Appendix 8

Vital Rates of the Chiquitos Missions

Demographic studies of historic mission populations rely on different sources that include sacramental registers of baptisms, burials, and marriages, as well as censuses. The only sacramental register that survives for the Jesuit administration of the Chiquitos mission is of baptisms for San Francisco Xavier mission, and data from that register has been incorporated into the table of vital rates for that mission. The tables of vital rates in this appendix have been constructed from the general censuses of the Chiquitos missions that summarized baptisms and burials and are titled Catalogo de la Numeración Annual de las Misiones de los Chiquitos, Biblioteca Nacional, Archivo General de la Nación, Buenos Aires, 6127/14 y 6467/101. Additionally the San Francisco Xavier baptismal register, 1738–1768. Archivo parroquial de San Javier, San Javier, Bolivia.