Selected Resources for Research on Ancestors from Ukraine
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Search by both personal names and individual town names.
Use Soundex and Beider-Morse Phonetic system (where available)

**JewishGen** ([www.jewishgen.org](http://www.jewishgen.org))
- Ukraine SIG ([www.jewishgen.org/Ukraine](http://www.jewishgen.org/Ukraine))
  - Discussion List
  - All-Ukraine Database
- Shtetlinks pages for individual towns ([http://www.shtetlinks.jewishgen.org/Ukraine.html](http://www.shtetlinks.jewishgen.org/Ukraine.html))
- JRI-Poland for names and individual towns ([http://www.jri-poland.org/](http://www.jri-poland.org/))
  - More than 4 million entries for towns that were part of Poland in the historical past
  - Keep checking back. Database is constantly expanding
- JewishGen Family Finder (JGFF) ... search by personal name and town name ([http://www.jewishgen.org/jgff/](http://www.jewishgen.org/jgff/))
  - Identify other people who are researching your family names and towns
  - Be sure to click on the link that allows you to write an e-mail message to other researcher
- FamilyTree of the Jewish People (FTJP) ... search by personal name and town name ([http://www.jewishgen.org/gedcom/](http://www.jewishgen.org/gedcom/))
  - Uploads of family trees
  - Click on links that allow you to write e-mail message to submitter
  - Partial to full translations of several hundred Yizkor Books
  - Also search the Necrology Index ([http://www.jewishgen.org/databases/yizkor/](http://www.jewishgen.org/databases/yizkor/))
- JewishGen ShtetlSeeker ([http://www.jewishgen.org/Communities/#ShtetlSeeker](http://www.jewishgen.org/Communities/#ShtetlSeeker))
- JewishGen Communities Database ([http://www.jewishgen.org/Communities/](http://www.jewishgen.org/Communities/))
  - Detailed info about selected Jewish communities
  - Includes links to additional resources for each community

**Ellis Island Database**
- Use Morse’s Gold Form at [www.stevemorse.org](http://www.stevemorse.org)
- Start with a narrow search. If unsuccessful do a broad search to see how many hits you get. If you get too many hits, then go back to narrow search and gradually broaden it.
- Be sure to try each Soundex option ... Starts with, Soundex, Sounds Like (BM)
- Be flexible. I have found that 15-20% of entries contain significant errors.
Russians to America – 1850-1896 Passenger Immigration Lists

- Set of 6 books by Ira Glazier. Available at Multnomah County Library and at library of the Genealogical Forum of Oregon
- Also available on cd-rom (Family Tree Maker's Family Archives, CD#360) in JGSO’s library at Neveh Shalom Congregation
- Companion set of 56 volumes, German’s to America, also is available at Multnomah County Library and on 2 cd-roms in JGSO’s library

LDS Family History Library (www.familysearch.org)

- People and place search … search form is re-designed … easier to use
- Microfilm Catalog (click on Library Catalog button or go to https://www.familysearch.org/#form=catalog
  Do a “place names” search
- You may need to register for an account to access some data
- Some databases are accessible only to Mormons

Yad Vashem Databases (www.yadvashem.org)

- Shoah Names Database (http://www.yadvashem.org/wps/portal/IY_HON_Welcome)
  - Click on Advanced Search button
  - Type in minimum info at first (broad search)
  - Try each “Accuracy” option, one at a time
  - In Results table be sure to note the “resource” type
  - Click on name of interest for more information. Then click on each of the options on the page … image of page of testimony, “more details” button, and each of the items in the “related items” drop down window.
  - PoT may not be in English. Be sure to translate it. Information may differ from the Yad Vashem English summary which is a machine translation.
- Photo Archive (includes photos of people, places, events)
  - Click on “Digital Collections” button on the Menu bar. From drop-down list select “Photo Archives”. Type in your town name.
  - Double-click on individual photos for more info. Some photo pages have a “more information” button. Be sure to click on it.
- Shoah-Related Lists Database
  - This is a “list of lists”. It contains lists of documents in the Yad Vashem Library. Many of these documents are lists of names
  - In the search box, type your town name. Browse the Results pages. Be sure to click on the “Details” button for each item of interest. This brings up a table that summarizes the data and a scanned image of the original page. Both are printable and can be saved.
Miriam Weiner's Routes-to-Roots Foundation (www.routestoroots.org)
- Check this site for lists of documents available in various Ukraine archives
- Search by town name

Yizkor Books Online at New York Public Library
(http://legacy.www.nypl.org/research/chss/jws/yizkorbookonline.cfm)
- NYPL has scanned images of more than 800 Yizkor (Memorial) books
- Select your town and browse through the books, page by page
- Most books have both Yiddish and Hebrew sections

Ancestry.com (www.ancestry.com)
- Fee-based, 14 day free trial
- Available free at Multnomah County Library computers
- Jewish records are free by arrangement with JewishGen

Company for Location and Restitution of Holocaust Victims' Assets
(http://www.hashava.org.il/eng/)
- Click on “List of Assets in Israel” button near bottom of the page to get a table that can be sorted alphabetically by town name or by personal name.
- Small arrows next to each heading allow you to sort the list for easier browsing

Virtual Shtetl-Museum of the History of Polish Jews
(http://www.sztetl.org.pl/en/cms/the-project/)
- Much of western Ukraine was part of Poland during the Interwar years and before 1792
- Search by town name. Check the dropdown list of towns for Polish spelling