

1950 U.S. Federal Census Worksheet

COL.	CENSUS QUESTION	ANSWER	SEARCH FOR THESE RECORDS	OTHER RESEARCH QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER
1	Name of Street, avenue, or road		Town/City/County Maps, Fire Insurance Maps, Newspapers, National Register of Historic Places	
2	Home or apartment number		City Directories, Phone Books, Town/City/County Maps, Fire Insurance Maps, Newspapers, Land Records, Tax Lists, Tax Photos, National Register of Historic Places	
3	Serial number of dwelling unit			
4	Is this house on a farm (or ranch)?		Land Records (deeds and mortgages), Tax Lists, Local Histories, Rural Directories	
5	If no in item 4: Is this house on a place of three or more acres?		Land Records (deeds and mortgage), Tax Lists	
6	Corresponding agriculture questionnaire number			
7	Name			
8	Relationship to head		Vital Records, Other Census Records, Newspapers/Obituaries, Published Genealogies, Church Records	
9	Race			
10	Sex		WWI or WWII draft cards	
11	How old was this person on his last birthday?		Birth Record, Baptismal Record, WWI or WWII draft card, Social Security Applications (SS-5), Marriage Record, Naturalization Records	
12	Is this person now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or never married?		Marriage Record, Church Records, Probate Records, Court Proceedings, Obituaries	

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13	What State or country was the person born in?		Birth Record, Baptismal Records, Immigration Records, Passenger Lists, Other Census Records	
14	If foreign born, is the person naturalized?		Naturalization Records, Passenger Lists, Passport, Newspapers, 1920 US Federal Census	
15-20 C	What was this person doing most of last week: working, keeping house, or something else? (Followed by questions about employment)		Federal Employment Records at NARA, Municipal Employment Records, Railroad or Pension Records, City Directories, Newspapers	

SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS (line entries: 3, 8, 13, 18, 23, and 28)

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21	Was he living in this same house a year ago?		City Directories, Phone Books, Town/City/County Maps, Fire Insurance Maps, Newspapers, Land Records, Tax Lists, Tax Photos, National Register of Historic Places	
22	Was he living on a farm a year ago?		Land Records (deeds and mortgages), Tax Lists, Local Histories, Rural Directories	
23	Was he living in this same county a year ago?		Land Records (deeds and mortgage), Tax Lists, City Directories, Rural Directories, Local Histories	
24a	If no in item 23: What county was he living in a year ago?		Land Records (deeds and mortgage), Tax Lists, City Directories, Rural Directories, Local Histories	
24b	What state or foreign country was he living in a year ago?		Church Records, Naturalization Records, Passenger Lists, Passports, Alien Registration Files, Land Records (deeds and mortgage), Tax Lists, City Directories, Rural Directories, Local Histories	

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25	What country were his father and mother born in?		Vital Records, Church Records, Passenger Lists, Naturalization Records, Alien Registration Files	
26-28	What is the highest grade of school that he has attended? (Followed by questions about education)		Yearbooks, School Records, Newspapers, Broad­sides, Diploma, Class Books	
29-32c	If yes in item 17: How many weeks has he been looking for work? (Followed by subsequent questions about employment)		Federal Employment Records at NARA, Municipal Employment Records, Railroad or Pension Records, City Directories, Newspapers	
33a	If male, did he ever serve in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War I?		WWI Draft Card, WWI Enlistment Record, Unit Histories, Discharge Papers (DD-214), Pension Records, Other Military Records	
33b	If male, did he ever serve in the U.S. Armed Forces during World War II		WWII Draft Card, WWII Enlistment Record, Unit Histories, Discharge Papers (DD-214), Other Military Records	
33c	If male, did he ever serve in the U.S. Armed Forces any other time including present service?		Unit Histories, Discharge Papers (DD-214), Other Military Records	

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34-35c	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. (Followed by questions about employment)		Federal Employment Records at NARA, Municipal Employment Records, Railroad or Pension Records, City Directories, Newspapers	
36	If ever married (Mar, Wd, D, or Sep in item 12): Has this person been married more than once?		Marriage Record, Church Records, Probate Records, Court Proceedings, Obituaries	
37	How many years since this person was (last) married, widowed, divorced, or separated?		Marriage Record, Church Records, Probate Records, Court Proceedings, Obituaries	
38	If female and ever married (Mar, Wd, D, or Sep in item 12): How many children has she ever borne, not counting stillbirths?		Vital Record, Church Records, Newspapers	