

Births, Deaths and Marriage Certificates

This is a list of useful information that you can find in births, deaths and marriage certificates. While each state has differences in the format of certificates this list is based on the order of information in the Victorian Records.

Birth Certificates:

No. Registration Number

When and where born

Name and whether present or not when registered

Father – Name, Occupation, Age and Birthplace

Father – When and where married, issue living and deceased

Mother – Name, Maiden Surname, Age, Birthplace

Informant

Witnesses – eg doctor, nurse, mother

When registered and where

Signature of registrar

Name if added after registration

Marriage Certificates:

No. Registration Number

When and where married

Birthplace

Residence – Present and Usual

Condition of parties ie bachelor, spinster, widow, widower

Rank or profession

Father's name and surname

Rank or profession of father

Mother's name and maiden surname

Witnesses' signatures

Death Certificates:

No. Registration Number

When and where died

Usual place of residence

Name and surname

Occupation

Sex and age

Cause of death

Duration of last illness

Medical Practitioner that certified the death

When they last saw the deceased

Name, surname and occupation of father and mother (maiden name if known)

Informant

Registrar

When and where buried

Undertaker

Witness of burial

When and where born

How long they have lived in Australia – specifying states

If deceased was married:

- Where?
- At what age?
- To whom?
- Conjugal condition at date of death
- Issue in order of birth, the names and current ages

The date range for searching for historical records is as follows:

What's in the Historical index?

The historical index holds the following life events registered in Victoria.

Date ranges for the historical records we hold

Life event	From	To
Births	1853	100 years before today's date
Marriages and relationships	1853	60 years before today's date
Deaths	1853	30 years before today's date
Church baptisms, marriages and burials	1836	1853

Records become available on the day they reach the end of their restriction period.