

# CENSUS INDEXES ON THE INTERNET

## Where to find 'Em & How to Use 'Em

### 1 - How to get to the site to find indexes from 1790-1930

URL:[www.genealogy-links.org](http://www.genealogy-links.org)

Click on tab : **4- US Census**

Click on the link: **for the state you want to search**

### 2 - How to use the site

What's in the columns and what do they mean.

**State:** Usually the two-letter postal abbreviations.

**Year:** The year includes the link, you click on to go to the index site.

Codes: m= Mortality, v=Veterans, sl=slave, Early= usually before 1790

**Matches:** Number of names the link will search

Code: \*= means number adjusted to delete duplicate index entries

**Remarks:**

**Head of house index or Every name index**

**Mortality Schedule.** Died in 'state' and or died elsewhere only.

**With Fee:** means you must have a subscription to [www.genealogy.com](http://www.genealogy.com)

**Link to image**

### 3 - How to return from census listing to the list of indexes:

Use the back key on your browser

### 4 - To choose other states from the census page:

Use the X button on the top right corner of your browser.

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## Using Indexes at [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com):

### There are two major types of census index screens

Most of these indexes are to head of house only.

#### - Index with links to image.

**Regular Searches**

**Soundex Searches**

**Wild Card \* searches**

Use on first or last name or both

Must use at least four letters first

**Locality search only**

**Linking to the image**

The Advanced viewer

Enlarge, Move around, print the image

**Entries without a link to the image.**

Mortality entries – other entries

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### **- Index without images**

Leave the key words I already put there. You can add other key words.

### **Locating an image for an entry without a link.**

Write down year, date, county, township and page

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### **1910 (several states have a special index screen)**

You can add age to your search

Use the name search when looking for the head of household

Use the key word search for other family member names

### **1930 Index**

-Age and place any family member

Looking at the image

Enhance image, Enlarge, Move around, Print the image

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## **Using Indexes at <http://www.genealogy.com/>**

Currently they have indexes to 1790, 1800, 1810, 1870, 1900,1910

### **Name Searching**

#### **1 - Search for a specific individual:**

Must include first and last name.

No Soundex

No wildcard searching

No searching by first name only

#### **2 - Jump to page containing surname:**

Allows you to browse the surname index

You can use a partial surname

#### **Using link to image:**

Could be on that page or next one

Enlarge, move around, print

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#### **Browsing the images by county:**

Images are listed by roll and book number

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## **Using the 1880 census index at [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org)**

Searches automatically, brings back similar surnames

### **Other searches**

Look for a family member with an odd name

Also try first name and place search and then try first name in head of house too.

Use birth year and birth year range.

Use place of birth

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## How to find the image on the internet

Write down all the source information

Use the links on the section of the

**US-Census tab** of [www.genealogy-links.org](http://www.genealogy-links.org)

Labeled **E-Census Images**