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On the 692 rolls of this microfilm publication are reproduced Indian census rolls, 1885-1940, with a few later rolls. These census rolls were usually submitted each year by agents or superintendents in charge of Indian reservations as required by an act of Congress of July 4, 1884 (23 Stat. 98).

The information given in the rolls varies to some extent; but usually given are the English and/or Indian name of the person, roll number, age or date of birth, sex, and relationship to head of family. Beginning in 1930 the rolls also show the degree of Indian blood, marital status, ward status, place of residence, and sometimes other information. For certain years--usually 1935, 1936, 1938, and 1939--only supplemental rolls of additions and deductions were compiled. The 1931 or 1932 census rolls often include separate lists that recapitulated births and deaths for the years after 1924. Most of the 1940 rolls have been retained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and are not included in this microfilm publication. The preparation of rolls was not required after 1940, but a few later ones were submitted.

There is not a census for every reservation or group of Indians for every year. It was not always possible to take a census on some reservations; and some rolls were lost over the years. Only persons who maintained a formal affiliation with a tribe under Federal supervision are listed on these census rolls. Some tribes, particularly those in the East, have never been under Federal jurisdiction. Because many persons with some degree of Indian blood did not maintain a tribal connection, their names do not appear on the rolls. For the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma (Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek, and Seminole Indians), there is only an 1885 census of the Choctaw Indians.

The census rolls are arranged alphabetically by name of agency or other jurisdiction and thereunder by year. For jurisdictions with more than one tribe or band or more than one reservation, there may be several rolls for each year. On the individual rolls family groups are listed together. There is often no discernible order to the listing of families on the earlier rolls, but entries on the later rolls are usually arranged alphabetically by surname of head of family. Supplementary rolls follow the regular rolls for a year.

In the list and the contents filmed after these introductory notes, currently accepted spellings of names of tribes have been used except when it was believed that this would be confusing to the user. In the census rolls themselves obsolete spellings are often used; and the name of a tribe may be spelled several ways in different rolls. Sometimes even the name used for a tribe was changed from year to year.

The records reproduced in this microcopy are part of the records in the National Archives designated as Record Group 75, Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. There are other census rolls interspersed throughout this record group. Most of them were prepared for a specific purpose, such as the determination of those eligible for a land allotment or a per capita payment. Three of these census rolls have been reproduced as separate microfilm publications: the 1832 Census of Creek Indians Taken by Parsons and Abbott (T-275); the Census Roll, 1835, of the Cherokee Indians East of the Mississippi and Index to the Roll (T-496); and the 1895 Old Settler Cherokee Census Roll (T-985). Other census rolls are among the Letters Received by the Office of Indian Affairs, 1824-80 (M-234). There are also other lists concerning Indians such as emigration muster rolls, annuity payment rolls, and land allotment schedules, which often contain the same kind of information as the census rolls.

Indian census rolls are also in Record Group 48, Records of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior. Among them are the Final Rolls of Citizens and Freedmen of the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory, which have been reproduced on Microcopy T-529.

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## LIST OF TRIBES AND JURISDICTIONS

The contents pages will show the rolls of microfilm on which the census rolls for each jurisdiction are reproduced.

<u>Tribe</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>
Absentee Shawnee	<u>See Shawnee.</u>
Apache	Camp McDowell, Camp Verde, Fort Apache, Jicarilla, Kiowa, Mescalero, Phoenix, Pueblo, San Carlos, Southern Ute, Truxton Canon. <u>See also names of individual bands.</u>
Apache-Mohave	<u>See Mohave-Apache.</u>
Arapaho	Cantonment, Cheyenne and Arapaho, Seger, Shoshone, Wind River
Arikara	Fort Berthold
Assiniboin	Fort Belknap, Fort Peck
Bad River Chippewa	Great Lakes, Lac du Flambeau, La Pointe
Bannock	Fort Hall, Lemhi
Blackfeet	Blackfeet, Standing Rock
Blood	Blackfeet
Bois Fort Chippewa	Consolidated Chippewa, Fond du Lac, La Pointe, Nett Lake, Red Lake, Vermillion Lake
Brulé Sioux	Crow Creek, Lower Brulé, Rosebud
Caddo	Kiowa
Camp McDowell	<u>See Fort McDowell.</u>
Camp Verde Apache	Camp Verde, Phoenix, Truxton Canon
Cass and Winnibigoshish	
Chippewa	Consolidated Chippewa, Leech Lake, White Earth
Cayuga	New York
Cayuse	Umatilla
Chehalis	Cushman, Nisqually and Skokomish, Puyallup, Quinaielt, Taholah
Chemehuevi	Colorado River, Fort Mojave
Cherokee (North Carolina)	Cherokee
Cheyenne	Cantonment, Cheyenne and Arapaho, Pine Ridge, Red Moon, Seger, Tongue River
Chippewa	Bay Mills, Consolidated Chippewa, Devils Lake, Fond du Lac, Fort Totten, Grand Portage, Great Lakes, Hayward, Lac du Flambeau, La Pointe, Leech Lake, Mackinac, Nett Lake, Potawatomi, Red Cliff, Red Lake, Turtle Mountain, Vermillion Lake, White Earth. <u>See also names of individual bands.</u>
Choctaw	
In Mississippi	Choctaw
In Indian Territory	Union
Christian	Potawatomi

<u>Tribe</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>
Citizen Potawatomi	<u>See Potawatomi.</u>
Clallam	Cushman, Nisqually and Skokomish, Puyallup, Tulalip
Cocopa	Colorado River, Fort Yuma
Coeur d'Alène	Coeur d'Alene, Colville, Northern Idaho
Columbia	Colville
Colville	Colville
Comanche	Kiowa
Concow	California Special, Round Valley, Sacramento
Crow	Crow
Delaware	Kiowa
Devil's Lake Sioux	Devil's Lake, Fort Totten
Digger	California Special, Digger, Fort Bidwell, Greenville
Eastern Shawnee	Quapaw, Seneca
Flandreau Sioux	Flandreau, Santee
Flathead	Flathead
Fond du Lac Chippewa	Consolidated Chippewa, Fond du Lac, La Pointe, Red Lake, White Earth
Fort McDowell	Camp McDowell, Phoenix, Pima, Salt River
Fort Sill Apache	Kiowa
Fox	<u>See Sauk and Fox.</u>
Georgetown	Cushman, Puyallup, Quinaielt
Goshute	Goshute, Kaibab, Paiute
Grand Portage Chippewa	Consolidated Chippewa, Grand Portage, La Pointe, Red Lake
Grande Ronde	Grande Ronde, Salem, Siletz
Grosventre	Fort Belknap, Fort Berthold
Gull Lake Chippewa	Consolidated Chippewa, White Earth
Havasupai	Havasupai, Hualapai, Truxton Canon
Hoh	Neah Bay, Puyallup, Quinaielt
Hoopa	California Special, Hoopa Valley
Hopi	Hopi, Moqui, Navajo, Western Navajo
Hualapai	<u>See Walapai.</u>
Hunkpapa Sioux	Standing Rock
Hupa	California Special, Hoopa Valley
Iowa	
In Kansas	Haskell, Kickapoo, Potawatomi
In Oklahoma	Sac and Fox, Oklahoma; Shawnee
Jicarilla Apache	Jicarilla, Mescalero, Pueblo, Southern Ute
John Day	Warm Springs
Kaibab	Kaibab, Paiute, Southern Utah, Uintah and Ouray
Kalispel	Coeur d'Alene, Colville, Flathead, Northern Idaho
Kanosh	Goshute, Paiute, Uintah and Ouray
Kansa	Kaw, Osage, Pawnee, Ponca
Kaw	<u>See Kansa.</u>

<u>Tribe</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>
Kickapoo Mexican Kickapoo	Haskell, Kickapoo, Potawatomi Mexican Kickapoo; Sac and Fox, Oklahoma; Shawnee
Kiowa	Kiowa
Kiowa Apache	Kiowa
Klamath (Calif.)	California Special, Greenville, Hoopa Valley, Roseburg
Klamath (Oreg.)	Klamath
Kutenai	Coeur d'Alene, Flathead, Northern Idaho
Lac Courte Oreilles Chippewa	Great Lakes, Hayward, Lac du Flambeau, La Pointe
Lac du Flambeau Chippewa	Great Lakes, Lac du Flambeau, La Pointe
Lake Leech Lake Pillager Chippewa	Consolidated Chippewa, Leech Lake, White Earth Camp McDowell, Phoenix, Salt River
Lehi	California Special, Round Vally, Sacramento
Little Lake	Crow Creek, Lower Brulé
Lower Brulé Sioux	Crow Creek, Standing Rock
Lower Yantonai Sioux	Tulalip
Lummi	Neah Bay, Taholah
Makah	Fort Berthold
Mandan	Pima
Maricopa	Birch Cooley, Pipestone
Mdewakanton Sioux	Green Bay, Keshena
Menominee	Mescalero
Mescalero Apache	<u>See</u> Kickapoo.
Mexican Kickapoo	Quapaw, Seneca
Miami	Consolidated Chippewa, Leech Lake, White Earth
Mille Lac Chippewa	California Special, Campo, Malki, Mission Tule
Mission	River, Mission, Pala, San Jacinto, Soboba Otoe, Pawnee, Ponca
Missouri	
Modoc	
In Oklahoma	Quapaw, Seneca
In Oregon	Klamath
Mohave	Colorado River, Fort Mojave, San Carlos
Mohave-Apache	Camp McDowell, Camp Verde, Phoenix, Pima, San Carlos
Monache	Bishop, Walker River
Moqui	<u>See</u> Hopi.
Muckleshoot	Cushman, Tulalip
Munsee	
In Kansas	Potawatomi
In Wisconsin	Green Bay, Keshena, Tomah
Navajo	Eastern Navajo, Hopi, Leupp, Navajo, Northern Navajo, Pueblo Bonito, San Juan, Southern Navajo, Western Navajo
Bands living with the Pueblo Indians	Albuquerque, Pueblo Day Schools, Southern Pueblo































































