

# 1890 Casey County “Census” from Tax Rolls

The 1890 Federal Census was damaged by a fire and destroyed in 1921. The gap between the 1880 Census and the 1900 Census can be a difficult transition for researchers. While the actual census cannot be replaced, this transcript of the 1890 Casey County Tax Rolls will help to fill that period.

In 1890, the tax assessors were charged to list each head of household and to ask about 100 questions about each household. Each adult male, whether head of household or not, should have been listed in order to pay the poll tax.

This transcript shows only the name of the taxpayer, his or her precinct and part (page) number, the number of acres of land owned, and the nearest actual resident to the land. If the researcher finds a relevant name, the researcher should consult the part number to obtain additional information about the household, such as number of school age children, etc.

This original transcript is known to contain many errors of transcription. The handwritten originals used script which makes many letters look the same. Those who know the true names of the taxpayers are requested to make corrections in the margins to be included in future revisions.

We continue to work on the 1890 Veteran’s Census which is intended to include the veteran, military record according to his or her report, military record according to our independent research, identity from Federal Census records (1850-1900), and place of burial.

For your convenience, all records will eventually find a place on [JerryLFoster.com](http://JerryLFoster.com).

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