#### THE BACON CURING AND SAUSAGE TRADE

Note.—For information regarding the scope of the Census, instructions given to firms for making returns, and definitions of the terms used in this report, reference should be made to the Introductory Notes on pages v to xviii.

#### Introductory

This trade comprises firms that were engaged wholly or mainly in curing or smoking bacon and hams and in manufacturing lard, sausages and similar products. The particulars given below are confined to wholesale manufacturers and to central factories maintained by retail dealers. Returns were not required in respect of sausages and other goods made at retail shops.

At each Census a number of firms recorded sales of fresh meat in their returns. The value of this meat (£770,000 for 1930) has been deducted throughout this report from the value of the gross output and from the cost of materials used. The cost of materials is, therefore, under-stated in each year by the amount of the profits on the sales of fresh meat recorded, and the net output is correspondingly over-stated: the effect on the net output per head is, however, unimportant.

The following table shows the main results of the Censuses of 1930 and 1924 in respect of firms in Great Britain that employed an average of more than ten persons:—

Particulars	Unit	1930	1924
Value of goods made and work done (Gross output)	£'000	24,132	20,662
Cost of materials used	,,	19,914	16,707
Paid for work given out to other firms	,,	11	*
Net output	,,	4,207	3,955
Average number of persons employed	No.	13,701	11,471
Net output per person employed Power available :—	£	307	345
Prime movers	H.P.	7,171	5,490
Electric motors driven by purchased electricity	.,	10,366	6,900
Number of returns	No.	229	212
Number of establishments		308	†

<sup>\*</sup> Not ascertained.

**Deficiencies in 1930 aggregates.**—The aggregate number of persons employed in 1930 by firms that stated that they employed not more than ten persons on the average was 2,858, the corresponding figure for 1924 being 1,672. In addition, 227 firms to which schedules were sent at the 1930 Census and 175 at that of

<sup>†</sup> Not available.

1924 furnished no information; these firms consisted largely of retail dealers manufacturing on a very small scale for their own trade.

The value of the gross output of the small firms in 1924 was  $\pm 2,148,000$ , and particulars of the items included in this figure are given below:—

					T	h. cwts.	£'000
Bacon						92	584
Bacon, smoked only	7					25	182
Hams						21	145
Hams, smoked only						12	66
Bacon and hams,	not	smoked	l, not	separa	ately		
distinguished						1	6
Total—Bacon	and l	hams				151	983
Pork, salted						7	45
+						12	56
~							506
Tripe, dressed							77
Other products of th							
bladders, casings,							446
Other goods made							35
	To	TAL					2,148

About 13 per cent of the total number of persons employed by all firms in Great Britain in this trade in 1924, and between 9 and 10 per cent. of the value of the gross output, was recorded on returns made by firms employing not more than ten persons. At the 1930 Census the number of employees recorded by the small firms (2,858) exceeded 17 per cent. of the total reported by all firms, but this number may have included some retail butchers whose description of their business did not enable them to be identified as such.

**Size of firms.**—In the following table the main particulars recorded at the Census of 1930 are grouped according to the average numbers of persons shown in the returns:—

Size of firm (average numbers employed	Number of returns	Gross output	Net output	Average number of persons employed	Net output per person employed
	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£
11-24	 96	2,554	434	1,656	262
25-49	 74	5,399	744	2,546	292
50-99	 37	5,479	919	2,473	372
100-199	 10	2,601	300	1,327	226
200-399	 7	3,896	562	2,050	274
400-1,499	 5	4,203	1,248	3,649	342
TOTAL	 229	24,132	4,207	13,701	307

Regional distribution.—In the following table the results recorded at the Censuses of 1930 and 1924 are grouped according to the principal areas\* of Great Britain in which firms in this trade are situated:—

TOTAL TOTAL	100				
Area	Number of returns	Gross output	Net output	Average number of persons employed	Net output per person employed
	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£
$1 \qquad \begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	46	9,863	1,317	3,534	373
1 \ 1924	33	4,447	871	1,754	497
(1930	39	1,822	420	1,672	251
$2 \qquad \begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	48	3,709	767	2,026	379
(1000	10	554	110	513	214
$3 \qquad \dots \begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	12	554	110	665	214
(1924	13	558	144	000	211
(1930	7	199	47	204	232
$4 \qquad \dots \begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	6	376	46	160	288
<b>C</b>				100000000000000000000000000000000000000	
$5 \qquad \dots \begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	21	3,154	757	2,186	346
3 \ 1924	20	3,509	672	2,012	334
(1930	66	5,374	1,106	3,726	297
$6 \qquad \dots \begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	64	6,038	989	3,323	298
(1001	01	0,000		3,0.10	
7 \$ 1930	3 3	54	12	56	215
$7 \qquad \dots \begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	3	38	14	47	298
(1020	18	1,676	271	1,172	231
$9 \qquad \dots \begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	10	902	284	997	285
(1001	10	002	201	00.	
(1930	17	1,436	167	638	261
$10 \qquad \dots \begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	15	1,085	168	487	345
	1 21				Company of the Company
o. ou	militar of				CONTROL OF THE
(1930	229	24,132	4,207	13,701	307
TOTAL $\begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	212	20,662	3,955	11,471	345
(2002	-	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		-	-

Northern Ireland.—The following table summarises the particulars recorded at the Census of Production taken by the Government of Northern Ireland for 1930, in respect of firms that employed an average of more than *five* persons.

No satisfactory comparison can be made with the 1924 figures, which related to firms irrespective of size, owing to the absence of returns from certain important bacon curing establishments. The particulars obtained at the 1924 Census are added below for information, but this qualification should be borne in mind.

<sup>\*</sup> For particulars see page xviii.

Particulars	Unit	1930	1924
Value of goods made and work done (Gross output)	£'000	2,601	1,603
Cost of materials used	,,	2,393	1,450
Net output	,,	208	153
Average number of persons employed	No.	748	486
Net output per person employed	£	278	316
Power available:—			
Prime movers	H.P.	838	534
Electric motors driven by purchased electricity	,,	462	105

FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO TRADES

The following table gives detailed particulars of the output in each year:—

Wind of goods	19	30	1924		
Kind of goods	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	
	Th. cwts.	£'000	Th. cwts.	£'000	
Bacon	252	1,365	150	906	
Hams	104	747	59	448	
Bacon and hams, cured, not				0-	
separately distinguished			6	37	
Bacon and hams, smoked only	12	78	_	_	
Total—Bacon and hams	368	2,190	215	1,391	
Pork, salted (other than bacon and	000	2,100	210	1,001	
hams)	14	20	3	8	
Lard	47	146	28	118	
Sausages		51		15	
Bones		24		18	
${ m Heads} \qquad \ldots \qquad \ldots \qquad \ldots$		33		91	
Brawn, cooked pork and other				21	
meats, puddings and pies		97			
Offals and by-products not specified	4 District				
above	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	114	•••	32	
Other goods		13			
Work done for the trade		1*	2 3 -	N	
		Charles of the Charles			
Total		2,601		1,603	

<sup>\*</sup> Amount received for work done.

#### Production

Principal products.—The following table shows the value and, where available, the quantity of bacon, hams, lard, sausages, etc., made in 1930 and 1924. Firms that purchased bacon or hams already cured and smoked them for re-sale were requested in 1930 to enter particulars of such bacon and hams separately; in the following table the quantity and value so recorded are distinguished by the addition of the words "smoked only."

(c) personal realist				192	24				
		Return	ed on	schedule	es for				
Kind of goods		The Bacon Curing and Sausage Trade		All trades			Total		
	Quan- tity	Value	Ent- ries	Quan- tity	Value	Ent- ries	Quan- tity	Value	
UNIX - PROPERTY OF THE PROPERT	Th. ewts. 1,012	£'000 5,189	No. 101	Th. ewts. 1,013	£'000 5,194	No. 102	Th. cwts. 802	£'000 4,926	
Bacon Bacon, smoked only Hams	1,012 1,171 277	5,926 1,913	37	1,174 277	5,940 1,913	38 77	487* 232		
Hams, smoked only Bacon and hams, cured,	72	478	28	73	483	29	47*	249	
not separately distinguished	_	V —	_	-	_	_	169	1,037	
Bacon and hams, smoked only, not separately distinguished	_	_	_		_	_	122	667	
Total—Bacon and hams Pork, salted (other than	2,532	13,506		2,537	13,530	•••	1,859	11,606	
bacon and hams)	30	150 455	32 90	30 854	150 2,462	32 102	12 631*	67 2,519	
Lard Sausages Cooked meats, brawn, pud-	139	3,715	138		3,821	146		2,789	
dings and pies		3,195 347	154 29		4,178 360	317		3,376	
Bladders, casings and sausage	19	121 546	21 39	19	121 568	21 41	}	660	
skins\ Heads		39	46		39	46	ļ'	75	
Suet, dripping and other dible animal fats	117	251 72	99	235	617	116	}	647*	
Gut strings*†		54	5		79	7	ļ'	63	
TOTAL—PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS		22,451	•••	w	26,067		·	22,162	

\* So far as separately recorded.

† Quantity not stated.

\* So far as separately recorded.

† Exclusive of finished strings, described as for tennis racquets, musical instruments, etc.

**Prices.**—The average selling values of bacon, hams, salted pork and lard in 1930 and 1924, as calculated from the Census returns, are shown in the following table. It should be borne in mind that these comparisons do not take account of any changes that may have occurred since the earlier year in the quality of the goods included under the specified descriptions.

dom in 1980 and 1994 magerhe	Average	Average value			
Kind of goods	1930	1924	percentage of 1924		
Bacon	£ per cwt. 5·13 5·06 6·90 6·71 4·95 2·88	£ per cwt. 6·14 6·43 6·87 5·29 5·68 3·99	Per cent. 83·6 78·7 100·4 126·8 87·2 72·2		

Volume of production in 1930 and 1924.—The following table compares the volume of production of bacon, hams, salted pork, lard, etc., in 1930 and 1924:—

	To	Total production			
Kind of goods	1930	1930 192		1930 as a	
Kind of goods	As returned	As returned	At 1930 average values	percentage of 1924	
Bacon Bacon, smoked only	£'000 5,194 5,940 1,913 483 ——————————————————————————————————	£'000 4,926 3,130 1,597 249 1,704	£'000 4,118 2,463 1,603 316 1,459†	Per cent.  *  *  *   136	
Pork, salted Lard Other principal products	150 2,462 9,925	67 2,519 7,970	58 1,819 6,647†	259 135 149	
TOTAL	26,067	22,162	18,483	141	

 $<sup>{}^*\</sup>operatorname{In}$  view of the large unclassified output recorded for 1924, figures are not inserted here.

Work done for the trade or on commission.—The total amount recorded as received for work done for the trade in 1930 was £8,000, the corresponding total for 1924 being £18,000.

Production, exports and imports.—The following table shows, in relation to production, the quantities of bacon and hams, salted pork and lard, and the values of bladders, casings and sausage skins exported from the United Kingdom in 1930 and 1924, together with corresponding particulars of similar goods imported and retained. As regards the 1930 figures of production, the deficiencies referred to on pages 95-6 of this report should be borne in mind; the figures for both 1930 and 1924 include the recorded output of firms in Northern Ireland and those for 1924 include, in addition, the output of the small firms.

Kind of goods	Produc- tion	Exports	Proportion of production exported	Retained imports	Available for use in the United Kingdom	Share of home market held by British products
	Th. cwts.	Th. cwts.	Per cent.	Th. cwts.	Th. cwts.	Per cent.
11 1930	1,646	39	2.4	9,818	11,425	14.1
Bacon and hams* $\begin{cases} 1930 \\ 1924 \end{cases}$	1,535	45	2.9	8,924	10,414	14.3
7 1 14 1 1930	44	†	•••	65		•••
Pork, salted \ \ \frac{1924}{1924}	22	+		31		
1930	901	7	0.8	2,495	3,389	26.4
Lard \ 1924	671	10	1.5	2,475	3,136	21.1
man Haber The Trans	£'000	£'000		£'000		
Bladders, casings and sausage skins 1930	689 787	306 408	‡	629 801	‡	‡

<sup>\*</sup> It is assumed, for the purposes of this table, that the bacon and hams recorded as "smoked only" in the Census returns represented imported produce smoked in the United Kingdom or home produce already returned by other firms, and such bacon and hams are therefore excluded from the production figures.

† Not recorded separately in the trade returns.

Other products.—In addition to the output shown in the table of principal products on page 99, the following goods were produced in 1930 and 1924 by firms that made their returns on schedules for the Bacon Curing and Sausage Trade. These goods are dealt with in the reports on those trades in which the principal output was recorded.

	1930	1924
Kind of goods	Value	Value
	£'000	£'000
Preserved meat in tins, glasses, etc	919	273
Other preserved foods Other food products (including feeding stuffs for	41	6
animals)	113	37
and greases	68	262
Other goods (including electricity sold)	119	121
Total	1,260	699

Waste products sold.—The following sales of waste products were recorded by firms in this trade:— 1930 1924

				£'000	£'000
Bones	 		•••	 55 358	40
Other offals	 •••	•••		 358	323
		TOTAL		 413	363

<sup>†</sup> Based on average values of preceding items.

<sup>‡</sup> Owing to the different bases of valuation of production (at factory), exports (f.o.b.) and imports (c.i.f.) precise figures are not available for insertion here.

# Employment and Wages

**Employment.**—The following table shows the average numbers of persons employed in 1930 and 1924:—

Persons employed	Males		Females		Total	
reisons employed	Under 18	All ages	Under 18	All	Under 18	All
1930 Operatives (average for the year) Administrative, technical and clerical staff (as at 18th	649	7,814	771	3,321	1,420	11,135
October)	132	1,815	111	751	243	2,566
TOTAL	781	9,629	882	4,072	1,663	13,701
1924 Operatives (average for the year) Administrative, technical and clerical staff (as at 18th	558	6,616	524	2,760	1,082	9,376
October)	131	1,494	78	601	209	2,095
TOTAL	689	8,110	602	3,361	1,291	11,471

Wages.—The available information as to the amount of wages paid in 1930 and 1924 is given on pages 18 and 19.

#### Power

The following table shows the capacity of prime movers, electric generators and electric motors ordinarily in use and in reserve or idle in 1930 and 1924:—

Power		1930		1924			
equipment	Ordinarily in use	In reserve or idle	Total	Ordinarily in use	In reserve or idle	Total	
PRIME MOVERS	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	···H.P.	H.P.	
Reciprocating steam engines Steam turbines Internal combustion	2,385	1,180	3,565	2,129 9	1,299	3,428	
engines:—	4						
Gas	929	198	1,127	866	446	1,312	
Petrol, kerosene, or other light oils Heavy oils Water engines	153 2,215 29	82	235 2,215 29	44 633 39	25 ·	44 658 39	
TOTAL	5,711	1,460	7,171	3,720	1,770	5,490	

		1930		1924			
Power equipment	Ordinarily in use	In reserve or idle	Total	Ordinarily in use	In reserve or idle	Total	
ELECTRIC GENERATORS Driven by	Kw.	Kw.	Kw.	Kw.	Kw.	Kw.	
Reciprocating steam engines Internal combustion	935	579	1,514	755	788	1,543	
engines:— Gas Petrol, kerosene,	107	27	134	188	77	265	
or other light oils  Heavy oils  Water engines	27 291 —	_	27 291 —	4 119 5	_	4 119 5	
TOTAL	1,360	606	1,966	1,071	865	1,936	
ELECTRIC MOTORS Driven by	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	
Electricity generated in same works Purchased electricity	1,867 9,715	645 651	2,512 10,366	1,454 5,757	328 1,143	1,782 6,900	
TOTAL	11,582	1,296	12,878	7,211	1,471	8,682	

# Consumption of fuel

The following table shows the quantities of coal, coke and electricity recorded as used in 1930:—

Kind of fuel used		For pov (driving engine	ver ng	For oth purpose (so far a recorde	es as	For power and other purposes, not separately distinguished
Coal Coke		Tons 19,10	CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE	Tons 34,72 7,59		Tons 1,309 857
Plantniaity used for all purp	ogog •					B.T.U. (Kwhrs.) '000
Electricity used for all purp Generated in same works Purchased	oses :- 				·	2,323 7,334
Care days took	Тота	L—Electri	icity	line in		9,657

<sup>\*</sup>These figures were recorded by firms representing 85·0 per cent. of the net output of the whole trade.

#### TABLES

## I. Summary of results

Particulars	Unit	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Value of goods made and work done (Gross output) Cost of materials used Paid for work given out to other firms Net output Average number of persons employed Net output per person employed Power available:— Prime movers	£'000 ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	21,020 17,240 11 3,769 11,891 317 6,683	3,112 2,674 * 438 1,810 242 488	24,132 19,914 11 4,207 13,701 307 7,171
Electric motors driven by purchased electricity	,,	8,853	1,513	10,366

\* Less than £500.

## II. Production

Kind of goods made and work done	Unit	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Bacon {	Th. cwts. £'000	852 4,155	160 1,034	1,012 5,189
Bacon, smoked only {	Th. cwts. £'000	1,095 5,530	76 396	1,171 5,926
Hams {	£'000	221 1,500	56 413	277 1,913
Hams, smoked only {	Th. cwts. £'000	32 211	267	72 478
Total—Bacon and hams {	Th. cwts. £'000	2,200 11,396	332 2,110	2,532 13,506
Pork, salted (other than bacon and hams)	Th. cwts. £'000	‡	‡	30 150
Lard	Th. cwts.	100	39	139
	£'000	354	101	455
Sausages	£'000	3,391	324	3,715
pies	,,	2,940	255	3,195
Tripe, dressed	,,,	‡	#	347
		1000000	HALL STOP SHEET	

Kind of goods made and work done	Unit	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Bladders, casings and sausage skins Quantity stated { Suet, dripping and other edible animal fats }  Gut strings* Quantity not stated { Gut strings* Quantity not stated }  Other preserved foods Other food products (including feeding stuffs for animals) Lard compound, tallow and other animal oils, fats and greases	Th. cwts. £'000  "Th. cwts. £'000  ""  ""  ""  ""  ""  ""  ""  ""  ""	15 109 484 39 89 185 72 ‡ 817 41 111	4 12 62 † 28 66 — ‡ 102 †	19 121 546 39 117 251 72 54 919 41 113 68 55
Other goods (including electricity sold)	,,	339 111	19 8	358 119
Total value of goods made  Amount received for work done	£'000	21,012	3,112	24,124
Total value of goods made and work done (Gross output)	£'000	21,020	3,112	24,132

<sup>‡</sup> Owing to the possible disclosure of information relating to individual firms, separate particulars for England and Wales and for Scotland cannot be given.

<sup>†</sup> Less than £500.

# III. Employment

# A.—Numbers employed in week ended 18th October, 1930

Persons employed	Males		Females		Males and females	
Tersons employed	Under 18	All	Under 18	All ages	Under 18	All ages
England and Wales:— Operatives Administrative, etc.*	578	7,014	622	2,835	1,200	9,849
	120	1,623	85	575	205	2,198
TOTAL	698	8,637	707	3,410	1,405	12,047
Scotland:— Operatives Administrative, etc.*  Total	82	928	161	540	243	1,468
	12	192	26	176	38	368
	94	1,120	187	716	281	1,836
Great Britain:— Operatives Administrative, etc.*	660	7,942	783	3,375	1,443	11,317
	132	1,815	111	751	243	2,566
	792	9,757	894	4,126	1,686	13,883

<sup>\*</sup> Administrative, technical and clerical staff.

## B.—Operatives employed in one week in each month of 1930

Week	Males and females			Week	Males and females			
ended	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain	ended	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain	
Jan. 18	9,829	1,440	11,269	July 19	9,466	1,422	10,888	
Feb. 15	9,804	1,444	11,248	Aug. 16	9,493	1,443	10,936	
Mar. 15	9,674	1,445	11,119	Sept. 13	9,583	1,439	11,022	
April 12	9,535	1,401	10,936	Oct. 18	9,849	1,468	11,317	
May 17	9,565	1,433	10,998	Nov. 15	9,937	1,463	11,400	
June 21	9,546	1,424	10,970	Dec. 13	10,037	1,485	11,522	
Average	E FOR TH	E TWELVE	MONTHS		9,693	1,442	11,135	

### IV. Power

# PARTICULARS OF PRIME MOVERS, ELECTRIC GENERATORS AND ELECTRIC MOTORS

Down on invest	England Wal		Scotla	and	Great Britain			
Power equipment	Ordinarily in use	In reserve or idle	Ordinarily in use	In reserve or idle	Ordinarily in use	In reserve or idle		
PRIME MOVERS	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.		
Reciprocating steam engines Internal combustion engines :—	2,260	1,115	125	65	2,385	1,180		
Gas Petrol, kerosene, or	729	178	200	20	929	198		
other light oils	153	82		<u> </u>	153	82		
Heavy oils Water engines	2,137 29		78		2,215 29	_		
TOTAL	5,308	1,375	403	85	5,711	1,460		
TOTAL OF PRIME MOVERS INSTALLED	6,6	83	488		488		7,171	
ELECTRIC GENERATORS Driven by	Kw.	Kw.	Kw.	Kw.	Kw.	Kw.		
Reciprocating steam engines Internal combustion	875	579	60	_	935	579		
engines:— Gas Petrol, kerosene,	27	27	80	_	107	27		
or other light oils Heavy oils	27 291	_	- =	_	27 291	_		
TOTAL	1,220	606	140	_	1,360	606		
Total of electric generators installed	1,8	26	14	0	1,9	66		
ELECTRIC MOTORS Driven by Electricity generated	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.	H.P.		
in same works Purchased electricity	1,656 8,262	641 591	211 1,453	4 60	1,867 9,715	645 651		
TOTAL	9,918	1,232	1,664	64	11,582	1,296		
TOTAL OF ELECTRIC MOTORS INSTALLED	11,	11,150 1,728		1,728		78		

### V. Consumption of fuel

Kind of fuel used	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Coal used for power*	Tons	Tons	Tons
	18,133	975	19,108
	70	—	70
Electricity used for all purposes:— Generated in same works Purchased	B.T.U.	B.T.U.	B.T.U.
	(Kwhrs.)	(Kwhrs.)	(Kwhrs.)
	'000	'000	'000
	2,129	194	2,323
	6,714	620	7,334
Total—Electricity	8,843	814	9,657

<sup>\*</sup> In addition, 1,309 tons of coal (1,159 tons in England and Wales and 150 tons in Scotland) and 857 tons of coke (all in England and Wales) were recorded as used for power and for other purposes, not separately distinguished.