

Monks Eleigh Census of 1861

The census shows that there were 678 people living in Monks Eleigh on the night of the 1861 Census. 355 or 52.4% were male and 323 or 47.6% were female

The following tables show the numbers in each:

Occupation: The top occupation was 124 Farm Labourers, 24 General Servants, 12 Housekeepers, 8 Farmers, 8 Shoemakers, 7 Carpenters, 7 Millers, 6 Grocers, 6 on Parish Relief with a very high number – 164 – at school (How accurate was the reporting on this?).

Places of Birth: with 66% of villagers having been born in Monks Eleigh.

Surnames: with 48 Foskers, followed by Taylor, Partridge, Borley, Clarke, Butcher and Hollox.

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

1861 Census	
Occupation	Number
At School	164
Farm Labourer	124
General Servant	24
Housekeeper	12
Farmer	8
Shoemaker	8
Carpenter	7
Miller	7
Grocer	6
Parish Relief	6
Blacksmith	4
Farm Bailiff	4
Fund Holder	4
Laundress	4
Wheelwright	4
Woodman	4
Bricklayer	3
Innkeeper	3
Tailor	3
Butcher	2
Carter	2
Clergyman	2
Cook	2
Dealer	2
Dressmaker	2

Groom	2
Stock Lad	2
Thatcher	2
Artist	1
Baker	1
Builder	1
Cabinet Maker	1
Captain Army	1
Castrator	1
Clerk	1
Draper	1
Gardener	1
Governess	1
Machinist	1
Nurse	1
Plumber & Glazier	1
Police Constable	1
School Teacher	1
Stone Mason	1
Vet	1

1861 Census Birth Place

Place	Number	%age
Monks Eleigh	447	66%
Milden	18	3%
Lavenham	15	2%
Lindsey	14	2%
Waldingfield	12	2%
Chelsworth	8	1%
Kettlebaston	7	1%
Brent Eleigh	7	1%
Semer	7	1%
Hadleigh	7	1%
Preston St Mary	6	1%
Kersey	6	1%
Bildeston	4	1%
Other Suffolk	87	13%
Other England	33	5%

1861 Census Top Surnames

Surname	Number	Households
Fosker	48	11
Taylor	32	5
Partridge	30	8
Borley	30	6
Clarke	27	7
Butcher	24	4
Hollox	22	5
Mann	16	5
Head	15	3
Keeble	15	2
Howe	13	2
Gage	12	5
Hawkins	12	3
Bugg	12	3
Gardiner	12	3
Green	11	2
Hazell	11	2
Alldis	11	1
Harris	10	2
Stow	10	1
Wright	9	3
Bowers	9	3
Whymark	8	2

1861 Census Top Names

Male		Female	
Name	Number	Name	Number
William	65	Sarah	40
John	48	Mary	38
Robert	39	Elizabeth	24
George	24	Eliza	21
Charles	23	Harriett	18
Samuel	16	Susan	17
Henry	14	Ann	15
James	13	Emma	15
Frederick	12	Jane	13
Thomas	10	Maria	13
Daniel	8	Emily	11
Alfred	7	Frances	11