### LET'S TALK CENSUS

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**1910 CENSUS**

Local Community ___________________________ County ___________________________ State ___________________________

Ward __________________

 Enumerator ___________________________ Date Census Taken ___________________________ Enumeration District No. _______________________

| Page No. | Street | House No. | Dwelling No. | Family No. | Name of each person whose place of abode on 15 April 1910 was in this family | Relationship | Sex | Color | Age | Marital Status | Mother's Name | # Children | # Married Children | Birthplace of This Person | Father | Mother | Year of Immigration | Naturalized or alien? | Spoken English? | Occupation | Nature of business | Profession or occupation | Employer or wage earner | weeks out of work in 1910 | # weeks out of work in 1909 | Out of work 15 April 1910 | Can read | Can write | Can sign | School since 15 September 1889 | School attended | Exempt from militia service | Farm or house | No. on farm Schedule | Civil War Veteran | Blind | Deaf & dumb | 
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Currently, all branches are open to the public.

Masks are REQUIRED to enter all CCPL branches.

Patrons visiting a library will be asked to do a temperature check upon entry.

Programs will go virtual when needed, so please keep checking in.
HISTORY OF THE FEDERAL CENSUS
TO KEEP IN MIND

- Much of the information used here is based on data, not personal information.
- No personal information is released for the duration of the ‘average lifespan’
  - The “72-year rule”
  - Not even to other federal agencies, like the FBI
- In 2020, the most recent census data available is 1940
  - Estimated date for 1950 data release is April 2, 2022
PRES. ROOSEVELT WANTED TO KNOW THE EFFECTIVENESS OF HAVING FIRESIDE CHATS, SO THE 1930 CENSUS ASKED:

DO YOU OWN A RADIO?
40.3% of all families responded positively.
THE FIRST CENSUS OFFICIALLY BEGAN IN 1790

- As stated in the Constitution to begin
- Collected officially by US marshals, as opposed to other forms of census data collection done individually by states (previously colonies) and territories
- Uniform census data did not exist until 1830, so marshals collected their own data
- Areas covered included:
  - 13 original states
  - Kentucky
  - Maine
  - Vermont
  - Southwest Territory (Tennessee)
1790 CENSUS DATA

- Name of Head of Household
- Persons by the following descriptions:
  - Free White males of 16 years and upward (to assess the countries industrial and military potential)
  - Free White males under 16 years
  - Free White females
  - All other free persons (by sex and color)
  - Slaves
CENSUS DATA COLLECTED: 1790-1830

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1 = Free White persons only
CENSUS DATA COLLECTED: 1840-1890

- Age, sex, race
- Free or slave only present through the 1860 census
- Fugitive and manumitted slaves (1850-1860 ONLY)
- Physical and mental handicaps
  - Later used “disabled”
- Paupers and convicts
- Literacy
- Birthplace
- Citizenship (random inclusions)
- Veteran status (random inclusions)
- Industry or occupation
- Duration of unemployment
- Value of real estate
1890 FEDERAL CENSUS

- Most damaged by fire
- “An archivist’s nightmare”
- No known cause
- Volumes from other census received water damage
- Outcry of support for a National Archives
  - NSDAR
  - NGS
- 6,160 names survived in fire
CENSUS DATA COLLECTED: 1900-1940

- Name, age, sex, & Race
- Relation to head of family
- Birthplace & Immigration (If outside of US)
- English-speaking and other languages
- Occupation & Industry
- Veteran status
- For Native Americans, tribal affiliation and percentage Indian (full or mixed)
- Private or government work (1940)
  - Or public-emergency work, like the WPA
CENSUS DATA COLLECTION IN 1950
1950 FACTS

Only 48 states in the United States

- Alaska and Hawaii were still territories

Over 50 pages of forms collecting a large variety of data
1950 QUESTIONNAIRE

Population
- Names
- Race
- Sex
- Languages Spoken
- Marital status
- Birth state
- Work status and location

Housing
- Plumbing
- Renting or Owning
- Type of Housing
- Previous year’s residence
USES OF CENSUS DATA

- Businesses → stock quality and quantity
- Government → Representative districts
- Genealogy → Tracing family migrations and histories across the nation
CENSUS TECHNOLOGY

FROM MARSHALS TO MACHINES
The Census Bureau used versions of the Hollerith Tabulators and Sorters to tabulate census data from 1890 until replaced by computers.

This tabulator, used following the 1900 census, displayed data "read" from punch cards on the tabulation dials.

Year: 1900
Census Bureau employees use Recordak Microfilming machines to photograph 76 million records from the 1900 census.

The microfilmed records can easily be searched to supply citizens with proof of age documentation needed to obtain Social Security and retirement benefits and passports.

Year: 1950
Data could be input using magnetic computer tape (and, by the early 1950's, punch cards.

Throughout the 1950's, UNIVAC also played a key role in several monthly economic surveys.

UNIVAC I, as the first successful civilian computer, was a key part of the dawn of the computer age.
MAIL-IN AND TELEPHONE

- Questionnaires mailed directly to homes
- Telephone census taking
- Community engagement to get everyone counted
  - Enlistment of over 10,000 intermediaries like churches, charities, and other firms
  - Hope to cover poorer populations
ONLINE

First use in 2020 Census
CENSUS OUTREACH

COMMUNITY AND RESEARCH
ANCESTOR APPRECIATION DAY: SEPT. 27TH!
CENSUS RESOURCES PROVIDED BY NARA
Genealogy Research

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### LOOKING FOR INDIVIDUALS WITHIN THE CENSUS: FACTFINDER FOR THE NATION ISSUE

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| • 1900 includes month  
  • 1910-1940 includes age  
  • 1870 includes month if less than a year old | • 1850-1940 indicate either state or county and state | • 1900-1910 includes # of years married | • 1900 indicates how many living children | • 1900-1930 indicate year of immigration |
| Naturalization | Foreign-born parents | Military service | Real estate property | Economic data |
| • 1900-1930 indicate naturalization status  
  • Al = alien  
  • Pa = first papers  
  • Na = naturalized  
  • 1920 indicate year of naturalization | • 1870-1930 mark if parents are of foreign birth  
  • All except 1870 list country of origin | • 1910 indicates a “survivor of the Union or Confederate Army or Navy”  
  • 1930 indicates Civil War veterans  
  • 1930 also lists service in other major wars | • 1850-1870 indicate value of land  
  • 1900-1930 indicate if individual owned or rented  
  • 1930 indicates property value | • 1850-1880 indicate occupation  
  • Agricultural censuses may exist for the researcher |
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THE 2020 CENSUS HAS COMPLETED

- Stay tuned for updates by heading to census.gov
- Or checking through the National Archives.
GEORGIA ROOM
CENSUS MATERIALS

- Census indexes
- Film and fiche
- Georgia County census books
- Other states’ census materials
- Online access
  - Ancestry Library Edition → Census Search
  - NARA
QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

THANK YOU!
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