



Regional Studies of Arab Americans

Although not exhaustive, this guide provides starting points by including the most useful sources for both beginning researchers and experienced scholars. Most titles are linked to their entry in the Russell J. Ebeid Library & Resource Center at the Arab American National Museum.

Metro Detroit:

[Arab Detroit: From Margin to Mainstream](#), edited by Nabeel Abraham and Andrew Shryock. Detroit: Wayne State Univ. Press, 2000.

[Arab Detroit 9/11: Life in the Terror Decade](#), edited by Nabeel Abraham, Sally Howell, and Andrew Shryock. Detroit: Wayne State Univ. Press, 2011.

[Arab Americans in Metro Detroit: A Pictorial History](#), by Anan Ameri. Chicago: Arcadia Pub., 2001.

[Arab Americans in Michigan](#), by Rosina Hassoun. Discovering the Peoples of Michigan Series. Lansing, MI: Michigan State Univ. Press, 2005.

“Attachment and Identity: The Palestinian Community of Detroit,” by May Seikaly. In [Arabs in America: Building a New Future](#), edited by Michael W. Suleiman. Pp. 25–38. Philadelphia: Temple Univ. Press, 1999.

[Citizenship and Crisis: Arab Detroit After 9/11](#), by the Detroit Arab American Study Team. New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2009.

“Cracking Down on Diaspora: Arab Detroit and America’s ‘War on Terror,’” by Sally Howell and Andrew Shryock. [Anthropological Quarterly](#) 76.3 (2003): 443–462.

“The Southeast Dearborn Arab Community Struggles for Survival against Urban ‘Renewal,’” by Barbara Aswad. In [Arabic Speaking Communities in American Cities](#). Pp. 53–83. New York: Center for Migration Studies of New York and Association of Arab-American University Graduates, 1974.

Other Regions:

[Arab-American Faces and Voices: The Origins of an Immigrant Community](#), by Elizabeth Boosahda. Austin, TX: Univ. of Texas Press, 2003.

[Arab Americans in Toledo: Cultural Assimilation and Community Involvement](#), edited by Samir Abu-Absi. Toledo, OH: Univ. of Toledo Press, 2010.

“Arab San Francisco: On Gender, Cultural Citizenship, and Belonging,” by Nadine Naber. PhD diss, University of California, Davis, 2002.

[Cedars by the Mississippi: The Lebanese-Americans in the Twin-Cities](#), by Viviane Doche-Boulos. San Francisco: R & E Research Associates, 1978.

“‘Colored’ and Catholic: The Lebanese in Birmingham, Alabama,” by Nancy Faires Conklin and Nora Faires. In [Crossing the Waters: Arabic-speaking Immigrants in the United States Before 1940](#), edited by Eric J. Hooglund. Pp. 69–84. Washington, DC: Smithsonian Institution Press, 1987.

[Community of Many Worlds: Arab Americans in New York City](#), edited by Kathleen Benson and Philip Kayal. New York: Museum of City of New York/ Syracuse Univ. Press, 2002.

“Egyptian Americans in the Washington, DC Area,” by Lois T. Keck. In [Arab Americans: Continuity and Change](#), edited by Baha Abu-Laban and Michael Suleiman. Pp. 103–126. Belmont, MA: Association of Arab-American University Graduates, 1989.

[Emigration from Syria and the Syrian-Lebanese Community of Worcester, MA](#), by Najib E. Saliba. Ligonier, PA: Antakya Press, 1992.

[The Last Harvest: The Yemenis of the San Joaquin](#), produced and written by Jonathan Friedlander. Filmed and edited by Erik Friedl. [videorecording], 2012.

[Los Árabes of New Mexico: Compadres from a Distant Land](#), by Monika White Ghattas. Santa Fe, NM: Sunstone Press, 2012.

“Middle Easterners: A New Kind of Immigrant,” by Mehdi Bozorgmehr, Claudia Der-Martirosian, and Georges Sabagh. In [Ethnic Los Angeles](#), edited by Roger David Waldinger and Mehdi Bozorgmehr. Pp. 345–378. New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 1996.

[Prairie Peddlers: The Syrian-Lebanese in North Dakota](#), by William C. Sherman. Bismarck, ND: Univ. of Mary Press, 2002.

[Strangers in the West: The Syrian Colony of New York City, 1880-1900](#), by Linda K. Jacobs. New York: Kalimah Press, 2015.

[The Syrian and Lebanese Texans](#). San Antonio: University of Texas at San Antonio, Institute of Texan Cultures, 1974.

[Taking Root, Bearing Fruit: The Arab-American Experience](#) (Vol. I and II), edited by James Zogby. Washington, DC: American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, 1984/1985.