

SICILIAN OCCUPATION LIST *Compiled by Angela Whaley*

- (-aio -aro are interchangeable endings indicating an individual.)
- Regnicolo is a subject of the Realm of the Kingdom of The Two Sicilies.

Accenditore- Igniter, Lights Boilers, Lamplighter

Accenditore di Fanali- Headlamp Igniter, Lamplighter

Agliaro- Maker or seller of fishing nets, traps, or chain mail

Agricoltore- Agriculturist

Agrimensore- Surveyor

Agrimentore- Land Surveyor

Agronomo- Agronomist

Apparatore- Upholsterer, decorator, in charge of stage apparatus

Argilliere- Clay Worker

Armiere- Gunsmith

Aromatario- Seller of herbs, spices, and essential oils. In the 19th century, it was more of an apothecary.

Artigliere- Gunner, Artilleryman

Asciere- Worked with a Trowel

Attendente a Casa- House Attendant

Avvocato- Lawyer

Barbiere- Barber

Barbitonsore- Barber

Barcaiolo- Boatman

Bardaio, Bardaro- Saddle Maker

Bastaro- Saddle Maker for donkeys and mules

Battecottonne- Cotton Beater

Battitore di Cottonne- Cotton Beater

Becchino- Undertaker, Grave Digger, Mortician

Bertoliere- Makes brushes with boar bristles, also a worker who made bricks by hand and carried them. Bertoliere della Bianca- put the bricks in the oven; Bertoliere della Rossa- took them out of the oven.

Bettoliere- Innkeeper

Bibliotegario- Librarian

Boltaro- Bolts

Bordanaio- Muleteer

Bordaro- Embroidery

Bottaio, Bottaro- Cooper, Barrel Maker

Bovaro- Cowherd

Bracciante- Farmhand

Brigadiere Doganale/Customs Officer

Brillantalore- Diamond Cutter or Dealer

Cafettiere Caffettiere- Coffee Shop Operator or Manager

Calafataio- Caulks Ships

Calcinaro -aio- Mortar, Lime, Calcine

Calderaio Caldaraio- Boilermaker, Coppersmith

Calessiere- Gig Coachman

Calseraio- Coppersmith

Calzolaio- Shoemaker

Cammariere (misspelling in document)- Waiter

Cameriere (correct spelling)- Waiter

Campanaro- Bell Ringer

Campiere- A farmer appointed as a private guard in rural surveillance, range guard; groundskeeper for a landlord

Canaparo- Hemp Dealer

Cancelliere di Pretura- Chancellor of the District Court

Cantante- Singer

Cantoniere- Roadman

Cantonaro -aio- Tuff Quarry Worker

Capajo- Goatherder (Sicilian)

Cappelliere- Hatter

Capraio, Capraro- Goatherder

Carpinteri- Carpenter

Carrettiere- Cart driver, Teamster

Cartolaio- Stationer

Ceraio- Waxmaker

Casalinga- Housewife, homemaker, or an unmarried teen girl living at home and helping her family around the house

Casermiere Comunale- Municipal Barracks

Cassettiere- Maker of drawer chests

Centimoloie- Mill Operator; Centimoli were mills owned by nobles for their own use or sometimes owned by a town. The centimolaio is the person who operated it. He is a miller, but not usually operating his own mill.

Ceraio, Ceraio- Candlemaker, made wax images, candle bearer on religious holidays

Cerusico- Barber Surgeon

Chirurgo- Surgeon

Civile Impiegato- Civil Clerk

Civile- Upper Class Citizen, Civilian, Civil Servant

Cocchiere, Cocchiere- Coachman

Coltivatore di Campagna- Country Farmer

Commerciante- Merchant

Commesso- Salesclerk or Shop Assistant

Comico- Comic

Conciapelle- Tanner

Controllo Comunale- Municipal Control

Costruttore di Barche- Ship Builder

Contadino, -a- Peasant Farmer, Small Farmer, Sharecropper, or Subsistence Farmer

Cordaro- Rope Maker

Corallaro- Coral Diver

Corralaro- Corral (animal pen)

Correttore- Correctly recorded in a handbook the curves of the railways and roads.

Cottonaro- Cotton Maker, Dealer in Cotton

Cretaiolo Cretaloro- Clay Miner, works at the Cretaro

Cretaro- Potter, the open space where the clay is exposed to sun and heat for processing.

Cristallamia Cristallame Cristallami- Glassware

Crivaio- Engraved leather sieves with even ornamental designs

Crivellaio- Sievemaking, sifts grain or rock

Crivellatore- Sifts grain or rock

Cuoco- Cook

Curatulo- Shepherd Foreman

Custode di Bestiame- Livestock Keeper

Custode di Campagna- Country Caretaker

Custode di Territorio- Territory Guardian

Donna di Casa- Housewife

Dottore in Medicina- Medical Doctor

Droghiero- Druggist, Grocer

Emmanuenze- Writer for the illiterate, Scribe

Fabbro- Locksmith

Fabricatore- Manufacturer

Fabromurario- Master Bricklayer

Facchino- Ported furniture and heavy items by cart. Also, could act as an Undertaker or Hearse Driver.

Falegname- Joiner, Cabinetmaker, Carpenter

Famulo- Servant or domestic help

Ferraio, Ferrero- Blacksmith

Filatore- Spinner

Fimaiuolo, Fimaiolo- Renter

Forense- Forensic

Fornaio Fornaro- Operated bakery ovens, made bread and biscuits, provided ovens for local populace to use

Fuochista- Stoker, Fireman

Giardiniere- Gardener

Giornaliero Giornaliere- Day Laborer

Guardafili- Lineman

Guardia di Consumo- Consumer Guard

Guardia Doganale- Customs Guard

Guardia Municipale- Municipal Guard

Guardia Urbana- Town Guard

Guardiano Rurale- Rural Guard

Impiegato- Clerk, Employee

Impiegato Comunale- Council Employee

Impiegato nei dazi Consumo- Employed in Consumer Duties

Impiegato Daziario- Customs Clerk

Impiegato Ferroviaria- Railroad Employee

Impiegato di Marino- Marine Employee

Impiegato di Pretura- Court Clerk

Indoratore- Gilder

Industriosa- Industrial Worker

Insegnante- Teacher

Insegnante Elementaro- Elementary Teacher

Inserviente- Attendant

Laico- Layman

Laico Cappuccino- Friar

Legale- Lawyer

Locandiere- Innkeeper

Macellaio- Butcher

Maestro Elementaro- Elementary Teacher

Maniscalco- Blacksmith Horseshoer

Marinaro- Sailor

Martellatore- Hammer; Gavel

Massaro- Farmer; A farm of about twelve acres, equal to the amount of land that a family of settlers could cultivate annually with a pair of oxen, or with a single plow, Sharecropper, Small farmer, or Farm Manager

Mattarello- Unloaded goods from ships coming into port, Longshoreman

Mazzeo- Toolmaker

Medico- Doctor

Medico Chirurgo- Surgeon

Medico Fisico- Medical Physician

Mendicante- Beggar

Merciére, Merciaio, Merciaro- Haberdasher

Messo Comunale- Municipal Messenger, delivers deeds

Militare Invalido- Militarily Disabled

Moniale Prosessa- Nun

Mugnaio, Mugnaro- Miller

Muratore- Mason

Murifabro- Master Bricklayer

Musicante- Musician

Musico- Musician

Navigante- Ship Navigator

Negoziante- Shopkeeper

Nobile- Nobleman, Nobility

Nobile Possidente- Noble Landowner

Notaio- Notary

Nudrice, Nutrice- Wetnurse

Ogliare, Ogliario- Producer or seller of oil, usually olive oil

Operator di Canape- Hemp Operator

Operator di Creta- Clay Operator

Orefice- Goldsmith

Organista- Church Organist

Orologgiaro- Watchmaker

Ortolano- Gardener; Green Grocer

Padrone del Real Paranzello Numero 25- Master of Real Paranzello No 25

Panettiere- Bread Bakery

Panniere, Panniero- Pannier, Saddlebags, Basket Maker; Pair of baskets or boxes hung over animal and used for carrying loads.

Parrucchiere- Hairdresser

Pastaio, Pastaro- Pasta Maker

Pastore- Shepherd

Patrocinatore- Public Defender

Pecoraio, Pecoraro- Shepherd

Pentolaio Pentolaro- Pots

Penzionista Militare- Military Pensioner

Perriatore- Stone cutter, Stone Mason

Pesatore- Weigher, Scale Merchant

Pesatore di Statera- Weighs cross beams

Pescatore- Fisherman

Pescevendolo- Fishmonger

Petraro- Steep Slope Full of Pebbles

Pietraro- Stonecutter

Pirucchiere Pirucchio (louse)- Hairdresser, Lice Remover

Pittore- Painter

Possidente- Landowner

Portero di nottecomunale- Municipal Night Porter

Prete- Priest

Povero- Poor

Pretore- Lower Court Judge

Professore di Ginnastien- Gymnastics Teacher

Professore Insegnante- High School or University Professor

Proprietario- Property Owner, Landlord

Ragionere Comunale- Municipal Accountant

Ragioniere- Accountant

Religiosa Professa- Nun

Robbettiére- Clothier, Purveyor of clothing

Rompiette- Stone Breaker

Sacerdote- Priest

Sagrista- Sexton

Salinaro- Salt Seller, Salt Worker, Salt Applier

Salinaruolo- Salt Worker in the salt flats

Salnitrary- Saltpetre Worker

Sarto, Sartore- Tailor

Scarparo- Shoe Peddler

Scarpellino- Cuts stone, marble for threshold steps, exterior of houses, etc

Scribente- Writer

Segretario di Pretura- Magistrate's Court Secretary

Sellaro- Saddler

Semolaro- Semolina

Sensale di Vini- Wine Broker

Servente Comunale- Community Servant

Servante dell'istesso Monastero- Monastery Servant

Servitore- Servant, Server

Soldato d'Arme- Soldier at Arms

Sorbettiere- Sherbert Maker

Sotto Brigadiere- Second Sargent

Spatolaro- Plasterer, Stucco Worker

Spazzino- Street Sweeper

Stagnaro, Stagnataro- Tinsmith

Stoviglia- Crockery

Stovigliaio, Stovigliaro- Manufacturer or vendor of tableware, Earthenware Dealer.

Suggeritore in Teatro- Theater Prompter

Tabaccaio- Tobacconist

Tagliapietra, e- Stonecutter

Tanniero- Tanner

Tessitore- Weaver

Tintore- Dyer

Tipografo- Typography, Printer

Trafficante- Distributor

Trattore- Small Cafe

Usciére Comunale- Municipal Usher

Usciere Erariale- Tax Usher

Usciere Mandamentale- District Baliff or Clerk of Order in the Judicial District

Vende Fiori- Flower Vendor

Venditore- Vendor

Venditore Ambulante- Street Peddler

Venditore di Cristallami- Sells Glassware (Cristallamia Cristallame Cristallami)

Venditore di Giornali- Newspaper Vendor

Venditore in dettaglio- Salesman, Retailer

Viaggiante- Itinerant Traveler

Vice Brigadiere- Deputy Brigadier

Villico- Village Farmer

Villico Carrettiere- Village Farmer and Carter

Villico Correttiere- A village farmer who correctly recorded in a handbook the railways and roads.

Villico Possidente- Village Farmer Landowner

Violinista- Violinist