

NCO and Musician Swords in Indiana Regiments: 1862-1863

Extracted from Quarterly Ordnance and Ordnance Stores Return -
3rd Quarter 1863 (ending 30 Sep 63)

TERM KEY:

IVI = Indiana Volunteer Infantry

MUS = Musician

NCO = Non-Commissioned Officer

<u>Regiment</u>	<u>Number/Type</u>	<u>No. of Companies in Which Distributed</u>
9th IVI	8 NCO	3
13th IVI	5 "	5
14th IVI	2 "	2
22nd IVI	4 "	2
25th IVI	4 "	4 (also 4 NCO & 2 MUS in Col's poss.)
26th IVI	6"/2 MUS	4/1
30th IVI	2"	2
31st IVI	25"	7
33rd IVI	1"	1
36th IVI	7"	7
37th IVI	8"	7 (also 2 MUS in Col's possession)
38th IVI	4"	3
46th IVI	2"	2
51st IVI	7"	4
52nd IVI	3"/6 MUS	1/4
58th IVI	15"	5
59th IVI	3"	3
63rd IVI	20"/9 MUS	6/5
66th IVI	10"	5
67th IVI	7"	7
68th IVI	6"/2 MUS	2/1
70th IVI	39"/10 MUS	10/6
72nd IVI	9"/4 MUS	3/2
74th IVI	2"/1 MUS	1/1
75th IVI	1"/1 MUS	1/1
79th IVI	1"	1
80th IVI	8"/3 MUS	2/1
81st IVI	2"/1 MUS	2/1
82nd IVI	3"/1 MUS	1/1
84th IVI	9"/7 MUS	4/4
85th IVI	18"/11 MUS	6/5

86th IVI	2"/1 MUS	2/1
97th IVI	1"	1
100th IVI	22"/8 MUS	6/4
101st IVI	12"/7 MUS	4/4

Sample Sword Numbers and Distributions

84th IVI (4th Quarter 1862, ending 31 Dec 62)

NCO	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	K	=	
	6	5	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	3		50
MUS	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	K	=	
	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	4	1			18

84th IVI (1st Quarter 1863, ending 31 Mar 63)

NCO	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	K	=	
	5	5	6	5	5		5		5	5		41
MUS	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	K	=	
	2	2	2	2	2		2		1			13

84th IVI (3rd Quarter 1863, ending 30 Sep 63)

NCO	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	K	=	
			4	2			2			1		9
MUS	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	K	=	
				1		1	1	3				6

Source: NARA Summary Statements of Quarterly Returns of Ordnance and Ordnance Stores On Hand in Regular and Volunteer Army Organizations. 1862-1867, 1870-1876.

General Observations: Available returns for 3rd Quarter 1863 show a surprising number of NCO and Musician swords listed as being on-hand in 35 Hoosier regiments despite several units having been in the field for more than two years. As late as the period covering Tullahoma and Chattanooga-Chickamauga Campaigns, some Indiana regiments were reporting significant, to nearly-complete, complements of issue swords. Among these were the 31st, 63rd, 70th, 85th, and 101st IVI's. Interestingly, *all* of these units served exclusively in the West with the exception of the 63rd IVI, which was briefly attached to the Army of the Potomac between May-September 1862 and thereafter served in the Western Theater.