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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@gnb.ca).

Development of Madawaska County

When New Brunswick was established in 1784 it was divided into eight counties. As the population grew the original counties were divided and new counties set up. The final complement is 15. These counties are subdivided into civil parishes.

Madawaska County was set off from Victoria County in 1873. Previously it had been part of York and then Carleton Counties. Madawaska County is located in the northwestern corner of New Brunswick. To the north lies Restigouche County, to the east Victoria County, to the south the state of Maine, and to the west the Province of Quebec. Civil parishes were established as follows:

Development of Madawaska County, continued

1833: The Parish of Madawaska was created as part of Carleton County

1850: Saint-Léonard and Saint-Basile were established

1877: Saint-François, Saint-Jacques and Saint-Hilaire were set off from the Parish of Madawaska

1877: Sainte-Anne was created from parts of Saint-Léonard and Saint-Basile

1900: Clair was set apart from Saint-François

The parishes of Saint-André, Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes, Rivière-Verte, Saint-Joseph, Baker Brook, and Lac-Baker were created later in the twentieth century.

Researchers are reminded that pre-1873 records for the area are found in the records of York, Carleton and Victoria Counties.



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.

3. Vital Statistics, continued

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).

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.

Répertoire des mariages de diocèse d'Edmundston, N.-B. et du comté d'Aroostook (MC301)

This directory was compiled by Father Henri Langlois. It contains the list of the marriages celebrated in the St John River Valley (current diocese of Edmundston, N.B., and Aroostook County in the State of Maine, and the portion of Quebec that border Madawaska County). The information dates from 1792 to approximately 1920 for the American portion and to around 1935 for the Canadian portion. See F6643 and F6644.

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

3. Vital Statistics, continued

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.

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.

4. Land Records, continued

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.

Registry Office Records (RS90)

Madawaska County Registry Office Records cover the years 1850-1989 and include copies of deeds, leases, mortgages, liens, and other land transactions. A number of wills (those which transfer title of land) are found in this series. Microfilm numbers can be requested from PANB.

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>.

Madawaska Building Project fonds (MC268)

Funded in 1974 under the federal government's 'Opportunities for Youth' grant programme, "À la Découverte de la République," the Madawaska building project was designed to identify historic or notable buildings in the Madawaska area and to prepare a profile on each. Such profiles were to include names of owners, building plans, a sketch of the location, details of construction, information on the building's history, and photographs. The project workers responsible for compiling the information were, Rodolphe Caron, Luc Albert, Michelle Maltais, Kenneth Babin, Léo G. Thériault, Robert Saucier, and Normand Corno. In all, they prepared profiles of 26 buildings.

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

5. Immigration Records, continued

Passenger Lists (RS23) (available online), continued

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 (RS67)

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. Madawaska County probate records after 1984 are included in the records of the Edmundston Judicial District: Probate Court (RS750). These records cover the years 1872-1984. A fire in the Madawaska County Court House in 1909 destroyed most of the files for the years, 1873-1909.

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. Madawaska County Probate Court files covering the years 1894-1930 are on microfilm, while post-1930 files are available at PANB only.

| From | To | Film |
|-------|-----------|--------|
| Index | 1894-1966 | F10958 |
| 1894 | 1917 | F10780 |
| 1917 | 1924 | F10781 |

6. Court Records, continued

Probate Court Records (RS67), continued

Probate Court Files, continued

| From | To | Film |
|------|------|--------|
| 1924 | 1930 | F10782 |

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-1931 books are available on microfilm, and the remainder up to 1984 are available at the Archives.

| From | To | Film |
|------|------|------------------|
| 1909 | 1930 | F11771 (Indexed) |

Wallace Hale's Early New Brunswick 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>

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

7. Education Records, continued

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

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 Eney, 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 |
| 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.

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7. Education Records, continued

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

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

| From | To | Film |
|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 1877 Madawaska | 1882 Saint-Léonard | F4499 |
| 1882 Madawaska | 1890 Saint-Jacques | F4500 |
| 1890 Saint-Léonard | 1896 Saint-Basile | F4501 |
| 1896 Saint-François | 1901 Saint-Basile | F4502 |
| 1901 Saint-François | 1905 Madawaska | F4503 |
| 1905 Sainte-Anne | 1909 Sainte-Anne | F4504 |
| 1909 Saint-Basile | 1913 Saint-Hilaire | F4505 |
| 1913 Saint-Jacques | 1916 Clair | F4506 |
| 1916 Madawaska | 1919 Sainte-Anne | F4507 |
| 1919 Saint-Basile | 1922 Saint-Andre | F4508 |
| 1922 Saint-Anne | 1925 Madawaska | F4509 |
| 1925 Madawaska | 1927 Clair | F4510 |
| 1927 Madawaska | 1929 Madawaska | F4511 |
| 1929 Madawaska | 1931 Madawaska | F4512 |
| 1931 Madawaska | 1933 Madawaska | F4513 |
| 1933 Madawaska | 1935 Saint-Jacques | F4514 |
| 1935 Saint-Joseph | 1937 Madawaska | F4515 |
| 1937 Madawaska | 1938 Saint-Basile | F4516 |
| 1938 Saint-François | 1940 Saint-Joseph | F4517 |
| 1940 Saint-Léonard | 1942 Baker Brook | F4518 |
| 1942 Baker Lake | 1943 Madawaska | F4519 |
| 1943 Madawaska | 1945 Baker Brook | F4520 |
| 1945 Baker Brook | 1946 Saint-Basile | F4521 |
| 1946 Saint-Basile | 1947 Madawaska | F4522 |
| 1947 Madawaska | 1948 Madawaska | F4523 |
| 1948 Madawaska | 1949 Saint-Basile | F4524 |
| 1949 Saint-Basile | 1950 Saint-Léonard | F4525 |
| 1951 Baker Brook | 1952 Clair | F4526 |
| 1952 Madawaska | 1953 Clair | F4527 |
| 1953 Madawaska | 1953 Saint-Léonard | F4528 |
| 1954 Baker Brook | 1954 Saint-Basile | F4529 |
| 1954 Saint-François | 1954 Saint-Léonard | F4530 |
| 1955 Baker Brook | 1955 Saint-Léonard | F4908 |

7. Education Records, continued

Additional Education Records

| Item | Dates | Film | Collection |
|--|-----------|--------------------|------------|
| Edmundston: School District #1 Assessments | 1925-1936 | F11963 | RS152 |
| Edmundston: School District #1 Assessments | 1936-1946 | F11964 | RS152 |
| Edmundston: School District #1 Assessments | 1947-1951 | F11965 | RS152 |
| Edmundston: School District #1 Assessments | 1951-1956 | F11966 | RS152 |
| Edmundston: School District #1 Assessments | 1956-1959 | F11967 | RS152 |
| Edmundston: School District #1 Assessments | 1959-1963 | F11968 | RS152 |
| Edmundston: School District #1 Assessments | 1963-1966 | F11969 | RS152 |
| Edmundston: School District #1 Assessments | 1966-1967 | F11970 | RS152 |
| School Returns | 1877-1890 | F4500 | RS657 |
| School Board: Expense | 1934-1967 | Numbers on request | -- |

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 |

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8. Directories, continued

| Title | Dates | Film |
|--|-----------|--------|
| 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 (RS152)

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

| Item | Dates | Film |
|---------------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Accounts | 1946-1966 | Numbers on request |
| Accounts: Cash Book | 1940-1946 | F8539 |
| Assessments: Property | 1959-1966 | Numbers on request |
| Assessments: Valuations | 1966-1976 | Numbers on request |
| Assessments: Taxation | 1938-1966 | Numbers on request |
| Conseil de comte: Records | 1961-1963 | F14897 |
| Council Minutes | 1878-1966 | F834, F835 |
| Taxation: Register | 1960-1966 | F8538, F8539 |

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 |
|-----------------------------|------|------|---------------|
| Cataract | 1959 | 1961 | F13623-F13625 |
| Journal du Madawaska | 1903 | 1905 | F12644-F12645 |
| Le Madawaska (indexes only) | 1913 | 1974 | F9705-F9713 |
| New Brunswick Reporter | 1844 | 1902 | F12159-F12184 |
| Royal Gazette | 1785 | 1987 | * |
| Royal Gazette, Index | 1785 | 1865 | F983, F984 |

10. Newspapers, continued

Note: Please request film numbers by title and date. 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)).

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.

12. Church Records, continued

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.

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>.

Edmundston

| Records | Dates | Film |
|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Baptisms | 1892-1963 | F21451 |
| Marriages | 1892-1956 | F21451 |
| Burials | 1892-1988 | F21451 |

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 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 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

Edmundston

| Records | Dates | Film |
|---|-----------|--|
| Baptisms (RESTRICTED) | 1899-1970 | F1128 (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Marriages | 1917-1970 | F1128 (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Burials | 1897-1970 | F1128 (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Saint Paul's Church Records | 1906-1990 | F10844 (RESTRICTED FILM), F10845, F15546 |
| Saint Paul's Church – Baptisms (RESTRICTED) | 1897-1959 | F10844 (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Saint Paul's Church – Marriages | 1897-1959 | F10844 (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Saint Paul's Church – Deaths | 1897-1959 | F10844 (RESTRICTED FILM) |

Roman Catholic Records

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

12. Church Records, continued**Roman Catholic Records, continued**

For any inquiries regarding accessing restricted records, please contact:

Diocese of Edmundston

Archiviste: Sr. Ronilla Sirois

Email: Siroisroni2@gmail.com

Baker Brook

| Records | Dates | Film |
|------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1925-1992 | F15754* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1925-1951 | F15754* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1952-1993 | F15754* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

Clair

| Records | Dates | Film |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Index to Registers | 1889-1920 | F15708* |
| Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1921-1976 | F15708* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1889-1926 | F15708* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1927-1993 | F15709* |

Connors

| Records | Dates | Film |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1935-1993 | F15705* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

Edmundston, Cathedral of Immaculate Conception

| Records | Dates | Film |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1880-1991 | F15723* |
| Parish Registers | 1880-1900 | F15725* |

12. Church Records, continued**Roman Catholic Records, continued***Edmundston, Cathedral of Immaculate Conception, continued*

| Records | Dates | Film |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1900-1921 | F15726* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1921-1936 | F15727* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1936-1950 | F15728* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1950-1968 | F15729* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1968-1993 | F15730* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Confirmations (RESTRICTED) | 1882-1993 | F15724* |

Edmundston, Notre-Dame-de-Sept-Douleurs

| Records | Dates | Film |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Index (RESTRICTED) | 1938-1993 | F15731* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1938-1993 | F15732* (RESTRICTED FILM), F15733* (FILM RESTRICTED) |
| Confirmations (RESTRICTED) | 1941-1993 | F15731* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

Edmundston, Notre-Dame-de-Sacré-Cœur

| Records | Dates | Film |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1950-1993 | F15736* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Saint-André Parish Records | 1903-1920 | F1433* |
| Sainte-Anne Parish Records | 1872-1920 | F1433* |
| Saint Joseph's Parish Records | 1919-1920 | F1433* |

12. Church Records, continued

Roman Catholic Records, continued

Kedgwick

| Records | Dates | Film |
|---|--------------|-------------|
| Kedgwick: Notre-Dame-des-Prodiges Records | 1915-1920 | F1433* |

Lac-Baker

| Records | Dates | Film |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1886-1991 | F15756* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1886-1923 | F15756* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1924-1993 | F15757* (FILM RESTRICTED) |
| Communion Register (RESTRICTED) | 1886-1983 | F15756* |
| Confirmations (RESTRICTED) | 1952-1972 | F15756* |

Madawaska

| Records | Dates | Film |
|---|--------------|-------------|
| Parish Registers | 1792-1839 | F1730* |
| Parish Registers | 1839-1850 | F1731* |
| Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes: Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1914-1993 | F15744* |

Rivière-Verte

| Records | Dates | Film |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1923-1992 | F15734* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1923-1938 | F15734* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1938-1993 | F15735* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

12. Church Records, continued**Roman Catholic Records, continued***Saint-André*

| Records | Dates | Film |
|------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1903-1993 | F15704* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1903-1944 | F15703* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1903-1944 | F15700* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1944-1993 | F15701* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

Sainte-Anne

| Records | Dates | Film |
|------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1872-1987 | F15740* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1886-1940 | F15741* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1941-1968 | F15742* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1969-1993 | F15743* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

Saint-Basile

| Records | Dates | Film |
|---|--------------|------------------------------|
| Index to Parish Registers | 1806-1838 | F13332* |
| Index to Parish Registers | 1838-1886 | F13328* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Index to Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1887-1975 | F13319* |
| Parish Registers | 1767-1791 | F15738* |
| Parish Registers | 1792-1838 | F13332* |
| Parish Registers | 1838-1858 | F13328* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Parish Registers | 1859-1886 | F13329* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1887-1926 | F13319* |

12. Church Records, continued**Roman Catholic Records, continued***Saint-Basile, continued*

| Records | Dates | Film |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1927-1966 | F13320* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1967-1975 | F13321* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1976-1993 | F15737* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Confirmations (RESTRICTED) | 1950-1993 | F15737* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

Saint-François

| Records | Dates | Film |
|--|--------------|------------------------------|
| Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1859-1989 | F15706* |
| Saint François-Xavier Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1916-1936 | F15706* |
| Saint François-Xavier Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1937-1993 | F15707* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

Saint-Georges

| Records | Dates | Film |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1950-1993 | F15719* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

Saint-Hilaire

| Records | Dates | Film |
|------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1892-1989 | F15745* |
| Parish Registers | 1869-1894 | F15745* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1895-1954 | F15746* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1955-1993 | F15747* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

12. Church Records, continued

Roman Catholic Records, continued

Saint-Hilaire, continued

| Records | Dates | Film |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Confirmations (RESTRICTED) | 1912-1993 | F15745* |

Saint-Jacques

| Records | Dates | Film |
|------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1880-1990 | F15720* |
| Parish Registers | 1880-1907 | F15720* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1908-1951 | F15721* |
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1951-1993 | F15722* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

Saint-Joseph

| Records | Dates | Film |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1919-1993 | F15718* |

Saint-Léonard

| Records | Dates | Film |
|---|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Saint-Francis-Xavier Parish Registers | 1859-1920 | F1437* |
| Saint-Antoine de Padoue Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1854-1921 | F1436 |
| Saint-Léonard-Parent Index to Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1854-1976 | F15713* |
| Saint-Léonard-Parent Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1921-1993 | F15713* |
| Saint-Léonard-Ville Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1924-1950 | F15710* (RESTRICTED FILM) |
| Saint-Léonard-Ville Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1924-1950 (transcript) | F15711* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

12. Church Records, continued

Roman Catholic Records, continued

Saint-Léonard, continued

| Records | Dates | Film |
|---|-----------|---------------------------|
| Saint-Léonard-Ville Parish Registers (RESTRICTED) | 1951-1993 | F15712* (RESTRICTED FILM) |

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 into 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.

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

Edmundston

| Records | Dates | Film |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| Saint Paul's Church Records | 1925-1975 | F10844 (RESTRICTED FILM), F10845 |
| Saint Paul's UCW Minutes | 1975-1990 | F15546 |

Other Institutions to Contact or Visit

The following institutions may have genealogical records pertaining to Madawaska 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
- Musée historique du Madawaska, Edmundston, NB
<https://www.umoncton.ca/umce-mhm/>, (506) 737-5282
- New Brunswick Genealogical Society, Fredericton, NB
<https://nbgs.ca/>, webmanager@nbgs.ca
- 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
- Société historique de Clair, Clair, NB
(506) 992-3637
- The United Church of Canada: Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council
and Regional Council 15 Archives
<https://ucceast.ca/fsldw-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