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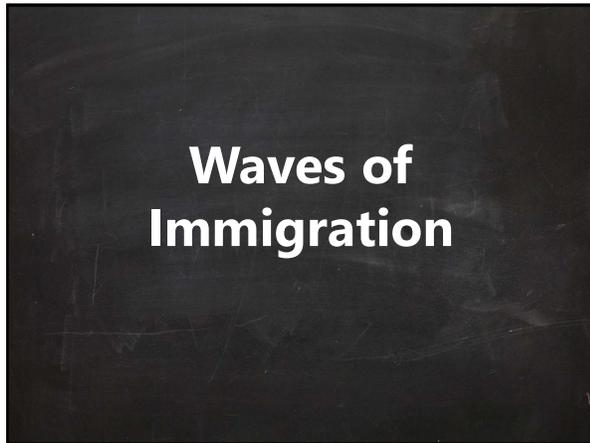
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Waves of Immigration

- 1683-1820
- 1871-1914
- 1820-1871
- 1914-1945



Engraving from *Harper's Weekly*, titled "From the Old World to the New: German Emigrants for New York Embarking on a Hamburg Steamer," 1874.

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1683-1820 — Emigration

- Due to economic hardships
- Due to religious persecutions
- Due to the Thirty Years' War
- Many were Protestants
- Primarily from
 - Rheinland
 - Westfalen
 - Hessen
 - Baden
 - Württemberg
 - Elsaß Lothringen

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Travel along the Rhein could be very expensive. Each duchy, kingdom, or principality would require a toll

Map of the Rhine River

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1820-1871 — Emigration

- Due to economic hardships
 - Unemployment
 - Crop Failures
- Avoidance of military service
- Government encouraging poor to emigrate

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1871-1914 — Emigration

- Major increase in emigration
 - Result of affordability
 - Continued economic programs
 - Continued political programs
- Large numbers from eastern provinces of Preußen
- Began to include Polish and Jewish people

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1914-1945 — Emigration

- Number of German immigrants significantly reduced as a result of the U.S. quota acts beginning in 1924
- Emigrants included
 - Political dissenters
 - Jewish people
 - Those unhappy with post WWI developments

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Passenger Lists and Naturalization

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CUSTOMS FURNISH PASSENGERS' LIST: "THE PASSENGER ACT, 1882"

LIST OF PASSENGERS. District of the City of New York, Port of New York.

I, John Chambers Master of the American Yr Philadelphia do solemnly, sincerely and truly swear that the following List or Manifest, subscribed by me and now delivered by me to the Collector of the Customs of the Collection District of the City of New York, is a full and perfect list of all the passengers taken on board the said vessel Philadelphia from which port said vessel has now arrived, and that no part has before designated the age, sex, calling, country of citizenship, native country, intended destination or location, number of pieces of luggage, location of occupation or space occupied, and date and cause of death of passengers, as required by the Passenger Act of 1882; also a true statement so far as it can be ascertained, in reference to the intention of each alien passenger as to a protracted sojourn in this country. So help me God.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of June 1892.

John Chambers Master of the American Yr Philadelphia sworn to before me this 14 day of June 1892.

DEPUTY COLLECTOR.

No.	NAME	AGE, Sex, Mar.	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	Place of Birth	Profession, Occupation or Calling	Intended Destination or Location	Number of Pieces of Luggage	Location of Occupation or Space Occupied	Intention of Passenger	Where Borne
1	William Christian	41	red	blue	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Caracas	visitors
2	Joseph	26	brn	brn								
3	Adolph	6	brn	brn								
4	Adolph	5	brn	brn								

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BALCON, CABIN, AND STEERAGE ALIENS MUST BE COMPLETELY MANIFESTED.

LIST OR MANIFEST OF ALIEN PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES

Required by the regulations of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor of the United States, under Act of Congress approved February 20, 1907, to be delivered by the Master of every vessel arriving from a foreign port, and to be retained on board until the vessel has departed.

S.S. Anna Magdalena sailing from Bremen on Monday 11.11.1910

No.	NAME	AGE	SEX	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	Place of Birth	Profession, Occupation or Calling	Intended Destination or Location	Number of Pieces of Luggage	Location of Occupation or Space Occupied	Intention of Passenger
1	Ernst	42	m	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
2	Ernst	16	m	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
3	Ernst	14	m	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
4	Ernst	12	m	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
5	Ernst	10	m	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
6	Ernst	8	m	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
7	Ernst	6	m	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
8	Ernst	4	m	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
9	Ernst	2	m	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
10	Ernst	1	m	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
11	Ernst	1	f	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
12	Ernst	1	f	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
13	Ernst	1	f	brn	brn	ruddy	Germany	Germany	Germany	off		Germany
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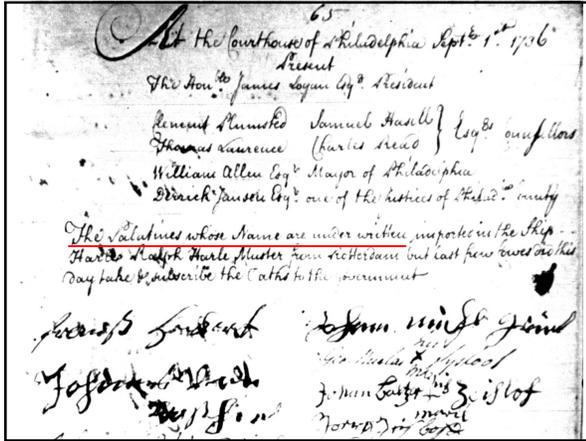
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Naturalization Records

- 1600s-1700s – In colony of Pennsylvania disembarking Germans required to take an “oath of allegiance” to the British monarch
- 1800s – Any court served as a court for naturalization
- Post-1906 – The time when the Immigration and Naturalization Service began to get records

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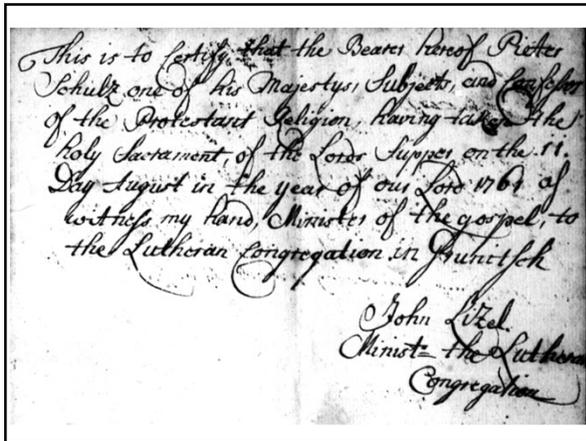


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Certificate of Communion

- An Act passed by Parliament under King George in 1740 and adopted by Pennsylvania Supreme Court in September 1740
- A document written by the minister of the protestant church attended by the alien wishing naturalization.
- Were used in a few colonies but were not the only method with which aliens were naturalized at this time.

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List of the Names of those persons who have taken the oath of Allegiance to the Common Weal of Pennsylvania from July 4th 1777 To Sept. 13th 1777 Before and After Bochim one of the Justices of the Peace &c

		August	
1	Peter Stainmetz	11	David Davis
2	Sebastian Welfang	13	Peter Lank
3	Henry Franck		John Siedelhardt
4	George Weidman	14	George Schickel
5	Henry Smith		George Giff
6	Henry Steinhagen	15	Nikolay Lank
7	Matthias Kern		Lawrence Luch
8	John Kuebner	16	Andrew King
9	John Loh	25	William Lank
10	Herman Meyer		Richard King

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To the Honorable the Judges of the Court of the United States,
 IN AND FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA.
 Respectfully Represents That Nicholas Malch
 of New Orleans in said District, An ALIEN,
 and a free white person, and of the age of majority, that he was born at Schwie
 in the Kingdom of Bavaria that he arrived at New York

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 Albany County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED,
 THAT Nicholas Malch
 late of Germany, aged
 about 24 Years

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Identifying the Immigrant

- Need to work from the known to the unknown
- Systematically work in traditional genealogical records
 - Census
 - Vital
 - Cemeteries
 - Probate
 - Deeds
 - Newspapers
 - Church

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Census

- 1820, 1830 – Persons enumerated who were foreigners (not named)
- 1850, 1860 – Place of birth (may simply say German)
- 1870 – Place of birth (usually lists kingdom)
- 1880 – Place of birth of person and parents
- 1900 – *same as 1880, plus: year of imm., number of years in U.S., naturalization status*
- 1910 – *same as 1880, plus: year of immigration, naturalization status*
- 1920 – *same as 1910, plus: person's and parents' native tongue*

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Census

- 1930 – Birthplace of person and person's parents, native tongue, year of immigration, naturalization status
- 1940 – Birthplace, naturalization status. If answered supplementary questions
 - Parents' birthplace
 - Native tongue of person
- 1950 – Birthplace, naturalization status. If answered supplementary questions:
 - Parents' birthplace

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
FOURTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1910

CITIZENSHIP. POPULATION

NAME	SEX	AGE	MARRIAGE	BIRTHPLACE	CITIZENSHIP	POPULATION		
						Male	Female	Total
X 75137	Male	58	1	Prussia	1	0	1	
X 75138	Female	54	1	Prussia	0	1	1	
X 75139	Male	18	0	Prussia	1	0	1	
X 75140	Female	15	0	Prussia	0	1	1	
X 75141	Male	12	0	Prussia	1	0	1	
X 75142	Female	10	0	Prussia	0	1	1	
X 75143	Male	8	0	Prussia	1	0	1	
X 75144	Female	6	0	Prussia	0	1	1	
X 75145	Male	4	0	Prussia	1	0	1	
X 75146	Female	3	0	Prussia	0	1	1	
X 75147	Male	2	0	Prussia	1	0	1	
X 75148	Female	1	0	Prussia	0	1	1	

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SCHEDULE I - Inhabitants in North half of the North Ward in the County of Hamilton, State of Ohio, enumerated by me on the 1st day of June, 1870.

Post Office: Cincinnati, Henry A. Miller, Asst. Marshal.

No.	Name	Sex	Age	Profession, Occupation, or Trade	Place of Birth	Color		Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict
						White	Black	
30	John Nicholas	M	47	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	
31	John Nicholas	F	47	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	
32	John Nicholas	M	17	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	
33	John Nicholas	F	16	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	
34	John Nicholas	M	15	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	
35	John Nicholas	F	14	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	
36	John Nicholas	M	13	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	
37	John Nicholas	F	12	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	
38	John Nicholas	M	11	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	
39	John Nicholas	F	10	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	
40	John Nicholas	M	9	Merchant	Ohio	1	0	

1870 Census - Ohio

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SCHEDULE I - Free Inhabitants in North half of the North Ward in the County of Hamilton, State of Ohio, enumerated by me on the 1st day of June, 1870.

Post Office: Cincinnati, Henry A. Miller, Asst. Marshal.

No.	Name	Sex	Age	Profession, Occupation, or Trade	Place of Birth	Color		Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict
						White	Black	
90	Michelle Ketch	F	30	Widow	Germany	1	0	
91	Christine Ketch	F	27	Widow	Germany	1	0	
92	Kitty Ketch	F	2	Widow	Germany	1	0	
93	James Everett	M	2	Widow	Ireland	1	0	
94	James Everett	M	34	Widow	Ireland	1	0	

1850 Census - Louisiana

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Tip:
Native tongue spoken could be a clue.

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Native Tongue

- Yiddish: Indicates Jewish individuals
- Polish: Suggests they came from the eastern areas of Prussia
- May be found on passenger lists
- May be mentioned in census records

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Newspapers

- Are often published in the U.S. towns where Germans settled
- Carry news from the towns back in Germany
- Helped Americanize new immigrants
- May indicate where in the old country individuals were from

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<p>394. L'ITALO AMERICANO DI LOS ANGELES. Los Angeles Italian American. 1035 North Broadway Los Angeles, California 90012</p> <p>Editors: Cleto M. Baroni and Mario Trecco Sponsor: n.i. Language: Italian</p>	<p>Circulation: 4,400 Frequency: weekly Subscription: \$2.00</p>	<p>1908-</p>
<p>395. IL LEONE. The Lion. 5051 Mission Street San Francisco, California 94112</p> <p>Editor: Roland G. DeRocili Sponsor: Grand Lodge of California, Order of Sons of Italy in America Language: Italian</p>	<p>Circulation: 12,007 Frequency: monthly Subscription: \$3.00</p>	<p>1931-</p>

Lubomyr R. Wynar's and Anna T. Wynar's *Encyclopedic Directory of Ethnic Newspapers and Periodicals in the United States*

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Finding German Newspapers Online



- Available through Genealogical Publishing Company www.genealogical.com
- Keep in mind that some of the areas may have been part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

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Der deutsche Straßenbahner
Titelzusatz: Gewerkschaftliches Fachblatt der "Deutschen Straßenbahn-Gewerkschaft"
Ercheinungsort: Wien
Ercheinungsvorlauf: 1923-1934
Ercheinungswiese: Freitags
 → [Information zur Zeitung](#)

Deutsche Zeitung
Titelzusatz: Deutschösterreichische Unabhängigkeitspartei
Ercheinungsort: Wien, Graz
Ercheinungsvorlauf: 1914-1921
Kooperation: Europeana Collections 1914-1918
 → [Information zur Zeitung](#)

Deutsche Zeitung
Ercheinungsort: Wien
Ercheinungsvorlauf: 1871-1907
Ercheinungswiese: 2 x wöchentlich als Morgenblatt und Abendblatt bzw. als Morgen-Ausgabe und Abend-Ausgabe; 1888, 1. Januar - 1894, 15. Juli sonntags als Pflanzensbibliothek
Kooperation: Pflanzensbibliothek
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Deutsches Nordbahnblatt
Ercheinungsort: Olomouc (Olmütz)
Ercheinungsvorlauf: 1899-1916
Ercheinungswiese: wöchentlich
 → [Information zur Zeitung](#)

Deutsches Südbahnblatt
Titelzusatz: Wochenschrift für die Interessen des deutschen Südmehrlandens
Ercheinungsort: Sina (Sinn)
Ercheinungsvorlauf: 1904-1914
Ercheinungswiese: wöchentlich (Samstag)
Kooperation: Europeana Travel

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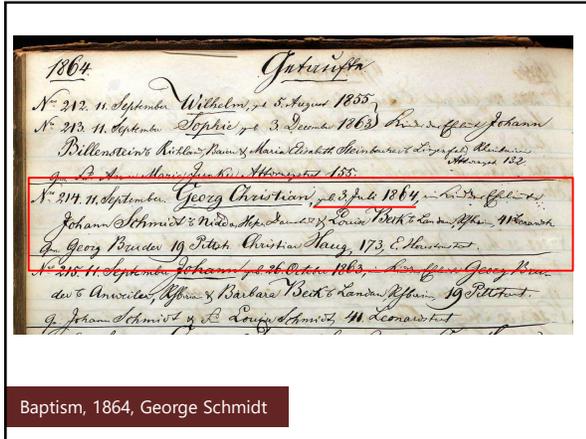
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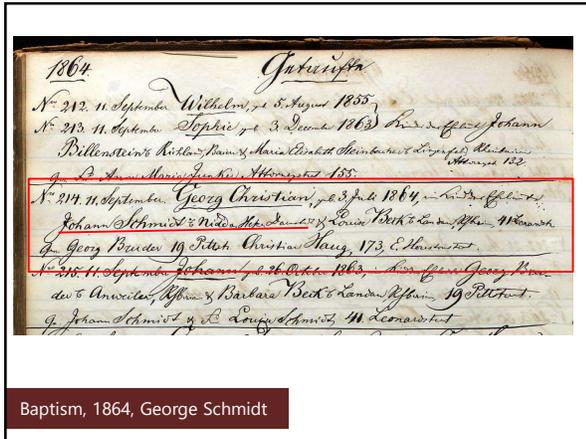
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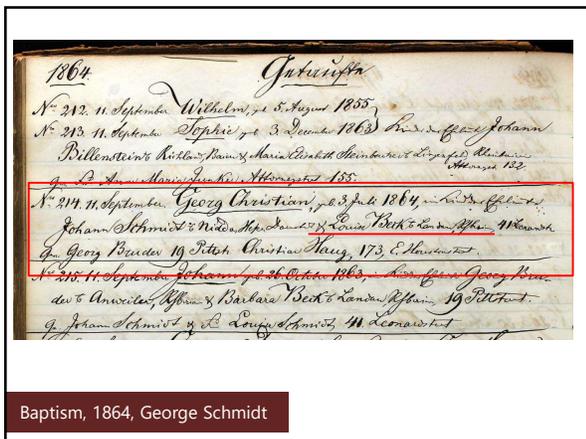
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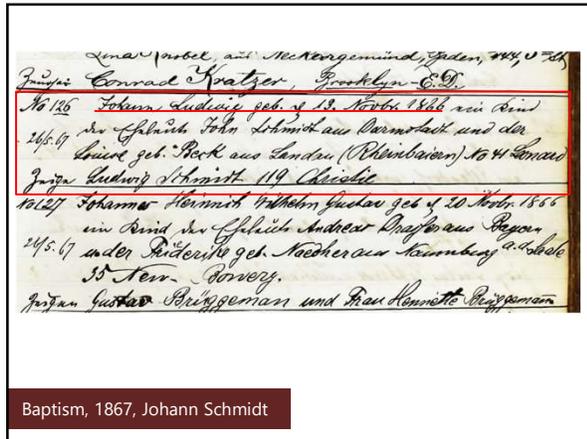
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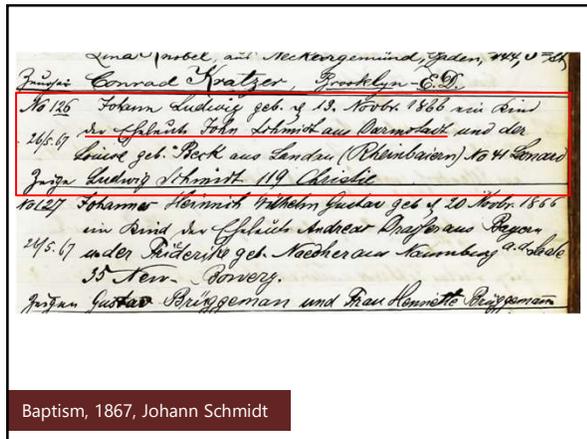


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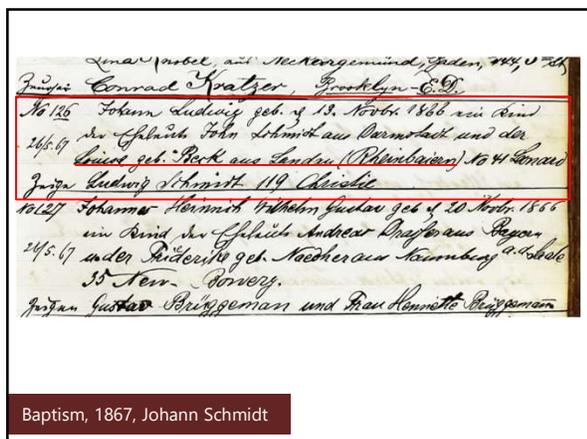
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Baptism, 1867, Johann Schmidt

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Finding Origins

- Ancestors immigrating in more recent years have records that identify place of birth.
- Passenger lists prior to 1892 generally just list the country of origin.
- Naturalization records may supply a kingdom.
- Earliest immigrants may be Palatines.

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Finding Origins

- Some online databases may be of help as a result of record abstracts.
- Important to know as much as possible about your ancestor in order to identify the correct person in such databases.

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Johann Georg Futscher
mentioned in the record of Paulina Futscher

Name:	Johann Georg Futscher
Gender:	Male
Wife:	Ottilia Reiboldt
Daughter:	Paulina Futscher

Other Information in the record of Paulina Futscher from Deutschland Geburten und Taufen

Name:	Paulina Futscher
Event Date:	1848
Gender:	Female
Birth Date:	14 May 1848
Birth Year:	1848
Birthplace:	Boll (A. Meßkirch), Baden, Germany
Christening Date:	14 May 1848
Christening Place:	Boll (A. Meßkirch), Baden, Germany
Father's Name:	Johann Georg Futscher
Mother's Name:	Ottilia Reiboldt

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Tip:
Don't forget later
marriages for
information.

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Name	Michael Hummer
Event Type	Marriage
Event Date	26 Jun 1883
Event Place	Manhattan, New York, New York, United States
Event Place (Original)	Manhattan, New York
Gender	Male
Age	48
Race	White
Birth Year (Estimated)	1835
Birthplace	Meinbersheim, Bavaria
Father's Name	Heinrich Hummer
Mother's Name	Mary Roth
Spouse's Name	Mary Beinert Franz
Spouse's Gender	Female
Spouse's Age	42
Spouse's Marital Status	Widowed
Spouse's Race	White
Spouse's Birth Year (Estimated)	1841
Spouse's Birthplace	York, Baden
Spouse's Father's Name	Jacob Beinert
Spouse's Mother's Name	Margaret Zufucht

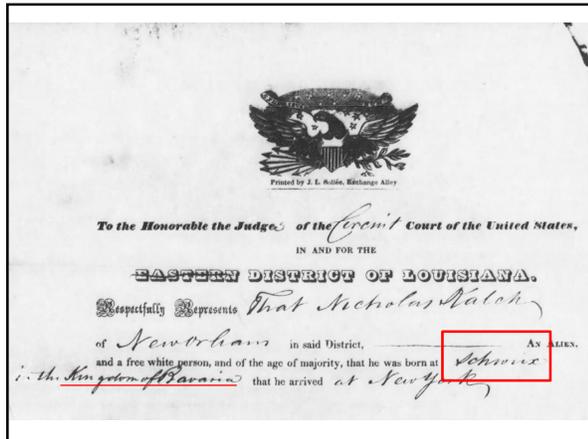
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Unification

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Germany—Unification

- Pre-1871: Kingdoms, Duchies, and other smaller principalities
- 1871-1918: German Empire
- 1918: Germany
- 1945: Post World War II Germany

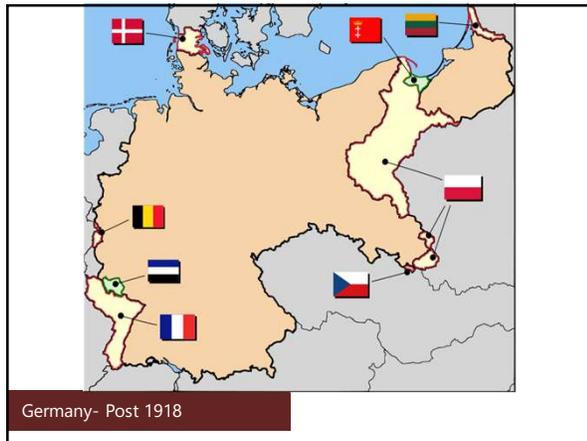
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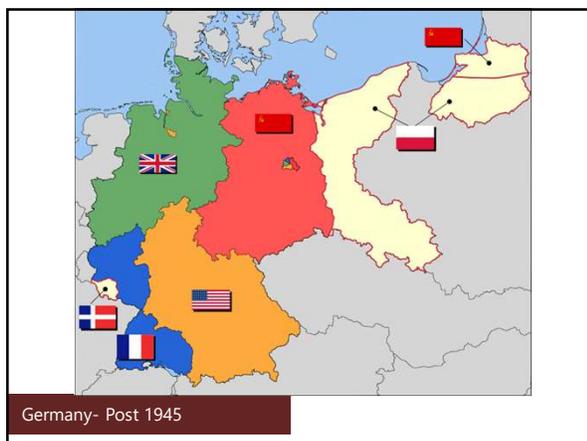
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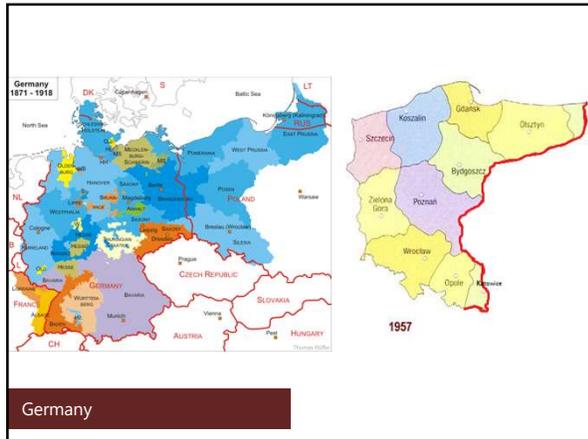
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