



Historic Settlement Patterns in Genealogical Research



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Land Grant and documentation in Catholic sacramental records may be found in the parishes of San Miguel del Vado and Galisteo that are situated between Pajarito and Anton Chico. Understanding the migratory patterns of New Mexico's population over 400 years plays a key role in helping the genealogist select the correct area and set of records to research.

This presentation presents case studies of migratory patterns in the settlement of New Mexico that may be used to conduct genealogical research. For example, a family named Candelaria who presently live in Phoenix arrived there because their ancestors lived in Concho [Arizona] 50 years ago, San Rafael [Grants, NM] 100 years ago and Albuquerque 150 years ago. The Tapia family of La Liendre, near Las Vegas, NM, were originally from Pajarito [near Albuquerque]. They were los *primeros pobladores* [first settlers] on the Anton Chico

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TOPICS COVERED

- ◆ Genealogical Facts in New Mexico
- ◆ Basic Steps for Getting Started
- ◆ Spanish Documents and Translations
- ◆ Migratory Patterns and Selecting the Right Records to Research
- ◆ Case Studies of Several Families

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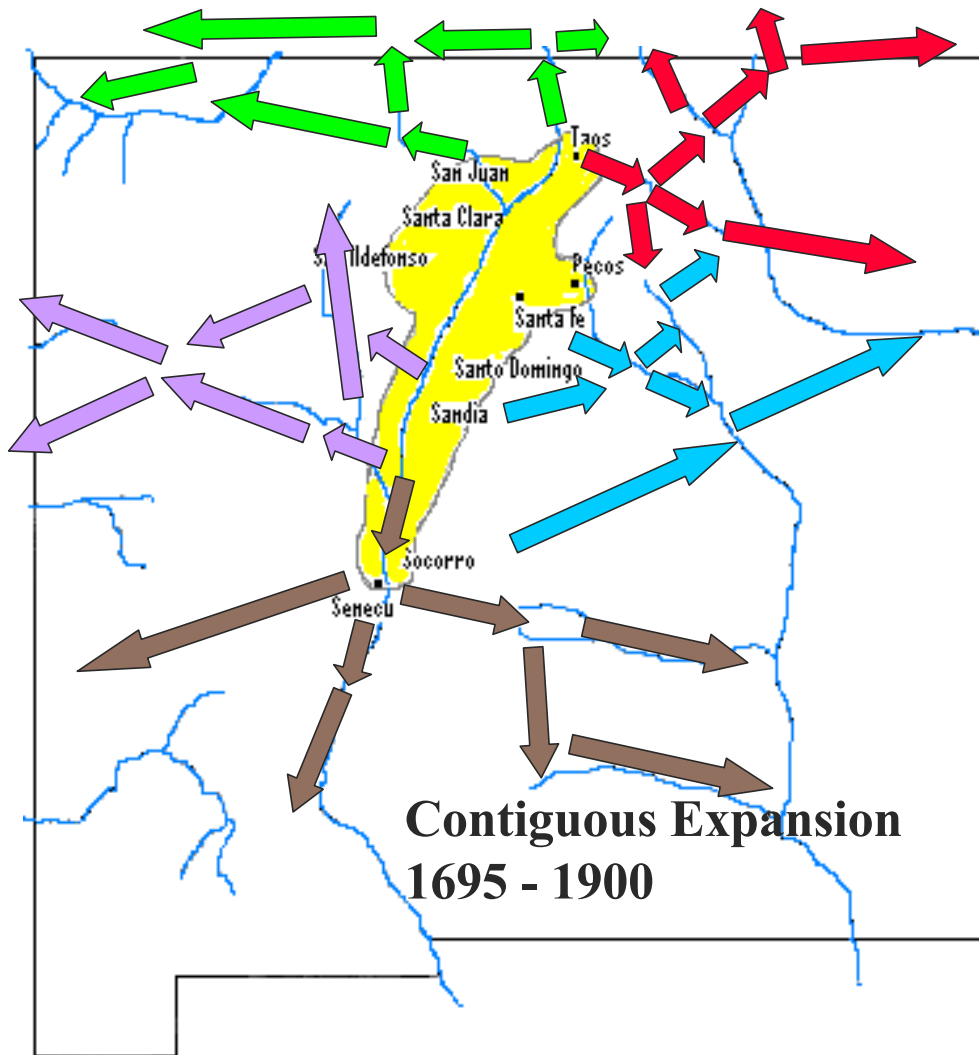
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