

# Some handy places to find map stuff

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**Old Maps Online:** [www.oldmapsonline.org](http://www.oldmapsonline.org) This is a collection of maps from all over the world that can be copied for your personal use. You can define the time and place of the maps you want to see. 1000's of historical maps.

**The National Map:** [www.nationalmap.gov](http://www.nationalmap.gov) This a US government site that has information of all kinds pertaining to the United States. You can get Historical Topo maps from 1884, current Topo Quad maps, or you can create your own map using the National Atlas of the United States, all right here at this site. This is a site for beginners and experienced map developers. If you want to know which direction the water flows in your street there is a map here showing that information. Need information on the Tri-Decadal Global Landsat Orthorectified data collection? It is here!

**Atlas of Historical County Boundries:** <http://publications.newberry.org/ahcbp/> A valuable historical resource showing the changing boundries of our nation. Each state is show with the counties as they changed over time. Browse around. There are lots of resources here.

**US General Land Office Records:** [www.glorerecords.blm.gov](http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov) This is a site where you can search for records and documents pertaining to the sale or homesteading of lands through the US government, mostly from 1820 and on. If you find a property of interest it might show the actual Township and Range with the history of the original sale and the names of the adjacent owners. Acquaint yourself with the site and then hit "Search Documents".

**Mesa Arizona FamilySearch Library website:** <http://www.mesarfhc.org/Webcasts.html> There are recorded Webcasts here that will show you how to use maps to enhance your research. (along with numerous other subjects) Watch them from the comfort of your home. Check back frequently as the library adds several Webcasts each month.

**Google Maps:** (google it) A desktop and mobile [web mapping](#) service application and technology provided by [Google](#), offering satellite imagery, street maps, and Street View perspectives, as well as functions such as a [route planner](#) for traveling by foot, car, bicycle (beta test), or with [public transportation](#).

**Google Earth:** (google it) a virtual [globe](#), [map](#) and [geographical](#) information program that was originally called EarthViewer 3D created by [Keyhole, Inc](#), a [Central Intelligence Agency](#) (CIA) funded company acquired by [Google](#) in 2004. It maps the Earth by the [superimposition](#) of images obtained from [satellite imagery](#), [aerial photography](#) and [geographic information system](#) (GIS) 3D globe.