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St. Clair County County Research Guide: No. 74

St. Clair County's boundaries were laid out in 1820 and the county was formally organized in 1821. The county coordinates are Range 13E–16E and Township 8N–3N. Adjacent counties include Macomb (southwest), Lapeer (west), and Sanilac (north).

Here is a listing of original source records available at the Archives for St. Clair 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.

Businesses

Articles of association	1865–1921	RG 80-63
	1870–1888	RG 83-31
Assumed names record	1933–1946	RG 80-63
Chattel mortgage record	1871–1889	RG 67-7
Estrays record	1871–1927	RG 80-63

Cemeteries

St. Clair County files	1967–1976	RG 83-53
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Census

Fort Gratiot Township	1963	RG 80-63
State census schedule 1	1884, 1894	RG 80-98

Court records

Appeals	1848–1867	RG 80-64
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Chancery calendars	1847–1870	RG 80-64
Chancery rule books	1847-1877	RG 80-64
Circuit court journals	1839–1874	RG 80-64
Circuit court minute books	1833–1855; 1893–1895; 1840–1868	RG 67-7
Common rule books	1858–1876	RG 80-64
County court calendar	1847–1851	RG 80-64
County court case files	1847–1849	RG 80-64
County court journal	1847–1851 1855–1877	RG 80-64
Criminal docket	1840–1842; 1873–1883	RG 80-64
Criminal case files	1840–1884	RG 80-64
Execution docket	1859–1876	RG 80-64
Inquest docket	1834–1966	RG 80-63
Inquests	1833–1872	RG 80-64
Judge's daily record book	1972	RG 83-31
Justice of the peace docket	1853–1856	RG 80-63
Law calendars	1835–1881	RG 80-64
Law case files	1835–1871	RG 80-64
List of jurors and witnesses	1855–1873	RG 67-7
Pleadings and judgments	1838–1844	RG 80-64
Redemption certificates	n.d.; 1879	RG 67-7
Recorder's court motion book	1869–1875	RG 67-7
Special motion book	1868–1875	RG 80-64
Watercraft cases	1864–1903	RG 80-64

Military

GAR post records	1876–1945	RG 63-19
* <i>St. Clair County GAR posts: 98 (Port Huron), 113 (St. Clair), 177 (Capac), 195 (Brockway), 229 (Marine City), 233 (Wales), 424 (Yale), 432 (Marine City)</i>		
* <i>See also Guide No. 4: War Records and Guide No. 7: Post-War Records</i>		

Naturalization

Declarations of Intention	1843–1974	RG 94-301
Military naturalizations	1941–1965	RG 94-301
Petitions for Naturalization	1843–1982	RG 94-301
Repatriations	1937–1957	RG 94-301
Transfers of petitions	1969	RG 94-301

Occupations

Chiropractor registrations	1934–1969	RG 80-63
Civilian Conservation Corps applications for enrollment	1935–1942	RG 62-22
Civilian Conservation Corps discharges	1934–1942	RG 62-22
Dentist registrations	1907–1957	RG 80-63

Medical practitioners' statements	1883–1893	RG 67-7
	1893–1899	RG 80-63
Nurse registrations	1910–1954	RG 80-63
Optometrist registrations	1910–1956	RG 80-63
Osteopath registrations	1938–1957	RG 80-63
Political records		
Elected officials records	1838–1969	RG 80-63
Oaths and bonds of Fort Gratiot township officers	1927–1945	RG 80-128
Poor home/relief		
Record of inmates in county infirmary	1915–1933	RG 62-22
Prison records		
<i>* See also Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records</i>		
Probate		
Case files	1828–1872	RG 78-65
Record of proceedings	1828–1838	RG 79-48
Tax records		
Abstract of taxable inheritances	1925–1944	RG 67-7
Assessment rolls	1839–1904	RG 81-107
Property tax assessment cards	1954–1957	RG 67-7
Receipt book for taxes	1870–1881	RG 67-7
Vital records		
Register of births (Fort Gratiot Twp.)	1930–1951	RG 80-128#
Register of deaths (Fort Gratiot Twp.)	1946–1949	RG 80-128
<i>* See Court records: Chancery and Divorce</i>		
<i>* See Guide No. 19: Vital Records</i>		
<i>#Records less than 110 years old are restricted.</i>		
Voter records		
County party delegate registers	1932–1950	RG 80-63