1940 Census Coverage

- Continental United States
- Alaska
- American Samoa
- Guam
- Hawaii
- Panama Canal Zone
- Puerto Rico
- Virgin Islands of US
- Military and consular services abroad
- Naval services abroad or in American waters but not at a fixed station

100% were asked these questions

40 Entry Lines

5% were asked these questions

An outside informant should have their name in the left-hand margin as: "Information from John Brown neighbor"

Born on April 1st, 1940?

- 1940 U.S. births averaged 7,120 per day
- 1940 Enumerator Handbook
  - Paragraph 301: Census Day
    ...count every person alive at the beginning of the Census Day, i.e. 12:01 a.m. on April 1st, 1940...
    ...and infants born after 12:01 a.m. on April 1st, 1940, should not be counted

Outside of Country in 1935?

Same House
- Poland
- No
- Rhode Island

Same Place
- Santa Ana Orange Calif No

Number Sequences

- Regular
- Followups
- 4/8 & 9 transients

Employment Questions If 14 Years Or Older

1940 Enumerator Handbook, Paragraph 401
ED Definitions

Non-name Index Searches

- Need the location of your targets
- Need the ED # of your location to get to that ED

Address/Locations

- Where to look:
  - Naturalization records
  - Birth, death, and marriage certificates
  - School and church records
  - Employment records
  - Letters and other correspondence
  - Scrapbooks, diaries, photos
  - City directories and telephone directories
  - Etc.

One Step Tools

Address Search Protocol

- Choose Large City ED finder
- Choose the census year (1900-1940)
- Choose the state
- Choose the city
- Pick the street name of your address
- Find the cross and back street names (map) on that block
- Enter those names until you have one ED number
- Do a "second opinion" if available

Summary: Rural Tools

- ** Searchable ED definitions
- ** County ED map
- ** '30 to '40 ED conversion if didn't move between years, you have the '30 ED #

Summary: Urban Tools

Covered by 1-Step ED Finder

- **** Large City ED Finder
- **** '40 - '30 - '40 conversions
- *** Census tract maps to ED numbers
- ** Map the boundary definitions
- * Search all city's EDs

Not Covered by 1-Step ED Finder

- **** ED city maps
- *** '30 to '40 ED conversion
- ** Map the boundary definitions
- * Search all city's EDs

Summary: Urban Tools

- ** Map the boundary definitions
- * ED definition scans

Interactive Questions

Best Strategy for Your Situation
Second Opinion Tools
Research Hints
NARA and One Step Tools
Links to All Tools

http://stevemorse.org/census/quiz.php