Verification of Date of Birth

Submit either (1) or (2) below to prove date of birth:

- Certified copy of birth certificate, showing date of birth and date of presentation of the birth record for entry. This record must be based on information filed at the time of birth or shortly thereafter. You must also provide correct identification if there is no name on the certificate or if a different name is shown. In cases of illegitimacy or adoption, where certain States permit the impounding of the original birth record, you must submit the date of filing of the original record and of the delayed registration. (See the following pages for information about where and how to obtain a birth certificate.)
- (2) Certified copy of church or hospital record, made at the time of birth or shortly thereafter, showing the date of birth.

If the seals do not appear on photostatic copies of birth, baptismal, or death certificates but do appear on the originals, send the original copies with the photostats. The originals will be returned to you later.

If you are unable to obtain either of the above forms of evidence, inform the office requesting proof of date of birth in writing. Be sure to include proof that you tried to obtain the evidence (for example, submit copies of correspondence you received in response to your requests for these records). You may then submit any of the following as proof of date of birth:

(3) Family record (such as family Bible, baby book, diaries) made at the time of birth or shortly thereafter. If it's not practical to forward the original record, a photostat or certified copy may be submitted. Such copies must be accompanied by the affidavit of a notary public who has inspected the original record. The notary public must state over his or her seal: (1) whether the original record shows any sign of alteration or contains entries written in pencil, (2) the date of the book containing the original record, and (3) whether he or she believes the general appearance of the original record is acceptable and adequate as evidence of date of birth.

- (4) Statement of practicing physician certifying that he or she attended the birth and that he or she has a record in his or her possession showing the date on which it occurred.
- (5) School records made in childhood, immigration records, or newspaper clippings indicating date and age at that time.
- (6) Report of the Census Bureau showing the earliest record of age or birth available. To obtain this information, you must first complete an "Application for Search of Census Records" (BC-600). This form is available free of charge from the Bureau of the Census, Age Search, P.O. Box 1545, Jeffersonville, IN 47131. To obtain form BC-600 on the internet, go to www.census.gov. Select "genealogy" and then select "age search service" and you will find the form. This BC-600 form will instruct you further on how to obtain the records you need. There is a fee for performing the search. Call (812) 218-3046 for more information.
- (7) If none of the above forms of evidence is available, submit a statement to that effect and correspondence in support of such a statement to the office requesting proof of date of birth. Two or more of the following may then be submitted for consideration: passports, insurance policies, military discharge papers, naturalization papers (it is unlawful to make copies of naturalization certificates), genealogies, affidavits of parents or relatives or other persons who have knowledge of the facts, or other forms of documentary evidence.

Evidence of date of birth will be returned to you if you request it.

The offices for the respective States listed on the following pages may also be contacted for proof of death or proof of marriage.

Where and How to Obtain a Birth Certificate

To request a copy of your birth certificate, write to the address shown below for the State where you were born. Include as much of the following information as possible: (1) Full name as given on the birth record, (2) Sex, (3) Names of both parents (including maiden name of mother), (4) Month, day, and year of birth, (5) Place of birth (city, town, county, and State, and name of hospital, if known), (6) The purpose for which the certificate is to be used. Note: U.S. citizens who need a copy of a foreign birth certificate may obtain assistance by writing to the address shown for the Canal Zone. The fees and/or addresses provided in this document may have been changed since the date of its last printing. To verify current fees, call the State office number shown. Many States maintain web sites on the internet. Because many States require photo identification, we recommend you check the web site before you call the State.

Address of Vital Statistics Office	Office Maintains Records Since This Date*	Fee	Address of Vital Statistics Office	Office Maintains Records Since This Date*	Fee
Alabama Vital Records State Department of Public Health P.O. Box 303017 Montgomery, Alabama 36130-3017 Call (800) 252-1818 for recorded information www.adph.org	1908	Varies	Connecticut: Requests for proof of birth/death/marriage can be submitted to the town where the event occurred. 410 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Connecticut 06134 Call (860) 509-8000 www.ct.gov/dph		\$20.00 Short \$15.00
Dept. of Health & Social Services Bureau of Vital Statistics 5441 Commercial Blvd. Juneau, Alaska 99801 Call (907) 465-3391 for recorded information. www.hss.state.ak.us	1913	\$25.00	Office of Vital Statistics DHSS 417 Federal Street Dover, Delaware 19901 Call (877) 888-0248 www.dhss.delaware.gov	Birth 1931 Death 1963	\$25.00
Registrar of Vital Statistics Vital Statistics Sections Government of American Samoa P.O. Box 6894 Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799 Call (684) 633-1406 www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w/american_samoa.htm	1900	\$7.00	Vital Records Branch 899 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20002 Call (202) 442-5955 for recorded information. www.dchealth.dc.gov	1874	Birth: Short \$18.00 Long \$23.00 Death \$18.00
Vital Records Section Arizona Dept. of Health Services P.O. Box 3887 Phoenix, Arizona 85030-3887 Call (888) 816-5907 for recorded information. www.hs.state.az.us	July 1, 1909	Birth \$20.00 Death \$20.00	Dept. of Health & Rehabilitative Services Office of Vital Statistics P.O. Box 210 Jacksonville, Florida 32231-0042 Call (877) 550-7330 for recorded information. www.doh.state.fl.us	1917	Birth \$9.00 Death \$5.00
Division of Vital Records Arkansas Department of Health 4815 West Markham Street Little Rock, Arkansas 72205-3867 Call (800) 462-0599 for recorded information. www.healthyarkansas.com	Feb. 1, 1914	Birth \$12.00 Death \$10.00	Georgia Department of Human Resources Vital Records Service 2600 Skyland Drive, NE Atlanta, Georgia 30319-3640 Call (404) 679-4702 for recorded information www.health.state.ga.us/programs/vitalrecords/	Jan. 1, 1919	\$25.00
Office of Vital Records Department of Public Health Vital Records - MS 5103 P.O. Box 997410 Sacramento, California 95899-7410 Call (916) 445-2684 for recorded information. www.dhs.ca.gov/hisp/chs/ovr/ordercert.htm	July 1, 1905	Birth \$16.00 Death \$12.00	Office of Vital Statistics Department of Public Health & Social Services Government of Guam 123 Chalan Koreta Mangilao, Guam 96913 Call (671) 735-7292 www.govguamdocs.com	Oct. 16, 1901	\$5.00
Canal Zone: Correspondence Branch Passport Services - Vital Records Section U.S. Department of State 1111 19th Street, NW - Suite 510 Washington, DC 20036 Call (202) 955-0307 www.travel.state.gov	May 1904 - September 1979	\$50.00	State Department of Health Office of Health Status Monitoring Vital Records Section P.O. Box 3378 Honolulu, Hawaii 96801 Call (808) 586-4733 for recorded information. www.ehawaii.gov/ohsm	1853	\$10.00
Vital Records Section Department of Public Health and Environment 4300 Cherry Creek Drive S, HSVRD-VS-A1 Denver, Colorado 80246-1530 Call (303) 692-2200 for recorded information. www.cdphe.state.co.us	1910	\$17.00	Bureau of Vital Records Statistics and Health P.O. Box 83720 Boise, Idaho 83720-0036 Call (208) 334-5988 for recorded information. www.state.id.us/dhw	July 1, 1911	\$13.00

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Division of Vital Records Illinois Department of Public Health 925 East Ridgely Avenue Springfield, Illinois 62702-5097 Call (217) 782-6553 for recorded information. www.idph.state.il.us	Jan. 1, 1916	Birth \$15.00 Death \$17.00	Minnesota Department of Health Attn: Office of State Registrar/Birth Certificates P.O. Box 64499 St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0499 Call (651) 201-5970 www.health.state.mn.us	1908	Birth \$26.00 Death \$13.00
Vital Records Department State Department of Health P.O. Box 7125 Indianapolis, Indiana 46206-7125 Call (317) 233-2700 www.in.gov/isdh/index.htm	Oct. 1, 1907	Birth \$10.00 Death \$8.00	Vital Records State Department of Health P.O. Box 1700 Jackson, Mississippi 39215-1700 Call (601) 576-7981 www.msdh.state.ms	Nov. 1, 1912	Birth: Long \$15.00 Short \$ 7.00 Death \$15.00
Iowa Department of Public Health Bureau of Health Statistics 321 East 12th Street Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075 Call (515) 281-4944 for recorded information. www.idph.state.ia.us	July 1, 1880	\$15.00	Missouri Department of Health & Senior Svcs Bureau of Vital Records P.O. Box 570 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0570 Call (573) 751-6387 www.health.mo.gov/data/vitalrecords	Jan. 1910	Birth \$15.00 Death \$13.00
Office of Vital Statistics Kansas State Department of Health and Environment 1000 SW Jackson Street, Suite 120 Topeka, Kansas 66612-2221 Call (785) 296-3253 for recorded information. www.kdhe.state.ks.us/vital/	July 1, 1911	Birth \$15.00 Death \$15.00	MT Dept. of Public Health & Human Services, Vital Statistics Bureau P.O. Box 4210 Helena, Montana 59604 Call (406) 444-2685 www.dphhs.mt.gov/certificates	Late 1907	\$12.00
Office of Vital Statistics Department for Health Services 275 East Main Street Frankfort, Kentucky 40621 Call (502) 564-4212 www.chfs.ky.gov/dph/vital	Jan. 1, 1911	Birth \$10.00 Death \$6.00	Bureau of Vital Statistics Dept. of Health & Human Services P.O. Box 95065 Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-5065 Call (402) 471-8230 for recorded information. www.hhs.state.ne.us	Late 1904	Birth \$12.00 Death \$11.00
Vital Records Registry Office of Public Health P.O. Box 60630 New Orleans, Louisiana 70112 Call (504) 593-5100 www.dhh.louisiana.gov	July 1, 1914	Birth: Long \$15.00 Short \$9.00 Death \$7.00	Office of Vital Records 4150 Technology Way, Suite 104 Carson City, Nevada 89706 Call (775) 684-4242 for recorded information. www.health.nv.gov	July 1, 1911	Birth \$20.00 Death \$20.00
Office of Vital Statistics Maine Department of Human Services 11 State House Station, 244 Water Street Augusta, Maine 04333-0011 Call (888) 664-9491 for recorded information. www.maine.gov/dhhs	1923	Certified \$15.00 Not Certified \$6.00	NH Department of State Division of Vital Records Administration Registration/Certification 71 South Fruit Street Concord, New Hampshire 03301-2410 Call 603-271-4650 www.sos.nh.gov/vitalrecords/	1883	\$15.00
Commonwealth Superior Court Vital Statistics Office Division of Public Health P.O. Box 500409 Saipan, MP 96950 Call (670) 236-8717 http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w/northern_marian a_islands.htm	1945	\$20.00	State Depart. of Health & Senior Services Vital Statistics Registration P.O. Box 360 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0360 Call (866) 649-8726 for recorded information. www.state.nj.us	June 1878	\$25.00
Division of Vital Records Department of Health & Mental Hygiene 6550 Reisterstown Road Baltimore, Maryland 21215-0036 Call (800) 832-3277 for recorded information. www.vsa.maryland.gov	August 1898	\$24.00	New Mexico Vital Records P.O. Box 26110 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502 Call (866) 534-0051 for recorded information. www.vitalrecordsnm.org	1920	Birth \$10.00 Death \$ 5.00
Registry of Vital Records and Statistics 150 Mount Vernon Street Dorchester, Massachusetts 02125-3105 Call (617) 740-2600 for recorded information. www.mass.gov/dph	1906	Mailed \$28.00 In Person \$18.00	Registrar, City of Albany Vital Statistics Room 254M City Hall Albany, New York 12207 Call (518) 434-5045 for recorded information. www.albanyny.org/Government/Departments/Vi talStatistics.aspx	1880 (except in New York City)	Birth \$10.00 Death \$10.00
Vital Records 201 Townsend Street 3rd Floor Lansing, Michigan 48913 Call (517) 335-8666 for recorded information. www.michigan.gov/mdch	1867	\$26.00	Office of Vital Records New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene 125 Worth Street, CN 4, Room 133 New York, New York 10013 Call (212) 639-9675 for recorded information. www.nyc.gov/health	Birth 1910 Death 1949	\$15.00

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NC Dept. of Health and Human Services Vital Records Unit 1903 Mail Service Center Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1903 Call (919) 733-3000 www.vitalrecords.nc.gov	Oct. 1, 1913	\$24.00	Texas Vital Records Department of State Health Services P.O. Box 12040 Austin, Texas 78711-2040 Call (888) 963-7111 for recorded information. www.dshs.state.tx.us	1903	Birth \$22.00 Death \$9.00
Division of Vital Records 600 East Boulevard Avenue - Dept. 301 Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0200 Call (701) 328-2360 www.health.state.nd.us	July 1893	Birth \$7.00 Death \$5.00	Office of Vital Records and Statistics Utah Department of Health P.O. Box 141012 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-1012 Call (801) 538-6106 for recorded information. www.health.utah.gov/vitalrecords https://silver.health.utah.gov	1905	Birth \$18.00 Death \$16.00
Bureau of Vital Statistics Ohio Department of Health P.O. Box 15098 225 Neilston Street Columbus, Ohio 43216 Call (614) 466-2531 for recorded information. www.vitalrec.com/oh.html/	Birth Dec. 20, 1908 Death 1946	\$16.50	Vermont Department of Health Vital Records Section P.O. Box 70 Burlington, Vermont 05402-0070 Call (802) 863-7275 for recorded information. www.healthvermont.gov	Last ten years	\$10.00
Vital Records Section State Department of Health 1000 Northeast 10th St. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73117 Call (405) 271-4040 for recorded information. www.ok.gov/health/Birth_and_Death_Certificate	Oct. 1908	Birth \$15.00 Death \$15.00	Vermont State Archives & Records Administration Office of the Secretary of State 1078 U.S. Route 2, Middlesex Montpelier, Vermont 05633-7701 Call (802) 828-3700 www.vermont-archives.org/certifications/	Older than ten years	\$10.00
Oregon Vital Records P.O. Box 14050 Portland, Oregon 97293-0050 Call (971) 673-1180 for recorded information. www.public.health.oregon.gov/ BirthDeathCertificates	July 1903	\$20.00	Office of Vital Records P.O. Box 1000 Richmond, Virginia 23218-1000 Call (804) 662-6200 for recorded information. www.vdh.state.va.us	Jan. 1853 to Dec. 1896 and from June 14, 1912 to present	\$12.00
Division of Vital Records (Attn: Birth Unit) 101 S Mercer Street P.O. Box 1528 New Castle, Pennsylvania 16103 Call (877) 724-3258 for recorded information. www.health.state.pa.us	Jan. 1, 1906	Birth \$10.00 Death \$ 9.00	Department of Health Vital Statistics Charles Harwood Memorial Hospital St. Croix, Virgin Islands 00820 Call (340) 774-9000 Ext. 4685 or 4686 www.cdc.gov	1840	Birth \$15.00 Death \$12.00
Department of Health PR Vital Statistics Record Office Demographic Registry P.O. Box 11854 Fernandez Juncos Station San Juan, Puerto Rico 00910 Call (866) 842-6765 www.prfaa.com/birthcertificates	July 22, 1931	\$5.00	For St. Thomas and St. John Department of Health Vital Statistics Knud Hansen Complex St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00802 Call (340) 774-9000 Ext. 4685 or 4686 www.cdc.gov	July 1, 1906	Birth \$15.00 Death \$12.00
Division of Vital Records Rhode Island Department of Health 3 Capitol Hill, Room 101 Providence, Rhode Island 02908-5097 Call (401) 222-2811 for recorded information. www.health.ri.gov/topics/vital.htm	Birth 100 years Death 50 years	\$20.00	Department of Health Center for Health Statistics P.O. Box 9709 Olympia, Washington 98507-9709 Call (360) 236-4300 www.doh.wa.gov	July 1, 1907	\$20.00
Office of Vital Records South Carolina Dept. of Health and Environmental Control 2600 Bull Street Columbia, South Carolina 29201 Call (877) 284-1008 www.scdhec.gov	Jan. 1, 1915	\$12.00	Vital Registration Office Room 165 350 Capitol Street Charleston, West Virginia 25301-3701 Call (304) 558-2931 www.wvdhhr.org	1917	\$12.00
Vital Records State Department of Health 207 E Missouri, Suite 1-A Pierre, South Dakota 57501-2536 Call (605) 773-4961 for recorded information. www.doh.sd.gov	July 1, 1905	\$15.00	Vital Records P.O. Box 309 Madison, Wisconsin 53701-0309 Call (608) 266-1373 for recorded information. www.dhfs.state.wi.us/vitalrecords/index.htm	Oct. 1, 1907	Birth \$20.00 Death \$20.00
Tennessee Vital Records 421 Fifth Avenue, North Nashville, Tennessee 37243 Call (615) 741-1763 www.health.state.tn.us/	1914	Birth: Long \$15.00 Short \$8.00 Death \$7.00	Vital Records Services 401 Hathaway Building 2300 Capitol Avenue Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002 Call (307) 777-7591 www.health.wyo.gov	July 1909	Birth \$13.00 Death \$10.00

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