## Family History: Genealogy Made Easy with Lisa Louise Cooke

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Welcome to this step-by-step series for beginning genealogists and more experienced ones who want to brush up or learn something new. I first ran this series in 2008. So many people have asked about it, I'm bringing it back in weekly segments.



## **Episode 10: Deeper into Census Records**

We're going to start off today by continuing our use of U.S. Federal Census Records. Last episode we located relatives in the 1930 census, and today we're going to push further back in time to follow the census bread crumb trail.



Then in our second segment we're going to explore some census enumerations that often go overlooked by family historians with Curt Witcher, the Manager of the nationally-recognized Genealogy Center at the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Curt is a very well-known genealogy lecturer and he has some great tips for tapping in to more obscure census resources.

## **Updates and Links**

As I mentioned in the show notes of the last episode, the 1940 census is now available to researchers. Check out those notes for more information at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/ShowNotesEp9">http://tinyurl.com/ShowNotesEp9</a>.

- Learn more about nonpopulation schedules and other census records in Ancestry's *The Source*, now online at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/AncestryTheSource">http://tinyurl.com/AncestryTheSource</a>.
- The U.S. Census Bureau has info on state censuses at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/mrxbf58">http://tinyurl.com/mrxbf58</a>. Learn more in Ann S. Lainhart's book *State Census Records* (Genealogical Publishing Company, 1992). A lot of state censuses are now searchable on Ancestry.com and FamilySearch.org.
- A few fragments of the 1890 census remain. These are searchable at Ancestry.com at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/Ancestry1890census">http://tinyurl.com/FS1890census</a>. and on FamilySearch at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/FS1890census">http://tinyurl.com/FS1890census</a>.
- The Ancestry database substitute for the 1890 census I mentioned in the show
  can be found at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/Ancestry1890substitute">http://tinyurl.com/Ancestry1890substitute</a>. Additionally, Ancestry
  has developed census substitutes for just about every state for 1890 and other
  years. Search for them in the Card Catalog with the search term "1890 census."
- The National Archives introduces census records (what's in them and how to find them) at http://www.archives.gov/research/census/.