

LIVINGSTON COUNTY GUIDE

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Livingston County was organized in 1836. The county coordinates are Ranges 3 East through 6 East (3E-6E) and Townships 1 North through 4 North (1N-4N). Adjacent counties include Shiawassee (northwest), Genesee (northeast), Oakland (east), Washtenaw (south), Jackson (southwest), and Ingham (west).

Original records from Livingston 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. More detailed lists of these collections can be found in finding aids at the archives.

BUSINESS RECORDS

- **Book of estrays (Genoa Township), from 1845 to 1890** – RG 93-88
- **Estrays (Howell Township), from 1864 to 1902** – RG 2014-134
- **Liquor applications (Howell Township), from 1920 to 1936** – RG 2014-134
- **Register of estrays (Unadilla Township), from 1835 to 1851** – RG 2011-19

CEMETERY RECORDS

- **Green Oak Plains Cemetery files (Green Oak Township), from 1895 to 1951** – RG 68-34
- **Howell Township cemetery files (Howell Township), from 1867 to 1915** – RG 2014-134
- **Livingston County files, from 1967 to 1977** – RG 83-53
- **Oak Grove Cemetery register of burial lot certificates (Howell Township), from 1891 to 1895** – RG 2014-134

COURT RECORDS

- **Chancery common rule books**, from **1847 to 1900** – RG 78-68
- **Circuit court special motions book**, from **1842 to 1893** – RG 78-68
- **Circuit court transcript and judgment book**, from **1841 to 1898** – RG 78-68
- **Coroner's docket**, from **1927 to 1949** – RG 78-68
- **County court calendar**, from **1847 to 1851** – RG 78-68
- **Justice of the Peace criminal dockets**, from **1885 to 1897** and from **1918 to 1933** – RG 78-68
- **Justice of the Peace dockets**, from **1838 to 1841** and from **1853 to 1905** – RG 78-68
- **Justice of the Peace dockets (Howell Township)**, from **1895 to 1914** – RG 2014-134
- **Justice of the Peace records**, from **1842 to 1897** – RG 78-68
- **Justice of the Peace records (Unadilla Township)**, from **1844 to 1860** – RG 2011-19
- **Record of damages to sheep by dogs (Green Oak Township)**, from **1879 to 1886** – RG 68-34
- **Roster of petit & grand jurors (Howell Township)**, from **1890 to 1914** – RG 2014-134

HEALTH RECORDS

- **Board of Health records (Howell Township)**, from **1867 to 1886** – RG 2014-134
- **Record of tuberculosis (Green Oak Township)**, from **1911 to 1919** – RG 68-34
- **Tuberculosis patient case cards (Michigan State Sanitorium)**, from **1927 to 1961** – RG 80-133
- **Tuberculosis patient files (Michigan State Sanitorium)**, from **1907 to 1961** – RG 91-466

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

LAND RECORDS

- **Chattel mortgages (Howell Township)**, from **1868 to 1930** – RG 2014-134
- **Rural Property Inventory (Conway Township)**, from **1935 to 1945** – RG 2023-43
- **Rural Property Inventory (Howell Township)**, from **1936** – RG 2014-134
- **Unpaid mortgages (Conway Township)**, from **1880 to 1890** – RG 2013-48
- **Unpaid mortgages (Deerfield Township)**, from **1880 to 1891** – RG 2013-48
- **Unpaid mortgages (Genoa Township)**, from **1880 to 1890** – RG 2013-48

- **Unpaid mortgages (Handy Township), from 1880 to 1891** – RG 2013-48
- **Unpaid mortgages (Hartland Township), from 1880 to 1891** – RG 2013-48
- **Unpaid mortgages (Howell), from 1939** – RG 2013-48
- **Unpaid mortgages (Iosco Township), from 1879 to 1891** – RG 2013-48
- **Unpaid mortgages (Unadilla Township), from 1929 to 1936** – RG 2013-48

MILITARY RECORDS

- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) post records, from 1876 to 1945** – RG 63-19
 - *Livingston County GAR posts: Post 114 (Fowlerville), Post 120 (Howell), Post 179 (Brighton), Post 293 (Hartland)*
- **List of volunteers for military service, from 1861 to 1862** – RG 63-13
- **Statement of delivery of bounty bonds, from 1864 to 1868** – RG 63-13

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 1906 to 1925** – RG 2015-122
- **Declarations of Intention, from 1871 to 1962** – RG 2015-122
- **Oaths and orders, from 1896 to 1906** – RG 2015-122
- **Petition hearings / reviewed & granted, from 1930 to 1961** – RG 2015-122
- **Petitions, from 1906 to 1960** – RG 2015-122
- **Transferred petitions, from 1954** – RG 2015-122

OCCUPATIONAL RECORDS

- **Bonds and oaths (Unadilla Township), from 1891 to 1974** – RG 2011-19
- **Chiropractors, from 1934 to 1972** – RG 2015-122
- **Dentists, from 1908 to 1977** – RG 2015-122
- **Optometrists, from 1910 to 1977** – RG 2015-122
- **Record of nurses, from 1910 to 1967** – RG 2015-122
- **Roll of attorneys, from 1877 to 1977** – RG 2015-122
- **Veterinary surgeons, from 1880 to 1976** – RG 2015-122

POLITICAL RECORDS

- **Oaths for township officers (Howell Township), from 1859 to 1974** – RG 2014-134

POOR HOME / RELIEF RECORDS

- **Old age pension board minute book**, from **1934 to 1935** – RG 78-68
- **Register of volunteer relief**, from **1862 to 1865** – RG 63-13
- **Superintendent of Poor account ledger**, from **1904 to 1933** – RG 78-68

PRISON RECORDS

- **County jail meal sheets**, from **1965 to 1968** – RG 2014-22

See also Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records

PROBATE RECORDS

- **Case files**, from **1895 to 1905** – RG 67-90
- **Case files**, from **1897 to 1899** – RG 71-164
- **Petition affidavits of notice of publication**, from **1855 to 1865** – RG 75-12
- **Probate of wills**, from **1858 to 1867** – RG 75-12
- **Record of sale of real estate**, from **1874 to 1880** – RG 75-12
- **Register**, from **1859 to 1898** – RG 75-12
- **Sales of real estate**, from **1864 to 1872** – RG 75-12

RECREATION RECORDS

- **Bounty stub (Howell Township)**, from **1906 to 1926** – RG 2014-134
- **Dog register (Howell Township)**, from **1918 to 1919** – RG 2014-134
- **Sheep killed (Howell Township)**, from **1922 to 1925** – RG 2014-134

TAX RECORDS

- **Assessment rolls**, from **1837 to 1880** – RG 81-113
- **Assessment rolls (Cohoctah Township)**, from **1911 to 1941** and from **1966 to 1969** – RG 2011-22
- **Assessment rolls (Conway Township)**, from **1836 to 1941** – RG 2023-43
- **Assessment rolls (Green Oak Township)**, from **1845 to 1940** – RG 68-34
- **Assessment rolls (Handy Township)**, from **1908**, from **1924** and from **1941** – RG 2013-48
- **Assessment rolls (Hartland Township)**, from **1908 to 1969** – RG 2008-26
- **Assessment rolls (Howell)**, from **1892 to 1946** – RG 2013-48
- **Assessment rolls (Howell Township)**, from **1919 to 1935** – RG 2013-48

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- **Assessment rolls (Iosco Township)**, from **1929** – RG 2013-48
- **Assessment rolls (Unadilla Township)**, from **1898 to 1943** – RG 2011-19
- **Delinquent tax records**, from **1935 to 1938** – RG 2013-48
- **Delinquent tax records (Howell)**, from **1930 to 1935** – RG 2013-48
- **Delinquent tax records (Unadilla Township)**, from **1849 to 1886** – RG 2013-48
- **Dog tax record (Hamburg Township)**, from **1900** – RG 83-94
- **Regular assessment books**, from **1878 to 1942** – RG 2013-48

VITAL RECORDS

- **Birth records (Howell Township)**, from **1915 to 1918** and from **1936 to 1950** – RG 2014-134
- **Burial transit records (Howell Township)**, from **not dated to 1950** – RG 2014-134
- **Death records (Howell Township)**, from **1940 to 1948** – RG 2014-134
- **Index to births**, from **1889 to 1907** – RG 78-68
- **Index to deaths**, from **1895 to 1927** and from **1934 to 1948** – RG 78-68
- **Register of births (Green Oak Township)**, from **1906 to 1949** – RG 68-34
- **Register of deaths (Green Oak Township)**, from **1897 to 1952** – RG 68-34

See also Guide No. 19: Vital Records

VOTER RECORDS

- **Election register (Howell Township)**, from **1882 to 1891** – RG 2014-134
- **Electors (Howell Township)**, from **1859 to 1977** – RG 2014-134
- **Party nominations (Howell Township)**, from **1894 to 1908** – RG 2014-134
- **Poll book (Howell Township)**, from **1928 to 1932** – RG 2014-134
- **Record of party enrollment (Green Oak Township)**, from **1908**, from **1910**, and from **1912** – RG 68-34
- **Register of electors (Green Oak Township)**, from **1882 to 1946** – RG 68-34
- **Register of electors (Howell Township)**, from **1916 to 1924** – RG 2014-134
- **Register of women electors (Green Oak Township)**, from **1919 to 1945** – RG 68-34
- **Registration book (Howell Township)**, from **1924 to 1939** – RG 2014-134
- **Registration book (Unadilla Township)**, from **1896 to 1946** – RG 2011-19
- **Voter ledger (Howell Township)**, from **1915** – RG 2014-134
- **Voter registration (Howell Township)**, from **1946** – RG 2014-134

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