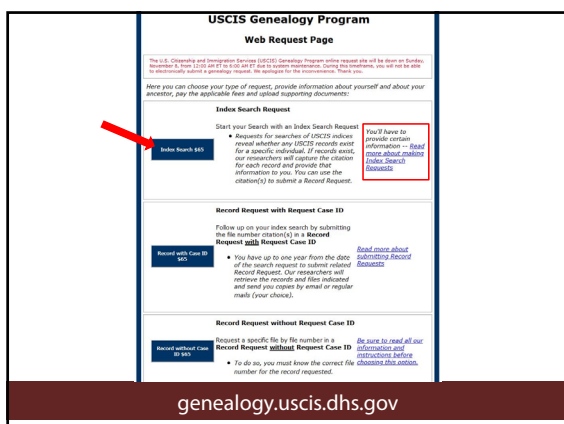
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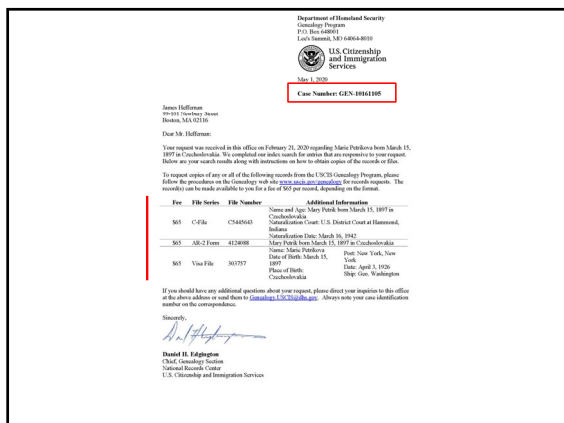
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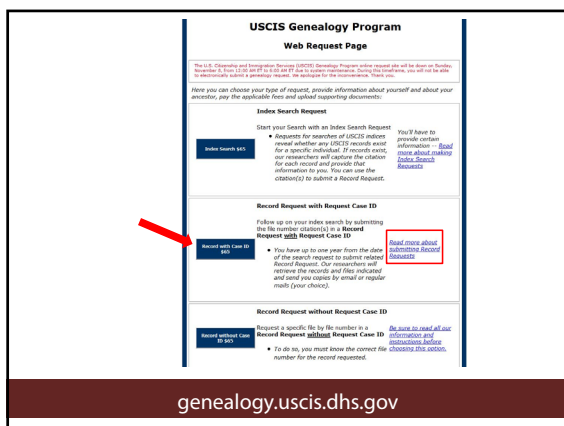
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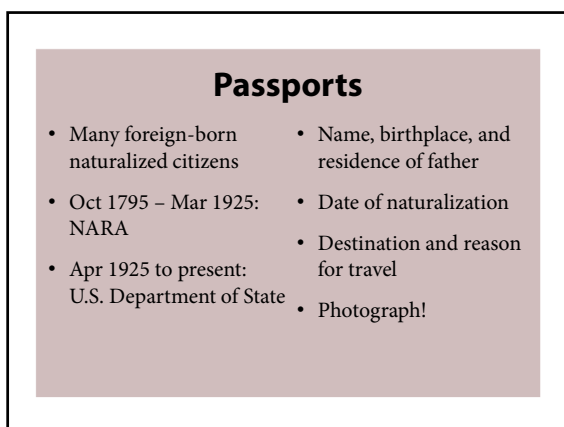
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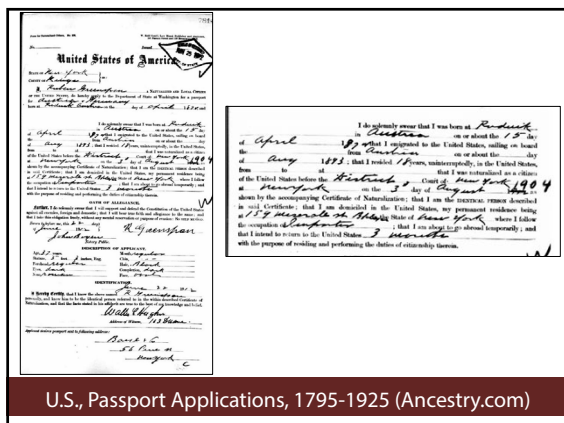
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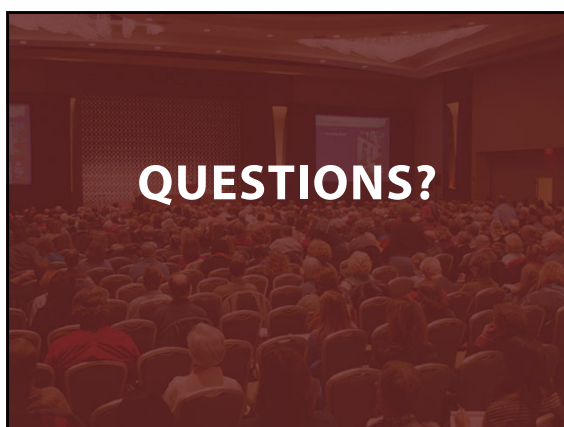
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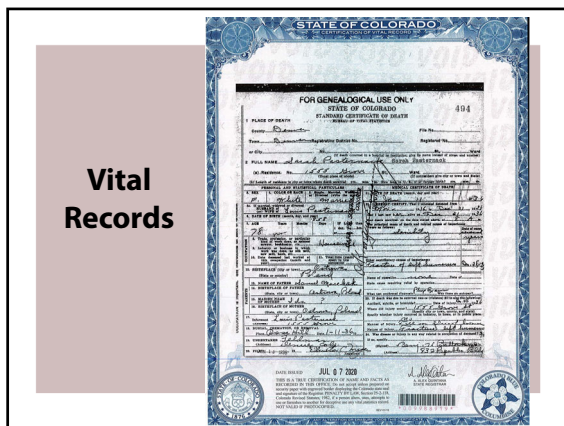
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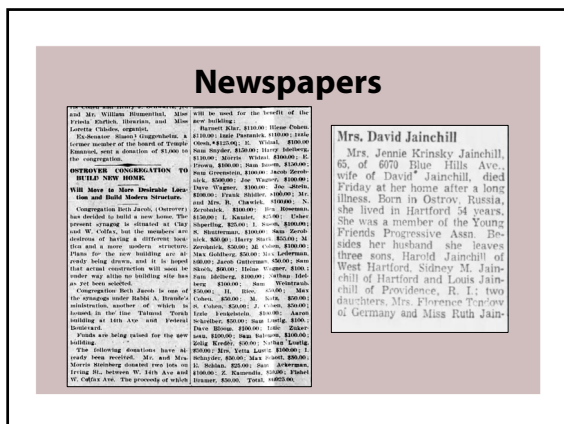
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Military Records

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Jewish Aid Societies

- Landsmanshaft
- Organizations founded by individuals from the same town, shtetl or region.
- Burial societies (*chevra kadisha*)
- Synagogues (*Anshei*)



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Mount Sinai Jewish Cemetery, Cheyenne, Wyoming

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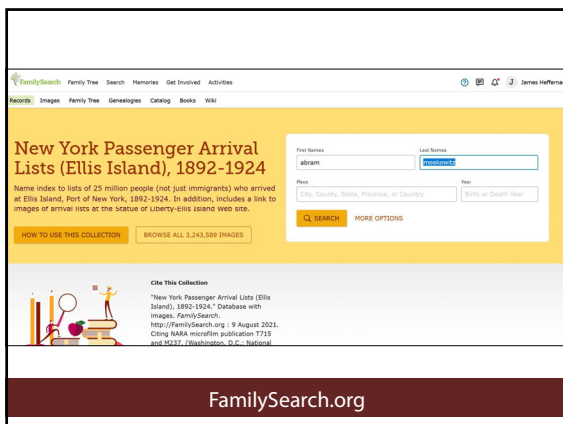


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Still no birthplace?

- Research extended relatives
- Witnesses on naturalization documents
- Determine religious congregation—what records do they have?
- Search for an ancestor as the friend or relative to a later arriving immigrant

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Gazetteers


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- Government and private publications to show administrative divisions of territories and empires.
- Display administrative hierarchy.
- Specific to date of publication.
- Gateway to primary sources in Europe.

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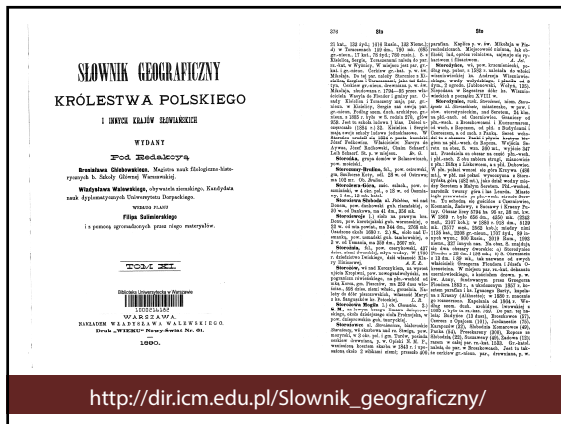
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German Name	Soldat
Polish/Russian Name	Wielkopolisz
Kreis/County	Soldin
German Province	Brandenburg
Today's Province	Wielkopolskie
Location	East 14°52' North 52°15'
Google Map	Google Maps (Soldin)
Map Number	3055

Location Description	This village/hamlet is located 59.4 km and 160 degrees from Berlin, which is known today as Szczecin
Lutheran Parish	Soldin 1905
Catholic Parish	Soldin 1905
Standesamt/Civil Registry	Soldin 1905
Gemeinsdelexikon/Town Index	# 34-4
Population by Year/Einwohner	1905: 5334
Remarks	Kreisstadt - County Seat in the same named Kreis/County

<http://www.kartenmeister.com/preview/databaseUwe.asp>

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Gemeindelexikon der im Reichsräte vertretenen Königreiche und Länder				
Das Gemeindelexikon der im Reichsräte vertretenen Königreiche und Länder bezieht auf Grund der Ergebnisse der Volkszählung vom 31. Dezember 1900. Zentralkommission herausgegeben und enthält folgende Länder:				
Band	Kronland	Sprachen	Anzahl BH	Anzahl Städte
01	Niederösterreich	deutsch	22	70
02	Oberösterreich	deutsch	12	46
03	Salzburg	deutsch	5	20
04	Steiermark	deutsch, slowenisch	20	85
05	Kärnten	deutsch, slowenisch	7	28
06	Krain	deutsch, slowenisch	11	31
07	Küstenland (Triest, Görz und Gradiska, Istrien)	deutsch, italienisch, slowenisch, serbo-kroatisch	6	16
08	Tirol	deutsch, italienisch	21	66
09	Vorarlberg	deutsch, italienisch	3	6
10	Böhmen	deutsch, böhmisch	94	219
11	Mähren	deutsch, böhmisch	34	77
12	Schlesien	deutsch, böhmisch, polnisch	8	24
13	Galicien	polnisch, deutsch	78	185
14	Bukowina	deutsch, ruthenisch, rumänisch	9	17
15	Dalmatien	deutsch, italienisch, serbo-kroatisch	13	33

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Brzesko: Zakłady.									
Kategorie	Bezirks- hauptsache, Gerichtsbezirk, Ortsteil, Ortschaft	Ortsteile, Gutsgebiete, Ortschaften							
		Anzahl in Hektar	Anwesen- de Bevölkerung	Konfession	Umsatzgewinn der Bevölkerung	Umsatzgewinn der Bevölkerung	Umsatzgewinn der Bevölkerung	Umsatzgewinn der Bevölkerung	Umsatzgewinn der Bevölkerung
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Ortsteile:									
1. Brzesko	131	174	175	349	345	4	249	1	14
2. Zakłady Mielstys- kie	81	78	156	156	1	156	1	156	1
3. Domszowice	88	97	190	190	1	190	1	190	1
4. Brzesko	301	313	390	416	390	42	313	1	1
5. Charszewice	211	245	305	448	448	74	448	1	1
6. Charszewice	114	105	218	218	1	218	1	218	1
7. Mielstyskie	131	98	229	229	1	229	1	229	1
8. Dalszowice	430	320	396	445	445	14	445	1	1
9. Yalaszewice	213	168	179	347	347	1	347	1	1
10. Yalaszewice	228	326	264	499	499	4	499	1	1
11. Filipowice	442	386	315	601	601	43	601	1	109
12. Gwizdowice	735	402	441	843	843	30	843	1	107
13. Kuczyńska	196	301	258	469	469	1	469	1	14
14. Łaskowice	94	308	345	451	451	39	451	1	25
15. Łaskowice	445	224	277	501	501	4	501	1	109

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JewishGen Communities Database

The JewishGen Communities Database contains information about 6,000 Jewish communities in Europe, North Africa, and the Middle East. The database contains each community's name in various languages, and political jurisdictions during different time periods.

In the search results, hover your mouse over a town name for additional information, or click on the icon next to a community's name to see a full page of information, including maps, Jewish population figures, and links to JewishGen resources for that community.

For a database of all one million shtetl locations in Europe, North Africa, and the Middle East, search the [JewishGen Gazetteer](#).

Search for Jewish community:

Search by modern country: All Countries

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Search by geo-WNN country: All Countries

Show the distance and direction in miles: from:

☐ The capital city of the relevant country

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Search method: Phonetically Like

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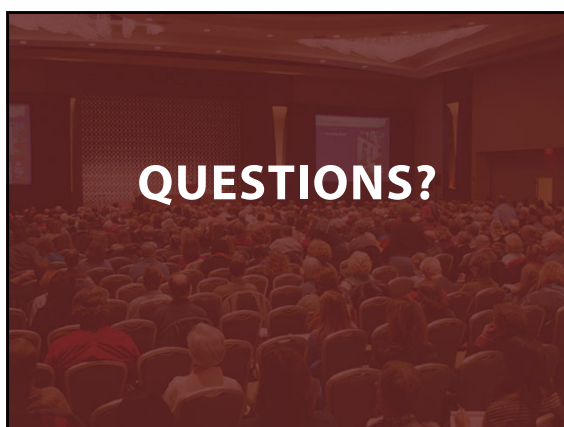
Galician Town Locator

Scroll down to view ALL the towns in Galicia, Austria in the year 1900, including their judicial and administrative districts, and the location of the Jewish, Roman Catholic and Greek Catholic congregations or parishes for that year.

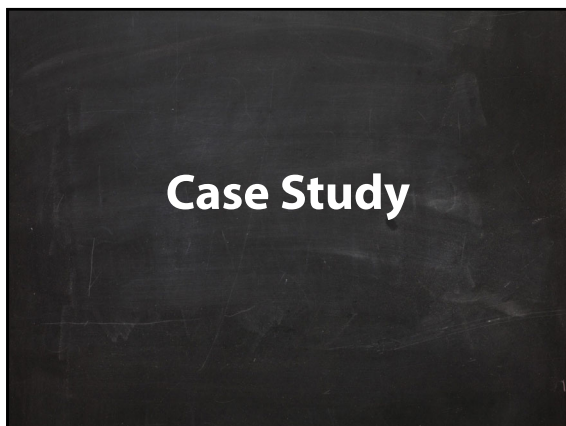
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Lyskanyie	Bochnia	Nałopolica	Brzeź	Bochnia	---
Hartshitz	Zydaczów	Zurawno	Hartshitz	Zurawno	Oblanica
Hachnow	Rawa Ruska	Uhnów	Wierzbica	Uhnów	Hachnow
Hachnowice	Złoczów	Zborów	Pomorzany	Pomorzany	Hachnowice
Hachnowek	Sokal	Belz	Belz	Belz	Korczak (Bł. Rawa Ruska)
Hachnowka	Krosno	Krosno	Złocz	Dukla	---
Hachow	Tarnobrzeg	Tarnobrzeg	Hachow	Tarnobrzeg	---
Hachowia	Pilzno	Pilzno	Hachowia	Pilzno	---
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Hachowice	Przemyl	Przemyl	Kosowice	Przemyl	Hachowice
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Hachow	Husiatyn	Kopyczyn	Czortów (Bł. Czortów)	Kopyczyn	Tudorów
Hachow	Kalusz	Kalusz	Rozmysław (Bł. Dolina)	Kalusz	Przytyk
Hachow	Kolbuszowa	Kolbuszowa	Hachow	Hachow	---
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<https://www.geshergalicia.org/galician-town-locator/>

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Excerpted Research Notes

Background and Timeline of the Brody Family

1899: Louis J. Brody petition for naturalization. Residing at 17 Norman Street, Boston. Occupation: Merchant. Born: 21 Aug 1877, Russia. Arrival: Apr 1892, Boston. Witnesses: Georg Susman, 71 Brighton Street, Boston, and Hyman J. Weinberg, 100 Brighton Street, Boston.¹

1900: Brody family at 17 Norman Street, Boston. Simon (b. Dec 1844, Russia; im. 1898). Lillian (b. Apr 1845, Russia; im. 1898). Harris (b. Dec 1877, Russia; im. 1892). Annie (b. May 1882, Russia; im. 1899). Henry (b. Mar 1884, Russia; im. 1898). Annie Brysor, granddaughter (b. Jan 1890, England; im. 1898). Haskell Orinsky, lodger (b. Aug 1839, Russia; im. 1884).²

1903: Harry Brody petition for naturalization. Residing at 52 Lowell Street, Boston. Occupation: Tailor. Born: 22 Oct 1878, Russia. Arrival: 15 Mar 1892, New York. Witnesses: Harry Novograbelsky, 134 Brighton Street, Boston, and Jacob Rosenberg, 81 Brighton Street, Boston.³

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Excerpted Research Notes

February 29, 1892: Arrival of Herz Braude, 16, on the *Rluetia*. Hamburg to New York. Born: Puchowitz, Russia.⁷

February 10, 1896: Arrival of Lewy (Levi) Brody, 18, on the *Patria*. Hamburg to New York. Born: Puchowicz. Going to Chelsea (Massachusetts, presumably).⁸

November 12, 1897: Arrival of the Brody family on the *Palatin*. Hamburg to New York. Solomon Brody, 45, Peddler. Feige Brody, 44, wife. Pasche Brody, 16, child. Aron Brody, 9, child. Chienne Brody, 6, child. Family from Minsk, Russia, joining son and brother, Lewy Brody, Boston, Massachusetts.⁹

March 11, 1899: Arrival of Chienna (Chajenna) Brody, 18, on the *Brasilin*. Hamburg to New York. Born: Puchowicz. Going to Boston, Massachusetts, joining father, Sol Brody. This is very likely Harry's sister, recorded in the 1900 census as Annie Broddy.¹⁰

May 24, 1906: Arrival of Schaie Broide, 17, on the *Saxonia*. Liverpool to Boston. Born: Puckovitch. Going to Chelsea, Massachusetts, joining uncle, Solomon Brody, 31 Pembroke Street, Chelsea.¹¹

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Final Thoughts

- Expect variations in names and places
- Cast as wide a net as possible
- Assemble a list of all reported birthplaces for your ancestor
- Look for the phonetic match when the exact fails

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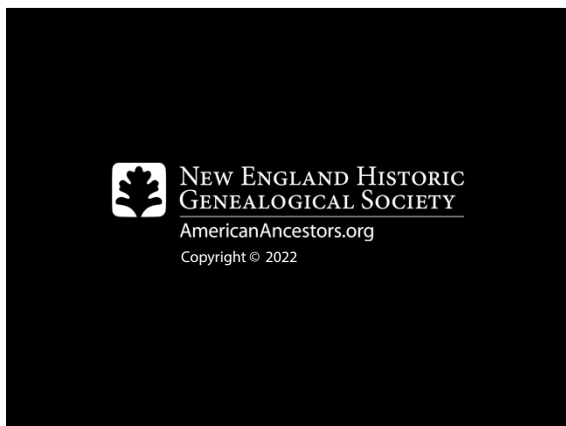
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