

1950 Census Records - Improving the NARA Index at FamilySearch.org

NARA released an initial, artificial intelligence / optical character recognition, name and location index of the 1950 US Federal Census on 1 April 2022. See <https://1950census.archives.gov/> (Remember only the head of household has a surname in this first index.)

The [1950 US Census Community Project](#) is hosted on FamilySearch.org and will enable volunteers to help review and improve the comprehensive index. Use your knowledge of handwriting to greatly improve an OCR index. Everyone with a computer and online service can help. This project needs an army of volunteers to help publish a free searchable index of all 151 million individuals included in this valuable 1950 NARA record. Help with the review at: <https://www.familysearch.org/getinvolved/1950>

Review Names, Review Document Header and Review Families will be available for each state and later for US Territories as the project moves ahead.

Also see: [1950 Census: Differences from the 1940 Census](#) (NARA History Hub Blog link)