

German Occupations

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German	English Equivalent
Ackermann	Farmer
Amtmann	Magistrate, Official
Arbeiter	Laborer
Arzt	Doctor
Backer	Baker
Bauer	Farmer
Beamter	Official
Bergmann	Miner
Besitzer	Owner
Brauer	Brewer
Burger	Citizen
Burgermeister	Mayor
Colon	Farmer
Diener	Servant
Dienstmädchen	Servant (Maid)
Drucker	Printer
Einwohner	Inhabitant
Farber	Dyer
Fiedler	Fiddler
Fischer	Fisherman
Fleischer	Butcher
Fuhrmann	Coachman, Driver
Gehilfe	Assistant
Gesell(e)	Journeyman
Gerber	Tanner
Handler	Trader
Hebamme	Midwife
Heuermann	Day-Laborer
Hirt(h)	Herder
Hof(f)mann	Farm Manager
Jäger	Hunter
Kaufmann	Merchant
Keller	Steward
Kiefer	Cooper
Knecht	Laborer

Koch	Cook
Kohler	Charcoal Burner
Kruger	Innkeeper
Kurschner	Furrier
Kuster	Sexton
Landwirt(h)	Farmer
Lederer	Leather Maker
Lehrer(in)	Teacher
Lehrling	Apprentice
Maler	Painter
Maurer	Mason
Meister	Master
Mebner	Sexton
Metzger	Butcher
Meyer	Farm Manager
Muller	Miller
Pachter	Tenant
Pfarrer	Paster, Priest
Prediger	Preacher
Rademacher	Wheelwright
Rentner	Retiree
Richter	Judge
Ritter	Knight
Schafer	Shepherd
Schlober	Locksmith
Schmied	Smith
Schneider	Tailor
Schreiber	Clerk
Schreiner	Joiner, Cabinetmaker
Schroder	Tailor
Schuhmacher	Shoemaker
Schuler	Pupil
Schul(t)z(e)	Mayor
Soldat	Soldier
Steinmetz	Stonemason
Tagelohner	Day-Laborer
Tischler	Joiner
Topfer	Potter
Verkaufer	Salesman
Verweser	Administrator
Wagner	Wagoner, Carter
Weber	Weaver
Weingartner	Vinedresser
Wirt(h)	Innkeeper
Ziegler	Tile Maker, Brick Maker
Zimmerman(n)	Carpenter

Zoller

Customs Official

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