

# USING NAME SEARCHABLE INDEXES IN ARKIVDIGITAL

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## INTRODUCTION

ArkivDigital's goal is to make Swedish research easier and faster. New indexes are added regularly to aid the researcher. There are two types of indexes: name searchable indexes for specific collections within the Swedish church books, estate inventories, military records, and other types of documents, and also indexes that work as search tools in navigating an archive. These search tools make it easier to search tax records, general muster rolls, and the SCB extracts or extracts of birth, marriage, and death records from 1925 to 1947.

## SEARCHABLE NAME INDEXES

<b><i>Index Name</i></b>	<b><i>Category</i></b>
BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947	Church Books
Birth index (Parts of Sweden)	Church Books
Marriage index (Parts of Sweden)	Church Books
Death index (Parts of Sweden)	Church Books
Move certificates	Church Books
Census of Sweden 1940, 1950, 1960, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985 and 1990	Census
Census of Stockholm 1945	Census
Estate Inventories	Estate Inventories
Emigrants	Emigrants
Swedes in US 1940	U.S. Census
General Muster rolls	Military
Boatswain active list	Military
Military Service Cards	Military
Prisoner Portrait	Prisoner Photos
Portrait Collection	Stockholm Portraits
Riddarhuset, Collection of Portraits	Nobility Portraits
Agriculture Statistics 1944	Agriculture
Employees at Papyrus	Employee List
Land registrations in Northern Gotland	Land registrations

## SEARCH TOOL INDEXES

<b><i>Index Name</i></b>	<b><i>Category</i></b>
Quick Find: SCB extracts	Birth, marriage, and death extracts
Quick Find: mantals tax records	Tax
Quick Find: general muster rolls	Military

## INDEX SEARCHING

To index search, one does the following:

1. Access [app.arkivdigital.se](http://app.arkivdigital.se)
2. Select **Index search**
3. Click on the down arrow in the box under *index source* and choose the desired index. Then a search menu will open for the selected index.

## BIS (POPULATION OF SWEDEN) 1800 – 1947

This is a searchable name register of the household examination/congregation records within the Swedish church books between 1800 and 1947 for all of Sweden and was created via a partnership with MyHeritage. Also included are index records for the Stockholm *Rotemansarkivet* for the years 1878-1926, with a link to the original document.

## ADVANCED SEARCH FUNCTIONS

You can search by name, birth, census or residence, and household. You can search by first name, last name, gender, or a combination of these fields in the birth section of the advanced search function. In the birth section, you can search by birth date or select between years (for example, between 1865 and 1870). The entry format for the birth date is YYYY-MM-DD. One can also search by birth parish, birth county, or birth country (if the birth country is not Sweden). The household search possibility is one of the most exciting and usable. Here one can combine information about persons living together in a family to find matches in cases where one does not have much information about the family. One can include multiple persons in the household in the search by clicking "Add person". For more information on wild card searches, go to the following blog:

<http://blog.arkivdigital.net/name-searching-tips/>

## BIRTH, MARRIAGE, AND DEATH INDEXES FOR PARTS OF SWEDEN

Here you will find name searchable indexes for birth, marriage, and death records for parts of Sweden, a partially transcribed index record, and a direct link to the original document. The goal is to index by name all birth, marriage, and death records from the earliest times (the 1600s) to at least the late 1800s and even later.

## UPDATED LISTS OF BIRTH, MARRIAGE, AND DEATH, PARTS OF SWEDEN INDEX

Births: <https://www.arkivdigital.se/online/register/fodelseregister>

Marriages: <https://www.arkivdigital.se/online/register/vigselregister>

Deaths: <https://www.arkivdigital.se/online/register/dodregister>

## CENSUS OF SWEDEN 1940, 1950, 1960, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985 AND 1990

There are name searchable indexes for the Censuses of Sweden for 1940, 1950, 1960, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, and 1990. Within these indexes, you will find personal information for all living in Sweden at the end of those years. The Census of Sweden 1940 has a direct link to the source. For the other years, only an index record is shown.

## CENSUS OF STOCKHOLM 1945

In the index, *Population of Stockholm 1945*, you will find personal information about all persons who lived in Stockholm on December 31, 1945. There are about 672 thousand index entries; for each index record, there is a link to the source.

## ESTATE INVENTORIES

The Inventory of Estate is a searchable name index for estate inventories. The building of this register is still in progress. You will find a list of the district courts (*härad*) and city courts (*rådhusrätter*) where estate inventories are currently named searchable by going to the following page: <https://www.arkivdigital.se/online/register/bouppteckningar>.

## EMIGRANTS

The Emigrant Index is a searchable index of all the passenger ship manifests for persons leaving the Swedish ports: Göteborg, Malmö, Helsingborg, and Stockholm. There are nearly 1.4 million names, and the coverage begins in 1869 and goes up to the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century. For more information: <http://blog.arkivdigital.net/search-passenger-ship-manifests-by-name/>

## SWEDES IN US 1940

The database is an extraction out of the 1940 United States Census. The census was created on the 1st of April 1940, and the extract includes all the persons who stated their birthplace was Sweden. The database consists of approximately 447,000 entries. The register provides information such as name, age, marital status, and where the person lived in 1940. In addition, it shows where the person lived in 1935.

## GENERAL MUSTER ROLLS

The general muster roll index is a searchable name index of the general muster rolls, both allotted and enlisted regiments covering 1683 to about 1883. The work is just beginning on indexing these records. Today (September 2022), indexing is complete for the Uppland and Västmanland regiments. For more information: <https://www.arkivdigital.se/online/register/generalmonsterrullor>

## BOATSWAIN ACTIVE LIST

This is a name index for the boatman rolls created for the Navy seaman (*båtsmän*) in the late 1800s. These records are a gold mine for those interested in researching Navy seamen. Each seaman received a small booklet that showed his career from admission to discharge. These booklets include a physical description of the seaman, places he served, position in the Navy, and even a record of any punishments.

## MILITARY SERVICE CARDS

The index includes military service cards (called *stamkort* in Swedish) for men who registered between 1902-1950. The registration age changed in 1914 from 21 to 20 years, which means that the index includes men born between 1881 and 1930 (some earlier and some later also exist).

## PRISONER PORTRAIT

Index to prisoner portraits. Finding a photograph of an ancestor or relative is an extra fun piece in the big family puzzle. Among those who were photographed, the earliest were prisoners. The most extensive collection is called "released prisoners". To be photographed at the time of release, one would be sentenced to at least a couple of years in prison, and the risk of relapse was judged high. For more information:

<https://www.arkivdigital.net/online/register/prisoner-portraits>

## PORTRAIT COLLECTION

The database includes personal photographs from three Stockholm photography studios: Jaeger, Bergne, and Welinder. The total number of images is a quarter of a million, photographed from 1920 to the 1970s. Most of the portraits are of Stockholmers, but there are even photographs from other parts of the country. Along with the portrait collection is a searchable name index.

## RIDDARHUSET, COLLECTION OF PORTRAITS

Index to Riddarhusets (The House of Nobility) collection of portraits. The photographs from the 19th and 20th centuries are kept at Riddarhuset and have been digitalized by ArkivDigital.

## AGRICULTURE STATISTICS 1944

Index of farms in Sweden in 1944. In 1944 Statistiska Centralbyrån (Statistics Sweden) conducted a nationwide agricultural census and sent forms to all the farms. Each farm owner or user filled in information on the census about the farm's size, types of tools and machines used on the farm, the presence of water pipes, sewers, and electricity, and additional data.

## EMPLOYEES AT PAPYRUS

A name index of employees at the paper mill AB Papyrus in Mölndal, Sweden. The mill produced wood pulp, fine paper, and cardboard and was considered Sweden's most technically advanced paper mill. The company was founded in 1895 and ceased through a reorganization in 1991. The index covers the years from the beginning of the 1910s to the beginning of the 1950s.

## LAND REGISTRATIONS IN NORTHERN GOTLAND

Index to documents concerning property deals ('fastebrev' and 'lagfartsprotokoll') from Gotlands norra häradsrätt (= the district court for Northern Gotland). The index contains approximately thirty-five thousand records from the years 1800-1870. It is created by Kjell Swebilius/Landsarkivet i Visby.

## QUICK FIND: SCB EXTRACTS

ArkivDigital has photographed the *Statistiska centralbyrån* (Statistics Sweden) or SCB extracts for 1925-1947 (1930-1947 for Stockholm city). The SCB extracts consist of transcripts of birth, marriage, and death records that were sent yearly to the government department, Statistics Sweden (SCB). ArkivDigital has now introduced a new feature, *Quick Find: SCB extracts* which makes finding the desired extract a simple search.

To search for an SCB extract, do the following:

1. Select Index search.
2. Select Quick find: SCB extracts in the index source list
3. You can search by record type (*födda/vigda/döda*), year, parish, or county.

## QUICK FIND: MANTALS TAX RECORDS

The *Quick find: Mantals tax records* index makes it easier for you to search for a tax register for a parish and year. The index consists of nearly 440,000 entries collected from approximately 9,200 volumes. For more detail, go to: <http://blog.arkivdigital.net/find-the-correct-tax-register-with-our-new-index/>

## QUICK FIND: GENERAL-MUSTER ROLLS

The *Quick Find: General Muster Rolls index* covers the general muster rolls for Swedish regiments. You can use the Quick Find: General Muster rolls index to find the correct year, regiment, and company quickly. For more detail, go to: <http://blog.arkivdigital.net/easier-to-find-a-soldier-in-the-general-muster-rolls-using-table-of-content-general-muster-list/>

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### BLOG

ArkivDigital publishes an English blog, usually once a week. There are now nearly 400 blogs. You can search by keyword or by category. Many contain tutorials on various types of records. You can access the blog directly at the URL: <http://blog.arkivdigital.net/> or if you like us on Facebook, you will be notified of new blogs in your newsfeed.

### YOUTUBE CHANNEL

ArkivDigital has a YouTube channel where you can view instructional videos. While many are in Swedish, we do have some in English. Go to: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ArkivDigital/playlists?app=desktop>

### RECOMMENDED BOOKS

- Johnson, Robert W., and Gomoll, Elizabeth Williams. *Husförhörslängder, Swedish Household Examination Records: Framing the Solutions to Your Swedish Ancestry Puzzles*. Minneapolis, MN, 2020.
- Morris, Geoffrey Fröberg. *A Practical Guide to Swedish Church Records for Genealogy and Family History*. Salt Lake City, Utah: Swedish Genealogy Guide, LLC, 2020.
- Skogsjö, Håkan. *Explore Your Swedish Heritage*. Lyrestad, Sweden: ArkivDigital AD AB, 2020