

# Analysis and Correlation: A Case Study on a Missing Family in the Census

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## The Genealogical Proof Standard

1. Reasonably exhaustive research
2. Complete, accurate citations to the source or sources of each information item
3. Tests – through processes of **analysis and correlation** of all sources, information items, and evidence.
4. Resolution of conflicts among evidence items
5. Soundly reasoned, coherently written conclusion

### Analysis and Correlation

Analysis	Correlation
The process of breaking a complex topic or substance into smaller parts in order to gain a better understanding of it. A thorough study.	The process of establishing a relationship or connection between phenomena or things.
<b>Three parts: sources, information items, and evidence</b>	
<b><u>Sources</u></b> : documents, books, certificates, journals, etc.	
<b><u>Information items</u></b> : items within a source.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Witnesses, probate records, journal entry, etc.</li> </ul>	
<b><u>Evidence</u></b> : how an item answers a research question	

### The Big Four

#### In Beginning Foundations of Research

\*\*Note: All of these have to do with money\*\*

<b>Census Records</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1850, 1860, 1870 ask about the value of real estate and/or personal property</li> <li>● 1900 asks about occupation</li> <li>● 1910 asks about employment, property owned, rented, or mortgaged</li> <li>● 1930 asks about employment</li> </ul> <b>Vital Records</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● May lead to previous unknown children who may have died early.</li> </ul>	<b>Probate Records</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Concerns the distribution of wealth to heirs.</li> <li>● May contain an inventory of the estate</li> </ul> <b>Land Records</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Plat maps give a bird's eye of your ancestor's property their neighbors</li> <li>● Will take you to tax records</li> </ul>
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\*\*Follow the money...then follow the people who want the money\*\*

Check [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org) often for these census headings, found in two groups: 1790-1860 and 1870-1930.

1790		U.S. CENSUS HEADINGS 1790-1860															FamilySearch																				
<b>1790 Census - United States</b>		State																	Call number																		
Page		Head of family	16 and up including head	Under 16	Free white males	Free white females	Including head	All other persons	Slaves	County	City																										
<b>1800-1810</b>		<b>1800/1810 Census - United States</b>																																			
State		County	City	Call number																																	
Page		Head of family	Under 10	10-16	16-26	26-45	45 and over	Under 10	10-16	16-26	26-45	45 and over	All others	Slaves	Other information																						
<b>1820</b>		<b>1820 Census - United States</b>																																			
State		County	City	Call number																																	
Page		Head of family	Under 10	10-16	16-18	16-26	26-45	45 and over	Under 10	10-16	16-26	26-45	45 and over	Foreign born	Agriculture	Commerce	Manufactures	Free colored	Slaves	Other information																	
<b>1830-1840</b>		<b>1830/1840 Census - United States</b>																																			
State		County	City	Call number																																	
Page		Head of family	Under 10	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-30	30-40	40-50	50-60	60-70	70-80	80-90	90-100	Over 100	Under 10	5-10	10-15	15-20	20-30	30-40	40-50	50-60	60-70	70-80	80-90	90-100	Over 100	Slaves	Free colored	Foreigners not naturalized						
<b>1850</b>		<b>1850 Census - United States</b>																																			
State		County	Town/Township	Call number																																	
Page		Dwelling number	Family number	Names	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation, etc.	Value - real estate	Birthplace	Married with year	School with year	Cannot read or write	Enumeration date	Other information																						
<b>1860</b>		<b>1860 Census - United States</b>																																			
State		County	Town/Township	Post office	Call number																																
Page		Dwelling number	Family number	Names	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation, etc.	Value - real estate	Value - personal property	Birthplace	Married with year	School with year	Cannot read or write	Enumeration date	Other information																					

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Index of Questions, United States Census:

[https://www.census.gov/history/www/through\\_the\\_decades/index\\_of\\_questions/](https://www.census.gov/history/www/through_the_decades/index_of_questions/)

List of Kentucky Railroads: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_Kentucky\\_railroads](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Kentucky_railroads) (use this as an example to find railroads in the states where you are researching)

Map of the Logan County Coal Field in West Virginia:

<https://www.loc.gov/resource/g3893l.ct002322/>

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USGenWeb Project: <http://usgenweb.com/>

For documents: insert into a document with citation at the top. This way the citations follows the document.

Chester Lee Clemens and Ida Stevens

Rowan (Kentucky) County Court, Clerk of the County Court, Marriage Register Vols. 24-27, 35-37, p. 6, Chester Lee Clemens and Ida Stevens, married 1 Feb 1932, FamilySearch Film #007735222, Image 910 of 1246 11 Aug 2020. Doc #6a

Goddard Family

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Sample Research Journal:

Chester Lee Clemens b1912 Lawton, Carter, KY d2002 Mansfield, Richland, OH

Ida Stevens b1913 Lawton, Carter, KY d1984 Akron, Summit, OH

Source	Purpose of Search	Findings/Analysis	Doc #
(Carter) Kentucky, Births 1911-1920 "C", Certificate 56, Certificate # Chester Clemenes, dated 24 May 1912; sites.rootsweb.com.	Locate the birth record of Chester Lee Clemens	This online birth record of Chester Lee Clemens states the following: Certificate: 56 Name: <b>Clemenes, Chester</b> Mother: Fannie Collier Month: 5 Cert.: #22381 Day: 24 Year: 1912 Text: 9 Text38: 1912  <i>Note: This birth record for Chester is listed with the surname spelling of CLEMENS. The next two lines list his sisters' births with the surnames of CLEMIS and CLEMONS.</i>	