And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, 

Take the sum of the sons of Kohath from among the sons of Levi, after their families, by the house of their fathers, 

From thirty years old and upward even until fifty years old, all that enter into the host, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation, 

This shall be the service of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation, [about] the most holy things: And when the camp setteth forward, Aaron shall come, and his sons, and they shall take down the covering vail, and cover the ark of testimony with it: 

And shall put thereon the covering of badgers'skins, and shall spread over [it] a cloth wholly of blue, and shall put in the staves thereof. 

And upon the table of shewbread they shall spread a cloth of blue, and put thereon the dishes, and the spoons, and the bowls, and covers to cover withal: and the continual bread shall be thereon: 

And they shall spread upon them a cloth of scarlet, and cover the same with a covering of badgers'skins, and shall put in the staves thereof. 

And they shall take a cloth of blue, and cover the candlestick of the light, and his lamps, and his tongs, and his snuffdishes, and all the oil vessels thereof, wherewith they minister unto it: 

And they shall put it and all the vessels thereof within a covering of badgers'skins, and shall put [it] upon a bar.
And upon the golden altar they shall spread a cloth of blue, and cover it with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put to the staves thereof:

And they shall take all the instruments of ministry, wherewith they minister in the sanctuary, and put [them] in a cloth of blue, and cover them with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put [them] on a bar:

And they shall take away the ashes from the altar, and spread a purple cloth thereon:

And they shall put upon it all the vessels of the sanctuary, and shall put [them] on a bar:

And when Aaron and his sons have made an end of covering the sanctuary, and all the vessels of the sanctuary, as the camp is to set forward; after that, the sons of Kohath shall come

And shall put [them] on a bar:

And to the office of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest [pertained] the oil for the light, and the sweet incense, and the daily meat offering, and the anointing oil, [and] the oversight of all the tabernacle, and of all that therein [is], in the sanctuary, and in the vessels thereof.

And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying.

Cut ye not off the tribe of the families of the Kohathites from among the Levites:
And this do you! For them and they live and not they shall die in to come close of them. Holiness of all the holinesses shall they come and they place in it. And you shall number them in the sun of Gershon and sons of him. They shall bear the burdens of the congregation in all their service, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation. This is the service of the families of Gershon to serve and to load. Take also the sum of the sons of Gershon, throughout the houses of their fathers, by their families; from thirty years old and upward until fifty years old shalt thou number them; all that enter in to perform the service, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation, his covering, and the covering of the tabernacle and by the altar round about, and their cords, and all the instruments of their service, and all that is made for them: so shall they serve. And the hangings of the court, and the hanging for the door of the gate of the court, which is by the tabernacle and by the altar round about, and their cords, and all the instruments of their service, and all that is made for them: so shall they serve. But they shall not go in to see when the holy things are covered, lest they die.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Take also the sum of the sons of Gershon, throughout the houses of their fathers, by their families; from thirty years old and upward until fifty years old shalt thou number them; all that enter in to perform the service, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation, his covering, and the covering of the tabernacle and by the altar round about, and their cords, and all the instruments of their service, and all that is made for them: so shall they serve. And the hangings of the court, and the hanging for the door of the gate of the court, which is by the tabernacle and by the altar round about, and their cords, and all the instruments of their service, and all that is made for them: so shall they serve.
And those that were numbered of them by their families were two thousand seven hundred and fifty.
...and one being-mustered of sons of Gershon to families of them and to house of...
Even those that were numbered of them, were eight thousand and five hundred and fourscore.

According to the commandment of the LORD they were numbered by the hand of Moses, every one according to his service, and according to his burden: thus were they numbered of him, as the LORD commanded Moses.