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HeritageQuest Online contains U.S. federal census records from 1790-1940, special federal census schedules, over 20,000 local and family history books, over 20,000 U.S. city directories, a genealogical and local history serials index, Revolutionary War Pension Files, Freedman's Bank Records, and select content from the U.S. Serial Set. [Virtual Tour](#)

Buffalo News

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Sanborn Maps of New York 1867-1970

Sanborn fire insurance maps are detailed property and land-use records. This database covers hundreds of New York state cities and towns including over 50 Erie County locations.

Websites

The 1940 U.S. Census

The 1940 census records were released by the US National Archives April 2, 2012, and brought online through a partnership with Archives.com. This website allows you full access to the 1940 census images, in addition to 1940 census maps and descriptions.

BuffaloResearch.com

Designed for family history research in Buffalo, Erie County, and Western New York, with hundreds of useful links.

Cyndi's List

If it has genealogical relevance and it's online, you'll find it at Cyndi's List.

Family Search

Free access to the LDS Family Search databases and research guides.

National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

Provides access to NARA's genealogy topic guides, databases, and record order forms.

USGenWeb

A nationwide volunteer project related to census records, cemeteries, vital records, etc.

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