

What You'll Learn in the Census, Year by Year

Questions Asked	1790	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840	1850	1860	1870	1880	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940
Personal Information															
Name of family head only	x	x	x	x	x	x									
Headcount by age, gender, ...	x	x	x	x	x	x									
Names of all individuals							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Age							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sex							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Color							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Place of birth							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Year of birth											x				
Month of birth											x				
Relationship to family head										x	x	x	x	x	x
Marital status										x	x	x	x	x	x
Married that year							x	x	x	x	x				
No. of years present marriage											x	x			
Age at first marriage														x	
Mother how many children											x	x			
Number of children living											x	x			
Father's birthplace										x	x	x	x	x	
Mother's birthplace										x	x	x	x	x	
Deaf, blind, insane, idiotic, ...							x	x	x	x		x			
Real estate value							x	x	x						
Personal estate value								x	x						
Male citizen over 21 years									x						
Male over 21 denied vote									x						
Residency															
Visitation number of dwelling							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Visitation number of family							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Street name in city										x	x	x	x	x	x
House number in city										x	x	x	x	x	x
House owned or rented											x	x	x	x	x
Value of home if owned														x	x
Monthly rental if renting														x	x
House free or mortgaged											x	x	x		
Farm or house / Lived on farm											x	x		x	x
Residence 5 years earlier															x

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Employment															
Profession or occupation							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Employer, employee, self												x	x		
Weeks / months employed										x	x	x			x
Income															x
Public emergency worker															x
Education															
Attended school that year							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Attended college that year														x	x
Months attended school											x				
Highest grade attained															x
Can read or write							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Can speak English											x	x	x	x	
Military Service															
Civil War veteran												x			
Military veteran / Which war														x	
Nativity and Citizenship															
Naturalization status											x	x	x	x	x
Year of immigration to U.S.											x	x	x	x	
No. of years in U.S.											x				
Year of naturalization													x		
Native language												x	x	x	
Native language of father													x		
Native language of mother													x		
Father of foreign birth										x					
Mother of foreign birth										x					
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