



CENSUS COMPARISON CHART

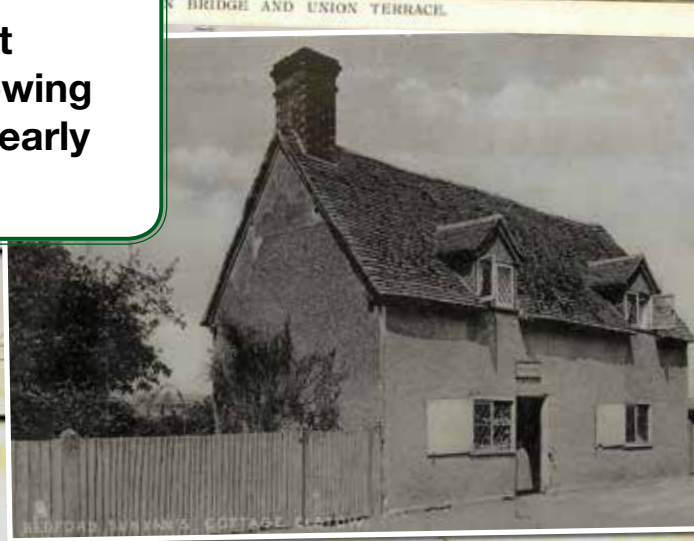
Discover what information was taken on the 1841-1911 censuses for:






- Channel Islands
- England
- Ireland
- Scotland
- Wales
- Ships






Use this detailed chart to easily see what questions your ancestor answered – showing you the fascinating details that the ten-yearly censuses reveal...



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	England 	Wales 	Scotland 	Ireland 	Channel Islands 	Ships
6 June 1841	First name, surname, age (rounded down if over 15, to the nearest 5 years), sex, occupation, born in county enumerated (Y/N), born in Scotland, Ireland or Foreign Parts (S/I,/F)?	First name, surname, age (rounded down if under 15), sex, occupation, born in county enumerated (y/n), born in Scotland, Ireland or Foreign Parts?	First name, surname, occupation, age, whether born in the county, Scotland, England, Ireland or Foreign Parts	no full census survives (some records for: Antrim, Carlow, Cavan, Cork, Dublin, Fermanagh, Limerick, Longford, Mayo, Monaghan, Queen's, Tyrone, Westmeath, Wicklow	First name, surname, age (rounded down if over 15, to the nearest 5 years), sex, occupation, born in county enumerated (Y/N), born in Scotland, Ireland or Foreign Parts (S/I,/F)?. Includes name of island	Not recorded separately
30 March 1851	As above, plus middle name, marital status, relationship to head of household, age, sex, rank/profession/occupation, born in county where enumerated (Y/N), born in Scotland, Ireland or Foreign Parts	As above, plus county and parish if born in Wales or England	As above plus relationship to head of household, marital status, sex, rank, birthplace, whether blind, deaf or dumb	no full census survives (some records for: Antrim, Armagh, Cavan, Clare, Donegal, Down, Dublin, Fermanagh, Kerry, Kildare, Leitrim, Limerick, Londonderry, Longford, Mayo, Meath, Monaghan, Queen's Roscommon, Sligo, Tipperary, Tyrone, Waterford, Wexford, Wicklow	As above, plus middle name, marital status, relationship to head of household, age, sex, rank/profession/occupation, born in county where enumerated (Y/N), born in Scotland, Ireland or Foreign Parts. Includes name of island.	Recorded separately but no returns survive
7 April 1861	As above	As above	As above plus the number of children aged 5-15 being educated at home or school, number of rooms with 1 or more windows	no full census survives	As above. Includes name of island	Name, surname, condition (eg single, married, widowed etc), age, rank/occupation, where born, if deaf, dumb or blind
2 April 1871	As above plus last column: blind/deaf & dumb/imbecile/idiot, lunatic	As above plus last column: blind/deaf & dumb/imbecile/idiot, lunatic	As above plus unemployed added to occupation question, schooling question amended to age 5-13, new disability categories added: imbecile, idiot, lunatic	no full census survives	As above plus last column: blind/deaf & dumb/imbecile/idiot, lunatic. Includes name of island	As above

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3 April 1881	As above	As above	As above with schooling question removed, Gaelic speaker recorded, dwelling with door opening onto a common stair recorded	no full census survives	As above. Includes name of island	As above with Royal Navy ships in foreign waters listed in alphabetical order
5 April 1891	As above plus employer/employed/neither	As above plus employer/employed/neither, language spoken	As above with whether English, Gaelic or both spoken; whether employed, employer or working 'on own' account; disability categories: deaf & dumb, blind, lunatic, imbecile or idiot	no full census survives	As above plus employer/employed/neither. Includes name of island	As above but no surviving records for Royal Navy ships in foreign waters
31 March 1901	As above plus employer/employed/neither replaced with employer/worker/own account, if working at home, language spoken (Isle of Man only)	As above plus employer/employed/neither replaced with employer/worker/own account, if working at home, language spoken	As above plus 'idiot' removed from disability category, Gaelic question for age 3+ only, overseas inhabitants asked whether they were 'foreign subject'	Taken 31 March 1901. Name, age, sex, relationship to head of the household, religion, occupation, marital status, county or country of birth. Ability to read or write and ability to speak the Irish language, and whether deaf, dumb, blind, idiot, imbecile or lunatic	As above plus employer/employed/neither replaced with employer/worker/own account, if working at home, language spoken (Isle of Man only). Includes name of island	As above with Royal Navy ships in foreign waters listed in alphabetical order
2 April 1911	As above plus for married women: years of marriage, number of children of that marriage, number of children alive or dead. Industry as well as occupation. UK parish and county of birth or British Empire colony/dependency or state/province. Resident or visitor if born outside England/Wales. Nationality if born overseas. Year afflicted in infirmity column	As above plus for married women: years of marriage, number of children of that marriage, whether those children alive or dead. Industry as well as occupation. UK parish and county of birth or British Empire colony/dependency or state/province. Resident or visitor if born outside England/Wales. Nationality if born overseas. Year afflicted in infirmity column	As above with new questions on duration of marriage, number of children per marriage, revision of disability categories, question on industry or service a person was employed within, nationality to include actual mention of those outwith a British colony	Taken 2 April 1911. As above plus married women were asked to state the number of years married, the number of children born alive and the number still living	As above plus for married women: years of marriage, number of children of that marriage, number of children alive or dead. Industry as well as occupation. UK parish and county of birth or British Empire colony/dependency or state/province. Resident or visitor if born outside England/Wales. Nationality if born overseas. Year afflicted in infirmity column. Includes name of island	As above