

Book Summary

An Examination of the 1841 Census for Hetton-le-Hole & Easington Lane

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The British Government carried out its first National Census in 1801, however the first genealogical census was not carried out until 1841. To date a census of the population has been carried out every ten years except in 1941 due to the disruption of war.

We have attempted to record all of the detail from the census forms which were collected in 1841. This record has been put on to a CD, to be found inside the back cover of the book. It will help those who are carrying out genealogical research on their families in 1841.

The data has been divided into two Registration Districts for convenience of handling the data and classified as Easington Lane and parts of Hetton, particularly the Lyons area and secondly Hetton itself including the Downs area of Eppleton

The data has been analysed for sex and age distribution, as well as household size. Occupations and professions are discussed as well as origins of birth. The text looks closely at the social conditions pertaining at the time of the census. It then goes on to examine population growth throughout the 19th century and looks at the impact on the two locations.

The text is well illustrated with both pictures and graphs which represent the recorded data providing a deeper insight into the period of the census in both Hetton and Easington Lane.

