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BRASS MANUFACTURES TRADE

THIS REPORT on the Brass Manufactures Trade relates to establishments engaged wholly or mainly in the manufacture of brass castings, stampings and pressings. Brass manufactures covered in the reports on other trades include brass nails, screws, bolts, rivets, washers, etc., in the Chain, Nail, Screw and Miscellaneous Forgings Trade; brass wire in the Wire and Wire Manufactures Trade; and smallwares of brass in the Needles, Pins, Fish Hooks and Metal Smallwares Trades; while there is some output of brass articles in the Hardware, Hollow-ware, Metal Furniture and Sheet Metal Trades.

Industrial valves of brass are classified to the Mechanical Engineering (General) Trade. Prior to 1951, these valves were not separately distinguished and establishments mainly manufacturing them were included in the Brass Manufactures Trade.

As the figures for 1951 exclude the particulars for these firms (which recorded for 1951 a net output of £1,525,000 and an average employment of 2,198), they are not strictly comparable with those for earlier years.

This trade corresponds to minimum list heading 95 in the Standard Industrial Classification.

There were no larger establishments in Northern Ireland in the register for this trade.

IMPORTANT NOTES and definitions appear on the inside of the back cover of this report. In interpreting the data in the following tables, it is essential to bear these in mind.

METAL GOODS NOT ELSEWHERE SPECIFIED

BRASS MANUFACTURES TRADE

Summary

Larger establishments (a)

TABLE 1

	Great Britain					
	1951	1950	1949	1948	1937	1935
Gross output (production) (b)	£'000 75,293	£'000 57,518	£'000 50,444	£'000 54,966	£'000 18,799	£'000 13,665
Cost of materials and fuel used (c)	41,460	28,261	23,481	25,597	8,850	5,867
Payment for work done on materials given out	800	586	606	681	252	208
Excise duty	-	-	-	9	-	-
Transport payments (d)	547	..	..	..	..	..
Net output	32,487	28,671	26,357	28,678	9,697	7,590
Wages and salaries of persons employed	16,308	16,548	15,985	15,685	..	..
Average number of persons employed (e)	No. 45,892	No. 50,057	No. 50,213	No. 51,659	No. 43,406	No. 39,282
Net output per persons employed (e)	£ 708	£ 573	£ 525	£ 555	£ 223	£ 193
Stocks at end of year	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Products on hand for sale and work in progress	6,658	5,784	5,088	4,967	..	..
Materials and fuel	6,895	5,245	3,794	4,079	..	..
Number of establishments	No. 578	No. 625	No. 630	No. 616	No. ..	No. 497

The values of gross output and of materials and fuel used are derived in the following way:-

	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Output of firms in this trade (f)						
Principal products (g)	58,728	57,093	50,817	45,750	15,229	11,174
Other output (h)	14,893					
Changes in stocks and work in progress (i)	+ 1,672	+ 791	- 63	+ 587		
Less payment for transport outwards (d)	75,293	57,884	50,754	55,285	18,799	13,665
	..	366	310	318		
Gross output (production)	75,293	57,518	50,444	54,966	18,799	13,665
Materials and fuel used by firms in this trade						
Purchases	43,699	29,732	22,990	25,600	8,850	5,867
Changes in stocks (i)	- 2,239	- 1,471	+ 491	- 3		
Materials and fuel used	41,460	28,261	23,481	25,597	8,850	5,867

- (a) For small firms' summary see Table 2.
 (b) Gross output for 1951 includes payments to other firms and undertakings and to firms' own separate transport organisations for transport services. For other years payments for transport services outwards on finished goods sold are excluded.
 (c) Amounts paid for delivery services are excluded for 1951 but included for other years.
 (d) Payments to other firms and undertakings and to firms' own separate transport organisations. For 1951 they cover payments for transport of both goods sold and materials and fuel purchased. For other years payments cover only transport outwards of finished goods sold.
 (e) Excluding outworkers but including working proprietors. For an estimate of the total numbers of persons employed in this trade see Table 3.
 (f) Total value of sales (1951, 1950, 1949 and 1948) or production for sale (1937 and 1935).
 (g) For details for 1951 and 1948 see Table 8.
 (h) For details for 1951 and 1948 see Table 10.
 (i) For details for 1951 see Table 21.

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Summary
Small firms (a)

TABLE 2

	Great Britain			
	1951	1950	1949	1948
Number of returns	297	281	264	240
Average number of persons employed (b)				
Males	1,474	1,361	1,273	1,180
Females	305	301	243	264
Total	1,779	1,662	1,516	1,444

- (a) Small firms (employing on the average ten or fewer persons) that made satisfactory returns.
 (b) Including working proprietors.

Estimated average employment (a)

All firms

TABLE 3

	Great Britain				Number
	1951	1950	1949	1948	
As returned by firms					
Employing on the average more than ten persons (b)	45,892	50,057	50,213	51,659	
Employing on the average ten or fewer persons (c)	1,779	1,662	1,516	1,444	
Estimated average employment in firms not making satisfactory returns	47,671	51,719	51,729	53,103	
	175	95	54	137	
Estimated average employment in all firms	47,846	51,814	51,783	53,240	

- (a) Including working proprietors.
 (b) See Tables 13(iv) and 14.
 (c) See Table 2.

Analysis by size, 1951

Larger establishments in Great Britain

TABLE 4

Average number employed	Establishments	Gross output	Net output	Persons employed	Remuneration			Net output per person employed
					Operatives	Other employees (a)	Total	
	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£'000	£'000	£'000	£
11 - 24	190	5,441	2,243	3,388	961	284	1,245	662
25 - 49	163	9,298	3,748	5,765	1,624	474	2,098	650
50 - 99	99	10,028	4,478	6,766	1,850	549	2,399	662
100 - 199	70	15,417	6,671	9,504	2,588	771	3,358	703
200 - 299	27	11,813	5,415	6,791	1,870	543	2,413	797
300 - 399	18	11,776	4,720	6,189	1,773	505	2,277	763
400 - 499	5	3,703	1,552	2,170	623	158	780	715
500 - 749	3	2,359	1,037	1,768	421	145	566	586
750 - 999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1,000 and over	3	5,458	2,625	3,551	933	238	1,171	739
Total	578	75,293	32,487	45,892	12,642	3,666	16,308	708

- (a) Administrative, technical and clerical employees.

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Analysis by standard region, 1951

Larger establishments in Great Britain

TABLE 5

Region	Estab-lish-ments	Gross output	Net output		Persons employed	Remuneration			Net output per person employed
			Value	Percent- age of total		Operatives	Other employees (a)	Total	
	No.	£'000	£'000		No.	£'000	£'000	£'000	£
England									
Northern	14	1,312	543	1.7	827	249	46	295	657
East and West Ridings	42	6,420	2,864	8.8	3,983	1,187	287	1,474	719
North Midland	5	370	180	0.5	259	79	24	103	695
Eastern	5	420	176	0.5	324	88	33	121	543
London and South Eastern	88	7,985	3,943	12.1	5,484	1,573	531	2,103	719
Southern	8	1,928	808	2.5	1,267	333	117	450	638
South Western	8	1,957	792	2.5	917	278	108	385	864
Midland	301	42,129	18,024	55.5	25,583	6,703	1,930	8,633	705
North Western	54	5,300	2,358	7.3	2,788	840	258	1,099	846
Total England	525	67,820	29,688	91.4	41,432	11,330	3,333	14,663	717
Wales	5	1,179	270	0.8	355	102	28	129	761
Scotland	48	6,294	2,529	7.8	4,105	1,210	306	1,516	616
Great Britain	578	75,293	32,487	100.0	45,892	12,642	3,666	16,308	708

(a) Administrative, technical and clerical employees.

TABLE 6 - Analysis according to specialisation within the trade, 1951

Larger establishments in Great Britain

No specialisation within this trade was distinguished.

TABLE 7 - Total make of intermediate products: Larger establishments in Great Britain

This table is not applicable to the trade.

Sales of the principal products of the trade, including sales of these products by establishments classified to other trades

Larger establishments in Great Britain

TABLE 8

	1951			1948	
	Quantity	Value	Entries	Quantity	Value
	Th.cwts.	£'000	No.	Th.cwts.	£'000
Brass and other copper alloys (including nickel silver but excluding other nickel alloys)					
Engineers' and mechanics' goods (including fittings for water supply)					
Domestic cocks and taps	59.2	1,941	74	219.5	5,276 (a)
	..	1,029		..	2,101
Sanitary, bathroom and other steam and water fittings (b)	293.8	9,474	124	230.2	5,922
	..	2,752		..	3,699
Other kinds of engineers' and mechanics' goods	90.8	2,164	107	111.8	2,028
	..	1,059		..	935
Builders' and cabinet makers' goods (including house, shop, ship, office, hearth and church furniture), not elsewhere specified	60.5	2,780	91	66.8	1,869
	..	368		..	1,305

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TABLE 8 (contd.)

	1951			1948	
	Quantity	Value	Entries	Quantity	Value
	Th.cwts.	£'000	No.	Th.cwts.	£'000
Brass and other copper alloys (including nickel silver but excluding other nickel alloys) (contd.)					
Fittings for motor cars and chassis	72.6	2,037	50	42.7	1,213
Pendants, electroliers, brackets, taps and other fittings for lighting or heating purposes, whether oil, gas or electric, except stoves and accessories elsewhere specified	..	1,121		..	815
Lamps, (including hurricane and miners' lamps) (c)	50.4	1,617	67	43.0	1,212
	..	1,245		..	2,144
Stoves, pressure type, oil burning	Thous. 344.0	741	16	Thous. ..	..
	..	302		Thous. 259	264
Parts of lamps and stoves (d)	471.7	573	18	..	177
	..	131		Th.cwts. ..	64
Brass parts of switches, lampholders, cutouts and other accessories for electric lighting	0.8	36	7	3.6	..
	..	321		..	223
Name plates, clock and other dials, instruction plates, etc.	10.0	426	44	5.1	344
	..	318		..	162 (d)
Bar, brewery and distillery fittings	12.3	918	41	3.2	637
	..	285		..	71
Fire extinguishing apparatus	3.5	184	36	1.8	668
	..	782		..	396
Art metal work (including antique reproductions and other ornamental brassware), not elsewhere specified	9.0	311	25	10.2	93
	..	186		..	944
Bolts, hasps, blanks and parts therefor	18.5	901	44	..	55
	..	448		..	23
Hinges, hinge blanks and parts therefor	3.3	149	21	1.5	99
	..	427		..	354
Portholes, scuttles and similar fittings for ships	13.3	91	36	2.7	554
	..	587		..	311
Propellers and propeller blades for ships	24.1	65	30	22.6	740 (d)
	..	65		..	675
Railway and tramway fittings	108.1	1,857	10	63.0	202
	..	170		..	289
Curtain rails and fittings	10.0	120	21	7.8	..
	..	137		..	(e)
Sheet metal stampings and pressings of brass, not elsewhere specified	3.8	659	16	..	1,282
	..	659		..	999
Hot brass pressings, not elsewhere specified	96.4	2,765	234	59.3	3,624
	..	944		..	10,289
Castings in the rough (sold as such)	350.4	6,544	40	237.0	1,143
	..	18,207		..	1,606
Finished goods of brass, not elsewhere specified	908.8	18,207	496	784.8	653
	..	975		..	831
Unclassified finished brass goods and parts	56.0	2,124	123	47.3	..
	..	339		..	249 (d)
Manufactures of other metals	12.3	339	104	35.7	288
	..	1,332		..	29
Coffin furniture of all kinds (including brass)	19.0	833	16	14.8	365
	..	168		..	186
Waste products other than scrap metals	..	77	83	..	..
Work done for the trade or on commission, e.g., finishing, polishing, lacquering (f)	..	153		..	..
Repair work (f)	..	236	60	..	..

Total		73,408	..	..	57,407
Sales in other trades (see Table 9)		14,680	..	..	11,657
Principal products of this trade sold by establishments in the trade		58,728	550	..	45,750

(a) Including industrial valves. For sales of industrial valves in 1951 see the Mechanical Engineering (General) Trade (Volume 4, Trade I).

(b) Including a small amount of domestic cocks and taps.

(c) Excluding electric lamps (including miners' electric lamps), for which see the Electrical Engineering (General) Trade, (Volume 4, Trade K), and blow lamps and brazing lamps for which see the Tool and Implement Trade, (Volume 5, Trade A). For hurricane lamps of metals other than copper alloys, see the Hardware, Hollow-ware, Metal Furniture and Sheet Metal Trades (Volume 5, Trade E).

(d) So far as recorded separately.

(e) Not recorded separately.

(f) Amount charged.

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Sales of principal products of the trade by establishments
classified to other trades

Larger establishments in Great Britain

TABLE 9

	1951			1948	
	Quantity	Value	Entries	Quantity	Value
	Th.cwts.	£'000	No.	Th.cwts.	£'000
Brass and other copper alloys (including nickel silver but excluding other nickel alloys)					
Engineers' and mechanics' goods (including fittings for water supply)					
Domestic cocks and taps	1.5	67	35	53.5	1,592
..	..	226	..	..	261
Sanitary, bathroom and other steam and water fittings	46.7	1,707	27	27.4	838
..	..	265	..	..	159
Other kinds of engineers' and mechanics' goods	28.0	504	29	24.2	357
..	..	262	..	..	169
Builders' and cabinet makers' goods (including house, shop, ship, office, hearth and church furniture), not elsewhere specified	0.6	32	13	11.8	295
..	..	85	..	..	118
Fittings for motor cars and chassis	0.2	9	6	..	6
..	..	225	..	..	..
Pendants, electroliers, brackets, taps and other fittings for lighting or heating purposes, whether oil, gas or electric, except stoves and accessories elsewhere specified	3.4	189	12	5.0	196
..	..	249	..	..	86
Lamps (including hurricane and miners' lamps)	..	4	..	..	..
Thous.	172.2	233	12	11	26
..	..	53	..	..	177
Stoves, pressure type, oil burning	Th.cwts.			Th.cwts.	
Parts of lamps and stoves	0.3	12	..	3.6	64
Brass parts of switches, lampholders, cutouts and other accessories for electric lighting	0.3	14	8	0.2	1
..	..	44	..	..	7
Name plates, clock and other dials, instruction plates, etc.	1.3	87	10	0.4	28
..	..	61	..	..	76
Bar, brewery and distillery fittings	0.3	22	..	0.3	12
..	..	8	..	..	11
Fire extinguishing apparatus	1.6	62	..	1.2	218
..	..	19	..	..	13
Art metal work (including antique reproductions and other ornamental brassware) not elsewhere specified	1.8	110	17	..	208
..	..	240	..	..	..
Bolts, hasps, blanks and parts therefor	0.4	14	5	-	1
Hinges, hinge blanks and parts therefor	2.5	72	12	-	-
..	..	8	..	..	..
Portholes, scuttles and similar fittings for ships	5.5	103	6	11.6	259
..	..	26	..	..	20
Sheet metal stampings and pressings of brass, not elsewhere specified	59.6	1,491	163	14.1	823
..	..	588	..	..	398
Hot brass pressings not elsewhere specified	3.1	78	..	10.4	154
Castings in the rough (sold as such) (a)	278.4	5,448	297	243.4	3,199
Finished goods of brass not elsewhere specified (a)	52.0	1,019	26	66.0	956
..	..	414	..	..	698
Unclassified finished brass goods and parts	10.6	299	91	4.2	27
..	..	320	..	..	46
Manufactures of other metals					
Coffin furniture of all kinds (including brass)	-	-	-	..	130
Work done for the trade or on commission, e.g., finishing, polishing, lacquering (b)		9	..		25
Repair work (b)		3	..		-
Total		14,680	..		11,657

(a) The figures for 1951 include small sales by establishments in Northern Ireland classified to other trades.
(b) Amount charged.

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Sales in the trade of other than principal products

Larger establishments in Great Britain

TABLE 10

	1951		1948	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	Th.cwts.	£'000	Th.cwts.	£'000
Brass and other copper alloys (including nickel silver but excluding other nickel alloys)				
Engineers' and mechanics' goods (including fittings for water supply)				
Industrial valves, other than for motor vehicles, and cocks, sold separately	72.9	2,162	..	(a)
..	..	358	..	..
Pressure gauges	..	36	..	122
Manufactures of other metals				
Builders' and cabinet makers' goods	8.8	181	..	181
Cocks and valves, other than for motor vehicles	5.8	141	..	597
..	..	9	..	..
Sanitary, bathroom and other steam and water fittings	108.3	573	..	298
..	..	41	..	..
Hardware, hollow-ware, metal furniture and sheet metal products	585.4	205	..	389
..	..	285	..	..
Needles, pins and other metal smallwares	..	109	..	291
Metal manufactures, not elsewhere specified				
Of iron and steel	145.4	1,028	..	842
..	..	446	..	..
Of aluminium	63.0	1,450	..	1,099
..	..	168	..	..
Of copper	25.6	650	..	354
..	..	217	..	..
Of zinc	10.9	283	..	155
..	..	28	..	..
Of other metals and alloys	14.5	269	..	1,123
..	..	135	..	..
Machinery and parts	..	608	..	299
Electrical goods and apparatus	..	328	..	121
Parts and accessories of motor vehicles, motor cycles and cycles	..	186	..	215
Other goods	..	1,020	..	883
Scrap metals				
Brass	442.6	3,501	446.1	1,645
..	..	252	..	..
Other metals	72.3	145	..	196
..	..	32	..	..
Work done (b)		49		140
Total		14,893		8,948

(a) Not recorded separately, see footnote (a) to Table 8.
(b) Amount charged.

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TABLE 11 - Production, exports and imports of certain principal products

Particulars of exports and imports of the principal products of this trade are not recorded separately in the oversea trade returns.

Usage of certain specified purchased materials, 1951

Larger establishments in Great Britain

TABLE 12

Materials used	Quantity
	Th. cwts.
Aluminium and aluminium alloys in all forms, except finished parts and scrap	103.3
Brass and other copper alloys (including nickel silver but excluding other nickel alloys) in all forms, except finished parts and scrap	2,206.6
Copper in all forms, except finished parts and scrap	211.1
Zinc and zinc alloys in all forms, except finished parts and scrap	64.6
	Th. tons
Iron castings in the rough	2.4
Steel plates and sheets	4.5
Iron and steel, not elsewhere specified, except finished parts and scrap	13.5

Employment in September

TABLE 13

Larger establishments (a)

Number

	Great Britain					
	1951 (b)	1950 (b)	1949 (b)	1948 (c)	1937 (c)	1935 (c)
Males						
Under 18	1,578	1,867	1,858	2,053	5,508	4,782
All ages	25,454	28,691	28,478	30,006	27,220	23,954
Females						
Under 18	748	866	990	1,061	2,959	2,923
All ages	13,573	13,695	12,889	14,421	11,356	10,794
Total						
Under 18	2,326	2,733	2,848	3,114	8,467	7,705
All ages	39,027	42,386	41,367	44,427	38,576	34,748

TABLE 13 (contd.)

(ii) Administrative, technical and clerical employees (d)

Number

	Great Britain					
	1951	1950	1949	1948	1937	1935
Males						
Under 18	116	123	137	210	246	200
All ages	4,027	4,492	4,582	4,246	2,975	2,804
Females						
Under 18	415	457	451	485	449	362
All ages	2,842	3,133	3,023	2,855	1,855	1,730
Total						
Under 18	531	580	588	695	695	562
All ages	6,869 (e)	7,625 (e)	7,605 (e)	7,101 (e)	4,830	4,534

(iii) Total employees

Number

	Great Britain					
	1951	1950	1949	1948	1937	1935
Males						
Under 18	1,694	1,990	1,995	2,263	5,754	4,982
All ages	29,481	33,183	33,060	34,252	30,195	26,758
Females						
Under 18	1,163	1,323	1,441	1,546	3,408	3,285
All ages	16,415	16,828	15,912	17,276	13,211	12,524
Total						
Under 18	2,857	3,313	3,436	3,809	9,162	8,267
All ages	45,896 (e)	50,011 (e)	48,972 (e)	51,528 (e)	43,406	39,282

(a) Excluded employees. The following persons were employed at the larger establishments in this trade in 1951 but are not included in the above tables or in any other Census of Production report (e.g., employees engaged in merchanting):-

Canteen workers	31	Males	364	Females	
Other workers	118	Males	107	Females	

(b) In week ended September 22, 1951, September 30, 1950, and September 24, 1949.

(c) Average for the year.

(d) In week ended September 22, 1951, September 30, 1950, September 24, 1949, September 25, 1948, October 16, 1937 and October 12, 1935.

(e) Working proprietors. In addition working proprietors, shown in Table 13 (iv) below, were engaged in this trade in larger establishments. The 1937 and 1935 figures include working proprietors.

(iv) Working proprietors

Number

	Great Britain			
	1951	1950	1949	1948
Males	108	115	122	128
Females	5	4	4	3
Total	113	119	126	131

Average employment
Larger establishments (a)

TABLE 14

	Great Britain						Number
	1951	1950	1949	1948	1937	1935	
Operatives	38,996	42,448	42,560	44,427	38,576	34,748	
Administrative, technical and clerical employees	6,783	7,490	7,527	7,101 (b)	4,830 (b)	4,534 (b)	
Total	45,779	49,938	50,087	51,528	43,406	39,282	

(a) For employment in small firms (employing on the average ten or fewer persons) that made satisfactory returns, see Table 2.
(b) In week ended September 25, 1948, October 16, 1937, and October 12, 1935. The 1937 and 1935 figures include working proprietors.

Outworkers. In addition to the employees shown above the firms in this trade employed outworkers whose numbers are shown below.

	Great Britain					
	1951	1950	1949	1948	1937	1935
Males	18	12	15	6	..	..
Females	111	84	111	66	..	..
Total	129	96	126	72	..	..

Shift working, 1951 (a)
Larger establishments in Great Britain

TABLE 15

	Total number of man-shifts worked in the week	Total number of shift-hours worked in the week	Number of returns showing the systems stated
Continuous 3 shift systems per 24 hours averaging 8 hours per shift	981	8,108	3
Continuous 4 shift systems per 24 hours averaging 6 hours per shift	-	-	-
All 2 shift systems	4,783	45,309	13
Other shift systems	-	-	-
Total	5,764	53,417	(b)

(a) Shift working during week ended September 22, 1951.

(b) The number and percentage of returns showing shift working and of operatives on shift-work were as follows:-

	Returns		Operatives		
	Total in trade	Showing shift-work	Total in trade	Total on returns showing shift-work	Number employed on shift-work
Number	550	16	39,027	5,459	1,153
Percentage of total in trade	100.0	2.9	100.0	14.0	2.9
Percentage of total on returns showing shift-work				100.0	21.1

Wages and salaries and employers' National Insurance contributions paid during the year
Larger establishments

TABLE 16

	Great Britain				£'000
	1951	1950	1949	1948	
Wages and salaries (a) of					
Operatives	12,642	12,720	12,412	12,352	
Administrative, technical and clerical employees	3,666	3,828	3,573	3,333	
Total	16,308	16,548	15,985	15,685	
Employers' contributions to all National Insurance Schemes	438	477	479	394	

(a) Including bonus and commission payments, but excluding payments to outworkers shown below.

£'000			
Great Britain			
1951	1950	1949	1948
9	8	9	6

Plant, machinery and vehicles - acquisitions and disposals, and capital expenditure on new building work

TABLE 17

	Great Britain			£'000
	1951	1949	1948	
Plant, machinery and vehicles				
Acquisitions				
Plant and machinery				
New	924	965	1,003	
Second-hand	79	93	188	
Vehicles				
New	202	145	105	
Second-hand	109	62	56	
Total acquisitions	1,314	1,265	1,352	
Disposals				
Plant and machinery				
Vehicles	48	73	87	
	84	54	32	
Total disposals	132	127	119	
New building work				
Capital expenditure on new building and other constructional work of a capital nature (excluding site values and development charges)	427	400	368	

BRASS MANUFACTURES TRADE

1951

Summary

Larger establishments

TABLE 18

	England	Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Gross output (production)	67,820	1,179	6,294	75,293
Cost of materials and fuel used	36,886	896	3,678	41,460
Payment for work done on materials given out	772	7	20	800
Transport payments	474	6	67	547
Net output	29,688	270	2,529	32,487
Wages and salaries of persons employed	14,663	129	1,516	16,308
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Average number of persons employed (a)	41,432	355	4,105	45,892
	£	£	£	£
Net output per person employed (a)	717	761	616	708
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Stocks at end of year				
Products on hand for sale and work in progress	5,853	51	754	6,658
Materials and fuel	5,950	115	830	6,895
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Number of establishments	525	5	48	578

The values of gross output and of materials and fuel used are derived in the following way:-

	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Output of firms in this trade				
Total value of sales (see Table 20)	66,322	1,163	6,136	73,621
Changes in stocks and work in progress (see Table 21)	+ 1,498	+ 16	+ 158	+ 1,672
Gross output (production)	67,820	1,179	6,294	75,293
Materials and fuel used by firms in this trade				
Purchases	38,871	940	3,887	43,699
Changes in stocks (see Table 21)	- 1,986	- 44	- 209	- 2,239
Materials and fuel used	36,886	896	3,678	41,460

(a) Excluding outworkers but including working proprietors.

Summary

Small firms (a)

TABLE 19

	England	Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Number of returns	265	4	28	297
Average number of persons employed (b)				
Males	1,286	32	156	1,474
Females	285	-	20	305
Total	1,571	32	176	1,779

(a) Small firms (employing on the average ten or fewer persons) that made satisfactory returns.

(b) Including working proprietors.

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Sales in the trade

Larger establishments

TABLE 20

	England and Wales		Scotland		Great Britain	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	Th.cwts.	£'000	Th.cwts.	£'000	Th.cwts.	£'000
Principal products						
Brass and other copper alloys (including nickel silver but excluding other nickel alloys)						
Engineers' and mechanics' goods (including fittings for water supply)						
Domestic cocks and taps	53.4	1,698	4.3	176	57.7	1,874
	..	750	..	53	..	803
Sanitary, bathroom and other steam and water fittings	217.7	6,770	29.4	997	247.0	7,767
	..	1,634	..	853	..	2,487
Other kinds of engineers' and mechanics' goods	55.3	1,510	7.6	150	62.8	1,660
	..	797	..	..	..	797
Builders' and cabinet makers' goods (including house, shop, ship, office, hearth and church furniture), not elsewhere specified	..	(a)	..	(a)	59.9	2,748
	..	..	..	..	..	283
Fittings for motor cars and chassis	..	(a)	..	(a)	72.4	2,028
	..	..	..	..	..	896
Pendants, electroliers, brackets, taps and other fittings for lighting or heating purposes, whether oil, gas or electric, except stoves and accessories elsewhere specified	47.0	1,428	-	-	47.0	1,428
	..	996	..	..	..	996
Lamps (including hurricane and miners' lamps)	Thous. 344.0	741	-	-	Thous. 344.0	741
	..	298	..	..	..	298
Stoves, pressure type, oil burning	299.5	340	-	-	299.5	340
	..	78	..	..	..	78
Parts of lamps and stoves	Th.cwts. 0.6	24	-	-	Th.cwts. 0.6	24
	..	321	..	..	..	321
Brass parts of switches, lampholders, cutouts and other accessories for electric lighting	..	(a)	..	(a)	9.7	412
	..	..	..	..	..	274
Name plates, clock and other dials, instruction plates, etc.	10.4	812	0.5	19	10.9	831
	..	224	..	..	..	224
Bar, brewery and distillery fittings	2.3	120	1.0	42	3.3	162
	..	774	..	..	..	774
Fire extinguishing apparatus	..	(a)	..	(a)	7.4	249
	..	..	..	..	..	167
Art metal work (including antique reproductions and other ornamental brassware) not elsewhere specified	..	(a)	..	(a)	16.7	791
	..	..	..	..	..	208
Bolts, hasps, blanks and parts therefor	2.9	135	-	-	2.9	135
Hinges, hinge blanks and parts therefor	..	(a)	..	(a)	10.8	355
	..	..	..	..	..	83
Portholes, scuttles and similar fittings for ships	..	(a)	..	(a)	18.7	484
	..	..	..	..	..	39
Sheet metal stampings and pressings of brass, not specified above	..	(a)	..	(a)	36.8	1,274
	..	..	..	..	..	356
Hot brass pressings	344.1	6,386	3.1	81	347.3	6,466
Castings in the rough	558.4	11,274	72.0	1,484	630.4	12,759
Finished goods of brass, not elsewhere specified	..	(a)	..	(a)	125.9	3,269
	..	..	..	..	..	1,340
Unclassified finished brass goods and parts	1.7	40	-	-	1.7	40
	..	1,012	..	..	..	1,012
Manufactures of other metals						
Coffin furniture of all kinds (including brass)	..	(a)	..	(a)	19.0	833
	168

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TABLE 20 (contd.)

	England and Wales		Scotland		Great Britain	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	Th.cwts.	£'000	Th.cwts.	£'000	Th.cwts.	£'000
Principal products (contd.)						
Waste products other than scrap metals	..	77	-	-	..	77
Work done for the trade or on commission (b)		(a)		(a)		144
Repair work (b)		188		46		233
Total principal products		53,958		4,769		58,728
Other output						
Brass and other copper alloys (including nickel silver but excluding other nickel alloys)						
Engineers' and mechanics' goods (including fittings for water supply)						
Industrial valves, other than for motor vehicles, and cocks, sold separately	71.3	2,104	1.6	58	72.9	2,162
Pressure gauges	..	349	..	9	..	358
		(a)		(a)		36
Manufactures of other metals						
Builders' and cabinet makers' goods	8.8	181	-	-	8.8	181
Cocks and valves, other than for motor vehicles	..	(a)	..	(a)	5.8	141
					..	9
Sanitary, bathroom and other steam and water fittings	17.4	156	91.0	416	108.3	573
			..	41	..	41
Hardware, hollow-ware, metal furniture and sheet metal products	..	(a)	..	(a)	585.4	205
					..	285
Needles, pins and other metal smallwares	..	109	-	-	..	109
Metal manufactures, not elsewhere specified						
Of iron and steel	139.4	972	5.9	57	145.4	1,028
	..	410	..	36	..	446
Of aluminium	57.6	1,335	5.4	115	63.0	1,450
	..	164	..	4	..	168
Of copper	21.6	523	4.0	126	25.6	650
	..	110	..	107	..	217
Of zinc	..	(a)	..	(a)	10.9	283
					..	28
Of other metals and alloys	14.5	269	-	-	14.5	269
	..	135	..	..	..	135
Machinery and parts	..	579	..	29	..	608
Electrical goods and apparatus	..	(a)	..	(a)	..	328
Parts and accessories of motor vehicles, motor cycles and cycles	..	(a)	..	(a)	..	186
Other goods	..	975	..	44	..	1,020
Scrap metals						
Brass	409.0	3,267	33.6	233	442.6	3,501
	..	250	..	2	..	252
Other metals	66.7	123	5.6	21	72.3	145
	..	27	..	5	..	32
Work done (b)		37		12		49
Total		67,485		6,136		73,621

(a) Owing to the risk of disclosure of information relating to individual firms, separate particulars cannot be given.

(b) Amount charged.

Stocks of products on hand for sale and work in progress,
and stocks of materials and fuel
Larger establishments

TABLE 21

		£'000		
		England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Products on hand for sale	{ at beginning of year	1,751	234	1,985
	{ at end of year	2,269	303	2,571
Work in progress	{ at beginning of year	2,638	362	3,000
	{ at end of year	3,634	452	4,087
Total products on hand for sale and work in progress	{ at beginning of year	4,389	596	4,985
	{ at end of year	5,903	754	6,658
Materials and fuel	{ at beginning of year	4,035	620	4,656
	{ at end of year	6,065	830	6,895

Employment in September

Larger establishments (a)(b)

TABLE 22

(i) Operatives

	Number		
	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Males			
Under 18	1,422	156	1,578
All ages	22,684	2,770	25,454
Females			
Under 18	700	48	748
All ages	12,875	698	13,573
Total			
Under 18	2,122	204	2,326
All ages	35,559	3,468	39,027

(ii) Administrative, technical and clerical employees

	Number		
	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Males			
Under 18	106	10	116
All ages	3,630	397	4,027
Females			
Under 18	373	42	415
All ages	2,603	239	2,842
Total			
Under 18	479	52	531
All ages (c)	6,233	636	6,869

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TABLE 22 (contd.)

(iii) Total employees

	Number		
	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Males			
Under 18	1,528	166	1,694
All ages	26,314	3,167	29,481
Females			
Under 18	1,073	90	1,163
All ages	15,478	937	16,415
Total			
Under 18	2,601	256	2,857
All ages (c)	41,792	4,104	45,896

(a) Excluded employees. The number of persons employed at the larger establishments in this trade but not included in the above tables or in any other Census of Production report (e.g., employees engaged in merchandising) are shown in Table 22(v) below.

(b) Number employed in the week ended September 22, 1951.

(c) Working proprietors. In addition working proprietors, shown in Table 22(iv) below, were engaged in this trade in larger establishments.

(iv) Working proprietors

	Number		
	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Males	97	11	108
Females	3	2	5
Total	100	13	113

(v) Excluded employees

	Number		
	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Canteen workers			
Males	31	-	31
Females	334	30	364
Total	365	30	395
Other workers			
Males	107	11	118
Females	102	5	107
Total	209	16	225
Total excluded employees	574	46	620

Average employment
Larger establishments (a)

	Number		
	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Operatives	35,536	3,460	38,996
Administrative, technical and clerical employees	6,151	632	6,783
Total	41,687	4,092	45,779

Outworkers. In addition to the employees shown above the firms in this trade employed outworkers whose numbers are shown below.

	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Males	18	-	18
Females	111	-	111
Total	129	-	129

(a) For employment in small firms (employing on the average ten or fewer persons) that made satisfactory returns see Table 19.

Wages and salaries and employers' National Insurance
contributions paid during the year
Larger establishments

TABLE 24

£'000

	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Wages and salaries (a) of			
Operatives	11,432	1,210	12,642
Administrative, technical and clerical employees	3,360	306	3,666
Total	14,792	1,516	16,308
Employers' contributions to all National Insurance Schemes	397	40	438

(a) Including bonus and commission payments, but excluding payments to outworkers shown below.

£'000		
England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
9	-	9

Plant, machinery and vehicles - acquisitions and disposals,
and capital expenditure on new building work

Larger establishments

TABLE 25

£'000

	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Plant, machinery and vehicles			
Acquisitions			
Plant and machinery			
New	874	50	924
Second-hand	70	9	79
Vehicles			
New	195	7	202
Second-hand	102	6	109
Total acquisitions	1,241	72	1,314
Disposals			
Plant and machinery	45	3	48
Vehicles	79	5	84
Total disposals	124	8	132
New building work			
Capital expenditure on new building and other constructional work of a capital nature (excluding site values and development charges)	398	29	427

Payments for transport services for finished goods
sold and materials and fuel purchased

Larger establishments

	England and Wales	Scotland	Great Britain
Amounts paid to other firms and undertakings	454	65	519
Amount paid or credited to firms' own separate transport organisations	26	2	28
Total	480	67	547

£'000

GENERAL NOTES

The following brief notes refer to Great Britain and, unless otherwise stated, to the census of production for 1951. Reference should be made to the separate booklet in this series entitled 'The Report on the Census of Production for 1951: Introductory Notes' (price 1s.6d. net) for particulars of the minor differences in the Northern Ireland censuses and other details about the census of production.

Trade classification: Establishments are classified to trades according to the nature of their output. Certain products, called principal products, are identified as characteristic of the production of individual trades, the principal products for a given trade being of a similar nature or commonly associated in production. An establishment is classified to a trade if its output of principal products of that trade accounted for a greater proportion of the value of its output than did its output of principal products of any other trade.

The establishment: The basic unit for the collection of information is generally the establishment which in most cases comprises the whole of the premises under the same ownership or management at a particular address (e.g., a factory). Offices, warehouses and other ancillary places of business situated apart from the producing works are included in the return for the works.

Larger establishments and small firms: Larger establishments are those which employed more than 10 persons on the average during the year; small firms are those employing on the average 10 or fewer persons.

Working proprietors are proprietors of businesses other than limited companies, and include members of their families who work in the business without receiving fixed wages or salaries. Any persons working less than half the normal hours are excluded.

Persons employed: Administrative employees include directors other than those paid by fee only, managers, superintendents and works foremen; research, experimental, development, technical and design employees (other than operatives); draughtsmen and tracers; and travellers and office (including works office) employees. Operatives include all other classes of employees, that is, broadly speaking, all manual workers.

All these figures exclude canteen employees and persons engaged in merchandising or any other activity not covered by a firm's return who are shown separately as excluded employees.

Figures for employees include only persons on the pay-roll (that is whose National Insurance cards were held by the firm), whether full-time or part-time employees.

Outworkers, who are shown separately, are persons employed by the firm who work on materials supplied by the firm, but do not work on the premises; operatives directly employed who work out of doors (e.g., maintenance workers) and sub-contractors are not included as outworkers.

Wages and salaries include all overtime payments, bonuses, and commissions, without any deduction for income tax, insurance, contributory pensions, etc. They exclude payments to working proprietors.

Capital expenditure: Expenditure on plant, machinery and vehicles relates to expenditure charged to capital account during the year of return, including transport and installation costs involved. Expenditure on new building work is similarly that charged to capital account during the year.

Materials and fuel: The cost of materials and fuel purchased includes all purchases during the year of materials for use in production and of fuel (including oil, gas, and electricity for all purposes, including heating and lighting); all packing materials, including the full cost of returnable containers when first purchased; workshop materials; office materials; water charges; materials for repairs to firms' own buildings, plant and vehicles when carried out by

their own work people included in the return; and consumable tools and parts for machinery purchased as replacement. Materials, components, etc. which were purchased and re-sold in the same state (that is, merchanted or factored goods) were excluded. For 1951 firms in many trades were required to state the quantities of certain purchased materials used.

Stocks and work in progress: Firms were instructed to give these at income tax value.

Output: Sales means sales during the year of goods made in the establishment covered by the return or made on commission for it, whether produced in the year or not. For all post-war censuses the value of sales was the net selling value, that is, the amount charged to customers, whether on an ex-works or delivered basis, and net of any trade discounts, agents' commissions, allowances for returnable cases, purchase tax, etc. For goods charged on a delivered basis to customers overseas, firms were required to give the f.o.b. value.

Gross output of a trade is the total value of goods made and other work done during the year; this means the value of sales and work done during the year adjusted for changes in the values of stocks.

Net output is the amount left after deducting from the value of gross output the aggregate of the cost of materials and fuel used and the amount paid for work given out and, for 1951, any transport payments included in firms' returns. This represents the value added to materials by the process of production, and constitutes the fund from which wages, salaries, rents, rates and taxes, advertising and other selling expenses and all other similar charges have to be met as well as depreciation and profits.

Customs and Excise Duty paid on materials purchased is included in the cost of materials, but where it is especially important separate figures are shown.

Later reports: Reports will be published later summarising the main census results and giving information about power equipment and fuel consumption.

Disclosure of information: The report has been prepared in conformity with the disclosure provisions of the Statistics of Trade Act, 1947. Figures have been combined with others of a similar nature in certain cases where publication of separate details might disclose the operations of an individual firm.

Symbols used: '...' for 'Not available', '-' for 'Nil or negligible (less than half the final digit shown)'

The figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest final digit, and there may be an apparent slight discrepancy between the sums of the constituent items and the totals shown.

Tables 1 to 17 show figures for the United Kingdom (or Great Britain).

Tables 18 to 26 are country tables and give, where practicable, separate details for England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Table 6: Specialist producers refer to those establishments 50 per cent. or more of whose total output by value is accounted for by the groups of products specified.

Table 8 (or 8(i)) shows the total sales of principal products of the trade, and includes therefore the sales of these products returned by establishments whether classified to the trade or to other trades. Those produced by establishments in other trades are shown in Table 9.

Table 10 shows the sales by establishments in the trade of products other than those regarded as principal products of the trade.

Table 20 (or 20(i)) shows sales by establishments in the trade of products, whether principal products or not, and broadly the aggregates here are equal to the corresponding figures in Table 8 (or 8(i)) less those in Table 9, plus those in Table 10.

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