**Canadian Century Research Infrastructure**
**HOME_OWNED_OR_RENTED**

Definition: Refers to whether the respondent owns or rents his/her home. A home is to be classed as "owned" if it is owned wholly or in part by the head of the family living in the home or by the wife of the head, or by a son, or a daughter, or other relative living in the same home with the head of the family. It is not necessary that full payment for the property should have been made or that the family should be the sole owner. Every home not owned, either wholly or in part, by the family living in it should be classed as rented, whether rent is actually paid or not.

Source: Census Question

The table below indicates, for each census year, the numbers of the census questions corresponding to this variable.

| Census Year | Schedule 1a | Schedule 1b | Schedule 1c | Schedule 2 | Schedule 2a |
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| 1911 | | | | | |
| 1921 | 6 | 6 | | | |
| 1931 | 5 | 5 | | | |
| 1941 | 7 | 7 | | | |
| 1951 | | | | | |

## Census Guide, 1921

| A. Census Question | Home owned or rented |
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| B. Question Number | Column 6 of Forms 1A and 1B. |
| C. Variable(s) and Codes | HOME_OWNED_OR_RENTED |
| D. Reference Point | As of Census Day, June 1, 1921. |
| E. Total Target Population | 2,001,512 |
| F. Statistical unit | Occupied Private Dwellings. |
| G. Targeted Population | The Head of each family in a private dwelling. |
| H. Enumerators' Instructions | **72.** This question is to be answered only opposite the name of the head of each family and refers to the home in which the family is living at the date of the Census. If the home is owned, write "O"; if the home is rented, |

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| | write"R". Make no entries in this column for the other members of the family.<br><br>If a dwelling is occupied by more than one family it is the home or each of them, and the question should be answered with reference to each family in the dwelling. |
| I. Remarks | |

**Census Guide, 1931**

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| A. Census Question | Home owned or rented. |
| B. Question Number | 5 on schedules 1A and 1B. |
| C. Variable(s) and Codes. | HOME_OWNED_OR_RENTED |
| D. Reference Point | As of census day, June 1, 1931. |
| E. Total Target Population | 2, 419, 360 |
| F. Statistical unit | The family. |
| G. Targeted Population | Head of each family enumerated. |
| H. Enumerators' Instructions | **85. Column 5: Home owned or rented.** This question is to be answered only opposite the name of the head of each family and refers to the home in which the family is living at the date of the Census. If the home is owned write "O," if the home is renter write "R." Make no entries in this column for the other members of the family. (See note at foot of this column on population schedule.)<br><br>**86.** If a dwelling is occupied by more than one family it is the home of each of them, and the question should be answered with reference to each family in the dwelling. The whole dwelling may be owned by one family and a part rented by the other family.<br><br>**87. Definition of owned home.** A home is to be classed as "owned" if it is owned wholly or in part by the head of the family living in the home or by the wife of the head, or by a son, or a daughter, or other relative living in the same home with the head of the family. It is not necessary that full |

|  | payment for the property should have been made or that the family should be the sole owner.<br><br>**88. Definition of rented home.** Every home not owned either wholly or in part, by the family living in it should be classed as rented, whether rent is actually paid or not. |
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| I.  Remarks |  |

**Census Guide, 1941**

| A. Census Question | Description of Home – Owned or rented. |
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| B. Question Number | 7 on schedules 1A and 1B. |
| C.  Variable(s) and Codes | HOME_OWNED_OR_RENTED |
| D.  Reference Point | As of census day, June 2, 1941. |
| E.  Total Target Population | 2,575,744 |
| F.  Statistical unit | The household. |
| G.  Targeted Population | Head of each household enumerated. |
| H. Enumerators' Instructions | 76. Answers to these inquiries are to be entered for each household on the line used for the enumeration of the head, i.e., on each line where there is an entry in Column 3.<br><br>77. Column 7.—"Owned" or "rented". (1) "Owned" home. If the home is owned by the head or some other member of the household occupying it, it shall be indicated by entering "O" in Column 7, opposite the name of the head of the household. To be considered as "owned" it is not necessary that the home be paid for in full. The home will be considered as "owned" even if there is a mortgage on it.<br><br>(2) "Rented" home. When the home is not "owned" as defined in instruction 77 (1) it shall be enumerated as "rented" by entering "R" in Column 7 opposite the name of the head of the household. If the home is |

|  | not "owned" by a member of the household, it will be enumerated as "rented," regardless of whether or not the tenant pays rent or gets the home free. |
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| I.  Remarks |  |

**Codes:**

1 "Owned"
2 "Rented"
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: None