

Archives of Michigan



Jackson County County Research Guide: No. 38

Jackson County was organized in 1832. The county coordinates are Range 3W-2E and Township 1S-4S. Adjacent counties include Ingham (north), Livingston (northeast), Washtenaw (east), Lenawee (southeast), Hillsdale (southwest), Calhoun (west), and Eaton (northwest).

Here is a listing of original source records available at the Archives for Jackson County, including the years of coverage and the Record Group number. Finding aids available in the Archives, arranged by RG, give a more itemized listing of each collection.

Cemeteries

Jackson County files	1967-1976	RG 83-53
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Census

Certificates of census takers	1864-1874	RG 52-6
State census	1884; 1894	RG 81-37

Court records

Court docket	1843-1849	RG 88-5
Lawyers' certificate of defense	1876	RG 52-6

Land

Rural Property Inventory	1936-1942	RG 72-76
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Military

Claims for exemption from draft	1863-1864	RG 62-15
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GAR post records	1876-1945	RG 63-19
<i>* Jackson County GAR posts: 48 (Jackson), 204 (Brooklyn), 228 (Grass Lake), 239 (Concord), 273 (Hanover), 321 (Springport), 328 (Napoleon), 374 (Parma), 416 (Brooklyn)</i>		
Male citizens liable for military duty	1862-1879	RG 62-15
Volunteers' family relief fund	1863	RG 52-6
<i>*See also Guide No. 4: War Records and Guide No. 7: Post-War Records</i>		

Occupational

Record of examination for teacher certification	1881-1928	RG 62-15
Registers for normal & college certificates	1900-1928	RG 62-15
Teachers' Institute fees	1883-1888	RG 52-6

Prison records

Bills to Detroit House of Corrections	1875; 1884-1888	RG 52-6
<i>* See also Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records</i>		

Recreational

Sparrow bounty orders	1888	RG 52-6
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School records

District #7, Liberty Township	1839-1918	RG 87-154
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Tax records

Assessment rolls	1844-1880; 1900 1920; 1940	RG 62-47
Assessment rolls	1945-1975	RG 96-197

Vital records

** See also Guide No. 19: Vital Records*