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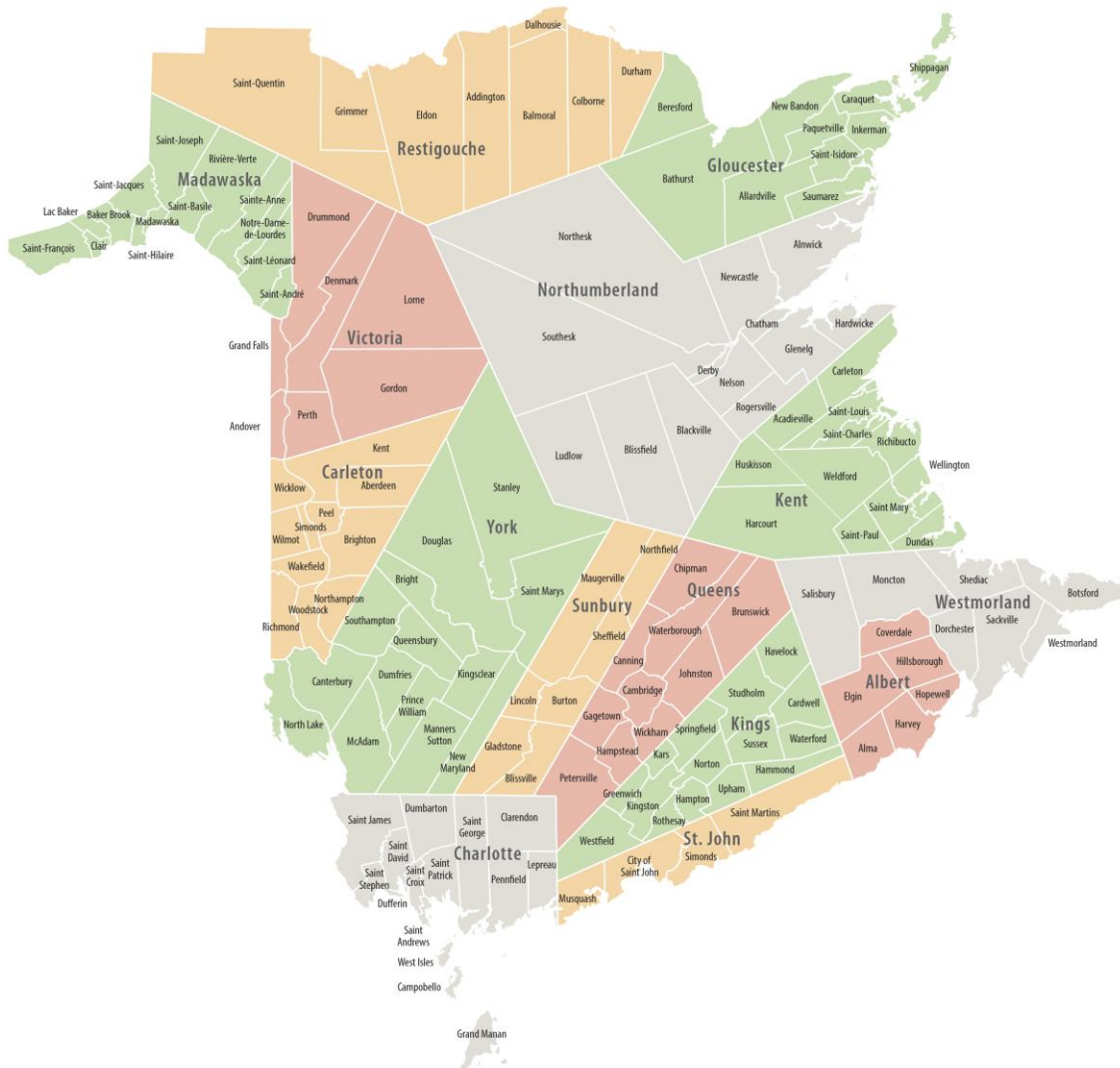
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ALBERT COUNTY GENEALOGICAL GUIDE: 2025



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Introduction to the Archives

The Provincial Archives of New Brunswick (PANB) was established in 1967 to provide for the care, custody and control of the documentary heritage of the province. The collection encompasses government records and private collections including textual records, photographs, maps, architectural plans, audio-visual material, digital files, microfilms, and published volumes.

This guide is designed as a starting point for those who wish to use PANB resources, either in person or by distance, for family history research. We strongly encourage researchers to come to the Archives to conduct their search in person. Visitors to PANB can access additional finding aids and indexes in our reference room, many of which are not noted in this guide, including genealogical research collections that can only be accessed on site.

Research, Interlibrary Loan & Copy Services

If unable to come to the Archives, researchers may submit a written or telephone request for specific documents and the staff at PANB will conduct a brief search. Precise questions have the best chance of being answered fully. The volume of inquiries and the intricacies of family history research preclude extensive research or photocopying by staff.

Many of the records of particular value to the family historian have been microfilmed and are available through an interlibrary loan program. You may order up to three films at a time through your local library.

It should be emphasized that many government documents as well as most of our over 4000 private manuscript collections have not been microfilmed or digitized and must be used at PANB. For a fee, Archives staff may make copies of records. For a list of our reproduction fees, contact us via telephone (506-453-2122) or e-mail (ArchivesNB@qnb.ca).

Development of Albert County

When New Brunswick was established in 1784 it was divided into eight counties. As the population grew additional counties were created by dividing the original counties, the final complement being 15. These counties are subdivided into civil parishes. Parishes have minimal administrative weight today but were used in the past to manage services, thus making them important in identifying some records.

Albert County is located in southeastern New Brunswick, bounded by Saint John, Kings, and Westmorland Counties, along with the Bay of Fundy and the Petitcodiac River. It was partitioned from Westmorland County in 1845, taking the parishes of Hopewell and Hillsborough (created in 1786) and part of the parish of Salisbury (created in 1787).

Development of Albert County, continued

The following parishes were later added:

1828: Coverdale was set off from Hillsborough

1838: Harvey was set off from Hopewell and part of Saint John County

1845: Elgin was set off from Salisbury

1855: Alma was set off from Harvey

Pre-1845 records for Albert County may be in the Westmorland County records.



1. Guide to Family Histories and the Provincial Archives (available online)

The *Guide to Family Histories at the Provincial Archives* was created to enhance access to family histories found in a multitude of sources at PANB. Items referenced vary in volume from a few lines in a book to entire genealogical collections.

The index can be found online at:

<http://archives.gnb.ca/ResearchTools/GuideToFamilyHistories>

2. Census Returns (available online)

Parts of the 1851 and 1861 census are incomplete. Those for 1871, 1881, 1891 and 1901 are more comprehensive. The records contain the names, ages, relationships, occupations, and religion of New Brunswick residents. They may also include ethnicity, nationality, entry date into the colony (1851), and other data.

Many census records have been digitized and searchable databases are available through the Library and Archives Canada (LAC) website: www.bac-lac.gc.ca. The 1911, 1921, and 1931 census records have also been released and are available and searchable on various websites in addition to LAC. PANB does not hold microfilm copies of these records.

Census records on microfilm cannot be borrowed from PANB; however, the Associates of the Provincial Archives have various transcripts of records available for purchase.

Please visit www.archives.gnb.ca/Associates for a complete list of publications for sale or call (506) 453-2122.

3. Vital Statistics

Although some pre-1888 records of births and deaths exist, they were not required to be kept by law until 1888. Prior to 1888, each county council kept records of marriages. Please note that pre-1920 vital statistics are not comprehensive because even though it was law to keep records, recordkeeping was not enforced until that time. Post 1930 the province added a process of late birth registration. These are births that were not recorded contemporary to the birth but later using witness verification. They are recorded for the year in which the birth occurred.

In New Brunswick, official records of birth are restricted for 95 years, and official records of marriages and deaths are restricted for 50 years. The Archives updates the vital statistics database on the website as soon as possible after new records are released.

If you require records which are still restricted, please contact Vital Statistics by visiting www.snb.ca or phoning (506) 453-2385, 1-888-762-8600 (within North America) or 1 (506) 684-7901 (outside North America).

3. Vital Statistics, continued

The Associates of the Provincial Archives have various transcripts of vital statistics available for purchase, but these are mainly pre-1888 marriage indices. Please visit www.archives.gnb.ca/Associates or call (506) 453-2122 for a complete list of publications for sale.

New Brunswick Vital Statistics Records (RS141) (available online)

Search the database of many of our vital statistics indices free of charge at www.archives.gnb.ca.

Early County Marriage Records (RS146)

Marriage registers contain information from marriage certificates filed with the registrar. They list the names of the bride and groom, their respective residences, and the names of officiating clergy and witnesses. Entries do not give the parents' names. Note: pre-1846 marriages are recorded in the Westmorland County Council records.

Marriage Registers (SD146 I1)

Dates	Film
1846-1887 (Index)	F15474
1846-1857	F15474
1857-1865	F15474
1866-1873	F15474
1874-1881	F15474
1881-1888	F15475

A transcription of the marriage registers is available for consultation at the Provincial Archives.

Marriage Certificates (SD146 I2)

Dates	Certificate Number	Film
1846-1874	1 to 1386	F11843
1874-1888	1387 to 2476	F11844

Marriage Bonds (RS551A) (available online)

Marriage bonds, known administratively as performance bonds, were required when banns were not read, or the clergyman did not know both parties. They include the names of the bride and groom and the name of the groom's bondsman. Rarely are the names of parents given. This series of documents cover the entire province for the period 1810 to 1932 but is not complete. County marriage registers should be consulted first and then consult the

3. Vital Statistics, continued

Marriage Bonds (RS551A) (available online), continued

marriage bonds.

Reverend Charles William Bryden fonds (MC1177)

This fonds includes Charles William Bryden's personal diary, dating from January 7 – December 26, 1881. This diary documents where he went (Albert, Kings, and Westmorland counties), as well as his professional activities, including baptisms and burials.

Marriage Register Albert County (MC309)

Contains a typescript of a marriage register for Albert County dating from 1846-1887, along with a published edition (1984) of the same register.

Register of Marriage Licences, Harvey, Albert County (MC2598)

This collection contains a record of applicants for marriage licences/bonds for September 6, 1876, and January 4, 1894. It also contains brief notes on returns made to the Provincial Secretary. The names of the prospective bride and groom are given as well as the name of the bondsman and the date of application.

Index to Death Registration of Soldiers, 1941-1947 (RS141C6) (available online)

Although it is not the responsibility of Vital Statistics in New Brunswick to register births, marriages, or deaths which occur outside of the province, these "Certificates of Registration of Death" were placed on file to record the deaths of New Brunswick-born World War II soldiers.

This index is not all-inclusive but includes a handful of non-Brunswickers (Americans and soldiers from other provinces). The certificates include date of birth, father's name and birthplace, mother's maiden name and birthplace, and cause of death.

The microfilm (F20079) includes both the index compiled by PANB and the certificates in alphabetical order by year.

New Brunswick Cemeteries (available online)

This database is the result of a project put together by volunteer members of the New Brunswick Genealogical Society. The goal was to create a searchable database and provide online access. PANB was a partner in the project.

3. Vital Statistics, continued

New Brunswick Cemeteries (available online), continued

The information provided in this database was transcribed from existing gravestones. Transcriptions may exist for grave markers which no longer stand. Keep in mind that the data presented is a transcription – no extrapolations, conjectures, or guesses have been made regarding relationships between names on the stones unless the relationship was stated. There are other cemetery transcriptions available at the Archives that are not part of this database.

Please visit www.archives.gnb.ca to search the online database.

4. Land Records

Land Petitions (RS108) (index available online)

These are requests submitted to government by those seeking land grants. The records cover the years from 1783 to 1918 and sometimes provide the name, age, origin, marital status, number of children, location, and amount of land requested by the petitioner and at times additional biographical data. The likelihood of finding petitions with such detailed personal information tends to be higher for records pre-dating 1840. An index of some 67,000 names can be searched on our website (www.archives.gnb.ca) or can be viewed on microfilm F13763. Please note that at times people petitioned as a group. In such cases the land petition is filed under the name of the first petitioner, but the online index includes all names.

Land Petitions: Current Series (RS272)

These petitions cover the years from 1832 to 1987. The series is "current" in that the Department of Natural Resources continues to add to it. The documents contain very little biographical data. The index is available on microfilm (F16741) and can be borrowed through interlibrary loan.

Land Grants (RS686) (index available online)

The land grant books form the official land records kept by the New Brunswick government. Beginning in 1784, those who had been granted land under the Nova Scotia government between 1765 and 1784 were required to re-register their grants in New Brunswick. These documents describe the metes and bounds (boundaries) of granted lands. The name of the grantee is provided but no other biographical information is given.

4. Land Records, continued

Registry Office Records (RS84)

Albert County Registry Office Records cover the years 1846-1973 and include copies of deeds, leases, mortgages, liens, and other land transactions. Pre-1846 records related to Albert County are part of Westmorland County Records. Some wills (those which transfer title of land) can be found in this series. Microfilm numbers can be requested from PANB. These records can occasionally contain information that provides at least an estimate of when people left the county or province as they sold their land during that process. In rare instances the transfer of land contains leads to the seller's destination.

Service New Brunswick (SNB) Land Registry Office Records

It is also possible to search land registry office records using the SNB Registry Office Records database.

For more information on these services and associated fees, visit <https://www2.snb.ca/content/snb/en/sites/land-registry.html>.

5. Immigration Records

Passenger Lists (RS23) (available online)

A small number of passenger lists for immigrant ships coming to the province in 1816, 1833, 1834, 1837, and 1838 have survived. The records are available on microfilms F9798 and F9799. The index of passengers and crews (F17834) contains about 10,000 names. The ship crews are included because some immigrants worked their passage. Each entry gives a passenger's surname and given name, passenger number, name of the ship, and an archival reference number.

Note: Passengers to New Brunswick: The Customs House Records; 1833, 1834, 1837, 1838, Johnson, Daniel F., 1887 (MC80/1263) is available for reference at the Provincial Archives.

6. Court Records

Probate Court Records (RS61)

Probate is the legal validating of a will or settling of an estate if no will exists. It empowers the executor to act on behalf of the deceased to disburse the assets of the estate. Prior to 1984, each county in the province had a court of probate. Following legislation passed in 1983, the province was divided into nine (9) judicial districts for the purpose of probate. Albert County probate records after 1984 are included in the records of the Moncton Judicial District: Probate Court (RS746).

6. Court Records

Probate Court Records (RS61), continued

Probate Court Files

These may include some of the following documents: wills, petitions, affidavits letters testamentary, letters of administration, inventories, bonds, renunciations, correspondence, and other items. Researchers should first consult the indexes to the probate files and the probate books and then order from the films listed below. Albert County Probate Court files covering the years 1846-1904 are on microfilm, while post-1904 files are available at PANB only.

From	To	Film
Index	1848-1957	F10958
1846	1865	F11535
1866	1877(Ed)	F11536
1877(Fo)	1886	F11537
1886	1893	F11538
1894	1901	F11539
1901	1904	F11540

Probate Court Books

Probate Court Books contain transcripts of the basic legal documents found in the files but there have been instances of something being in the books and not in the files. Pre-1950 books are available on microfilm, and the remainder up to 1980 are available at the Archives.

Volume	Dates	Film
Books A, B, C, D	1846-1901	F13144
Books E, F	1901-1932	F13145
Book	1932-1944	F13145
Book	1945-1949	F13146

Wallace Hale's Early New Brunswick Probate, 1785-1835 (available online)

Probate, 1785-1835 (available online)

The database contains abstracts for 2,371 Probates files from every County Probate Court in existence in that period (1785-1835). Records for the period covered are missing or incomplete for some areas of the Province.

The database can be found online at:

<https://archives.gnb.ca/Search/MC3706/Default.aspx?culture=en-CA>

6. Court Records, continued

Court of Equity Records: Original Jurisdiction (RS55)

These records cover the years 1785 to 1912 and deal with a variety of legal matters including the settling of estates and the guardianship of infants. Neither case files nor an index is available on microfilm therefore these records must be used on site at PANB.

7. Education Records

Teachers' Petitions and Licenses (RS655) (index available online)

This series covers the whole province and contains requests by teachers for licenses from 1812 to 1882. Documents give data such as name, birthplace, education, teaching experience, church affiliation, and samples of handwriting. Also attached may be certificates and letters from local school trustees and clergymen testifying to the teaching ability of the petitioner and his or her moral and religious character. The documents are arranged chronologically and then alphabetically by the name of the petitioner. The index should be consulted first. Petitions of those identifying as "Irish" are available on the Irish Portal website: http://archives.gnb.ca/Irish/databases_en.html.

From	To	Film
Index	1812-1882 Inclusive	F10318
1812 Hayward, John	1823 Gough, Maurice	F10318
1823 Gray, William	1828 Arseneau, Charles	F10319
1828 Babbit, Samuel	1830 Gray, Benjamin G.	F10320
1830 Hackett, Patrick	1832 Doran, Michael	F10321
1832 Eagles, William	1833 McEldowney, James	F10322
1833 McEwen, Jane	1834 Wood, Rebecca	F10323
1834 Wood, Thomas W.	1836 Morton, John O.	F10324
1836 Mount, Hugh A.	1837 McEwen, Jane	F10325
1837 McGravey, John K.	1839 Wood, Thomas	F10326
1840 Atkinson, Thomas	1841 McNamara, Michael	F10327
1841 Nesbit, Sophia M.	1842 Enery, Paul	F10328
1842 Eppes, Henry	1842 Murphy, Dennis	F10329
1842 Murray, Edward	1842 Stark, James	F10330
1842 Stevenson, Alex	1843 King, William	F10331
1843 Laird, James	1844 Borthwick, Eliza	F10332
1844 Boyd, Michael	1844 Summers, William	F10333
1844 Terrice, William	1845 Newcomb, James	F10334
1845 O'Corcoran, John	1846 Leary, Dennis	F10335

7. Education Records, continued**Teachers' Petitions and Licenses (RS655) (index available online), continued**

From	To	Film
1846 LeBlanc, Dominique	1847 Cassidy, Hugh	F10336
1847 Caulfield, William	1847 Peters, Catharine J.	F10337
1847 Phinney, John S.	1851 Fillmore, King D.	F10338
1851 Harvey, Mary	1859 Roberts, JC Edward	F10339
1860 Barclay, Ann	1882 Harley, Timothy F.	F10340

Grammar, Parish, and Private School Returns (RS657)

These contain the name of the school, name of the teacher and a list of the students and their ages. There are two returns per year and the records are arranged by the half year and alphabetically by parish. Within each parish, schools are listed alphabetically by place or school name.

For film numbers for post-1955 records, please contact the Archives.

From	To	Film
1877 Alma	1881 Hillsborough	F4257
1881 Hopewell	1884 Hopewell	F4258
1885 Alma	1888 Hopewell	F4259
1888 Hillsborough	1892 Elgin	F4260
1892 Harvey	1896 Hopewell	F4261
1896 Alma	1900 Coverdale	F4262
1900 Coverdale	1902 Hopewell	F4263
1903 Alma	1905 Hopewell	F4264
1906 Alma	1909 Hopewell	F4265
1909 Alma	1912 Hopewell	F4266
1913 Alma	1916 Hopewell	F4267
1913 Alma	1913 Coverdale	F4325
1916 Hopewell	1919 Hopewell	F4268
1920 Alma	1923 Hopewell	F4269
1924 Alma	1927 Hillsborough	F4270
1927 Hillsborough	1931 Hillsborough	F4271
1931 Alma	1934 Hopewell	F4272
1935 Alma	1938 Hopewell	F4273
1938 Alma	1941 Hopewell	F4274
1942 Alma	1945 Hopewell	F4275
1942 Alma	1942 Coverdale	F4325
1945 Alma	1948 Hopewell	F4276

7. Education Records, continued

Grammar, Parish, and Private School Returns (RS657), continued

From	To	Film
1949 Alma	1952 Hopewell	F4277
1952 Alma	1954 Hillsborough	F4278
1952 Alma	1952 Coverdale	F4325
1955 Alma	1955 Riverside Consolidated	F4905
1955 Alma	1955 Riverside Consolidated	F4914

Additional Education Records

Item	Dates	Film	Collection
Grammar School returns	1847-1868	F7647	RS8
Parish School returns	1846-1850	F6788	RS8
Harvey Ladies' Seminary records	1860	F7846	RS8
Teacher Petitions for Payment	1823-1871	F6788	RS8
Education ledger	1963-1966	F8516	RS146
Grammar School returns	1847-1868	F7647	RS8

8. Directories

Directories are listings of individuals and/or businesses. They may include information such as the name of the head of the household, the name of a business, and the name of the street the family or business was located on. There are name indexes to the Hutchinson's Directories and the Lovell Directory on our website at www.archives.gnb.ca.

Title	Dates	Film
Hutchinson's New Brunswick Directory	1865-1866	Online
Hutchinson's New Brunswick Directory	1867-1868	Online
McAlpine's Maritime Directory	1870-1871	F963
Lovell Directory	1871	Online
McAlpine's New Brunswick Directory	1889-1896	F1409
McAlpine's New Brunswick Directory	1896	F11072
McAlpine's New Brunswick Directory	1903	F449
McAlpine's Moncton City, Westmorland & Albert County	1908	F8052

9. County Council Records (RS146)

The following sub-series of county council records may be of interest to family historians.

Item	Dates	Film
Voters lists (RS146J)	1846-1863	F1250
Voters lists	1864-1875	F1251
Hopewell Town Book	1786-1806	F859
County Council Minutes	1846-1915	F504
County Council Minutes	1936-1966	F505
Tax Assessments	1864-1875	F1251
Tax Assessments	1874-1878	F1249
Tax records	1944-1966	Numbers on request
Health and Welfare	1957-1964	F8514
Civil appointments	1864-1875	F1251

10. Newspapers

Many newspapers have been microfilmed and are available through interlibrary loan.

*For film numbers not listed please consult Archives staff.

Newspaper	From	To	Film
<i>L'Évangéline</i>	1887	1910, 1964 and 1973	*
<i>Le Moniteur Acadien</i>	1867	1926	*
<i>Maple Leaf</i>	1880	1901	F11328-F11333
<i>Moncton Times</i>	1877	1982	*
<i>Moncton Transcript</i>	1882	1982	*
<i>Times Transcript</i>	1983	2003	*
<i>Moncton Weekly Transcript</i>	1882	1888	F3446
<i>Royal Gazette</i>	1785	1999	*
<i>Royal Gazette, Index</i>	1785	1865	F983, F984
<i>Rural Report</i>	1982	1990	F14003, F14004
<i>Sackville Tribune</i>	1902	1958	*
<i>Tribune Post</i>	1959, 2008	1972, 2011 and 2015	*

Note: Please request film numbers by title and date. Le Moniteur Acadien films and L'Évangéline films covering 1887-1910 and 1964 are not available for loan and can only be used at the Provincial Archives. For a complete list of provincial newspapers, consult New Brunswick Newspaper Directory: 1783-1996 at your local library or New Brunswick Historical Newspapers Project available online on the University of New Brunswick's website: <https://newspapers.lib.unb.ca/>. (This is also available for purchase from the Associates of the Provincial Archives (www.archives.gnb.ca/Associates)).

10. Newspapers, continued

Researchers should consult the multi-volume publication *New Brunswick Vital Statistics from Newspapers for birth, marriage and death notices for the years from 1784 to the late 1890s*, which is also available online at <http://archives.gnb.ca/Search/NewspaperVitalStats>.

11. New Brunswick Museum Vertical Files (RS184B)

The New Brunswick Museum Vertical Files contain genealogical, biographical, and historical research information for all of New Brunswick. These records have been microfilmed and are arranged alphabetically. An index is on film F11077.

12. Church Records

The Archives has acquired the records of various New Brunswick churches, many of which have been microfilmed, some of which have been digitized. The Archives may also have church records in their holdings which can only be used on site.

In the following section, you may find records that are simply labeled “church records.” “Church records” can include almost any type of record created by the church that is not a vital record. These records may include:

- Meeting minutes for various groups
- Preaching registers
- Registers of communicants
- Registers of confirmations
- Land deeds for church/cemetery land
- Newspaper clippings
- Financial records
- Annual reports
- Church histories
- Correspondence
- Legal records
- These records may include some small notes about baptisms, marriages, or burials.

Please note the following:

An asterisk () after a film number indicates that the film has been digitized.*

Some microfilm contain both open and restricted records. If a film includes any restricted records, the entire film is then considered restricted. If you are looking for a record that is open on one of these films, please contact the Provincial Archives with detailed information regarding what you're looking for.

12. Church Records, continued

To consult church records that are restricted, the researcher must have the church in question email permission directly to the Provincial Archives (ArchivesNB@gnb.ca). More detail is provided under each denomination regarding exactly what materials are restricted and who should be contacted to request access to those records.

Anglican Church Records

Restrictions on access are “rolling;” dates move one year forward each calendar year. Therefore, as of January 1, 2025:

- **Marriages** will be restricted after 1975.
- **Baptisms** will be restricted after 1975.
- **Burials** will be restricted after 2005.
- **Confirmations** will be restricted after 2005.

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Cathy Laskey, Synod Office
claskey@diofton.ca
 (506) 459-1801 ext. 1007

Individuals can also access the New Brunswick Genealogical Society (NBGS) Anglican Registers Project to view images of Anglican Church baptisms, marriages, and deaths online for the open period. Non-members of the NBGS can view the registers by location and date by registering for a guest account: <https://nbgs.ca/cpage.php?pt=250>.

Albert, Coverdale, Harvey, Hillsborough, Hopewell, Riverview

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1884-1959	F23669
Confirmations	1885-1959	F23669
Marriages	1885-1959	F23669
Burials	1884-1959	F23669
Parish Register	1884-1959	F23669

Coverdale, Hillsborough, Hopewell, Riverview – St. John's Anglican Church

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers	1884-1970	F8147

Hopewell

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1884-1959	F1131, F1055
Confirmations	1885-1959	F1131, F1055

12. Church Records, continued

Anglican Church Records, continued

Hopewell, continued

Records	Dates	Film
Marriages	1885-1959 (sporadic after 1922)	F1131, F1055
Burials	1884-1959	F1131, F1055
Parish Registers	1884-1959	F1131, F1055

Methodist Church Records

In 1925, the Methodist churches joined with the Wesleyan Methodists and about 70% of the Presbyterian churches to create The United Church. Many Methodist records will therefore fall under the purview of The United Church.

The United Church of Canada follows the privacy guidelines set out by each province. Therefore, United Church records held at PANB are restricted as follows:

- **Baptisms** are restricted for 95 years. Restriction is based on the date of the baptism.
- **Marriages** are restricted for 50 years.
- **Burials** are restricted for 50 years.

The United Church's national policy is that patrons **cannot copy records** from registers.

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Archivist – Sarah Wallace
swallace@united-church.ca
 1 (800) 268-3781 ext. 6159

Alma Circuit – Alma, Point Wolfe, Hastings, West River

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1869-1886, 1898-1913, 1915-1917	F13149 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1884-1903, 1916-1920	F13149 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1884-1925	F13149 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1884-1911, 1915-1925	F13149 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Colpitts Settlement

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1912-1925	F13729

12. Church Records, continued**Methodist Church Records, continued***Coverdale*

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1828	F13728
Church Records	1911-1925	F17124

Elgin Circuit – Church Hill, Elgin, Forest Hill, Graves Settlement, Pleasant Vale

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1876-1919	F1055
Baptisms	1876-1925	F1122 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Baptisms	1876-1919	F8225 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Baptisms	1912-1925	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1883-1890, 1899-1900, 1911	F8225 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1883-1890, 1899-1902, 1912	F1055
Marriages	1883-1890, 1899-1902, 1912,	F1122 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1912-1925	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1914, 1918	F1122 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1899-1902	F1055
Burials	1899-1902	F1122 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1899-1902, 1910-1911	F8225 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1915-1925	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1924-1925	F1122 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1875-1925	F8225 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1865-1919	F1055
Circuit Records	1865-1919	F1122 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1900-1925	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Hillsborough Circuit – Curryville, Hillsborough, Hopewell Cape, Lower Coverdale

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1866-1925	F8148 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1883-1925	F8148 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1899-1925	F8148 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1876-1925	F8148 (RESTRICTED FILM)

12. Church Records, continued

Presbyterian Church Records

About 70% of the Presbyterian churches joined with The United Church in 1925 so many Presbyterian records would therefore fall under the purview of The United Church. For a list of the continuing Presbyterian churches in New Brunswick, visit the Presbyterian Church in Canada website and use their Church Finder function: <https://presbyterian.ca/church-finder/>.

The following Presbyterian records are restricted:

- **Session minutes** – closed for the most recent 50 years.
- **Baptisms** – closed for the most recent 100 years.
- **Marriages** and **deaths/burials** – closed for the most recent 75 years.

This is found as a church policy in the Presbyterian *Book of Forms*, Appendix G. Regarding baptisms, marriages, and death/burial records – they can be opened for the more recent years upon a request from the actual subject of the entry, the next of kin, or the assigned legal guardian.

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Archivist – Kim Arnold

The Presbyterian Church in Canada, Toronto, Ontario
1 (416) 441-1111 ext. 310 or 1 (800) 619-7301 ext. 310

Riverside

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1886	F13149 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Roxburgh

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1842-1894	F1102 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Church Records	1871-1893	F1102 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Roman Catholic Church Records

All Roman Catholic diocese **sacramental records** (baptism, marriage, confirmation, death) are open up to and including 1920.

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Archdiocese of Moncton

Vice-Chancellor: Patricia Niles

Phone: (506) 857-9531 extension 1236

12. Church Records, continued

Roman Catholic Church Records, continued

Email: chancellorie@diocesemoncton.ca

Albert Mines – St. Aloysius

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers (Indexed)	1866-1914	F15675*
Parish Registers (Indexed)	1872-1914	F15675*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

New Ireland – St. Agatha

Records	Dates	Film
Parish Registers (Indexed)	1866-1914	F15675*
Parish Registers (Indexed)	1872-1914	F15675*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

Parish of Riverside

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms (Indexed)	1915-1916	F15675*
Baptisms (Indexed)	1915-1920	F15675*
Confirmations	1919	F15675*
Marriages	1908-1920	F15675*
Burials	1907-1908, 1918, 1920	F15675*

Note: These church records must be viewed in-person at the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick.

United Church Records

Note: The United Church was inaugurated on June 10, 1925 when the Methodist Church of Canada, the Congregational Union of Canada, and select members of the Presbyterian Church of Canada entered a union. Researchers may wish to consult records from multiple churches.

The United Church of Canada follows the privacy guidelines set out by each province. Therefore, United Church records held at PANB are restricted as follows:

- **Baptisms** are restricted for 95 years. Restriction is based on the date of the baptism.
- **Marriages** are restricted for 50 years.
- **Burials** are restricted for 50 years.

12. Church Records, continued**United Church Records, continued**

The United Church's national policy is that patrons **cannot copy records** from registers.

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Sarah Wallace – Archivist
swallace@united-church.ca
 1 (800) 268-3781 ext. 6159

Alma - Albert Pastoral Charge – Albert, Alma, Hastings, Hillsborough, Point Wolfe, Riverside, West River

Records	Dates	Film
Alma Circuit Records	1925-1974	F13149 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1932-1973	F13149 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1932-1973	F13149 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials (RESTRICTED)	1932-1974	F13149 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Pastoral Charge Records	1932-1978	F13149 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Colpitts Settlement

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1941-1988	F13728
Church Records	1912-1971	F13729

Coverdale

Records	Dates	Film
Church Records	1925-1991	F17124
Church Records	1937-1975, 1978-1987	F17125
Church Records	1940-1984	F13728

Elgin Circuit – Church Hill, Elgin, Forest Hill, Graves Settlement, Pleasant Vale

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1925-1950	F1122 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1934, 1938	F8225 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1925-1954	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1946-1948	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1946-1948	F1122 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1925-1947	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1925-1947	F1122 (RESTRICTED FILM)

12. Church Records, continued**United Church Records, continued***Elgin Circuit – Church Hill, Elgin, Forest Hill, Graves Settlement, Pleasant Vale, continued*

Records	Dates	Film
Circuit Records	1925-1927, 1935, 1938, 1941-1942, 1945-1950	F8225 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1925-1944, 1952	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1937	F1122 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Hillsborough Circuit – Curryville, Hillsborough, Hopewell Cape, Lower Coverdale

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms (RESTRICTED)	1925-1967	F8148 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1925-1967	F8148 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1925-1968	F8148 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Circuit Records	1925-1968	F8148 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Petitcodiac Pastoral Charge

Records	Dates	Film
Baptisms	1925-1948	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Marriages	1925-1948	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Burials	1925-1946	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)
Pastoral Charge Records	1925-1980	F8226 (RESTRICTED FILM)

Other Institutions to Contact or Visit

The following institutions may also have genealogical and historical records for Albert County:

- Centre d'études acadiennes Anselme-Chiasson, Université de Moncton, Moncton, NB
<https://www.umoncton.ca/umcm-ceaac/> (French only), (506) 858-4085,
cea-um@umoncton.ca
- New Brunswick Genealogical Society, Fredericton, NB
<https://nbgs.ca/>, webmanager@nbgs.ca
Southeastern Branch: <https://nbgs.ca/cpage.php?pt=464>, nbgsseb@gmail.com
- New Brunswick Museum Archives, Market Square, Saint John, NB
<https://www.nbm-mnb.ca/archives-and-research-library/>, (506) 643-2322,
Toll free: 1-888-268-9595, (506) 643-2300, archives@nbm-mnb.ca
- Ralph Pickard Bell Library, Mount Allison University, Sackville, NB
<https://libraryguides.mta.ca/main>, (506) 364-2564, infodesk@mta.ca
- Steeves House Museum, Hillsborough, NB
<https://www.steeveshousemuseum.ca/>, (506) 734-3102,
steeveshousemuseum@outlook.com
- The Albert County Museum & RB Bennett Centre, Hopewell Cape, NB
<https://www.albertcountymuseum.com/>, (506) 734-2003,
albertcountymuseum@nb.aibn.com
- United Church of Canada: Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council &
Regional Council 15 Archives, Sackville, NB
<https://ucceast.ca/fslwdw-region-15-archives/>, 1-800-268-3781 ext. 6159,
swallace@united-church.ca

Website References

- Associates of the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick:
www.archives.gnb.ca/Associates
- Centre d'études acadiennes Anselme-Chiasson Resource Guide (French only):
https://www.umoncton.ca/umcm-ceaac/sites/umcm-ceaac.prod.umoncton.ca/files/wf/guide_des_ressources_ceaac_-_juillet_2022.pdf
- Library and Archives Canada (LAC):
www.bac-lac.gc.ca
- New Brunswick Historical Newspapers Project:
<https://newspapers.lib.unb.ca/>
- Provincial Archives of New Brunswick:
www.archives.gnb.ca
- Service New Brunswick:
www.snb.ca