

DELTA COUNTY GUIDE

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

Original records from Delta County are available at the Archives of Michigan. The list below is organized by record type; each record type lists specific records, the years of coverage and the record group (RG) number assigned to that collection. A more detailed list of each collection can be found in finding aids at the archives.

Some of the collections below are housed at the Central Upper Peninsula and Northern Michigan University Archives in Marquette - these are indicated with a * after the RG number. For assistance with these records, please contact the Central Upper Peninsula and Northern Michigan University Archives directly.

BUSINESS RECORDS

- **Articles of association, from 1888 to 1931 – RG 82-117***
- **Elliott farm journal (Sac Bay Township), from 1898 to 1903 – RG 74-125***

CEMETERY RECORDS

- **Delta County files, from 1968 to 1976 – RG 83-53**

HEALTH RECORDS

- **County hospital patient registers, from 1887 to 1905 – RG 82-117***

MILITARY RECORDS

- **Draft registrants**, from **1940** – RG 82-117*
- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) post records**, from **1876 to 1945** – RG 63-19
 - *Delta County GAR posts: Post 94 (Gladstone), Post 142 (Rapid River), Post 175 (Escanaba)*
- **Local military board minutes**, from **1917** – RG 82-117*
- **Soldiers' burials**, from **1890 to 1911** – RG 82-117*

See also Guide No. 4: War Records, Guide No. 7: Post-War Records, Guide No. 4 c: Spanish American War, and Guide No. 4 d: World War I

NATURALIZATION RECORDS

- **Certificate stubs**, from **1907 to 1928** – RG 98-50
- **Certificates**, from **1929 to 1941** – RG 98-50
- **Declarations of Intention**, from **1866 to 1952** – RG 98-50
- **Depositions**, from **1929 to 1932** – RG 98-50
- **Naturalization calendar**, from **1906 to 1909** – RG 98-50
- **Oaths of allegiance**, from **1937 to 1952** – RG 98-50
- **Order book**, from **1930 to 1955** – RG 98-50
- **Second papers**, from **1882 to 1955** – RG 98-50

OCCUPATIONAL RECORDS

- **Physicians register**, from **1900** – RG 82-117*
- **Sheriff's appointments**, from **1905 to 1912** – RG 82-117*

POLITICAL RECORDS

- **Political party enrollment records**, from **1906 to 1910** – RG 82-117*

POOR HOME / RELIEF RECORDS

- **Poor home register of inhabitants**, from **1903 to 1927** – RG 82-117*
- **Superintendent of the Poor journals**, from **1885 to 1906** – RG 82-117*
- **Superintendent of the Poor ledgers**, from **1885 to 1914** – RG 82-117*

PRISON RECORDS

See also Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records

PROBATE RECORDS

- **Calendars**, from **1901 to 1969** – RG 2019-118
- **Case files**, from **1887 to 1969** – RG 2019-118
- **Index**, from **1882 to 1975** – RG 2019-118

TAX RECORDS

- **Assessment rolls**, from **1881 to 1900** – RG 84-64*
- **Assessment rolls (Sac Bay Township)**, from **1885 to 1904** – RG 74-125*

VITAL RECORDS

See Guide No. 19: Vital Records

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