

Directories

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Directories are useful for locating ancestors who may have moved between censuses – especially if they lived in a large urban area. The print volumes listed below are available on request and the fiche publications are held in the Dundas Room.

All Scotland

Directory to noblemen and gentlemen's seats, villages, etc in Scotland	DR 009.000
A directory of landownership in Scotland c1770	SH 015.001.05
Directory of former Scottish commonties	SH 015.001.02
MacDonald's Scottish directory and gazetteer (1925)	DR 008.019.25
MacDonald's Scottish directory and gazetteer (1929)	DR 008.019.29
Royal National Directory (Slater's directory) (2 vols, c1900)	DR 007.000
Royal National Directory (Slater's directory) (1915)	DR 007.001
Scottish directory and gazetteer [1923]	DR 008.019.23

County directories

The county directory of Scotland [1857]	DR 006.018.57
The county directory of Scotland 1882-1885 (including the portion of north Northumberland postally connected with Scotland)	DR 006.018.82
The county directory of Scotland for 1893-1896	DR 006.018.93
The county directory of Scotland for 1901-1904	DR 006.019.01
The county directory of Scotland [1912]	DR 006.019.12

Local directories

Please note that the Library does not hold complete runs of Post Office directories. Covering dates are given below - if a directory isn't available for the year you have requested the Repository Assistants will bring the volume that is closest to it.

Aberdeen

Post Office	1886/87 to 1981/82	DR 011 (+ year)
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Dundee

Post Office	1882/83 to 1974	DR 015 (+ year)
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Edinburgh and Leith

A directory of Edinburgh in 1752	DR 016.017.52
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Williamson's directory for the City of Edinburgh, Canongate, Leith and suburbs from the 25th May 1773 to 25th May 1774, being the first published. Reprinted in exact facsimile with a prefatory note.	DR 016.017.73
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Gray's annual directory 1832-33 [on 3 microfiche]	DR 016.018.32
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Alphabetical list of streets, etc, in the City of Edinburgh with references to the registration districts in which they are respectively situated [microfiche]	DR 016.018.59
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Municipal and parochial directory and voter's guide for Edinburgh and Leith	DR 016.100
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Post Office	1808/09, 1822/23, 1842/43	DR 016.018 (fiche)
[Microfiche]	1851/52, 1861/62, 1875/76	
Post Office	1817/18, 1835, 1844,	DR 016 (+ year)
[Print volumes]	1850/51-1975	

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Glasgow	
John Tait's directory for the City of Glasgow, villages of Anderton, Calton and Gorbals; also for the towns of Paisley, Greenock, Port-Glasgow and Kilmarnock, from the 15th May 1783 to the 15th May 1784 [facsimile edition]	DR 018.001
The Glasgow almanack for the year 1786 [Microfiche]	DR 018.017.86
Directories for 1787, 1789, 1790, 1801 - 1885/86	DR 018.000 (fiche)
Reprint of Jones's directory or useful pocket companion for the year 1787 [Microfiche]	DR 018.003
A guide to Glasgow addresses, part 1, 1700-1825: Merchant City	T 385.200.01
A guide to Glasgow addresses, part 2, 1826-1950: industrial city	T 385.200.02
A guide to Glasgow addresses 1837-1945	T 385.199
Alphabetical list of streets, etc, in the City of Glasgow with references to the registration districts in which they are respectively situated [1855, microfiche]	DR 018.020
A complete parochial street directory of Glasgow [1883]	DR 018.004
Parochial street directory of Glasgow and suburbs [1894]	DR 018.021
Post Office 1865/66-1978/79	DR 018 (+ year)
Greenock	
Greenock Post Office directory, 1914-1915	DR 020.019.14
The Greenock and district directory (including Port-Glasgow and Gourock), 1932-33	DR 020.019.32
Helensburgh	
Helensburgh directory 1905-1906	DR 020.500
Paisley	
Paisley street and parish guide [1907]	DR 020.800
Shetland	
Manson's Shetland almanac and directory for 1945-6	DR 017.000

See also:

Library guide – [Places](#) for details of gazetteers and maps and plans.

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