

Eaton County



Eaton County was organized in 1837. The county coordinates are Range 3W-6W and Township 1N-4N. Adjacent counties include Clinton (northeast), Ingham (east), Jackson (southeast), Calhoun (south), Barry (west), and Ionia (northwest).

Here is a listing of original source records available at the Archives for Eaton 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	1838-1889	RG 65-4
	1848-1901	RG 65-36
	1889-1951	RG 80-120

Cemeteries

Eaton County files	1968-1976	RG 83-53
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Census

Federal census	1850-1880	RG 65-4
State census	1845; 1854; 1864	RG 65-4
	1874	RG 65-36

Court records

Chancery case files	1852-1880	RG 69-72
Chancery common order book	1861-1872	RG 80-79
Chancery journal	1861-1881	RG 80-79
Chancery notices	1842-1861	RG 80-79

Circuit Court case files	1931-1941	RG 80-15
Justice Court cases	1838-1882	RG 80-79
List of jurors	1838-1848	RG 65-36

Land

Deeds	1856-1889, 1898	RG 69-72
Lands returned	1837-1878	RG 78-72
Rural Property Inventory	1939	RG 94-303

Military

Burials of indigent soldiers	1886-1890	RG 74-61
	1906-1919	RG 80-120
Establishment certificates	1862-1864	RG 74-61
GAR post records	1876-1945	RG 63-19

* *Eaton County GAR posts: 40 (Charlotte), 107 (Dimondale), 108 (Grand Ledge), 111 (Eaton Rapids), 112 (Mulliken), 163 (Vermontville), 213 (Bellevue), 275 (Olivet), 283 (Sunfield), 326 (Potterville)*

Military lists	1886-1887	RG 74-61
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* See also *Guide No. 4: War Records, Guide No. 7: Post-War Records, Guide No. 4c: Spanish American War, and Guide No. 4d: World War I*

Naturalization

Certificate stubs	1892-1959	RG 2002-17
Circuit Court journal	1895-1914	RG 2002-17
Declarations of Intention	1889-1959	RG 2002-17
Petitions	1909-1959	RG 2002-17
Petitions granted	1929-1959	RG 2002-17
Second papers	1836-1902	RG 2002-17

Occupational

Dentists' certificates	1907-1956	RG 2013-84
Justices of the Peace and notaries	1839-1907	RG 80-120
Medical practitioners	1883-1939	RG 80-120
Nurses	1912-1957	RG 80-120
Optometrists	1910-1953	RG 80-120
Osteopaths	1920-1948	RG 80-120
Physicians returned by assessors	1900-1904	RG 80-120
Professional record	1924-1986	RG 2013-84
Sheriff's deputies	1889-1964	RG 80-120

Poor home/infirmary

County infirmary patient register	1936-1951	RG 80-120
List of people sent to county infirmary	1859-1945	RG 80-120
Poor house register of inmates	1859-1936	RG 80-120

Prison records

Inmate register	1899-1916	RG 80-120
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* See also *Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records*

Probate

Estate files	1838-1940	RG 80-73
Probate calendar	1855-1941	RG 2014-36
Probate index	1838-1941	RG 2014-36

Schools

Census of students (Kalamo Twp.)	1865-1888	RG 80-76
Register of teachers (Kalamo Twp.)	1865-1886	RG 80-76
Teacher contracts (Kalamo Twp.)	1865-1883	RG 80-76

Tax records

Account books	1839-1888	RG 78-72
Assessment rolls	1844-1955	RG 78-72
	1845-1880;	RG 65-15
	1900; 1920; 1940	
	1902-1928	RG 79-66
Delinquent tax registers	1838-1927	RG 78-72

Vital records

Divorce	1860-1880	RG 69-72
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* See also *Guide No. 19: Vital Records*

Voter records

Canvassers' returns	1838-1915	RG 80-120
Statements of votes	1892-1939	RG 80-120

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