

## 1 Chronicles 27:16-34 **Tribal Heads – The Census – State Officials**

### Leaders of Tribes

16 Furthermore, over the tribes of Israel:  
the officer over the **Reubenites** was Eliezer the son of Zichri;  
over the **Simeonites**, Shephatiah the son of Maachah;  
17 over the **Levites**, Hashabiah the son of Kemuel;  
over the **Aaronites**, Zadok;  
18 over **Judah**, Elihu, one of David's brothers;  
over **Issachar**, Omri the son of Michael;  
19 over **Zebulun**, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah;  
over **Naphtali**, Jerimoth the son of Azriel;  
20 over the children of **Ephraim**, Hoshea the son of Azaziah;  
over the **half-tribe of Manasseh**, Joel the son of Pedaiiah;  
21 over the **half-tribe of Manasseh in Gilead**, Iddo the son of Zechariah;  
over **Benjamin**, Jaasiel the son of Abner;  
22 over **Dan**, Azarel the son of Jeroham.  
These were the leaders of the tribes of Israel.

### The Census

23 But David did not take the number of those twenty years old and under, because the Lord had said He would multiply Israel like the stars of the heavens.  
24 Joab the son of Zeruiah began a census, but he did not finish, for wrath came upon Israel because of this census; nor was the number recorded in the account of the chronicles of King David.

### Other State Officials

25 And Azmaveth the son of Adiel was over the king's treasuries;  
and Jehonathan the son of Uzziah was over the storehouses in the field, in the cities, in the villages,  
and in the fortresses.  
26 Ezri the son of Chelub was over those who did the work of the field for tilling the ground.  
27 And Shimei the Ramathite was over the vineyards, and  
Zabdi the Shiphmite was over the produce of the vineyards for the supply of wine.  
28 Baal-Hanan the Gederite was over the olive trees and the sycamore trees that were in the  
lowlands, and  
Joash was over the store of oil.  
29 And Shitrai the Sharonite was over the herds that fed in Sharon,  
and Shaphat the son of Adlai was over the herds that were in the valleys.  
30 Obil the Ishmaelite was over the camels,  
Jehdeiah the Meronothite was over the donkeys,  
31 and Jaziz the Hagrite was over the flocks.  
All these were the officials over King David's property.  
  
32 Also Jehonathan, David's uncle, was a counselor, a wise man, and a scribe; and  
Jehiel the son of Hachmoni was with the king's sons.  
33 Ahithophel was the king's counselor, and

Hushai the Archite was the king's companion.

<sup>34</sup> After Ahithophel was Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, then Abiathar.

And the general of the king's army was Joab.

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Facts Revealed:

- ✧ Officials appointed by David over the tribes of Israel. [[1 Chronicles 27:16-22](#)]
- ✧ Reference to the Census. [[1 Chronicles 27:23-24](#)]
- ✧ Officials over David's property. [[1 Chronicles 25-31](#)]
- ✧ David's close administrators, counselors and general over David's army. [[1 Chronicles 27:32-34](#)]