

Using Irish Land Records in Your Family History Research

Class 4: Lesser-Known Irish Land Records

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Registry of Deeds

Browsable images of memorial transcriptions: FamilySearch,

<https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/185720>

Searchable database of many memorials: Registry of Deeds Index Project,

<https://irishdeedsindex.net>

Freeholders records

For Ulster Province counties: Public Record Office of Northern Ireland,

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/search-freeholders-records>

For lists of sources for other counties: Irish Ancestors, <https://www.johngrenham.com/>

For Co. Clare: Clare County Library, <http://www.clarelibrary.ie/eolas/coclare/genealogy/genealog.htm>

Flax growers list, 1796

Failte Romhat, <https://www.failteromhat.com/>

Landowners of Ireland, 1876

Failte Romhat, <https://www.failteromhat.com/>

Evicted tenants list of 1907

FindMyPast, <https://search.findmypast.com/search-world-Records/estate-commissioners-offices-applications-from-evicted-tenants-1907>

Ulster plantation survey of 1622

Treadwell, Victor (ed.), *The Irish Commission of 1622* (Dublin: Irish Manuscripts Commission, 2006). At American Ancestors Research Center, Boston, Massachusetts - <https://library.nehgs.org/record=b1110933>

Ulster inquisitions (17th c.)

Hardiman, James, ed., *Inquisitionum in officio rotulorum...* (1826-1829). 2 vols.

Volume 1: <https://catalog.hathitrust.org/Record/100680118>

Volume 2: <https://catalog.hathitrust.org/Record/100780331>

For tenants of Scottish landlords: Stewart, David, *The Scots in Ulster: Their Denization and Naturalisation, 1605-1634* (Belfast: Presbyterian Historical Society of Ireland, c2015).

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Great Parchment Book (1639, Co. Londonderry)

London Metropolitan Archives, <http://www.greatparchmentbook.org>

Civil Survey, 1654-1656

Simington, Robert C., ed., *The Civil Survey, A.D. 1654-1656* (Dublin: Stationery Office for the Irish Manuscripts Commission, 1931-1961) 10 vols. At American Ancestors Research Center

<http://library.nehgs.org/record=b1087835>

Irish Manuscripts Commission Digital Editions: <http://www.irishmanuscripts.ie>

Agricultural Census, 1803

County Antrim: National Archives of Ireland, Official Papers, 153/103/1-16
(also on microfilm at PRONI)

County Down: PRONI, Londonderry Papers, D654/A2

For use with Down census records: Maxwell, Ian, *Researching Down Ancestors* (Belfast: Ulster Historical Foundation, 2004). At NEHGS Library: <http://library.nehgs.org/record=b1063782>

Further reading

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Roulston, William J., *Researching Scots-Irish Ancestors: The Essential Genealogical Guide to Early Modern Ulster, 1600-1800* (Belfast: Ulster Historical Foundation, 2018) At American Ancestors Research Center - <http://library.nehgs.org/record=b1110600>

