

COUNTIES IN NEW MEXICO

Church records are kept my county. New Mexico now has 33 counties but, as you will see in the following table, county lines have changed since 1852.

DATE CREATED	COUNTY NAME	WHEN WAS THE COUNTY ESTABLISHED?
9 Jan 1852	Bernalillo	Original county
9 Jan 1852	Doña Ana	Original county
9 Jan 1852	Rio Arriba	Original county
9 Jan 1852	San Miguel	Original county
9 Jan 1852	Santa Ana	Original county (in 1876 it was annexed under Bernalillo county)
9 Jan 1852	Santa Fe	Original county
9 Jan 1852	Socorro	Original county
9 Jan 1852	Taos	Original county
9 Jan 1852	Valencia	Original county
1 Feb 1860	Mora	Formed from part of Taos county
30 Jan 1868	Grant	Formed from part of Doña Ana county
18 Jan 1869	Lincoln	Formed from part of Socorro county
25 Jan 1869	Colfax	Formed from part of Mora county
3 Apr 1884	Sierra	Formed from parts of Doña Ana and Socorro counties
24 Jan 1887	San Juan	Formed from part of Rio Arriba county
25 Feb 1887	Eddy	Formed from part of Lincoln county
25 Feb 1889	Chaves	Formed from part of Lincoln county
26 Feb 1891	Guadalupe	Formed from parts of San Miguel county (had previously been called Leonard Wood county from 1903-1905)
13 Feb 1893	Union	Formed from parts of Colfax, Mora and San Miguel counties
30 Jan 1899	Otero	Formed from parts of Doña Ana and Lincoln counties
23 Feb 1899	McKinley	Formed from part of Bernalillo county
16 Mar 1901	Luna	Formed from parts of Doña Ana and Grant counties
28 Jan 1903	Quay	Formed from part of Guadalupe county
28 Feb 1903	Roosevelt	Formed from parts of Chaves and Guadalupe counties
10 Mar 1903	Sandoval	Formed from part of Bernalillo county
16 Mar 1903	Torrance	Formed from parts of Bernalillo, Socorro and Valencia counties
25 Feb 1909	Curry	Formed from parts of Quay and Roosevelt counties
28 Feb 1917	De Baca	Formed from parts of Chaves and Guadalupe counties
7 Mar 1917	Lea	Formed from parts of Chaves and Eddy counties

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25 Feb 1919	Hidalgo	Formed from part of Grant county
25 Feb 1921	Catron	Formed from part of Socorro county
4 Mar 1921	Harding	Formed from parts of Mora and Union counties
16 Mar 1949	Los Alamos	Formed from parts of Sandoval and Santa Fe counties
19 Jun 1981	Cibola	Formed from parts of Valencia, Socorro, McKinley and Catron counties