

America's 60 Families

LISTS

Dynasties listed below were included in *America's 60 Families*, Ferdinand Lundberg's 1937 expose on the super-rich. Lundberg used tax records to uncover the often impenetrable financial and political machinations of the 60 Families, effectively publishing a directory of names and occupations of family scions as well as estimates of their fortunes.

"The United States is owned and dominated today by a hierarchy of its sixty richest families, buttressed by no more than ninety families of lesser wealth... These families are the living center of the modern industrial oligarchy which dominates the United States, functioning discreetly under a *de jure* democratic form of government behind which a *de facto* government, absolutist and plutocratic in its lineaments, has gradually taken form since the Civil War. This *de facto* government is actually the government of the United States -- informal, invisible, shadowy. It is the government of money in a dollar democracy."

Families are listed in ranked order (according to 1924 tax records) with their primary sources of wealth.

1	Rockefeller Family	Standard Oil
2	Morgan Family	J. P. Morgan & Co.
3	Ford Family	Ford Motors
4	Harkness Family	Standard Oil
5	Mellon Family	Aluminum Company
6	Vanderbilt Family	NY Central R&R
7	Whitney Family	Standard Oil
8	Standard Oil Families	Standard Oil
9	Du Pont Family	DuPont
10	McCormick Family	International Harvester, Chicago Times
11	Baker Family	First National Bank
12	Fisher Family	General Motors
13	Guggenheim Family	American Smelting & Refining Co.
14	Field Family	Marshall Field's
15	Curtis-Boks Family	Curtis Publishing Co.
16	Duke Family	American Tobacco Company
17	Berwind Family	Berwind-White Coal Co.
18	Lehman Family	Lehman Brothers
19	Widener Family	American Tobacco Company , public utilities
20	Reynolds Family	R. J. Reynolds
21	Astor Family	Real estate
22	Winthrop Family	Miscellaneous
23	Stillman Family	Citibank
24	Timken Family	Timken
25	Pitcairn Family	Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. (now PPG Industries)
26	Warburg Family	Kuhn, Loeb & Co.
27	Metcalf Family	Rhode Island textile mills
28	Clark Family	Singer Sewing Machine Co.
29	Phipps Family	Carnegie Steel
30	Kahn Family	Kuhn, Loeb & Co.
31	Green Family	Stocks and real estate
32	Patterson Family	Chicago Tribune
33	Taft Family	Real estate
34	Deering Family	International Harvester
35	De Forest Family	Corporate law practice
36	Gould Family	Railroads
37	Hills Family	Railroads
38	Drexel Family	J. P. Morgan & Co.
39	Ryan Family	Stock market
40	Foster Family	Auto parts
41	Johnson Family	Victor Phonograph
42	James Family	Copper and railroads
43	Nash Family	Automobiles
44	Schiff Family	Kuhn, Loeb & Co.
45	Patten Family	Wheat market
46	Hayden Family	Stock market
47	Weber Family	Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.
48	Blumenthal Family	Lazard
49	Mills Family	Mining
50	Friedsam Family	Merchandising
51	McLean Family	Mining
52	Higgins Family	New York real estate
53	Cochran Family	Textiles
54	Kirkwood Family	
55	Tyson Family	
56	Huntington Family	Railroads
57	Storow Family	Lee Higginson & Co.
58	Rosenwald Family	Sears Roebuck
59	Baruch Family	Stock market
60	Kresge Family	Merchandising

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