NONPOPULATION CENSUS SCHEDULES FOR PENNSYLVANIA, 1850-1880: MORTALITY

Introduction

On the 11 rolls of this microfilm publication, M1838, are reproduced mortality schedules for Pennsylvania taken at the same time as the population censuses in 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880. The material reproduced is part of the Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group (RG) 29.

Records Description

Mortality schedules include the name, age, race, sex, occupation, birthplace, and cause of death of persons who died in the year preceding the taking of the census. In 1850, for example, the mortality schedules were to include persons who "Died during the year ending June 1, 1850" [June 1849 through May 1850].

The schedules are arranged alphabetically by county, thereunder by local political subdivisions such as townships, boroughs, and wards. Within some counties, the political subdivisions are listed alphabetically, while in others they are randomly arranged. The records were microfilmed in the 1950's before they were accessioned by the National Archives; a few of the images were filmed at improper light settings, making them difficult to read.


Related Records

Additional Pennsylvania nonpopulation census records are reproduced in other National Archives microfilm publications, including rolls 12-15 of M279, Records of the 1820 Census of Manufactures; the 9 rolls of T1157, Nonpopulation Census Schedules for Pennsylvania, 1850-1860: Manufactures Schedules; and the 9 rolls of M1796, Nonpopulation Census Schedules for Pennsylvania, 1870-1880: Industry and Manufacturing.

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<td>1850; Adams County - Philadelphia County (part). Philadelphia County (part) includes Blockley Twp., including Philadelphia Almshouse; Borough of Bridesburg; Bristol Twp.; Byberry Twp.; Borough of Frankford; Germantown; and Philadelphia, 1st Ward</td>
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(Kensington) through Philadelphia, 6th Ward (Kensington).

2 1850; Philadelphia County (part) - York County. Philadelphia County (part) includes Philadelphia, 7th and 8th Wards (Kensington); Ringsessing Twp.; Lower Dublin Twp.; Borough of Manayunk, Upper and Lower Wards; Morelands; Moyamensing, 1st through 5th Wards; 1st and 2nd Ward, Northern Liberties; 2nd Ward (Southmark); 3rd Ward, Northern Liberties; 4th Ward, Kensington; 4th through 7th Wards, Northern Liberties; North Pennsylvania; Oxford Twp.; Passyurd Twp.; District of Pennsylvania; Cedar Ward; Chestnut Ward; Dock Ward; High Street Ward; Locust Ward; Lombard; Lower Delaware Ward; Middle; New Market; North Ward; North Mulberry Ward; Pine Ward; South Ward; South Mulberry Ward; Spruce Ward; Upper Delaware Ward; Walnut Ward; Richmond District; Roxborough Twp.; 1st through 7th Ward, District of Spring Garden; 1st through 6th Ward, Southwark; Unincorporated Northern Liberties; Borough of Aramingo; West Philadelphia; Whitehall Borough.

3 1860; Adams County - Potter County

4 1860; Schuylkill County - York County

5 1870; Adams County - Erie County (part). Erie County (part) includes Albion Borough; Amity Twp.; Conneaut Twp.; Concord Twp.; City of Corry, 1st and 2nd Wards; Borough of Edinboro; Elk Creek Twp.; City of Erie, 1st through 4th Wards.

6 1870; Erie County (part) - Philadelphia County (part). Erie County (part) includes City of Erie, 5th and 6th Wards; Fairview Borough; Franklin Twp.; Girard Borough; Greene Twp.; Greenfield Twp.; Harborcreek Twp.; LeBoeuf Twp.; Lockport Borough; McKean Twp.; Millcreek Twp.; North East Twp.; Springfield Twp.; Summit Twp.; Union Borough; Venango Twp.; Waterford Borough; Wattsburg Borough; and Wayne Twp. Philadelphia County (part) includes City of Philadelphia, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th through 27th Wards (also numbered as 1st, 7th, 10th, 2nd, through 21st, 4th, 22nd through 89th, 1st, and 89th Districts, Divisions, or Subdivisions).

7 1870; Philadelphia County (part) - York County. Philadelphia County (part) includes 28th Ward (also numbered as 90th through 92nd Districts).

8 1880; Adams County - Centre County (part). Centre County (part) includes Burnside Twp; Snow Shoe; Philipsburg; Rush Twp.; Curtin and Liberty; Howard Boro; and Boggs Twp. and Milesburg.

9 1880; Centre County (part) - Lancaster County (part). Centre County (part) includes Union Twp., Worth and Houston Twp., Marion Twp, Walker Twp., Spring Twp., Bellefonte Boro, Benner Twp., College Twp., Patton Twp., Halfmoon Twp., Taylor Twp., Miles Twp., Haines Twp., Penn Twp., Millheim Boro, Gregg Twp., Potter Twp., Harris Twp., and Ferguson Twp. Lancaster County (part) includes Caernarvon; Brecknock; East Cocalico; Adamstown Boro; West Cocalico Twp.; Clay Twp.; Ephrata Twp.; East Earl; North Earl; West Earl; Upper Leacock Twp.; Manheim Twp.; Warwick Twp.; Elizabeth Twp.; Penn Twp.; East Hempfield; West Hempfield Twp.; Columbia, 1st through 3rd Wards; Rapho Twp.; Upper Rapho; Manheim Borough; Mt. Joy Twp.; Elizabethtown; East Donegal Twp.; Marietta; West
Donegal; Conoy Twp.; Salisbury Twp.; Leacock Twp.; East Lampeter Twp.; West Lampeter Twp.; and Lancaster Twp.

10  1880; Lancaster County (part) - Philadelphia County (part). Lancaster County (part) includes Lancaster Twp.; Lancaster City, 1st, 2nd (north half), unstated, 6th, and 9th Wards; Millersville District; Manor Twp.; Indiantown District; Washington Boro; Pequea Twp.; Conestoga Twp.; Martic Twp.; Providence Twp.; Strasburg Twp; Paradise Twp.; Sadsbury; Part Twp.; Eden Twp.; Colerain Twp.; Drumore Twp.; Little Britain Twp.; Fulton Twp.; and Ephrata Twp. Philadelphia County (part) includes Philadelphia Twp.

11  1880; Philadelphia County (part) - York County. Philadelphia County (part) includes Philadelphia Twp.