<u>1950 Federal Census Is Finished</u>: Thank You and Much More Still Coming! (reads better at

http://www.kuzmich4.com/Facebook/1950%20Federal%20Census%20Is%20Finished.pdf)

It is official: the US Federal Census has been successfully completed. Thank you to all of you who participated in its indexing. Here's the official website at https://1950census.archives.gov/ which helps you search more thoroughly with its formatting.



Here's a breakdown what was record in this historic 1950 Census project.

- Approximately 6.57 million population schedules
- 33,360 Indian Reservation schedules
- 9,634 enumeration district maps images
- 234,447 enumeration district descriptions
- Location and name-based search capabilities. Explore the records by State, County/City, Name, Reservation, and Enumeration District.
- Name transcription capabilities. Use the built-in transcription feature to correct and add names to the name index. You can help make the 1950 Census population schedules more discoverable for everyone.

I challenge each and every one of you to search for your ancestors who were living in the US in1950. Hopefully, you will learn other things about your ancestors as there are 59 possible answers from 38 questions that were given to each person recorded. Consider these questions as "Gold" for researching your ancestors as for creating golden opportunities for even more genealogical research pursuits about your ancestors.

Below is a synopsis of these 38 questions that can peruse for your ancestors and/or even yourself!

Questions for all persons

- 1. Name of street, avenue, or road
- 2. House and apartment number
- 3. Serial number of dwelling unit
- 4. Is this house on a farm or ranch?
- 5. Is this house on a place of three or more acres?
- 6. Agricultural Questionnaire Number
- 7. Name
- 8. Relationship to head of household
- 9. Race

10.Sex

- 11. Age on last birthday
- 12. Marital status: Married (Mar), Widowed (Wd), Divorced (D), or Separated (Sep)
- 13. State or country of birth
- 14. Naturalization status if foreign born (Yes, No, or AP for born abroad of American parents)

Questions for persons fourteen years of age and over

- 15. Was this person working (Wk), unable to work (U), keeping house (H), or doing something else (Ot) most of last week
- 16. If H or Ot in item 15: Did this person do any work at all last week?
- 17. If No in item 16: Was this person looking for work?
- 18. If No in item 17: Even though he didn't work last week, does he have a job or business?
- 19. If Wk in item 15 or Yes in item 16: How many hours did he work last week?
- 20.a. Occupation
 - b. Industry in which person worked
 - c. Class of worker: Private employer (P), government (G), in his or her own business (O), or without pay on family farm or business (NP)

Questions for persons on sample lines (six per sheet)

- 21. Was he living in this same house a year ago?
- 22. Was he living on a farm a year ago?
- 23. Was he living in this same county a year ago?
- 24. If No in item 23: What county (24a) and state or foreign country (24b) was he living in a year ago?
- 25. What country were his father and mother born in?
- 26. What is the highest grade of school that he has attended?
- 27. Did he finish this grade?
- 28. Has he attended school at any time since February 1st? (Yes, No, or age 30 or over)

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- 29. If Yes in item 17: How many weeks has he been looking for work?
- 30. Last year (1949), in how many weeks did this person do any work (excluding work around the home)?
- 31.a. Last year (1949), how much money did he earn working as an employee for wages or salary (before taxes and other deductions)?

b. Last year (1949), how much money did he earn working in his own business, professional practice, or farm (net income)?

c. Last year, how much money did he receive from interest, dividends, veteran's allowances, pensions, rents, or other income (excluding salary or wages)?

32.a. Last year (1949), how much money did his relatives in this household earn working for wages or salary (before taxes and other deductions)?

b. Last year (1949), how much money did his relatives in this household earn in their own business, professional practice, or farm (net income)?

c. Last year, how much money did his relatives in this household receive from interest, dividends, veteran's allowances, pensions, rents, or other income (excluding salary or wages)?

33. If male, did he ever serve in the U.S. Armed Forces during (33a) World War I, (33b) World War II, or (33c) any other time including present service? (Yes/No).

Questions for person on the last sample line if fourteen years of age and over (one per sheet)

34. To enumerator: If person worked last year (1 or more weeks in item 30): Is there any entry in items 20a, 20b, and 20c? If Yes, skip to item 36. If No, make entries in items 35a, 35b, and 35c.

- 35.a. What kind of work did this person do in his last (previous) job?
 - b. What kind of business or industry did he work in (in previous job)?
 - c. Class of worker (in previous job): Private employer (P), government (G), in his or her own business (O), or without pay on family farm or business (NP).
- 36. If ever married (Mar, Wd, D, or Sep in item 12): Has this person been married more than once? (Yes/No).
- 37. How many years since this person was (last) married, widowed, divorced, or separated?
- 38. If female and ever married (Mar, Wd, D, or Sep in item 12): How many children has she ever borne, not counting stillbirths?

Closing Comments: The 72-year Rule, Fact and Fiction?

The census is sealed for 72 years because of life expectancy. That statement, although widely believed, is not entirely true. For a more detailed explanation, go to

https://stevemorse.org/census/1950census.htm. We need to look at the history of the census to find out why the 72-year rule exists. Hopefully some of us will be alive able to use the 1960 census after April 1, 2034 including yours truly?! There are many other 1950 Census postings on this Facebook Group for more investigation and details as cited below including myself in the very last image posted below on line 19 within the green and red rectangular boxes. Zoom in if you need more magnification.

• <u>1950 Federal Indexing Project</u>: Great Opportunity for Gathering More Original Research at <u>http://www.kuzmich4.com/.../1950%20Federal%20Indexing...</u>: or see Mach 27, 2022 posting

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• Keep Up-To-Date: because developments of the 1950 Census are rapidly

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• <u>1950 Census is like being addicted to computer games</u> as quoted by Sister Roslyn Kuzmich (reads better now updated at <u>http://www.kuzmich4.com/Fac.../1950%20Census%20Addiction.pdf</u>): or see May 12, 2022 posting

• <u>1950 Census Short-Cut Tips</u>: *Recently Learned At Our In-Service Training Meeting* reads better at <u>http://www.kuzmich4.com/Facebook/Short%20Cuts.pdf</u>: or see May 19, 2022 posting

• <u>The 1950 US Census Community Project</u> has reached the amazing milestone of half of all names being reviewed (reads better at <u>http://www.kuzmich4.com/Facebook/1950_Percent3.pdf</u>): or see May 21, 2022 posting

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