



Odessa Vital Records Index Database – Steadman Grant Update for IAJGS 2015

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Today, Odessa (Ukrainian: Одеса, [o'ɔsɛsɛ]; Russian: Одесса) is the third largest city in Ukraine and a major seaport and transportation hub on the Black Sea.

Since the early 19th century, Odessa has been home to a diverse population which included a large Jewish population. By the end of the 19th century, it is estimated that Jews comprised more than a third of the total population.

This database contains translations of the indexes to the vital records from Odessa. The indexes were acquired from the State Archives of the Odessa Region (SAOR). The pages of the indexes and the documents to which they refer can be obtained from SAOR:

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The website includes a research request form for genealogical research:

<http://www.archives.gov.ua/Eng/Odessa.php>

The Odessa archives have Jewish vital records ranging from 1875 to 1920. Most of the books containing these records have indexes of the names included in the books.

The birth indexes are from 1875-1918 and contain the name, surname, number of the entry in the actual book of births, and the year and month of event. There are 4,200 images (5.27 GB)

The death indexes cover 1875-1913, 1916-1918 (1914-1915 are missing). They contain the same information of as the birth records. There are 2916 images (4.22 GB).

The marriage indexes cover 1875, 1876, 1884, 1889-1904, 1906-1912, 1914-1915, 1918-1919. Entries contain date (day/month/year, some only month/year), groom's surname, groom's first name, bride's surname, number of the entry in the actual book of marriages. There are 2566 images (4.72 GB).

There are a total of 9,682 pages of these indexes.

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TOWN	RECORD TYPE	YEAR(S)	SOURCE	# OF RECORDS		
				Birth	Marriage/Divorce	Death
Odessa / Odesa / Одеса / {-1049092}						
	Births	1878-1881, 1883-1889, 1891, 1894, 1896-1897, 1900	SAOR	53,375		
	Marriages					
	Divorces					
	Deaths					