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**RECORD GROUP:** RG 31, Statistics Canada

**SERIES:** C.1 Census Returns, Nova Scotia, 1767-1851

**DESCRIPTION:** The finding aid is a shelf-list to the microfilm for the census of Nova Scotia, 1867-1851. The list indicates the order of the census returns on the microfilm reel as well as any missing schedules. For specific place names please consult Finding Aid 31-1, the published Catalogue of census returns on microfilm, 1666-1891.

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Nova Scotia Census Returns  
& Assessment Rolls, 1767-1851

for the 1861 and 1871 census  
returns, see the published  
CHECKLIST OF CENSUS RETURNS,  
NOVA SCOTIA

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PANS volume 443.- Poll tax rolls, 1767-1794

These rolls are for the poll or capitation tax and are a satisfactory substitute for a heads-of-household census

The rolls or returns are for the following places (there are no targets and no pagination; the numbers given are used merely for convenience in maintaining sequence)

1	General return of several townships, Nova Scotia	1767
2	Lunenburg Township	1770
3	New Dublin Township	"
4	Sackville Township	1770-1771
5	Annapolis Township	1770
6	Granville Township	1770 & 1771
7	Horton Township	1770
8	Falmouth Township	"
9	Yarmouth Township	"
10	Barrington Township	"
11	Onslow Township	1770,1771,1774
12	Londonderry Township	1770 & 1774
13	Truro Township	1770 & 1771
14	Cumberland Township	1770
15	Amherst Township	1770 & 1771
16	Donegall or Pictou Township	1770 & 1775
17	Hillsborough Township	1771
18	Conway Township	1775
19	Queen's County	1787
20	Queen's County - cattle	1786
21	New Dublin Township	"
22	Londonderry and Economy Townships	"
23	Cornwallis Township	"
24	Cumberland County - general return of inhabitants	1787

25	Cumberland Township - return of men above age 21	1785
26	Pictou and Merigomish - return of cattle	1786
27	Pictou or Timmouth - return of inhabitants capable of bearing arms	783
28	Shelburne Township - capitation tax	1791,1792,1794

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PANS volume 444 $\frac{1}{2}$  - Poll or capitation tax assessment rolls and returns, 1791-1796.

As with the previous listing, the numbers are merely a guide to the sequence; there are no targets or page numbers.

1	Lunenburg Township	1795
2	New Dublin Township	1791-1795
3	Chester	1793-1795
4	Lunenburg County	1795
5	Queen's County	1791
6	Liverpool (Simeon Perkins)	1792
7	Queen's County	1795
8	Liverpool	1794
9	Queen's County	1791, 1793
10	Yarmouth Township	1793
11	Argyle Township	1791-1795
12	Shelburne County	1795
13	Annapolis	1792
14	Wilmot	1791,1792,1794
15	Clements Township	1791
16	Town of Digby	1795
17	Annapolis County	1791
18	Cornwallis Township	"
19	Horton Township	"
20	Aylesford Township	"

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21	Cornwallis Township	1791-1795
22	Truro Township	1791-1793
23	Onslow Township	1791, 1794-1795
24	Londonderry Township	1791
25	Down Village, Truro	1794
26	Truro	1793-1794
27	Londonderry Township	1792-1794
28	Economy Township	1793
29	Londonderry Township	1795
30	Economy Township	1794-1795
31	Musquodoboit	1791-1793
32	Tatamagouche	1794-1795
33	Stewiacke River	1795
34	Middle Stewiacke	1796
35	Maccan, Nappan and Herbert Rivers Districts	1791-1792
36	Shubenacadie River & Halifax Road	1795
37	District of Hants	1793
38	Antigonish and Tracadie	1793-1794
39	Lunenburg County	1794-1796
40	Maccan, Nappan & Herbert Rivers District	1794-1795
41	Gut of Canso (Guysborough)	1791
42	Little Harbour (merigomish)	1794
43	District of Gulf of St. Lawrence	1792
44	Harbour of Pictou	1793
45	Township of Guysborough & Manchester, Crow Harbour & Canso, County of Sydney	1792
46	District of Country Harbour	1791
47	Tracadie, Pomquet & Harbour Bouche	n.d.

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48	Guysborough Township	1792
49	District of Country Harbour	"
50	Guysborough	1794-1795

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PANS volume 444 - Capitation or poll tax assessment rolls and returns, 1791-1797.

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1	Halifax Township	1791-1793
2	Windsor Township	1791-1792
3	Newport Township	ditto
4	Douglass Township	1791
5	Rawdon Township	"
6	Windsor Township	1791,1793,1795
7	Falmouth Township	1791
8	Windsor Township	1794
9	Falmouth Township	1792-1795
10	Rawdon Township	1791-1795
11	Douglas Township	ditto
12	Shubenacadie District	1795
13	Newport District	1791-1792, 1794-
14	Hants County	1794
15	Cumberland County - general return of the inhabitants in the different districts of	1791
16	Amherst Township	1791-1795
17	Fort Lawrence Township	1792-1794
18	Cumberland County	1791-1795
19	River Philip	1791,1793-1795
20	Ramshag Township	1790-1792,1794-1



21	Districts of Herbert, Maccan & Nappan Rivers	1791, 1794
22	Cumberland County	1793
23	Lunenburg Township	1795
24	Chester Township	1791
25	Lunenburg Township	1793-1794

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Miscellaneous assessment rolls and returns, c. 1792-1808, and census returns, 1817

1	Assessment roll for the town of Halifax and surrounding districts (Dutch Town, Hammond Plains, Sackville Road, Western Noll (sic), Ferguson's Cove, Herring Cove, Norwest Arm, Harriot & Spryfield, Ketch Harbour, Sambro Harbour, Halibut Bay, Portuguese Cove, Duncan's Cove, Ligh House, Prospect Harbour, Dover, McNab's Island, Indian Harbour, St. Margaret's Bay & Sandy Cove)	c 1792, 1798
2	General return of the inhabitants and horned cattle within the limits of the Second or Southern Regiment of Cape Breton Militia, from Cape Maubou to Grand River	n.d.
3	(Printed) Order requiring that returns be made of Horses, horned cattle, sheep and pigs, with their owners' names	20 Feb. 1808
4	General Abstract of the census returns of different townships and settlements in Halifax County	8 Nov. 1808
5	General return of livestock in Nova Scotia	spring 1808
6	Return of the state of districts, townships and settlements in Sydney County (now Antigonish and Guysborough Counties)	October 1817
7	Census returns of Pictou District	1817

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Census returns of Hants County, 1817 (showing severe mold damage)  
(Townships of Windsor, Falmouth, Newport and Douglas, and the Shore District)

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Census returns (from PANS volume 446), 1827  
 1. Argyle Township, Shelburne County  
 2. Yarmouth Township, Yarmouth County  
 3. Clare Township, Annapolis County

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Reel M-3135 Census returns, Cape Breton, 1811, 1818, 1838; Sydney, 1838

- census return, Cape Breton Island 1811
- ditto 1818
- census return, Sydney County  
(now Antigonish and Guysborough Counties) 1838
- general abstract of census returns,  
(Richmond, Lunenburg, Queen's, Annapolis,  
King's, Shelburne, Digby, Yarmouth, Hants,  
Colchester and Guysborough Counties)

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- Census returns, Cape Breton Island 1838  
(from PANS volume 449A) - for
- f. 1 Peninsula Sydney, including Harwood Hill to Muggahs Fridge.
- 4 East Side Sydney's River - Muggahs to Ellisons Bar
- 5 Ellisons's Bar to Flagstaff
- 6 Flagstaff to North Head of Lingan
- 7 South side Lingan from Coal Mines to S.W. Brook
- 8 North side Lingan
- 9 Coal Mines, Lingan to Glace Bay
- 10 Lingan Road & Kilkenny, Welton's, to S.W. Brook
- 12 French Village to Long Island
- 12A from French Village to entrance of Little Bras d'Or
- 13 Above George's River
- 13V George's River to Long Island
- 14 Big & Little Ponds to Little Bras D'Or Gut
- 15 Lloyd's Cove to Plant's, including Sydney Mines
- 17 Plant's to Meloneys Mill, N. side North West Arm
- 18 Stewart's Mill to Ball's Creek
- 19 South side, Northwest Arm
- 20 Acadian Settlement, Ball's Brook, upper district
- 21 ditto, lower district

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- f.
- 23 A&B Leeches Creek to Long Island
  - 24 Cow Bay Road
  - 25 Sydney to Black Brook
  - 26 Cow Bay to Upper District
  - 27 ditto to Lower District
  - 28 Black Brook at the Mira River & north side to Corris's
  - 29 Branch road from Leeches Creek to George's River
  - 30 Middle District Cow Bay
  - 31 from R. Gibbons & Murphys to Crawley's Bridge, N.W. side Sydney R.
  - 33 Crawley's Bridge to John Dickson's, W. side Sydney River
  - 34 Salmon River to Smelt Brook, N. side Mira River
  - 35 Ranna Hills to Sydney Road
  - 36 Smelt Brook to Ranna Hills clearing
  - 37 Grand Lake road from Sydney to Bridgeport
  - 40 A-C Middle River
  - 41 A&B West side Baddeck River to Little Baddeck
  - 42 East side Baddeck River, Upper Settlement
  - 44 North side Big Bras d'Or
  - 45 A-C William Duff's to West end of Boulardrie
  - 46 Cape North
  - 47 Ingonish
  - 48 Little Baddeck road to the Inlet
  - 49 ditto, to Kenneth McLean's
  - 51 South side Boulardrie
  - 52A Goose Cove to Peter Peer's Arm, south side
  - 52B Peter Peer's Arm to head of the river, N. side St. Ann's
  - 52C Donald Fraser, S. side St. Ann's to Black Head
  - 52D Little Baddeck to Donald Fraser's, S. side St. Ann's

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- 52E French River to Wreck Cove, N.W. side
  - 52F St. Ann's Harbour to head of Baddeck River
  - 52G Big Hill to Goose Cove, N. side St. Ann's
  - 52H Goose Cove to Peter Pier's Arm, N. side
  - 53 Bar at St. Ann's Harbour to Breeding Cove, N. side
  - 54 Big Harbour
  - 55 N. side Narrows to Geo. McKay's point
  - 56 road across the Boularderie
  - 59 Baddeck River Forks to head of the N.E. branch of that river
  - 60 ditto down to the old settlement
  - 61 Mire Gut to Catalone Lake
  - 62 Mainadieu to Catalone
  - 63 Bauline and Little Lovan
  - 65 see oversize sheets
  - 68 Duglad McPhee's to Mill Brook, N.E. Arm
  - 69 N. side East Bay from Ronald McDonald's to Dugald McPhee's
  - 70 Bown's grant to Lackman's Cove, Boisdale
  - 70A&C-E Big Narrows to Long Island
  - 70B Big Beach, Pond, Barrow's (?)
  - 70G Goose Pond near Great Narrows
  - 71A from district line at lot #1 to Rory Brack's
  - 71B from Brack's to Cameron's Lot #6
  - 73A Cameron's to Peter Frinton's
  - 73B road from Mira to Portage
  - 74 S. side Portage, East Bay, Morrison's Crossroads
  - 75 Back Settlement, N. side East Arm to Acadian settlement
  - 76 S. side Catalone Lake to the Louisbourg Road
  - 77 A&B N. side Catalone Lake, from the Gut to Louisbourg Road near Mira River

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- 78 from the Mountain by Euntington's to the saw mill
  - 79 Head of Louis Bay to Salmon River
  - 80 Head of Mira Bay to Big Lake Gabarus
  - 81 Road from Mira to 12 Mile River (near Louisbourg)
  - 82 Louisbourg Road
  - 83 Mira Gut to Mira Ferry, S. side
  - 84 A&B S. side Louis Bay from the head to Upper Narrows.
  - 85 Upper Narrows to Trout Brook
  - 86 Trout Brook to Mira Ferry
  - 87 Benackady to the Narrows

Large Sheets

- A Lennox Township - Cape George, Back Settlement to Richmond County
- A 1 ditto - River Bourgeois and Grand Anse to Richmond County
- A 2 ditto - Cape George to Richmond County
- B Hawksbury Township - Caribou Cove, Bear Island, Ship Harbour, to Richmond County
- B 1 ditto - Grand Digue ferry, the Basin, to Richmond County
- B 2 ditto - Black River, Back Settlement, to Richmond County
- C Gabarus
- D Maitland Township - Louis Cove Road, Flambois, Point Michaux, Grand River Road, Irish Cove, Grand River Lake
- E Arichat Township - Little Arichat, Arichat Harbour, Point Alemarche, Cape Oquet S. side
- F Lennox Township - Black River
- G Arichat Township - Big Brook, Little Arichat
- G 1 ditto - Glaskey Point, the Mainguy (?)
- G 2 ditto - Little Anse, Petit de Grat, Baradoua, Cocowie Cove, Cape à la Ronde
- H Broad Cove settlement, Margaree Township, Inverness County
- I Ainslie Township, Inverness County

- J Western half, Ainslie Township, Inverness County
- K Cheticamp settlement, Inverness County
- L 2nd district, Margaree Township, Inverness County
- M Ship Harbour, River St. Denis, West Bay - Canso Township
- N N.E. half Canso Township, Inverness County
- O Port Hood Township, Inverness County

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- Nova Scotia Census Returns, 1838 (PANS volume 449)
- (2) Argyle Township, Yarmouth County - Publico, Tusket Falls, Eel Lake
- (3) ditto - Kempt settlement, Tusket River to the Mouth
- (4) Yarmouth Township, Yarmouth County

Annapolis County

- 1 Annapolis Township
- 2 Wilmot "
- 3 Clements "
- 4 Morse Road and Camsey road Settlements
- 5 Hillsborough Road Settlement, Liverpool Road
- 6 Dalhousie Settlement
- 7 Perot Settlement
- 8 New Albany Settlement, Liverpool Road
- 9 Allen's & Lunenburg Road Settlements, Grinton Settlement, Dalhousie Settlement East of the crossroads.
- 10 Granville Township - black population

Colchester County

- 1 Londonderry Township
- 2 Truro Township
- 3 Upper and Lower Stewiacke and Upper Shubenacadie Settlements
- 4 Kemptown Settlement

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- Reel M-3136 2 Chester Township - East & West Chester, Western Shore,  
Windsor Road, Blanford, St. Margaret's Bay, Sherbrooke
- 3 New Dublin Township - Broad Cove, Petite Riviere, New  
Dublin, Bridgewater, Chelsea, Pleasant River, Campertown,  
Conquerall, Italy

Queen's County

- 1 Port Mutton Township
- 2 Northern District
- 3 Liverpool Township

Shelburne County

- 1 Barrington Township - western district
- 2 ditto - Barrington River to Clyde River
- 3 Shelburne Township - eastern district
- 4 Cape Sable Island
- 5 Shelburne Township - western district
- 6 ditto - middle district

Yarmouth Township

- 1 Yarmouth Township - Moody's Corner to the Yarmouth Line.

Halifax County

- 1 general abstract
- 2 Dartmouth
- 3 Cole Harbour, Cow Bay, Eastern Passage
- 4 Lawrencetown
- 5 Porter's Lake
- 6 Chitzencook (Chezzetcook)
- 7 Three Fathom Harbour
- 8 Port Piswick (Petpeswick)
- 9 Jeddore
- 10 Clam Harbour & Little Harbour

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Onslow Township

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Tamtamagouche, New Annan, Earl Town

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Economy Township

Digby County

1

Clare Township

2

Digby & Hillsburgh Townships, Long and Brier Island Districts

Guysborough County

1

Guysborough Township, including New Harbor

2

Manchester Township

3

Central Divison - St. Mary's Township, Indian Harbour and Still Water Settlements, East and West River, Artigonish Branch and Back land settlements.

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Settlement from the County Line to mouth of St. Mary's River

5

Country Harbour

6

Wilmot Township

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Metford Township

Hants County

1

Uniacke Township

2

Newport "

3

Kempt "

4

Rawdon "

5

Windsor "

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Falmouth Township

King's County

1

Aylesford Township

2

Herton Township

3

Parrsboro Township

Lunenburg County

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Lunenburg Township



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- 11 Ship Harbour & Shoal Bay
  - 12 Tangiers, Pop's Harbour & Owl's Head
  - 13 Sheet Harbour & Taylor's Head
  - 14 Beaver Harbour, Newdiquoddy & Salmon River
  - 15 Bay of Islands to the County Line
  - 16 West Branch of St. Mary's River
  - 17 Lower Musquodobit
  - 18 Middle "
  - 19 Upper "
  - 20 Gay's River
  - 21 Truro Road
  - 22 Dutch Village & from Three Mile House to Sackville Bridge
  - 23 Sackville Bridge to the County Line
  - 24 Beaver Bank
  - 25 Spryfield, Harrietsfield & Goodwood
  - 26 Hammond's Plains
  - 27 Margaret's Bay
  - 28 Dover & Blind Bay
  - 29 Upper & Lower Prospect
  - 30 Pennant Bay, Sambro & Ketch Harbours
  - 31 Duncan's, Portuguese & Bear Coves, & Halibut Bay
  - 32 Herring, Ferguson's & Purcell's Coves

Map of Pictou County

Pictou County (PANS volume 449E)

- Pictou Township
- Pictou Town
- Pictou Island
- Egerton Township, Stellartor, Albion Mines
- New Glasgow
- Maxwellton

(returns are not in strict order for Pictou)

Arranged by polling districts

- 5 Halifax city - ward 5 (pages 20-end)
- 6 ditto -- ward 6
- 7 Halifax county - Ferguson's cove
- 8 ditto -- Portuguese Cove
- 9 " Sambro
- 10 " Prospect
- 11 " Hagget's Cove
- 12 " French Village
- 13 " Drysdale's (Harrietsfield?)
- 14 " North West Arm
- 15 " not found on film
- 16 " Hammond's Plains
- 17 " Windsor Road (Sackville)
- 18 " Truro Road (Sackville to Waverley & Grand Lake)
- 19 " Gay's River
- 20 " Wise's (Wyse's) Corner
- 21 " Middle Musquodoboit
- 22 " Upper "
- 23 " Caledonia
- 24 " Salmon River
- 25 " Sheet Harbour
- 26 " Pope's Harbour
- 27 " Jeddore, Musquodoboit Harbour, Clam Harbour, Ship Harbour
- 28 " Chezzetcook
- 29 " not found on film
- 30 " Preston

Reel M-3130 31 Halifax County - Dartmouth (portions later Westphal)  
32 ditto - Black Point - not found on film  
33 ditto - Eastern Passage - ditto

Reel M-3137 Halifax city - census returns, 1851

1 Halifax city - first ward  
2 ditto - ward 2  
3 ditto - ward 3  
4 ditto - ward 4  
5 ditto - ward 5 (to page 21)

Reel M-3139 King's County - census returns, 1851

Cornwallis Township

1 Canning polling district  
2 Canard " "  
3 Centrevill "  
4 Lakeville " "  
5 Somerset " "

Horton Township

6 Kentville polling district  
7 Gaspereau " "  
8 Wolfville " "  
9 Lower Horton " "

Aylesford Township

10 Aylesford polling district

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