

# Mississippi

## African American

### *Mississippi Freedmen's Bureau Records Index.*

Microfiche	12 fiche		Microfiche	Mississippi
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Following the Civil War former slaves had the opportunity to enter into work contracts with planters. The contracts were a means to insure equitable payment for their labor, and the Freedmen's Bureau administered the contracts from 1865 to 1872.

This index covers the years 1865–1867. It is the point of access to rolls 43–50 of Series M826 and roll 25 Series M999. The latter involves those the records from Tennessee which includes some from Mississippi. Some 36,000 ex-slaves are featured in these labor contracts. In the 1860 census there 436,631 slaves in Mississippi so coverage is not extensive.

The contracts include the name of former slave, the location of their work such as the county and/or name of plantation, ages if given, family relationships, employers, terms of their pay such as in money and/or in crops, and in some instances their health.

The index consists of the following fields:

mfloc: the National Archives roll number and the contract number assigned by the staff in the Mississippi Department of Archives and History

when: the date of the contract

planter: the employer or his agent

county: the place where the plantation was located or the place of residence of the planter

plantation: a specific name which was usually the surname of the planter; if it is not the same name, it is the name of the plantation. Names of railroads or companies employing ex-slaves would also appear in this column.

freedman: the name of the individual agreeing to work for a wage; the name may include a descriptor such as Old George or Big Sarah

age: age of the freedman

dependent: children, the elderly, the infirm

remarks: such as a married couple, a family, a spouse, parents of a child; health or physical condition of the freedmen; or if previously part of a planter's estate. The index may be searched by freedman, planter, or name of plantation.

### *Records of the Assistant Commissioner for the State of Mississippi, Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865–69.*

Microfilm		NARA M826	Locality	Mississippi
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## Census

### *Mississippi State Census Records, 1792–1866.*

Microfilm	3 rolls		Census	Mississippi
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There are territorial and state census records for the following counties and years.

Adams 1816, 1818, 1823 (statistics), 1830 (Natchez only), 1841, 1853 (excluding Natchez)

Amite 1810, 1816, 1820, 1824 (statistics), 1830 (statistics), 1833 (statistics), 1845, 1853

Attala 1841

Bainbridge (now Covington) 1823

Baldwin [i.e., Baldwin Co., Ala.] 1810, 1816

Boliver 1841, 1866

Chickasaw 1837, 1841

Choctaw 1837, 1840 (statistics), 1860, and one undated  
 Claiborne 1810, 1816, 1822 (statistics), 1823 (statistics), 1825 (statistics), 1866  
 Clarke [i.e., Clarke Co., Ala.] 1816  
 Clarke 1841 (statistics), 1853  
 Coahoma 1841  
 Copiah 1822 (statistics), 1824 (statistics), 1825 (statistics), 1841, 1853  
 Covington 1823 (statistics), 1841  
 DeSota 1841 (statistics)  
 Franklin 1816, 1820, 1833 (statistics), 1841  
 Greene 1816, 1825 (statistics), 1841 (statistics), 1853  
 Hancock 1823 (statistics), 1825 (statistics), 1830 (statistics), 1840 (statistics), 1853  
 Hinds 1824 (statistics), 1825 (statistics), 1841 (statistics), 1850  
 Holmes 1866  
 Isaquena 1866  
 Itawamba 1837, 1841, 1853, 1860  
 Jackson 1825, 1841 (statistics)  
 Jasper 1866  
 Jefferson 1805, 1808, 1810, 1816, 1823 (statistics), 1825 (statistics), 1841 (statistics), 1853, 1866  
 Jones 1837, 1841, 1853  
 Kemper 1837, 1841 (statistics)  
 Lauderdale 1841 (statistics), 1853  
 Lawrence 1823, 1824 (statistics), 1825 (statistics), 1830 (statistics), 1841  
 Leake 1841  
 Lowndes 1837  
 Madison 1841  
 Marion 1816, 1820, 1823 (statistics), 1825, 1841, 1866  
 Marshall 1841  
 Monroe [i.e., Monroe Co., Ala.] 1816  
 Neshoba 1841, 1845  
 Newton 1845  
 Noxubee 1841 (totals), 1845, 1853  
 Oktibbeha 1837, 1841, 1845  
 Panola 1837, 1841, 1845  
 Perry 1823 (statistics), 1825 (statistics), 1841 (statistics), 1845, 1853  
 Pike 1816, 1820, 1825 (statistics), 1830, 1841 (statistics), 1845 (statistics)  
 Pontotoc 1837, 1845  
 Rankin 1845, 1853  
 Scott 1841, 1845  
 Simpson 1824 (statistics), 1825 (statistics), 1837, 1841, 1845 (statistics), 1866  
 Smith 1841, 1845, 1866  
 Sunflower 1845  
 Tallahatchie 1841, 1845 (statistics)  
 Tippah 1841, 1845 (statistics)  
 Tishomingo 1837, 1841 (statistics), 1845  
 Washington [i.e., Washington Co., Ala.] 1808, 1810  
 Washington: 1841, 1845 (statistics)  
 Wayne 1816, 1820, 1841, 1845, 1853, 1866  
 Wilkinson 1805, 1813, 1816, 1820, 1822 (statistics), 1823 (statistics), 1825, 1845  
 Winston 1837, 1845 (statistics), 1853  
 Yalobusha 1845  
 Yazoo 1824 (statistics), 1825 (statistics), 1841, 1845 (statistics)

***Mortality Schedules of Mississippi, 1850–1880.***

Microfilm	3 rolls		Locality	US
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These are microfilms of records in the Mississippi Department of Archives and History in Jackson, Mississippi. They are arranged by year, thereunder by county, and thereunder by name of decedent. The race, sex, age, and cause of death are reported for each person. The mortality schedules list individuals dying within the twelve months before the day of the census and not the entire decade.

## Counties

### *\*Copiah*

#### ***Marriage Records, 1823-1843 compiled by Mrs. Robert Chester Upton.***

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 908795	Locality	Misc.
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Item 6: This film is located with the Genealogies.

### *\*Hinds*

#### ***Deed Records.***

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 876972	Hinds	Mississippi
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Volume 2 (p. 292-end), 1839-1840.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 876973	Hinds	Mississippi
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Volume 3-4, 1833-1835.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 876978	Hinds	Mississippi
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Volume 9, 1838.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 1738321	Hinds	Mississippi
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Items 1-3: Volume 1 (p. 230-end). Volume 2 (p. 1-291) (another filming), 1829-1839.

Items 4-5: Volume 56-57 (p. 1-11), 1885-1886.

#### ***Marriage Records.***

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 878756	Hinds	Mississippi
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Index to volumes 1-5: 1823-1866, Marriages, white. Volume 1, 1823-1837.

#### **Index to Estates, 1826-1854. Compiled from the Chancery Clerk's office by Mary C. Cunningham.**

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 908795	Locality	Misc.
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### *\*Franklin*

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 879998	Franklin	Alabama
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Land index and index to land deeds, 1806-1890.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 879999	Franklin	Alabama
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General index to deeds 1890-1905.

### *\*Lafayette*

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 893622	Lafayette	Alabama
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Index to Wills, vol. 1; Will records volumes 1-2, 1843-1918.

### *\*Madison Co., Alabama (Mississippi Territory)*

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 1391868	Madison	Mississippi
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Superior Court Minutes, 1810-1819; Index. Item 1.

**\*Wilkinson**

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 876531	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Land records, vol. A, 1803-1817.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 876532	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Land records, vol. B-C, 1816-1827.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 876533	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Land records, vol. D-E, 1823-1828.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 876534	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Land records, vol. F, 1828-1830. Deed records, vol. G, 1830-1832.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 877067	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Deed records, vol. H, J, 1833-1836.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 877068	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Deed records, vol. K-L, 1836-1840.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 877069	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Deed records, vol. M, 1840-1843.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 877099	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Deed records, vol. N, 1843-1846.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 877070	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Deed records, vol. O-P, 1846-1851.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 877071	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Deed records, vol. Q-R, 1851-1860.

Microfilm	1 roll	FHL# 877072	Wilkinson	Mississippi
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Deed records, vol. S, 1860-1866.

## Immigration

*Admitted Alien Crew Lists of Vessels Arriving at Pascagoula, Mississippi, July 1903–May 1935.*

Microfilm	<u>rolls</u>	NARA M2027	Immigration	Mississippi
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## Indians—Choctaw

*Records of the Choctaw Trading House 1803–1824.*

Microfilm	6 rolls	NARA T500	Locality	Minnesota
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Included in this collection are the indent book 1805–1820, miscellaneous accounts 1803–1824, and daybooks 1808–1819.

Abstracts of the records appear in *Records of Choctaw Trading Post St. Stephens, Mississippi Territory* by Jean Strickland and Patricia N. Edwards, R929.37612/S917R. Volume I is based upon the first two roll of microfilm and volume II on the third roll.

## Land

*Mississippi Territorial Land and Court Records, 1798–1817.*

Microfilm	5 rolls		Locality	Mississippi
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*Letters Received by the Secretary of the Treasury and the General Land Office from the Surveyor General for Mississippi April 1, 1803–November 4, 1831.*

Microfilm	4 rolls	NARA M1329	Locality	Mississippi
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**Military—War of 1812 (1812–1815)**

*Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers Who Served During the War of 1812 in Organizations from the Territory of Mississippi.*

Microfilm	22 rolls	NARA M678	Locality	Mississippi
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The compiled service records pertain to soldiers from Mississippi Territory which in 1812 encompassed the area of present day states of Alabama and Mississippi. The records consist of abstracts of entries pertaining to a soldier based on the muster rolls and payrolls and originals of any papers relating to a particular soldier. The records are arranged by unit and thereunder alphabetically by soldier's name.

**Military—Mexican War (1846–1848)**

*Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers Who Served During the Mexican War in Organizations from the State of Mississippi.*

Microfilm	9 rolls	NARA M863	Locality	Mississippi
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**Military—Civil War (1861–1865) Union**

*Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Mississippi.*

Microfilm	4 rolls	NARA M404	Locality	Mississippi
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*Index to Compiled Military Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served from the State of Mississippi.*

Microfilm	1 roll	NARA M389	Locality	Mississippi
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**Military—Civil War (1861–1865) Confederate**

*Mississippi. Auditor's Office. Confederate Soldiers & Sailors, Widows Pension Applications.*

Microfilm	94 rolls		Locality	Mississippi
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These files are arranged alphabetically. The names of the pensioner are set forth in the three-volume index by Betty Couch Wiltshire, *Mississippi Confederate Pension Applications*, R929.3762/W756M/1994. Mississippi's first Confederate pension law was enacted in 1888. It provided \$30 for sailors and soldiers who had lost a limb or had been incapacitated from wounds received in action. Applicants had to be indigent. Widows of veterans who had been killed in action were also eligible. Coverage also extended to servants of veterans who had lost a limb or become incapacitated and become indigent.

In addition to the routine data to be found in pension applications, the applicant was requested to provide the names of any sons between the ages of 16 and 21 or other relations "whose legal and moral duty it is to provide for you."

***Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Mississippi.***

Microfilm	4 rolls	NARA M269	Locality	Mississippi
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The library owns rolls 26, 27, 79, and 84.

## **Military—World War I**

***Master Alphabetical Index World War Veterans, Army, 1917–1918.***

Microfilm	2 rolls		Locality	Mississippi
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## **Miscellaneous**

***Mississippi Provincial Archives.***

Microfilm	29 rolls		Locality	Mississippi
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The Mississippi provincial archives are arranged by the European power which ruled the colony. The records for the French dominion cover 1612–1763, those of the English for 1763–1783, and those of Spanish for 1757–1820.

In the French subseries, published portions appear in *Mississippi Provincial Archives: French Dominion*, R976.902/M6778M, in five volumes.

In the English subseries, volume I has the list of inhabitants of Mobile who took the oath of allegiance and fidelity to His Britannic Majesty, King George III, on 2 October 1765. Volume IV contains the registers of births, christenings, and burials at Pensacola, Florida for 1768–1770. These have been published by Winston De Ville, *British Burials and Births on the Gulf Coast: Records of the Church of England in West Florida, 1768–1770*, R929.37599/D494B/1986. Volumes V and VI include the land grants in West Florida, volume IX includes the lands surveyed on the Mississippi River 1767–1771, and volume X includes land grants and deeds for 1765–1783. Dunbar Rowland edited one volume of the *Mississippi Provincial Archives, English Dominion*, R976.9/M678M.

In the Spanish subseries is the 1792 census of the district of Natchez. It has been transcribed in *Residents of the Mississippi Territory Miscellaneous Book 2A* by Jean Strickland and Patricia N. Edwards, R929.3762/S917R/1995/2A/pp. 127–155.

***Stella Golden, Mississippi Provincial Archives: Spanish Dominion.***

Microfilm	2 rolls		Locality	Mississippi
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## **Naturalization**

***Naturalization Records of U.S. District Courts in the Southeast, 1790–1958: Mississippi.***

Microfilm	6 rolls	NARA	Locality	US
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This set pertains to Alabama (#1–17), Florida (#17–42), Georgia (#43–61, 100–102, 104–105), Kentucky (#62–75), Mississippi (#75–79, 103), North Carolina (#79–82), South Carolina (#83–92, 106), and Tennessee (#93–100).

## **Taxation**

***Internal Revenue Assessment Lists for Mississippi 1865–1866.***

Microfilm	3 rolls	NARA M775	Locality	Mississippi
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***Mississippi Tax Rolls.***

Microfilm	<u>rolls</u>		Locality	Mississippi
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**Vital Records—Deaths**

***Mississippi Death Certificate Index [1912–1943].***

Microfilm	8 rolls		Locality	Mississippi
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The index to Mississippi deaths is arranged chronologically. The first segment covers the span of years 1912–1924. The names of the decedents in that span are arranged in alphabetical order followed by the county of death, a “w” for white or a “c” for colored, the death certificate number, and the last two digits of the year of death.

Subsequent annual indexes exist for 1925–1943. They are arranged by the Soundex system followed by the surname, forename, middle initial, the numerical code for the county of death, the number one for white or the number two for colored, and the death certificate number.

The Mississippi county codes are:

Adams = 1  
Alcorn = 2  
Amite = 3  
Attala = 4  
Benton = 5  
Bolivar = 6  
Calhoun = 7  
Carroll = 8  
Chickasaw = 9  
Choctaw = 10  
Claiborne = 11  
Clarke = 12  
Clay = 13  
Coahoma = 14  
Copiah = 15  
Covington = 16  
DeSoto = 17  
Forrest = 18  
Franklin = 19  
George = 20  
Granada = 22  
Greene = 21  
Hancock = 23  
Harrison = 24  
Hines = 25  
Holmes = 26  
Humphreys = 27  
Issaquena = 28  
Itawamba = 29  
Jackson = 30  
Jasper = 31  
Jefferson = 32  
Kemper = 33  
Lafayette = 34  
Lamar = 35  
Lauderdale = 36  
Lawrence = 37  
Leake = 38

Lee = 39  
 Leflore = 40  
 Lincoln = 41  
 Lowndes = 42  
 Madison = 43  
 Marion = 44  
 Marshall = 45  
 Monroe = 46  
 Neshoba = 47  
 Newton = 48  
 Noxubee = 49  
 Oktibbeha = 50  
 Panola = 51  
 Pearl River = 52  
 Perry = 53  
 Pike = 54  
 Pontotoc = 55  
 Prentiss = 56  
 Quitman = 57  
 Rankin = 58  
 Scott = 59  
 Sharkey = 60  
 Simpson = 61  
 Smith = 62  
 Stone = 63  
 Sunflower = 64  
 Tallahatchie = 65  
 Tate = 66  
 Tippah = 67  
 Tishomongo = 68  
 Tunica = 69  
 Union = 70  
 Walthall = 71  
 Warren = 72  
 Washington = 73  
 Wayne = 74  
 Webster = 75  
 Wilcoxson = 76  
 Winston = 77  
 Yalobusha = 78  
 Yazoo = 79

## Vital Records—Marriages

### *Mississippi Marriages prior to 1926.*

Microfilm	169 rolls		Locality	Mississippi
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This collection of Mississippi marriages contains records dating from 1807 to 1926. The records are arranged on the Soundex system by the name of the groom. There is no access by the bride unless the name of bridegroom is known. Each record contains the names of the parties, the date of the record, the county where the marriage occurred, and the citation to the volume and page in the county record book where the original can be found.



There are two sections. Rolls 1 to 58 involve marriages between Caucasians. Rolls 1A to 89A involve inter-racial marriages and colored marriages, although some Caucasoid marriages are also amongst them. The term colored connoted American Indian and Negroid parties. It should be noted that no one county is completely represented for the entire period 1807 to 1926. The dates merely reflect the possible span of years of coverage.

\* denotes film owned by the LDS Church but on indefinite loan to the Genealogy Section.