

CLAN IRWIN SURNAME DNA STUDY

Founded: November 2005

No. of Participants (end 2013): 327

Goals:

1. To facilitate y-DNA tests for all bearing the name Erwin, Irwin, Irvine, Irving etc.
2. To identify the DNA signatures of Bonshaw, Drum and other genetic families sharing the name.
3. To promote understanding of the implications arising.

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Testing Company: FTDNA, Houston
www.familytreedna.com

Recommended DNA test:

y-DNA STR, 37 markers:
Group rate US\$149 + \$4 shipping charge

Study Statistics as of end 2013:

Study participants:

Joined	No.	Residence	%
2002-4	14	USA	78
2005	14	Australia	4
2006	52	Canada	6
2007	35	NZ	2
2008	45	England	5
2009	28	Scotland	4
2010	30	Ireland	1
2011	39	Wales	0.3
2012	41	France	0.3
2013	29		

Their earliest confirmed paternal ancestors:

Spelling	%	Date of birth	%	Origin	%
Arwin/e	2	1900s	3	Scotland	23
Ervin	12	1800s	33	Ireland	37
Erwin	13	1700s	44	England/Wales	4
Irvin	7	1600s	4	UK	1
Irvine	17	1500s	2	Germany/Neth	1
Irving	7	1400s	0	USA, E coast	15
Irwin	30	1300s	1	USA, other	5
Urwin	1	1200s	0	Canada	1
Other	11	Unknown	11	Unknown	13

Resolution of tests undertaken:

No. of markers	12	25	37	67	111
%	6	1	55	29	9

Genetic Families into which participants have been assigned: (for explanation see overleaf)

Genetic family	%
Scottish origin:	
Borders (incl. Bonshaw)	66
Aberdeenshire (incl. Drum)	1
Orkney 1	1
Orkney 2	2
Shetland	1
Perthshire	1
Unknown (4)	2
Non-Paternal Event groups (11) (Bell, Carruthers, Dodd, Elliot(2) Graham, Johnston, Kerr, Kincaird, Nixon, Rutledge)	10
Irish origin: Leinster?	2
Munster	1
Unknown (1)	2
Germany/Netherlands	2
Africa	0.3
Unassigned: singletons	9
Total	100