

## Location

Central Library, 91 Gloucester Street, Christchurch

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Aotearoa New Zealand Centre  
Christchurch City Libraries  
PO Box 1466  
Christchurch 8140  
New Zealand

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## Hours at Central Library

Monday to Friday 9am - 9pm  
Saturday and Sunday 10am - 4pm

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Website [christchurchcitylibraries.com/familyhistory](http://christchurchcitylibraries.com/familyhistory)

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## Parking

Farmers car park (free first hour)  
Rydges Hotel car park

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## Membership

Call if you want to know more about your library membership or would like to find out whether the library has information on a certain subject.

Visit our website for online access to library accounts, catalogues, premium databases, news and information. You'll need a library PIN to access your account.

## *New Zealand Family History*



## Interested in your family history?

Need tips on how to get started or where to go next?

Want to know what European New Zealand family history resources we have?

Try our Online Family History Guide:

[christchurchcitylibraries.com/FamilyHistory](http://christchurchcitylibraries.com/FamilyHistory)

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### The Online Guide

The online guide will help you to find out what European New Zealand family history resources we hold or can access, what information you are going to find in those resources and when you need to look elsewhere.

Our main focus is Christchurch and Canterbury information from the 19th and early 20th centuries.

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### Getting started on your family tree

How to begin your family history and an overview of how the Aotearoa New Zealand Centre can help you with your research.

- A Beginner's Guide.
  - Recommended books and basic rules of research.
  - Genealogical societies.
  - Our holdings, including unique resources held in the Aotearoa New Zealand Centre.
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### Finding family information: Major life events

- Birth, Baptisms and Adoption.
- Marriage and Divorce.
- Death and Burial.

## Arriving and living in New Zealand

*Shipping and passenger information:* Passenger lists in the Aotearoa New Zealand Centre.

*Naturalisation records:* What resources are available when an immigrant was not British.

*Directories, Electoral rolls and Land:* Information on where people lived, voted and land they held.

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### Extra details to add to your family history

*Education, Churches and Hospitals:* Finding institutional histories and records.

*Local History:* Finding local historical information and local societies and museums.

*Employment and Companies:* Resources and records on occupations. Company and bankruptcy information.

*Government and Justice:* Politicians, petitions and court information.

*Biographical resources:* Resources which can provide information on an individual.

*Newspapers for family history:* What newspapers can provide during your family history research.

*War:* What you can find out about soldiers in WWI and WWII.

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### Where to next?

Once you have worked your way through our Beginners Pathfinder and looked through our Finding Family Information pages, it is time to look further afield at other national and international organisations who may have the information you are looking for.

We suggest other organisations for you to try.