



## Your Family Tree: 14

# SEVENTEENTH CENTURY CENSUS SUBSTITUTES



### Summonister rolls, 1610-84

These were copies of fines imposed and recognizances forfeited at Assizes, Quarter Sessions and in the King's courts. Among the reasons for the imposition of fines was non-appearance at court. Names and residences are recorded. The original rolls were lost in the destruction of the Public Record Office of Ireland in 1922 but copies of some, mainly for Counties Londonderry and Tyrone, have survived. (**PRONI reference T/808/15090, 15120, 15126, 15130 -15135, 15139 and T/1365/2**)

### Muster Rolls 1630

These contain lists of the principal landlords in Ulster, and the names of the men they could assemble in an emergency. They are arranged by county, and district within the county. (See *'Your Family Tree' Leaflet 12- Militia, Yeomanry Lists and Muster Rolls* for details)

### Books of Survey and Distribution

Compiled around 1680 as a result of the wars of the mid-seventeenth century when the English government needed reliable information on land ownership throughout Ireland to carry out its policy of land distribution. The Books of Survey and Distribution are laid out on a barony and parish basis and include a record of land ownership before the Cromwellian and Williamite confiscations as well as the names of the individuals to whom the land was distributed. **PRONI reference MIC/532/1-13.**

### Civil Survey of Ireland

Sir William Petty's Civil Survey of Ireland, compiled between 1655 and 1667, contains lists of the principal landlords of each townland as well as their predecessor before the Cromwellian confiscations of 1641. It contains a great deal of topographical information arranged by county, barony, parish and townland. Unfortunately, very little of this survey survives, although Co. Londonderry and Co. Tyrone are available. **PRONI reference T/371.**

## Census of Ireland c.1659

This census of Ireland was compiled by Sir William Petty and published by S Pender, a copy of which is in PRONI. It contains only the names of those with title to land (titulados) and the total number of English and Irish resident in each townland. Five counties – Cavan, Galway, Mayo, Tyrone and Wicklow – are not covered. See the following:

**Co. Antrim**  
1659 Census MIC/15A/72

**Co. Armagh**  
1659 Census MIC/15A/73

**Co. Down**  
1659 Census MIC/15A/76

**Co. Fermanagh**  
1659 Census T/808/15064

**Co. Londonderry**  
1659 Census MIC/15A/82

## Hearth Money Rolls

The first Hearth Money Act was passed in the Irish Parliament in 1662. It provided that 2 shillings should be paid on every hearth or 'other place used for firing'. The Hearth Money Rolls, arranged by county and parish, list the name of the householder and the number of hearths on which he was taxed and the amount to be paid. The tax was collected over areas known as 'Walks' and based on the town. The 'Lisburn Walk', for example, covered a large area of the south of Co. Antrim and NOT merely Lisburn town. See the following:

**Co. Antrim**  
1666 Hearth Money Roll T/3022/4/1  
1669 Hearth Money Roll T/307/A

**Co. Armagh**  
1664 Hearth Money Roll T/604  
1664  
and 1665 Hearth Money Roll T/808/14950  
1664-1665 Hearth Money Roll T/3839/1 (Shankill Parish only)

**Co. Fermanagh**  
1665-1666 Hearth Money Roll of T/808/15066-15068;T/265 [Barony Lurg, Town of Enniskillen and parish of Devenish (extracts)]

<b>Co. Londonderry</b>		
1663	Hearth Money Roll	T/307/A; T/716/4
1663	Hearth Money Roll	D/4164/A/14 [Coleraine Parish only]
<b>Co. Tyrone</b>		
1663-1664	Hearth Money Roll	T/283/D/2; T/458/1; T/1365/3; MIC/645
1664 and 1666	Hearth Money Roll	MIC/645
1665-1666	Hearth Money Roll	T/458/1 [Dungannon Barony only]
1666	Hearth Money Roll	T/307/A - C; T/716/16
<b>Co Cavan</b>		
1664	Hearth Money Roll	T/808/15142 [Urney, Annagh, Annagelliff, Templeport and Kildallan Parishes and Cavan Borough]
<b>Co. Donegal</b>		
1665	Hearth Money Roll	T/307/D; T/283/D/3; T/296/1
<b>Co. Monaghan</b>		
1663 and 1666	Hearth Money Roll	T/808/15156

## Subsidy Rolls

The Subsidy Rolls list the nobility, clergy and laity who paid a grant in aid to the King. They include the name, the parish, and sometimes the amount paid and the status of the person. See the following:

<b>Co. Antrim</b>		
1666	Subsidy Roll	T/808/14889
<b>Co. Armagh</b>		
1634	Subsidy Roll	T/808/14950
<b>Co. Down</b>		
1663	Subsidy Roll	T/307/A
<b>Co. Fermanagh</b>		
1662	Subsidy Roll	T/808/15068 [Enniskillen town only]
<b>Co. Londonderry</b>		
1662	Subsidy Roll	T/1592/19 [Drumachose, Tamlaghtard, Cumber, Clondermot, Tamlaghtfinlagan]

## Co. Londonderry (contd)

and Faughanvale Parishes and  
City and Liberties of  
Londonderry]

1662	Subsidy Roll	T/716/4
1662-7	Subsidy Roll	D/4164/A/14 [Dunboe, Macosquin Coleraine and Killowen Parishes]

## Co. Tyrone

1663	Subsidy Roll	T/458/8
c. 1663, 1664, 1666-1667	Subsidy Roll for Dungannon Barony	T/283/C
1664	Subsidy Roll	T/283/D/1; T/458/8
c.1665	Subsidy Roll	T/808/15092
1666-1667	Subsidy Roll	T/458/8
1668	Subsidy Roll	T/808/15097; T/716/4

## Co. Cavan

1662	Subsidy Roll	T/808/15142
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## Co. Donegal

1662	Subsidy Roll	T/808/14998
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## 1689

List of names of Protestants in Co. Armagh attained in 1689 by James II. This is simply a list of names. **PRONI reference T/808/14985**

## Poll Tax Returns

The Poll Tax Rolls list the people who paid a tax levied on every person over 12 years old. They give detailed facts about individuals quite unique in surviving seventeenth century records. See the following:

### Co. Armagh

1660	Poll Tax Returns	MIC/15A/75; T/808/14950
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### Co. Down

1660	Poll Tax Returns	MIC/15A/76
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### Co. Fermanagh

1660	Poll Tax Returns	MIC/15A/80
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**Co. Londonderry**

1669 Poll Tax Returns MIC/15A/82

**Co. Tyrone**

1662-1663 Poll Tax Returns T/458/8; T/283/C [Aghaloo Parish only]

1698 Poll Tax Returns MIC/15A/81

**Co. Donegal**

1660 Poll Tax Returns MIC/15A/76

1660 Poll Tax Returns T/808/15089  
[Urney and Donagheady Parishes only]



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