Oregon is a state in the Pacific Northwest of the United States. It is bordered on its west by the Pacific Ocean, on its north by Washington, on its south by California, on its east by Idaho, and on its southeast by Nevada. The Columbia River delineates much of Oregon's northern boundary, and the Snake River delineates much of the eastern boundary. It is one of only three states of the contiguous United States to have a coastline on the Pacific Ocean.

The state itself is divided into several distinct geographical areas: North, Central & South Coast, Portland Metro, Willamette Valley & Southern Valley, then Columbia River Gorge, Central & Eastern sections. These are all unique areas of the state with Central & Easter Oregon being close to 2/3rd the size with 1/3rd the population.
### How Can You Help?

- **Cemetery Surveys**
  Visit a cemetery, photograph and/or record headstones/graves, for a county

- **Obituary Extractions**
  Current or old, it doesn’t matter. Please include what newspaper if you have it and the date of the paper. Check each county to see if they post obits and what layout they put them in.

- **Document Transcriptions**
  Transcribe/OCR a book, document or article you possess or find online. (Must be public domain material or you must have the author/creator’s written permission to place it here. Permission must accompany all copyrighted submissions.)

- **Have access to a library, museum or genealogical society or your own materials?**
  Volunteer to do lookups. Send the coordinator of the county you live in your email and the type of lookups you want to do and get to the lookups page.

### Oregon’s 36 Counties

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### Oregon Research Help

Visiting Oregon? Try to visit the following locations:

- **Oregon State Archives**
  Address:
  800 Summer St NE,
  Salem, OR 97310
  Monday - Friday 8 am - 12 pm, 1 - 4:45 pm

- **Genealogical Forum of Oregon**
  2505 S.E. 11th Ave., Suite B-18
  Portland, OR 97202-1061
  See website for direction, parking & hours: [http://www.gfo.org/directions.htm](http://www.gfo.org/directions.htm)

  Check out the counties on our web site for more local research information:
  [http://orgenweb.org](http://orgenweb.org)

The USGenWeb Project: [http://usgenweb.org](http://usgenweb.org)

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