145 Linoleum, plastics floor covering, leathercloth, etc.

This Report on the Linoleum, Plastics Floor-covering, Leathercloth, etc Industry relates to establishments engaged wholly or mainly in manufacturing linoleum, vinyl and other, plastics floor-coverings, feltbase, oilcloth, leatherette, leathercloth coated with PVC, nitro-cellulose or other plastics, and unsupported decorative PVC sheet.
This industry corresponds to minimum list heading 492 in the Standard Industrial Classification (Revised 1968) which has been used for the first time as a basis of lassification in the 1968 census. The definition of this industry however is unchanged from the last detailed Census of Production for 1963 in which it was reported (Part 120).
There were no establishments in this industry in Northern Ireland in 1963 and 1968.

In interpreting the data in the tables it is essential to bear in mind the notes
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(d) Administrative, technical and clerical employees
(e) Excluding expenditure for establishments not yet in production.
(f) Acquisitions less disposals.

BLE 1 Industry summary, 1963 and 1968
United Kingdom (a) (b)

|  | Unit | All establishments |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1963 | 1968 |
| Number of enterprises | No. | 38 | 41 |
| Number of establishments | " | 53 | 56 |
| Gross output | £'000 | 76,548 | 85,854 |
| Net output | " | 32,952 | 38,409 |
| Net output per head | £ | 1,644 | 2,224 |
| Sales and work done $\quad\{$ goods produced and work done (c) | £'000 | 74,825 | 83,384 |
| Sales and work done merchanted goods and canteen takings | " | 2,603 | 1,286 |
| Purchases $\quad\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { materials for use in production and } \\ \text { packaging and fuel } \\ \text { pats }\end{array}\right.$ | " | 40,532 | 44,732 |
| $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { goods for merchanting and canteen } \\ \text { purchases } \end{array}\right.$ | " | 1,464 | 1,213 |
| $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { for work done on materials given out } \\ \text { for transport }\end{array}\right.$ | " | 429 | 152 |
| Payments to other organisations $\quad\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { by road }\end{array}\right.$ | " |  | 1,637 |
| by rail and other means excluding postal services | " | 1,499 | 159 |
| Stocks and work in progress |  |  |  |
| Total stocks and work in $\quad\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { change during year }\end{array}\right.$ | " | - 553 | + 1,633 |
| progress $\quad$ at end of year | " | 17,719 | 16,787 |
| Goods on hand for sale $\quad\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { change dur ing year }\end{array}\right.$ | " | - 889 | + 1,017 |
| Goods on hand for sale $\{$ at end of year | " | 9,938 | 8,104 |
| Work in progress $\quad\{$ change during year | " | + 8 | + 166 |
| Nork in progress $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { at end of year }\end{array}\right.$ | ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 2,795 | 2,869 |
| Materials, stores and fuel $\quad$ change during year | " | 328 | + 449 |
| Wat at end of year | " | 4,986 | 5,814 |
| Number employed on average $\quad$ total, including working proprietors | Th. | 20.0 | 17.3 |
| Number employed on average during the year | " | 13.7 | 11.5 |
| other employees (d) | " | 6.3 | 5.8 |
| ges and salaries $\quad\{$ of operatives | £’000 | 9,971 | 11,021 |
| es and salaries $\quad\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { of other employees (d) }\end{array}\right.$ | " | 5,075 | 7,122 |
| Capital expenditure (e) |  |  |  |
| Total | " | 3,546 | 3,659 |
| New building work |  | 687 | 658 |
| Land and existing buildings (f) | " | 18 | 23 |
| Plant and machinery ( $f$ ) | " | 2,731 | 2,770 |
| Vehicles (f) | " | 110 | 207 |

(a) For 1968 , estimates for establishments not making satisfactory returns and for small establishments, from which only employment data were collected, accounted for 2 per cent. of the total figures in whi
they were incorporated: of this, unsatisfactory returns accounted for 1 per cent. For 1963 the they were incorporated: of this, unsatisfactory returns ac
comparable figures were less than 1 per cent. respectively.
(b) The following information relates to small establishments (employing fewer than 25 persons) in this indust ry. For 1968 it includes an estimate for sman en establishments not making sat isfactory returns
There were no unsatisfactory returns recorded for 1963 .

|  | 1963 | 1968 |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Number of establishments | 13 | 23 |
| Average number employed |  |  |
| Horking proprietors | 6 | 15 |
| Other persons employed | 97 | 239 |
|  |  |  |

TABLE 2 Analysis by size of establishment within the industry, 1968
(i) Output and employment

All establishments: United Kingdom

| Number employed on average during the year by the establ i shment (a) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Estab- } \\ & 1 \text { ish- } \\ & \text { ments } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Enter- } \\ & \text { prises } \\ & \text { (b) } \end{aligned}$ | Total number employed on average during the year (a) | Gross | Net | Net output per head |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Number | Number | £'000 | $£^{\prime} 000$ | £ |
| 1-5 | 6 | 6 | 22 | . | . | . |
| 6-10 | 3 | 3 | 27 | . | . | .. |
| 11-24 | 9 | 8 | 150 |  | . | . |
| 25-49 | 5 | 5 | 219 | 1,503 | 545 | 2, 491 |
| 50-99 | 5 | 4 | 327 | 1,784 | 712 | 2, 178 |
| 100-399 | 8 | 7 | 1,695 | 10,820 | 4, 492 | 2,650 |
| 400-749 | 8 | 7 | 4,877 | 26,308 | 12,086 | 2,478 |
| 1,000 and over | 5 | 4 | 9,830 | 43,733 | 19,857 | 2,020 |
| Unsatisfactory returns | 7 | 7 | 124 | . | . | . . |
| Total | 56 | 41 | 17, 271 | 85,854( c ) | 38,409(c) | 2, 224(c) |

(ii) Employees, wages and sal aries

All establishments: United Kingdom

| Number employed on average during the year by theestablishment (a) | Employees |  | Wages and sal aries |  | Wages and salaries per head |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Operatives | Others <br> (d) | Operatives | 0 thers (d) | Operatives | Others <br> (d) |
|  | Number | Number | £'000 | $£^{\prime} 000$ | £ | £ |
| 1-5 | . | . | .. | . | .. |  |
| 6-10 | . | .. | . | .. | . | .. |
| 11-24 | . | .. | .. | . | .. | . |
| 25-49 | 158 | 60 | 160 | 74 | 1,010 | 1,241 |
| 50-99 | 213 | 114 | 203 | 153 | 955 | 1,342 |
| 100-399 | 1,258 | 434 | 1,204 | 488 | 957 | 1,125 |
| 400-749 | 3,429 | 1,449 | 3,452 | 1,622 | 1,007 | 1,120 |
| 1,000 and over | 6,231 | 3,599 | 5,806 | 4,657 | 932 | 1,294 |
| Unsatisfactory retums |  |  |  | .. | . | . |
| Total | 11, 494(c) | 5,758(c) | 11,021(c) | 7,122(c) | 959(c) | 1,237(c) |

(a) Including working proprietors.
(b) The sum of the figures for the size groups exceeds the total for the industry to the extent that enterprises made returns for establishments in more than one size group.
(c) Including estimates for establishments employing fewer than 25 persons and for (d) Administrents not making satisfactory returns.

TABLE 3 Percentage analysis of employees, by age and sex, 1969 (a)

| All establ ishments: United Kingdom |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ages | Males | Females | All employees |
| Under 18 | Per cent. | Per cent. | Per cent. |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | 76 | 21 | 97 |
|  | 77 | 23 | 100 |

(a) The percentages relate to the numbers employed (excluding working proprietors) at June 1969, the earliest date for which the information is available on the basis of the Standard Industrial Classification, (Revised 1968).

Footnotes to Table 4
(a) In 1963 there were 4 establishments employing fewer than 25 persons included in returns for larger establishments;
(b) The method of classifying returns to sub-divisions of the industry is explained in the notes; the character istic products of each sub-division are identified in Table
(c) Including services rendered to other organisations (amounts charged for hiring out plant, machinery or ot her services rendered). (d) Direct sales of goods (excluding canteen takings) made to, ments are included. These amounted to $£ 44,000$ in 1968. imilar information is not available for 1963.
(e) Characteristic
(f) For sub-divisions of the industry, this is the ratio of sales of characteristic products hored roduced and work done. For the industry as a whole this is the ratio of total sales of principal products by
the industry to total sales of goods produced and work done.
(g) Administrative, technical and clerical employees.
(h) Excluding expenditure for establishments not yet in
production.
(i) Acquisitions less disposals.

TABLE 4 Analysis of larger establishments, 1963 and 1968
Establishments employing 25 or more persons: Analysis of returns received, United Kingdom (a)


TABLE 5 Sales of principal products of the industry by larger establishments, including sales by establishments classified to other industries, 1963 and 1968

Establishments employing 25 or more persons:


For notes to this table - see page $145 / 5$

TABLE 5 (continued)

|  |  | 1963 |  | 1968 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Enter- } \\ \text { prises } \end{array}$ | Entries |
| 02 | Plasticised unsupported sheet and film of polyvinyl chloride and copolymers, printed or embossed, ie decorative | Th.sq.yds. | £'000 | Th.sq.yds. | £ 000 | Number | Number |
| 02 | 0.01 inch thickness or less | 49,484 | 3,535 3,793 |  | 5,114 | 5 | 5 |
|  | Above 0.01 inch thickness | $35,881$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5,719 \\ & 1,370 \end{aligned}$ |  | 5,635 | 7 | 7 |
|  | Leathercloth, oil baize, etc (including all supported sheet of thermoplastic materials and fabric coated with thermoplastic materials, but excluding flooring and tiling and conveyor and transmission belting) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Polyvinyl chloride |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Produced by spreading process | \} 58,026 | 15,353 | . | 17,877 | 16 | 17 |
|  | Produced by laminating process | ( ${ }^{58,02}$ |  | .. | 4,274 | 9 | 10 |
|  | Nitro-cellulose |  |  | 6,274 | 1,233 | * | * |
|  | Other materials (including oil baize and oilcloth) | \} 16,347 | 3,554(c) | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} 550 \\ \cdots \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 150 \\ & 313 \end{aligned}$ | $\} 6$ | 6 |
|  | Other products (d) | .. | 395 | .. | 458 | 7 | 9 |
|  | Waste products |  | 111 |  | 143 | 9 | 9 |
|  | Work done |  | 66 |  | 262 | * | * |
|  | Total |  | 69,250 |  | 71,592 | .. | .. |
|  | Sales in other industries (see Table 6) |  | 1,730 |  | 5,648 | .. | .. |
|  | Principal products of this industry sold by establishments in the industry |  | $67,520$ |  | 65,943 | 21 | 25(e) |

(a) The number given is that of the sub-division of which the item is a characteristic product. The
sales shown are total sales by larger establishments, not merely sales by establishments classified
to the sub-division. sales shown are total
to the sub-division.
(b) For 1963 described as

| Linoleum, whether on canvas or felt base backing |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Inlaid | Th.sq.yds. | £'000 |
| Rolls | 24,391 | 9,338 |
| Tiles | 9,421 | 3,015 |
| Other, not inlaid, whether in rolls or tiles | 78,949 | 8,259 |
| (including printed paper felt base) |  |  |
| Thermoplastic flooring and tiling (including |  |  |
| flexible vinyl floorings, tiles based on semi- |  |  |
| rigid vinyl compounds, tiles based on coumarone- |  |  |
| indene resins, etc) |  |  |
| Rolls |  |  |
| Tiles | 23,549 | 5,279 |
|  |  | 9,463 |

(c) For 1963 including clear coated fabric.
(d) Including bituminised paper felt underlay.
(e) This figure represents the total number of returns made for larger establishments in this industry which is less than the total number of establishments shown in Table 4 on account of
combined returns covering more than one establishment.

TABLE 6 Sales of principal products of the industry by larger establishments classified to other industries, 1963 and 1968
Establ ishments employing 25 or more persons
Analysis of returns received, United Kingdo

|  | 1963 |  | 1968 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quantity | Value | Quant ity | Value | Entries | Principal industries in which produced (a) |
| Floor-coverings(other than of rubber) | . | $\begin{array}{r} £^{\prime} 000 \\ 599 \end{array}$ | . | $\begin{array}{r} £ ’ 000 \\ 115 \end{array}$ | Number | 34,144 |
| Plasticised unsupported sheet and film of polyvinyl chloride and copolymers, printed or embossed, ie decorative |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Above 0.01 inch thickness 0.01 inch thickness or less | $\cdots$ | $\begin{aligned} & 222 \\ & 142 \end{aligned}$ |  | 1,486 | * | 34 |
| Leathercloth, oil baize, etc (including all supported sheet of thermoplastic materials and fabric coated with thermoplast ic materials) |  |  | \} | $2,526$ | 7 | 34,144 |
| Polyvinyl chloride <br> Produced by spreading process <br> Produced by laminating process | $\} \cdots$ | $635\{$ | - | 1,140 | * | 34,113,144 |
| product | . | 132 | . | 381 | * | 30, 34, 43 |
| Total |  | 1,730 |  | 5,648 | .. |  |

(a) The references given are to the list of industries at the front of this report.

TABLE 7 Sales of other than principal products by larger establishments in the industry, 1963 and 1968
Establishment semploying 25 or more persons:
Analysis of returns received, United Kingdom

(a) Amounts charged for hiring out plant, machinery or other goods, for providing transport

TABLE 8 Production of certain principal products of the industry by larger establishments, 1963 and 1968

This table is not applicable to this industry

TABLE 9 Purchases by larger establishments of selected principal products of the industry, 1968

This table is not applicable to this industry.

TABLE 10 Purchases by larger establishments in the industry, 1963 and 1968 Est abl ishments employing 25 or more persons:
Analysis of returns received, United Kingdom

|  | 1963 |  | 1968 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quantity | Cost | Quantity | Cost |
|  |  | £’000 |  | $£^{\prime} 000$ |
| aterials for use in production |  |  |  |  |
| Bitumen, bituminous emul sions and compounds | .. | 551 | .. | 419 |
| Dyestuffs and pigment and earth colours (including lithopone, zinc oxide and titanium dioxide) |  |  | .. | 3, 151 |
| General chenicals (a) |  |  |  |  |
| Inorganic (including inorganic gases) |  |  |  |  |
| Blacks, mineral or carbon |  |  | . | 102 |
| 0 ther |  |  | .. | 179 |
| Organic (including organic gases) | .. | 7,899 | .. | 854 |
| Other (eg mixtures of inorganic and organic chemicals) |  |  |  |  |
| Plasticisers (excluding vegetable oils used as plasticisers) |  |  | .. | 5,966 |
| Antioxidants |  |  | . | 51 |
| Blowing agents |  |  | . | 147 |
| 0 ther |  |  | . | 1,524 |
| Vegetable and seed oils (including linseed oil and other drying oils) |  | 2,345 | .. | 1,567 |
| Fillers (mood flour, clay, textile waste, asbestos fibre, etc) |  | 1,761 |  | 2,102 |
| Bituminised paper felt base |  | 492 |  | 494 |
| Paper and board other than for packaging |  | (b) |  | 1,641 |
| Rubber, natural, synthetic and reclaimed (including latex and rubber compound) | . | 493 | . | 455 |
| Synthetic resins and plastics materials (excluding leathercloth and reinforced plastics) (c) | Th. cwt. |  | Th. cwt. |  |
| Polyvinyl chloride polymers and copolymers including the net resin content of latices, solutions and dispersions, plasticised moulding and extrusion compounds |  |  | 1,375 | 7,495 |
| Polyvinyl acetate |  |  | 4.2 | 28 |
| Phenolics and allied products: resins (the net resin content), solutions, emulsions, dispersions, moulding and extrusion compounds | $\left\{\begin{array}{c}1,097 \\ . .\end{array}\right.$ | $\left.\begin{array}{l}6,067 \\ 1,477\end{array}\right\}$ | 45.4 | 255 |
| Coumarone-indene resins (including the net resin content of solutions, emulsions and dispersions) <br> Foam for backing floor coverings |  |  | ] $\quad .$. | 388 |
| Other polymers and copolymers, moulding and extrusion compounds, etc |  |  | 33.9 | 431 |

Materials for use in production (continued)

| Moven piece goods (other than narrow fabrics) wholly |
| :--- |
| or mainly of |

Cotton (including cloth in the grey)
Jute (including hessian)
Synthetic fibres (nylon, etc)
Other man-made fibres (rayon, etc)

Lubricating oils and greases
Repl acement parts for firms' own machinery, plant and
vehicl es, and accessories and consumable tools bought vehicl es, and
as replacement

Tyres and other spare parts for firms' own road goods
vehicles Other

All other materials for use in production
Packaging materials
Paper and board
Boxes, cartons, drums and canisters (with or without metal ends) of paper and cardboard and fibreboard packing cases
Wrapping and packing paper (including paper coated with plastics and any laminates incorporating paper but notal) (d)
Plastics film up to 0.01 inches thick (other than
transparent regenerated cellulose film)
All other packaging materials
Fuel and electricity (e)
Coal
Coke (including screenings) and manufactured fuel

Derv fuel and motor spirit for use in road vehicles
Other 1 iquid fuels (including creosote/pitch mixtures,
etc and liquefied petroleum gases) etc and liquefied petroleum gases)

| 1963 |  | 1968 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quantity | Cost | Quantity | Cost |
| Th.sq.yds. | £'000 | Th.sq.yds. | £'000 |
| 67, 234 | 5,445 | .. | 5,248 |
| 31,759 | 1,737 519 | $\} 22,489$ | 1,592 |
| 1,350 | 182 | .. | 336 |
| 4,308 | 589 |  | 527 |
| Th. gal. 103 | 31 6 | Thi.gal 107 | $\begin{aligned} & 31 \\ & 14 \end{aligned}$ |
| $\}$ | 1,030 | .. | 54 739 |
|  | 6,386 | .. | 4,058 |
|  | 500 | . | 686 |
|  | 329 |  | 164 |
|  | (b) | . | 249 |
|  | 283 | .. | 332 |
| Th. tons |  | Th.tons |  |
| 210 | 1,018 | 129 | 642 |
| 6.4 | 30 | 7.7 | 39 |
| Th. gal. |  | Th. gal. |  |
| 368 | 72 | 422 | $\begin{aligned} & 92 \\ & 27 \end{aligned}$ |
| 9,030 | 336 | 7,497 | 338 |
| Th.therms |  | Th. therms |  |
| 550 |  | 1,051 | $\begin{aligned} & 93 \\ & 17 \end{aligned}$ |

TABLE 10 (continued)

|  | 1963 |  | 1968 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quantity | Cost | Quantity | Cost |
|  | Th.kWh | £'000 | Th.kWh | £'000 |
| Fuel and electricity (e) (continued) |  |  |  |  |
| Electricity | 120,964 | 685 | 123,132 | 839 |
|  | .. | 86 |  | 345 |
| All other fuels | .. | (b) |  | 185 |
| Total cost of materials and fuel |  | 40,388 |  | 43,896 |
| Coods purchased for merchanting |  | 1,276 |  | 996 |
| Canteen purchases |  | 183 |  | 195 |
| Total cost of purchases |  | 41,847 |  | 45, 086 |

(a) For 1963 described as 'heavy chemical s'
(b) Not recorded separately in 1963.
(c) For 1963 leathercloth and reinforced plastics were not specifically excluded.
(d) 1963 includes other packaging materials of paper, cardboard and fibreboard (except multiwall sacks)
(e) The total quantity of el ectricity generated in establishments enploying 25 or more persons in the
industry were $53,467 \mathrm{Th} \mathrm{kWh}$ in 1968 and $90,525 \mathrm{Th} . \mathrm{k}$ Wh in 1963 .

TABLE 11 Transport costs and employment of larger
establishments, 1963 and 1968
Establ ishments enploying 25 or more persons:
Analysis of returns received, Unit ted Kingdom

|  | Unit | 1963 | 1968 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average number mainly enployed on transport | No. | 182 | 199 |
| Transport costs |  |  |  |
| Wages and salaries | $£^{\prime} 000$ | 160 | 243 |
| Derv fuel and motor spirit | " | 72 | 119 |
| Tyres and other spare parts for road goods vehicles | " |  | 54 |
| Payments to other organisations for transport $\quad\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { by road } \\ \text { by rail and other } \\ \text { means excluding } \\ \text { postal services }\end{array}\right.$ | " | 1,494 | 1,606 156 |
| Costs of operating road goods vehicles |  |  |  |
| Insurance | " | 10 | 12 |
| Vehicle licences | " | 9 | 24 |
| Depreciation | " | 37 | 64 |
| Payments to other organisations for repairs and maintenance | " | 36 | 41 |
| Total | " | 1,817(a) | 2,320 |

(a) Excluding tyres and other spare parts for road goods vehicles,
not collected separately for 1963 .

TABLE 12 Payments for certain services, etc by larger establishments, 1963 and 1968 (a)

Establishments employing 25 or more persons: Analysis of returns received, United Kingdom

|  | Amounts payable |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1963 | 1968 |
| Repairs and maintenance to | $£ \prime 000$ | $£ ' 000$ |
| Buildings | 90 | 90 |
| Road goods vehicles | 36 | 41 |
| Plant, machinery and other capital equipment | 356 | 479 |
| Insurance, licensing and depreciation of road goods |  |  |
| vehicles (b) |  | 55 |
| Rates, excluding water rates | 464 | 101 |
| Hire of plant and machinery | 54 | 85 |
| Postage, telephone, telegrams, cables and telex (c) | 246 | 290 |
| Total | 1,302 | 1,546 |

(a) No deduction is made for these payments to arrive at the figures of net output given in this report.
(b) For details see Table 11 .
(c) Excluding Telex for 1963.

TABLE 13 Percentage analysis of twelve-month periods covered by returns from larger establishments, 1968
Establishments employing 25 or more persons:
*Analysis of returns received, United Kingdom

| Year ended | Percentage <br> oftotal returns <br> received | Percentage <br> of total number <br> employed |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1968 | Per cent. | Per cent. |
| April (a) | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| May | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| June | 8.0 | 1.4 |
| July | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| August | 4.0 | 0.8 |
| September | 4.0 | 0.3 |
| 0ctober | 12.0 | 9.6 |
| November | 8.0 | 10.0 |
| December | 40.0 | 68.6 |
| 1969 | 16.0 | 0.7 |
| January | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| February | 8.0 | 3.7 |
| March | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| April (b) | 100 | 100 |

(a) From 6 April.
(b) To 5 April.

