



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT of COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

RESEARCHING FILES AT HPD

Available for researchers by appointment only – please call ahead at 404-486-6377. Research times vary depending on HPD Staff availability. Files available for research purposes include:

Architects and Builders in Georgia

The information primarily covers biographical data on architects and builders who worked in Georgia from the 1800s to the 1960s. The list is available at: <https://www.dca.ga.gov/node/8568>

Historic Bridge Survey

This survey is produced by the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). GDOT is currently updating their site. If you need access to this information contact er@dca.ga.gov

Centennial Farms (by county)

Centennial Farms files contain research submitted by owners including histories of each farm.

HABS/HAER

A selection of reduced plans and black & white photos of HABS survey in Georgia from 1935. HPD does NOT own copyright and cannot offer prints for use. Library of Congress owns originals. These can be accessed at: [HABS/HAER/HALS \(nps.gov\)](https://www.nps.gov/habs/haer/hals)

Historic Resources Survey (by county)

Physical survey files are organized by county, and the surveys are keyed to maps; most have an accompanying survey report. Physical survey forms include photographs or slides. The physical files also contain a State-Owned Buildings Survey (organized by state agency). Surveys from 2005 to the present are digitized, meaning the survey forms and photographs are available in GNAHRGIS www.gnahrgis.org. HPD has a physical copy of the survey reports and maps from 2005 to 2024; all surveys after 2024 are completely digital. Select pre-2005 surveys have been digitized and are in GNAHRGIS, please see the File User's Guide for more information available at: <https://dca.georgia.gov/community-assistance/historic-preservation/historic-resource-surveys>

Identified Sites (by county)

These files contain a variety of materials on historic places in Georgia. Some of the files include material submitted for listing in the National Register. Names may vary if project was never finalized.

Multiple Property Documentation Form (MPDF)

An MPDF is a cover document and not a National Register Nomination. It serves as a basis for evaluating the National Register eligibility of related properties. An MPDF may be used to nominate thematically-related historic properties simultaneously or to establish the registration requirements for properties that may be nominated in the future. HPD has several of these on file see **Topical (by subject)** below or ask HPD staff.

National Register Listed Properties (by county and official name of the nomination)

Complete National Register nomination is included in the file (text, maps, slides, photographs, etc.) The first researched sites in Georgia date to 1969. Materials will reflect the age of the documentation.

Topical (by subject)

More than 100 topics such as architectural style, religious camp meetings, railroad depots, synagogues, and Women's History Project are included in these files. The list is available at: <https://www.dca.ga.gov/node/8569>

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