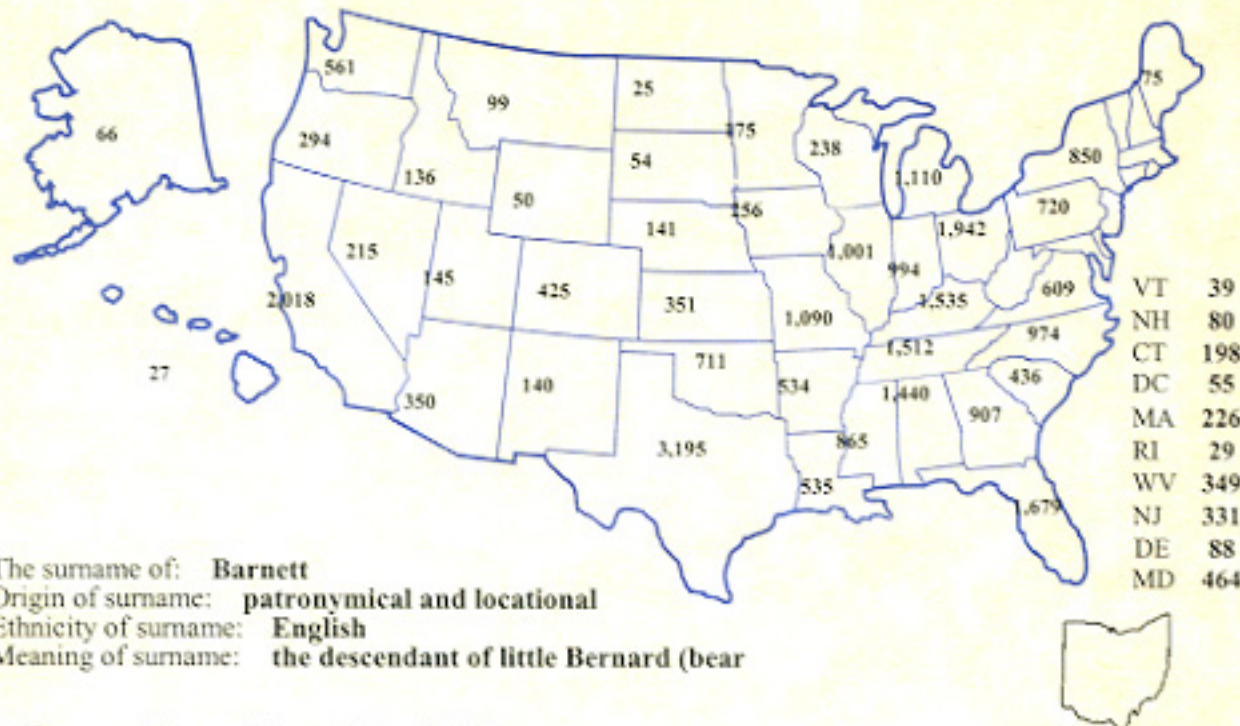


What's In The Name - Barnett ?

During the early Middle Ages, people were referred to by a single given name. But gradually the custom of adding another name or "surname" as a way to distinguish individuals became widespread. Historians believe that surnames derived from four sources; Occupational, Locational, Patronymic (father's name) or Characteristic.



The surname of: **Barnett**
 Origin of surname: **patronymical and locational**
 Ethnicity of surname: **English**
 Meaning of surname: **the descendant of little Bernard (bear)**

Different spelling variations of the original name are a common occurrence, so don't be surprised to find a large number of your direct relatives may be using a surname variation. Language changes, carelessness, and a high degree of illiteracy (sometimes the bearer did not know how to spell his own name), compounded the number of ways a name might be spelled. Often times the town clerk or immigration official spelled the name the way it sounded to him.

Surname variations **Barnet and Barnette**

Columbus	160
Cincinnati	133
Dayton	129
Cleveland	109
Willard	49

Where others live in the world with your surname

United States	30,339	France	62	Australia	3,205
Canada	1,498	Great Britain	15,094	Austria	2
Italy	4	Netherlands	7	Spain	0
Germany	116	N. Ireland	110	New Zealand	581
South Africa	396	Ireland	69	Switzerland	18

Immigration has played an important part in the history of surnames

The individuals who left their homes for life in the New World were undoubtedly courageous. The following individual was one of the earliest known to have immigrated to North America along with the source where this individual is referenced. (Not all names will have this information).

Immigrant's Surname: **Barnett**
 Port of Arrival or Final Destination: **Virginia**
 Year: **1620**

Immigrant's First Name: **Thomas**

