

© Crown copyright 1978

Her Majesty's Stationery Office

Government Bookshops

49 High Holborn, London WC1V 6HB
13a Castle Street, Edinburgh EH2 3AR
41 The Hayes, Cardiff CF1 1JW
Brazennose Street, Manchester M60 8AS
Southey House, Wine Street, Bristol BS1 2BQ
258 Broad Street, Birmingham B1 2HE
80 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4JY

Government publications are also available
through booksellers

Extracts from this publication may be reproduced
provided the source is acknowledged. Proposals for
complete reproduction should be addressed to the
Librarian, Business Statistics Office, Newport,
Gwent NPT 1XG

ISBN 0 11 512298 2

85p

PA492

1974 & 75

HMSO

PA491
Rubber

Business Statistics Office

① S/42 (HA 251)
② 142 (R834)
Business Monitor

**Report on the
Censuses of Production**

**Linoleum, plastics floor-
covering, leathercloth, etc.**

BRITISH LIBRARY

19 JAN 1979
OF POLITICAL AND
ECONOMIC SCIENCE



A publication of the Government Statistical Service

Special Note for Purchasers

Commencing with the 1971 Census, the Census of Production reports are being numbered in a uniform series embracing all industrial inquiries in the Business Monitor series. These Business Monitors have a code P (for production) followed first by A (indicating that it is an annual series) or Q (quarterly) or M (monthly); and then by a number indicating the minimum list heading, or sub-division of a minimum list heading, of the Standard Industrial Classification (revised 1968).

The Census of Production (PA) reports are available on standing order (details on application to Her Majesty's Stationery Office, P.O. Box 569, London SE1 9NH. Telephone 01-928 6977), although they are not included in the global subscription arrangements for the Business Monitor series.

Government Statistical Service

A service of statistical information and advice is provided to the Government by specialist staffs employed in the statistics division of individual Departments. Statistics are made generally available through their publications and further information and advice on them can be obtained from the Departments concerned.

Enquiries:

Business Statistics Office
Newport, Gwent
NPT 1XG
Newport 56111 (STD code 0633) ext 2455
Telex 497121
Answer Back BSONPT G

PA492

Business Monitor

A publication of the Government Statistical Service

Report on the Censuses of Production 1974 & 75

Linoleum, plastics floor- covering, leathercloth, etc.

Presented by the Secretary of State for Industry
to Parliament in pursuance of the Statistics of Trade Act 1947
(10 & 11 Geo.6 Cha.39 sec 7)

**Department of Industry
Business Statistics Office**

London: Her Majesty's Stationery Office

List of Industry Reports, etc.

PA1001	Introductory notes	PA369.1	Electrical equipment for motor vehicles, cycles and aircraft
PA101	Coal mining	PA369.2	Primary and secondary batteries
PA102	Stone and slate quarrying and mining	PA369.4	Electric lamps, electric light fittings, wiring accessories, etc.
PA103	Chalk, clay, sand and gravel extraction	PA370	Shipbuilding and marine engineering
PA104	Petroleum and natural gas	PA380	Wheeled tractor manufacturing
PA109	Miscellaneous mining and quarrying	PA381.1	Motor vehicle manufacturing
PA211	Grain milling	PA381.2	Trailers, caravans and freight containers
PA212	Bread and flour confectionery	PA382	Motor cycle, tricycle and pedal cycle manufacturing
PA213	Biscuits	PA383	Aerospace equipment manufacturing and repairing
PA214	Bacon curing, meat and fish products	PA384	Locomotives, railway track equipment, railway carriages, wagons and trams
PA215	Milk and milk products	PA390	Engineers' small tools and gauges
PA216	Sugar	PA391	Hand tools and implements
PA217	Cocoa, chocolate and sugar confectionery	PA392	Cutlery, spoons, forks and plated tableware, etc.
PA218	Fruit and vegetable products	PA393	Bolts, nuts, screws, rivets, etc.
PA219	Animal and poultry foods	PA394	Wire and wire manufactures
PA221	Vegetable and animal oils and fats	PA395	Cans and metal boxes
PA229.1	Margarine	PA396	Jewellery and precious metals
PA229.2	Starch and miscellaneous foods	PA399.1	Metal furniture
PA231	Brewing and malting	PA399.5	Drop forgings, etc.
PA232	Soft drinks	PA399.6	Metal hollow-ware
PA239.1	Spirit distilling and compounding	PA399.8	Miscellaneous metal manufacture
PA239.2	British wines, cider and perry	PA411	Production of man-made fibres
PA240	Tobacco	PA412	Spinning and doubling on the cotton and flax systems
PA261	Coke ovens and manufactured fuel	PA413	Weaving of cotton, linen and man-made fibres
PA262	Mineral oil refining	PA414	Woollen and worsted
PA263	Lubricating oils and greases	PA415	Jute
PA271.1	Inorganic chemicals	PA416	Rope, twine and net
PA271.2	Organic chemicals	PA417.1	Hosiery and other knitted goods
PA271.3	Miscellaneous chemicals	PA417.2	Warp knitting
PA272	Pharmaceutical chemicals and preparations	PA418	Lace
PA273	Toilet preparations	PA419	Carpets
PA274	Paint	PA421	Narrow fabrics
PA275	Soap and detergents	PA422.1	Household textiles and handkerchiefs
PA276	Synthetic resins and plastics materials and synthetic rubber	PA422.2	Canvas goods and sacks and other made-up textiles
PA277	Dyestuffs and pigments	PA423	Textile finishing
PA278	Fertilizers	PA429.1	Asbestos
PA279.1	Polishes	PA429.2	Miscellaneous textile industries
PA279.2	Formulated adhesives, gelatine, etc.	PA431	Leather (tanning and dressing) and fellmongery
PA279.3	Explosives and fireworks	PA432	Leather goods
PA279.4	Formulated pesticides, etc.	PA433	Fur
PA279.5	Printing ink	PA441	Weatherproof outerwear
PA279.6	Surgical bandages, etc.	PA442	Men's and boys' tailored outerwear
PA279.7	Photographic chemical materials	PA443	Women's and girls' tailored outerwear
PA311	Iron and steel (general)	PA444	Overalls and men's shirts, underwear, etc.
PA312	Steel tubes	PA445	Dresses, lingerie, infants' wear, etc.
PA313	Iron castings, etc.	PA446	Hats, caps and millinery
PA321	Aluminium and aluminium alloys	PA449.1	Corsets and miscellaneous dress industries
PA322	Copper, brass and other copper alloys	PA449.2	Gloves
PA323	Miscellaneous base metals	PA450	Footwear
PA331	Agricultural machinery (except tractors)	PA461.1	Refractory goods
PA332	Metal-working machine tools	PA461.2	Building bricks and non-refractory goods
PA333	Pumps Valves Compressors and fluid power equipment	PA462	Pottery
PA334	Industrial engines	PA463	Glass
PA335	Textile machinery and accessories	PA464	Cement
PA336	Construction and earth-moving equipment	PA469.1	Abrasives
PA337	Mechanical handling equipment	PA469.2	Miscellaneous building materials and mineral products
PA338	Office machinery	PA471	Timber
PA339.1	Mining machinery	PA472	Furniture and upholstery
PA339.2	Printing, bookbinding and paper goods machinery	PA473	Bedding, etc.
PA339.3	Refrigerating machinery, space-heating, ventilating and air-conditioning equipment	PA474	Shop and office fittings
PA339.5	Scales and weighing machinery and portable power tools	PA475	Wooden containers and baskets
PA339.7	Food and drink processing machinery and packaging and bottling machinery	PA479	Miscellaneous wood and cork manufactures
PA339.9	Miscellaneous (non-electrical) machinery	PA481	Paper and board
PA341	Industrial (including process) plant and steelwork	PA482.1	Cardboard boxes, cartons and fibre-board packing cases
PA342	Ordnance and small arms	PA482.2	Packaging products of paper and associated materials
PA349.1	Ball, roller, plain and other bearings	PA483	Manufactured stationery
PA349.2	Precision chains and other mechanical engineering	PA484.1	Wallcoverings
PA351	Photographic and document copying equipment	PA484.2	Miscellaneous manufactures of paper and board
PA352	Watches and clocks	PA485	Printing, publishing of newspapers and periodicals
PA353	Surgical instruments and appliances	PA489	General printing and publishing
PA354	Scientific and industrial instruments and systems	PA491	Rubber
PA361	Electrical machinery	PA492	Linoleum, plastics floor-covering, leathercloth, etc.
PA362	Insulated wires and cables	PA493	Brushes and brooms
PA363	Telegraph and telephone apparatus and equipment	PA494.1	Toys, games and children's carriages
PA364	Radio and electronic components	PA494.3	Sports equipment
PA365.1	Gramophone records and tape recordings	PA495	Miscellaneous stationers' goods
PA365.2	Broadcast receiving and sound reproducing equipment	PA496	Plastics products
PA366	Electronic computers	PA499.1	Musical instruments
PA367	Radio, radar and electronic capital goods	PA499.2	Miscellaneous manufacturing industries
PA368	Electrical appliances primarily for domestic use	PA500	Construction
		PA601	Gas
		PA602	Electricity
		PA603	Water supply
		PA1002	Summary tables

PA492 LINOLEUM, PLASTICS FLOOR-COVERING, LEATHERCLOTH, ETC.

PA492 1

The information in this report relates to establishments classified to the Linoleum, plastics floor-covering, leathercloth, etc. industry, minimum list heading 492 in the Standard Industrial Classification (revised 1968). The activities of the industry include:-

Manufacturing linoleum, vinyl and other plastics floor-coverings, feltbase, leatherette, leathercloth coated with PVC, nitro-cellulose or other plastics, and unsupported decorative PVC sheet.

In interpreting the data in the tables it is essential to bear in mind the notes and definitions which commence on page (iii).

LIST OF CONTENTS

Table No	Title	Page
1	Output and costs, 1971-1975	PA492 2
2	Capital expenditure, 1971-1975	PA492 3
3	Stocks and work in progress, 1971-1975	PA492 3
4	Analysis of establishments by size, 1975	PA492 4-5
5	Regional distribution of employment, net capital expenditure and net output, 1975	PA492 6
6	Percentage analysis of twelve-month periods covered by returns received from United Kingdom establishments employing 20 or more persons, 1975	PA492 7
7	Percentage analysis of employees, by full and part-time employment and sex, 1975	PA492 7
8	Sales of principal products of the industry by establishments employing 25 or more persons, including sales by establishments classified to other industries, 1974-1975	PA492 8
9	Purchases by establishments employing 100 or more persons, classified to the industry, 1974 Analysis of returns received, United Kingdom	PA492 9
10	Payments to other organisations for certain services received by returns received in respect of establishments with 300 or more employees, 1974	PA492 10

TABLE 1

PA492 2

Output and costs, 1971-1975
All United Kingdom establishments classified to the industry (a)

	Unit	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
Enterprises	Number	41	43	44	43	45
Establishments	"	51	54	55	57	59
Sales of goods produced, work done and industrial services rendered (b)	£ thousand	108,246	129,995	142,270	166,271	194,183
Capital goods produced for establishments' own use (c)	"			416	427	425
Non-industrial services rendered (d)	"			769	745	724
Goods merchanted or factored	"	4,479		5,353	5,353	1,540
Total sales and work done (b)(d)	"	112,725	129,995	148,809	172,797	196,872
Increase during the year, work in progress and goods on hand for sale	"	1,159	1,200	1,543	5,989	-871
Gross output (b)(d)	"	113,883	131,195	150,352	178,786	196,001
Purchases of materials for use in production, and packaging and fuel (c)	"	60,165	64,951	73,735	101,334	108,283
Purchases of goods for merchenting or factoring (c)	"			3,682	4,290	1,255
Increase during the year, stocks of materials, stores and fuel	"	-236	197	3,604	3,721	-4,568
Cost of industrial services received (e)	"	392	625	2,700	2,691	2,714
Net output	"	53,091	65,815	73,838	74,191	79,181
Total employment (f)	Thousands	15.8	16.2	16.5	16.5	15.6
Net output per head	£	3,360	4,063	4,477	4,504	5,065
Payments for non-industrial services (g)						
Rents, hire of plant and machinery (h)	£ thousand			944	1,111	926
Commercial insurance premiums	"			805	907	1,332
Bank charges	"			49	82	76
Other non-industrial services	"			5,661	8,150	10,535
Licensing of motor vehicles (j)	"			60	54	69
Rates, excluding water rates (j)	"			757	1,038	1,473
Gross value added at factor cost	"			65,563	62,850	64,771
Gross value added at factor cost per head	£			3,975	3,816	4,143

- (a) For 1975, estimates for establishments employing less than 20 persons accounted for 1 per cent of the total employment of the industry. Estimates for unsatisfactory returns and non-response accounted for 7 per cent. For 1974, the comparable figures were 1 per cent and less than 1 per cent respectively.
- (b) The figures for 1971-1972 do not include receipts for repairs and maintenance.
- (c) Not recorded separately for 1971-1972.
- (d) The figures for 1971-1972 do not include revenue from rents for industrial buildings.
- (e) The figures for 1971-1972 exclude the amounts payable for repairs and maintenance.
- (f) Average number employed (full and part-time; see table 7) during the year (including working proprietors) by the establishment.
- (g) Not collected for 1971-1972 except for amounts payable to other organisations for transport of goods within the United Kingdom.
- (h) For 1973, the figures include hire of vehicles.
- (j) Not collected for 1971-1972.

TABLE 2

PA492 3

Capital expenditure, 1971-1975
All United Kingdom establishments classified to the industry (a) (b)

	£ thousand				
	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975
Land and buildings					
New building work	1,018	1,145	2,074	1,292	656
Land and existing buildings					
Acquisitions	86	15	49	59	312
Disposals	30	29	225	5	210
Vehicles					
Acquisitions					
Motor cars (c)	371	481	392	444	459
Other vehicles (c)			136	119	
Disposals					
Motor cars (c)	134	143	136	153	176
Other vehicles (c)			12	14	
Plant and machinery					
Acquisitions	4,321	4,603	6,439	6,427	5,628
Disposals	406	91	101	148	77
Total net capital expenditure (d)	5,227	5,981	8,615	8,020	6,592

- (a) Including estimates for establishments not making satisfactory returns, non-response, and establishments exempted by virtue of size.
- (b) Capital expenditure in respect of manufacturing establishments where production had not commenced before the end of the year, is included.
- (c) Not recorded separately for 1971, 1972 and 1975.
- (d) New building work plus acquisitions less disposals of land and existing buildings, vehicles and plant and machinery.

TABLE 3

Stocks and work in progress, 1971-1975
All United Kingdom establishments classified to the industry (a)

	£ thousand					
	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	
	Increase					
					Value at end of year	
Materials, stores and fuel	-236	197	3,604	3,721	-4,568	12,142
Work in progress	55	635	560	930	891	6,835
Goods on hand for sale	1,104	565	983	5,059	-1,762	16,794
Total	923	1,397	5,147	9,710	-5,438	35,771

- (a) Including estimates for establishments not making satisfactory returns, non-response, and establishments exempted by virtue of size.

TABLE 4

PA492 4

Analysis of establishments by size, 1975
All United Kingdom establishments classified to the industry (a)

Size group (b)	Estab-lish-ments	Enter-prises (c)	Employment			Wages and salaries (e)			
			Total (b)	Opera-tives	Others (d)	Operatives		Others (d)	
						Total	per head	Total	per head
Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	Number	£ thousand	£	£ thousand	£
1 - 10	20	19	96	631	283	1,297	2,055	848	2,998
11 - 19	4	4	57						
20 - 49	4	4	120						
50 - 99	9	8	659						
100 - 199	6	6	826	592	234	1,264	2,135	527	2,253
200 - 499	5	5	1,807	1,349	457	3,170	2,350	1,224	2,678
500 - 749	4	4	2,431	1,709	722	4,012	2,348	1,912	2,648
750 - 1,499	3	3	2,838	2,166	672	5,418	2,501	2,064	3,071
1,500 and over	4	4	6,799	4,384	2,415	11,841	2,701	8,152	3,376
Total	59	45	15,633	10,831	4,783	27,002(j)	2,493	14,727(j)	3,079

- (a) Including estimates for establishments not making satisfactory returns, non-response, and establishments employing less than 20 persons.
- (b) Average number employed (full and part-time; see table 7) during the year (including working proprietors) by the establishment.
- (c) Some enterprises control establishments in more than one size group: the sum of the figures for the size groups therefore exceeds the total for the industry.
- (d) Administrative, technical and clerical employees.
- (e) Another important component of labour costs, employers' national insurance contributions, graduated pensions, contributions to other pensions and welfare schemes and the running costs of canteens, is estimated for the industry at £4,793 thousand. For 1974, the comparable figure was £3,672 thousand.

PA492 5

Total sales and work done (f)	Gross output	Net output		Gross value added at factor cost		Net capital expenditure (g)	Total stocks and work in progress at end of year
		Total	per head	Total	per head		
£ thousand	£ thousand	£ thousand	£	£ thousand	£	£ thousand	£ thousand
14,475	14,459	4,788	5,137	(h)	(h)	151	2,448
11,501	11,500	4,650	5,630	7,890(h)	4,488(h)	71	2,963
22,059	21,957	7,971	4,411	5,881	3,255	915	4,253
27,179	27,285	11,766	4,840	8,584	3,531	1,427	4,559
33,394	33,236	11,980	4,221	10,472	3,690	657	4,728
88,264	87,565	38,026	5,593	31,944	4,698	3,370	16,820
196,872	196,001	79,181	5,065	64,771	4,143	6,592	35,771

- (f) Comprises sales of goods produced (including capital goods manufactured, buildings constructed by establishments for their own use), work done, industrial and non-industrial services rendered, goods merchanted or factored.
- (g) New building work plus acquisitions less disposals of land and existing buildings, vehicles and plant and machinery.
- (h) Gross value added data relates to establishments employing 1-199 persons.
- (j) The estimates of total wages and salaries for the industry in 1974 were:-

	£'000
Operatives	23,084
Others	11,948

TABLE 5

PA492 6

Regional distribution of employment, net capital expenditure and net output, 1975
All United Kingdom establishments classified to the industry

Area	Employment (a)		Net capital expenditure (b)(c)		Net output and employment in the region of establishments with more than 80 per cent of their employment in the region (d)	
	Thousands	per cent of United Kingdom	£ thousand	per cent of United Kingdom	Estimated net output £ thousand	Average number employed as a percentage of total average number employed in the industry in the region
Standard regions of England						
North	*	*	*	*	*	*
Yorkshire and Humberside	0.1	0.9	21	0.3	—	—
East Midlands	*	*	*	*	*	*
East Anglia	*	*	*	*	*	*
South East	1.3	8.1	313	4.8	*	*
South West	*	*	*	*	*	*
West Midlands	*	*	*	*	*	*
North West	7.2	46.0	2,933	44.5	36,634	99.3
England	11.9	76.3	6,096	92.5	48,333	76.6
Wales	*	*	*	*	*	*
Scotland	*	*	*	*	*	*
Great Britain	15.6	100.0	6,592	100.0	63,479	81.4
Northern Ireland	—	—	—	—	—	—
United Kingdom	15.6	100.0	6,592	100.0	79,181(e)	

(a) Average number employed (full and part-time; see table 7) during the year (including working proprietors).

(b) Including estimates for establishments not making satisfactory returns, non-response, and establishments employing less than 20 persons.

(c) New building work plus acquisitions less disposals of land and existing buildings, vehicles and plant and machinery.

(d) Where a census return covered addresses in two or more regions an estimate was made of the net output attributable to the region only where more than 80 per cent of the establishment's employees were located in the region. The estimate was made by assuming that net output at each address covered by a return was proportional to employment at the address. The establishment's residual net output was included in unallocated net output.

(e) Includes £15,702 thousand of unallocated net output of establishments covering addresses in two or more regions, plus estimates for unsatisfactory returns, non-response, and establishments employing less than 20 persons.

TABLE 6

PA492 7

Percentage analysis of twelve-month periods covered by returns received from United Kingdom establishments employing 20 or more persons, 1975

Accounting year ended	Percentage of total returns received		Percentage of total number employed	
	per cent		per cent	
1975	April (a)	3.2		0.3
	May	3.2		0.5
	June	6.5		1.5
	July	0.0		0.0
	August	6.4		1.2
	September	0.0		0.0
	October	9.7		10.2
	November	16.1		15.4
	December	41.9		67.9
1976	January	6.5		1.7
	February	0.0		0.0
	March (b)	6.5		1.3
		100.0		100.0

(a) From 6th April.

(b) Including returns made for twelve-month period ended 1st to 5th April 1976.

TABLE 7

Percentage analysis of employees, by full and part-time employment and sex, 1975(a)

Sex	Full-time		Part-time		All employees	
	per cent		per cent		per cent	
Male	81		1		82	
Female	16		2		18	
	97		3		100	

Source: Department of Employment

(a) The percentages relate to the numbers employed (excluding working proprietors) in the United Kingdom at June, 1975.

TABLE 8

PA492 8

Sales of principal products of the industry by establishments employing 25 or more persons, including sales by establishments classified to other industries, 1974-1975

Manufacturers' sales of the principal products of the Linoleum, plastics floor-covering, leathercloth etc. industry are published regularly in Business Monitor PQ492. Details of sales for 1974 will be found in the monitor for third quarter 1976 published January 1977 and for 1975 in the third quarter 1977 issue published December 1977.

Quarterly Business Monitors are available from HMSO by annual subscription.

TABLE 9

PA492 9

Purchases by establishments employing 100 or more persons, classified to the industry, 1974
Analysis of returns received, United Kingdom

	Quantity	Value
		£ thousand
Materials for use in production		
Dyestuffs, pigments and earth colours e.g. lithopone, zinc oxide, titanium dioxide, etc.	{ Th tonnes 8.3 ..	4,856 650
Inorganic and organic chemicals (including gases), chemical mixtures and compounds for specific end uses e.g. mineral or carbon blacks, plasticisers, antioxidants, blowing agents, etc.	..	16,153
Vegetable, seed and animal (including marine animal) oils and fats e.g. linseed oil and other drying oils, etc.	..	1,453
Fillers e.g. wood flour, clay, textile waste, asbestos fibre, etc.	{ 97.8 ..	1,605 299
Paper and board (excluding stationery and packaging materials) e.g. bituminised paper, felt base, etc.	{ 15.1 ..	5,023 1,304
Synthetic rubber	..	1,276
Synthetic resins and plastics materials excluding leathercloth and reinforced plastics		
Polyvinyl chloride (including copolymers)		
Polymers and copolymers, resins, latices, solutions and dispersions, plasticised moulding and extrusion compounds	88.1	22,613
Plasticised and unplasticised sheet, film, rod, tube, profile shapes and foam	{ Th tonnes 0.8 ..	468 1,286
Other synthetic resins and plastics materials e.g. phenolics and allied products, coumarone-indene resins, etc.	..	1,829
Woven fabrics (other than narrow fabrics) wholly or mainly of		
Cotton, linen or silk	..	6,808
Man-made fibres (including glass fibre but excluding polypropylene and mixtures containing wool)	..	1,927
Jute or polypropylene	..	1,136
Knitted fabrics	..	4,353
Other textile products e.g. asbestos felt	..	3,965
Stationery	..	293
Packaging materials (including materials for the manufacture of the firms' own packaging)		
Paper and board		
Cartons and boxes wholly or mainly of cardboard (excluding fibreboard packing cases, e.g. for transit)	..	1,415
Wrapping and packaging paper (excluding laminates) cut to size, ready for use	{ Th tonnes 0.9 ..	211 32
Other packaging products of paper and board e.g. fibreboard packing cases	..	536
Plastics sheet and film (other than transparent cellulose film)	..	306
All other packaging materials	..	478
Fuel and electricity		
Derv fuel and motor spirit	Th gal 512	234
Fuel oil	7,635	1,145
Gas	Th therms 15,893	580
Electricity	Th kWh 180,998	1,848
All other fuels	..	643
Replacement parts and consumable tools		
Tyres and other spare parts for the firms' own road vehicles	..	141
Replacement parts for the firms' own machinery, plant and equipment	..	2,004
Consumable tools (including gauges)	..	271
Other purchases	..	5,820
TOTAL VALUE OF PURCHASES (other than for merchanting or factoring)		92,961

TABLE 10

PA492 10

Payments to other organisations for certain services received, 1974
Returns received in respect of establishments with 300 or more employees

	£ thousand
Industrial services received	1,914
Repairs and maintenance to	
Buildings	134
Road goods vehicles	88
Plant and machinery	786
Work done on materials given out	660
Other	246
Non-industrial services received	8,304
Rent of buildings, hire of plant and machinery	797
Commercial insurance premiums	713
Bank charges	65
Postage, telephone, telegrams, cables and telex	431
Transport	
Road	1,502
Rail and other means (excluding postal services)	(a)
Other	4,796

(a) Included with road.

Produced in Wales by Her Majesty's Stationery Office
Reprographic Unit, Cardiff
Dd. 595377 K6 Cdf 142 8/78

Notes

These notes give the main information needed for interpreting the figures in the industry Business Monitors: more detailed information about the censuses is given in a separate Business Monitor—PA 1001 (Introductory Notes) of the Report on the Censuses of Production, 1974 and 1975.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Changes made for 1974 and 1975

The Censuses for 1974 and 1975 are in line with similar inquiries being conducted in other member countries of the European Economic Communities. From 1974, the Census has been extended to include the construction industry. For 1974, establishments with 300 or more employees were asked to provide additional information relating to industrial and non-industrial services. These include amounts paid:

to other organisations for repairs and maintenance to buildings (including those in respect of rented buildings), road goods vehicles, plant, machinery and other capital equipment
for postage, telephones, telegrams, cables and telex
to other organisations for transport by road, rail or other means (excluding postal services)

In a separate inquiry for 1974, larger firms in each industry were also asked to provide a breakdown of the figure of total purchases (other than purchases of goods for merchandising or factoring). See paragraph on "Purchases".

Suppression of information relating to individual undertakings.
The Statistics of Trade Act 1947 provides that—"No individual estimates or returns, and no information relating to an individual undertaking, obtained under the foregoing provisions of this Act, shall, without the previous consent in writing of the person carrying on the undertaking which is the subject of the estimates, returns or information, be disclosed except—

(a) in accordance with directions given by the Minister in charge of the government department in possession of the estimates, returns or information to a government department or to the Import Duties Advisory Committee for the purposes of the exercise by that department or committee of any of their functions; or

(b) for the purposes of any proceedings for an offence under this Act or any report of these proceedings."

If a figure involved disclosure the contributor concerned was sometimes asked to give permission for its publication. In the majority of cases this permission was given but when it was refused and in cases where the contributors were not approached the figure has been suppressed, sometimes by combining it in some way with other figures, but sometimes—as in the regional tables by omitting the figure altogether.

Symbols used

The following symbols are used throughout the PA series of Business Monitors:

- .. not available
- nil or less than half the final digit shown
- * figures cannot be shown owing to the risk of disclosing information about individual enterprises
- R revised

Rounding of figures

Figures in the tables have, where necessary, been rounded to the nearest final digit. Where figures have been so rounded, the sum of the constituent items may not always agree exactly with the total shown.

Industrial classification

The United Kingdom Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) was first issued in 1948 and was subsequently revised in 1958 and 1968. It exists to promote uniformity and comparability in the official statistics of the United Kingdom. The general principles followed are those of the International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities of the United Nations Statistical Office but the United Kingdom SIC reflects the organisation and structure of industry and trade as it exists in the United Kingdom. The SIC is a classification by activity and is not a commodity classification. However, an index of all commodity headings for which sales data are provided in the Quarterly Business Monitors, is published as PQ 1000 in the Business Monitor Series.

Statistical units

The statistical unit for the purpose of the Censuses is the establishment which is defined in the SIC as the smallest unit which can provide the information normally required for an economic census, for example, employment, expenses, turnover, capital formation. Usually the principal activities carried on in an establishment fall within a single heading of the classification (e.g. steel making or sugar refining). Typically the establishment embraces all the activities carried on at a single address e.g. a farm, a mine, or a factory, including those which are ancillary to the principal activities. Frequently distinct activities characteristic of different industries are carried on at one address, but normally these are not classified separately and the whole establishment is classified according to the main activity. If, however, the required range of data can be provided for each activity, each is taken to constitute a separate establishment. Sometimes activities which are conducted as a single business are carried on at a number of addresses. Where this is so, businesses are asked to provide the full range of separate information in respect of each address, whether or not the activities are different. Their activities may, however, be integrated to such an extent that they constitute a single establishment. In that case the establishment is defined to cover the combined activities at these addresses (termed local units). Separate figures are obtained, however, of employment and net capital expenditure at each unit.

Efforts are made by the Business Statistics Office to ensure, by negotiating with respondents, that the return from an establishment does not cover local units or addresses in more than one of the countries of the United Kingdom.

Further information about the statistical unit appeared in an article "The statistical unit in business inquiries" in Statistical News No. 13 May 1971.

Establishments are asked to exclude from their returns particulars relating to any department not engaged in production e.g. merchandising, transport, warehousing, for which they keep a separate set of accounts. Transfers of goods produced to such departments are treated as sales and respondents are asked to value them as far as possible as if sold to an independent purchaser. Where separate accounts are not kept they are asked to include details of all these activities in their return.

Particulars relating to head offices, which were mainly engaged in the administration of the production units within the scope of the censuses were included. Where more than one return was made the information in respect of the head office was apportioned among them.

For certain purposes in the annual censuses of production (especially the enterprise analyses of Business Monitor PA 1002) related establishments are combined. For these purposes an enterprise group is defined as a business consisting of either a single establishment, or of two or more establishments under common ownership or control. The bringing together of establishments into enterprise groups is also necessary for the purpose of ensuring that there will be no disclosure of the activities of any one enterprise group. Information about the relationship of establishments, the changing structure of groups of companies and about common ownership links is obtained from many sources, including the Stock Exchange Year Book, company reports, press reports and information supplied by individual establishments.

THE REGISTER

The register permits a questionnaire to be sent direct to the reporting establishment on which the latter can include information relating to all the manufacturing (or local) units which it comprises.

The inquiries provide a major source of information for keeping the register continuously up-to-date and act as a check on its detail and structure. For the establishments on the register which make returns to the quarterly inquiries, the industrial classification is derived from an analysis of their sales of commodities and is reviewed annually. Employment data is entered on the register from returns to the annual censuses of production. In cases where an establishment does not make a return to these inquiries the employment data is based on information provided by the Department of Employment from the annual censuses of employment.

Establishments with 20 or more employees are included in the censuses each year and the information they supply to the census is supplemented by the returns that those of them

with 25 or more employees provide to the quarterly inquiries. Information about establishments with less than 20 employees in most industries is less securely based, but increasing use has been made of data on these small establishments supplied by the Department of Employment. One benefit of using this information is an improvement in the estimates of the number of smaller establishments and enterprises, but there is little effect on other aggregates (e.g. employment, output, net capital expenditure).

Coverage

A return was required in the 1974 and 1975 Censuses from each establishment with 20 or more employees. Each establishment is classified to an industry, as defined in the SIC, whose principal products form the major part of the establishment's sales.

Regions

The regions defined in Table 5 take account of the boundary changes arising out of the Local Government Act 1972 and the Local Government Act (Scotland) 1973. These changes came into effect in April 1974 in England and Wales and May 1975 in Scotland.

TERMS USED IN THE CENSUS REPORT

Average number employed

Establishments were required to state the number of persons on the payroll on average during the year of return, whether full-time or part-time employees. Separate figures were required for:

- (a) administrative, technical and clerical employees
- (b) all other employees (operatives)

Averages could be calculated from the figures relating to the last week of each calendar month. Establishments were also required to state the number of working proprietors where appropriate and these are included in total employment figures. Outworkers (i.e. persons employed by establishments who worked in their own homes etc. on materials supplied by the establishment) are excluded. The figures include persons engaged on merchanting or factoring and canteen workers where particulars in respect of these activities could not be excluded from the return.

Working proprietors

These include all persons regarded as "self-employed" for national insurance purposes and members of their families who worked in the business without receiving a wage or salary; but such persons who worked less than half the normal number of working hours are excluded. Directors working in the business but not in receipt of a definite wage, salary or commission are included under this heading: directors paid by fee only are not included.

Employees

Administrative, technical and clerical employees include directors in receipt of a definite wage, salary or commission, managers, superintendents and works foremen; research, design employees (other than operatives); draughtsmen, editorial staff, advertising staff, travellers and all office employees.

Operatives include all other classes of employees, that is, broadly speaking, all manual wage earners. They include operatives employed in power stations, transport (including roundsmen), warehouses, stores, shops and canteens, inspectors, maintenance workers and cleaners. Operatives engaged in outside work of erecting, fitting etc. are also included, but outworkers are excluded.

Capital expenditure

Capital expenditure during the year in respect of manufacturing units where production had not started before the end of the year is included in the figures for 1971 to 1975. Establishments were asked not to deduct from the value of capital expenditure amounts received or expected to be received in grants or allowances from the Government or any statutory body or local authority. From 1973, establishments with 100 or more employees were asked to include a total net capital expenditure figure for each calendar year.

(a) New building work

This represents the cost incurred during the year of new building and other constructional work to be used in connection with the business covered by the return. The value is that charged to capital account during the year of return; it includes expenditure on new buildings and on the extension or reconstruction of old buildings, the value of works of a capital nature carried out by the establishment's own staff and the cost of any newly constructed buildings purchased. Figures shown include any legal charges, stamp duties, agents' commissions, etc.

(b) Land and existing buildings

The items shown are the capital cost of freeholds purchased and the capital cost or premium payable for leaseholds acquired (excluding the value of any assets acquired in taking over an existing business), and the amounts receivable for any freeholds or leaseholds disposed of. The value is that charged to capital account during the year of return.

(c) Plant, machinery and vehicles

The items shown are the value of plant and machinery and of vehicles acquired, both new and second-hand, and the amount received for items disposed of during the year. The value of plant and machinery acquired includes plant, etc., which firms produced for their own use in connection with the business covered by the return. The value of plant, etc., acquired is the expenditure charged to capital account during the year of return less any discounts received, but including the cost of transport and installation. Deductible value added tax is excluded but non-deductible value added tax on motor cars acquired is included. No deduction is made for depreciation, amortization or obsolescence. The proceeds of items disposed of during the year exclude amounts written-off for items scrapped.

Cost of industrial services

Includes amounts payable to other firms for work done on materials supplied by the establishment, payments for repairs and maintenance (including those in respect of rented buildings) and amounts paid to other firms for contracts which have been sublet. Payments to outworkers are excluded.

Cost of non-industrial services

Includes rent of industrial buildings and capital equipment, commercial insurance premiums, bank charges and amounts paid for professional services, postal etc. services, transport, advertising etc. Amounts payable on royalties for the right to use patents, trademarks, copyrights etc., manufacturing and quarrying rights and technical "know-how" are also included.

Gross output

In the calculation of gross output the value of total sales and work done is increased by the rise (or reduced by the fall) during the year in the value of work in progress and goods on hand for sale.

Net output

Net output, a customary census measure, is calculated by deducting from gross output the cost of purchases (reduced by the rise, or increased by the fall, during the year of stocks of materials etc.) and the cost of industrial services received, and where applicable, duties etc.

Net output per head

The figures of net output per head are derived by dividing the net output by the average number of persons employed (full and part-time) on all activities covered by the returns, including operatives, administrative, technical and clerical employees and working proprietors, but excluding outworkers.

Gross value added at factor cost

Gross value added at factor cost is calculated by deducting from net output the cost of non-industrial services (e.g. rent of buildings and capital equipment, commercial insurance premiums, bank charges and amounts paid for professional services, post office services, transport and advertising), rates (excluding water rates) and the cost of licensing motor vehicles. This estimate of gross value added approaches more closely than census net output to the definition of net output or value added in national accounts statistics.

Gross value added at factor cost per head

The figures of gross value added at factor cost per head are derived by dividing the gross value added by the average number of persons employed (full and part-time) on all activities covered by the returns, including operatives, administrative, technical and clerical employees and working proprietors, but excluding outworkers.

Purchases

Purchases include the cost of raw materials, components, semi-manufactured goods and workshop materials; of replacement parts and consumable tools not charged to capital account; of packaging materials of all types; of stationery and printed matter; of fuel, electricity and water; of materials to be used by the establishment or given out to other establishments for the production of machinery or other capital items for the establishment's own use; of materials for use by the establishment when working on goods supplied by customers; and of food, etc. for any canteen covered by the establishment's return. Transfers of goods to the establishment from another department of the same firm not covered by the establishment's return are included at a cost corresponding to the estimated selling value recorded by the other department. Amounts payable to transport firms or credited to the firm's own transport department for delivery of materials are excluded, as are all purchases of machinery and plant charged to capital account. Purchases of goods for merchanting or factoring have been collected separately since 1973. The values shown exclude VAT. They include, in addition to the actual purchase price, the value of packaging material charged to the establishment. The value of returned goods or packaging material returned to suppliers and any trade discounts are excluded. Materials purchased duty-paid are included at their duty-paid value, less any drawback, rebate, etc. The cost of transport is included only if it is included with the purchase price in the firm's accounts. Imported goods are included at their full delivered cost. If in the firm's accounts the transport from docks or airport is not included in the cost of goods purchased, the cost is entered at c.i.f. plus duty (if applicable). Leasing, renting and hire purchase charges are excluded.

The information shown in Table 9 was obtained in an inquiry carried out as a supplement to the Census of Production for 1974, in which the larger firms in each industry were asked to provide a breakdown of the figure of total purchases (other than purchases of goods for merchanting or factoring) that they contributed to the Census. No establishment with fewer than 25 employees was asked to contribute to the inquiry; and this exemption limit was raised to exclude establishments with fewer than 50 or 100 employees, in those industries in which exempted establishments were estimated to account for less than 15 per cent of the industry's total purchases. A breakdown of purchases similar to that sought in the 1974 inquiry was previously obtained as part of the Censuses of Production for 1963 and 1968, and results were published in Table 10 of the Industry Reports of those Censuses.

Sales of goods produced, work done and industrial services rendered

Sales for the purposes of the annual censuses means deliveries on sale of goods made by establishments in the United Kingdom covered by the inquiry. Sales of goods made for these establishments by outworkers or by other establishments from materials given out to them are included; as also are sales of waste products. Any new building work and machinery or other capital items produced by establishments for hiring out or leasing are regarded as sales, the value included in the return being that adopted in the establishment's capital asset accounts. Forward sales and canteen takings are excluded. All sales in the period of the inquiry are included irrespective of when the goods were manufactured. Goods produced in one establishment and transferred either to ancillary departments not engaged in production and for which there are separate accounts, or to another establishment of the same firm not covered by the return, are treated as sales by the producing establishment and valued as far as possible as if they had been sold to an independent purchaser. Goods transferred to wholesale or retail selling organisations, for which separate accounts are kept are valued on the same basis.

The value shown for sales is the "net selling value" defined as the amount (excluding value added tax) charged to customers whether on an ex-works or delivered basis, after

any trade discounts and agents' commissions have been deducted. The cost of packing materials less allowance for returnable cases is included. In industries where products attract Excise Duty the value stated is usually inclusive of duty if sold duty-paid and exclusive of duty if sold in bond or exported.

Figures for work done represent the amount charged for work carried out on materials supplied by a customer and include repair work. Within certain industries this heading covers a wide variety of activities. For example, within the food sector—butter packed on commission; within the textile industries—making up of garments, fur dressing and textile finishing; within printing and publishing—preparatory work on type-setting, block making and binding. Work done is also significant in the electrical machinery and heavy engineering industries, covering erection, installation and repair and jobbing work. Other activities within this heading include exploration work, research and development, glass cutting and dressing and planing of timber. Industrial services rendered includes repairs and maintenance, installation work, and technical research and studies rendered to other organisations.

Capital goods produced for establishments' own use

This includes all work carried out during the year by the establishments' own staff for their own use, which was of a capital nature.

Non-industrial services rendered

Includes rents received for commercial and industrial buildings, amounts charged for hiring out plant, machinery and other goods and amounts charged to other organisations for the provision of transport. Also includes amounts received for the right to use patents, trademarks, copyrights etc., manufacturing and quarrying rights and technical "know-how"; revenue from such staff facilities as canteens is also included.

Goods merchanted or factored

Merchant goods are those (excluding canteen sales) sold without having been subjected to any manufacturing process by the seller.

Stocks and work in progress

Values are given of stocks of goods on hand for sale and of materials, stores and fuel, at the end of the year of return and of the change during the year, including any stocks of goods held for merchanting or factoring. Work in progress is defined as materials which have been partially processed by the establishment but which are not usually sold or transferred to another establishment without further processing. The values include the cost of materials consumed and labour used, together with a margin of overhead costs and profits. Progress payments made to sub-contractors are excluded and progress payments received from other organisations are not deducted.

Wages and salaries

These are amounts paid during the year to operatives and to administrative, technical and clerical employees. Payments to working proprietors, whether called salaries or not, are excluded. The values shown include all overtime payments, bonuses and commissions, whether paid regularly or not, and no deduction is made for income tax, insurances, contributory pensions etc. The value of redundancy payments less any amounts reimbursed from Government sources is included. The value of any payments in kind, travelling expenses etc. is excluded.

Remuneration paid to outworkers

The remuneration paid to outworkers (i.e. persons employed by the establishment who do their work in their own homes) is generally on a piece-work basis. Only amounts paid to outworkers whose names appear on the establishment's payroll are included. Amounts paid to outworkers by sub-contractors are excluded.

Employers' insurance and welfare contributions

This item includes employers' contributions to national insurance and graduated pensions (and/or earnings related basic contributions under the Social Security Act, 1973) as well as commercial insurance premiums to provide pensions, superannuation or other retirement benefits, sickness benefits, personal accident benefits, disability or death benefits for employees or former employees or their dependants. Contributions to the running costs of canteens, social centres, children's holiday homes, etc. for employees, former employees and their dependants are also included.

© Crown copyright 1978

Her Majesty's Stationery Office

Government Bookshops

49 High Holborn, London WC1V 6HB

13a Castle Street, Edinburgh EH2 3AR

41 The Hayes, Cardiff CF1 1JW

Brazenose Street, Manchester M60 8AS

Southey House, Wine Street, Bristol BS1 2BQ

258 Broad Street, Birmingham B1 2HE

80 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4JY

Government publications are also available
through booksellers

Extracts from this publication may be reproduced
provided the source is acknowledged. Proposals for
complete reproduction should be addressed to the
Librarian, Business Statistics Office, Newport,
Gwent NPT 1XG

ISBN 0 11 512244 3

85p

PA493

5/42 (H.A.25)

42

R836

1974 & 75

BRITISH LIBRARY

- 9 MAY 1978
OF POLITICAL AND
ECONOMIC SCIENCE

PA492 Linoleum, plastics floor-covering, leathercloth, etc.

HMSO

Business Statistics Office

Business Monitor

Report on the Censuses of Production

Brushes and brooms



A publication of the Government Statistical Service