

Must See: [England Probate Records and Much More Key United Kingdom Family History Resources](#)

Consider yourself lucky if you have ancestors traced to the UK. As you go farther back in your research in England, probate records (legal transfer of property, such as wills) can be a helpful resource. The BYU Discovering English Ancestors site has a page dedicated to getting started with [English probate research](#) at <http://englishancestors.byu.edu/Pages/probates>. It covers both pre-1858 and post 1858 eras, with 1858 being when record keeping switched from church-based to civil-based. You can find more information in [Goal 5](#) at <https://www.thefhguide.com/project-9-england05.html> of the England country page. ([See all tips](#) at <https://thefhguide.com/tip-of-the-day.html>.)



Closing Comments

Fortunately, there are many other more pertinent resources available to tracing your ancestors in England and surrounding United Kingdom countries. Considering the following URL's for even more key opportunities for success.

- [Important Websites for Scotland](#): or see July 24 posting
- [Important Websites for England](#): or see July 23 posting
- [Important Websites for Wales](#): or see August 11 posting
- [England Genealogy](#):
- [United Kingdom Genealogy](#):
- [Northern Ireland Genealogy](#)

Above all, don't underestimate *Findmypast* as the master resource for tracing UK ancestors via their authentic on-line databases. For more info about Findmypast, consider the two postings listed below.

- [Findmypast: Meet One of the Four Titans of Family History Research Websites](#): or see October 22, 2019 posting
- [Meet the "Four Titans": the Most Popular Research Resources in the Family History World](#): or see October 17, 2019 posting

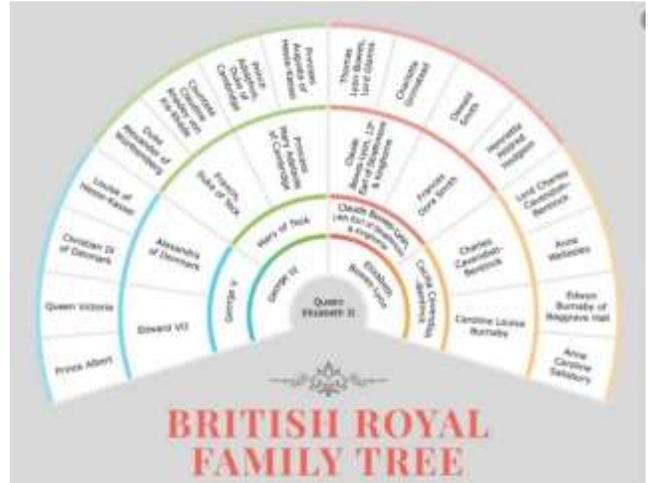
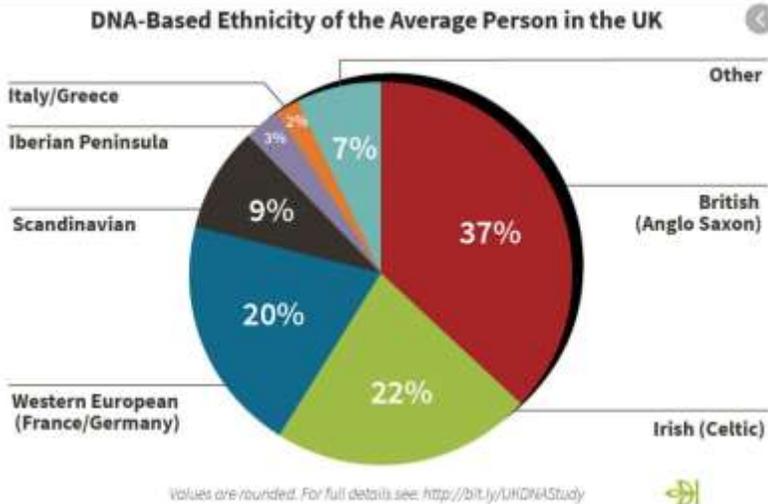
If you are still searching for more resources, here's a great article published by *FamilyTree Magazine* which is the very best genealogy magazine in my opinion with "how to" articles offered six times a year. The article is entitled: *British Research on Genealogy Megasites* which is located at:

<https://www.familytreemagazine.com/heritage/uk-genealogy/the-best-british-genealogy-websites/>. These large genealogy sites have extensive collections of English and Welsh records, including civil registration indexes, census records and church records. If you don't subscribe, you have two other options for access: See if your public library subscribes to library editions of *Ancestry*, *Findmypast* or *MyHeritage*. Or find a [Family History Center](#) near you for free access to these library editions, plus [The Genealogist](#).

If you are still searching for more inspiration, this article by Vanessa Wieland is outstanding and is entitled: [5 Steps to Finding Your English Ancestors Online](#)

Don't Hesitate Because. . . !

With these resources given above, your motivation will be increased significantly because of the volumes of essential websites to explore for the researching of your United Kingdom ancestors which does represent the best of the best! Good luck in exploring these pertinent links. If you should know of better ones, please share them with your comments in this posting.



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