

Earliest County Records

The Tennessee State Library & Archives has microfilmed bound records in each Tennessee county. This list shows the earliest year for which each type of record is held in each county. There may be gaps in a county's later records where there have been fires or lost volumes. An [inventory to county microfilm reels](#) is available on the TSLA web site.

County	Chancery Court Minutes	Circuit Court Minutes	County Court Minutes	Deeds	Marriage Records	Probate Records
Anderson	1836	1844	1811	1802	1838	1830
Bedford	1830	1840	1848	1808	1861	1861
Benton	1854	1836	1842	1836	1838	1836
Bledsoe	1836	1845	1841	1808	1908	1883
Blount	1859	1852	1795	1795	1795	1795
Bradley	1838	1838	1864	1862	1864	1859
Campbell	1842	1849	1839	1820	1838	1806
Cannon	1840	1846	1836	1836	1838	1836
Carroll	1836	1912	1822	1822	1838	1822
Carter	1854	1848	1804	1796	1790	1794
Cheatham	1857	1877	1856	1856	1856	1856
Chester	1891	1882	1891	1891	1891	1891
Claiborne	1934	1837	1801	1801	1838	1839
Clay	1871	1871	1871	1871	1871	1871
Cocke	1877	1877	1877	1865	1877	1876
Coffee	1872	1852	1836	1836	1853	1836
Crockett	1872	1872	1871	1870	1872	1872
Cumberland	1897	1907	1905	1854	1905	1904
Davidson	1846	1803	1783	1784	1789	1784
Decatur	1860	1892	1869	1846	1869	1869
DeKalb	1844	1860	1838	1838	1848	1846
Dickson	1836	1810	1804	1804	1817	1803

Dyer	1854	1863	1848	1822	1860	1853
Fayette	1924	1829	1833	1825	1838	1836
Fentress	1854	1854	<i>note 1</i>	1820	1905	1905
Franklin	1834	1832	1832	1808	1838	1808
Gibson	1834	1824	1824	1819	1824	1824
Giles	1838	1817	1810	1810	1865	1860
Grainger	1848	1810	1796	1796	1796	1833 <i>note 2</i>
Greene	1825	1809	1783	1785	1780	1800
Grundy	1856	1848	1844	1852	1850	1838
Hamblen	1870	1870	1871	1870	1872	1872
Hamilton		1860		1796	1857	1862
Hancock	1870	1936	1930	1879	1930	1924
Hardeman	1852	1823	1827	1822	1823	1824
Hardin	1836	1840	1820	1835	1863	1836
Hawkins	1825	1810	1827	1788	1820	1797
Haywood	1842	1840	1823	1823	1859	1826
Henderson	1880	1895	1860	1856	1893	1895
Henry	1846	1834	1824	1822	1838	1822
Hickman	1854	1847	1866	1808	1868	1866
Houston	1871	1871	1871	1871	1871	1869
Humphreys	1898	1898	1842	1810	1862	1837
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Jackson	1840	1872	1872	1872	1872	1872
Jefferson	1836	1809	1792	1792	1792	1792
Johnson	1856	1836	1836	1836	1838	1836
Knox	1832	1844	1792	1792	1792	1792
Lake	1896	1892	1870	1870	1883	1871

Lauderdale	1856	1836	1836	1835	1838	1837
Lawrence	1840	1832	1827 note 3	1819	1818	1829
Lewis	1871	1846	1848	1844	1847	1846
Lincoln	1838	1849	1810	1810	1838	1809
Loudon	1870	1870	1870	1870	1870	1870
McMinn	1844	1860	1819	1820	1838	1819
McNairy	1866	1856	1858	1823	1861	1872
Macon	1844	1901	1905	1901	1901	1940
Madison	1846	1821	1821	1821	1838	1825
Marion	1922	1922	1842	1819	1881	1875
Marshall	1840	1836	1836	1836	1836	1835
Maury	1818	1810	1807	1806	1808	1807
Meigs	1854	1844	1836	1879	1838	1836
Monroe	1832	1827	1858	1820	1838	1836
Montgomery	1840	1896	1805	1800	1838	1796
Moore	1872	1872	1872	1872	1872	1872
Morgan	1865	1840	1848 note 4	1818	1862	1866
Obion	1854	1826	1824	1824	1838 note 5	1834
Overton	1846	1815	1837	1801	1867	1870
Perry	1854	1834 note 6	1865	1844	1865	1863
Pickett	1934	1935	1934	1934	1934	1933
Polk	1886	1866	1840	1894	1894	1873
Putnam	1895	1842	1894	1854	1879	1876
Rhea	1823	1815	1823	1808	1808	1825
Roane	1824	1810	1801	1801	1801	1802
Robertson	1844	1832	1796	1796	1839	1796
Rutherford	1845	1849	1804	1804	1804	1804

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Scott	1858	1850	1856 <i>note 7</i>	1850	1854	1892
Sequatchie	1869	1898	1858	1858	1858	1858
Sevier	1854	1850	1856	1845	1856	1849
Shelby		1828		1821 <i>note 8</i>	1820	1820
Smith	1825	1811	1799	1799	1838	1805
Stewart	1865	1821	1804	1796	1849 <i>note 9</i>	1812
Sullivan	1852	1879	1861	1775	1863	1838
Sumner	1826	1810	1787	1793	1787	1789
Tipton	1854	1832	1823	1824	1840	1824
Trousdale	1906	1906	1906	1905	1906	1905
Unicoi	1876	1876	1875	1876	1876	1876
Union	None	None	1854	1856	1864	1859
Van Buren	1868	1840	1840	1840	1840	1840
Warren	1847	1842	1848	1810	1852	1827
Washington	1836	1809	1778	1782	1787	1779
Wayne	1861	1851	1848	1821	1857	1848
Weakley	1827	1844	1828	1822	1843	1828
White	1842	1859	1806	1801	1806	1806
Williamson	1825	1810	1800	1799	1800	1800
Wilson	1837	1810	1803	1789	1802	1802

NOTES:

- **#1** : None before 1894
- **#2** : A few earlier ones in WP
- **#3** : 1818 - 1823

- **#4** : 1824 - 1827 WPA
- **#5** : 1824 - 1860 WPA
- **#6** : 1826 - 1833 WPA
- **#7** : 1850 - 1855 WPA
- **#8** :Deed index only
- **#9** :1838 - 1848 WPA