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ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS

Assessment List, 1867–1869, Carondelet City Assessor
Case Book, 1859–1873 County Court, St. Louis County
Commissions to St. Louis County Officials, 1875–1877, St. Louis County Court
Mayor’s Docket, 1861–1870, Mayor of Carondelet
Original (Signed) Ordinances & Resolutions of St. Louis County Council, Books 1951–1958, St. Louis County Council
Proceedings, 1866–1869, Carondelet City Council
Record of Official Acts of Henry Kortjohn, St. Louis County, Notary Public, 1875–1881
Register of County [Poor] Farms, 1867–1875, St. Louis County
Revised Bill of Measurement & Prices for the County Courthouse, 1863, St. Louis County Auditor
St. Louis County Court Records, 1824–1950; indexes, 1824–1877; [This court was administrative rather than judicial in nature.]
St. Louis County Ward Books [Dependent on County Support], Book 1, 1890 through Book 6, 1939
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CEMETERIES
Records include Catholic, Lutheran, Evangelical and United Church of Christ, and other St. Louis cemeteries†*

CENSUS RECORDS
Carondelet [Mo.]: Census of 1857–1858 (Wards 1, 2, and 3); Census of 1869
Census Enumeration District Descriptions for 1830–1930
Census of the City of St. Louis of Persons over 6 Years and under 20 Years with Names of Persons with Whom They Reside, 1847
St. Louis, Mo. 1870 Census Soundex

CHURCH RECORDS
Catholic Archdiocese of St. Louis†
Catholic Diocese of Belleville†
Evangelical and United Church of Christ†
Lutheran†

COURT RECORDS (JUDICIAL)
St. Louis Circuit Court [County] Indexes, Records and Case Files, 1804–1876 [Chancery, Civil, and Criminal]†
St. Louis Law Commissioners Court [County], 1851–1864†
St. Louis Land Court [County], 1853–1865†
St. Louis Court of Common Pleas [County], 1841–1865†

DIRECTORIES
Missouri State Gazetteer and Business Directory, 1860
St. Louis Business Directories, 1902–1907; 1911–1916; 1918–1928
St. Louis City Directories, 1821–1860
St. Louis City Directories, 1860–1980
St. Louis County Directories, scattered years,1893–1979
FUNERAL HOMES
Records for more than twenty St. Louis funeral homes from the late 19th century to the late 20th century†

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS
State Department Territorial Papers: Missouri, 1812–1820, Ask for assistance at desk.
Tax Assessment Lists for Collection Districts in the State of Missouri, 1862–1865

HOSPITAL RECORDS
St. Louis City Hospital No. 1, Sept. 1849–1900 and 1927
St. Louis Female Hospital, 1876–1905

LAND RECORDS
See also “Maps” section.

Before the 1876 City-County split
Collet's Index [Deeds] (St. Louis Co., Mo.), Grantors and Grantees, 1804–1854
Index to French and Spanish Archives, 1771–1803
Land Commissioners' Minutes, 1st and 2nd Boards
O.W. Collet's General Index to St. Louis County Archives [French & Spanish records, 1771–1803]
St. Louis Deed Records [pre-1804, French, and Spanish], vols. 1–6
St. Louis Deed Records [pre-1804, French, Spanish, and English] (translated), vols. 1–6
St. Louis Deed Records: Deed Indexes, Direct (1804–1900) and Inverted (1804–1891)
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- City specific before the 1876 City-County split
  Record of Deeds for Lots Sold in Commons Under Ordinances, 1843, City of St. Louis
  Record of Deeds to City of St. Louis, 1830–1888, [includes land deeded to the City of St. Louis only]
  Record of Sales, City Commons: City of St. Louis, 1842
  St. Louis Lands: Blocks of the City of St. Louis and Carondelet and Common Fields of St. Louis, 1840
  St. Louis City Assessor Office Plat Books, 1972

- Missouri records regarding land in St. Louis County & City
  Missouri Field Notes & Plat Indexes
  Missouri Field Notes, Private Surveys, v. 1–v. 71
  Missouri Individual Private Surveys, No. 1–No. 3344
  Missouri Plat Surveys, v. 1–v. 49
  Missouri Record of Private Surveys, v. 1–v. 20
  Record of Land Titles in Missouri: French & Spanish Land Grants, 1804–1829
  Record of Land Titles in Missouri: Private Land Claims, 1804–1867
  Recorder Hunt’s Minutes, 1825–

- St. Louis County after 1876 city–county split
  St. Louis County Deeds, Bks 1–1128, 1877–1887
  St. Louis County Direct and Inverted Indexes to Deeds, 1877–1930

LICENSES & PERMITS
Dram Shop License Books, 1891–1910
Doctors and Druggists Permits, 1921–1933

MAPS
Hutawa’s Atlas of St. Louis County, circa 1868
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Land Ownership Maps, St. Louis, 1857
Pitzman’s Atlas of the City and County of St. Louis, 1878.
   (CD-ROM M27F)
St. Louis City Ward Maps (CD-ROM M27C)
St. Louis County Plat Book, 1909 (CD-ROM 27D)

MISCELLANEOUS
Partial Index to St. Louis Records, 1800s–1900s
   Indexes some St. Louis City Birth Registers, marriages, hospitalizations, official oaths, St. Louis City Death Registers, and 1850 federal census entries for City of St. Louis. (index is not all-inclusive)
School Record by Congressional and School Townships,
   St. Louis County

NATURALIZATIONS
St. Louis Naturalizations and Index†

NEWSPAPERS
See “St. Louis City & County Newspapers on Microfilm” guide available on the History and Genealogy Department collection guides rack.

ORPHANAGES
German General Protestant Orphan’s Home Intake Records*
Index to St. Louis Orphanages in the 1900 Census—A print index is available on the index shelves.
St. Louis City Registrar: Journal of Commitments to House of Refuge, 1854–1899

PROBATE RECORDS†
   ■ Before the 1876 city–county split
St. Louis County Will Books and Indexes, 1816–1880 [includes City and County prior to 1876 split]
St. Louis City and County Probate Index Prior to 1890 [City and County before split]
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St. Louis Guardianship Case Files, 1802–1875 [City and County]
St. Louis County Probate Case Files [Prior to 1877] (includes City of St. Louis)†

■ St. Louis City after 1876 city–county split
St. Louis City Will Books and Indexes, 1880–1967
St. Louis City Probate Index, 1890–1989
St. Louis City Probate Case Files 1877 and Later
St. Louis City Index to Administrators’ Account Books, Probate Court,
Account Books 18–90
St. Louis Guardianship Case Files, 1876–1901 [City of St. Louis]

■ St. Louis County after 1876 city–county split
St. Louis County, Missouri Estate Index, 1877–
St. Louis County Probate Case Files, after 1876,
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St. Louis County Probate Court Closed Estate Files
St. Louis County Probate Court, Index to Deceased, 1876–1973
St. Louis County [Probate Court], Index to Wards: Minors or Incompetent Individuals, 1879–1973
St. Louis County [Probate Court], Register of Wards (Minors or Incompetent Individuals), vols. 1–6
St. Louis County Wills, 1877–1969; indexes, 1878–1976

VITAL RECORDS

■ Births
Index to St. Louis City Births, 1910–1929
St. Louis City Births, 1850–October 1910
St. Louis County Births, 1883–1910†

■ Deaths
St. Louis City Deaths, Feb. 1850–Jan. 1909. An index through 1901 is available on Ancestry and through 1908 is available on Deaths Recorded in the City of St. Louis, 1850–1908 (CD #27B)
St. Louis Coroner’s Inquests, 1806–1839
Coroner’s Records, 1916 – 1921, St. Louis County
St. Louis City Coroner's Records, 1845–1900†
St. Louis City Burial Certificates, 1882–Oct. 1908; Jan. 1900;
   July 1960–Sept. 1960†
St. Louis County Coroner’s Records, 1940–1990
St. Louis County Register of Deaths, 1883–1910
Index to St. Louis County Deaths, 1910–1936

Marriages
Index to St. Louis City Marriages, 1806–1965. Includes St. Louis
   County marriages for 1808–1876. Printed indexes for 1804–1883
   are located on the index shelves.
Index to St. Louis County Marriages, 1877–1980. To check for St. Louis
   County marriages for 1808–1876, use Index to St. Louis City
   Marriages microfilm.
St. Louis City Marriages, 1808–1966. Includes St. Louis County
   Marriages for 1808–1876.
St. Louis County Marriages, 1877–1980. To check for 1808–1876 St.
   Louis County Marriages, see St. Louis City marriages microfilm.

VOTER REGISTRATION
St. Louis City Register of Voters, Voter Affidavits, Canceled Voter
   Affidavits, and Abstracts of Votes†
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