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INTRODUCTION

The statistical reports submitted by officials of each district in the province were used to compile the Blue Books (for which; see RG 1, E 13). The totals of population and assessment given here are more detailed than in the Blue Books, but generally do not contain any names of individuals. (The major exceptions are noted in the listing which follows.)

Nature of the Description provided

The listing identifies the pages relevant to the various districts, whether for population or assessment statistics, as well as for covering correspondence. No distinction has been made between originals and duplicates, or the occasional triplicate copies; neither are supplementary returns highlighted. The page reference is the key to locating the items within the volumes. The Shelf List (page ii) correlates page and volume numbers, and will provide reel numbers when microfilming is completed.

Certain special cases exist. Pages 413-470 are an entrybook of returns for 1836; this volume is supplemented by individual returns for some districts. The 1840 returns often note religious denominations and may include the names of those persons classified as deaf, dumb or insane. The Assessor's list for Malden Township, 1847 (pages 710-759) is virtually a census of the heads of households. Volume 7 (pages 1140-1251) is devoted to records of the London District. It has been unbound as a conservation measure, for many of the documents were breaking along the folds. The contents are noted throughout the lists for 1829-1843, as appropriate. The assessment returns for London District provide more than usual information on monies collected in the period 1829-1843.

Related Records

There may be related records and astray items in the Upper Canada Sundries (RG 5, A 1) and in the Provincial Secretary's Numbered Correspondence Files (RG 5, C 1). Neither series has been searched for such material. There are also published reports of population ('census') and assessment data in the JOURNALS of the Legislative Assembly for Upper Canada.

SHELF LIST

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Returns of population and of assessment, with returns of monies collected, for the London District	1829-1843	7	1140-1251	H-1176
Returns and abstracts of ASSESSMENT, with covering correspondence	1844-1847, 1854	8	1252-1342	H-1176
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UPPER CANADA: Returns of Population and Assessment, 1800-1862
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Returns of population and assessment, by district, arranged chronologically within two series. The returns formed the basis of the statistical reports in the Blue Books (for which, see RG 1, E 13). Further statistical data on population and assessment may be found printed in the Journals of the House of Assembly. There may be some returns in the Upper Canada Sundries (RG 5, A 1). The returns were submitted to the Civil Secretary pursuant to the "Census" Act of 1823 and subsequent provincial legislation.

In preparation for microfilming, the series was reviewed, volume 7 unbound and many fragile items repaired. The series is being withdrawn from circulation as a conservation measure. RESEARCHERS MUST USE THE MICROFILM. (Reels H-1174 to H-1176)

Revised 2/75; items transferred from RG 4, B 34 were incorporated as appropriate, the chronological order verified and the pages numbered.

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London	1805	1	771-772	769
Newcastle	1805	779		
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Niagara	1806		774	
Western	1806		773	
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Newcastle	1816		796	802
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Newcastle	1818		827	820
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Newcastle	1820	51	841	50
Niagara	1820	66, supplement 78		83-84
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Midland	1824	127	889	152
Newcastle	1824	125	884	
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Newcastle	1832			287
Niagara	1832			295
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Eastern	1839	574	1082	
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Midland	1839	578	1089	
Newcastle	1839	566-567	1096	
Niagara	1839	577	1086	
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- totals	1840	598		
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Talbot	1841	635		
Victoria	1841	633		
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Newcastle	1843		1123	
Niagara	1843		1137	
Ottawa	1843	667-672	1135	
Prince Edward	1843		1136	
Simcoe	1843		1134	
Talbot	1843		1122	
Victoria	1843		1124	
Wellington	1843		1131	
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Brock	1844		1268	
Colborne	1844		1265	
Eastern	1844		1266	
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Newcastle	1845		1280	
Niagara	1845		1278	
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London	1846		1298	
Midland	1846		1294	
Newcastle	1846		1292-1293	
Niagara aggregate of taxes	1846		1301a 1301	
Ottawa	1846		1290-1291	
Prince Edward	1846		1300	
Simcoe	1846		1288	
Talbot aggregate of taxes	1846	701-703	1287 1286	
Victoria	1846		1302-1302a	
Wellington	1846		1297	
Johnstown	1847	704-706		
Talbot	1847	707-709		
Victoria	1847		1305	
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