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## Audley Family History

Surnames that are similar to the Audley Surname and  
may be confused with it.

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### Introduction

Whilst undertaking research into Audley Family History it became clear that there were numerous occasions when 'Audley' records had either been misrecorded by the original recorder of the event or had been mistranscribed on a number of modern day websites which have for example regularly transcribed Audley as Andley.

As a result of the above I wrote down as many possible ways I could think of misrecording or mistranscribing the Audley surname, 149 of them. They are all listed in Appendix 1

The next stage was to identify which of these are not surnames. Having thought about it I concluded that the best way to identify which are surnames and which are not is through the GRO index of births, marriages and deaths, on the basis that the indexes are typewritten and in alphabetical order, as a consequence it is hoped there should not be many transcription errors in taking the GRO index and putting it onto a website. To ensure maximum coverage two websites were used.

As a result of the above logic:

- 99 of the possible misspellings are not surnames in their own right as during the period 1837 to 1999 that spelling was not used to register a birth, a marriage or a death. These misspellings are identified in blue font in Appendix 1
- a further 27 were rejected as being not considered a surname in their own right even though they were used to register births, marriage, and death prior to 1950, in the period 1950 to 1999 that spelling was either not used or used once. These misspellings are identified in red font in Appendix 1 and their frequency of use is given in Appendix 2
- This leaves 23 misspellings of the Audley surname that can be considered surnames in their own right. These misspellings are identified in black font in Appendix 1 and their frequency of use is given in Appendix 3.

In the results section of this report are 5 charts as follows:

- Charts 1 to 3 inclusive show graphically the frequency of the 23 misspellings of the Audley surname, that can be considered surnames in their own right, and the Audley surname. It should be noted that charts 2 and 3 are to a different scale to chart 1.
- Charts 4 and 5 inclusive shows graphically the frequency of the 27 misspellings of the

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Audley surname that were rejected as not being a surname in their own right because either the surname was not used for the registration of a birth, marriage or death during the period 1950 to 1999 (20 surnames) or the frequency of use of the surname for the registration of a birth, marriage or death during the period 1950 to 1999 was very much less than its frequency of use prior to 1950 (3 surnames) or the surname was used to register a single birth, marriage or death in the period 1950 to 1999 but was not used during the periods 1837 to 1899 and 1900 to 1949 (4 surnames).

The table below shows that of the 23 possible misspellings of the Audley surname that are considered surnames in their own right 5 of them like the Audley surname share their name with a town or village.

Surname	Frequency of use 1937 to 1999	Place of the Same Name
<b>Handley</b>	<b>59583</b>	<b>Handley is 26 miles west of Audley</b>
<b>Dudley</b>	<b>56000</b>	<b>Dudley is 54 miles south of Audley</b>
<b>Adderley</b>	<b>6606</b>	<b>Adderley is 16 miles south west of Audley</b>
Audsley	3967	There is currently no such place as Audsley
<b>Ardley</b>	<b>3900</b>	<b>Ardley is 111 miles South East of Audley</b>
<b>Audley</b>	<b>3328</b>	
Aldersley	3021	There is currently no such place as Aldersley
Hurdley	1622	There is currently no such place as Hurdley
Adley	1562	There is currently no such place as Adley
Addley	1048	There is currently no such place as Addley
Aidley	314	There is currently no such place as Aidley, It is believed that Aidley is a variant of Audley which split from Audley in the Area around Siddington, Cheshire
<b>Alderley</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>Alderley is 126 miles south of Audley</b>
Handly	174	It is assumed that this is a variant of Handley
Adderly	146	It is assumed that this is a variant of Adderley
Handlay	70	It is assumed that this is a variant of Handley
Andley	53	There is currently no such place as Andley
Dudly	41	It is assumed that this is a variant of Dudley
Hudley	33	There is currently no such place as Hudley

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Surname	Frequency of use 1937 to 1999	Place of the Same Name
Adeley	33	There is currently no such place as Adeley
Adly	20	There is currently no such place as Adly
Aderley	13	It is assumed that this is a variant of Adderley
Aldersly	8	There is currently no such place as Aldesley
Addly	7	There is currently no such place as Addly
Adely	6	There is currently no such place as Adely

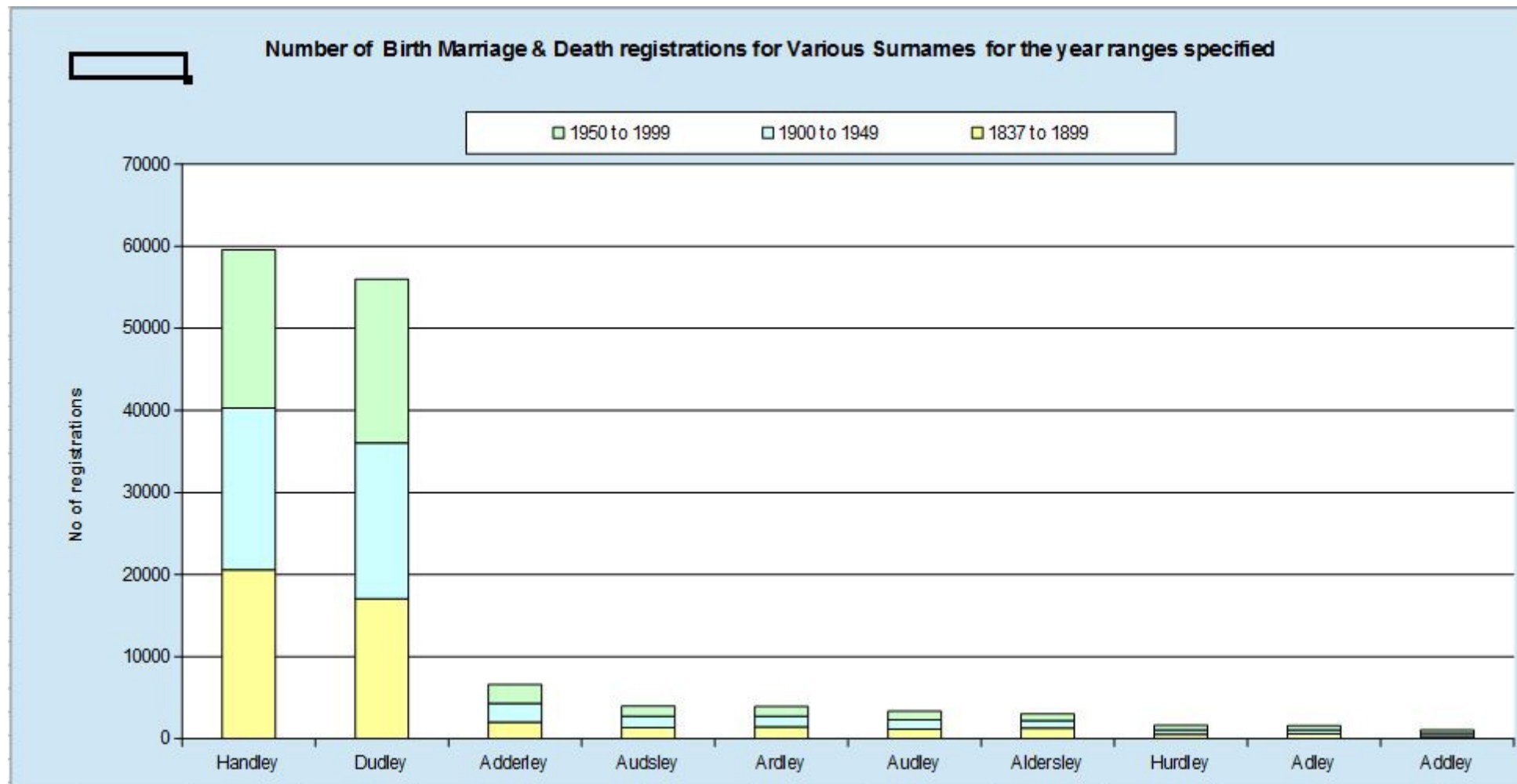
### Results

The results of this analysis are shown graphically below:

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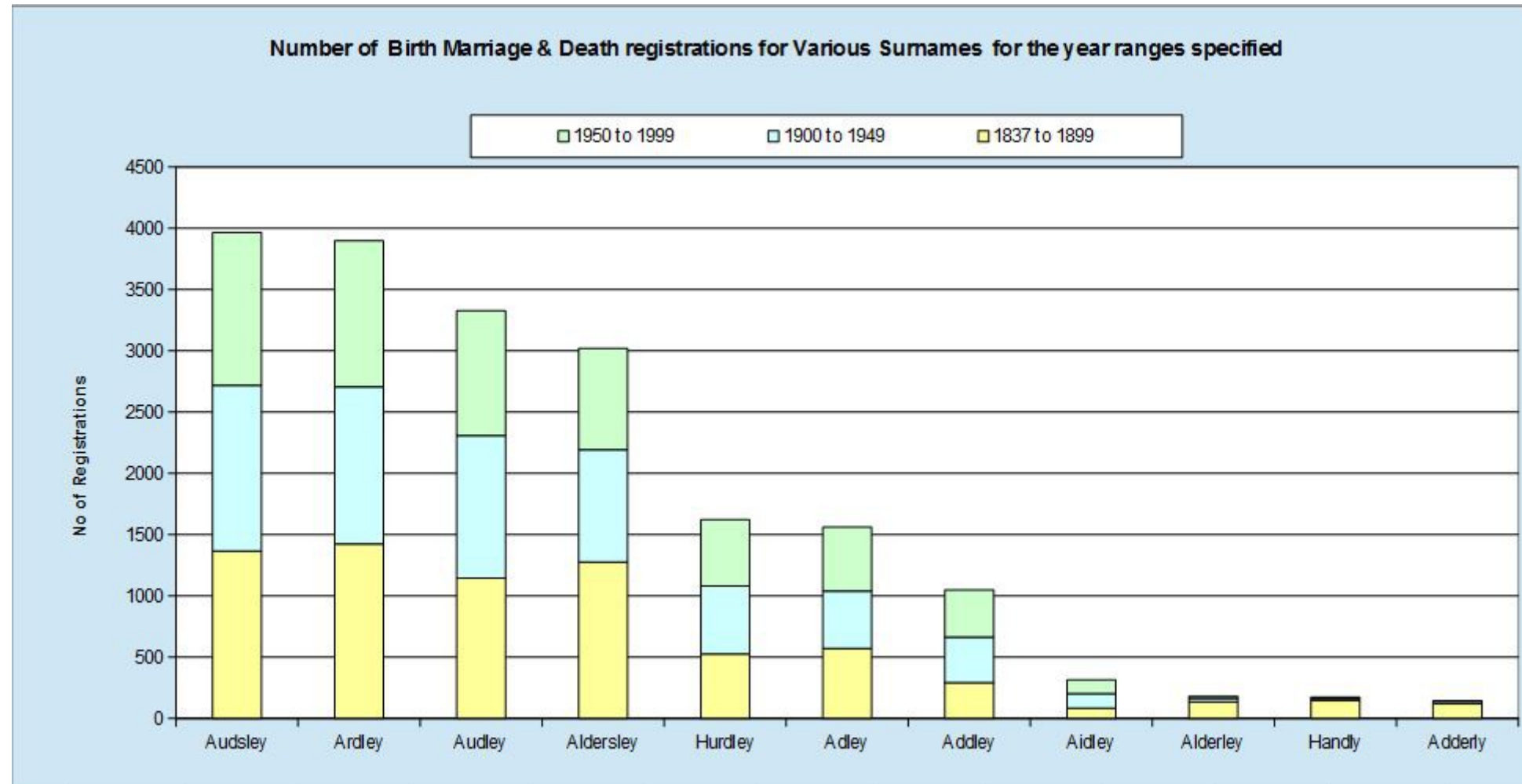
Chart1



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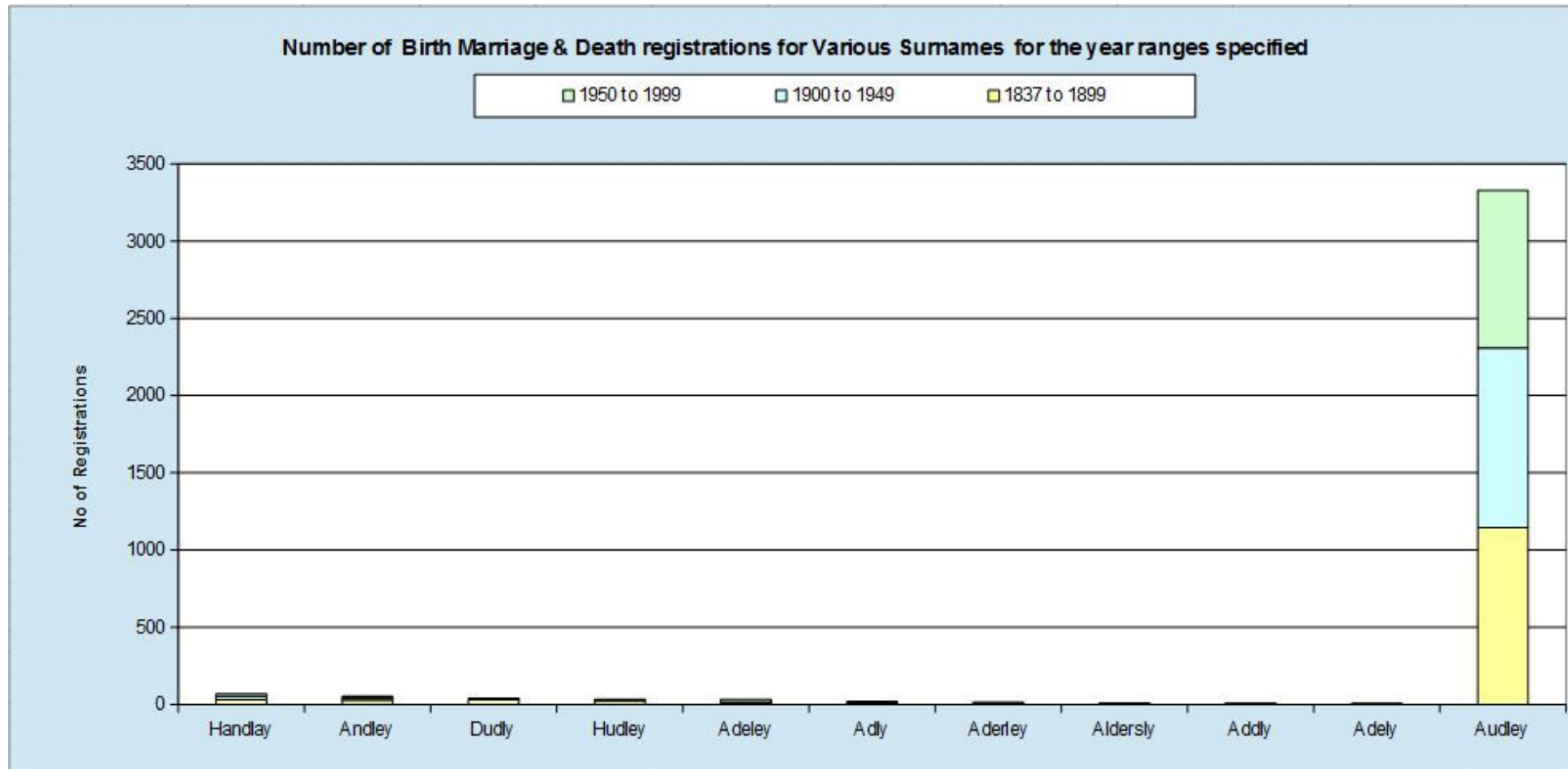
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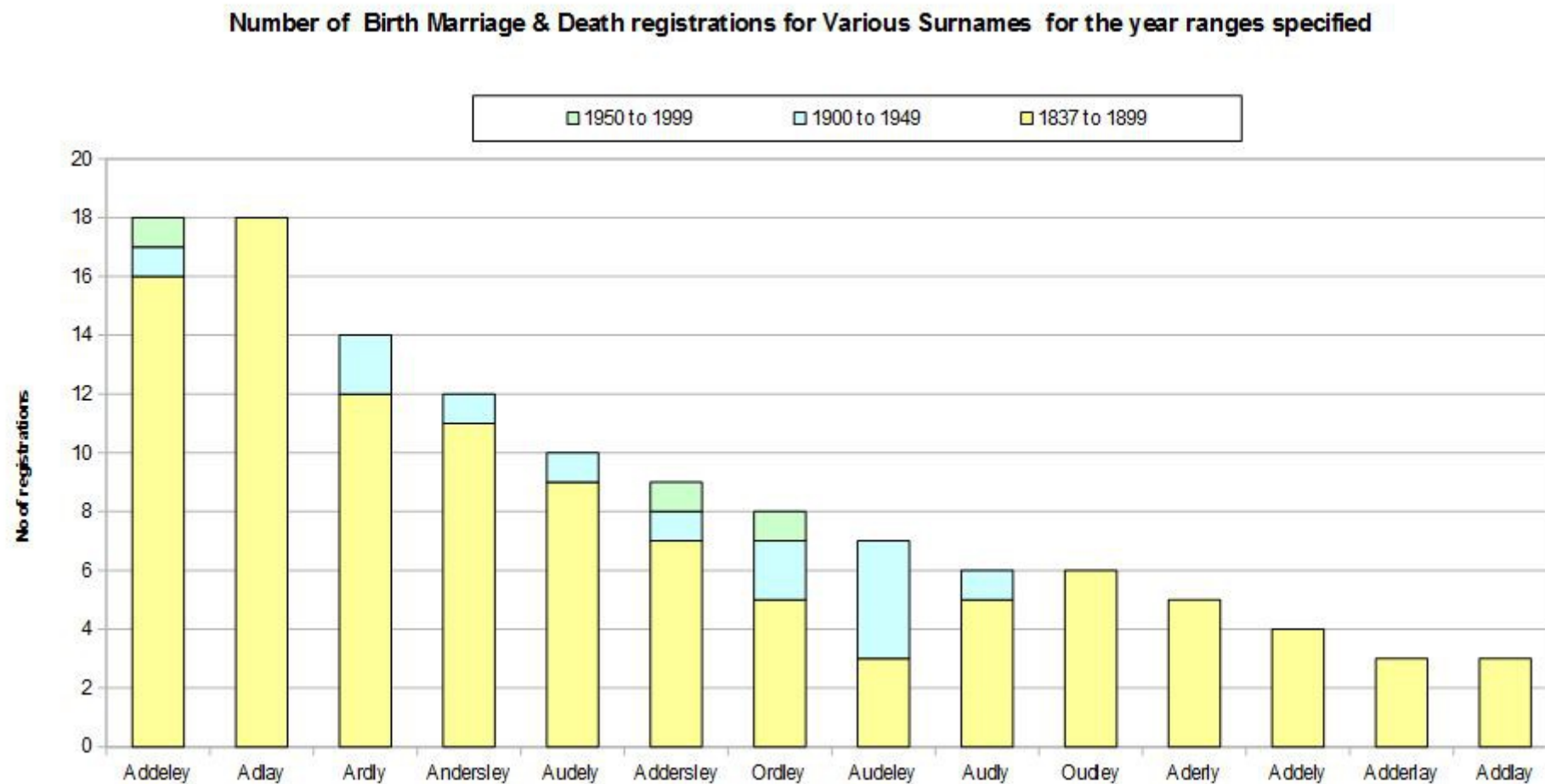
Chart 3



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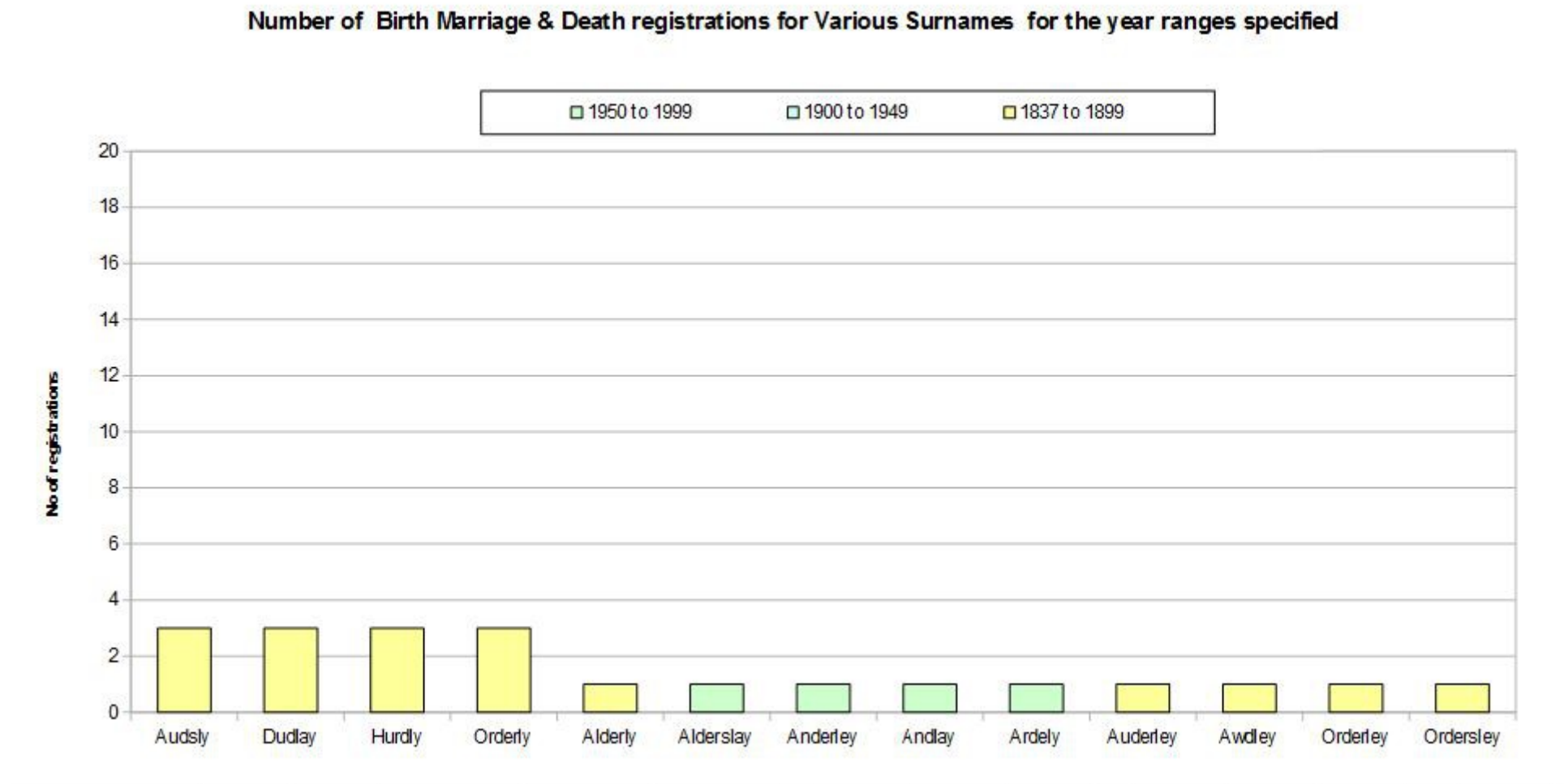
Chart 4



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Chart 5



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#### Appendix 1 Possible variant spellings of the Audley Surname

Addeily	Aisderlay	Andly	Dudley
Addelay	Aisderley	Ardeily	Dudly
Addeley	Aisderly	Ardelay	Handily
Addely	Aisdily	Ardeley	Handlay
Adderily	Aisdlay	Ardely	Handley
Adderlay	Aisdley	Arderily	Handly
Adderley	Aisdly	Arderlay	Hudily
Adderly	Aldeily	Arderley	Hudlay
Addersily	Aldelay	Arderly	Hudley
Adderslay	Aldeley	Ardersily	Hudly
Addersley	Aldely	Arderslay	Hurdily
Addersly	Alderily	Ardersley	Hurdlay
Addily	Alderlay	Ardily	Hurdley
Addlay	Alderley	Ardlay	Hurdly
Addley	Alderly	Ardley	Ordeily
Addly	Aldersily	Ardly	Ordelay
Adeily	Alderslay	Audeily	Ordeley
Adelay	Aldersley	Audelay	Ordely
Adeley	Aldersly	Audeley	Orderily
Adely	Aldily	Audely	Orderlay
Aderily	Aldlay	Auderily	Orderley
Aderlay	Aldley	Auderlay	Orderly
Aderley	Aldly	Auderley	Ordersily
Aderly	Andeily	Auderly	Orderslay
Adersley	Andelay	Audily	Ordersley
Adily	Andeley	Audlay	Ordily
Adlay	Andely	Audley	Ordlay
Adley	Anderily	Audly	Ordley
Adly	Anderlay	Audsily	Ordly
Aidily	Anderley	Audslay	Oudily
Aidlay	Anderly	Audsley	Oudlay
Aidley	Andersily	Audslly	Oudley
Aidly	Anderslay	Awdily	Oudly
Aisdeily	Andersley	Awdlay	Ourdily
Aisdelay	Andersly	Awdley	Ourdlay
Aisdeley	Andily	Awdly	Ourdley
Aisdely	Andlay	Dudily	Ourdly
Aisderily	Andley	Dudlay	

Note 1 For those names listed above in blue text that specific spelling has not been used to register either a birth, marriage or death in the period 1837 to 1999 and therefore they cannot be considered as a valid surname.

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Note 2 For those names listed above in red text that specific spelling was used to register births, marriages and deaths in the period 1837 to 1949 but was only used once or not at all during the period 1949 to 1999. More details of this group is given in Appendix2

Note 3 For those names listed above in black text can be considered valid surnames More details of these names are given in Appendix 3

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## Appendix 2 Variet spellings of the Audley Surname that are not considered Surnames in their own right.

These names are nor considered to be valid surnames in their own right as they were either not used to register a birth , marriage or death in the period 1949 to 1999 or were used once I that period.

Surname	Total number of Births, Marriages and Deaths recorded in the period listed				
	1837 to 1999	1900 to 1999	1837 to 1899	1900 to 1949	1950 to 1999
Addeley	18	2	16	1	1
Adlay	18	0	18	0	0
Ardly	14	2	12	2	0
Andersley	12	1	11	1	0
Audely	10	1	9	1	0
Addersley	9	2	7	1	1
Ordley	8	3	5	2	1
Audeley	7	4	3	4	0
Audly	6	1	5	1	0
Oudley	6	0	6	0	0
Aderly	5	0	5	0	0
Addely	4	0	4	0	0
Adderlay	3	0	3	0	0
Addlay	3	0	3	0	0
Audsly	3	0	3	0	0
Dudlay	3	0	3	0	0
Hurdly	3	0	3	0	0
Orderly	3	0	3	0	0
Alderly	1	0	1	0	0
Alderslay	1	1	0	0	1
Anderley	1	1	0	0	1
Andlay	1	1	0	0	1
Ardely	1	1	0	0	1
Auderley	1	0	1	0	0
Awdley	1	0	1	0	0
Orderley	1	0	1	0	0
Ordersley	1	0	1	0	0

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### Appendix 3 Surnames that could be confused with the Audley Surname

Surname	Total number of Births, Marriages and Deaths recorded in the period listed				
	1837 to 1999	1900 to 1999	1837 to 1899	1900 to 1949	1950 to 1999
Handley	59583	39022	20561	19722	19300
Dudley	56000	38945	17055	18998	19947
Adderley	6606	4597	2009	2312	2285
Audsley	3967	2601	1366	1354	1247
Ardley	3900	2477	1423	1284	1193
<b>Audley</b>	<b>3328</b>	<b>2183</b>	<b>1145</b>	<b>1163</b>	<b>1020</b>
Aldersley	3021	1744	1277	918	826
Hurdley	1622	1094	528	552	542
Adley	1562	990	572	469	521
Addley	1048	757	291	373	384
Aidley	314	229	85	117	112
Alderley	181	47	134	32	15
Handly	174	27	147	19	8
Adderly	146	23	123	20	3
Handlay	70	39	31	23	16
Andley	53	26	27	15	11
Dudly	41	11	30	9	2
Hudley	33	7	26	4	3
Adeley	33	27	6	9	18
Adly	20	17	3	6	11
Aderley	13	2	11	0	2
Aldersly	8	4	4	2	2
Addly	7	4	3	1	3
Adely	6	3	3	0	3

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