Canadian Century Research Infrastructure
PLACE_OF_BIRTH_RESIDENCE

DEFINITION: A code that identifies the type of residence occupied by the respondent's parents at the time the respondent was born.

Source: Census Question

The table below indicates, for each census year, the numbers of the census questions corresponding to this variable. Click on the question number of the chosen schedule to view more details.

Census Years	Schedule 1a	Schedule 1b	Schedule 1c	Schedule 2	Schedule 2a
1911					
1921					
1931					
1941	18	18			
1951					

Census Guide, 1941

A. Census Question	Place of birth.
B. Question Number	18 on schedules 1A and 1B; 8 on schedule 1C.
C. Variable(s) and Codes	INDIVIDUAL_BIRTH_COUNTRY
D. Reference Point	As of census day, June 2, 1941.
E. Total Target Population	11, 506, 655
F. Statistical unit	The person.
G. Targeted Population	Each person enumerated.
H. Enumerators' Instructions	88. (1) Place of Birth. In this column the Enumerator shall enter the place of birth of every person enumerated. If the person was born in Canada, enter the name of the province or territory, using the abbreviations listed below. If the person was born outside Canada, enter the country of birth. Following the place of birth, indicate whether the person was born: to parents then living on a farm by entering "F"; to parents then living in a rural community but not on a farm by entering "RNF"; or to parents then living in an incorporated city, town or village by entering "U" in column 18 after the place of birth. (See Specimen Schedule.) (2) Abbreviations to be used:

Province or Territory	Abbreviation
Prince Edward Island……………………	P.E.I.
Nova Scotia……………………………….	N.S.
New Brunswick…………………………..	N.B.
Quebec……………………………………	Que.
Ontario……………………………………	Ont.
Manitoba…………………………………	Man.
Saskatchewan…………………………	Sask.
Alberta……………………………………	Alberta
British Columbia………………………..	B.C.
Yukon……………………………............	Yuk.
Northwest Territories……………………	N.W.T.

(3) Persons born outside of Canada. For persons born outside of Canada, the Enumerator will enter the name of the country only, except in the following cases:

(a) Born in British Isles. Instead of Great Britain or British Isles, the particular country should be given, as, England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, Irish Free State (Eire), Isle of Man, Channel Islands, Hebrides, Orkneys, Shetlands, etc. If a person is unable to state definitively whether his or her place of birth is in Northern Ireland or in Eire, enter the county as well, e.g. Ireland (Co. Donegal). Note that "Ulster" should not be reported, as six of its nine counties comprise Northern Ireland and the remaining three are part of the Irish Free State (Eire).

(b) Born in Continental Europe. For persons born on the Continent of Europe enter the country of birth as it was constituted in 1936. For example persons in what constituted Austria before the German invasion should be reported as born in Austria and not in Germany.

(c) Born at sea. For persons born on a ship at sea, the Enumerator will enter "at sea" in column 18.

(d) The Enumerator will write the name of the various countries of birth in full. Abbreviations will be used only when persons were born in the various provinces or territories of Canada.

89. Persons uncertain of birthplace. If the person reports as his or her birthplace one of the countries which have had

	changes of boundaries after the first World War, the Enumerator will ask specifically whether or not the birthplace is located within the present area of the country as of 1936; and if not, find out to what country it has been transferred. If the Enumerator cannot find the present location of the birthplace, he should enter in addition to the name of the country, the name of the province or state in which the person was born, as Alsace-Lorraine, Bohemia, Croatia, Galicia, Moravia, Slovakia, etc., or the city, as Warsaw, Prague, Strasbourg, etc.
I. Remarks	

Codes

 1 "Urban"
2 "Farm"
3 "Rural - non farm"
4 "Rural, n.s."
99999001 "Blank"
99999002 "Damaged"
99999003 "Illegible"
99999004 "In Error"
99999005 "Suspicious"
99999006 "Missing -- Mandatory Field"
99999007 "Not Applicable"
99999008 "Not Mapped"
99999009 "Correction"
99999010 "Suggestion"
99999011 "Unknown - Suggestion"
99999012 "Multiple Response - Suggestion"
99999901 "None"
99999902 "Not Given"
99999903 "Unknown"
99999904 "Invalid Value"
99999999 "Uncodable"

Remarks: This question was not asked in 1911, 1921, 1931 or 1951.