

SAGINAW COUNTY GUIDE

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Saginaw County's boundaries were first set in 1822, and the county was fully organized in 1835. The county coordinates are Range 2 West through 2 East (2W-2E) and Township 1 North through 4 North (1N-4N). Adjacent counties include Bay (northeast), Tuscola (east), Genesee (southeast), Shiawassee (south), and Clinton (southwest), Gratiot (west), and Midland (northwest).

Original records from Saginaw 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

- **Articles of association, from 1854 to 1919 – RG 71-131**

CEMETERY RECORDS

- **Saginaw County files, from 1967 to 1976 – RG 83-53**

CENSUS RECORDS

- **Petitions for taking of census of Irving Park and incorporating the city, from 1948 – RG 67-21**

COURT RECORDS

- **Certificates of conviction in Justice Court (Bridgeport Township), from 1953 – RG 67-21**
- **Coroner inquests, from 1861 to 1913 – RG 71-131**
- **Lists of trial jurors, from 1943 to 1955 – RG 67-21**

LAND RECORDS

- **Chattel mortgages (Kochville Township)**, from **1857 to 1897** – RG 95-168
- **Land owners list (Kochville Township)**, not dated – RG 95-168
- **Records related to lands**, from **1875 to 1876** – RG 71-131
- **Register of deeds**, from **1823 to 1835** – RG 71-131
- **Rural Property Inventory**, from **1937** – RG 70-89
 - from **1938** – RG 71-146

MILITARY RECORDS

- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) post records**, from **1876 to 1945** – RG 63-19
 - *Saginaw County GAR posts: Post 38 (East Saginaw), Post 90 (Saginaw), Post 169 (St. Charles), Post 190 (Birch Run), Post 307 (East Saginaw), Post 375 (South Saginaw), Post 425 (Freeland)*
- **Record of Saginaw County soldiers and sailors in the Great War**, from **1918 to 1919** – RG 71-131

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 1926** – RG 89-77
- **Declarations of intention**, from **1852 to 1966** – RG 89-77
- **Journals (oaths and declarations)**, from **1884 to 1903** – RG 89-77
- **Monthly reports**, from **1939 to 1966** – RG 89-77
- **Oaths**, from **1889 to 1897** – RG 89-77
- **Petition and record**, from **1906 to 1965** – RG 89-77
- **Record of citizenship**, from **1892 to 1897** – RG 89-77
- **Records related to naturalizations and passports**, from **1937 to 1958** – RG 67-21

OCCUPATIONAL RECORDS

- **Record of registered physicians**, from **1900 to 1932** – RG 71-131
- **Statements of medical practitioners**, from **1883 to 1902** – RG 71-131

POOR HOME / RELIEF RECORDS

- **Poor fund (Chapin Township)**, from **1875 to 1876** – RG 85-33

PRISON RECORDS

See Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records

PROBATE RECORDS

- **Case files, from 1837 to 1968** – RG 2019-42
- **Index cards, from 1837 to 1991** – RG 2019-42
- **Miscellaneous estate case files and papers, from 1915 to 2015** – RG 2022-3

SCHOOL RECORDS

- **Annual reports (Chapin Township), from 1871 to 1902** – RG 85-33
- **Attendance and grade book (Marion Township), from 1891 to 1954** – RG 2013-102**
- **School attendance/scholarship records (Richland Township), from 1865 to 1950** – RG 2019-144**
- **Teacher's classification record (Kochville Township), from 1896 to 1897** – RG 95-168

*** Student records after 1900 require a death certificate to view.*

TAX RECORDS

- **Advertised delinquent tax sales, from 1843 to 1870** – RG 38
- **Assessment rolls, from 1844 to 1875** – RG 38
- **Assessment rolls (Richland Township), from 1876 to 1972** – RG 2019-144
- **Delinquent town ditch taxes, from 1872 to 1874** – RG 38
- **Part-paid school and swampland taxes, from 1859 to 1879** – RG 38
- **Statement of lands with unpaid taxes, from 1835 to 1870** – RG 38
- **Tax rolls (Kochville Township), from 1922 to 1923 and from 1932** – RG 95-168

VITAL RECORDS

- **Copies of certificates of marriage issued in Michigan and other states, from 1857 to 1953** – RG 67-21
- **Copies of documents related to divorce, marriage, military discharge, death and birth, from 1918 to 1943** – RG 67-21
- **Correspondence related to marriage and divorce records, from 1941 to 1943** – RG 67-21

See also Guide No. 19: Vital Records

VOTER RECORDS

- **Petition for nomination of candidate for prosecuting attorney, from 1954** – RG 67-21
- **Poll books (Chapin Township), from 1906, from 1910, and from 1912** – RG 85-33
- **Records related to elections, from 1957 to 1965** – RG 67-21

- **Register of electors (Kochville Township), from 1859 to 1946** – RG 95-168
- **Register of electors (Richland Township), from 1864 to 1903** – RG 2019-144
- **Voter registration book (Richland Township), from 1895 to 1942** – RG 2019-144

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