

COMPARISON OF CENSUS INFORMATION, 1790–1940

Questions Asked	1790	1800	1810	1820	1830	1840	1850	1860	1870	1880	1890	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	x
Age							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sex							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Color/Race							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Place of birth							x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Year of birth												x				
Month of birth												x				
Relationship to head of house										x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Marital status										x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Married that year							x	x	x	x	x	x				
# of years present marriage												x	x			
Age at first marriage															x	
Mother how many children												x	x			
# 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	x
Visitation number of family							x	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	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	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	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	
Number 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							
Schedules of the Census (Covering select states)																
Agriculture							X	X	X	X						
Manufacturer/Industry				X			X	X	X	X						
Mortality							X	X	X	X						
Slave							X	X								
Veteran											X					
Indian Population Inquiries												X	X			
Dependent, Defective, Delinquent ...										X						
Social Statistics							X	X	X	X						
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