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Federal Census Records Relating to the District of Columbia, 1800–1940

The National Archives has custody of the Federal population censuses for the District of Columbia, as well several Federal nonpopulation censuses. The 1800 to 1930 censuses are both on microfilm and online; 1940 is available digitally only at www.1940census.archives.gov. The 1810 census for the District of Columbia did not survive.

Federal Population Census Schedules, 1800–1930

- ___M32, *Second Census of the United States, 1800*, roll 5.
- ___M33, *Fourth Census of the United States, 1820*, roll 5.
- ___M19, *Fifth Census of the United States, 1830*, roll 14.
- ___M704, *Sixth Census of the United States, 1840*, roll 35.
- ___M432, *Seventh Census of the United States, 1850*, rolls 56–57.
- ___M653, *Eighth Census of the United States, 1860*, rolls 101–105.
- ___M593, *Ninth Census of the United States, 1870*, rolls 123–127.
- ___T9, *Tenth Census of the United States, 1880*, rolls 121–124.
- ___M407, *Eleventh Census of the United States, 1890*, (surviving portions), roll 2.
- ___M123, *Special Schedules of the Eleventh Census (1890) Enumerating Union Veterans and Widows of Union Veterans of the Civil War*, roll 118.
- ___T623, *Twelfth Census of the United States, 1900*, rolls 158–164.
- ___T624, *Thirteenth Census of the United States, 1910*, rolls 149–155.
- ___T625, *Fourteenth Census of the United States, 1920*, rolls 205–213.
- ___T626, *Fifteenth Census of the United States, 1930*, rolls 292–305.

Federal Population Census Schedule, 1940

The 1940 Census is accessible online at www.1940census.archives.gov. No microfilm is available.

Indexes

Book Indexes

There are published indexes for the 1800, 1820, 1830, 1840, 1850, 1860, and 1870 censuses as well as the *1890 Special Census for Union Veterans and Their Widows*.

Microfilmed Indexes—1890 Census

The index to the surviving portions of the 1890 census is on M496, *Index to the Eleventh Census of the United States, 1890*, which lists the names on the surviving portions of the 1890 census, including the District of Columbia, in alphabetical order.

Microfilmed Indexes—Soundex

The Soundex indexes for the District of Columbia for 1880, 1900, and 1920 are reproduced on the following National Archives microfilm publications. There are no Soundex indexes for 1910, 1930, and 1940.

___T742, *Index (Soundex) to the 1880 Population Schedules for the District of Columbia*, 9 rolls.

___T1038, *Index (Soundex) to the 1900 Federal Population Census Schedules for the District of Columbia*, 42 rolls.

___M1555, *Index (Soundex) to the 1920 Federal Population Census Schedules for the District of Columbia*, 49 rolls.

Online Indexes

Online census indexes are available through

___Ancestry.com (free within NARA facilities)

___FamilySearch.com (free)

___HeritageQuest.com (free within NARA Facilities)

Nonpopulation Census Schedules

___M1793, *Nonpopulation Census Schedules for the District of Columbia, 1850–1870: Agriculture, Industry, Mortality, and Social Statistics, and Nonpopulation Schedules for Worcester County, Maryland, 1850: Agriculture*. 1 roll.

___M1794, *Nonpopulation Census Schedules for the District of Columbia, Montana Territory, Nevada and Wyoming Territory, 1880: Agriculture*. 1 roll.

___M1795, *Nonpopulation Census Schedules for the District of Columbia, 1880: General and Special Schedules of Manufacturing and Supplemental Schedules of Dependent, Defective, and Delinquent Classes*, 1 roll.

Indexes to Nonpopulation Schedules

There are published indexes for the 1850 and 1860 mortality schedules

For more information, see the following reference reports:

- *Early Census Schedules for the District of Columbia, 1790–1840*
- *Federal Nonpopulation Census Schedules, 1850–1880*

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