

Researching Ancestors Using the United States Census

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U.S. Census

- Official count of a population at regular intervals
- U.S. Constitution
 - Article 1, Section 2
 - ..."The actual Enumeration shall be made within three Years after the first Meeting of the Congress of the United States, and within every subsequent Term of ten Years, in such Manner as they shall by Law direct"
 - 1790-1950
- Information not released for 72 years
- Questions varied with each census.
 - US Census Bureau – Index of Questions
 - https://www.census.gov/history/www/through_the_decades/index_of_questions/
 - NARA – Charts and Forms
 - <https://www.archives.gov/research/genealogy/charts-forms>



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Important Census Dates

- 1790- 1840
 - Only heads of household listed by name
 - Tally columns
 - Age/Gender/Race/Free/Slave
- 1840
 - Centralized Census Office created
 - Veterans Schedule
- 1850
 - All members of household enumerated by name
- 1870
 - First Census after the Civil War
- 1880
 - Relationship to head of household listed
- 1890
 - Veterans Schedule
 - Populations schedules destroyed
- 1902
 - U.S. Census Bureau created
- 1940
 - Native Americans counted in the General Population Schedule for the 1st time

What Information Can I Find on the Census?

- Names/Addresses/Family Relationships
- Vital Records
 - Marriages
 - Births
- Immigration
 - Year of arrival
 - Year of Naturalization
 - Place of birth
- Military Pensions
- Economics
 - Home Owner
 - Occupation
 - Employment status
- Literacy/Education Level

1910

STATE Pennsylvania COUNTY Northumberland TOWNSHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY Northumberland

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR - BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
THIRTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1910 - POPULATION

NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE Thomas Run Township ENUMERATED BY ME ON THE 22nd DAY OF April 1910

SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT No. 12 SHEET No. 11 A
 WARD OF CITY None 7426
George W. Zimmerman ENUMERATOR

LOCALITY	NAME	RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION	NATIVITY			EDUCATION	OCCUPATION	EDUCATION	RECORD OF SERVICE	MARRIAGE	MARRIAGE	MARRIAGE
				Place of Birth of this Person	Place of Birth of Father of this Person	Place of Birth of Mother of this Person							
604 193 99	John Howard	Son	27 44 23 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	10 0 0				
	Anna Mary	Daughter	27 46 28 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Housewife	19 9 X				
	John	Son	27 48 28 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer					
	Mahon Anna M.	Head	47 68 04 M	Irish	Irish	Irish	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
	Geo	Son	27 01 27 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	15 3 0				
	William	Son	27 02 24 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	17 8 X				
	Peter	Son	27 04 25 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
	John	Son	27 05 27 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	17 8 X				
	Mary	Daughter	27 06 28 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 07 29 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
610 192 21	James Patrick J.	Head	27 08 29 M	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	15 3 0				
	John	Son	27 09 30 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	17 8 X				
	William	Son	27 10 31 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
	Mary	Daughter	27 11 32 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 12 33 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
	John	Son	27 13 34 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
	William	Son	27 14 35 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
	Mary	Daughter	27 15 36 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 16 37 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
	John	Son	27 17 38 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 0 0				
616 195 27	William E.	Head	27 18 39 M	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	15 3 0				
	Mary E.	Wife	27 19 40 F	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 20 41 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Mary	Daughter	27 21 42 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 22 43 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 23 44 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	William	Son	27 24 45 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Mary	Daughter	27 25 46 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 26 47 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 27 48 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
604 194 21	Ferraro Giovanni	Head	27 28 49 M	Italy	Italy	Italy	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Anna	Wife	27 29 50 F	Italy	Italy	Italy	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 30 51 S	Italy	Italy	Italy	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 31 52 S	Italy	Italy	Italy	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Louisa	Daughter	27 32 53 S	Italy	Italy	Italy	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Mary	Daughter	27 33 54 S	Italy	Italy	Italy	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 34 55 S	Italy	Italy	Italy	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 35 56 S	Italy	Italy	Italy	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Louisa	Daughter	27 36 57 S	Italy	Italy	Italy	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 37 58 S	Italy	Italy	Italy	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
619 196 21	William	Head	27 38 59 M	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Mary	Wife	27 39 60 F	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 40 61 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 41 62 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Louisa	Daughter	27 42 63 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Mary	Daughter	27 43 64 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 44 65 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 45 66 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Louisa	Daughter	27 46 67 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 47 68 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
620 197 21	George	Head	27 48 69 M	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Mary	Wife	27 49 70 F	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 50 71 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 51 72 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Louisa	Daughter	27 52 73 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Mary	Daughter	27 53 74 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Elizabeth	Daughter	27 54 75 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 55 76 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	Louisa	Daughter	27 56 77 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				
	John	Son	27 57 78 S	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania	English	Farmer	0 5 9				

Census Schedules

- Veterans
 - 1840 and 1890
- Slave
 - 1850 and 1860
- Native Americans
 - 1900, 1910, 1950
- Mortality
 - 1850-1880
- Dependent, Defective and Delinquent Classes
 - 1880
- Agricultural
 - 1840-1880
- Industry and Manufacturing
 - 1810 - 1910



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Veterans Schedules

- 1890 Veterans Schedules
 - Union Civil War Veterans and Widows
 - Name, rank, regiment, date of enlistment, date of discharge, length of service, injuries
- 1840 Revolutionary War Pensioner Census
 - <https://www.census.gov/library/publications/1841/dec/1840d.htm>
- Available from Ancestry and the U.S. Census Bureau Website

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Eleventh Census of the United States.
SPECIAL SCHEDULE.
SURVIVING SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AND MARINES, AND WIDOWS, ETC.

Persons who served in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps of the United States during the war of the rebellion (who are survivors), and widows of such persons, in Logan Twp, County of Blair, State of Penn., enumerated in June, 1890. *Shelby J. McQuirey* Enumerator.

Form Schedule No. 1.		NAMES OF SURVIVING SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AND MARINES, AND WIDOWS.	Rank.	Company.	Name of Regiment or Vessel.	Date of Enlistment.	Date of Discharge.	Length of Service.				
House No.	Family No.							Yrs.	Mo.	Days.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
860	89	Gwin Maxwell ✓	Private	K.	76 Pa. Inf.	25 July 1864	25 July 1865	1	0	25		
861	842	Stull Lewis E. ✓	"	S	79 "	22 Feb 1864	1 July 1865	1	5	5		
871	901	Miller Henry ✓	"	E	84 "	1868	1868	0	7	7		
		"	"	A	505 "	1869	1869	0	7	8		
872	913	Lewis Benjamin S. ✓	"	M.	13 11 Cav.	22 Feb 1864	14 July 1865	1	4	22		
874	905	Berkman Jacob ✓	"	A.	205 "	1864	1865	1	11	9		
875	901	Prunkard Saml. R. ✓	"		110 day "	20 July 1864	25 Nov 1864	4	5	7		
866	897	McGinty William ✓	"	K.	113 "	3 Mar 1863	29 Mar 1865	2	6	5		
889	920	Hamden John B. ✓	"	H	49 "	20 Aug 1861	-	-	-	9		
809	940	Haltis Moses ✓	"	C	205 "	9 Aug 1864	16 Aug 1865	1	5	10		
811	902	Fardner Frank C. ✓	"	M.	2 "	1 Feb 1864	-	-	-	9		
813	944	McNowell William ✓	"	H	4 Pa. Cav.	28 Feb 1862	25 Oct 1865	3	10	12		
10		11		12								
1		Allison Penna.										
2		"										
3		"			Rheumatism							
4		"										
5		"			2 ribs broken							
6		"										
7		"										
8		"			Rheumatism							
9		"										
10		"			Gunshot 3 toes left foot							
11		"										
12		"			Pain at Anconnee							

Mortality

- Deaths during the previous 12 months
- 1850, 1860, 1870 and 1880
 - Lists deaths that occurred between June 1st and May 31st in the year prior
- Name, age, sex, color, place of birth, month of death, occupation and cause of death

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SCCHEDULE 2.—Persons who Died during the Year ending 1st June, 1870, in County of Cambridge, State of Massachusetts, enumerated by me, W. H. Bliss, Asst. Marshal.

Number of the Family, or other designation of the individual.	Name of every person who died during the year ending June 1, 1870, whose place of abode at the time of death was in the family.	Sex and Age				Place of Birth, naming the State or Territory of the U. S., or the country, if of foreign birth.	Profession		The Month in which the person died.	Fever, or other Epidemic, or Typh.	Disease or Cause of Death.
		Sex	Age	Color	Profession						
10	Phillys Annatavia	5	F	W	Prussia			March		Heart disease	
66	John Agaris	31	F	W	"			April	Rheumatism	Consumption	
83	Barbara Charles	1	W	W	"			Nov		Apoplexy	
86	Stowley Andrew	20	W	W	"			April	Small Pox	Consumption	
87	Benjamin H. Cook	57	W	W	"			Nov	Farmer	Consumption	
92	Carri Martha	24	F	W	"			April		Croup	
101	Pyrene Margaret	51	F	W	"			Sept	House Wife	Consumption	
107	Yost Jacob	51	W	W	"			Decr	Farmer	Dysentery	
115	Charles Whang	37	F	W	"			Sept		Dysentery	
116	Friedrich Engelbach	47	F	W	Bavaria			Apr	Farmer	Dysentery	
117	Benjamin Amey	53	W	W	Germany			Jan	Farmer	Apoplexy	
141	Almond Joseph	4	W	W	Prussia			April		Whooping Cough	
145	White Peter	67	W	W	Germany			Decr	House Wagon	Dysentery	
128	Kyrie Rebecca	24	F	W	Prussia			May		Measles	
133	Benjamin Engelbach	18	F	W	"			Oct	at home	Influenza	
245	Amelia Bonham	77	W	W	France			Nov	Old Serv.	Debility	
271	Michael Michael	73	W	W	Ireland			Decr	Farmer	Retention of Urine	
282	Friedrich John	55	W	W	Prussia			March	Farmer	Consumption	

I do hereby certify the foregoing returns to be well and truly taken according to Law and Regulations
 William Bliss

Total number of Deaths 18
 No. of white males 14
 No. of black males
 No. of white females 4
 No. of black females
 No. of colored males
 No. of colored females
 No. of uncolored
 Total foreign born 6

REMARKS:

Slave Schedules

- 1850 and 1860
- Slaves were not listed by name
- Freedman's Bureau
 - <https://www.archives.gov/research/african-americans/freedmens-bureau>

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SCHEDULE 2.—Slave Inhabitants in Burlington district in the County of WINSTON State of Go. Carol., enumerated by me, on the 15th day of June, 1860. W. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. Ass't Marshal.

1	2	DESCRIPTION.					7	8	9	NAMES OF SLAVE OWNERS.					13	14	15	16	17	18	19			
		3	4	5	6	10				11	12													
No. of Males	Age	Sex	Color	Physical Defects	Deaf & dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic	No. of others bound	No. of Males	Age	Sex	Color	Physical Defects	Deaf & dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic	No. of others bound											
1	17	♂	0											16	m	0								
	15													14										
	10													20	♂									
	10													40	m									
	6	m												27										
	2													17										
	1													18										
	44													22										
	50													15	♂									
	21	♂												20	m									
	6													2		0								
	2													40										
	50	m												20	m									
	52	♂												28	♂									
	2													12										
	27	♂	0											7	♂									
	22													6	m									
	1													4										
	42	m												4										
	11	♂								1				6	m									
	40													10										
	20	m												30										
	21													21										
	18									1				21										
	60													17										
	20	♂								2				18										
	20	m												10										
	15	♀								1				12										
	40													40										
	28	m												21										
	12	♂								1				24	m									
	50									1				18										
	20													12										
	20													25	♂									
	6	m												14										
	4	♂												8										
	2	m								1				8										
	22	♀												16										
	18													20	m									

No. of owners _____ No. of males down _____ No. of females down _____ Total down _____

No. of males _____ No. of females _____ Total _____

No. of deaf and dumb _____ No. of blind _____ No. of insane _____ No. of idiotic _____

58 76

Native Americans

- 1860 –1880
 - Living in the general population and considered "taxed."
- 1890
 - 1st census to include enumeration of all Native Americans
 - Destroyed by fire
- 1900 – 1910
 - Special Inquiries Relating to Indians
 - "Indian Population Schedules"
 - 1900 and 1910 Census
 - Enumeration of Native Americans living on and off reservations
- 1920-1930
 - Normal questionnaires with special instructions for Native American respondents
- 1924
 - Indian Citizenship Act of 1924
- 1940
 - Native Americans fully counted on normal population schedules for the first time
- 1950
 - Form P8 – Indian Reservation Schedule
 - Names/tribal or clan affiliation/ degree of Indian blood/ability to read and write English

Additional Native American Resources

- Indian Census Rolls (NARA)
 - 1885–1940
 - Annual
 - Conducted by Bureau of Indian Affairs
 - Digitally at Ancestry.com and Fold3
 - Name, roll no., age, sex, relationship to head of family
 - Formal affiliation with a tribe
- Dawes Records
 - "Final Rolls"
 - 1898-1914
 - Digital Copy in National Archives Catalog
 - <https://www.archives.gov/research/native-americans/dawes/tutorial/intro.html>
 - Cherokee, Creek, Choctaw, Chickasaw and Seminole Tribes

Enumeration Districts

- 1880-1970
- Mapped area that was covered by a single enumerator during the Census period
- May change from one Census to the next
- Vary in size
- Use to narrow search
- Maps of districts were created by the Census Bureau
- National Archives Catalog
 - <https://catalog.archives.gov/id/821491>
- Steve Morse Unified Census ED Finder
 - <https://stevemorse.org/census/unified.html>



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1940
ED 49-13

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE-BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
SIXTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1940
POPULATION SCHEDULE

State: Pennsylvania Incorporated place: Shamokin, Union County
Ward: 13 of 14
Block No.: 73
E.D. No.: 49-13
Enumerated by: C. J. ...

HOUSEHOLD	PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLD	BIRTHDATE	NAME	RELATION	SEX	AGE	MARRIAGE	EDUCATION	REASON FOR ABSENCE	PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER																																																																																																			
										1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100
41	1	1907	Joseph F	Husband	M	33	M	8		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

FOR PERSONS UNDER 14 YEARS

FOR PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER

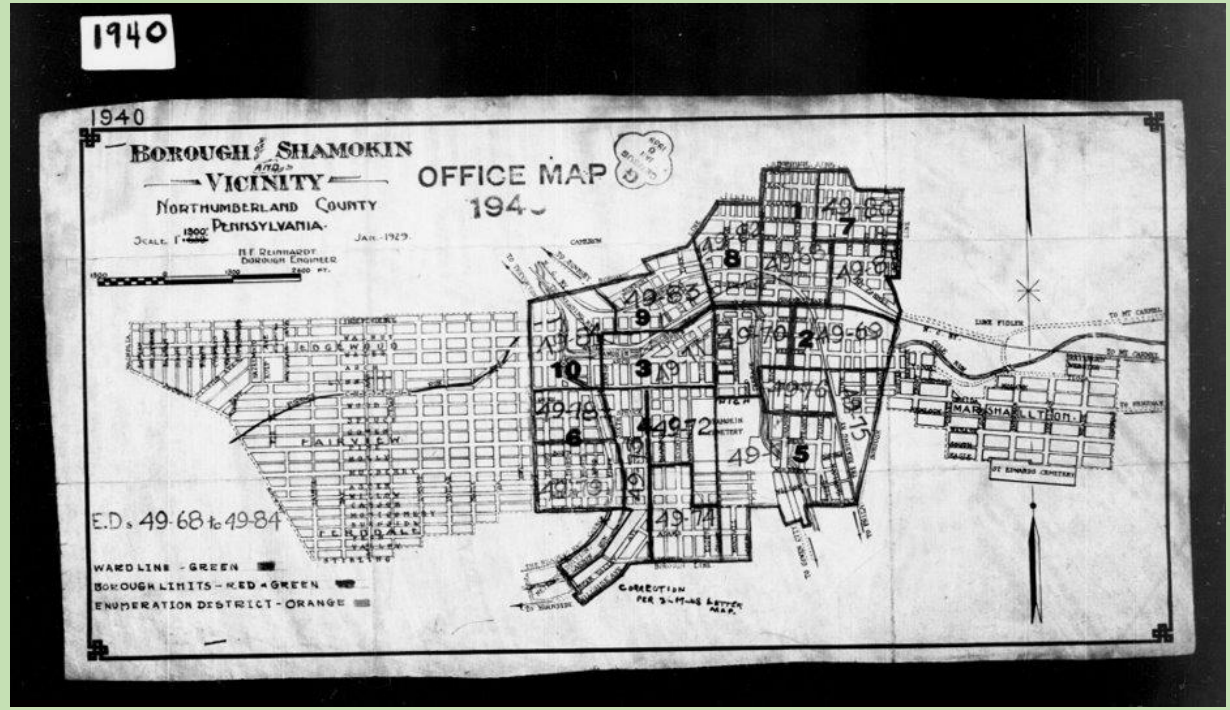
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FOR HOUSEHOLD HEADS

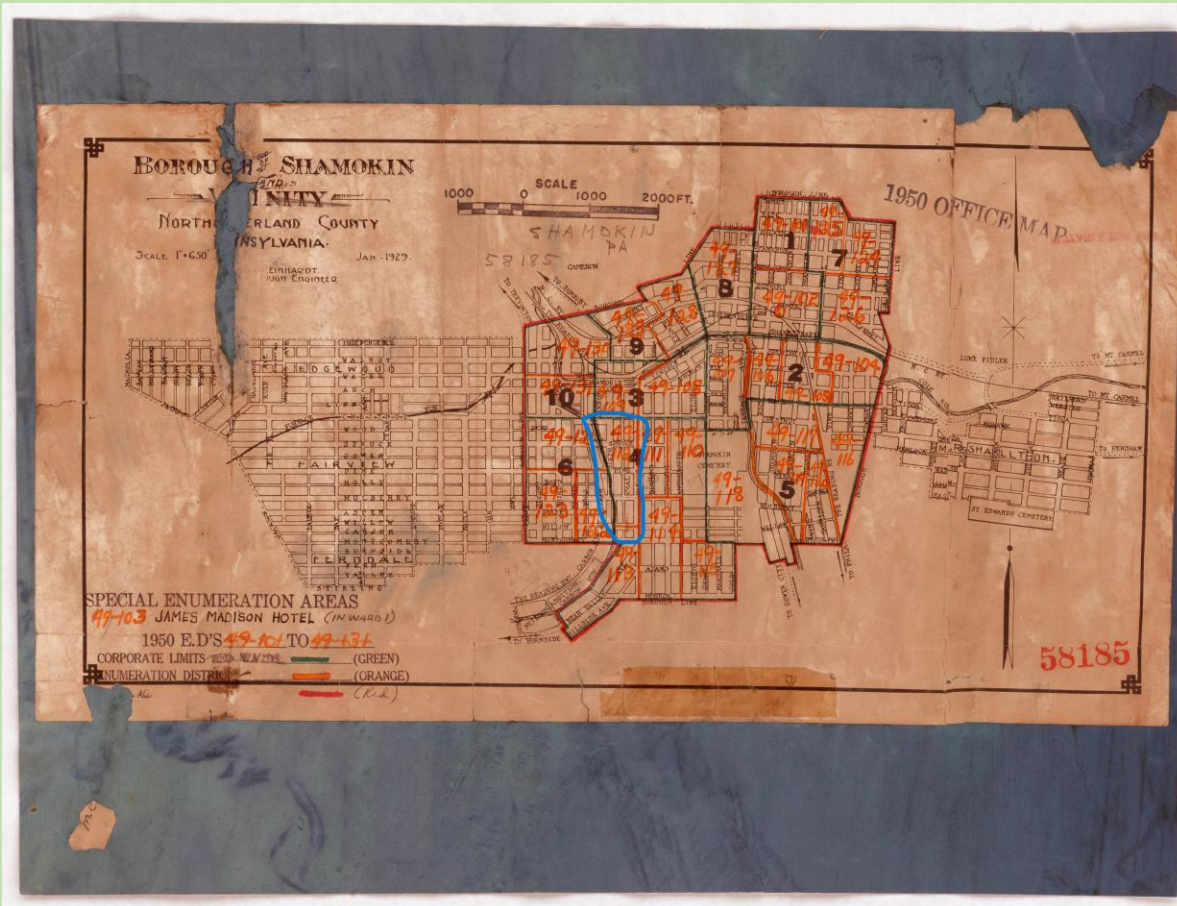
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1950 CENSUS OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

Form P1

U.S. Census of Population and Housing, 1950

ED 49-113

ALINEA 27 - 30
 S. W. ST.

FOR HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD		FOR ALL PERSONS		FOR PERSONS 14 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER	
NAME	RELATIONSHIP	NAME	RELATIONSHIP	NAME	RELATIONSHIP
Robert C. Son	W	Robert C. Son	W	Robert C. Son	W
David C. Son	W	David C. Son	W	David C. Son	W
John T. Son	W	John T. Son	W	John T. Son	W
...

THE QUESTIONS BELOW ARE FOR PERSONS LISTED ON SAMPLE LINES

FOR ALL PERSONS		FOR PERSONS 14 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER	
NAME	RELATIONSHIP	NAME	RELATIONSHIP
...

1950 Census

- Search by State, County/City, Name or Enumeration District
 - <https://1950census.archives.gov/search/>



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Location

State

County/City

Name

First and/or Last Name

Enumeration District (ED)

Example 1-15

Indian Reservation Schedule

Your Search

Pennsylvania ✕
Northumberland ✕
woytovich ✕

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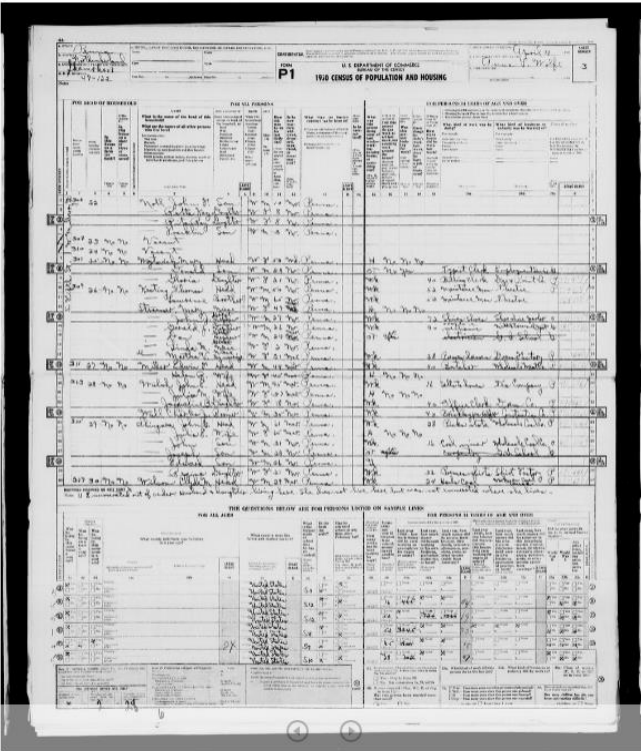
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ED	State	County/City	Matched Name(s)
49-122	Pennsylvania	Northumberland	Waytowich

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ED	State	County/City	Matched Name(s)
49-122	Pennsylvania	Northumberland	Waytowich

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Machine Learning (AI) Extracted Names *

- 1: noll John go • Retta Kay • 4: RitayRay • 4: Frankline • Vacant • 7: Vacant • **Waytowich** • Donald
- 9: Gloria • 11: Keating Thomas • Stranst maty • John J. • 16: Sinda m. • 17: Mastha V. • 18: miller Edwin gr
- 19: Nelen R. • 20: Walsh John E. • 21: Julia • 22: Jacqueline • 24: Wall charles.g. • 25: Shingara Johnsts.
- 25: Julia E. • 26: John • 28: Joseph • Edward • 30: grightine

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
1950 CENSUS OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

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Form P1

U.S. STATE: *Delaware*
COUNTY: *Delaware*
TOWNSHIP: *Delaware*
CENSUS TRACT: *47-122*

NAME: *John J. Smith*
RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD: *Head*
MARRIAGE STATUS: *Married*
MOTHER'S MARRIAGE STATUS: *Married*

DATE: *April 1, 1950*
BY: *Anna J. Wolfe*

FOR HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD				FOR ALL PERSONS										FOR PERSONS 14 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER									
Name				What is the name of the head of this household?										What kind of business or profession was he working?									
What are the names of all other persons who live here?				What is the highest grade of school that he has attended?										What kind of work was he doing last week?									
What country was he born in?				Did he finish this grade?										How many weeks did this person do any work at all last week?									
What is the name of the father and mother born in?				Has he attended school at any time since February 1st?										Income received by this person in 1949									
What is the highest grade of school that he has attended?				What county and State was he living in a year ago?										If this person is a family head (see definition below) - Income received by his relatives in this household									
What country was his father and mother born in?				What county and State was he living in a year ago?										Did he ever serve in the U. S. Armed Forces during -									

Handwritten entries:
 1. *John J. Smith*
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- 22: Sarah C • 24: shoop Thursa m • 26: Buggy Joseph E • 26: mary m. • 27: **Karpish Stephania** • 28: Helen
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 MIDDLE NAME
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- Search for every relative on the Census
 - Search for every available Census during the person's lifetime
- Look for variations in names
 - Name Spellings
 - Nicknames
- Find where your ancestor was living
 - City directories
 - Enumeration District maps
- Read the entire entry
- Look through the entries of neighbors
- Work backwards in time
- Remember that Census information is secondary information

Soundex

- Coded Surname Index
 - 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920 and 1930
- Phonetic
 - Groups names that sound alike but are spelled differently
- Converts names to a single letter and 3-digit code
 - 1st letter of last name followed by numbers for 3 consonants
 - W312
- Soundex Calculator
 - <http://sites.rootsweb.com/~nedodge/transfer/soundexlist.htm>

Where to Search the U.S. Census

- Ancestry.com
 - In-library use only
 - <https://www.statelibrary.pa.gov/Contact/Pages/The-State-Library-of-Pennsylvania.aspx>
- HeritageQuest
 - Remote access for Commonwealth employees
 - <https://pa-gov.libguides.com/az.php>
- FamilySearch
 - Free
 - www.familysearch.org
- National Archives
 - <https://www.archives.gov/research/census>
 - Includes 1950 Census

Genealogy Research and the Census

<https://pa-gov.libguides.com/c.php?g=1211818>

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Genealogy Research and the Census

This guide provides information about using the United States Census when researching your family history.

Subjects: African Americans, Genealogy, History, Native Americans, Pennsylvania History **Tags:** Census, genealogy, Pennsylvania, U.S. Census, United States Census

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Introduction

The United States Census is mandated by the U.S. Constitution. The first census taken was in 1790 and the census is retaken every 10 years. The information collected varied with each census depending on the needs of the Federal Government. From 1790 to 1840, only heads of households were listed by name. Beginning with the 1850 census, all members of a household were listed.

- Why We Conduct the Decennial Census of Population and Housing (U.S. Census Bureau)

The 1790 to 1940 censuses are currently available to the public. The 1950 United States Census is scheduled to be released on April 1, 2022. Please see the [National Archives](#) site for more information about availability of the 1950 census records.

- 1950 United States Census (National Archives)
- Release of 1950 Census Will Increase Access to Records (National Archives)

An article from the National Archives News discussing increased access to information about military service, government employment and participation in New Deal relief programs using the 1950 census.

Genealogy at the State Library of Pennsylvania

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Research Basics

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The State Library of Pennsylvania Genealogy Collection

The State Library of Pennsylvania Genealogy and Local History collection consists of indexes, genealogies, state and county histories, family histories, regimental histories from the Revolutionary and Civil Wars, city directories, atlases, land warranty maps, ship passenger lists, and compilations of church and cemetery records. Our collection also includes Federal Census records for Pennsylvania, from 1790 to 1930, on microfilm, agricultural and business censuses. Many older items in our collection have been digitized and are available in the [PA Photos and Documents Collection](#) at the Pennsylvania Power Library website.

In addition to our print and digital resources, the State Library also subscribes to several genealogical database including Ancestry.com, HeritageQuest and Fold3. These databases can be searched on-site at the State Library. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania employees may access many of our databases remotely using thier State Library of Pennsylvania library card. For more information about our electronic databases, please go to our [A- Z Databases](#) page.

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