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## **Wexford County** County Research Guide: No. 83

Wexford County was established in 1840 and was originally named Kautawabet. It was renamed after County Wexford, Ireland in 1843. The county coordinates are Range 9W–12W and Township 21N–24N. Adjacent counties include Grand Traverse (north), Kalkaska (northeast), Missaukee (east), Osceola (southeast), Lake (southwest), Manistee (west), and Benzie (northwest).

Here is a listing of original source records available at the Archives for Wexford 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**

Wexford County files	1967–1976	RG 83-53
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### **Court records**

Chancery calendars	1881–1948	RG 2011-42
Chancery case files	1875–1960	RG 2011-42
Criminal calendars	1885–1943	RG 2011-42
Criminal case files	1885–1944	RG 2011-42
Law calendars	1882–1944	RG 2011-42
Law case files	1876–1955	RG 2011-42

### **Military**

GAR post records	1876–1945	RG 63-19
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*\*Newaygo County GAR posts: 92 (Cadillac), 394 (Wexford), 444 (Cadillac), 461 (Selma), 463 (Mesick)*

*\*See also Guide No. 4: War Records and Guide No. 7: Post-War Records*

**Naturalization**

Alien record	1884–1896	RG 2009-2
Certificate stubs	n.d.	RG 2009-2
Court orders	1938–1941	RG 2009-2
Declarations of Intention	1875–1957	RG 2009-2
Journal	1896–1903	RG 2009-2
Oaths of witnesses and declaration of allegiance	1896–1903	RG 2009-2
Petitions for Naturalization	1906–1966	RG 2009-2
Repatriations of women	1941	RG 2009-2

**Prison records**

\* See Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records

**Tax records**

Assessment rolls	1869–1896; 1900 1920; 1940; 1960	RG 85-156 RG 85-156
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**Vital records**

\* See Court records: Chancery and Divorce

\* See Guide No. 19: Vital Records