

# INGHAM COUNTY GUIDE

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## ARCHIVES OF MICHIGAN



Ingham County was organized in 1829. The county coordinates are Ranges 2 West through 2 East (2W-2E) and Townships 1 North through 4 North (1N-4N). Adjacent counties include Shiawassee (northeast), Livingston (east), Washtenaw (southeast), Jackson (south), Eaton (west), and Clinton (northwest).

Original records from Ingham 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.

### BUSINESS RECORDS

- **Articles of association**, from **1871 to 1925** – RG 80-118
  - from circa **1903 to 1974** – RG 90-273
- **Record of strays & marks (Alaiedon Township)**, from **1840 to 1927** and from **1937** – RG 88-25
- **Statement of druggists' liquor**, from **1911** – RG 41

### CEMETERY RECORDS

- **Ingham County files**, from **1967 to 1976** – RG 83-53
- **Proceedings of cemetery trustees (Lansing)**, from **1902 to 1938** – RG 87-48

### CENSUS RECORDS

- **Federal census**, from **1850** and from **1860** and from **1870** – RG 79-68
- **State census**, from **1884** and from **1894** – RG 79-68

## COURT RECORDS

- **Chancery calendars**, from **1847 to 1927** – RG 80-109
  - from **1921 to 1949** – RG 89-284
- **Chancery case files**, from **1839 to 1920** – RG 80-109
  - from **1921 to 1950** – RG 89-284
- **Chancery decree books**, from **1874 to 1900** – RG 80-109
- **Chancery journals**, from **1847 to 1926** – RG 80-109
- **Circuit Court case files**, from **1877 to circa 1972** – RG 98-130
- **Circuit Court indexes**, from **1845 to 1982** – RG 89-284
- **Circuit Court witness books**, from **1891 to 1956** – RG 89-284
- **Civil case files**, from **1963 to 1969** – RG 2004-26
- **Criminal calendars**, from **1839 to 1922** – RG 80-109
  - from **1922 to 1952** – RG 89-284
- **Criminal case files**, from **1839 to 1920** – RG 80-109
  - from **1921 to 1949** – RG 89-284
- **Divorce decrees**, from **1874 to 1918** – RG 80-109
  - from **1912 to 1949** – RG 89-284
- **Divorce proceedings**, from **1888 to 1927** – RG 80-109
  - from **1904 to 1950** – RG 89-284
- **Domestic case files**, from **1949 to 1969** – RG 2004-26
- **Domestic final orders**, from **1970 to 1985** – RG 2018-91
- **Jury Board meeting minutes**, from **1969 to 1997** – RG 2017-23
- **Justice's docket (Vevay Township)**, from **1868 to 1874** – RG 73-29
- **Law and criminal journals**, from **1855 to 1921** – RG 80-109
  - from **1921 to 1955** – RG 89-284
- **Law calendars**, from **1857 to 1906** – RG 80-109
  - from **1950 to 1962** – RG 98-20
- **Law case files**, from **1839 to 1920** – RG 80-109
  - from **1921 to 1950** – RG 89-284
  - from **1949 to 1962** – RG 98-20
- **Selected case files**, from **1949 to 1980** – RG 2018-78

## HEALTH RECORDS

- **Board of Health records (Alaiedon Township)**, from **1856 to 1902** – RG 88-25
- **Record of tuberculosis (Delhi Township)**, from **1921 to 1937** – RG 87-54\*
- **Record of tuberculosis patient treatments**, from **1941 to 1961** – RG 94-15\*
- **Sanatorium admittance applications**, from **1960 to 1973** – RG 94-15\*

*\*Death certificate required to view records more than 75 years old*

## LAND RECORDS

- **Assessor cards (Lansing)**, from **1937 to 1990** – RG 2007-18
- **Rural Property Inventory**, from **1936 to 1942** – RG 72-76
  - from **1936 to 1937** – RG 83-88
- **Rural Property Inventory (Alaiedon Township)**, from **1935 to 1942** – RG 88-25

## MILITARY RECORDS

- **Claims for exemption from draft**, from **1863 to 1864** – RG 62-15
- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) Post 441 records**, from **1911 to 1924** – RG 90-273
- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) post records**, from **1876 to 1945** – RG 63-19
  - *Ingham County GAR posts: Post 42 (Lansing), Post 53 (Mason), Post 60 (Leslie), Post 78 (Dansville), Post 93 (Webberville), Post 103 (Williamston), Post 203 (Stockbridge), Post 441 (Mason)*
- **National Guard duty book**, from **1897 to 1906** – RG 80-118
- **Volunteer relief books**, from **1861 to 1866** – RG 80-107

*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 index cards**, not dated – RG 90-168
- **Certificate stubs**, from **1907 to 1926** – RG 83-52
- **Declarations of Intention**, from **1851 to 1931** – RG 83-52
  - from **1931 to 1978** – RG 90-168
- **Petitions for Naturalization**, from **1845 to 1931** – RG 83-52
  - from **1931 to 1983** – RG 90-168

## OCCUPATIONAL RECORDS

- **Chiropracist registrations**, from **1915 to 1949** – RG 80-118
- **Dentist registrations**, from **1907 to 1937** – RG 80-118
- **Drugless healer registrations**, from **1913 to 1934** – RG 90-273
- **Nurse registrations**, from **1928 to 1959** – RG 90-273
- **Optometrist registrations**, from **1910 to 1952** – RG 80-118
- **Osteopath registrations**, from **1920 to 1943** – RG 80-118

- **Physician registrations, from 1883 to 1911** – RG 80-118
  - circa **1899 to 1954** – RG 90-273
- **Veterinary surgeon registrations, from 1900 to 1907** – RG 80-118

## **POLITICAL RECORDS**

- **Bonds, from 1838 to 1887** – RG 87-133
- **Record of local officers, from 1876 to 1917** – RG 80-118
  - from **1918 to 1965** – RG 90-273

## **POOR HOME / RELIEF RECORDS**

- **Bonds, poor home, from 1878 to 1886** – RG 87-133
- **Relief ledgers, from 1932 to 1934** – RG 80-118

## **PRISON RECORDS**

- **Jail records, from 1873 to 1960** – RG 91-217
- **Meals furnished by sheriff, from 1941 to 1953** – RG 80-118

*See also Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records*

## **PROBATE RECORDS**

- **Estate case files, from circa 1843 to 1898** – RG 92-429

## **SCHOOL RECORDS**

- **Aurelius Township, Barnes District, from 1891 to 1956** – RG 77-108
- **Aurelius Township, District No. 7, from 1888 to 1955** – RG 62-40
- **Grades & attendance register, No. 3 (Alaeidon Township), from 1914 to 1917** – RG 88-25
- **Grades & attendance register, No. 11 (Alaeidon Township), from 1922 to 1926** – RG 88-25
- **Lansing Township, District No. 5, from 1858 to 1936** – RG 82-20
- **School census, District No. 3 (Alaeidon Township), from 1917 to 1919** – RG 88-25
- **School census, District No. 6 (Alaeidon Township), from 1903 to 1921** – RG 88-25
- **Vevay Township, District No. 7, from 1854 to 1956** – RG 78-58

## TAX RECORDS

- **Assessment rolls, from 1844 to 1900** – RG 80-107
  - from **1904 to 1935** – RG 87-79
- **Assessment rolls (Aurelius Township), from 1846 to 1880 and from 1900 and from 1940** – RG 70-6
- **Assessment rolls (Lansing), from 1859 to 1880 and from 1900 to 1940** – RG 67-43
  - from circa **1859** – RG 67-117
- **Delinquent returns, from 1837 to 1844** – RG 80-107
- **Delinquent tax books, from 1839 to 1848** – RG 92-177
- **Highway assessment rolls (Lansing), from 1859 to 1864** – RG 67-43
  - from **1860** – RG 67-117
- **Return of taxes (Lansing), from 1866 to 1867 and from 1875** – RG 67-43
- **Tax rolls (Lansing), from 1861 to 1864 and from 1876 to 1878** – RG 67-43
- **Workbooks (Lansing), from 1886 to 1910** – RG 67-117

## VITAL RECORDS

- **Death records (Lansing), from 1913 to 1916** – RG 87-48
- **Register of deaths (Lansing), from 1897 to 1905** – RG 80-5

*See also Guide No. 19: Vital Records*

## VOTER RECORDS

- **Canvassers' returns, from 1891 to 1933** – RG 80-118
  - from **1934 to 1968** – RG 90-273
- **Election record and register, from 1838 to 1968** – RG 90-273
- **Electors register (Lansing), from 1859 to 1896** – RG 87-48
- **Nomination papers, from 1908 to 1924** – RG 80-118
- **Register of electors (Onondaga Township), from 1906 and from 1912** – RG 93-5
- **Voter registration book (Lansing), from 1861 to 1876** – RG 80-5
- **Voter registration book (Leslie Township), from 1894 to 1898 and from 1919 to 1922** – RG 56-3

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