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County Research Guide: No. 21

Delta County

Delta County was originally laid off in 1843, but was later officially organized in 1861. The county coordinates are Range 18W-24W and Township 37N-43N. Adjacent counties include Alger (north), Schoolcraft (northeast & east), Menominee (west), and Marquette (northwest).

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

Several Archives of Michigan collections are housed at the Central Upper Peninsula and Northern Michigan University Archives in Marquette, which are indicated below with a #. For assistance with those resources, please check with the staff there: nmu.edu/archives/home-page.

Businesses
Articles of association 1888-1931 RG 82-117#
Elliott farm journal (Sac Bay Twp.) 1898-1903 RG 74-125#
# Held at Northern Michigan University Archives, Marquette

Cemeteries
Delta County files 1968-1976 RG 83-53

Health records
County hospital patient registers 1887-1905 RG 82-117#
# Held at Northern Michigan University Archives, Marquette

Military
Draft registrants 1940 RG 82-117#
GAR post records 1876-1945 RG 63-19
* Delta County GAR posts: 94 (Gladstone), 142 (Rapid River), 175 (Escanaba)
Local military board minutes 1917 RG 82-117#
Soldiers’ burials 1890-1911 RG 82-117#
# Held at Northern Michigan University Archives, Marquette
* 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 1907-1928 RG 98-50
Certificates 1929-1941 RG 98-50
Declarations of Intention 1866-1952 RG 98-50
Depositions 1929-1932 RG 98-50
Naturalization calendar 1906-1909 RG 98-50
Oaths of allegiance 1937-1952 RG 98-50
Order book 1930-1955 RG 98-50
Second papers 1882-1955 RG 98-50

Occupations
Physicians register 1900 RG 82-117#
Sheriff’s appointments 1905-1912 RG 82-117#
# Held at Northern Michigan University Archives, Marquette

Political records
Political party enrollment records 1906-1910 RG 82-117#
# Held at Northern Michigan University Archives, Marquette

Poor home/relief
Poor home register of inhabitants 1903-1927 RG 82-117#
Superintendent of the Poor journals 1885-1906 RG 82-117#
Superintendent of the Poor ledgers 1885-1914 RG 82-117#
# Held at Northern Michigan University Archives, Marquette

Prison records
* See Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records

Tax records
Assessment rolls 1881-1900 RG 84-64#
Assessment rolls (Sac Bay Twp.) 1885-1904 RG 74-125#
# Held at Northern Michigan University Archives, Marquette

Vital records
* See Guide No. 19: Vital Records

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