



DOMESDAY BOOK

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The Domesday Book is a record of the great survey which was completed in 1086, of much of England and parts of Wales.

The survey was executed for William I of England (William the Conqueror) to determine how much each landholder had in land & livestock, and what it was worth. From this it could be determined how much tax was liable. The judgement of the Domesday assessors was final – whatever was written in the books about who held what material wealth or what it was worth, was law and no appeal was available. It was written in Latin and the text was highly abbreviated. The Domesday books were referred to as “the Book of Judgement” “because its decisions, like those of the Last Judgement, are unalterable”.

Sutton [Veny] appears in 3 entries in Domesday Book

Entry 1:

Hundred	Warminster
County	Wiltshire
Total Population	43 households (Very large)
Total Tax assessed	17 geld units (Very large)
Taxable Units	Taxable value 8 geld units.
Value	Value to lord in 1086 £10. Value to lord c. 1070 £8
Households	6 villagers. 8 smallholders. 4 slaves
Ploughland	6 ploughlands (land for). 2 lord's plough teams. 4 men's plough teams.
Other resources	4.0 lord's lands. Meadow 6 acres. Pasture 1 leagues * 2 furlongs mixed measures. Woodland 1 league * 2 furlongs mixed measures. 0.7 mills, value 0.66.
Lord in 1066	<u>Alwold</u> ; Alwold's sister
Lord in 1086	William son of Guy.
Tenant-in-chief in 1086	William son of Guy.
Phillimore reference	38,1

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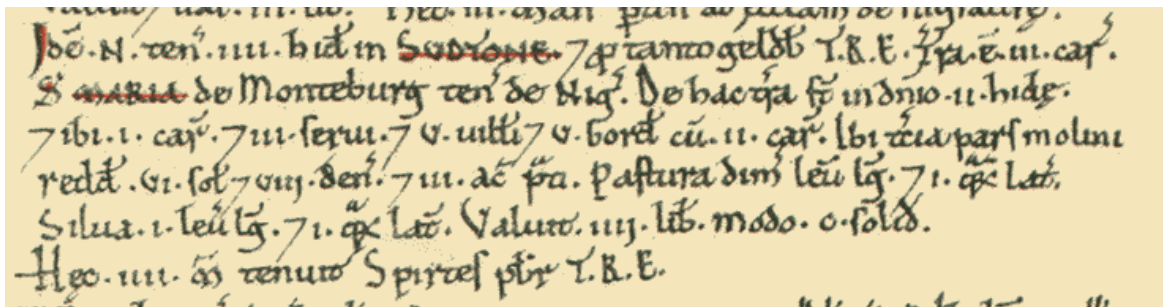
Entry 2:

Hundred	Warminster
County	Wiltshire
Total Population	43 households (Very large)
Total Tax assessed	17 geld units (Very large)
Taxable Units	Taxable value 5 geld units.
Value	Value to lord in 1086 £5. Value to lord c. 1070 £4
Households	3 villagers. 6 smallholders. 3 slaves
Ploughland	4 ploughlands (land for). 2 lord's plough teams. 2 men's plough teams.
Other resources	3.25 lord's lands. Meadow 4 acres. Pasture 0.5 leagues * 1 furlong mixed measures. Woodland 2 acres. 1 mill, value 0.2.
Livestock in 1086	1 cobs. 300 sheep
Lord in 1066	Cola
Lord in 1086	Walter Hussey
Tenant-in-chief in 1086	William of Mohun
Phillimore reference	34,1

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Entry 3:

Hundred	Warminster
County	Wiltshire
Total Population	43 households (Very large)
Total Tax assessed	17 geld units (Very large)
Taxable Units	Taxable value 4 geld units.
Value	Value to lord in 1086 £5. Value to lord c. 1070 £4
Households	5 villagers. 5 smallholders. 3 slaves
Ploughland	3 ploughlands (land for). 1 lord's plough teams. 2 men's plough teams.
Other resources	2.0 lord's lands. Meadow 3 acres. Pasture 0.5 leagues * 1 furlong mixed measures. Woodland 1 league * 1 furlong mixed measures. 0.3 mills, value 0.33.
Lord in 1066	Spirtes the priest
Lord in 1086	Montebourg Sainte-Marie, abbey of
Tenant-in-chief in 1086	Nigel the doctor
Phillimore reference	56,4



(Information from [Domesday data](#) – Professor J.J.N. Palmer)