RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS USEFUL IN GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

Birth Certificates
Marriage Certificates
Divorce Records
Adoption Records

Death Certificates
Probate Records
Cemetery Records
Obituaries
Social Security Death Index

Census Records (Federal, State, and Local)
City Directories

Church Records
Synagogue Records

Court Records

City or Town Licenses
Tax Lists and Records
Voter Lists

Land Records

Military Records
World War I and World War II Draft Cards

Teachers' Records
School Records
School Yearbooks

Ships' Passenger Lists
Naturalization Records

Business Records
Employment Records
Institutional Records

Newspapers including:
Obituaries/Death Notices
Marriage/Engagement Announcements
Birth Announcements
Maps
Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps
F. W. Beers Atlas (Massachusetts counties and cities and towns)

For more information see *The Source: A Guidebook of American Genealogy* and *Ancestry’s Red Book: American State, County and Town Sources*.

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