



Public Records in the Eau Claire Area Research Center

Guide

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Special Collections

The Eau Claire Area Research Center (ARC) in the Special Collections Department of McIntyre Library includes both manuscript collections and public records for six counties of the Chippewa Valley. The table below presents a selection of frequently used public records. Additional records may be available directly from the county court houses.

	Buffalo	Chippewa	Clark	Eau Claire	Rusk	Taylor
NATURALIZATION						
Declarations	1853-1950	1850-1959	1907-1951	1854-1980	1901-1951	1875-1952
Petitions	1858-1950	1870-1963	1895-1954	1906-1991	1885-1954	1865-1955
Certificates	1907-1929	1871-1923	1907-1927	1857-1928	1885-1954	1877-1927
PROBATE						
Cases	1854-1901	1860-1900	1873-1918	1856-1953	None	1878-1946
CIRCUIT COURT CASES						
Criminal	None	1854-1918	None	1857-1970	1901-1917	1877-1925
Divorce	None	1854-1950	None	1857-1972	1901-1917	1877-1925, 1931-1934
Civil	None	1854-1951	None	1857-1970	1901-1917	1877-1925
VITAL RECORDS						
Birth	1852-1907	1852-1907	1852-1907	1852-1907	1852-1907	1852-1907
Marriage	1860-1907	1869-1907	1858-1907	1864-1907	1901-1907	1875-1907
Death	1874-1907	None	1879-1907	1876-1907	1901-1907	1877-1907
POPULATION CENSUSES						
Federal*	1860-1930	1850-1930	1860-1930	1860-1930	1910-1930	1880-1930
State**	1855-1905	1855-1905	1855-1905	1875-1905	1905	1875-1905
PROPERTY TAX RECORDS						
Assessment rolls	1858-1906	None	1859, 1861, 1870	1855-1879	None	None
Tax rolls	1856-1870	None	1861-1975	1864-1890, 1965, 1970, 1975	1901-1904, 1930, 1940, 1950, 1980	None
LAND RECORDS						
Deeds	1854-1887	1854-1888	None	1856-1886	None	None
Grantor/grantee	1854-1892	1856-1885	None	1856-1889	None	None

*The 1890 manuscript census for most of U.S. burned, including all of Wisconsin.

**The 1865 Wisconsin manuscript census burned.