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| Vital Events | Birth | Birth Announcements | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Written announcements of the birth of a child; (originally) one published in a newspaper in a section devoted to announcements of births, deaths, marriages, etc.; (later also) one sent to family and friends, posted on social media, etc. |
| Vital Events | Birth | Birth Notices | Syn | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Written announcements of the birth of a child; (originally) one published in a newspaper in a section devoted to announcements of births, deaths, marriages, etc.; (later also) one sent to family and friends, posted on social media, etc. |
| Vital Events | Birth | Birth Certificates | Rec | Primary | Documents the birth of a person. The term "birth certificate" can refer to either the original document certifying the circumstances of the birth or to a certified copy of or representation of the ensuing registration of that birth. May include name, sex, date, place and parents. |
| Vital Events | Birth | Legal Birth Extract Records | Syn | Primary | Documents the birth of a person. The term "birth certificate" can refer to either the original document certifying the circumstances of the birth or to a certified copy of or representation of the ensuing registration of that birth. May include name, sex, date, place and parents. |
| Vital Events | Birth | Birth Registers | Rec | Primary | Official logs of births either within a governmental jurisdiction (civil record) or within a religious community (e.g. synagogue, church, or parish). |
| Vital Events | Birth | Delayed Birth Records | Rec | Primary | Births recorded more than one year after the date of birth. May have been many years after birth if jurisdiction at birth |

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| | | | | | did not require recording, or may record a live birth when no physician was present. It may also be used to document the birth of an immigrant who has no original documentation. |
| Vital Events | Birth | Birth Protocol Sworn Records | Syn | Primary | Births recorded more than one year after the date of birth. May have been many years after birth if jurisdiction at birth did not require recording, or may record a live birth when no physician was present. It may also be used to document the birth of an immigrant who has no original documentation. |
| Vital Events | Birth | Mohel Books | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Other Institutions | Records kept by a mohel, a person who performs the Jewish rite of circumcision, listing the name and birthdate of each baby circumcised, along with the father's name. In some cases a certificate of circumcision is issued that may include: names and addresses of the mohel, parents of the baby and the baby's date of birth. |
| Vital Events | Birth | Circumcision Registers | Syn | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Other Institutions | Records kept by a mohel, a person who performs the Jewish rite of circumcision, listing the name and birthdate of each baby circumcised, along with the father's name. In some cases a certificate of circumcision is issued that may include: names and addresses of the mohel, parents of the baby and the baby's date of birth. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Ketubot | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | Documents that are the formal contract in a Jewish religious marriage that specify financial protection for the wife in the event that the husband dies or divorces her. A Ketubah contains the date and location of the marriage, the name of |

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| | | | | | the rabbi, names of witnesses and in most cases includes the bride's and groom's parents names. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Ketubahs | Syn | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | Documents that are the formal contract in a Jewish religious marriage that specify financial protection for the wife in the event that the husband dies or divorces her. A Ketubah contains the date and location of the marriage, the name of the rabbi, names of witnesses and in most cases includes the bride's and groom's parents names. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Marriage Announcements | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Notices that inform the community of a marriage, issued before or after the marriage takes place. Often they are written articles in newspapers or newsletters. In recent years these announcements may be mailed or posted on social media. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Wedding Announcements | Syn | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Notices that inform the community of a marriage, issued before or after the marriage takes place. Often they are written articles in newspapers or newsletters. In recent years these announcements may be mailed or posted on social media. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Marriage Banns | Rec | Primary | Notices that inform the community of an impending marriage. They are intended to solicit feedback from the community as to whether such a marriage may be illegal because of prior undissolved marriages or undisclosed familial relationships. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Marriage Certificates | Rec | Primary | Documents that certify a civil marriage has taken place. They typically contain date and place of the ceremony, and are signed by the parties, |

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| | | | | | witnesses, and officiant. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Marriage Licenses | Rec | Primary | Documents issued by a government authority that permits the marriage officiant and the couple to proceed with the marriage. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Notary Prenuptial Agreements | Rec | Primary | Documents of an agreement made by a couple and/or their families before they marry concerning the ownership of their respective assets should the marriage fail. In some jurisdictions, the agreement is notarized and filed. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Prenuptial Agreements | Syn | Primary | Documents of an agreement made by a couple and/or their families before they marry concerning the ownership of their respective assets should the marriage fail. In some jurisdictions, the agreement is notarized and filed. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Anniversary Announcements | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Published announcements of marital anniversaries (i.e. 50th Anniversary) of persons that list information about children and grandchildren, etc. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Civil Marriages | Rec | Primary | A legally recongnized civil marriage may take place on a different date than the religious marriage. In some countries a civil marriage must take place prior to a religious ceremony. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Civil Weddings | Syn | Primary | A legally recongnized civil marriage may take place on a different date than the religious marriage. In some countries a civil marriage must take place prior to a religious ceremony. |
| Vital Events | Marriage | Marriage Authorisation Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | These record details of marriages due to be performed by synagogues that were members of the United |

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| | | | | | Synagogue. They may include names, information about fathers, the groom's brothers and hometowns in English and Yiddish. |
| Vital Events | Divorce | Divorce Announcements | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Notices that inform the community that a couple has legally and officially terminated their marriage. Often published in newspapers or newsletters. |
| Vital Events | Divorce | Divorce Certificates | Rec | Primary | Civil documents certifying that a marriage has been dissolved. They typically contain the date and place of the divorce and the former couple's names. |
| Vital Events | Divorce | Marriage Dissolution Certificates | Syn | Primary | Civil documents certifying that a marriage has been dissolved. They typically contain the date and place of the divorce and the former couple's names. |
| Vital Events | Divorce | Gets | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Rabbinical | Documents in Jewish religious law which effectuates a divorce between a Jewish couple |
| Vital Events | Divorce | Jewish Divorce Records | Syn | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Rabbinical | Documents in Jewish religious law which effectuates a divorce between a Jewish couple |
| Vital Events | Death | Burial Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Cemetery / Funeral Home | Records related to the burial of an individual that may include: the location of the burial plot for the deceased, information about the burial (name of the deceased and date of burial), name of the funeral home, contact information for the individual and/or society arranging the burial and contact information for the individual responsible for maintaining the grave, if applicable. Some cemeteries maintain additional information about the deceased. |
| Vital Events | Death | Burial Authorisations | Syn | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Cemetery / Funeral Home | Records related to the burial of an individual that may include: the location of the burial plot for the |

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| | | | | | deceased, information about the burial (name of the deceased and date of burial), name of the funeral home, contact information for the individual and/or society arranging the burial and contact information for the individual responsible for maintaining the grave, if applicable. Some cemeteries maintain additional information about the deceased. |
| Vital Events | Death | Burial Transit Record | Rec | Primary | Permits or notices regarding transport of bodies for burial or other disposition, often in another jurisdiction. In the United States they are typically issued by the local department of health and may include the name of the deceased, and date of transport and/or date of death, and possibly other information about the deceased. |
| Vital Events | Death | Transport for Burial | Syn | Primary | Permits or notices regarding transport of bodies for burial or other disposition, often in another jurisdiction. In the United States they are typically issued by the local department of health and may include the name of the deceased, and date of transport and/or date of death, and possibly other information about the deceased. |
| Vital Events | Death | Cemetery Stones | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Cemetery / Funeral Home | Inscriptions on traditional Jewish tombstones show the name of the deceased and the given name of the deceased's father (and sometimes mother), as well as the date of death. They often show the age or date of birth. |
| Vital Events | Death | Death Certificates | Rec | Primary | Official records that certify the death of an individual. Typically include date, time, and |

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| | | | | | location of death; cause of death; name of witnesses; and burial information. |
| Vital Events | Death | Kodes | Rec | Primary | Documents that specify gifts stipulated in last wills, destined for the community, for the school, for the poor, for the Holy Land, for freeing of prisoners, or occasionally for buying material objects such as Flemish candeliers. They were recorded from 1639 throughout centuries by the Jews in the Netherlands. Kodes may not document the precise date of death, but may include family relations and instructions for the saying of the escava. |
| Vital Events | Death | Member Deaths | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Notices of an individual's passing or obituaries published in the records of a membership organization to which the deceased had belonged. |
| Vital Events | Death | Obituaries | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Published or unpublished death announcements. A particular obituary may be a simple death notice or an elaborate biography of the deceased. Obituaries usually give the name of the deceased and the death or burial date. They may also contain information such as the birth date, marriage date, names of parents and spouse, children, occupation, education, and the location of living family members at the time the obituary was written. |
| Vital Events | Death | Wills | Rec | Cross-reference of Personal:Financial and Legal | Documents that specify to whom one's assets shall be disbursed after death. Wills can provide family names and relationships. Wills may be witnessed, notarized, and on file and or recorded in a governmental court office. |

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| Vital Events | Death | Yahrzeit Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | Lists or synagogue wall plaques contributed by congregation members to remember a relative's death anniversary. Yahrzeit dates are usually calculated using the Hebrew calendar. |
| Vital Events | Death | Death Announcements | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | TBD |
| Vital Events | Death | Death Notices | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | TBD |
| Vital Events | Death | Yahrzeit Plaques | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | TBD |
| Vital Events | Other Vital Records | Adoption Records | Rec | Primary | Records of information related to a child's adoption, including information about the: child's medical and social history; adoption decree; name and sex of the child; name of the birth mother; name of the adoption agency, orphanage or hospital; name of an attorney; photographs; and original and amended birth certificate. |
| Vital Events | Other Vital Records | Church Records | Rec | Primary | Documents that churches have kept about their congregations recording information about christenings, baptisms, marriages, and burials. Information includes name(s) of the individual(s) involved, date and location of the event, and the clergyman's name. May include parents' names, names of witnesses to an event, and individual's or family's place of residence. In some areas, Jewish life events were recorded in church records. |
| Vital Events | Other Vital Records | Civil Registrations | Rec | Primary | The continuous, permanent, compulsory and universal recording of the occurrence and characteristics of vital events pertaining to the population as provided through decree or |

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| | | | | | regulation in accordance with the legal requirements of a country. Civil registration is carried out primarily for the purpose of establishing the legal documents required by law. These records are also a main source of vital statistics. Vital events that are typically recorded on the register include live birth, death, foetal death, name, change of name, marriage, divorce, annulment of marriage, judicial separation of marriage, adoption, legitimization and recognition. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Ketubot | Rec | Primary | Documents that are the formal contract in a Jewish religious marriage that specify financial protection for the wife in the event that the husband dies or divorces her. A Ketubah contains the date and location of the marriage, the name of the rabbi, names of witnesses and in most cases includes the bride's and groom's parents names. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Ketubahs | Syn | Primary | Documents that are the formal contract in a Jewish religious marriage that specify financial protection for the wife in the event that the husband dies or divorces her. A Ketubah contains the date and location of the marriage, the name of the rabbi, names of witnesses and in most cases includes the bride's and groom's parents names. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Member Deaths | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Notices of an individual's passing or obituaries published in the records of a membership organization to which the deceased had belonged. |
| Institution | Synagogue | Yahrzeit Records | Rec | Primary | Lists or synagogue wall |

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| Records | | | | | plaques contributed by congregation members to remember a relative's death anniversary. Yahrzeit dates are usually calculated using the Hebrew calendar. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Bar / Bat Mitzvahs | Rec | Primary | Records of bar mitzvahs or bat mitzvahs that occurred within the congregation. This Jewish milestone is reached when the child reaches the age of religious responsibilities; for boys when they turn 13 years old and for girls when they turn 12 years old. Synagogue records may contain the names of the boy or girl as well as the date of the occasion (from which a date of birth can be approximated). |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Birth / Marriage / Death Registers - Souza | Rec | Primary | Records that the synagogue maintains concerning a congregant's and their family's key life events including: birth, circumcision, bar and bat mitzvah, marriage and death. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Bonds - Registro de obrigacons | Rec | Primary | Financial records of a synagogue showing the bonds owned or administered by the synagogue or individuals.. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Butcher Tax Records | Rec | Primary | List of weekly taxes collected from butchers. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Livro da conta dos carniseyros | Syn | Primary | List of weekly taxes collected from butchers. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Cashbooks - Livro da caixa | Rec | Primary | Records of a congregation's financial transactions. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Correspondence | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Documents of communications by exchange of letters, emails or texts between an organization and its members or external communications with other individuals and organizations. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Decisions and Regulations - | Rec | Primary | Registers of decisions. Each decision is listed |

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| | | Escamoth | | | separately without reference to discussions, and signed by the mahamad (council of elders in a Sephardic community). Registers include tax lists, lists of the poor, lists of donations, lists of signatures (under political decisions), copies of wills, appointments of board members, treasurers, administrators and staff, donations (usually on the occasion of deaths intended for the saying of kaddish), convictions for offenses, banning of members, and wills. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Donations Mandatory - Fintas | Rec | Primary | Records of fintas (voluntary donations) collected by the synagogue. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Donations Voluntary - Promessas | Rec | Primary | Records of voluntary donations that are collected in the synagogue (notes of amounts would be noted down each Shabbat). |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Dotar Files (Pautas) | Rec | Primary | Applications and lists of poor Sephardic orphaned girls and unmarried women who were entered in a lottery for dowries by the Dotar. The girls and women are listed along with the name and relationship of a relative who assigned them as "poor." |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Dowry Records | Syn | Primary | Applications and lists of poor Sephardic orphaned girls and unmarried women who were entered in a lottery for dowries by the Dotar. The girls and women are listed along with the name and relationship of a relative who assigned them as "poor." |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Poor Sephardic Orphans and Spinsters | Syn | Primary | Applications and lists of poor Sephardic orphaned girls and unmarried women who were entered in a lottery for dowries by the Dotar. The girls and |

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| | | | | | women are listed along with the name and relationship of a relative who assigned them as "poor." |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Draft of Outgoing Documents - Borrardor de cartas | Rec | Primary | Drafts of official documents related to members of the congregation, regarding membership or citizenship. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Estate Registries - Livro de memoria | Rec | Primary | Register of notes concerning the administration of estates. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Event Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Documents that provide information about important milestone, social, and educational events and programs in the history of the organization, including events from before the founding of the organization. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Financial Records - Livro grande | Rec | Primary | General ledgers of a synagogue's financial transactions. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Kaddish Lists | Rec | Primary | Lists of people for whom Kaddish is to be said. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Marriage Dispensations for Blood Relatives - Dispensacoens | Rec | Primary | Documents relating to dispensations granted by the States of Holland in cases of marriages between cousins. These marriages were forbidden but for the Sephardim a dispensation could be granted. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Membership Lists - Livro de irmaos | Rec | Primary | Administrative records of the members of the congregation |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Minutes - Livro de segredos | Rec | Primary | Minutes of the presidents' meetings |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Outgoing Documents - Copiardor de cartas | Rec | Primary | Copies of outgoing documents. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Photo Collections | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Photographs that are collected and kept by individuals, organizations, communities, the military, Yad Vashem and many other sources. Includes photographs posted on social media. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Registers for Escava - Livro das ascaboth | Rec | Primary | Lists of names of people for whom escava (prayer for the rest of a deceased person's soul) is to be |

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| | | | | | said, generally on the Sabbath and/or on Yom Kippur. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Registers of Cemetery Decisions - Livro de Bet Haim | Rec | Primary | Listing of cemetery burials, with names, dates, people present, and contributions offered. Some records also include decisions about how the cemetery is to be operated. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Registers of Expenditures for the Poor - Livro longo de quatro contas | Rec | Primary | Registers of congregational expenditures for the poor. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Registers of Travel Money for Emigrees - Registro dos despachos | Rec | Primary | Lists of distributions to members for purposes of emigration. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Registers of Wills - Livro de testamentos | Rec | Primary | Records of the administration of wills of members of the congregation |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Salaries and Annuities - Livro longo | Rec | Primary | Records of salaries and other periodic payments. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Livro Longo De Cuatro Contas | Syn | Primary | Records of salaries and other periodic payments. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Synagogue Cemetery Records | Rec | Primary | Records of synagogue members' use of the synagogue cemetery. Congregations with a large membership usually maintain their own cemeteries and burial registers, while smaller congregations reserve a section within other cemeteries. Information may include: plot books and maps, plot location of the deceased, name, age, marriage information, date and place of birth, who paid for the burial, and names of people (often relatives) buried in the same plot. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Taxes - Impostas | Rec | Primary | Records of taxes collected by the Synagogue. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Bar / Bat Mitzvah Announcements | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Announcements of Barmitzvahs (and I suppose Batmitzvahs) in newspapers. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Charters | Rec | Primary | Charter and by-laws of a synagogue. |

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| Institution Records | Synagogue | Commemorative Plaques | Rec | Primary | Plaques on the walls of shuls to commemorate people. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Community Cookbooks | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Books of recipes produced by Sisterhoods and other societies/ clubs/organizations. They also include cookbooks produced by newspapers containing recipes from their readers. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Event Programs | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Printed sequences of the events and the main participants in a religious service, recital, graduation, etc. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Marriage Authorisation Records | Rec | Primary | These record details of marriages due to be performed by synagogues that were members of the United Synagogue. They may include names, information about fathers, the groom's brothers and hometowns in English and Yiddish. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Membership Plaques | Rec | Primary | Wall plaques listing founding members, donors and officers of the synagogue, sisterhood, brotherhood, Hebrew School, or other organizations. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Religious School Records | Rec | Primary | Classes or weekend educational studies that are specific to a temple or synagogue for children in pursuit of Bar Mitzvah or Confirmation. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Hebrew School Records | Syn | Primary | Classes or weekend educational studies that are specific to a temple or synagogue for children in pursuit of Bar Mitzvah or Confirmation. |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Synagogue Election Records | Rec | Primary | Records of the candidates for the synagogue election, eligible voters, their votes and final results |
| Institution Records | Synagogue | Yahrzeit Plaques | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Mohel Books | Rec | Primary | Records kept by a mohel, a person who performs the Jewish rite of |

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| | | | | | circumcision, listing the name and birthdate of each baby circumcised, along with the father's name. In some cases a certificate of circumcision is issued that may include: names and addresses of the mohel, parents of the baby and the baby's date of birth. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Circumcision Registers | Syn | Primary | Records kept by a mohel, a person who performs the Jewish rite of circumcision, listing the name and birthdate of each baby circumcised, along with the father's name. In some cases a certificate of circumcision is issued that may include: names and addresses of the mohel, parents of the baby and the baby's date of birth. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Asylum Records | Rec | Primary | Records of patients, classified as insane or lunatic. Individuals were placed in asylums when they were deemed under contemporary definitions to be: of intermittent not sound memory and understanding; natural fools from birth, in debt, exhibiting anti-social behavior. Many records of asylums are kept in local archives, especially those of patients; most patient files have been destroyed. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Lunacy Records | Syn | Primary | Records of patients, classified as insane or lunatic. Individuals were placed in asylums when they were deemed under contemporary definitions to be: of intermittent not sound memory and understanding; natural fools from birth, in debt, exhibiting anti-social behavior. Many records of asylums are kept in local archives, especially those of patients; most patient files have been destroyed. |

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| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Prison Records | Rec | Primary | Records of a place designated by law for the keeping of persons held in custody under process of law, or under lawful arrest, at any level or kind of jurisdiction. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Correctional Institution Records | Syn | Primary | Records of a place designated by law for the keeping of persons held in custody under process of law, or under lawful arrest, at any level or kind of jurisdiction. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Medical Records | Rec | Primary | Records of a patient's clinical data and medical history, such as demographics, diagnoses, medications, treatment plans, and test results. Access is often restricted even if the person is deceased. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Medical Charts | Syn | Primary | Records of a patient's clinical data and medical history, such as demographics, diagnoses, medications, treatment plans, and test results. Access is often restricted even if the person is deceased. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Orphanage Records | Rec | Primary | Records from an orphanage, a residential institution, or group home, devoted to the care of orphans and other children who were separated from their biological families. Information for each child may include name, birth date and places, parents' names, nationality, how received, township, when admitted, and to whom indentured. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Poorhouse Records | Rec | Primary | Records from a facility to support and provide housing for the dependent or needy. Information may include name, sex, race, marital status, address of last residence, place of birth, citizenship status, occupation, religion, medical condition, parents' names, |

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| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Poor Farm Records | Syn | Primary | Records from a facility to support and provide housing for the dependent or needy. Information may include name, sex, race, marital status, address of last residence, place of birth, citizenship status, occupation, religion, medical condition, parents' names, occupation, cause of dependence, etc. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Workhouse Records | Syn | Primary | Records from a facility to support and provide housing for the dependent or needy. Information may include name, sex, race, marital status, address of last residence, place of birth, citizenship status, occupation, religion, medical condition, parents' names, occupation, cause of dependence, etc. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Sanitarium Records | Rec | Primary | Records from a facility where people with chronic illnesses or a need to convalesce are treated. Records for each patient may include name, case file number, address, birthdate, medical information, and admission and discharge dates. Frequently protected by privacy laws, even after the patient is deceased. |
| Institution Records | Other Institutions | Sanatorium Records | Syn | Primary | Records from a facility where people with chronic illnesses or a need to convalesce are treated. Records for each patient may include name, case file number, address, birthdate, medical information, and admission and discharge dates. Frequently protected by privacy laws, even after the patient is deceased. |
| Institution | Other | Chevra Kadisha | Rec | Primary | TBD |

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| Records | Institutions | Records | | | |
| Institution Records | School | Event Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Documents that provide information about important milestone, social, and educational events and programs in the history of the organization, including events from before the founding of the organization. |
| Institution Records | School | Photo Collections | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Photographs that are collected and kept by individuals, organizations, communities, the military, Yad Vashem and many other sources. Includes photographs posted on social media. |
| Institution Records | School | Administrative Records | Rec | Primary | Documents kept by school authorities that may include: admission and withdrawals registers, attendance registers, class timetables, health records, individual student cumulative record cards, disciplinary records, transfer and leaving certificates, copies of birth certificates, names of parents and siblings and photos. |
| Institution Records | School | Certificates and Diplomas | Rec | Primary | Documents that certify a person that has successfully completed a particular course of study. Typically includes name and date of completion or graduation.. |
| Institution Records | School | Class Records | Rec | Primary | Documents kept by a class teacher or professor that may include the following: names of students, attendance registers, examination results and disciplinary records |
| Institution Records | School | Reunion Attendee Lists | Rec | Primary | Lists of the names of classmates of a specific graduation year of a high school or university. They may include the addresses or contact information for the |

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| | | | | | former students. |
| Institution Records | School | School Yearbooks | Rec | Primary | Books published yearly as a report or summary of statistics or facts that may document names of a school's affiliated persons. It is a publication that serves as a written and photographic record of the year's activities, its students, and teachers. These books can exist at any level: elementary, secondary (high school), or university. |
| Institution Records | School | Event Programs | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Printed sequences of the events and the main participants in a religious service, recital, graduation, etc. |
| Institution Records | School | Religious School Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | Classes or weekend educational studies that are specific to a temple or synagogue for children in pursuit of Bar Mitzvah or Confirmation. |
| Institution Records | School | Hebrew School Records | Syn | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | Classes or weekend educational studies that are specific to a temple or synagogue for children in pursuit of Bar Mitzvah or Confirmation. |
| Institution Records | School | School Newspapers | Rec | Primary | Newspaper often written by students and distributed by school |
| Institution Records | School | War Memorial Plaques | Rec | Cross-reference of Government:National and Local | TBD |
| Institution Records | Business & Employment | Craftsmen Records | Rec | Primary | Records of an association that may include names of skilled laborers, craftsmen, and apprenticeships, ages or dates of birth, places of origin and residence, family relationships, and types of skills to be learned. It may also include names of persons with whom the apprentice is indentured. Some guild records also list family members and dates of birth and marriages |
| Institution Records | Business & Employment | Guild Records | Syn | Primary | Records of an association that may include names of skilled |

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| | | | | | laborers, craftsmen, and apprenticeships, ages or dates of birth, places of origin and residence, family relationships, and types of skills to be learned. It may also include names of persons with whom the apprentice is indentured. Some guild records also list family members and dates of birth and marriages |
| Institution Records | Business & Employment | Merchant Records | Syn | Primary | Records of an association that may include names of skilled laborers, craftsmen, and apprenticeships, ages or dates of birth, places of origin and residence, family relationships, and types of skills to be learned. It may also include names of persons with whom the apprentice is indentured. Some guild records also list family members and dates of birth and marriages |
| Institution Records | Business & Employment | Union Records | Syn | Primary | Records of an association that may include names of skilled laborers, craftsmen, and apprenticeships, ages or dates of birth, places of origin and residence, family relationships, and types of skills to be learned. It may also include names of persons with whom the apprentice is indentured. Some guild records also list family members and dates of birth and marriages |
| Institution Records | Business & Employment | Merchant Marine Records | Rec | Primary | Records that profile civilian mariners, during peacetime and war. Information typically includes the seaman's: name and address, place and date of birth, vessels served on, status, identification number, renewal and discharge information, certifications and licenses obtained, photographs, birth certificates, and other documents related to |

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| | | | | | union membership. |
| Institution Records | Business & Employment | Officials and Employees | Rec | Primary | Records that list the staff of a business / corporation or governmental jurisdiction and their roles within the organization. Officers in a business / corporation are employees that have authority over others. Officers in a governmental jurisdiction are appointed or elected. |
| Institution Records | Business & Employment | Professional Registers | Rec | Primary | Records that list the members of an organization created to further a particular profession/occupation. Information may include the members' name, professional qualification, and education. |
| Institution Records | Business & Employment | Union Records | Rec | Primary | Any records related to labor organization membership: unions, guilds |
| Institution Records | Business & Employment | Employment Pension Records | Rec | Primary | Documents related to a retirement plan that requires an employer to make contributions to a pool of funds set aside for a worker's future benefit. The pool of funds is invested on the employee's behalf, and the earnings on the investments generate income to the worker upon retirement. |
| Institution Records | Communal Organization | Communal Jewish Organization Records | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Institution Records | Communal Organization | Jewish Historical Society Records | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Institution Records | Communal Organization | Shareholder Lists | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Institution Records | Society | Member Deaths | Rec | Primary | Notices of an individual's passing or obituaries published in the records of a membership organization to which the deceased had belonged. |
| Institution Records | Society | Correspondence | Rec | Primary | Documents of communications by exchange of letters, emails or texts between an organization and its members or external |

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| | | | | | communications with other individuals and organizations. |
| Institution Records | Society | Event Records | Rec | Primary | Documents that provide information about important milestone, social, and educational events and programs in the history of the organization, including events from before the founding of the organization. |
| Institution Records | Society | Photo Collections | Rec | Primary | Photographs that are collected and kept by individuals, organizations, communities, the military, Yad Vashem and many other sources. Includes photographs posted on social media. |
| Institution Records | Society | Cultural Group Files | Rec | Primary | Documents such as membership lists, correspondence, financial records, minutes of meetings, newsletters, photographs of group members and activities recorded by societies that represent interest in a specific cultural group. |
| Institution Records | Society | Donations | Rec | Primary | Records of the receipt of charitable contributions from donors that include the donor name and amount and may include a reason or occasion for the donation. |
| Institution Records | Society | Financial Records | Rec | Primary | Records of the organization's financial transactions |
| Institution Records | Society | Landsmanshaften Files | Rec | Primary | Files from a Jewish association of landsleit (ex-residents from the same locale or town) that was organized for social and philanthropic purposes. The Landsmanshaft organizations aided immigrants' transitions from Europe to America and other countries by providing social structure and support to those who arrived in the new country without the family networks and practical |

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| Institution Records | Society | Meeting Minutes | Rec | Primary | Notes of meetings that highlight the key issues that are discussed, motions proposed or voted on, and activities. |
| Institution Records | Society | Membership Lists | Rec | Primary | Lists of names of the members of an organization, society, club or similar type of group. May include addresses, telephone numbers, other contact information, positions, titles, etc. |
| Institution Records | Society | Newsletters | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Publications | Bulletins that are issued with regular frequency; include articles about the activities of the organization, topical news items, and sometimes educational items of interest. They are sent to members, prospective members and partners. E-newsletters are delivered electronically via e-mail. |
| Institution Records | Society | Philanthropic Group Files | Rec | Primary | Files of non-profit entities that utilize donated assets and income to provide social services. Community foundations, endowments and charitable trusts are types of philanthropic organizations. The files may include: donors lists, recipients lists, financial |

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| | | | | | records, meeting minutes, communications, newsletters and correspondence. |
| Institution Records | Society | Foundation Files | Syn | Primary | Files of non-profit entities that utilize donated assets and income to provide social services. Community foundations, endowments and charitable trusts are types of philanthropic organizations. The files may include: donors lists, recipients lists, financial records, meeting minutes, communications, newsletters and correspondence. |
| Institution Records | Society | Society Association Files | Rec | Primary | Files of a society or an association of an organized group of persons associated together for religious, benevolent, cultural, scientific, political, patriotic, or other purposes. These files may include: membership lists, society by-laws, financial records and correspondence. |
| Institution Records | Society | NGO Files | Syn | Primary | Files of a society or an association of an organized group of persons associated together for religious, benevolent, cultural, scientific, political, patriotic, or other purposes. These files may include: membership lists, society by-laws, financial records and correspondence. |
| Institution Records | Society | Community Cookbooks | Rec | Primary | Books of recipes produced by Sisterhoods and other societies/ clubs/organizations. They also include cookbooks produced by newspapers containing recipes from their readers. |
| Institution Records | Society | Event Programs | Rec | Primary | Printed sequences of the events and the main participants in a religious service, recital, graduation, etc. |

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| Institution Records | Society | Group Directories | Rec | Primary | Books or lists of names and contact information for people in a specific group. Types of community directories include family, neighborhood, religious, alumni, and society/club/organization. |
| Institution Records | Society | Community Directories | Syn | Primary | Books or lists of names and contact information for people in a specific group. Types of community directories include family, neighborhood, religious, alumni, and society/club/organization. |
| Institution Records | Society | Masonic/Fraternal Orders | Rec | Primary | Records related to Masonic and other fraternal orders-- membership lists, officer rosters, etc. |
| Institution Records | Society | Membership Plaques | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | Wall plaques listing founding members, donors and officers of the synagogue, sisterhood, brotherhood, Hebrew School, or other organizations. |
| Institution Records | Cemetery / Funeral Home | Burial Records | Rec | Primary | Records related to the burial of an individual that may include: the location of the burial plot for the deceased, information about the burial (name of the deceased and date of burial), name of the funeral home, contact information for the individual and/or society arranging the burial and contact information for the individual responsible for maintaining the grave, if applicable. Some cemeteries maintain additional information about the deceased. |
| Institution Records | Cemetery / Funeral Home | Burial Authorisations | Syn | Primary | Records related to the burial of an individual that may include: the location of the burial plot for the deceased, information about the burial (name of the deceased and date of burial), name of the funeral home, contact information for the |

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| Institution Records | Cemetery / Funeral Home | Cemetery Stones | Rec | Primary | Inscriptions on traditional Jewish tombstones show the name of the deceased and the given name of the deceased's father (and sometimes mother), as well as the date of death. They often show the age or date of birth. |
| Institution Records | Cemetery / Funeral Home | Synagogue Cemetery Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | Records of synagogue members' use of the synagogue cemetery. Congregations with a large membership usually maintain their own cemeteries and burial registers, while smaller congregations reserve a section within other cemeteries. Information may include: plot books and maps, plot location of the deceased, name, age, marriage information, date and place of birth, who paid for the burial, and names of people (often relatives) buried in the same plot. |
| Institution Records | Cemetery / Funeral Home | Cemetery Records | Rec | Primary | Records that document the administration, evolution and history of a cemetery that may include: plot books and maps, financial records, plot maintenance levels, societies' plots, family member plots, employee / caretaker lists and historical information. For information on the individuals interred at the cemetery, see "Burial Records". |
| Institution Records | Cemetery / Funeral Home | Funeral Home Records | Rec | Primary | Records kept by a funeral home that may contain: a list of the surviving relatives, the cemetery name where the |

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| Institution Records | Cemetery / Funeral Home | Burial Society Entrance Plaques | Rec | Primary | Plaques posted at the entrances to cemetery sections listing society name, officers, members, date of establishment, or other institutional information. |
| Institution Records | Cemetery / Funeral Home | Chevre Kadisha Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Other Institutions | TBD |
| Institution Records | Rabbinical | Gets | Rec | Primary | Documents in Jewish religious law which effectuates a divorce between a Jewish couple |
| Institution Records | Rabbinical | Jewish Divorce Records | Syn | Primary | Documents in Jewish religious law which effectuates a divorce between a Jewish couple |
| Institution Records | Rabbinical | Records of Conversion (Giyurim) | Rec | Primary | Records pertaining to the conversion of an individual from another religion to Judaism. |
| Historical Events | Inquisition | Sentencing Records | Rec | Primary | Documents of sentences and their implementation. Sentences were communicated in notarized formats including certificates or brief sealed notices. If the sentence included confiscations of property, there can be many documents detailing the properties to be seized and their disposition. |
| Historical Events | Inquisition | Inquisition Trial Records | Syn | Primary | Documents of sentences and their implementation. Sentences were communicated in notarized formats including certificates or brief sealed notices. If the sentence included confiscations of property, there can be many documents detailing the properties to be seized and their disposition. |

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| Historical Events | Inquisition | Punishment Books | Syn | Primary | Documents of sentences and their implementation. Sentences were communicated in notarized formats including certificates or brief sealed notices. If the sentence included confiscations of property, there can be many documents detailing the properties to be seized and their disposition. |
| Historical Events | Inquisition | Trial Records | Rec | Primary | Documents created during the Inquisition contain details on the investigations conducted, names of the accused, and details of their heresy. Some may include family relationships and a detailed descendency from a converso. Other references to the family may appear in sources such as church, court, and notarial records. These records are difficult to use and are seldom indexed. |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Concentration Camp Files | Rec | Primary | Records kept by and about facilities that were used for the mass internment of people without trial. Includes information about the camp system, perpetrators, daily life, slave labor, prisoner groups, inmate relations, executions, resistance, public knowledge and liberation. |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Ghetto Names Lists | Rec | Primary | Lists of individuals and families legally forced to reside in and be confined to a specific area. |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Holocaust Names Lists | Rec | Primary | Lists of victims of the Holocaust and survivors. |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Pages of Testimony | Rec | Primary | Documentation of individuals who perished in the Holocaust and Holocaust survivors. Typically refer to the completed forms that can be searched at Yad Vashem. |

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| Historical Events | Holocaust | Pogrom Files | Rec | Cross-reference of Historical Events:Persecutions | Records that document large-scale acts of violence against a population. May include information about victims, witnesses, relief applications and administration, minutes of meetings, lists of persons looking for relatives. |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Recorded Testimonies | Rec | Primary | Oral or written accounts by witnesses regarding treatment of individual victims or survivors of an organized massacre. |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Asset Lists | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Confiscated Property Lists | Rec | Primary | Inventories of confiscated property prepared by the Nazis |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Deportation Transport and March Names | Rec | Primary | Names of children, women and men who were forced to relocate on foot, vehicles or trains from their home to a ghetto, extermination centers or concentration camps. |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Kindertransport Landing Cards | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Restitution and Compensation Records | Rec | Primary | Records of the applications for and decisions thereon regarding compensation paid to victims of the Nazis or their heirs for loss of property, livelihoods, imprisonment, etc. |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Stolpersteine | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Tracing Requests | Rec | Primary | An application to trace a person that her/his whereabouts were not known to the requester |
| Historical Events | Holocaust | Transport Lists | Rec | Primary | Listings of Jews who were taken on railroad cars to concentration camps by date and convoy number. |
| Historical Events | Persecutions | Pogrom Files | Rec | Primary | Records that document large-scale acts of violence against a population. May include information about victims, witnesses, relief |

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| | | | | | applications and administration, minutes of meetings, lists of persons looking for relatives. |
| Historical Events | Persecutions | Recorded Testimonies | Rec | Cross-reference of Historical Events:Holocaust | Oral or written accounts by witnesses regarding treatment of individual victims or survivors of an organized massacre. |
| Historical Events | Persecutions | Persecuted Persons Lists | Rec | Primary | Documents that list persecuted people targeted by governments based on their ethnicity, religion, political beliefs, or sexual orientation. |
| Historical Events | Persecutions | Martyrology Records | Rec | Primary | Book of martyrs, usually from medieval times. |
| Historical Events | Expulsions | Expulsion Records | Rec | Primary | Records of populations forced to move due to war or for political reasons. |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Border Crossing Records | Rec | Primary | Documents individuals' arrivals into a country from across a border and may contain: full name, place of birth, age and sex, marital status, point of arrival in country, date of arrival, final destination, physical description, individual picture or family picture, purpose in coming, and occupation. |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Nations of Landing Records | Rec | Primary | Documents entries into a country where the immigrants "landed." |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Ship Manifests | Rec | Primary | Official documents recorded by the ship company that transported the passengers for each voyage. Most contain the name of the ship, its port(s) and date(s) of departure, its port(s) and date(s) of arrival in country, the name, age, sex, profession or occupation, nationality and destination of each passenger aboard. Depending on the date, some lists contain other information on the immigrants, such as their health, religion, previous |

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| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Passenger Lists | Syn | Primary | Official documents recorded by the ship company that transported the passengers for each voyage. Most contain the name of the ship, its port(s) and date(s) of departure, its port(s) and date(s) of arrival in country, the name, age, sex, profession or occupation, nationality and destination of each passenger aboard. Depending on the date, some lists contain other information on the immigrants, such as their health, religion, previous visits, family relationships, city of birth and cash on hand. |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Emigration Lists | Syn | Primary | Official documents recorded by the ship company that transported the passengers for each voyage. Most contain the name of the ship, its port(s) and date(s) of departure, its port(s) and date(s) of arrival in country, the name, age, sex, profession or occupation, nationality and destination of each passenger aboard. Depending on the date, some lists contain other information on the immigrants, such as their health, religion, previous visits, family relationships, city of birth and cash on hand. |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Aliyah Documents | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Aliyah Passport Records | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Departure Records | Rec | Primary | TBD |

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| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Passenger Departure Lists | Syn | Primary | TBD |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Expulsion Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Historical Events:Expulsions | Records of populations forced to move due to war or for political reasons. |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Travel | Kindertransport Landing Cards | Rec | Cross-reference of Historical Events:Holocaust | TBD |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Assistance | Relief and Aid Society Records | Rec | Primary | Documents of organizations providing food, material, legal, immigration, housing, employment, language and other assistance. May contain files on persons receiving assistance. May contain correspondence, minutes, food distribution lists, ledgers, financial statements, receipt books, records of donors, list of subscribers to the society, by-laws of society. |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Assistance | Displaced Person Records | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Assistance | Jewish Immigrant Bank Records | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Emigration / Immigration Records | Assistance | Refugee Hostel Registries | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Population and Residency | Residency | City Directories | Rec | Primary | Alphabetical lists of residents of a particular area listing the names of the heads of households, their addresses, and occupational information. Generally created before telephone books. May contain additional information. |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Local directories, Area directories | Syn | Primary | Alphabetical lists of residents of a particular area listing the names of the heads of households, their addresses, and occupational information. Generally created before telephone books. May contain additional information. |
| Population | Residency | Local Tax Records | Rec | Primary | Tax Assessors', |

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| Population and Residency | | | | | Treasurers' and Recorders' office records. Examples include deeds, mortgages, assessment data, tax details, and parcel maps. 18th and 19th century Eastern European Tax Lists generally list the family name, first name, and father's name of all heads of households in the community. May include additional information about other family members. Many indicate the ages and dates of death. Some indicate profession or are specifically compiled based on profession like Merchant Lists or Craftsmen and Guild Lists. |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Manorial Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Government: Court | Court rolls, surveys, maps, documents and books relating to the boundaries, wastes, customs or courts of a manor. |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Phone Books | Rec | Primary | Listings of telephone subscribers in a geographical area or subscribers to services provided by the organization that publishes the directory. |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Town Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Government: National and Local | Records kept by town clerks/officials. These records may contain information about births, marriages, deaths, burials, appointments, oaths of allegiance, land records, military enrollments, mortgages, name changes, care of the poor, school records, surveys, tax lists, town meeting minutes, and voter registrations. Varies by location and date. |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Voting Registers | Rec | Primary | Official lists of individuals authorized to cast a vote in an election to be held by either a governmental jurisdiction or religious community. |
| Population | Residency | Electoral Rolls | Syn | Primary | Official lists of individuals |

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| and Residency | | | | | authorized to cast a vote in an election to be held by either a governmental jurisdiction or religious community. |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Electoral Rolls | Syn | Primary | Official lists of individuals authorized to cast a vote in an election to be held by either a governmental jurisdiction or religious community. |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Group Directories | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Books or lists of names and contact information for people in a specific group. Types of community directories include family, neighborhood, religious, alumni, and society/club/organization. |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Community Directories | Syn | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Books or lists of names and contact information for people in a specific group. Types of community directories include family, neighborhood, religious, alumni, and society/club/organization. |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Letters of Protection | Rec | Primary | Letters conveying the right to reside in a certain town for a certain number of years in exchange for the payment of an annual fee |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Schutzbriefen | Syn | Primary | Letters conveying the right to reside in a certain town for a certain number of years in exchange for the payment of an annual fee |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Non-Permanent Residence Books | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Population and Residency | Residency | Permanent Residence Books | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Population and Residency | Population | Censuses | Rec | Primary | Official count or survey of a population, typically recording various details of individuals by household or address. |
| Population and Residency | Population | Population Control and Movement Records | Syn | Primary | Official count or survey of a population, typically recording various details of individuals by household or address. |

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| Population and Residency | Population | Revision Lists | Rec | Primary | Comprehensive lists of the taxpaying population to which almost all the Jews belonged. Revision Lists were revised or updated, sometimes several times, until the next census was recorded. |
| Population and Residency | Population | Family Household Lists | Syn | Primary | Comprehensive lists of the taxpaying population to which almost all the Jews belonged. Revision Lists were revised or updated, sometimes several times, until the next census was recorded. |
| Population and Residency | Population | Reviski Skaski | Syn | Primary | Comprehensive lists of the taxpaying population to which almost all the Jews belonged. Revision Lists were revised or updated, sometimes several times, until the next census was recorded. |
| Population and Residency | Population | Residency Registration | Syn | Primary | Comprehensive lists of the taxpaying population to which almost all the Jews belonged. Revision Lists were revised or updated, sometimes several times, until the next census was recorded. |
| Population and Residency | Settler | Border Area Records | Rec | Primary | Administrative, legislative, and population records documenting residents/settlers in colonies (often agricultural) in border areas of a country. |
| Population and Residency | Settler | Colonization Records | Rec | Primary | Records and lists documenting settlers in colonies and communes; typically include descriptions of farm lands and livestock. |
| Population and Residency | Settler | Commune Records | Rec | Primary | Records and lists documenting administrative, legislative, and population matters for a Jewish religious community. |
| Population and Residency | Settler | Settler Lists | Rec | Primary | Lists of settlers in a region, often an agricultural colony. |

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| Government | Court | Delayed Birth Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Vital Events:Birth | Births recorded more than one year after the date of birth. May have been many years after birth if jurisdiction at birth did not require recording, or may record a live birth when no physician was present. It may also be used to document the birth of an immigrant who has no original documentation. |
| Government | Court | Birth Protocol Sworn Records | Syn | Cross-reference of Vital Events:Birth | Births recorded more than one year after the date of birth. May have been many years after birth if jurisdiction at birth did not require recording, or may record a live birth when no physician was present. It may also be used to document the birth of an immigrant who has no original documentation. |
| Government | Court | Asylum Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Other Institutions | Records of patients, classified as insane or lunatic. Individuals were placed in asylums when they were deemed under contemporary definitions to be: of intermittent not sound memory and understanding; natural fools from birth, in debt, exhibiting anti-social behavior. Many records of asylums are kept in local archives, especially those of patients; most patient files have been destroyed. |
| Government | Court | Lunacy Records | Syn | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Other Institutions | Records of patients, classified as insane or lunatic. Individuals were placed in asylums when they were deemed under contemporary definitions to be: of intermittent not sound memory and understanding; natural fools from birth, in debt, exhibiting anti-social behavior. Many records of asylums are kept in local archives, especially those of patients; most patient files have been destroyed. |

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| Government | Court | Military Pension Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Government:Military | Documentation of pensions paid to people who have served in the military or to their survivors. Application files may contain supporting information such as names and birth dates of children and spouses, proof of birth or marriage, discharge papers, and depositions from a soldier's friends and family. |
| Government | Court | Sentencing Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Historical Events:Inquisition | Documents of sentences and their implementation. Sentences were communicated in notarized formats including certificates or brief sealed notices. If the sentence included confiscations of property, there can be many documents detailing the properties to be seized and their disposition. |
| Government | Court | Inquisition Trial Records | Syn | Cross-reference of Historical Events:Inquisition | Documents of sentences and their implementation. Sentences were communicated in notarized formats including certificates or brief sealed notices. If the sentence included confiscations of property, there can be many documents detailing the properties to be seized and their disposition. |
| Government | Court | Punishment Books | Syn | Cross-reference of Historical Events:Inquisition | Documents of sentences and their implementation. Sentences were communicated in notarized formats including certificates or brief sealed notices. If the sentence included confiscations of property, there can be many documents detailing the properties to be seized and their disposition. |
| Government | Court | Manorial Records | Rec | Primary | Court rolls, surveys, maps, documents and books relating to the boundaries, wastes, customs or courts of a manor. |

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| Government | Court | Abandoned Property Lists | Rec | Primary | Records of unclaimed property (interests, money or land) that appears to have been abandoned or seized often during time of war. |
| Government | Court | Unclaimed Property Lists | Syn | Primary | Records of unclaimed property (interests, money or land) that appears to have been abandoned or seized often during time of war. |
| Government | Court | Coroner's Inquests | Rec | Primary | Records of a legal investigation conducted when a coroner cannot easily determine, through an initial investigation or post-mortem examination, how, when and where a person died. Evidence is reviewed in a public court hearing before a jury. |
| Government | Court | Criminal Cases | Rec | Primary | Records of court proceedings in which the defendant is tried for conduct that is considered to be illegal according to the state's legislature, or the government. Criminal cases generally begin after the person is arrested and informed of their charges, usually at a hearing known as an indictment. Most criminal cases are tried by a judge in the presence of a jury, and may result in sentences under criminal law. Such sentences could include jail time as well as fines. |
| Government | Court | Debt Cases | Rec | Primary | Records of a lawsuit for an amount owed, usually involving a sum of money due to another person, an obligation to deliver goods, or an agreement to perform a certain act, such as returning a favor. |
| Government | Court | Felony Records | Rec | Primary | Records of a grave crime such as murder or rape, typically punishable by a term of imprisonment of not less than one year or by the death penalty. |

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| Government | Court | Guardianship Records | Rec | Primary | Records of the lawful appointment of someone who is charged with and entitled to care for the person of a minor, invalid, or incompetent and his or her interests, such as education, property management and investments. |
| Government | Court | Land and Property Records | Rec | Primary | Legal documents that contain a description of real property and information about its ownership. Types of documents include deeds (ownership records), mortgages (loans secured by real property), liens (legal encumbrances against real property), and land grants (awards from public ownership), recorded in a jurisdiction. |
| Government | Court | Deeds | Syn | Primary | Legal documents that contain a description of real property and information about its ownership. Types of documents include deeds (ownership records), mortgages (loans secured by real property), liens (legal encumbrances against real property), and land grants (awards from public ownership), recorded in a jurisdiction. |
| Government | Court | Land Grants | Syn | Primary | Legal documents that contain a description of real property and information about its ownership. Types of documents include deeds (ownership records), mortgages (loans secured by real property), liens (legal encumbrances against real property), and land grants (awards from public ownership), recorded in a jurisdiction. |
| Government | Court | Mortgages | Syn | Primary | Legal documents that contain a description of real property and information about its |

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| | | | | | ownership. Types of documents include deeds (ownership records), mortgages (loans secured by real property), liens (legal encumbrances against real property), and land grants (awards from public ownership), recorded in a jurisdiction. |
| Government | Court | Valuation Rolls | Syn | Primary | Legal documents that contain a description of real property and information about its ownership. Types of documents include deeds (ownership records), mortgages (loans secured by real property), liens (legal encumbrances against real property), and land grants (awards from public ownership), recorded in a jurisdiction. |
| Government | Court | Probate Records | Rec | Primary | Records that document the disposition of a deceased individual's property. When a testament is made, a probate record includes an individual's last will and testament. Usually a probate record includes: the name of the deceased, the deceased's age at the time of death or birth date, property, members of the family, and the last place of residence. |
| Government | Court | Property Dispute Records | Rec | Primary | Records of a legal dispute that involves real estate, and may involve anyone who has an interest in the property in question. These records can refer to a broad array of disputes over the ownership of land, due to encroachment or a problem with the recorded deeds. |
| Government | Court | Decrees Nisi | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Government | Court | Estate Probate Notices | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Notices placed in newspaper announcing the probate of the deceased's estate |

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| Government | Court | Legal Notices | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Legal notices that were often required to be published in newspapers related to lawsuits, name changes, business names, etc. |
| Government | Court | Sharia Records | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Government | Citizenship | Consulate Records | Rec | Primary | Documents created, processed, or issued at consulates or embassies, such as travel or immigration applications, work permits, travel visas, passports, registration of births, deaths, marriages, divorces, adoptions of nationals living abroad. |
| Government | Citizenship | Identity Cards | Rec | Primary | Official documents issued by a governmental entity to validate the identity of the person presenting the card. Typically include: person's name, date of birth, address, and photograph. |
| Government | Citizenship | Naturalization and Citizenship Files | Rec | Primary | All correspondence and submitted forms for an individual seeking citizenship. Typically include a declaration of intent to become a citizen and renounce allegiance to a foreign government and a petition for citizenship, and result in a certificate being issued. Records usually contain: name, country of birth or allegiance, date of the application, occupation, names of spouse and children. Some list the date, port of arrival into the country and the name of the ship. |
| Government | Citizenship | Passports - Internal | Rec | Primary | Documents the identity of a person for domestic use. Uses have included restricting citizens of a subdivided state to employment in their own area (preventing their migration to richer cities or regions), recording the ethnicity of citizens to enforce segregation or prevent passing, and controlling access to sensitive sites or closed |

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| Government | Citizenship | Passports - International | Rec | Primary | Official documents issued by a government, certifying the holder's identity and citizenship and entitling them to travel under its protection to and from foreign countries. Typically includes a photo of the holder. Passport applications have a wealth of genealogical information. |
| Government | Citizenship | Visas | Rec | Primary | Government endorsements, typically attached to a passport, that certify the holder is allowed to enter, leave, or stay for a specified period of time in a foreign country. |
| Government | Citizenship | Aliyah Documents | Rec | Cross-reference of Emigration / Immigration Records:Travel | TBD |
| Government | Citizenship | Aliyah Passport Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Emigration / Immigration Records:Travel | TBD |
| Government | Citizenship | Citizenship Announcements | Rec | Cross-reference of Media:Articles | Lists published in legal gazettes or other periodicals, identifying naturalizations and/or new surnames |
| Government | Civil Action | Appointments to Public Office | Rec | Primary | Documents that record the official assignment of a person to a government position. |
| Government | Civil Action | Forced Labor Records | Rec | Primary | Documents related to forced labor. Includes work documents such as cards, labor records, forms, certificates, working books, and correspondence; records that deal with labor detail in labor camps, ghettos, factories, fields, and elsewhere; the conscription to forced labor; reports about the amount of work performed; and the permission to travel to work by train. |
| Government | Civil Action | Lawsuits | Rec | Primary | Documentation of legal proceedings in a dispute |

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| | | | | | against a party or parties. They contain descriptions of claims, complaints, testimonies, judgements, and settlements. |
| Government | Civil Action | Name Change Records | Rec | Primary | Documentation of a legal change of name. The procedure varies by jurisdiction and time period. In general, common law jurisdictions have loose procedures for a name change while civil law jurisdictions are more restrictive. A person must officially register the new name with the appropriate authorities whether the change was made as a result of a court order, marriage, divorce, adoption, or any other method. |
| Government | Civil Action | Deed Poll Records for Legal Name Change | Syn | Primary | Documentation of a legal change of name. The procedure varies by jurisdiction and time period. In general, common law jurisdictions have loose procedures for a name change while civil law jurisdictions are more restrictive. A person must officially register the new name with the appropriate authorities whether the change was made as a result of a court order, marriage, divorce, adoption, or any other method. |
| Government | Civil Action | Notary Records | Rec | Primary | Official documents attested to by a public officer (notary) recognized by the government and commissioned within the territorial jurisdiction. May include marriage contracts, real estate law, wills, estates, obligations and discharges, termination of companies, agreements, powers of attorney, sworn affidavits etc. For genealogists, notarial records can offset the loss or destruction of registers of civil status. In |

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| | | | | | some cases, notarial records are the only documents that can confirm the kinship of an individual. |
| Government | Civil Action | Plans and Permits | Rec | Primary | Documents that detail construction projects submitted for approval to the local civic authorities. Typically include plan drawings and applications that include details about individuals and organizations requesting approval. |
| Government | National and Local | Town Records | Rec | Primary | Records kept by town clerks/officials. These records may contain information about births, marriages, deaths, burials, appointments, oaths of allegiance, land records, military enrollments, mortgages, name changes, care of the poor, school records, surveys, tax lists, town meeting minutes, and voter registrations. Varies by location and date. |
| Government | National and Local | Voting Registers | Rec | Cross-reference of Population and Residency:Residency | Official lists of individuals authorized to cast a vote in an election to be held by either a governmental jurisdiction or religious community. |
| Government | National and Local | Electoral Rolls | Syn | Cross-reference of Population and Residency:Residency | Official lists of individuals authorized to cast a vote in an election to be held by either a governmental jurisdiction or religious community. |
| Government | National and Local | Electoral Rolls | Syn | Cross-reference of Population and Residency:Residency | Official lists of individuals authorized to cast a vote in an election to be held by either a governmental jurisdiction or religious community. |
| Government | National and Local | Licenses - Business | Rec | Primary | Legal documents that authorize the operation of a business in a jurisdiction. They give a business owner(s) the right to conduct entrepreneurial activities as set forth in the license. |
| Government | National and Local | Licenses - Firearms | Rec | Primary | Legal documents that allow the licensee to buy, |

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| | | | | | own, possess, or carry a firearm within a jurisdiction, often subject to a number of conditions or restrictions, especially with regard to storage requirements or the completion of a firearms safety course, as well as background checks, etc. |
| Government | National and Local | Licenses - Motor Vehicle | Rec | Primary | Legal documents that authorize an individual to operate a motor vehicle and includes identifying information such as: name, age, date of birth, gender, eye color, hair color, weight and height. |
| Government | National and Local | Licenses - Occupational | Rec | Primary | Records issued by a jurisdiction, bureau, or agency that certify that an individual can legally engage in a regulated occupation and the use of a specific title in the practice of an occupation, profession, or vocation. |
| Government | National and Local | Box Tax Records | Rec | Primary | Lists by head of household that document taxes paid on kosher meat. Head of household is identified by family name, first name and patronymic. The box taxes were collected by the Jewish community from its members and used for various social needs, including the Rabbi's salary. |
| Government | National and Local | Kupah Taxes | Syn | Primary | Lists by head of household that document taxes paid on kosher meat. Head of household is identified by family name, first name and patronymic. The box taxes were collected by the Jewish community from its members and used for various social needs, including the Rabbi's salary. |
| Government | National and Local | Puske Taxes | Syn | Primary | Lists by head of household that document taxes paid on kosher meat. Head of household is identified by family name, first name and |

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| | | | | | patronymic. The box taxes were collected by the Jewish community from its members and used for various social needs, including the Rabbi's salary. |
| Government | National and Local | Candle Tax Records | Rec | Primary | Lists that document taxes paid for Sabbath candles. The candle taxes were used to support the needs of Jewish education. These lists of taxpayers were usually broken down by "well-to-do families," "average families," and "poor families" and contain little information about individual families. |
| Government | National and Local | Familianten - Mannschafts-buecher Records | Rec | Primary | Records kept by the Habsburg (Bohemia and Moravia) government of which families lived in which towns in order to enforce the quota of Jews families through the issuance of marriage permits. Each record comprised the name of county, registration number of the family in the whole land, the registration number of the family in the county, name of the father, his wife, his sons and a few other family details. The quota was in force 1726 - 1848. |
| Government | National and Local | Mannschaftsbuecher in Moravia | Syn | Primary | Records kept by the Habsburg (Bohemia and Moravia) government of which families lived in which towns in order to enforce the quota of Jews families through the issuance of marriage permits. Each record comprised the name of county, registration number of the family in the whole land, the registration number of the family in the county, name of the father, his wife, his sons and a few other family details. The quota was in force 1726 - 1848. |

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| Government | National and Local | Jewish White Books - Liber Judeorum Album | Rec | Primary | Records kept under the statutes of King Colomon of Hungary listing Jewish moneylenders and their transactions, and the names of Jews who purchased items from Christians and the items bought. |
| Government | National and Local | Kahal Books | Rec | Primary | Records from the local governing body of a European Jewish community administering religious, legal, and communal affairs. |
| Government | National and Local | Pinkas(im) | Rec | Primary | Books, journals, or ledgers that document the religious, charitable or trade functions of a Jewish community; typically include rules and regulations, names of its founders and members, and minutes of its meetings. Many pinkasim are considered works of art. |
| Government | National and Local | Police Records | Rec | Primary | Official records and logs of arrests, warrants, and incidents attended to and documented by police. |
| Government | National and Local | Public Records | Rec | Primary | Records made by a government agency or officer in the performance of official duty, or filed with a government office, and subject to public inspection. |
| Government | National and Local | Real Estate Tax Records | Rec | Primary | Records kept by a municipality showing the assessed value of a piece of real property, and the taxes paid on that property. |
| Government | National and Local | Social Security and Assistance Files | Rec | Primary | Government records that pertain to benefits it provides to individuals and families in support of their material needs due to circumstances such as retirement or disability. In the US, Social Security applications provide a mother's maiden name, and the Social Security Death Index provides information regarding death dates of people |

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| | | | | | who registered in the Social Security program. |
| Government | National and Local | Tax Records | Rec | Primary | Records kept by a jurisdiction that document the taxes owed and paid by an individual, family, or business. May include income, sales, real estate, and many more types of taxes. Most tax records are confidential. |
| Government | National and Local | Alien Files | Rec | Primary | Records kept by the government of foreigners living in the country. |
| Government | National and Local | Foreigner Lists | Syn | Primary | Records kept by the government of foreigners living in the country. |
| Government | National and Local | Cadastral Maps | Rec | Primary | A comprehensive land recording of the real estate or real property' metes-and-bounds of a country. In most countries, legal systems have developed around the original administrative systems and use the cadastre to define the dimensions and location of land parcels described in legal documentation. A land parcel or cadastral parcel is defined as a continuous area, or more appropriately volume, that is identified by a unique set of homogeneous property rights |
| Government | National and Local | Civil Marriages | Rec | Cross-reference of Vital Events:Marriage | A legally recongnized civil marriage may take place on a different date than the religious marriage. In some countries a civil marriage must take place prior to a religious ceremony. |
| Government | National and Local | Civil Weddings | Syn | Cross-reference of Vital Events:Marriage | A legally recongnized civil marriage may take place on a different date than the religious marriage. In some countries a civil marriage must take place prior to a religious ceremony. |
| Government | National and Local | Non-Permanent Residence Books | Rec | Cross-reference of Population and | TBD |

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| | | | | Residency:Residency | |
| Government | National and Local | Permanent Residence Books | Rec | Cross-reference of Population and Residency:Residency | TBD |
| Government | National and Local | Surname Adoption Lists | Rec | Primary | The lists created by local European governments when Jews were required to adopt a surname under Napoleonic decree. |
| Government | National and Local | Vaccination Records | Rec | Primary | Records naming those in a town who were vaccinated during a particular period. |
| Government | National and Local | War Memorial Plaques | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Government | Military | Photo Collections | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Photographs that are collected and kept by individuals, organizations, communities, the military, Yad Vashem and many other sources. Includes photographs posted on social media. |
| Government | Military | Conscriptions | Rec | Primary | Lists and Records of individuals called up for compulsory military service. Often used as a census substitute for males. May include name, birth date, religion, marital status, literacy, and may include names of fathers, brothers and brothers' ages. |
| Government | Military | Died in Service Records | Rec | Primary | Records of individuals who died in military service, usually in a particular conflict. Lists may include name; birth date; service unit; date, place, and manner of death; interment details; or other information. |
| Government | Military | Casualties | Syn | Primary | Records of individuals who died in military service, usually in a particular conflict. Lists may include name; birth date; service unit; date, place, and manner of death; interment details; or other information. |
| Government | Military | Discharge Records | Rec | Primary | Records of the release of individuals from active military service. May include date, place and home address of an |

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| | | | | | individual time of entry into and release from service; last duty assignment and rank; military job specialty and education; decorations; medals; badges; citations; campaign awards; total creditable service; foreign service credited; and separation information (type of separation, character of service, authority and reason for separation, separation and reenlistment eligibility codes). |
| Government | Military | Draft Registration Records | Rec | Primary | Records of registration of individuals for military purposes. Varies greatly by country and date. Records typically include the individuals' : name, address, place and date of birth, employer's name and address and name and address of person who will always know the registrant's address. |
| Government | Military | Enlistments | Rec | Primary | Records of military service enrollment, usually including information about the person enrolling, and date and place of enrollment. |
| Government | Military | Military Pension Records | Rec | Primary | Documentation of pensions paid to people who have served in the military or to their survivors. Application files may contain supporting information such as names and birth dates of children and spouses, proof of birth or marriage, discharge papers, and depositions from a soldier's friends and family. |
| Government | Military | Service Records | Rec | Primary | Records of an individual's military service. Includes information such as enlistment/appointment; duty stations and assignments; training, qualifications, performance; awards and medals; disciplinary |

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| | | | | | actions; separation/discharge/retirement; pension applications, and payment records; etc. Availability and access varies by country and date of service. |
| Government | Military | Court Martial Records | Rec | Primary | Records kept during a military court or trial. A court-martial is empowered to determine the guilt of members of the armed forces subject to military law, and, if the defendant is found guilty, to decide upon punishment. |
| Government | Military | Draft Evaders and Military Deserters Lists | Rec | Primary | List of individuals who evaded the draft or military personnel who deserted the armed forces |
| Government | Military | Gold Star Records | Rec | Primary | Records of families who lost their children serving in the military |
| Government | Military | Hospital Records of Wounded Military Personnel | Rec | Primary | Hospital admission cards and other records about care and discharge for military personnel wounded in battle during wartime. |
| Government | Military | Military Awards and Decorations | Rec | Primary | Awards given to members of armed services for conduct during hostilities, especially those awarded for valor. |
| Government | Military | Military Recognitions | Syn | Primary | Awards given to members of armed services for conduct during hostilities, especially those awarded for valor. |
| Government | Military | Military Service Records | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Government | Military | Military Service Tribunal Files | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Government | Military | War Time Military Exemption Tribunal Files | Syn | Primary | TBD |
| Government | Military | Military Unit Histories | Rec | Cross-reference of Compiled Sources:Books | Histories written about specific military units and during specific timeframes such as WWI, WWII. Unit histories might be written for smaller units like specific |

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| | | | | | companies to ship histories to battalion and army level. |
| Government | Military | Prisoner of War Records | Rec | Primary | Military account books listing information about individual prisoners, issuing of supplies, duties assigned, and disciplinary actions. Account books kept by individual prisoners documenting supplies received and any financial transactions with their captors. |
| Government | Military | Veteran Records | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Recorded Testimonies | Rec | Cross-reference of Historical Events:Holocaust | Oral or written accounts by witnesses regarding treatment of individual victims or survivors of an organized massacre. |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Autobiographies | Rec | Primary | Accounts, written or oral, of a person's own life in their own words. |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Memoirs | Syn | Primary | Accounts, written or oral, of a person's own life in their own words. |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Diaries / Journals | Rec | Primary | Books in which an individual has kept a record of events, personal activities, transactions, feelings, experiences, and so forth. Often entries are made daily, but sometimes less frequently. |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Personal Correspondence - Juedische Privatbriefe | Rec | Primary | Personal records of written letters, emails or texts exchanged between or among people or businesses. |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Scrapbooks | Rec | Primary | Blank books in which various items (such as newspaper clippings or pictures) are collected and preserved |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Family Event Diaries | Rec | Primary | Small diary-type books, preprinted with a calendar and often decorations or poetry quotations, in which vital events are entered. For example, birthdays, and anniversaries of their extended family, with a view to sending congratulations. |
| Personal | Self- | Family Birthday | Syn | Primary | Small diary-type books, |

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| | Authored | Books | | | preprinted with a calendar and often decorations or poetry quotations, in which vital events are entered. For example, birthdays, and anniversaries of their extended family, with a view to sending congratulations. |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Family Newsletters | Rec | Primary | Written publications, issued periodically, with information and news for people with a specific interest in common. Types of newsletters include family, neighborhood, and religious. |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Keepsake Books | Rec | Primary | Notes: like the baby books, wedding books |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Personal Family History Research Notes | Rec | Primary | Research notes and files on family history (hard copies and computer files). |
| Personal | Self-Authored | Photo Albums | Rec | Primary | Books and binders with blank pages or sleeves for photographs. There are some specialty albums often for weddings and bar/bat mitzvahs. |
| Personal | Owned Artifacts | School Yearbooks | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:School | Books published yearly as a report or summary of statistics or facts that may document names of a school's affiliated persons. It is a publication that serves as a written and photographic record of the year's activities, its students, and teachers. These books can exist at any level: elementary, secondary (high school), or university. |
| Personal | Owned Artifacts | Cultural Artifacts | Rec | Primary | Jewish ritual objects such as Torah coverings or post circumcision binders (tora wimpeln). They may be useful for genealogical purposes when they are inscribed with names of donors and/or honorees. |
| Personal | Owned Artifacts | Personal Artifacts | Rec | Primary | Personal possessions such as jewelry may be |

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| | | | | | inscribed with information about the owner. |
| Personal | Owned Artifacts | Yearbooks | Rec | Cross-reference of Reference Tools:Context | Books published yearly as a report or summary of statistics or facts that may document names of an organization's affiliated persons and events during a year. For example, it may commemorate a deployment of a United States Navy ship. Note, there is a separate record type for School Yearbooks. |
| Personal | Owned Artifacts | Book Inscriptions | Rec | Primary | Names and other information written on the front endpaper or title page of a book. |
| Personal | Owned Artifacts | Ephemera | Rec | Primary | Items not part of the public or published record, often kept as mementos or to show membership. Examples include mugs, gavel and block sets, kippot/ yarmulkes, benchers, pen and pencil sets, and pen stands. |
| Personal | Owned Artifacts | Group Directories | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Books or lists of names and contact information for people in a specific group. Types of community directories include family, neighborhood, religious, alumni, and society/club/ organization. |
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| Personal | Owned Artifacts | Guest Books/ Registers | Rec | Primary | Books with blank pages for guests to sign at occasions such as weddings and funerals. |
| Personal | Owned Artifacts | Needlework | Rec | Primary | Household items made by decorating fabric with thread/floss/yarn/cloth. Types of needlework include embroidery, |

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| | | | | | needlepoint, quilting, and appliqué. Examples of items include album quilts and samplers. |
| Personal | Owned Artifacts | Trophies and Medals | Rec | Primary | Keepsakes given for excellence in competitions and for other achievements. Made of a flat piece of metal, some may be worn by means of a ribbon or pin. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Ketubot | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | Documents that are the formal contract in a Jewish religious marriage that specify financial protection for the wife in the event that the husband dies or divorces her. A Ketubah contains the date and location of the marriage, the name of the rabbi, names of witnesses and in most cases includes the bride's and groom's parents names. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Ketubahs | Syn | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Synagogue | Documents that are the formal contract in a Jewish religious marriage that specify financial protection for the wife in the event that the husband dies or divorces her. A Ketubah contains the date and location of the marriage, the name of the rabbi, names of witnesses and in most cases includes the bride's and groom's parents names. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Gets | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Rabbinical | Documents in Jewish religious law which effectuates a divorce between a Jewish couple |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Jewish Divorce Records | Syn | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Rabbinical | Documents in Jewish religious law which effectuates a divorce between a Jewish couple |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Address Books | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Rolodex | Syn | Primary | TBD |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Mechanical Address Books | Syn | Primary | TBD |
| Personal | Personal | Contact Lists | Syn | Primary | TBD |

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| | Documents | | | | |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Appointment Books | Rec | Primary | Books for writing in names, dates, and locations of appointments in date order. May be spiral-bound. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Autograph Books | Rec | Primary | Books with blank pages for individuals to sign and write messages. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Award Certificates | Rec | Primary | Documents given for excellence in competitions and for other achievements. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Business Cards | Rec | Primary | Small cards printed with name, title, business address, and other contact information. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Business Stationery | Rec | Primary | Letter paper with matching envelopes, each printed or engraved with name, company, address, and other contact information. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Calling Cards | Rec | Primary | Small cards presented when visiting that are printed with the visitor's name and sometimes the visitor's address. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Eulogies | Rec | Primary | Addresses by clergy or others at funeral |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Event Programs | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Printed sequences of the events and the main participants in a religious service, recital, graduation, etc. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Membership Certificates | Rec | Primary | Documents given for membership in a society/club/organization. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Memorial Cards | Rec | Primary | Laminated cards about the size of a playing card containing basic information about the deceased. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Funeral Cards | Syn | Primary | Laminated cards about the size of a playing card containing basic information about the deceased. |
| Personal | Personal Documents | Recipes | Rec | Primary | Instructions for preparing a dish that are copied by hand, typewriter, or other means onto sheet paper or card stock. |
| Personal | Personal | Interviews | Rec | Primary | Audio or video recordings |

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| | Other | | | | of meetings, or transcriptions of such recordings, in which the interviewer elicits information from the interviewee about the interviewee. |
| Personal | Personal Other | Personal Photographs and Videos | Rec | Primary | Images captured by a camera, either digital or analog (slides, negatives, prints, videos). May have accompanying information about the subjects and/or setting, including names, dates, and places. |
| Personal | Financial and Legal | Wills | Rec | Primary | Documents that specify to whom one's assets shall be disbursed after death. Wills can provide family names and relationships. Wills may be witnessed, notarized, and on file and or recorded in a governmental court office. |
| Personal | Financial and Legal | Land and Property Records | Rec | Cross-reference of Government:Court | Legal documents that contain a description of real property and information about its ownership. Types of documents include deeds (ownership records), mortgages (loans secured by real property), liens (legal encumbrances against real property), and land grants (awards from public ownership), recorded in a jurisdiction. |
| Personal | Financial and Legal | Deeds | Syn | Cross-reference of Government:Court | Legal documents that contain a description of real property and information about its ownership. Types of documents include deeds (ownership records), mortgages (loans secured by real property), liens (legal encumbrances against real property), and land grants (awards from public ownership), recorded in a jurisdiction. |
| Personal | Financial and Legal | Land Grants | Syn | Cross-reference of Government:Court | Legal documents that contain a description of |

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| Personal | Financial and Legal | Mortgages | Syn | Cross-reference of Government: Court | Legal documents that contain a description of real property and information about its ownership. Types of documents include deeds (ownership records), mortgages (loans secured by real property), liens (legal encumbrances against real property), and land grants (awards from public ownership), recorded in a jurisdiction. |
| Personal | Financial and Legal | Valuation Rolls | Syn | Cross-reference of Government: Court | Legal documents that contain a description of real property and information about its ownership. Types of documents include deeds (ownership records), mortgages (loans secured by real property), liens (legal encumbrances against real property), and land grants (awards from public ownership), recorded in a jurisdiction. |
| Personal | Financial and Legal | Bank Checks | Rec | Primary | Printed forms for directing a bank to pay money. |
| Personal | Financial and Legal | Bank Statements | Rec | Primary | Monthly statements of a customer's bank account showing transactions and balances. |
| Personal | Financial and Legal | Insurance Policies | Rec | Primary | Records related to various types of insurance policies—may provide information on family relationships, residence, health, etc. |
| Media | Publications | Newsletters | Rec | Primary | Bulletins that are issued |

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| | | | | | with regular frequency; include articles about the activities of the organization, topical news items, and sometimes educational items of interest. They are sent to members, prospective members and partners. E-newsletters are delivered electronically via e-mail. |
| Media | Publications | Journals | Rec | Primary | Published periodicals that focus on a particular subject or professional activity. They often include Bio(s) of article author(s). |
| Media | Publications | Newspapers | Rec | Primary | Publications issued daily or weekly containing news and feature articles, advertisements, editorials, and correspondence. |
| Media | Publications | Penumeranten Lists | Rec | Primary | Lists of individuals' pre-ordered published items. |
| Media | Publications | Periodicals | Rec | Primary | Publications issued on a regular schedule |
| Media | Publications | Gazettes | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Media | Articles | Birth Announcements | Rec | Primary | Written announcements of the birth of a child; (originally) one published in a newspaper in a section devoted to announcements of births, deaths, marriages, etc.; (later also) one sent to family and friends, posted on social media, etc. |
| Media | Articles | Birth Notices | Syn | Primary | Written announcements of the birth of a child; (originally) one published in a newspaper in a section devoted to announcements of births, deaths, marriages, etc.; (later also) one sent to family and friends, posted on social media, etc. |
| Media | Articles | Marriage Announcements | Rec | Primary | Notices that inform the community of a marriage, issued before or after the marriage takes place. Often they are written articles in newspapers or newsletters. In recent years these announcements may be |

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| | | | | | mailed or posted on social media. |
| Media | Articles | Wedding Announcements | Syn | Primary | Notices that inform the community of a marriage, issued before or after the marriage takes place. Often they are written articles in newspapers or newsletters. In recent years these announcements may be mailed or posted on social media. |
| Media | Articles | Divorce Announcements | Rec | Primary | Notices that inform the community that a couple has legally and officially terminated their marriage. Often published in newspapers or newsletters. |
| Media | Articles | Obituaries | Rec | Primary | Published or unpublished death announcements. A particular obituary may be a simple death notice or an elaborate biography of the deceased. Obituaries usually give the name of the deceased and the death or burial date. They may also contain information such as the birth date, marriage date, names of parents and spouse, children, occupation, education, and the location of living family members at the time the obituary was written. |
| Media | Articles | Advertisements | Rec | Primary | Paid announcements, as of goods for sale or events, in newspapers or magazines, on radio or television, or on the internet. |
| Media | Articles | Editorials | Rec | Primary | Articles written by or on behalf of the editor of a publication expressing the opinion of the editor |
| Media | Articles | Engagement Announcements | Rec | Primary | Written announcements of a formal agreement to get married, published in a newspaper in a section devoted to social announcements or printed and sent to family and friends, posted on social media, etc. |

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| Media | Articles | Entertainment Articles | Rec | Primary | Articles reporting on a musical, dramatic, or comedic performance or a celebrity. |
| Media | Articles | Event Announcements | Rec | Primary | Articles reporting on an upcoming public event. |
| Media | Articles | Features | Rec | Primary | Human interest stories about a person, event, or place. |
| Media | Articles | News | Rec | Primary | Nonfiction reporting about events, usually written in a straightforward, concise reporting style |
| Media | Articles | Sports Articles | Rec | Primary | Nonfiction reporting about a sports competition, about sports competitors, or sports business people |
| Media | Articles | Anniversary Announcements | Rec | Primary | Published announcements of marital anniversaries (i.e. 50th Anniversary) of persons that list information about children and grandchildren, etc. |
| Media | Articles | Bar / Bat Mitzvah Announcements | Rec | Primary | Announcements of Barmitzvahs (and I suppose Batmitzvahs) in newspapers. |
| Media | Articles | Citizenship Announcements | Rec | Primary | Lists published in legal gazettes or other periodicals, identifying naturalizations and/or new surnames |
| Media | Articles | Death Announcements | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Media | Articles | Death Notices | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Media | Articles | Estate Probate Notices | Rec | Primary | Notices placed in newspaper announcing the probate of the deceased's estate |
| Media | Articles | Legal Notices | Rec | Primary | Legal notices that were often required to be published in newspapers related to lawsuits, name changes, business names, etc. |
| Compiled Sources | Registries | Surname / Town Registries | Rec | Primary | Lists of family names of persons who resided in a specific geographic location. A list may be a compilation based on historical records, or an online tool that allows |

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| | | | | | users to enter surnames in their family and locate others researching the same surnames. |
| Compiled Sources | Registries | Surname Exchanges | Syn | Primary | Lists of family names of persons who resided in a specific geographic location. A list may be a compilation based on historical records, or an online tool that allows users to enter surnames in their family and locate others researching the same surnames. |
| Compiled Sources | Registries | Insurance Policy Lists | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Compiled Sources | Registries | Tombstone Inscription Lists | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Compiled Sources | Books | Biographies | Rec | Primary | Narratives that are a detailed description of a person, living or deceased, and their life stories. |
| Compiled Sources | Books | Lineages | Rec | Primary | Books that trace the individuals descended from a common ancestor. |
| Compiled Sources | Books | Yizkor Books | Rec | Primary | Books that describe historical Jewish communities in Eastern and Central Europe, focusing on community life and individuals. Groups of former residents, or landsmanshaften, have published these books as tributes to their former homes and the people who were murdered during the Holocaust. The majority were written in Hebrew or Yiddish; many have been translated into English. |
| Compiled Sources | Books | Community Cookbooks | Rec | Cross-reference of Institution Records:Society | Books of recipes produced by Sisterhoods and other societies/clubs/organizations. They also include cookbooks produced by newspapers containing recipes from their readers. |
| Compiled Sources | Books | Jewish Community Histories | Rec | Primary | Books or journal articles about Jews from a specific geographical area (e.g. The Jews of |

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| | | | | | Philadelphia) or a specific context (e.g. The Jewish Soldier from Michigan in the Civil War) |
| Compiled Sources | Books | Location Histories | Rec | Primary | In the US, at the turn of the 20th century, locations published books with titles like "The History of....from its Earliest Times to the Present" books. Usually county/counties specific, sometimes states, cities or geographical areas, e.g. Washington Territory, Chicago or Hudson River Valley. |
| Compiled Sources | Books | Military Unit Histories | Rec | Primary | Histories written about specific military units and during specific timeframes such as WWI, WWII. Unit histories might be written for smaller units like specific companies to ship histories to battalion and army level. |
| Compiled Sources | Genealogies | Lineages | Rec | Cross-reference of Compiled Sources:Books | Books that trace the individuals descended from a common ancestor. |
| Compiled Sources | Genealogies | Family Group Sheets | Rec | Primary | Documents that record information about the parents and children in one family in a consistent form/format. Family group records show names, dates and places of births, marriages, and deaths, and their value is enhanced by citing the sources that document these events in the lives of family members. They may also include or reference photographs, censuses, change of residence, land purchases or sales, wills proved, and any other events in the family members' lives. |
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| Compiled Sources | Genealogies | Family Trees | Rec | Primary | Charts that name people in a family over many generations and represent their relationships to one another. |
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| Compiled Sources | Genealogies | Pedigree Charts | Syn | Primary | Charts that name people in a family over many generations and represent their relationships to one another. |
| Compiled Sources | Genealogies | Heraldry | Rec | Primary | Published works that trace royal or noble lineage. |
| Compiled Sources | Genealogies | Nobility | Rec | Primary | Published works that contain genealogical and biographical information about noble people (people with special political and social status - often titled by ruler of a kingdom), the families they married in to, and their descendants. |
| Compiled Sources | Genealogies | Peerages | Syn | Primary | Published works that contain genealogical and biographical information about noble people (people with special political and social status - often titled by ruler of a kingdom), the families they married in to, and their descendants. |
| Compiled Sources | Published Research | University Dissertations | Rec | Primary | Unpublished works by university graduate students that present their research of a |

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| | | | | | subject. Some may include personal, family, and oral histories. |
| Compiled Sources | Published Research | Dissertations | Syn | Primary | Unpublished works by university graduate students that present their research of a subject. Some may include personal, family, and oral histories. |
| Compiled Sources | Published Research | Theses | Syn | Primary | Unpublished works by university graduate students that present their research of a subject. Some may include personal, family, and oral histories. |
| Compiled Sources | Published Research | DNA / Genetic Studies | Rec | Primary | Sources of information provided by companies testing for DNA and reported DNA information |
| Compiled Sources | Digital Media | Email Lists | Rec | Primary | Postings of compiled genealogical information sent to a group email distribution list. Lists are typically composed of members interested in a common topic, such as Litvak or Rabbinic genealogy. |
| Compiled Sources | Digital Media | Electronic Mailing Lists | Syn | Primary | Postings of compiled genealogical information sent to a group email distribution list. Lists are typically composed of members interested in a common topic, such as Litvak or Rabbinic genealogy. |
| Compiled Sources | Digital Media | Social Media | Rec | Primary | Postings of compiled genealogical information, posted to a social media outlet, such as Facebook page or group or a private or public blog, typically with a common genealogical interest. |
| Compiled Sources | Digital Media | Jewish Community Histories | Rec | Cross-reference of Compiled Sources:Books | Books or journal articles about Jews from a specific geographical area (e.g. The Jews of Philadelphia) or a specific context (e.g. The Jewish Soldier from Michigan in the Civil War) |
| Compiled Sources | Digital Media | Online Databases | Rec | Primary | TBD |

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| Compiled Sources | Digital Media | Privately Hosted Genealogical Websites | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Reference Tools | Instructions | Finding Aids | Rec | Primary | Documents to assist a researcher in searching within a particular collection, such as a documentary inventory and description of the materials, their source, and their structure. Often contain detailed, indexed information about a specific collection of records within an archive. |
| Reference Tools | Instructions | How to Conduct Research | Rec | Primary | Articles, books, and wikis that provide guidance to conducting genealogical research, either in general or within specific geographic areas or topics. Most archival websites provide information about what information the site contains and how best to research within that site, including instructions for using on-site search engines. |
| Reference Tools | Locators | Cemetery Plot Maps | Rec | Primary | Maps that depict the layout of a cemetery and identify individual lots or even individual graves. They may be used in conjunction with online burial registry sites to locate individual graves. |
| Reference Tools | Locators | Gazetteers | Rec | Primary | Geographical dictionaries or directories that contain place names and reference information. Often used in conjunction with a map or atlas. |
| Reference Tools | Locators | Maps | Rec | Primary | Images that represent of an area showing physical features, cities, roads, etc. May be created for different purposes (census, military, transportation, etc.) and can identify political boundaries, place names, parishes, geographical features, cemeteries, churches, synagogues, and migration/ transportation routes. Historical maps are |

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| | | | | | especially useful for understanding boundary changes or finding communities that no longer exist. |
| Reference Tools | Locators | Locator Finding Tools | Rec | Primary | TBD |
| Reference Tools | Context | Cemetery Histories | Rec | Primary | Narratives that describe the origin, location, and other details (such as section layouts and timeframes) about a particular cemetery. May include information about related congregations, landsmanshaften, burial societies, and the names of prominent individuals buried in the cemetery. |
| Reference Tools | Context | History Books | Rec | Primary | Narratives, often chronological in approach, that describe past events. May include information on border changes, migrations, and other useful information helpful to family history research. |
| Reference Tools | Context | Yearbooks | Rec | Primary | Books published yearly as a report or summary of statistics or facts that may document names of an organization's affiliated persons and events during a year. For example, it may commemorate a deployment of a United States Navy ship. Note, there is a separate record type for School Yearbooks. |
| Reference Tools | Facts and Figures | Almanacs | Rec | Primary | Books that contain facts and statistics about countries (such as population, climate, government), events, personalities and subjects; weights and measures; sports record; and similar types of information. |
| Reference Tools | Names | Given Names Alternates | Rec | Primary | Lists or books that document groups of related name variants (e.g. secular, religious, kinnui/nicknames, etc.) within the same language |

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| | | | | | or across languages. |
| Reference Tools | Names | Surnames Meaning and Migrations | Rec | Primary | Reference books or articles that explain the origins and meanings of surnames (e.g. occupational, geographical, physical characteristics, etc). May also include information of the towns or regions where those surnames were historically in use. |
| Reference Tools | Names | Surname Guides | Syn | Primary | Reference books or articles that explain the origins and meanings of surnames (e.g. occupational, geographical, physical characteristics, etc). May also include information of the towns or regions where those surnames were historically in use. |