

Local Newspapers

Newspaper title	Frequency	Microfilm	Hardcopy
<i>Bedfordshire Times</i>	Weekly	1845 - 1938	Current and previous years
<i>Beds and Herts Evening Telegraph</i>	Daily	1936 - 1940	None
<i>Beds and Herts Pictorial</i> (sometimes entitled the <i>Luton Pictorial</i>)	Weekly	1919 - 1970 (1936 - 1940 filmed with the <i>Beds and Herts Evening Telegraph</i>)	None
<i>Beds and Herts Saturday Telegraph</i>	Weekly	1914 - 1971 (1936 - 1940 published as the Saturday edition of the <i>Beds and Herts Evening Telegraph</i>)	None
<i>Bedfordshire on Sunday</i>	Weekly	None	Current and previous years
<i>Dunstable Gazette</i>	Weekly	None	Current and previous years
<i>Evening Post and Echo</i>	Daily	Sep 1967 - Nov 1983	None
<i>Hertfordshire Advertiser</i>	Weekly	None	Current and previous months
<i>Luton and District Citizen</i>	Weekly	1987 - 1992	None
<i>Luton and Dunstable Herald and Post</i>	Weekly	July 1973 - Dec 2003	Jan 2004 to date
<i>Luton Leader</i>	Weekly	Jan 1992 - Sep 1999 (final edition published 24 Sep 1999)	None
<i>Luton News</i>	Weekly	1891 - Dec 2003	Jan 2004 to date
<i>Luton on Sunday</i>	Weekly	Aug 1993 - Dec 2003	Jan 2004 to date
<i>Luton Reporter</i>	Weekly	1874 - 1914 1917 - 1924	None
<i>Luton Times</i>	Weekly	July 1855 - Sep 1862 Jan 1866 - Dec 1914	None
<i>Sunday in Luton</i>	Weekly	None	Aug 1993-Aug 1995

Bound copies of Luton newspapers are held at Luton Museum and Art Gallery

CD-ROMs for Family Historians

1881 British Census

Produced by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, this set consists of 18 regional discs which transcribe the data from the census returns of 1881. There are an additional 8 discs which compose a national name index. The Public Record Office's reference numbers are included to ease the location of the original documents.

Army Roll of Honour - World War II: Soldiers Died in the Second World War 1939-45

The Army Roll of Honour lists those soldiers who died between 1 September 1939 and 31 December 1946. It can be searched by regiment or branch of army at 1 September 1939, regiment or branch of army at death, surnames, given names, initials, country of birth, country of domicile, army number, rank, theatre of war, decorations, date of death.

Bedfordshire Census Returns

CD-ROM sets which cover the whole of Bedfordshire as enumerated and containing images of the original census returns. CD-ROM sets cover the following years: 1841, 1861, 1871, 1891

Bedfordshire Directories

The CD-ROMs contain high quality scanned images of the whole of the original directories. They include information about the towns and villages within the county, and list some residents by name and address, together with their trades and occupations. The following directories are held on CD-ROM:

Pigot's Directory 1830, Post Office Directory 1847, Post Office Directory 1864, Post Office Directory 1869, Post Office Directory 1877, Kelly's Directory 1890, Kelly's Directory 1898

Bedfordshire Parish Registers Index

This database is a cumulation of the surname indexes to the published transcripts of the Bedfordshire parish registers up to 1812. A surname search across all 130 Bedfordshire parishes will generate page references in the individual register transcripts which users will then need to consult to see detailed entries.

British 19th Century Surname Atlas

This atlas allows you to plot the distribution of the surnames and forenames which appear in the 1881 census returns for England, Wales and Scotland. The results can be shown according to county boundaries or poor law union areas; the actual occurrences of a name displayed or the number of occurrences per 100,000 population. This is a useful and easy-to-use tool which complements the 1881 census on CD-ROM.

Luton General Cemetery (Rothesay Road)

Bedfordshire Family History Society have compiled this very useful CD-ROM of the cemetery registers covering 1954 – 1965. Maps and extensive notes are also included.

Mormon Immigration Index

This CD-ROM contains data concerning immigration to the United States between 1840 and 1890.

National Burial Index

The National Burial Index is a database of burial entries recorded in English and Welsh parish, nonconformist and cemetery registers. Over 5.4 million records are included, extracted from some 4,440 burial registers. The records span the period 1538 to 2000, although coverage is quite patchy and the period 1813-1837 is the best covered.

Pallot's Baptism Index 1780-1837

Many of the records were destroyed during World War II, but this index still contains more than 200,000 baptism records, and some birth dates, mostly from parishes in London and Middlesex.

Pallot's Marriage Index 1780-1837

Containing over 1.5 million entries, mainly from parishes in London and Middlesex, this is an invaluable resource for anyone with London ancestry.

Return of Owners of Land 1873 Bedfordshire

This CD-ROM contains high quality scanned images of the original volume, which lists every person who owned one acre of land or more, with their address, extent of land, and gross estimated rental value.

Soldiers Died in the Great War

Originally published in 81 volumes in 1921, this lists some 635,000 soldiers who died between 1914 and 1919. Also included is *Officers Died in the Great War* which was originally published separately in 1919 and includes details of some 37,000 officers. The disc can be searched in many different ways and so is much more accessible than the print version. Fields, which may be searched separately or in combination, are: Regiment, Corp etc; battalion etc; surname; first name; initials; place of birth; place of enlistment; place of residence; number; rank; cause of death; theatre of war; date of death.

Vital Records Index – Second Edition

Another product of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, the Vital Records Index contains approximately 10.4 million birth and christening records and 1.9 million marriage records from the British Isles. The records cover the period from 1530 to 1906, although time spans vary greatly from parish to parish and not every one has been included. This product does not aim to be comprehensive and is best seen as a supplement to the International Genealogical Index (IGI) and should be used in conjunction with it.