

Warren County, Ohio, Tax Records

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Tax records can provide information about property ownership and real estate that can lead to other records such as deeds or probate records. Inclusion in these types of records can prove the person was alive and in that locality for the year preceding the year of tax filing. It can also be used to distinguish people who might have the same name but pay taxes on different property. Tax records might contain information on the death of the landowner or his spouse, the distribution of land to heirs when the will is probated, a livestock count or a detailed description of the land. There are three main types of taxes to search.

- Poll Tax: This taxes every man over 21 years and every servant over 16 years. They did not have to own property to be taxed. This is sometimes known as a Head Tax.
- Personal Property Tax: This taxes personal property. Sometime known as a Chattel tax and might include the following: horses, sheep, cattle, pigs, slaves, carriages, watches, windows, built in closets, and tea. (Warren County did not have slaves, but the other types of items might be taxed).
- Real Estate Tax: This tax is for land or property. All real estate was taxed. You might find the name of landowner listed as well as any males eligible to vote, the number of school age children, the rate of assessment and the taxes collected.

Early Tax lists in Warren County are typically broken down in Lands, Town Lots, and Chattel Tax Lists. Each tax year varies but in general they "MIGHT" contain the following type of information:

- Land: Proprietor, range, township, section, acres, value, house description, and value
- Town Lots: Proprietor, town name, lot numbers, buildings, and values
- Chattel Tax: Owner, # of horses and value, # of cattle and value. (Additional items are listed in later tax years.)

In addition to the above types of taxes, make sure to also check for delinquent tax duplicates and inheritance tax duplicates. If your ancestor failed to pay taxes they could be listed in the delinquent records and be mentioned in the newspapers.

Below is a comprehensive list of tax records available for Warren County, Ohio. The Warren County Genealogical Society (WCGS) has indexed some of these, although previous indexes listed names and pages that referred to copies of the records held in their Resource Library.

W. Winston Cochrane has dedicated years creating NEW indexes with much more information. The *Warren County, Ohio, Combined Tax Lists 1826-1832* has just been released and others are in progress. These indexes are being grouped by a range of years and allow you to track your research subject through time. Using the information provided, you can also pin down the location of the land described in the Tax Record by matching it up to the Warren County Township, Range, and Section Map.

Also included in the new indexes is a reference to the Film and / or Image Group Number at FamilySearch.org and the Image Number. The list below provides direct links to these records.

Please see the following PDFs for the new Indexes:

Warren County, Ohio, Combined Tax Lists 1806-1825
Warren County, Ohio, Combined Tax Lists 1826-1832

Please see the *Warren County Township, Range, and Section Map* to help you locate the property being taxed.

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State of Ohio, Tax Duplicates, available at FamilySearch.org that include what is now Warren County:

Note	Film	Image Group Number (DGS)	Link
1801	522837	4849182	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849182
1803-1805			Books Missing
1806	522838 Item 4	4849183	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849183
1807	522839 Item 5	4849184	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849184
1808			Book Missing (Some entries found in film listed below.)
1808	522840 Items 3-4	4849185	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849185
1809	522842	4849187	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849187
1810	534818	4849285	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849285
1811	522843	4849188	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849188
1811	522844	4849189	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849189
1812	514124	4848995	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004848995
1812	514125	4848996	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004848996
1813	514126	4848997	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004848997
1813	514127	4848998	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004848998
1814	514128	4848999	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004848999
1814	514129	4849000	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849000
1815			Book Missing

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Note	Film	Image Group Number (DGS)	Link
1816-1826	514202	4849171	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849171
1827-1828	534810	4849282	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849282
1829-1830	534811	4849283	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849283
1831-1832	514203	4849172	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849172
1833-1834	514204	4849178	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849178
1835	534812	4849284	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849284
1836-1838	522500	4849180	https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/film/004849180

The [Warren County Records Center & Archives](#) holds 44 Volumes of Tax Duplicates covering the years 1827-1934. The [Warren County Treasurer's Office](#) holds Tax Duplicates covering more recent years.

The Tax Lists page on our original website still has a few lists that may be helpful. The information in this document is current as of May 6, 2026, and supersedes any conflicting information provided on that webpage.

<https://wgcsoh.org/taxlistmain.htm>

Warren County Research documents, including this one, have been compiled from numerous sources. We thank those whose hard work and invaluable information has been referenced and updated for use here. – *Jo Roth*
 Dana Palmer, *Researching in Warren County, Ohio: A Guide to Genealogical Resources* (2013)
 Dana Palmer, Webmaster of our original website (2001-2015)
 Arne Trelvik, Webmaster of our original website (2007-2018)
 W. Winston Cochran, compiler of the NEW Tax List Indexes
 Tori Otten, Warren County Records Center & Archives