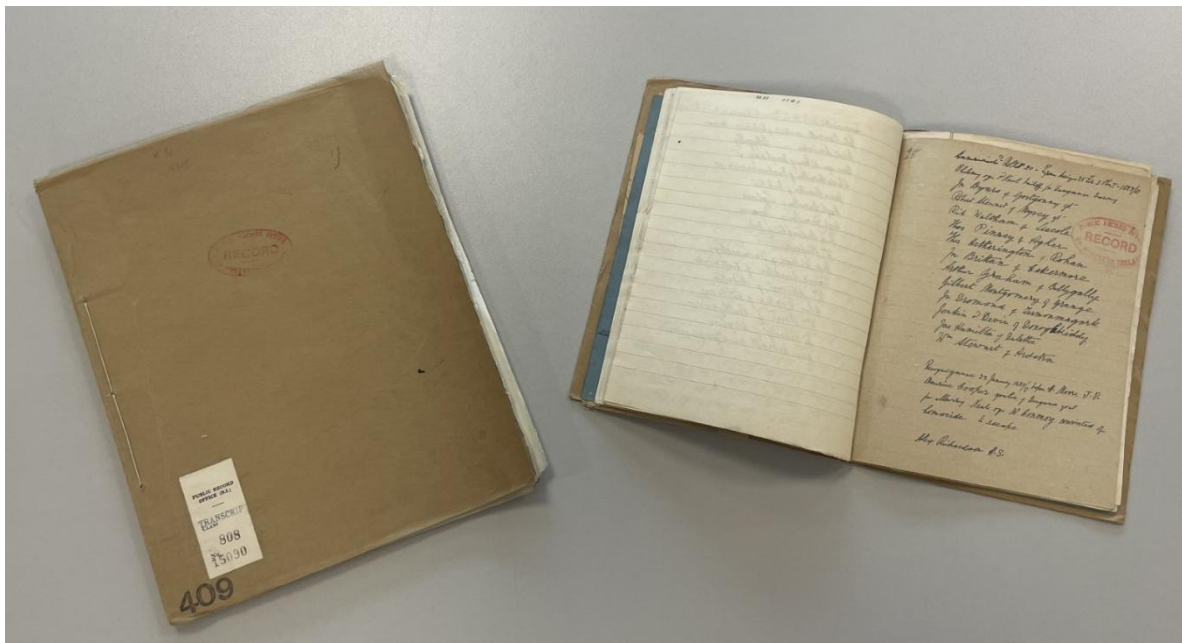


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SEVENTEENTH CENTURY CENSUS SUBSTITUTES

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 Derry/Londonderry and Tyrone, have survived. (PRONI reference **T808/15090, 15120, 15126, 15130-15135, 15139**)



Copy of Summonister rolls. PRONI Reference: T808/15090 (left) and T808/15120 (right).

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 <https://www.proni.gov.uk/publications/your-family-tree-12-militia-yeomanry-and-muster-rolls>)

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 **MIC532/1- 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. Derry/Londonderry and Co. Tyrone are available. PRONI reference **T371**.

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:

Census of Ireland 1659	
County	PRONI Reference
Co. Antrim	MIC15A/72
Co. Armagh	MIC15A/73
Co. Down	MIC15A/76
Co. Fermanagh	T808/15064
Co. Derry/Londonderry	MIC15A/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:

Hearth Money Rolls		
County	Year	PRONI Reference
Co. Antrim	1666	T3022/4/1A-1B

	1666	T307/1
Co. Armagh	1664	T604/1
	1664-1665	T3839/1 [Shankill Parish only]
Co. Fermanagh	1665-1667	T808/15066 and 15068; T265/1 [Barony of Lurg, Town of Enniskillen and parish of Devenish (extracts)]
Co. Derry/ Londonderry	1663	D4164/A/14 [Coleraine Parish only]
Co. Tyrone	1663-1664	T458/1; T1365/1; MIC645
	1664 and 1666	MIC645
	1665-1666	T458/1 [Dungannon Barony only]
	1666	T716/16
Co. Cavan	1664	T808/15142 [Urney, Annagh Annagelliff, Templeport and Kildallan Parishes and Cavan Borough]
Co. Donegal	1665	T307/4; T296/1
Co. Monaghan	1663 and 1666	T808/15156

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:

Subsidy Rolls		
County	Year	PRONI Reference
Co. Antrim	1666	T808/14889
Co. Fermanagh	1662	T808/15068 [Enniskillen town only]
Co. Derry/ Londonderry	1662	T1592/19 [Drumachose, Tamlaghtard, Cumber, Clondermot, Tamlaghtfinlagan and Faughanvale Parishes and City and Liberties of Derry/Londonderry]
	1662	T716/4
	1662-7	D4164/A/14 [Dunboe, Macosquin Coleraine and Killowen Parishes]

Co. Tyrone	1663	T458/1
	1664	T458/1
	1665	T808/15092
	1666-1667	T458/1
	1668	T808/15097
Co. Cavan	1662	T808/15142
Co. Donegal	1662	T808/14998

1689

List of names of Protestants in Co. Armagh attainted in 1689 by James II. This is simply a list of names. **PRONI reference T808/14985.**

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:

Poll Tax Returns		
County	Year	PRONI References
Co. Armagh	1660	MIC15A/75; T808/14950
Co. Down	1660	MIC15A/76
Co. Fermanagh	1660	MIC15A/80
Co. Derry/ Londonderry	1660	MIC15A/82
Co. Tyrone	1662-1663	T283/3 [Aghaloo Parish only]
	1698	MIC15A/81
Co. Donegal	1660	MIC15A/76
	1660	T808/15089 [Urney and Donagheady Parishes only]