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1860 U.S. NATIONAL CENSUS DATA

SOURCE: 1860 US Federal Census (ICPSR-2896: Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research at <http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/>).

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Complete Listing of the fields in each census year and series can be accessed via the PDF document <ICPSR_2896.pdf>.

ATTRIBUTES:

Field	Description
FIPS	Unique identifier for each county.
NAME	Name of county.
TOTPOP	Total population (1860).
URBAN	Total urban population (1860).
URBPCT	Urban population as a percent of total population.
URBRNK	Ranking of percent urban population (for classification purposes); 0=0%, 1=1-25%, 2=25-50%, 3=50-75%, 4=Over75%.
FAMILIES	Total number of families.
WHTOT	Total white population.
WMTOT	Total white male population.
WFTOT	Total white female population.
FCTOT	Total free-colored population.
FCMTOT	Total free-colored male population.
FCFTOT	Total free-colored female population.
STOT	Total slave population.
SMTOT	Total male slave population.
SFTOT	Total female slave population.
SPERC	Slaves as a percent of total population.
SRNK	Ranking of slave percent population (for classification purposes); 0=No Slaves, 1=1-10%, 2=10.1-25%, 3=25.1-50%, 4=Over 50%.
ACIMP	Number of acres of improved farmland (in production).
FARMVAL	Cash value of farms (in 1860 dollars).
LIVSTOCK	Total value of livestock (in 1860 dollars).
ORCHARD	Total value of orchard products (in 1860 dollars).
GARDEN	Total value of market produce (in 1860 dollars).

AGOUT	Total value of agriculture products (in 1860 dollars) -- includes livestock, orchards, market produce.
FARM39	Number of farms of 3-9 acres.
FARM1019	Number of farms of 10-19 acres.
FARM2049	Number of farms of 20-49 acres.
FARM5099	Number of farms of 50-99 acres.
FARM100	Number of farms of 100-499 acres.
FARM500	Number of farms of 500-999 acres.
FARM1000	Number of farms 1000 acres or more.
FARMLG	Total number of large farms (over 500 acres).
FRMRNK	Ranking of number of large farms (for classification purposes); 0=None, 1=1-25; 2=26-50, 3=51-100; 4=Over 100.
FARMTOT	Total number of farms.
SLHTOT	Total number of slaveholders.
SLHPCT	Slaveholders as a percent of total families.
SLHRNK	Ranking of number of slaveholders (for classification purposes); 0=None, 1=1-10%, 2=10.1=25%, 3=25.1-50%, 4=Over 50%.
SLH9	Slaveholders owning 1-9 slaves.
SLH19	Slaveholders owning 10-19 slaves.
SLH49	Slaveholders owning 20-49 slaves.
SLH99	Slaveholders owning 50-99 slaves.
SLH499	Slaveholders owning 100-499 slaves.
SLH500	Slaveholders owning 500-999 slaves.
SLH1000	Slaveholders owning 1000 slaves or more.
MFGESTAB	Total number of manufacturing establishments.
MFGRNK	Ranking of number of manufacturing establishments (for classification purposes); 0=None, 1=1-75, 2=76-200, 3=201-1000, 4=Over 1000.
MFGCAP	Total capital investment in manufacturing establishments.
MFGLABM	Total males employed in manufacturing.
MFGLABF	Total females employed in manufacturing.
MFGLABT	Total manufacturing labor force.
MFGOUT	Total manufacturing output (in 1860 dollars).

PROJECTION (HUSCO): Geographic (decimal degrees); WGS84.

DATA MANIPULATION:

1. The HUSCO boundary files (1860) were used as the spatial base layer and joined with selected fields from the corresponding US Census dbf on FIPS field. In each of the decades, the joined files contained counties that did not have corresponding US Census records. In these instances, the county has no attribute data. It is not advisable to conduct detailed spatial analysis at the local scale on these datasets. The original boundary files and census spreadsheets are available and may be used to construct modified shapefiles based on more accurate and comprehensive historical research on county divisions.

2. Unorganized Territories: Data is absent for large areas representing unorganized territories (census data was not collected). 1860: Unorganized Territories include Oklahoma, Texas, Arizona, Nebraska, Dakotas, Kansas.

1860 US Census: Virginia (selected counties)

SOURCE: USGenWeb (<http://www.usgwcensus.org/states/virginia/va1860.htm>)

DATA MANIPULATION: Data was copied from USGenWeb text files. The text files were modified to remove extraneous headers and imported directly into an Excel table. The original text files are available for reviewing and proofing individual entries.

FIELD HEADINGS:

<i>Heading</i>	<i>Instructions on Census Form</i>	<i>Explanation</i>
HH	Dwelling houses numbered in the order of visitation.	Denotes a single dwelling unit (a "unit" is considered any house with a separate entrance).
FM	Family numbered in the order of visitation.	A family is considered a unit with a common means of support (multiple families might live in one household).
Lastname Firstname	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the 1st day of June 1860 was in this family.	Includes only free persons.
Age	Age	Age of individual at last birthday (for infants the fractional equivalent is given). 1 mo=.08; 2 mo=.16; 3 mo=.25; 4 mo=.33; 5 mo=.41; 6 mo=.50; 7 mo=.58; 8 mo=.66; 9 mo=.75; 10 mo=.83; 11 mo=.91
Sex	Sex	Sex of individual (M=Male; F=Female)
Color	Color	Black=B (African-American); Mulatto=M (Mixed black/white); White=usually left blank (per instructions).
Occupation	Profession, occupation, or trade of each person over 15 years of age.	Recorded usually only for the male head of household and other male family members. Religious occupations are noted by denomination.
RealValue	Value of Real Estate	Value of land and other real estate owned by an individual (no deduction for encumbrances or liens).
PersValue	Value of Personal Estate	Value of personal property owned by an individual (includes slaves).
Birthplace	Place of Birth (naming the state, territory or country)	Birthplace of individual (State only).
M	Married within the year.	Checked if individual was married within the past year.
S	Attended school within the year.	Checked if individual attended school the past year.
R	Persons over 20 years of age who cannot read and write.	Checked if adult over 20 years is illiterate (those able to read or write in a language other than English are considered literate).
D	Deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.	Checked if individual is considered to be in these categories (details are recorded in the remarks section).
Remarks		Remarks noted by the 1860 census enumerator and transcriber.

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