

## Monks Eleigh Census of 1841

1841 was the first modern census but is much less detailed than the ones that followed.

Points to note:

- Above the age of about 15, ages are given in bands of 5 years in many cases (depending on the enumerator and if he followed the instructions). So someone aged 44 would be noted as 40 and someone aged 46 would be noted as 45.
- There is no indication of the relationship within a family, i.e. Wife, Daughter Sister, Mother-in-law, etc..
- Place of Birth was noted merely as being born in Suffolk or in England outside Suffolk or "whether born in Scotland, Ireland or Foreign Parts"
- Occupation tended to be given only for the Head of the Household so, for example, the number of Farm Labourers is probably understated.

The census shows that there were 732 people living in Monks Eleigh on the night of the 1841 Census. 377 or 51.5% were male and 355 or 48.5% were female

Places of Birth: 98% were born in Suffolk with only 14 born in other places in England and only 1 person from Ireland, the Rector, Henry Knox.

The following tables show the numbers in each:

Occupation: The top occupation was 110 Farm Labourers, 28 General Servants, 12 Farmers, 7 Carpenters, 6 living on independent means, 5 Shoemakers, 4 Wheelwrights and 4 Bricklayers. There is no record of who was attending school.

Surnames: with 39 Partridges, followed by Clarke, Fosker, Taylor, Mann and Butcher

First Names: with William the most popular amongst the Men and Boys and Mary amongst the Women and Girls.

### 1841 Census

Occupation	Number
Farm Labourer	110
General Servant	28
Farmer	12
Carpenter	7
Independent	6
Shoemaker	5
Bricklayer	4
Wheelwright	4
Butcher	3
Tailor	3
Apprentice	2
Blacksmith	2
Carter	2

Castrator	2
Dressmaker	2
Grocer	2
Innkeeper	2
Miller	2
Army Pensioner	1
Baker	1
Clergyman	1
Corn Dealer	1
Maltster	1
Painter	1
School Teacher	1
Tanner	1
Thatcher	1
Vet	1

#### 1841 Census Top Surnames

Surname	Number	Households
Partridge	39	8
Clarke	38	9
Fosker	30	6
Taylor	30	6
Mann	28	6
Butcher	27	4
Bowers	16	4
Hoggar	16	2
Gage	14	4
Goymour	13	3
Hollox	13	2
Cousens	12	3
Lee	12	2
King	11	4
Tyler	11	3
Head	11	2
Warren	11	2
Whymark	11	1
Wright	10	2
Keeble	10	2
Harris	10	1
Hobart	10	1
Hawkins	9	2
Deaves	8	2
Baker	7	2
Bugg	6	1

**1841 Census Top Names**

<b>Male</b>		<b>Female</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Number</b>
William	63	Mary	64
John	60	Sarah	46
Robert	49	Elizabeth	46
Thomas	28	Susan	29
George	27	Harriett	19
Samuel	23	Ann	19
James	21	Maria	17
Henry	18	Eliza	16
Charles	13	Emma	9
Joseph	13		
Isaac	10		