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## U.S. Census Records, 1790-1940

Article 1, Section 2, of the U.S. Constitution authorized the taking of a national census in the United States every 10 years to enumerate or count the population for apportioning representatives to the lower house of Congress. The first census was conducted in 1790 and included the 13 original states as well as the districts of Kentucky, Maine, Vermont, and the Southwest Territory (Tennessee). Over time the Federal census included more detailed questions that reflected the social, ethnic, financial, and occupational status of ordinary Americans.

## Microfilm Publications, 1790-1870

The population schedules for each census year are arranged alphabetically by state or territory, then by county or other municipal subdivision (occasionally in alphabetical order).
_M637, First Census of the United States, 1790. 12 rolls.
These are the original census schedules for 1790 . Schedules for some counties are missing. No schedules are known to exist for Delaware, Georgia, Kentucky, New Jersey, Tennessee, and Virginia.
__M32, Second Census of the United States, 1800. 52 rolls.
__M252, Third Census of the United States, 1810. 71 rolls.
__M33, Fourth Census of the United States, 1820. 142 rolls.
__M19, Fifth Census of the United States, 1830. 201 rolls.
__M704, Sixth Census of the United States, 1840. 580 rolls.
M432, Seventh Census of the United States, 1850. 1009 rolls.
Slave schedules for applicable states follow the free schedules and are arranged by county.
__M653, Eighth Census of the United States, 1860. 1438 rolls.
Slave schedules for applicable states follow the free schedules and are arranged by county.
__M593, Ninth Census of the United States, 1870. 1748 rolls.
__T132, Minnesota Census Schedules for 1870. 13 rolls.

## Microfilm Publications, 1880-1930

The population schedules for each census year are arranged by state; county; town, city, or minor civil division; and beginning in 1880, enumeration district (ED). The Soundex index is available for the first time with the 1880 census.

T9, Tenth Census of the United States, 1880. 1,454 rolls. Soundex indexes for the 1880 census, listed below, only include families with children aged 10 years or younger:
__T734, Alabama. 74 rolls.
T735, Arizona. 2 rolls.
T736, Arkansas. 48 rolls.
T737, California. 34 rolls.
T738, Colorado. 7 rolls.
T739, Connecticut. 25 rolls.
T740, Dakota. 6 rolls.
_T741, Delaware. 9 rolls.
T742, District of Columbia. 9 rolls.
T743, Florida. 16 rolls.
T744, Georgia. 86 rolls.
T745, Idaho. 2 rolls.
T746, Illinois. 143 rolls.
T747, Indiana. 98 rolls.
T748, Iowa. 78 rolls.
T749, Kansas. 51 rolls.
T750, Kentucky. 83 rolls.
__T751, Louisiana. 55 rolls.
T752, Maine. 29 rolls.
_T753, Maryland. 47 rolls.
T754, Massachusetts. 70 rolls.
T755, Michigan. 73 rolls.
_T756, Minnesota. 37 rolls.
__T757, Mississippi. 69 rolls.

T758, Missouri. 114 rolls.
T759, Montana. 2 rolls.
T760, Nebraska. 22 rolls.
T761, Nevada. 3 rolls. T762, New Hampshire. 13 rolls. T763, New Jersey. 49 rolls.
T764, New Mexico. 6 rolls. T765, New York. 187 rolls. T766, North Carolina. 79 rolls. T767, Ohio. 143 rolls.
T768, Oregon. 8 rolls.
T769, Pennsylvania. 168 rolls.
T770, Rhode Island. 11 rolls.
T771, South Carolina. 56 rolls.
T772, Tennessee. 86 rolls.
T773, Texas. 77 rolls.
T774, Utah. 7 rolls.
T775, Vermont. 15 rolls.
T776, Virginia. 82 rolls.
_T777, Washington. 4 rolls.
T778, West Virginia. 32 rolls.
T779, Wisconsin. 51 rolls.
T780, Wyoming. 1 roll.
___M407, Eleventh Census of the United States, 1890. 3 rolls.
T623, Twelfth Census of the United States, 1900. 1,854 rolls. There is a Soundex index for all states:

T1030, Alabama. 180 rolls.
__T1031, Alaska. 15 rolls.
T1032, Arizona. 22 rolls.
T1033, Arkansas. 132 rolls.
T1034, California. 193 rolls.
T1035, Colorado. 68 rolls.
T1036, Connecticut. 107 rolls.
T1037, Delaware. 21 rolls.

T1038, District of Columbia. 42 rolls. T1039, Florida. 59 rolls. T1040, Georgia. 211 rolls. T1041, Hawaii. 30 rolls. T1042, Idaho. 19 rolls. T1043, Illinois. 479 rolls. T1044, Indiana. 252 rolls. T1045, Iowa. 198 rolls.

T1046, Kansas. 147 rolls. T1047, Kentucky. 198 rolls. T1048, Louisiana. 146 rolls. T1049, Maine. 79 rolls. T1050, Maryland. 127 rolls. T1051, Massachusetts. 314 rolls. T1052, Michigan. 259 rolls. T1053, Minnesota. 181 rolls. T1054, Mississippi. 155 rolls. T1055, Missouri. 300 rolls. T1056, Montana. 40 rolls. T1057, Nebraska. 107 rolls. T1058, Nevada. 7 rolls. T1059, New Hampshire. 52 rolls. T1060, New Jersey. 203 rolls. T1061, New Mexico. 23 rolls. T1062, New York. 766 rolls. __T1063, North Carolina. 168 rolls. T1064, North Dakota. 36 rolls.

T1065, Ohio. 395 rolls. T1066, Oklahoma. 43 rolls. T1067, Oregon. 53 rolls. T1068, Pennsylvania. 590 rolls. T1069, Rhode Island. 49 rolls. T1070, South Carolina. 124 rolls. T1071, South Dakota. 44 rolls. T1072, Tennessee. 187 rolls. T1073, Texas. 286 rolls. T1074, Utah. 29 rolls. T1075, Vermont. 41 rolls. T1076, Virginia. 164 rolls. T1077, Washington. 70 rolls. T1078, West Virginia. 92 rolls. T1079, Wisconsin. 188 rolls. T1080, Wyoming. 14 rolls. T1081, Military and Naval. 32 rolls. T1082, Indian Territory. 42 rolls. T1083, Institutions. 8 rolls.

T624, Thirteenth Census of the United States, 1910. 1,784 rolls. There is a Soundex index only for select states:

T1259, Alabama. 140 rolls.
_T1260, Arkansas. 139 rolls.
T1261, California. 272 rolls.
_T1262, Florida. 84 rolls.
_T1263, Georgia. 174 rolls.
T1264, Illinois. 491 rolls.
T1265, Kansas. 145 rolls.
T1266, Kentucky. 194 rolls.
__T1267, Louisiana. 132 rolls.
T1268, Michigan. 253 rolls. T1269, Mississippi. 118 rolls.

T1270, Missouri. 285 rolls. T1271, North Carolina. 178 rolls. T1272, Ohio. 418 rolls. T1273, Oklahoma. 143 rolls. T1274, Pennsylvania. 688 rolls. T1275, South Carolina. 93 rolls. T1276, Tennessee. 142 rolls. T1277, Texas. 262 rolls. T1278, Virginia. 183 rolls. T1279, West Virginia. 108 rolls.

T625, Fourteenth Census of the United States, 1920. 2,076 rolls. There is a Soundex index for all states:

M1548, Alabama. 159 rolls. M1549, Arizona. 30 rolls. M1550, Arkansas. 131 rolls. M1551, California. 327 rolls. M1552, Colorado. 80 rolls. M1553, Connecticut. 111 rolls. M1554, Delaware. 20 rolls.

M1555, District of Columbia. 49 rolls. M1556, Florida. 74 rolls.
_M1557, Georgia. 200 rolls. M1558, Idaho. 33 rolls. M1559, Illinois. 509 rolls. M1560, Indiana. 230 rolls. _M1561, Iowa. 181 rolls.

M1562, Kansas. 129 rolls. M1563, Kentucky. 180 rolls. M1564, Louisiana. 135 rolls. M1565, Maine. 67 rolls. M1566, Maryland. 126 rolls. M1567, Massachusetts. 326 rolls. M1568, Michigan. 291 rolls. M1569, Minnesota. 174 rolls. M1570, Mississippi. 123 rolls. M1571, Missouri. 269 rolls. M1572, Montana. 46 rolls. M1573, Nebraska. 96 rolls. M1574, Nevada. 9 rolls. M1575, New Hampshire. 39 rolls. M1576, New Jersey. 253 rolls. M1577, New Mexico. 31 rolls. M1578, New York. 885 rolls. M1579, North Carolina. 166 rolls. M1580, North Dakota. 48 rolls. M1581, Ohio. 476 rolls. M1582, Oklahoma. 155 rolls. M1583, Oregon. 69 rolls.

M1584, Pennsylvania. 716 rolls. M1585, Rhode Island. 53 rolls. M1586, South Carolina. 112 rolls. M1587, South Dakota. 48 rolls. M1588, Tennessee. 162 rolls. M1589, Texas. 373 rolls. M1590, Utah. 33 rolls. M1591, Vermont. 32 rolls. M1592, Virginia. 168 rolls. M1593, Washington. 118 rolls. M1594, West Virginia. 109 rolls. M1595, Wisconsin. 196 rolls. M1596, Wyoming. 17 rolls. M1597, Alaska. 6 rolls. M1598, Hawaii. 24 rolls. M1599, Canal Zone. 3 rolls. M1600, Military-Naval. 18 rolls. M1601, Puerto Rico. 165 rolls. M1602, Guam. 1 roll. M1603, American Samoa. 2 rolls. M1604, Virgin Islands. 3 rolls. _M1605, Institutions. 1 roll.

T626, Fifteenth Census of the United States, 1930. 2,667 rolls. There is a Soundex index only for select states:

M2049, Alabama. 198 rolls. M2050, Arkansas. 100 rolls. M2051, Florida. 98 rolls. M2052, Georgia. 253 rolls. M2053, Kentucky. 24 rolls [partial]. M2054, Louisiana. 146 rolls.

M2055, Mississippi. 158 rolls. M 2056, North Carolina. 169 rolls. M2057, South Carolina. 109 rolls. M2058, Tennessee. 169 rolls. M2059, Virginia. 127 rolls. M2060, West Virginia. 39 rolls [partial].

## Online Resources-1940 Census

The Sixteenth Census of the United States, 1940, is the first U.S. census to be released online in digital format. To search the census and/or download images of the population schedules, go to the National Archives web site at http://1940census.archives.gov.

