

# Register of admissions – Industrial School, Magill and Edwardstown

1886 – 1929

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## Details

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These six volumes of Registers of admissions to the Industrial School deal with admissions to both the Magill Industrial School (1869-1898) and Edwardstown Industrial School (1898-1950). Related Homes include Magill Industrial School (1869 – 1898) and Edwardstown Industrial School (1898 – 1950).

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## Records

Volume 1: Date in top left hand corner. Entries over two pages. Left hand page: (1) Number; (2) Name; (3) Age; (4) Ship (5) How long in Australian colonies; (6) Date of arrival in South Australia; (7) Late place of residence; (8) What relatives in the colony, where living, earnings and occupation. Right hand page: (9) Nationality, (10) Religion, (11) Recommendation, (12) Reasons for requiring admission, (13) Date of admission, (14) Date of leaving, (15) Where gone to.

Volumes 2-6: Date in top left hand corner. Left hand page: (1) Number; (2) Name; (3) Age; (4) Date of birth; (5) Late place of residence; (6) What relatives in the State, where Living, Earnings and Occupation; (7) Religion. Right hand page: (8) Court of committal, (9) Reasons for admission etc, (10) Date of admission, (11) Date of leaving, (12) Where gone to. Notes on contents – (6) What relatives: Sometimes includes subjective assessment

of parents background, such as 'of low character'; (9) Reasons for admission: usually 'neglected', 'uncontrollable', 'illegitimate' or 'destitute'. Re-admissions are also included. (12) Where gone to: From 1921, after establishment of Seaforth Home, many transfers to and from that institution. Date range – 1886-1892, 1898-1908, 1913-1929.

Sadly there are missing volumes for the periods 1893-1897 and 1909-1912. According to State records ArchivesSearch these were used as 'waste paper in connection the war effort' in 1944.

## More info

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### Organisations in these records

#### Related Organisations

- [Edwardstown Industrial School \(1898 - 1949\)](#)

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