

These records compiled and notes created by Cheryl Rutledge-Brennecke in February 2026.

The 1803 Census was taken of the Louisiana Territory. The date on the census is November 1, 1803.

France transferred the Louisiana Territory to Spain in 1763. Spain controlled the Territory until October 1800 when it was sold back to France. A census was taken in December of that year. On November 30, 1803, Spain officially returned the Louisiana territory to France in New Orleans. Just twenty days later, on December 20, 1803, France transferred the territory to the United States, the same year as the final French census.

Categories included:

Males First Class (Generally under 16 years, but sometimes under 14 years, depend on local)

Males Second Class (generally referred to aged 16 to 45, men eligible for militia service)

Males Third Class (generally 45+)

Females First Class (Under 16 or so)

Females Second Class (16 to 45)

Females Third Class (45+)

Slave of same 6 groups

William Ross is found on the following pages in:

1888 Goodspeed's History of Southeast Missouri, page 266

and

1909 Houck's Spanish Regime, Volume 2, Page 407 and a footnote on page 412.

William Ross's household had 2 first class white males (his sons Enoch and John), 2 second class white males (himself and one other), 2 first class females (Daughters Bethany & Mary), and 1 second class white female (his wife Jane). Daughter Martha was born June 4, 1804.

The household had no slaves. Who was the other adult male? Was it another son? Maybe a border to help him farm.

William Ross had no wheat, 800 bushels of corn, no tobacco, 100 lbs. of flax and hemp, 1,000 lbs. of cotton, 50 lbs. of maple sugar, 10 horned cattle, and no horses.

The footnote #96 on page 412 states "William Ross settled at what is now known as "Gray's Point," but at first known as a "Cape la Cruz," and then as "Ross's Point." Rev. John Mason Peck stopped here when he came up the river and delivered a sermon."

HISTORY

—OF—

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI.

EMBRACING AN HISTORICAL ACCOUNT OF

THE COUNTIES OF STE. GENEVIEVE, ST. FRANCOIS, PERRY, CAPE GIRARDEAU,
BOLLINGER, MADISON, NEW MADRID, PEMISCOT, DUNKLIN,
SCOTT, MISSISSIPPI, STODDARD, BUTLER,
WAYNE AND IRON,

—AND—

INCLUDING A DEPARTMENT DEVOTED TO THE PRESERVATION OF PERSONAL,
PROFESSIONAL AND PRIVATE RECORDS.

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1888.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, NOVEMBER 1, 1803.	WHITES.			SLAVES.			CROPS AND PRODUCTIONS.						Horned Cattle.	Horses.						
	Males.		Females.	Males.		Fe- males.	Wheat.	Corn.	Tobacco.	Flax and Hemp.	Cotton.	Maple Sugar.								
	First Class.	Second Class.	Third Class.	First Class.	Second Class.	Third Class.														
	First Class.	Second Class.	Third Class.	First Class.	Second Class.	Third Class.														
William Bollinger.....	1	1	1	1			3													
Daniel Ashabrunner..	1	1	1	1			4													
John Ross.....	4	2	1	4			11	10	200	30	200	50	4	4	2					
Leonard Welker.....	3	1	2	2			6	40	200	80	400	500	6	4	4					
William Finnantg.....	1	1	1				2													
Christopher Aidinger	1	1	1				3	100		60	500		4	1	1					
Valentine Lorr.....	1						1	100												
Peter Hardell.....	3	1	2	1			7						2	4	4					
Jacob Carither.....	3	1	4	1			9													
Fred. Limbeth, Jr.....	2	1	2	3			8													
Handel Barks.....	3	1	2	1			7						12	4	4					
Jacob Barks.....	1	1	1				2													
John Miller.....	4	5	1	3			13													
John Guething.....	1						1	200					4	3	3					
James McMillen.....	1		1				2				100		2							
Martin Corner.....	2	2	2	2			4													
Patterson.....	3	4	2	2			9													
Tillman Smith.....	1	4	2	1			10	250												
Ephraim Stout.....	1	1	1				4	200												
Jacob Kelley.....	2	1	1	1	3	1	12	200	100	60	600	60	16	4	4					
John Latham.....	1	2	1	1			5	400	200	20	200		3							
Ezekiel Black.....	2	2	4	1			9													
Andeston Rodgers.....	3	2	3	1			9	100		50	50	100	10							
David McMultrie.....	1	1	1				3													
Frederick Sinker.....	2	1	3	1			7	100			200	100								
William Smith.....	3	2	3				8	150					1							
John Hays.....	1		1				2													
Francois Berthiaume.	1	2	1			1	5	150					25	15	15					
Roland Meredith.....	1						1	100												
George Cavender.....	1		1				2	20	200		100		5	4	4					
Charles Friend.....	4	4	3	2			13	1000	100	500			20	4	4					
Thomas Wellborn.....	2	3	4	4			17													
William Ross.....	2	2	2	1		3	17	800	100	1000	50	10								
Edmund Hogan.....	5	1	4	1		1	12	300		100	100	4								
Wm. Smith (Tywappity)	1	2	2	4			9	1000		2000			30	6	6					
Daniel Sexton.....	1	1		1		1	5	400		800			9	1	1					
Lemuel Cheney.....	1						1													
James Currin.....	3	1	2	1	1	1	11	1000	100	30		30	29	4	4					
Stephen Quimby.....	2	2					2	300	50				14							
Robert Quimby.....	2	1		1			4	100					6							
Josiah Prickett.....	3	1		1		1	3	250			400		2	3	3					
Mrs. Williamson.....	3			1	1	1	8	250			400		6	2	2					
Robert Lane.....	1	2	3	1			7	300			100		10	2	2					
Jesse Bowden.....	1	1	1	1			4	400	100		200		20	10	10					
Alexander Milliken...	1	2	1	1			5	400	50		400		15							
Charles Findley.....	1	1	2	1			5	300		100	60		15	4	4					
Jacob Leno.....	2	1	2	1			6	200	50		400		10	2	2					
John Loyd.....	1	1	2	2			6	200	50		200		12	2	2					
Thomas Wooley.....	1	1	3	1			6	100					2							
Abraham Randol.....	1	1	1				2	100		40	400		3	3	3					
Terence Dyal.....	1		1			1	4	200	78	55	130	35	7	2	2					
Alexander Bailie.....	1		1				3													
Charles Lucas.....	2	2	1	2	1	2	11	500	100	100	200	100	150	30	30					
Joseph Magee.....	3	2	1	2	1	2	14													
Thomas Norris.....	1	1	3	1	2	1	10													
Curtis Wellborn.....	3	3	2	1		1	11													
James Wellborn.....	1		1				2													
Jonathan Wellborn.....	2	1	2	1	1	1	9													
John Bowlin.....	1	1	3	1			6													
John Walker.....	1		1				3													
Inhab'ts. without families.	21	2		1			24													
Totals.....	226	299	20	227	243	11	39	57	44	45	1	1206	2950	58990	3100	9200	39000	19000	2380	674

EXPORTATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1803.—371 barrels of salt pork; 14 barrels of unrefined lard; 8,675 pounds of beef; 1,800 pounds of cotton; 7,000 pounds of bacon.

THE
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IN
MISSOURI

A COLLECTION OF PAPERS AND DOCUMENTS RELATING TO UPPER LOUISIANA PRINCIPALLY WITHIN THE PRESENT LIMITS OF MISSOURI DURING THE DOMINION OF SPAIN, FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE INDIES AT SEVILLE, ETC., TRANSLATED FROM THE ORIGINAL SPANISH INTO ENGLISH, AND INCLUDING ALSO SOME PAPERS CONCERNING THE SUPPOSED GRANT TO COL. GEORGE MORGAN AT THE MOUTH OF THE OHIO, FOUND IN THE CONGRESSIONAL LIBRARY

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STATISTICAL CENSUS OF THE DISTRICT OF CAPE GIRARDEAU (Continued)

CAPE GIRARDEAU NOVEMBER, 1803	SLAVES						WHITES						Total	CROPS AND PRODUCTIONS						Horned Cattle	Horses
	Males			Females			Males			Females				Wheat	Corn	Tobacco	Flax and Hemp	Cotton	Maple Sugar		
	First Class	Second Class	Third Class	First Class	Second Class	Third Class	First Class	Second Class	Third Class	First Class	Second Class	Third Class									
														bu.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.			
John Probst.....	3			4	4							11		200		80	500	300	15	2	
Jeremiah Banish.....	1	1		1	2	1						6		60					9		
Daniel Bollinger.....	1	4		3	2	1						13	200	600		80	400	350	400	10	
Philip Bollinger.....	2	3			4							9	50	400		80	500	300	30	6	
Mrs. Slinker.....	1	1		5	3							8	25	150		60	200	50	15	3	
Peter Cryts.....	1	1		3	2							7		160	30	40	100	200	1	4	
Conrad Stotler.....	1	1		2	2							6	60	500		80	500	400	32	5	
Adam Stotler.....	1	1		3	1							6	80	300		50	300	200	16	3	
Joseph Worthington ⁷⁹	2	1		2	1							6							55	2	
Peter Stotler.....	2	1		3	1							7	30	160		50	200	200	13	3	
George Grount.....	1	1		1	1							3	20	200		40	200	250	6	2	
Peter Grount.....	1	1		4	3							9	40	300		70	400	200	10	3	
Mathias Bollinger.....	4	1		3	1							9	40	400		60	400	300	22	5	
Henry Bollinger.....		1			1							2		150		20	200		5	3	
John Bollinger.....	2	3			3			1				9	20	400		70	500	350	35	5	
William Bollinger.....		1		1	1							3		200			200	100	10	4	
Daniel Ashabranner.....	1	1		1	1							4		200		30	200	50	4	2	
John Hoss.....	4	2		1	4							11	10	200		80	400	500	0	4	
Leonard Welker.....		3	1		2							6		200		60	600	350	12	2	
William Finnantz.....		1			1							2								1	
Christopher Aidingar.....		1		1	1							3		100		60	500		4	1	
Valentine Lorr.....		1										1		100					2		
Peter Hardell.....	3	1		2	1							7							2	4	
Jacob Carither.....		3	1		4	1						9								4	
Fred Limbach, Jr. ⁸⁰	2	1		2	3							8							2	3	
Handel Barks.....	3	1		2	1							7							12	4	
Jacob Barks.....		1		1								2							7	1	
John Miller.....	4	5		1	3							13								5	
John Guething ⁸¹		1			1							1		200					4	3	
James McMillen ⁸²		1			1							2					100		2		
Martin Cotner.....		2			2							4								5	

Patterson	1	4		2	2															9	5	
Tillman Smith ⁸³	3	4		2	1						10		250								2	5
Ephraim Stout ⁸⁴	1	1		1	1						4		200								2	
Jacob Kelley ⁸⁵	2	1	1	1	1		3	1		1	12		200	100	60	600	60			16	4	
John Latham ⁸⁶	1	2		1	1						5		400	200	20	200				3		
Ezekiel Block ⁸⁷	2	2		4	1						9										2	
Andeston Rodgers ⁸⁸	3	2		3	1						3		100		50	50	100			10		
David McMultrie ⁸⁹	1	1			1						9										2	1
Frederick Slinker	2	1		3	1						7		100			200	100			7	3	
William Smith		3		2	3						8		150							1		
John Hays ⁹⁰		1			1						2										1	
Francois Berthiaume ⁹¹	1	2		1						1	5		150							25	15	
Roland Meredith ⁹²		1									1		100							5	3	
George Cavender ⁹³		1			1						2	20	200			100				5	4	
Charles Friend ⁹⁴	4	4		3	2						13		1000		100	500				20	4	
Thomas Wellborn ⁹⁵	2	3		4	4				3	1	17									2	2	
William Ross ⁹⁶	2	2		2	1						7		800		100	1000	50			10		
Edmund Hogan ⁹⁷	5	1		4	1			1			12		300			100	100	4		4		
William Smith (Tywappity)	1	2		2	4						9		1000			2000	100			30	6	
Daniel Sexton ⁹⁸	1	1			1		1		1		5		400			800				9	1	
Lemuel Cheney ⁹⁹		1			1						1											
James Currin ¹⁰⁰	3	1		2	1		1	1		1	11		1000	100	30			30		29	4	
Stephen Quimby		2									2		300	50						14		
Robert Quimby ¹⁰¹	2	1			1						4		100							0		
Josiah Quimby		1			1			1			3		250			400				2	3	
Mrs. Williamson ¹⁰²	3				1		1	1	1	1	8		250			400				6	2	
Robert Lane ¹⁰³	1	2		3	1						7		300			100				10	2	
Jesse Bowden ¹⁰⁴	1	1		1	1						4		400	100		200	20			20	10	
Alexander Milliken ¹⁰⁵	1	2		1	1						5		400	50		400				15		
Charles Findley ¹⁰⁶	1	1		2	1						5		300		100	60				15	4	
Jacob Lene ¹⁰⁷	2	1		2	1						6		200	50		400				10	2	
John Loyed ¹⁰⁸	1	1		2	2						6		200	50		200				12	2	
Thomas Woolsey ¹⁰⁹	1	1		3	1						6		100							2		
Abraham Randol		1			1						2		100		40	400				3	3	
Terence Dyal ¹¹⁰		1			1				1	1	4		200	78	55	130	35			7	2	
Alexander Bailje ¹¹¹		1			1				1		3									1		
Charles Lucas ¹¹²	2	2		1	2		1	1		2	11		500	100	100	200	100		150	30		
Joseph Magee	3	2		2	1		2	1		2	14									6		
Thomas Norris ¹¹³	1	1		3	1		2	1		1	10										4	
Curtis Wellborn ¹¹⁴	3	3		2	1			1		1	11											
James Wellborn		1			1						2											
Jonathan Wellborn	2	1		2	1			1		1	9											
John Powlin	1	1		3	1						6											
Jacob Welker	1	1			1						3											
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⁷⁸ The Bollinger family came from North Carolina in about 1799–1800. The Bollingers, Clingensmiths, Nyswangers, Bakers (Beckers), Probsts, Slinkers, Grunts, Stotlers, Cryts (Kreutz), Ashenbrenners, Hoss, Welkers, Aidingers, Lorrns, Hardells, Limbachs, Barks, Millers, and others, were Germans, or Swiss-Germans, members of the German Evangelical Reformed church, and all settled on the upper branches of Whitewater and in 1804, when the Louisiana province was acquired by the United States, formed a compact and prosperous settlement.

⁷⁹ Sold his claim to William Strother. He was a native of Virginia, and from the Cape Girardeau district moved to the St. Louis district.

⁸⁰ Fred Limbaugh or Limbach, a German school teacher among the German settlers.

⁸¹ John Guething was a German carpenter, and employed by Lorimier in and about Public works of the district, and also acted as bailiff for him.

⁸² First settled at New Madrid. He was a saddler.

⁸³ Settled on Whitewater.

⁸⁴ On the St. Francois in 1802.

⁸⁵ Came from Kentucky and owned slaves.

⁸⁶ Settled ten miles from Cape Girardeau.

⁸⁷ Ezekiel Block, or Bloch, a German Jew, came to upper Louisiana from Richmond, Virginia, shortly before the cession.

⁸⁸ First lived in the New Madrid district. Perhaps the same as Anderson Rodgers, one of the first members of Bethel church.

⁸⁹ Settled on the waters of Giboney's creek in 1802.

⁹⁰ John Hays was a son of Col. Christopher Hays, and appointed the first sheriff of Cape Girardeau district after the cession. He held various other public offices, was Receiver of the Jackson Land office. When the first steamer went up the Mississippi he resided on a farm just below the mouth of Apple creek.

⁹¹ As to the Berthiaumes, see ante, p. 399, note 53.

⁹² Came to the district in 1797 and acquired the land of Mary Fitz-Gibbons, on Giboney's creek. Also owned land near Lithium in the Ste. Genevieve district. Was a soldier in the Spanish Cape Girardeau company.

⁹³ See ante, note 75.

⁹⁴ Settled on the so-called "Illinois road" leading from New Madrid to St. Louis. The Scott county Poor Farm is now located on this tract of land. As to the Friend family, see Houck's History of Missouri, vol. ii, p. 153.

⁹⁵ Settled on the Mississippi not far from the present town of Commerce.

⁹⁶ William Ross settled at what is now known as "Gray's Point," but at first known as a "Cape la Cruz," and then as "Ross's Point." Rev. John Mason Peck stopped here when he came up the river and delivered a sermon.

⁹⁷ Settled on the Mississippi, where the Thebes Bridge now spans the river.

⁹⁸ On Caney creek in 1798. He owned several slaves and was an immigrant from Kentucky. Charles Sexton, who was the drummer of the Spanish Cape Girardeau company, was a relative.

⁹⁹ Came from Virginia in 1797.

¹⁰⁰ Settled in Tywappity bottom, and was the owner of nine slaves.

¹⁰¹ Robert Quimby came from Virginia. He was a (forgeron) blacksmith at the foot of the hills, about 35 miles north of New Madrid, near where the Friends lived on the "Illinois road." Stephen Quimby and Josiah Quimby, who lived five miles below Cape Girardeau, were his relatives.

¹⁰² This is Sarah Williamson, who had a claim on the Mississippi river.

¹⁰³ Lived near the river in the Tywappity bottom below Commerce.

¹⁰⁴ At Bird's point, and sold his claim there to Bird and moved to Rapides Parish in lower Louisiana.