



Parish Record Substitution

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In Swedish genealogy we use the household examinations, birth, marriage, death and moving in/out records the most. But what if you search all those records and still don't find what you're looking for?

Maybe it's because:

- ***The records lack key information***
- ***There are gaps in the records***
- ***Parish records begin after the time period you need***
- ***Records were partially or completely destroyed***

When this happens, you have to use a substitute record to find the supporting evidence that you need. The goal of this presentation is to help you identify records for those times when the main strategy fails. This includes using parish, diocese, tax, and court records that most people don't use.

The table on the next page is a visual reference to find good alternative sources for specific kinds of evidence. Here is a short explanation of the column headings, starting from the left:

- 1. Identifies what parish record you are trying to replace.***
- 2. The repository that has the original copies of the substitute record. This helps you to know where to contact if the record is not available in a digital or microform format.***
- 3. The collection within the repository based on the jurisdictional office or authority that created the record. You can use the name of the record keeping authority to search the FamilySearch Catalog, Nationell ArkivDatabas, SVAR, or Arkiv Digital.***
- 4. The name of the substitute record.***
- 5. The general span of years for this record type.***
- 6. A brief explanation of the record in English.***

The content of this table is based upon the Ersättningskällor Till Kyrkbokföringen (replacement sources to church records) table found in Släktforska Steg för Steg, pages 136 – 137, by Per Clemmensson and Kjell Andersson.

Replacement Sources to Church Records

**from Släktforska Steg för Steg, pages 136 – 137, by Per Clemmensson and Kjell Andersson.*

Church Records to Replace	Repository	Collection in Repository	Name of Substitute Record	Years	Type of Record
Household Examinations	Landsarkiv	Länsstyrelse	Länsräkenskaper: mantalslängder (with) personskattelängder	abt. 1630 - 1860	County mantal account records with individual tax records
Household Examinations	Landsarkiv	Häradsskrivare and Magistrat	Mantalslängder	abt. 1750 - 1965	Mantal records created by the häradsskrivare or city magistrate office
Household Examinations	Landsarkiv	Kyrkoarkiv	Kommunionlängder	1700 - 1800's	Parish communion records (sporadic)
Household Examinations	Landsarkiv	Kyrkoarkiv	Bänklängder	1600 - 1800's	Parish seating records (sporadic)
Household Examinations	Landsarkiv	Domkapitel	Visitations-handlingar avskrift husförhörlängder and bänklängder	1600 - 1800's	Diocese visitation transcripts of household examinations and parish seating (sporadic)
Household Examinations	Riksarkivet	Kammararkiv	Landskaps-handlingar och länsräkenskaper: mantalslängder with personskattelängder	abt. 1540 -	Provincial documents, county account records. Mantal and other individual tax records sent to the Chancellery in Stockholm

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Household Examinations	<i>Riksarkivet</i>	<i>Rikens ständers kontor</i>	<i>Mantalslängder</i>	<i>1719 - 1765</i>	<i>Mantalslängder sent to Estates of the Realm Office in Stockholm</i>
Household Examinations	<i>Riksarkivet</i>	<i>Kammararkiv</i>	<i>Länsräkenskaper: husförhörlängder</i>	<i>1812 - 1815</i>	<i>Appending documents to the mantalslängder</i>
Household Examinations	<i>Krigsarkivet</i>	<i>Kammararkiv</i>	<i>Utskrivnings- och roteringslängder</i>	<i>1625 - 1680</i>	<i>Military rotation and rote lists</i>
Household Examinations	<i>Riksarkivet</i>	<i>Statistiska Centralbyrån (SCB)</i>	<i>Utdrag ur husförhörlängder och församlingsböcker</i>	<i>1860 - 1945</i>	<i>Extracts from husförhörlängder and församlingsböcker sent to SCB (every 10 years)</i>
Moving In / Out	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Länsstyrelse</i>	<i>Länsräkenskaper: avkortningslängder</i>	<i>1600 - 1800's</i>	<i>Records of people whose tax payment was delayed (sporadic)</i>
Moving In / Out	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Länsstyrelse</i>	<i>Passjournaler</i>	<i>abt. 1750 - 1860</i>	<i>County migration passport journals</i>
Moving In / Out	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Kronofogdar</i>	<i>Avkortningslängder</i>	<i>1700 - 1800's</i>	<i>Records of people whose tax payment was delayed (sporadic)</i>
Moving In / Out	<i>Riksarkivet</i>	<i>Kammararkiv</i>	<i>Länsräkenskaper: avkortningslängder</i>	<i>1600 - 1800's</i>	<i>County records of people whose tax payment was delayed (sporadic)</i>
Birth and Christening	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Kyrkoarkiv</i>	<i>Kyrkoräkenskaper</i>	<i>1600 - 1800's</i>	<i>Parish account records for donations</i>

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Birth and Christening	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Domkapitel</i>	<i>Utdrag ur födelse- och dopböcker</i>	<i>1847 - 1859</i>	<i>Extraction of births in diocese records (sporadic)</i>
Birth and Christening	<i>Riksarkivet</i>	<i>Serafimer-ordensgillet</i>	<i>Lasarets-räkenskaper</i>	<i>abt. 1750 - 1860</i>	<i>Hospital donation records (sporadic regional)</i>
Birth and Christening	<i>Riksarkivet</i>	<i>Statistiska Centralbyrån (SCB)</i>	<i>Utdrag ur födelse- och dopböcker</i>	<i>1860 - 1967</i>	<i>Extracts of birth records sent to the government statistical agency</i>
Birth and Christening	<i>Landsarkiv and Kommuner</i>	<i>Provinsial-läkare / stadsläkare or hälsovårds-nämnder</i>	<i>Bammorske-dagböcker</i>	<i>1881 - 1955</i>	<i>Midwife records given to provincial doctors, city doctors or health services (sporadically kept)</i>
Birth and Christening	<i>Landsting</i>	<i>Lasarett</i>	<i>Lasarets-räkenskaper</i>	<i>abt. 1750 - 1860</i>	<i>Hospital account records</i>
Birth and Christening	<i>Landsting</i>	<i>Sjukhus och barnbördshus</i>	<i>Sjukjournaler och födelseböcker</i>	<i>abt. 1875 -</i>	<i>Journals from hospitals and maternity hospitals (sporadic)</i>
Engagement and Marriage	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Kyrkoarkiv</i>	<i>Kyrkoräkenskaper</i>	<i>1600 - 1800's</i>	<i>Parish accounting records: for donations, rental of crown</i>
Engagement and Marriage	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Rådhusrätt and Häradsrätt</i>	<i>Äktenskapsförords-protokoll</i>	<i>1776 -</i>	<i>Premarital agreements, also found in court record collections</i>

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Engagement and Marriage	Landsarkiv	Rådhusrätt	Lysnings- och vigselböcker	1909 -	Civil marriages, non-Lutheran marriages after 1874
Engagement and Marriage	Landsarkiv	Domkapital	Skiljobrev	1700 - 1800's	Divorce records of the diocese
Engagement and Marriage	Landsarkiv	Länsstyrelse	Länsräkenskaper: charta sigillata (lysnings-handlingar)	1732 - 1748	Engagement notary records sent to county administration (sporadic)
Engagement and Marriage	Riksarkivet	Kammararkiv	Länsräkenskaper: charta sigillata (lysnings-handlingar)	1732 - 1748	Engagement notary records sent to kammar-kollegium (sporadic)
Engagement and Marriage	Riksarkivet	Serafimer-ordensgillet	Lasarets-räkenskaper	abt. 1750 - 1860	Hospital donation records (sporadic regional)
Engagement and Marriage	Riksarkivet	Statistiska Centralbyrån (SCB)	Utdrag ur lysnings- och vigselböcker	1860 - 1967	Extracts of engagement – marriage records sent to the government statistical agency
Engagement and Marriage	Riksarkivet	Statistiska Centralbyrån (SCB)	Äktenskapsregister	1921 -	Marriage Lists of the government statistical agency
Engagement and Marriage	Landsting	Lasarett	Lasarets-räkenskaper	abt. 1750 - 1860	Hospital donation records (sporadic regional)

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Death and Burial	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Rådhusrätt and Häradsrätt</i>	<i>Dödlistor</i>	<i>1700 - 1800's</i>	<i>Death lists sent by the parish to the court. (sporadic)</i>
Death and Burial	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Rådhusrätt and Häradsrätt</i>	<i>Bouppteckningar</i>	<i>1736 -</i>	<i>Probate records of the city or district court (sporadic before 1736)</i>
Death and Burial	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Rådhusrätt and Häradsrätt</i>	<i>Bouppteckningsprotokoll</i>	<i>1848 -</i>	<i>Probate proceedings (minutes) of the city or district court (earlier in domböcker)</i>
Death and Burial	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Rådhusrätt and Häradsrätt</i>	<i>Förmyndarskapsprotokoll och handlingar</i>	<i>1757 -</i>	<i>Guardianship documents of the city or district court (earlier in domböcker)</i>
Death and Burial	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Kyrkoarkiv</i>	<i>Kyrkoräkenskaper</i>	<i>1600 - 1800's</i>	<i>Parish accounting records, donations, and rental of cloth</i>
Death and Burial	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Länsstyrelse</i>	<i>Länsräkenskaper: avkortningslängder</i>	<i>1600 - 1800's</i>	<i>County records of people whose tax payment was delayed (sporadic)</i>
Death and Burial	<i>Landsarkiv</i>	<i>Kronofogdar</i>	<i>Avkortningslängder</i>	<i>1700 - 1800's</i>	<i>Kronofogdens Delayed tax records (sporadic)</i>

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Death and Burial	<i>Riksarkiv</i>	<i>Serefimer-ordensgillet</i>	<i>Lasarets-räkenskaper</i>	<i>abt. 1750 - 1860</i>	<i>Hospital donation records (sporadic regional)</i>
Death and Burial	<i>Riksarkiv</i>	<i>Statistiska Centralbyrån (SCB)</i>	<i>Utdrag ur död – och begravningsböcker</i>	<i>1860-1967</i>	<i>Extracts of birth records sent to the government statistical agency</i>
Death and Burial	<i>Landsting</i>	<i>Sjukhus</i>	<i>Sjukjournaler och dödböcker</i>	<i>abt. 1800 -</i>	<i>Hospital illness and death records</i>
Death and Burial	<i>Landsting</i>	<i>Lasarett</i>	<i>Lasarets-räkenskaper</i>	<i>abt. 1750 - 1860</i>	<i>Hospital donation records</i>

Swedish National Archives Catalog

You can see all the records for a parish in a database called *Nationell Arkivdatabas (NAD)* at: <http://sok.riksarkivet.se/nad>. Type the name of a parish in the *Sök arkiv* field and click *Sök*. Click on the link that has *kyrkoarkiv*. The records are listed on the left side of the screen (click the + symbols to expand.) The link can also be found in *Arkiv Digital* right under the *Advanced options* icon (look for *NAD*.)

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