



# Public Records in the Eau Claire Area Research Center

Guide

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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 or from the Wisconsin Historical Society in Madison.

	Buffalo	Chippewa	Clark	Eau Claire	Rusk	Taylor
<b>NATURALIZATION</b>						
Declarations	1853-1950	1850-1959	1907-1951	1854-1980	1901-1951	1875-1952
Petitions	1858-1950	1870-1963	1895-1954	1906-1991	1902-1954	c. 1865-1955
Certificates	1907-1929	1871-1923	1907-1927	1857-1928	1902-1903; 1907-1954	1877-1927
<b>PROBATE</b>						
Cases	1854-1901	1860-1900	1873-1925	1856-1953	None	1878-1946
<b>CIRCUIT COURT CASES</b>						
Criminal	None	1854-1918	None	1857-1970	1901-1917	1877-1925
Divorce	1948-1968; Index online	1907-1950	None	1857-1972	1901-1917	1877-1925, 1931-1934
Civil	None	1854-1951	None	1857-1970	1901-1917	1877-1925
<b>VITAL RECORDS</b>						
Birth	1852-1907	1852-1907	1852-1907	1852-1907	1901-1907	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
<b>POPULATION CENSUSES</b>						
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
<b>PROPERTY TAX RECORDS</b>						
Assessment rolls	1855-1906	None	1859, 1861, 1870	1855-1879	None	None
Tax rolls	1856-1870	None	1861-1995	1864-1890, 1965-1995	1901-1904, 1930, 1940, 1950, 1960-1995	None
<b>LAND RECORDS</b>						
Deeds	1854-1887	1854-1888	1856-1916	1856-1886	None	1872-1929
Grantor/grantee	1854-1892	1856-1885	1855-1885	1856-1889	None	1875-1899

\*The 1890 manuscript census for most of U.S. was destroyed in a fire, including all of Wisconsin.

\*\*The 1865 Wisconsin manuscript census was destroyed in a fire.