

Research Guides

Land Records

Deeds were recorded beginning on May 10, 1729, in Lancaster County. Early land records, which include applications, warrants, surveys, and patents, are available at the [Pennsylvania State Archives](#) in Harrisburg.

LancasterHistory.org holds microfilm copies of grantee and grantor indices for 1729-1894 and deed books dating from 1729-1894 and 1935-1958. To access deeds since 1958, researchers should visit the [Lancaster County Archives Division](#) or visit the [Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds website](#). The LancasterHistory.org Archives holds original property tax records for Lancaster City and most Lancaster County townships from the mid-19th century into the 1930s (dates and availability of records vary).

Researchers can also consult the resources available onsite in the Research Library:

18th Century

- Duffin, *Guide to the Mortgages of the General Loan Office of the Province of Pennsylvania, 1724-1756* (929.37481 D857g)
- Egle, ed. *Early Pennsylvania Land Records: Minutes of the Board of Property of the Province of Pennsylvania* (929.34 E31)
- Gilbert, *The Warrant Maps of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania: Including an Every-Name Index* (LC 910 G464)
- Hawbaker, *Warantee Township Maps of Lancaster County* (LC 016 H389)
- Hawbaker and Groff, *A New Index, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, before the Federal Census* 5 vols. (300 H389)
- Lancaster County Direct Tax of 1798 (microfilm drawer no. 6)
- Lancaster County Mortgage Index, 1729-1940 (microfilm drawer no. 5)
- Lancaster County Township Tax Records, ca. 1750-1846 (microfilm drawer no. 6)
- Lancaster County Warrant Register (microfilm drawer no. 15)
- Martin, *Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, Land Records, 1729-1750 and Land Warrants, 1710-1742*(LC 333.3 M382)
- Mayhill, *Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, Deed Abstracts & Revolutionary War Oaths of Allegiance; Deed Books "A" through "M", 1729 through ca. 1770, with Adjoining Landowners & Witnesses*(929.34 M469)
- [Pennsylvania Archives](#) Series 2, vol. 19 and Series 3, vols. 1, 3, and 24 (974.8 P415a)

- Stemmons and Stemmons, comps., *Pennsylvania in 1780: A Statewide Index of circa 1780 Pennsylvania Taxlist* (929.35 S824)
- Weinberg and Slattery, comps., *Warrants and Surveys of the Province of Pennsylvania Including the Three Lower Counties, 1759* (929.34 W423)

19th Century

- *Atlas of Surveys of the County of Lancaster, State of Pennsylvania: Compiled from Actual Surveys, City and County Records* (1899)
- *Bridgens' Atlas of Lancaster Co., Penna.* (1864)
- Everts and Stewart, *1875 Historical Atlas of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania*
- Hawbaker, *Index to the Joshua Scott Map of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, January 1, 1824* (LC 016 H389s)
- Index of Original Deeds (1746-1911) held in historical society Archives (Access database)
- Lancaster City and County Directories
- Lancaster City Warrants, 1835-1891
- Lancaster County Direct Tax of 1815 (Archives)
- Lancaster County Mortgage Books, 1812-1848 (microfilm drawer no. 5)
- Lancaster County Mortgage Index, 1729-1940 (microfilm drawer no. 5)
- Lancaster County Township Tax Records, ca. 1750-1846 (microfilm drawer no. 6)

20th Century

- Lancaster City and County Directories
- Lancaster County Mortgage Index, 1729-1940 (microfilm drawer no. 5)