

Table of places

The **Table of Places** is a global place **editor** used as a spreadsheet, to help you edit and clean all the places of your genealogy.

The screenshot shows a window titled "Kennedy" with a spreadsheet interface. The spreadsheet has 8 columns: 2 City, 3 Zip_Code, 4 County, 1 Country, 5 State, 6 ?, 7 Latitude, and 8 Longitude. The data is sorted by Country, with entries for Belgium, England, France, Greece, Ireland, Korea, and USA. The USA entries include various cities and counties across multiple states.

2 City ▲	3 Zip_Code ▲	4 County ▲	1 Country ▲	5 State ▲	6 ? ▲	7 Latitude ▲	8 Longitude ▲
Heppen			Belgium			N51.10934	E5.22898
Chatsworth		Derbyshire	England	Angleterre		N53.21667	W1.6
Liverpool			England			N53.41058	W2.97794
London			England			N51.50853	W0.12574
the air		Suffolk	England	Angleterre		N52.16667	E1.0
Grenoble			France	Isere		N45.17155	E5.72239
Pont-Saint-E...			France	Gard		N44.25494	E4.64736
Saint-Bauzile			France	Ardeche		N44.67616	E4.67382
	Valleret	52502	Grand Est	Haute-Marne	France	N48.48778	E5.00194
Skorpios			Greece			N38.69228	E20.74558
Cork		Cork County	Ireland	Munster Pro...		N52.25	W8.58333
Dunganstown		County Wex...	Ireland			N52.34278	W6.97444
Loch Garman		County Wex...	Ireland	Leinster		N52.33417	W6.4575
Seoul			Korea			N37.5554	E126.9781
Ann Arbor	48109	Washtenaw ...	USA	MI		N42.27756	W83.74088
Arlington	22209	Arlington C...	USA	VA		N38.88101	W77.10428
Bakersfield	93380	Kern County	USA	CA		N35.37329	W119.01871
Baltimore		Baltimore C...	USA	MD		N39.29047	W76.61076
Bayonne		Hudson Cou...	USA	NJ		N40.66871	W74.11431
Bedford		Lawrence C...	USA	IN		N38.86116	W86.48721
Bloomington		Monroe Cou...	USA	IN		N39.16533	W86.52639
Boston		Suffolk County	USA	MA		N42.35843	W71.05977
Bronxville		Westchester...	USA	NY		N40.93815	W73.83208
Brookline		Norfolk Cou...	USA	MA		N42.33176	W71.12116
Brooklyn		Kings County	USA	NY		N40.6501	W73.94958
Bryn Mawr		Montgomer...	USA	PA		N40.01983	W75.30463
Cambridge		Middlesex C...	USA	MA		N42.3751	W71.10561
Centerville		Barnstable ...	USA	MA		N41.64872	W70.34808
Charlottesville		Albemarle C...	USA	VA		N38.03153	W78.48029
Chelsea		Suffolk County	USA	MA		N42.40843	W71.01199
Chicago		Cook County	USA	IL		N41.85003	W87.65005
Concord		Middlesex C...	USA	MA		N42.46037	W71.34895
Dallas		Dallas County	USA	TX		N32.78306	W96.80667
Dorchester		Suffolk County	USA	MA		N42.33343	W71.04949
East Boston		Suffolk County	USA	MA		N42.3751	W71.03922
East Hampton		Long Island	USA	NY		N37.03737	W76.33161
Easthampton		Hampshire ...	USA	MA		N42.26676	W72.66898
Falmouth		Barnstable ...	USA	MA		N41.5515	W70.61475
Greenwich		Fairfield Cou...	USA	CT		N41.02649	W73.62846
Hull		Plymouth C...	USA	MA		N42.30204	W70.90782
Hyannis			USA	MA		N41.65289	W70.2828
Hyannis Port		Barnstable ...	USA	MA		N41.65289	W70.2828

Description

The Table of Places lists all the locations of your genealogy. Each line represents a place, and each column represents a jurisdiction.

If a place is used several times in the genealogy, only one line will appear.

Two columns with the stored coordinates are added after the jurisdictions.

If places have different formats, Ancestris will display as many columns as the place with the largest number of jurisdictions, regardless of the place format defined in the genealogy (Gedcom header). For more details on the format of places, see the [Places section](#).

The list can be **sorted on multiple columns**, by clicking on the header of the column and maintaining Ctrl pressed.

The **columns can be moved** with the mouse by dragging the header.

A filter bar above the table can be used to filter the list for the places you are interested in.

Column's order and sizes, as well as sorting criteria and filtered column are memorized for each genealogy.

Toolbar

The toolbar displays a number of filter and buttons to display the desired places.



Filter by

The **Filter by** drop-down menu selects the jurisdiction column on which to filter. The list differs for each Genealogy since the list of jurisdictions is read from the Gedcom header file itself. The choice "*" filters on all columns at the same time.

Text search field

The **input field** is the string criteria to filter places. The filtered places have to contain this string in order to be displayed. Ancestris uses regular expressions to filter, letting you indicate smart filtering.

Filter button

The **Filter button** executes the filtering once a string has been entered. The **Enter key** can be used as well.

Filter valid places Button

Displays only valid places, that is places with coordinates.

Filter invalid places Button

Displays only invalid places, that is places with no coordinates.

Remove filters Button

Removes all filters and displays the full table again.

Filter indicator

This symbol tells you whether a filter is being applied or not.

A filter is being applied when at least one place is not displayed.

Hovering over this symbol brings up a tooltip indicating which filter is in effect.

Run reports

Run reports using the individuals involved in the displayed places.

Export in CSV format

Export the displayed table in a CSV file.

Export visible individuals into a new Gedcom file button

This button exports the visible entities to a new separate Gedcom file.

It is therefore possible to **export visible individuals** to a file that can then be sent to another person.

This can also be achieved using the "**File/Save as**" menu.

Format places structure

Changes the structure of the place jurisdictions of the genealogy.

Usage

The **Table of Places** can be used to visualize all places, to edit them as you would in a spreadsheet, to search for a place on the Internet and edit it in details, or to export places.

Visualization

The table simply gives a global overview of all your places and let to classify, analyse them, etc. as in a table.

Context menu / Show related events

From each place, you can also identify quickly which individuals and events are association with a place.

For that, a context menu accessed by right click can show you these related events. Select one to display the corresponding event in the Ancestris editors.



Global editing

You can edit places by directly editing the table cells.

Either directly enter text in the cells, drag-and-drop other cell content or paste some text in cells.

Validating changes

When a cell is modified, the OK and Cancel buttons appear at the bottom right corner of the Table Places.

For this, you need to have set your preferences to confirm changes (please refer to Preferences / Edition / Confirm changes for more details).

Press Enter or click OK to confirm changes, or else press Esc key to cancel.



If a change is confirmed, the cells of the Table of Places will be refreshed, potentially changing the order of the lines.

In the editing mode where the modifications are automatically taken into account without confirmation, the simple fact of going to another cell validates the modification made to the previous cell. This displays the table again and is likely to change the order of the rows.

For greater efficiency when modifying cells, it is best not to automatically accept changes in the Editing preferences.

Drag-and-Drop

You can drag and drop one cell or several cells at a time. When dropping cells onto other cells, Ancestris will maintain the same cell structure.

For instance, in the image below, we are dragging 4 cells on one column and dropping them on the next column.

Los Angeles County	CA	USA
Los Angeles County	CA	USA
Santa Barbara County	CA	USA
Fairfield County	CT	USA
New Haven County	CT	USA
	DC	USA
Palm Beach County	FL	USA
Saint Johns County	FL	USA
Cook County	IL	USA
Du Page County	IL	USA
La Porte County	IN	USA
Lawrence County	IN	USA
Monroe County	IN	USA
	MA	USA
	MA	USA
Barnstable County	MA	USA
Barnstable County	MA	USA
Barnstable County	MA	USA
Essex County	MA	USA
Essex County	MA	USA
Hampshire County	MA	USA

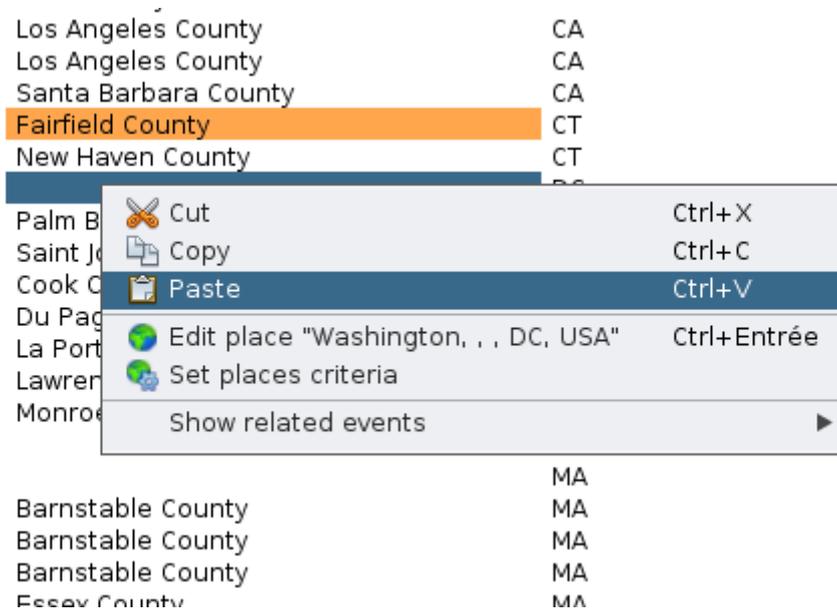
Context menu for Cut / Copy / Paste

To copy and Paste cells, select one or several cells and use the context menu to either copy or cut.

In a second step, select the cells where you want to paste the content, right click to display the context menu and paste the cells.

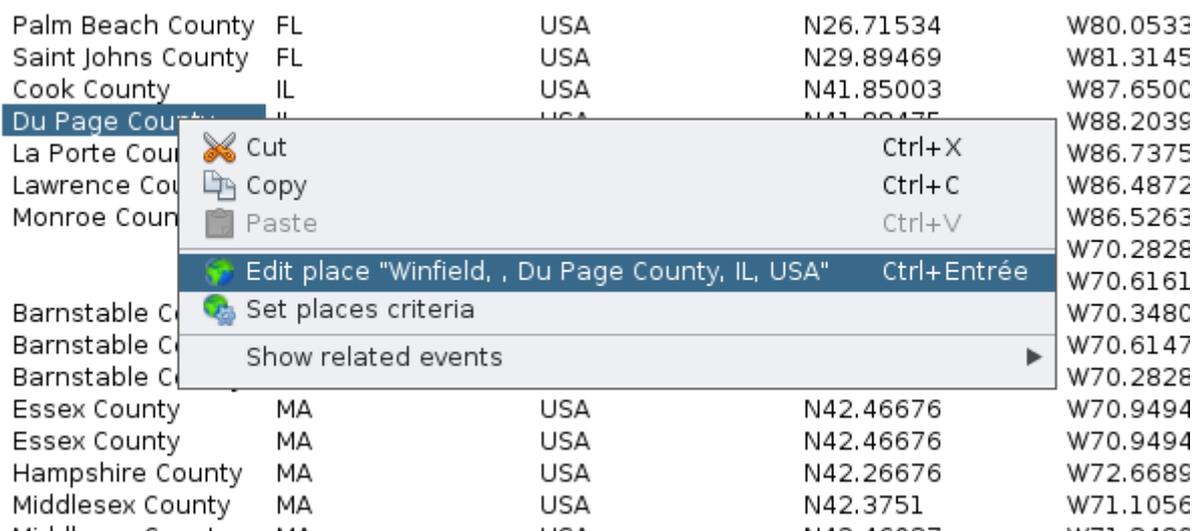
The content will be pasted in the selection in one of two ways:

- If only one cell has been selected for the paste, the whole copied area will be pasted using this selected cell as the top left corner.
- If more than one cell has been selected, two situations can occur:
 - Either the selected area is smaller than the copied area : in this case, Ancestris will truncate the content to the selected area.
 - Or the selected area is larger than the copied area : in this case, Ancestris will repeat the content throughout the selected area.



Search and Detailed editing

Double-clicking on a place in any column opens the **Places Editor** where you can edit it.



All events that use this place will be modified at the same time.

Note: when the Places editor is called from the table of places, it will edit all places of the genealogy that have the same name and coordinates.

If you only want to edit the location of a particular event, use the Cygnus, Aries or Gedcom editor to edit this particular event, and then edit the single place from within the event.

Set place criteria

If you need to align all places to a given place format, or if you want to rename or change the order of the jurisdictions, you will need to use this tool.

From the context menu or from the toolbar button, the following panel will appear.

Set places criteria

Current format
City, Zip_Code, County, State, Country

Number of different locations found in gedcom file: 85
All locations have got the correct number of jurisdictions.

Used criteria, also called jurisdictions, and sequence, to define places

City
Zip_Code
County
State
Country
Comment

Make sure the jurisdictions are listed in increasing size.

Use the buttons to move, create or delete them.

New jurisdictions format Conversion settings are complete Convert

City, Zip_Code, County, State, Country, Comment

Proceed and set places criteria **Cancel**

If you change the place format, you will need to indicate to Ancestris how you convert from the existing format to the new format. Use the Convert button for this.

The following panel will appear. Follow the instructions and press OK.

Criteria for places conversion ✕

Indicate here the correspondance between the jurisdictions on the left to be used in the target format on the right

To do so, just drag-n-drop jurisdictions on the left to the target fields on the right. You can drop on an occupied field, it will be replaced. The dragged jurisdiction will be grayed out to indicate it has already been used, but it will be still available for another drag-n-drop.

Jurisdictions to assign	Target Place Format 📌
City	City <input style="width: 80%; border: 1px solid gray;" type="text" value="City"/>
Zip_Code	Zip_Code <input style="width: 80%; border: 1px solid gray;" type="text" value="Zip_Code"/>
County	County <input style="width: 80%; border: 1px solid gray;" type="text" value="County"/>
State	State <input style="width: 80%; border: 1px solid gray;" type="text" value="State"/>
Country	Country <input style="width: 80%; border: 1px solid gray;" type="text" value="Country"/>
	Comment <input style="width: 80%; border: 1px solid gray;" type="text"/>

Once you confirm the transcription of the jurisdictions, you are taken back to the previous panel. Press "Proceed and set places criteria" to make the change in the genealogy.

The cells of the Table of Places will be refreshed.

Exporting places

Use the **Export** button to get a file with all the places of the list. The file will be in a TXT or CSV format that can be used in any standard spreadsheet software.

It is also possible to partially export places using the clipboard.

- To do this, select the cells you want to export, or type Ctrl+A to select all locations
- Ctrl+C to copy them to the clipboard.
- Ctrl+V from a spreadsheet to paste them

Customization

Apart from memorizing filters and columns, there are no customizable elements in the location table.

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