

Washtenaw County



Washtenaw County was organized in 1826. The county coordinates are Range 3W-7E and Township 1S-4S. Adjacent counties include Wayne (east), Monroe (southeast), Lenawee (southwest), Jackson (west), Livingston (north), and Oakland (northeast).

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

Washtenaw County files	1931-1979	RG 83-53
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Court records

Chancery calendar index	1827-1876	RG 98-10
Chancery calendars	1838-1885	RG 96-226
Chancery case files	1834-1876	RG 96-178
	1837-1877	RG 96-229
Chancery journals	1838-1870	RG 96-226
	1888-1935	RG 2009-10
Circuit Court blotters	1932-1940	RG 2009-10
Circuit Court dockets	1840-1844	RG 96-226
Circuit Court journals	1827-1873	RG 96-226
	1877-1939	RG 2009-10
Circuit Court rule books	1839-1927	RG 2009-10
Civil dockets (Ann Arbor)	1948-1956	RG 78-110
Commissioners docket	1895-1920	RG 76-22
	1895-1946	RG 2009-10

Consumer complaints	1985-1995	RG 96-177
County coroner records	1895; 1908–1928 1918	RG 2009-10 RG 98-10
County court calendars	1847–1851	RG 96-226
County court case files	1834; 1847–1851	RG 96-178
County court journals	1847–1851	RG 96-226
Criminal calendars	1835–1880	RG 96-226
Criminal case files	1834–1876	RG 96-178
Justice of the Peace case files	1827–1869 1880–1887	RG 96-229 RG 2009-10
Justice of the Peace transcripts	1841–1869	RG 96-226
Justices' docket (Ann Arbor)	1837-1887	RG 78-110
Justices' docket (Augusta Twp.)	1851-1922	RG 68-13
Juvenile court calendars	1907–1935	RG 2009-10
Law calendar index	1827-1877	RG 98-10
Law calendars	1832–1859	RG 96-226
Law case files	1828–1873 1951	RG 96-178 RG 97-416
Law journals	1836–1844	RG 96-226
Record of fines (Ann Arbor)	1953-1955	RG 78-110
Record of jurors' fees	1839–1878	RG 96-226
Sampling of case files	c.1870-1933	RG 97-416
Special motion books	1838–1877	RG 96-226

Health records

Record of diseases dangerous to public health (Augusta Twp.)	1926-1929	RG 68-13
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Land

Agreements on fence boundaries (Augusta Twp.)	1868-1902	RG 68-13
Chattel mortgages (Ann Arbor)	1880-1883	RG 78-110
Index to chattel mortgages (Augusta Twp.)	1890-1898	RG 68-13
Plat of sections comprising T4S R7E (Augusta Twp.)	n.d.	RG 68-13
Rural Property Inventories:		
– Ann Arbor Township	1939	RG 2003-69
– Lyndon Township	1938	RG 90-283
– Northfield Township	1938	RG 2000-69
– Pittsfield Township	1938	RG 70-87
– Superior Township	1940	RG 2005-23
– York Township	1936–1937	RG 71-139

Military

Burial records	1900-1903; 1911-1915	RG 2009-10
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Claims for exemption from draft	1863-1864	RG 62-15
Enlistments	1917	RG 2009-10
GAR post records	1876-1945	RG 63-19
* <i>Washtenaw County GAR posts: 41 (Chelsea), 137 (Ann Arbor), 180 (Ypsilanti), 274 (Milan), 330 (Dexter), 352 (Manchester)</i>		
World War I service record	n.d.	RG 2009-10
* See also <i>Guide No. 4: War Records, Guide No. 7: Post-War Records, Guide No. 4c: Spanish American War, and Guide No. 4d: World War I</i>		

Naturalization

Certificate stubs	1909-1926	RG 90-278
Declarations of Intention	1855-1975	RG 90-278
Depositions	1830-1931	RG 90-278
	1921-1955	RG 91-362
Index	1832-1959	RG 90-278
Index	1833-1873	RG 96-226
Index cards	1932-1983	RG 90-278
Petitions	1853-1983	RG 90-278
Petitions granted	1929-1985	RG 90-278
Records contained in court journals	1833-1873	RG 96-226
Repatriation oaths	1937-1983	RG 90-278
Transfer petitions	1954-1981	RG 90-278

Occupational

Auctioneer licenses	ca. 1838-1893	RG 91-361
Physician and clergy credentials	ca. 1838-1893	RG 91-361
Record of sheriff commissions	ca. 1838-1931	RG 91-361

Political records

Bonds and oaths (Freedom Twp.)	1924-1932	RG 73-37
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Prison records

Jail records	1883-1963	RG 66-4
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* See also *Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records*

Probate

Bond of administrator	1930-1965	RG 2017-60
Bond of executor	1930-1963	RG 2017-60
Bond of special administrator	1935-1965	RG 2017-60
Calendars	1842-1941	RG 2009-10
Estate files	1828-1889	RG 2005-79
	1889-1940	RG 2009-11

Recreation

English sparrow bounty	1916-1917	RG 98-10
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Receipt stubs of sparrow bounty (Augusta Twp.)	1906-1907	RG 68-13
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Schools

Attendance & scholarship registers (Northfield Twp.)	1889-1949	RG 84-4
School register (Freedom Twp.)	1861; 1885; 1888; 1931	RG 73-37

Tax records

Assessment rolls (York Twp.)	1839-1871; 1882	RG 71-139
Assessment & tax rolls (Augusta Twp.)	1844-1910	RG 68-13
Liquor tax collected	1914	RG 98-10
Recorded tax returns	1845-1904; 1925	RG 2009-10
Tax assessment rolls	1830-1871	RG 55-22
	1900; 1920; 1940	RG 66-4
Tax assessment rolls (Lyndon Twp.)	1903-1933	RG 90-238
Tax assessment rolls (Northfield Twp.)	1877-1935	RG 2000-69
Tax record journal	1849-1879	RG 2009-10

Vital records

Birth index	1914-1922	RG 2009-10
Death index	1867-1933	RG 2009-10
Marriage index	1833-1934	RG 2009-10

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

Voter records

Party enrollment book (Freedom Twp.)	1912-1913	RG 73-37
Record of party enrollment (Augusta Twp.)	1906-1908; 1912	RG 68-13
Record of voter registration (Augusta Twp.)	1875-1932	RG 68-13
Register of electors (Northfield Twp.)	1912; 1936-1946	RG 2000-69
Voting register (Freedom Twp.)	1860-1910	RG 73-37
Women electors (Freedom Twp.)	1919-1921	RG 73-37

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