

is peopled by a multitude of tribes and races, the number of which is, of course, unknown to us, but as far as the names of tribes in our part of America have been ascertained, they are as follows:

1. The Kolosh, inhabiting the islands and the narrow strip of the American continent at the extreme south-eastern limits of the Russian possessions, whose number is now about	5,000
2. The Oughalentze, living near Mount Saint Elias, numbering not more than	150
3. The Mednovtze, who live on Copper river, to the number of	300
4. The Kolehane, living far away in the interior of the continent, near our boundaries; their number is unknown.	
5. The Chugach, living on the gulf of the same name, numbering now	471
6. The Kenaitze, living on the shores of the gulf of Kenai, numbering	1,628
7. The inhabitants of the southern shore of the Aliaska peninsula, numbering	1,600
8. The Aglegmute, on the northern shore of Aliaska peninsula, numbering	402
9. The Kadiaks or Koniagi, living on the island of Kadiak, numbering	1,508
10. The Oonalashkans or Aleuts, inhabiting the Fox islands and a portion of the Aliaska peninsula, numbering	1,497
11. The Atkhans, or Atkha Aleuts, inhabiting the Andreicof of islands, numbering	750
12. The Kuskokvims, living on the river Kuskokvim, which empties into Bering sea, numbering about	7,000
13. The Kvikhpaks, Kiatentze, Malegmute, and other tribes inhabiting the shores of Bering sea and the rivers emptying into the same, and also the coast of the Northern ocean, whose number cannot be less than all those above mentioned together.	
To this native population of Russian America we must add Russians living in the various settlements, to the number of	706
Creoles—that is, the offspring of Russians from native American mothers—who form the foundation for a class of American citizens of Russia, numbering	1,295

Consequently our total population in America may be given as follows:

Known and counted	10,313
Known, but not counted	12,500
Estimated only	17,000
Making a total of	<u>39,813</u>

Though objection may be made to certain details of this estimate as incorrect, the total comes sufficiently near to our latest data to convince us that Veniaminof had then a better conception of the population of Russian America than the compilers of the official reports of the Russian-American Company exhibited during many succeeding years.

Next in chronological order we find an enumeration of the Thlinket and Hyda tribes of Alaska, made under the auspices of Sir James Douglas, of the Hudson Bay Company, in the year 1839, when the latter firm had obtained from the Russian-American Company a ten years' lease of the continental coast between Lynn canal and the southern boundary. This document was never printed, but has been preserved in the archives of the Hudson Bay Company and in Sir James Douglas' private papers. Its figures are somewhat in excess of Veniaminof's estimate; but approach more closely to our most recent enumeration. The names of tribes and clans, as given by Douglas, cannot all be identified now, but the whole table, circumstantial as it is in its classification of adults and children of both sexes and even of slaves, bears the imprint of authenticity. Subjoined I give it in full as copied from the manuscript journal:

CENSUS OF NATIVE TRIBES OF RUSSIAN AMERICA BETWEEN LATITUDE 59° AND 54° 40' N., EXCLUSIVE OF THE SITKA TRIBE ON BARANOF ISLAND, IN 1839.

Traders' names of tribes.	Native tribal names.	Locations.	Total.	ADULTS.		CHILDREN.		SLAVES.	
				Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Male.	Female.
Total			7,190	2,125	1,996	1,238	1,201	295	335
Chilcat	Chilkhaat	Lynn canal	498	167	118	71	66	42	36
Cross sound	Hoonyah	Cross sound	782	258	234	108	98	40	54
Anke	Anke	North of Takoo river	203	72	61	35	31	2	2
Tako Samdan	Tako, Samdan, Sitka	Takoo river, Sitka river	498	127	110	71	66	50	60
Hoochenoo	Hootnoo	Hood's bay	729	247	240	85	76	40	41
Hanega	Henega	Prince of Wales island	269	82	80	29	27	27	24
Kake	Kehk	Kehk archipelago	393	109	106	70	64	24	20
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Stikeen	Liknaahntly	Stakhin river	118	31	24	30	27	2	4
Do	Ta-ee-teeton	do	93	38	29	10	9	3	4
Do	Kvaskagnatee	do	135	59	41	10	6	6	13
Do	Kukatu	do	234	97	67	36	32	2	..
Do	Naaniagh	do	390	83	117	60	46	32	52
Do	Talgnatee	do	169	52	51	27	33	2	4
Do	Kiksatee	do	99	31	21	21	18	4	4
Do	Kadi-ettee	do	172	61	60	20	19	4	8
Port Stuart	Ahialt	Port Stuart	186	50	45	42	49	..	..
Tourgass	Kitahoonet	Clarence strait	315	85	90	60	65	6	9

CENSUS OF NATIVE TRIBES OF RUSSIAN AMERICA BETWEEN LATITUDE 59° AND 54° 40' N.—Continued.

Traders' names of tribes.	Native tribal names.	Locations.	Total.	ADULTS.		CHILDREN.		SLAVES.	
				Men.	Women.	Boys.	Girls.	Male.	Female.
Cape Fox	Lukhseele	Cape Fox	177	45	50	39	43	.....	.....
Kalgani	Yonahno	Prince of Wales archipelago	234	68	70	44	52	.....	.....
	Clickass	do	417	98	105	102	112	.....	.....
	Quiahanness	do	148	30	35	42	41	.....	.....
	Howguan	do	458	117	121	113	107	.....	.....
	Shaaguan	do	229	53	61	54	61	.....	.....
	Chachini	do	249	65	62	59	63	.....	.....

From this time forward the biennial reports of the Russian-American Company to the imperial ministerium of commerce gave the population of the Russian possessions in America as from 56,000 to 70,000. No authority for these statements existed, but they were repeated again and again until the sale of the country to the United States, though in the meantime several enumerations were made showing a very different result.

The first enumeration of the tribes on Norton sound and on the lower Yukon, or Kvikhpak, was accomplished by Lieutenant Zagoskin, of the Russian navy, during an exploration of that region in the years 1842, 1843, and 1844. It is, of course, impossible at this date to recognize all the names of villages given by Zagoskin, but as far as I can trace his count to personal observation, it appears to have been accurate. His exploration took place just after the whole region traversed by him had been depopulated by small-pox. In the table which is here reproduced, Zagoskin's division of the people into Christians and pagans has been omitted:

ENUMERATION BY LIEUTENANT ZAGOSKIN, I. R. N., OF NATIVES OF NORTON SOUND AND LOWER YUKON IN 1842, 1843, AND 1844.

Tribes and villages.	Houses.	People.	Total.	Tribes and villages.	Houses.	People.	Total.
KANG-YULIT PEOPLE [INNUI]. <i>Ohnagmute tribe, Norton sound.</i>				Tsonagogliakhten village	1	11	
Oonalaklik village	2	13		Tsogliakhten village	1	7	
Nigvilnuk village	1	5		Khotlikakat village	4	65	
Kikhtaguk village	3	28		Oonilgachtkhokh village	2	17	
Tachik village	3	19		Nulato village	1	13	
Atkhvik village	4	57		Total Yunnakakhotana	23	289	289
Tikmiktalik village	4	45		<i>Inkilit tribe, Kvikhpak river.</i>			
Pashitlik village	7	116		Kankhogliak village	2	11	
Total Ohnagmute	24	283	283	Oolukak village	4	25	
<i>Kvikhpagmute, Kvikhpak river.</i>				Tuttago village	2	32	
Kavlagnagmute village	1	11		Kakagokhakat village	1	9	
Nigikligmute village	1	13		Khutulakakat village	2	16	
Kanagmute village	4	45		K-khaltat village	1	9	
Ankachagmute village	6	122		Khogolinde village	4	60	
Takchagmute village	3	40		Takaniak village	7	81	
Iknagmute village	6	180		Khulikakat village	1	11	
Nukhluagmute village	4	00		Total Inkilit	24	264	264
Ikogmute village	5	92		<i>Tlegonkhotana, Tlegon river.</i>			
Ikalgivigmute village	3	45		Innoka village	3	44	
Patmute village	5	123		Ttalitui village	3	45	
Total Kvikhpagmute	38	681	681	Total Tlegonkhotana	6	89	89
<i>Kuskokvigmute, Kuskokvim river.</i>				<i>Yugelmut, Kvikhpak, and Kuskokvim rivers.</i>			
Khalkagmute village	5	120		Inselnostlende village	2	23	
Ookhagmute village	4	61		Khuingitakhten village	3	37	
Tulukagnagmute village	5	90		Ilsenleiden village	6	100	
Kvigimpainagmute village	4	89		Tlegoshitno village	3	45	
Total Kuskokvigmute	18	360	360	Khuligichakat village	5	79	
Total Kang-yulit	80	.....	1,324	Kvigimpainagmute village	3	71	
TTYNNAI PEOPLE [TINNEH]. <i>Yunnakhotana, Kvikhpak river.</i>				Vashchagat village	5	80	
Noggai village	1	10		Anvig village	5	129	
Minkhotlitatno village	3	46		Makki village	3	44	
Total Yunnakhotana	4	56	56	Anilukhtakpak village	8	170	
<i>Yunnakakhotana, Koyukuk river.</i>				Total Yugelmut	43	770	770
Notaglitat village	3	37		<i>Goltzane, interior.</i>			
Tlialikakat village	3	27		Khunanilinde village	1	9	
Tashoshgon village	2	30		Tochofno village	1	9	
Tok-khakak village	1	6		Total Goltzane	2	18	18
Nok-khakak village	3	50		Total Ttynnai	103	.....	1,486
Kakhliahkhiakak village	2	26		Total Kang-yulit	80	.....	1,324
				Grand total	183	.....	2,510