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Column 29: Chief occupation or trade
Variable: CHIEF_OCCUPATION

The instructions to the enumerators were as follows:

102. Column 29. -- Chief occupation or trade. Chief or principal occupation or means of living will be entered in column 29. An entry should be made in this column for every person of ten years and over. The record in column 29 should be either (1) the word or words which most accurately indicate the particular kind of work done by which the individual earns money or money equivalent, -- as "*physician,*" "*carpenter,*" "*farmer,*" "*stenographer,*" "*nurse,*" etc.; or (2) "*income,*"; or (3) if no occupation the entry will be "*none.*"

103. Income. For every person who does not follow a specific occupation but has an independent income, as from investments, pensions, superannuation, etc., the fact should be noted by writing the word "income" in column 29; and the entry "none" should be made for all persons ten years old and over who follow "no occupation" and who do not live on "income."

Codes:

0 "Accountants and auditors"
1 "Actors and actresses"
2 "Airplane pilots and navigators"
3 "Architects"
4 "Artists and art teachers"
5 "Athletes"
6 "Authors"
7 "Chemists"
8 "Chiropractors"
9 "Clergymen"
10 "College presidents and deans"
12 "Agricultural sciences"
13 "Biological sciences"
14 "Chemistry"
15 "Economics"
16 "Engineering"
17 "Geology and geophysics"
18 "Mathematics"
19 "Medical sciences"
23 "Physics"
24 "Psychology"
25 "Statistics"
26 "Natural science (n.e.c.)"
27 "Social sciences (n.e.c.)"

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28 "Nonscientific subjects"
29 "Subject not specified"
31 "Dancers and dancing teachers"
32 "Dentists"
33 "Designers"
34 "Dieticians and nutritionists"
35 "Draftsmen"
36 "Editors and reporters"
41 "Engineers, aeronautical"
42 "Engineers, chemical"
43 "Engineers, civil"
44 "Engineers, electrical"
45 "Engineers, industrial"
46 "Engineers, mechanical"
47 "Engineers, metallurgical, metallurgists"
48 "Engineers, mining"
49 "Engineers (n.e.c.)"
51 "Entertainers (n.e.c.)"
52 "Farm and home management advisors"
53 "Foresters and conservationists"
54 "Funeral directors and embalmers"
55 "Lawyers and judges"
56 "Librarians"
57 "Musicians and music teachers"
58 "Nurses, professional"
59 "Nurses, student professional"
61 "Agricultural scientists"
62 "Biological scientists"
63 "Geologists and geophysicists"
67 "Mathematicians"
68 "Physicists"
69 "Miscellaneous natural scientists"
70 "Optometrists"
71 "Osteopaths"
72 "Personnel and labor relations workers"
73 "Pharmacists"
74 "Photographers"
75 "Physicians and surgeons"
76 "Radio operators"
77 "Recreation and group workers"
78 "Religious workers"
79 "Social and welfare workers, except group"
81 "Economists"
82 "Psychologists"
83 "Statisticians and actuaries"

84 "Miscellaneous social scientists"
91 "Sports instructors and officials"
92 "Surveyors"
93 "Teachers (n.e.c.)"
94 "Technicians, medical and dental"
95 "Technicians, testing"
96 "Technicians (n.e.c.)"
97 "Therapists and healers (n.e.c.)"
98 "Veterinarians"
99 "Professional, technical and kindred workers (n.e.c.)"
100 "Farmers (owners and tenants)"
123 "Farm managers"
200 "Buyers and department heads, store"
201 "Buyers and shippers, farm products"
203 "Conductors, railroad"
204 "Credit men"
205 "Floormen and floor managers, store"
210 "Inspectors, public administration"
230 "Managers and superintendents, building"
240 "Officers, pilots, pursers and engineers, ship"
250 "Officials and administrators (n.e.c.), public administration"
260 "Officials, lodge, society, union, etc."
270 "Postmasters"
280 "Purchasing agents and buyers (n.e.c.)"
290 "Managers, officials, and proprietors (n.e.c.)"
291 "Supervisor"
300 "Agents (n.e.c.)"
301 "Attendants and assistants, library"
302 "Attendants, physicians and dentists office"
304 "Baggagemen, transportation"
305 "Bank tellers"
310 "Bookkeepers"
320 "Cashiers"
321 "Collectors, bill and account"
322 "Dispatchers and starters, vehicle"
325 "Express messengers and railway mail clerks"
335 "Mail carriers"
340 "Messengers and office boys"
341 "Office machine operators"
342 "Shipping and receiving clerks"
350 "Stenographers, typists, and secretaries"
360 "Telegraph messengers"
365 "Telegraph operators"
370 "Telephone operators"
380 "Ticket, station, and express agents"

390 "Clerical and kindred workers (n.e.c.)"
400 "Advertising agents and salesmen"
410 "Auctioneers"
420 "Demonstrators"
430 "Hucksters and peddlers"
450 "Insurance agents and brokers"
460 "Newsboys"
470 "Real estate agents and brokers"
480 "Stock and bond salesmen"
490 "Salesmen and sales clerks (n.e.c.)"
500 "Bakers"
501 "Blacksmiths"
502 "Bookbinders"
503 "Boilermakers"
504 "Brickmasons, stonemasons, and tile setters"
505 "Cabinetmakers"
510 "Carpenters"
511 "Cement and concrete finishers"
512 "Compositors and typesetters"
513 "Cranemen, derrickmen, and hoistmen"
514 "Decorators and window dressers"
515 "Electricians"
520 "Electrotypers and stereotypers"
521 "Engravers, except photoengravers"
522 "Excavating, grading, and road machinery operators"
523 "Foremen (n.e.c.)"
524 "Forgemen and hammermen"
525 "Furriers"
530 "Glaziers"
531 "Heat treaters, annealers, temperers"
532 "Inspectors, scalers, and graders, log and lumber"
533 "Inspectors (n.e.c.)"
534 "Jewelers, watchmakers, goldsmiths, and silversmiths"
535 "Job setters, metal"
540 "Linemen and servicemen, telegraph, telephone, and power"
541 "Locomotive engineers"
542 "Locomotive firemen"
543 "Loom fixers"
544 "Machinists"
545 "Mechanics and repairmen, airplane"
550 "Mechanics and repairmen, automobile"
551 "Mechanics and repairmen, office machine"
552 "Mechanics and repairmen, radio and television"
553 "Mechanics and repairmen, railroad and car shop"
554 "Mechanics and repairmen (n.e.c.)"

555 "Millers, grain, flour, feed, etc."
560 "Millwrights"
561 "Molders, metal"
562 "Motion picture projectionists"
563 "Opticians and lens grinders and polishers"
564 "Painters, construction and maintenance"
565 "Paperhangers"
570 "Pattern and model makers, except paper"
571 "Photoengravers and lithographers"
572 "Piano and organ tuners and repairmen"
573 "Plasterers"
574 "Plumbers and pipe fitters"
575 "Pressmen and plate printers, printing"
580 "Rollers and roll hands, metal"
581 "Roofers and slaters"
582 "Shoemakers and repairers, except factory"
583 "Stationary engineers"
584 "Stone cutters and stone carvers"
585 "Structural metal workers"
590 "Tailors and tailoresses"
591 "Tinsmiths, coppersmiths, and sheet metal workers"
592 "Tool makers, and die makers and setters"
593 "Upholsterers"
594 "Craftsmen and kindred workers (n.e.c.)"
595 "Members of the armed services"
600 "Apprentice auto mechanics"
601 "Apprentice bricklayers and masons"
602 "Apprentice carpenters"
603 "Apprentice electricians"
604 "Apprentice machinists and toolmakers"
605 "Apprentice mechanics, except auto"
610 "Apprentice plumbers and pipe fitters"
611 "Apprentices, building trades (n.e.c.)"
612 "Apprentices, metalworking trades (n.e.c.)"
613 "Apprentices, printing trades"
614 "Apprentices, other specified trades"
615 "Apprentices, trade not specified"
616 "Assistant"
620 "Asbestos and insulation workers"
621 "Attendants, auto service and parking"
622 "Blasters and powdermen"
623 "Boatmen, canalmen, and lock keepers"
624 "Brakemen, railroad"
625 "Bus drivers"
630 "Chainmen, rodmen, and axmen, surveying"

631 "Conductors, bus and street railway"
632 "Deliverymen and routemen"
633 "Dressmakers and seamstresses, except factory"
634 "Dyers"
635 "Filers, grinders, and polishers, metal"
640 "Fruit, nut, and vegetable graders, and packers, except factory"
641 "Furnacemen, smeltermen and pourers"
642 "Heaters, metal"
643 "Laundry and dry cleaning operatives"
644 "Meat cutters, except slaughter and packing house"
645 "Milliners"
650 "Mine operatives and laborers"
660 "Motormen, mine, factory, logging camp, etc."
661 "Motormen, street, subway, and elevated railway"
662 "Oilers and greaser, except auto"
670 "Painters, except construction or maintenance"
671 "Photographic process workers"
672 "Power station operators"
673 "Sailors and deck hands"
674 "Sawyers"
675 "Spinners, textile"
680 "Stationary firemen"
681 "Switchmen, railroad"
682 "Taxicab drivers and chauffers"
683 "Truck and tractor drivers"
684 "Weavers, textile"
685 "Welders and flame cutters"
690 "Operative and kindred workers (n.e.c.)"
700 "Housekeepers, private household"
710 "Laundresses, private household"
720 "Private household workers (n.e.c.)"
730 "Attendants, hospital and other institution"
731 "Attendants, professional and personal service (n.e.c.)"
732 "Attendants, recreation and amusement"
740 "Barbers, beauticians, and manicurists"
750 "Bartenders"
751 "Bootblacks"
752 "Boarding and lodging house keepers"
753 "Charwomen and cleaners"
754 "Cooks, except private household"
760 "Counter and fountain workers"
761 "Elevator operators"
762 "Firemen, fire protection"
763 "Guards, watchmen, and doorkeepers"
764 "Housekeepers and stewards, except private household"

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769 "Caretaker"
770 "Janitors and sextons"
771 "Marshals and constables"
772 "Midwives"
773 "Policemen and detectives"
780 "Porters"
781 "Practical nurses"
782 "Sheriffs and bailiffs"
783 "Ushers, recreation and amusement"
784 "Waiters and waitresses"
785 "Watchmen (crossing) and bridge tenders"
790 "Service workers, except private household (n.e.c.)"
810 "Farm foremen"
820 "Farm laborers, wage workers"
830 "Farm laborers, unpaid family workers"
840 "Farm service laborers, self-employed"
900 "Sealer"
910 "Fishermen and oystermen"
920 "Garage laborers and car washers and greasers"
930 "Gardeners, except farm, and groundskeepers"
940 "Longshoremen and stevedores"
950 "Lumbermen, raftsmen, and woodchoppers"
960 "Teamsters"
970 "Laborers (n.e.c.)"
971 "Well/Oil digging/Drilling"
975 "Employed, unclassifiable"
980 "Keeps house/house work/housewife"
981 "Imputed keeping house (1860-1880)"
982 "At home/ helps in home"
983 "At school"
984 "Retired"
985 "Unemployed/ without occupation"
986 "Invalid/sick/disabled"
987 "Inmate/prisoner"
990 "Landlord"
991 "Capitalist/gentleman"
992 "Income"
995 "Other non-occupational response"
996 "Assistant"
997 "Occupation missing/unknown"
998 "Illegible"
999 "N/A (blank)"
99999001 "Blank"
99999002 "Damaged"
99999003 "Illegible"

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99999004 "In Error"
99999005 "Suspicious"
99999006 "Missing -- Mandatory Field"
99999007 "Not Applicable"
99999008 "Not Mapped"
99999009 "Correction"
99999010 "Suggestion"
99999011 "Unknown - Suggestion"
99999901 "None"
99999902 "Not Given"
99999903 "Unknown"
99999904 "Invalid Value"
99999999 "Uncodable"

Remarks: Between 1911 to 1931, occupation questions were reported for all persons 10 years of age and older. In 1941, they were reported for all persons gainfully employed, without reference to age. In 1951, they were reported for all persons 14 years of age and older.