SELECTED REFERENCE SOURCES FOR HISTORY 4450
American Jewish Culture and Identities
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Sample subject headings:
Jews -- United States -- Cultural assimilation
Orthodox Judaism
Jewish women -- United States
Jews, Russian – United States
Jews -- California -- Los Angeles

Keyword searches
Jews and “united states” and mobility
Jews and “united states” and acculturation
“reform Jews”

Finding Primary Sources in the Library catalog:
Jews -- United States -- History – Sources
Jews -- United States – Interviews

Also, you may limit to primary sources by searching with specific keywords that appear in subject headings: sources, archives, correspondence, diaries, personal narratives.

Selected Reference Sources:


American Jewish Year Book 1899-2008: 2012-2016
Also available from the American Jewish Archives web site (1899-2008)
Contains key annual developments in the Jewish communities in the U.S. and other countries. Also has population data and a directory of organizations.

Jewish Women’s Archive, Encyclopedia. https://jwa.org/Encyclopedia
“Jewish women anywhere, at any time, ... because the field of women's history is moving away from national boundaries.” Includes 1,700 biographies, 300 thematic essays, and 1,400 photographs and illustrations on a wide range of Jewish women through the centuries
Find Journal Articles:

- **Index to Jewish Periodicals** (publications mainly since late 1980s-)
  English-language articles, book reviews, and feature stories in more than 160 journals devoted to Jewish affairs

- **Jewish Studies Source** (publications mainly since 1990s-)
  Indexes a wide range of publications including scholarly journals, newspapers, books

- **Oxford Bibliographies, Jewish Studies**
  Annotated bibliographies on Jewish studies

- **America: History and Life**. (Publications mainly since early 20th century-)
  Indexes journals, books, and dissertations in American history and culture from pre-colonial times to the present. This index is not good for finding very current literature.

- **ATLA Religion Database** (Publications since 1949)
  Indexes journals, books, essays in scholarly and popular sources

- **MLA International Bibliography**
  Indexes journals, books, and essays in literary scholarship

- **Periodicals Archive Online [Full Text]**. Publications from 1800-2000s
  An archive of hundreds of digitized journals published in the arts, humanities and social sciences. Includes journals in English, French, Spanish, German, Portuguese and Italian.
  Indexes contemporary, popular periodicals.

- **American Periodicals**
  The American Periodicals Series Online, 1740-1940 collection contains searchable, digitized images of the pages of American magazines and journals

- **American Antiquarian Society Historical Periodicals Collection**
  Search fulltext by using Advanced Menu and change search field to "All Text." Provides "digital access to the most comprehensive collection of American periodicals published between 1684 and 1912. ...These specialized collections cover advertising, health, women's issues, science, the history of slavery, industry and professions, religious issues, culture and the arts, and more."

Biography:

  Essays on well-known, deceased Americans.

- **Biography Reference Bank**
  Index and full text sources for biographical information.

SELECTED NEWSPAPERS:

**Other newspapers on microform** - (Microforms Dept., Thompson Library)

- **Proquest Historical Newspapers**
Historical Jewish Newspapers
Digital access to portions of 54 newspapers in various languages.

America's Historical Newspapers (1690-1922; some newspapers beyond 1922)
Search & read facsimile text of a growing database of newspapers. Database continues to add titles. Some post 1922 newspapers are included, such as the Cleveland Plain Dealer (1845-1991). Additional early American newspapers in Microforms Rm. in Thompson Library.

19th Century US Newspapers
1800-1899; selected US newspapers full text searchable


Selected Primary Source Documents and Publications Databases:

Jewish life in America, c1654-1954: Sources from the American Jewish Historical Society, New York
The digital resource offers a “variety of original manuscript collections from the holdings of the American Jewish Historical Society in New York including letters, scrapbooks, autobiographies, notebooks and other materials relating to the late 17th through to the mid-20th century.”

Isaac Mayer Wise Digital Archive (from the American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati)
Includes “comprehensive electronic edition of Rabbi Wise's correspondence and extensive published writings. Consisting of approximately 3,300 items …, the collection documents the life and work of the architect of Reform Judaism in America.”

Women and Social Movements in the United States, 1775-2000
Includes primary sources, reference, and digital archives from the Commissions on the Status of Women and the biographical dictionary Notable American Women

American History 1493-1945
Collection of “documents in American History from the earliest settlers to the mid-twentieth century. It is sourced from the Gilder Lehrman Collection, one of the finest archives available for the study of American History.”
Module I Settlement, Commerce, Revolution and Reform: 1493-1859
Module II Civil War, Reconstruction and the Modern Era: 1860-1945

Race Relations in America
“Documenting three pivotal decades in the fight for civil rights, this resource showcases the speeches, reports, surveys and analyses produced by the Department’s staff and Institute participants, including Charles S. Johnson, Dr Martin Luther King, Jr., and Thurgood Marshall.” There are many documents mentioning Jewish participation in the civil rights movement.

Fight for Racial Justice and the Civil Rights Congress (Archives Unbound)
“The Civil Rights Congress (CRC) was established in 1946 to, among other things, "combat all forms of discrimination against ... labor, the Negro people and the Jewish people, and racial, political, religious, and national minorities. The CRC arose out of the merger of three groups with ties to the Communist Party, the International Labor Defense (ILD), the National Negro Congress, and the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties.”

America's Historical Imprints
Full text search and access to books, pamphlets, and broadsides published in America from the 16th century-1922. The date ranges depend on the documents series involved. Most of the books date from 17th c -1819.