

Research Guides

Census Records

LancasterHistory offers access to the U.S. Census from 1790-1940 via Ancestry Library Edition and Heritage Quest Online, both of which are available from the four public terminals (computers) in the reading room in the Research Library. We also hold limited and scattered census records for other Pennsylvania counties. There are no Soundex indices available at this time.

Researchers might also wish to consult the following specialized censuses, which can all be found at LancasterHistory:

- 1890 Civil War Union Veteran & Widow, Special Census (microfilm drawer no. 14)
- Agricultural & Federal Census Schedules, 1850-1880, for the following townships: Brecknock, Caernarvon, Earl, East Cocalico, East Earl, and West Earl (LC 312 F853)
- Agricultural & Federal Census Schedules for Lancaster Co., 1850-1880 (microfilm drawer no. 14)
- Lancaster City & County directories, 1843, 1857-2001
- Manufacturer's Census for Lancaster Co., 1820, 1850-1880 (microfilm drawer no. 14)
- Mortality schedules for Lancaster Co., 1880 (microfilm drawer no. 14)
- Pennsylvania Mortality Schedule (1850 1870), printed (on top of microfilm cabinet)
- Septennial Census for Lancaster Co., 1779, 1786, 1793, 1800 (microfilm drawer no. 15)
- Stemmons and Stemmons, comps. Pennsylvania in 1780: A Statewide Index of circa 1780 Pennsylvania Taxlists (929.35 S824)