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NOTES

These notes give only the main information which is needed for interpreting the census figures. Fuller explanations are given in a separate booklet of Introductory Notes (Part 1 of the Report on the Census of Production for 1958).

CHANGES IN THE 1958 CENSUS

Some changes were introduced in the 1958 census, which affect the comparability between 1954 and 1958 figures.

Returns in full detail were required only from firms employing 25 or more persons, instead of, as previously, from firms employing 11 or more persons.

The coverage of firms' returns for 1958 was in many cases rather wider than for 1954. In both years the census was based on the establishment, comprising in most cases the whole of the premises under the same ownership or management at a particular address (e.g. a factory or mine); but offices, warehouses, laboratories, etc. at addresses separate from the works were treated as part of the establishment. For 1958, but not for 1954, firms were asked to include also, in all sections of their returns, particulars relating to merchanting or factoring, canteens operated by them, and other ancillary activities, such as bottling, packing, and the manufacture of containers for packing their own products, whether or not these activities were carried on at the same address as the works, unless

TERMS USED IN THE CENSUS REPORTS

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

The expenditure on new building work shown excludes the cost of land and existing buildings purchased; for plant, machinery and vehicles both new and second-hand items are included. The value is that charged to capital account during the year, including any transport and installation cost involved. Capital expenditure in respect of establishments in Great Britain where production had not started before the end of the year is included in Table 1.

CHARACTERISTIC PRODUCTS (See the description of the method of classification before List of Tables)

EMPLOYMENT

(i) 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 fixed wages or salaries; but persons working less than half the normal hours are excluded.

(ii) Employees

Employees are classified under the two main headings of (a) administrative, technical and clerical employees and (b) operatives. The figures relate to persons on the pay-roll (i.e. whose National Insurance cards were held by employers), whether full-time or part-time employees. The figures for 1958 include, but those for 1954 exclude, persons engaged in merchanting or factoring, and canteen workers.

Administrative, technical and clerical employees include managers, superintendents, and works foremen; research, experimental, development, technical and design employees (other than operatives); draughtsmen and tracers; travellers; and office (including works office) employees.

Operatives include all other classes of employees, that is, broadly speaking, all manual wage earners. They include those employed in and about the factory or works; operatives employed in power houses, transport work, stores, warehouses and, for 1958, canteens; inspectors, viewers and similar workers; maintenance workers; and cleaners. Operatives engaged in outside work of erection, fitting etc. are also included, but outworkers (i.e. persons employed by the firm who worked on materials

they were conducted by a separate company, or by a separate department with a separate set of accounts; building and engineering maintenance departments were treated similarly. Selling and transport departments were treated in this way both for 1954 and 1958. While the effect of including these further ancillary activities was generally to produce higher figures for employment etc., the reporting of separate figures for merchant goods led to the exclusion of some firms who proved to be merchants with only minor productive activities.

Changes made for 1958 in the instructions governing the making of returns for two or more establishments operated by the same firm permitted combined returns to be made more freely than in previous censuses. Combined returns were accepted covering establishments in the same census industry, and situated in the same country (i.e. England, Scotland or Wales).

The 1954 figures have been re-tabulated to correspond as closely as possible to those for 1958, but because of the changes described above the correspondence is not always exact.

supplied by the firm in their own homes, etc.) are excluded.

(iii) Total employment

This is the sum of the average number of employees and the number of working proprietors; outworkers are excluded.

ENTERPRISE

The term enterprise is used in this report to mean one or more firms under common ownership or control as defined in the Companies Act, 1948. An enterprise normally consists either of a single firm, or of a holding company together with its subsidiary companies.

ENTRIES

The number of entries shown in Tables 4, 5 and 7 is the number of returns on which figures against a particular output or production heading were recorded. The number of entries is less than the corresponding number of establishments to the extent that combined returns were made covering more than one of the establishments concerned.

ESTABLISHMENT

In most cases an establishment comprises the whole of the premises under the same ownership or management at a particular address (e.g. a factory or mine). Offices, warehouses, laboratories and other ancillary places of business at a separate address from the works were treated as part of the establishment.

INTERMEDIATE PRODUCTS

For some industries figures are given showing the total quantities made during the year of important intermediate products, i.e. products which may be further processed in the establishments in which they are produced, whether or not they are also sometimes sold. They include also goods produced from materials supplied by other firms.

MATERIALS AND FUEL

The totals shown include the cost of all purchases of materials and components for use in production, and of fuel (including oil, gas and electricity) for all purposes including heating, lighting and transport (where carried out by firms' own staff included in the return); all packing

materials, including the full cost of returnable cases and 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; consumable tools; and parts for machinery purchased during the year as replacements. Purchases of goods for merchandising or factoring, and canteen supplies, are included for 1958 but not for 1954. Materials supplied by customers for processing are excluded for both years.

The values shown include any duty paid (less rebate, etc.) but exclude trade discounts allowed. The cost of transport was included only if included in the cost of materials as invoiced; amounts paid to transport organisations, including firms' own separate transport organisations, for delivery of materials and fuel are therefore excluded. Materials purchased overseas were entered at their c.i.f. cost plus any duty if the cost of transport from the docks was not included in the invoiced price, and at their full delivered cost if invoiced 'carriage paid home'.

NET OUTPUT

The net output of an industry represents the value added to materials by the process of production and includes for 1958 the gross margin on any merchanted or factored goods sold; it 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. There is no appreciable duplication in net output.

Net output was normally obtained by taking the total value of sales and work done (including, for 1958, the value of merchanted goods sold and canteen takings); adding the value of stocks at the end of the year and deducting their value at the beginning of the year; and deducting also the cost of materials and fuel purchased (including, for 1958, the value of goods purchased for merchandising and canteen supplies), payments for work given out to other firms, and payments for transport. The net amount of duty paid was deducted, and the net amount of subsidy received added.

NET OUTPUT PER PERSON EMPLOYED

The figures for net output per person employed are derived by dividing net output by total employment (see above).

PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS (See the description of the method of classification before List of Tables)

SALES

Sales include goods made by the business covered by the return, those made for it by outworkers or by other firms from materials given out to them (sometimes described as goods made on commission), and waste products sold. Any machinery or other capital items produced for use in the business covered by the return are also included, the value being that adopted in the firm's capital account for income tax purposes. Goods sold without being subjected to any manufacturing process (merchanted or factored) and canteen takings are included for 1958 but not for 1954; where the total sales of merchanted or factored goods were less than £5,000, firms were permitted to include them with the figures for sales of goods of their own production.

The value shown for sales is the net selling

SYMBOLS USED

The following symbols are used throughout the reports:

- .. for not available
- for nil or negligible (less than half the final digit shown)

value, defined as the amount charged to customers whether on an ex-works or delivered basis, net of any trade discounts, agents' commissions, allowances for returnable cases, purchase tax, etc.; the net amount charged for packing materials is included. Goods charged on a delivered basis to customers overseas, are included at the f.o.b. value. For work done on commission or for the trade, the value shown is the net amount charged. With a few exceptions, receipts for business and other services are not included.

To the extent that the finished products of one establishment constitute the materials purchased by another, total figures of the value of sales (and of materials and fuel purchased) include an element of duplication.

STOCKS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

The values shown are the income tax values of stocks of products on hand for sale, and of materials and fuel, at the beginning and end of the year of return. For 1958, but not for 1954, they include any stocks of goods held for merchandising or factoring. The value of work in progress at the two dates is also usually shown. This excludes any progress payments made to sub-contractors, and no deduction is made on account of progress payments received.

TRANSPORT PAYMENTS

These represent the total amount paid or credited during the year for both outwards transport of finished goods sold and inwards transport of materials and fuel purchased. They include payments to other firms, and to any separate transport organisation of the same firm, not covered by the return, but exclude the value of transport services provided by the business covered by the return. The items included are payments for hired cartage and for inwards and outwards carriage by all forms of inland transport, that is railways, road haulage, canals, coast-wise shipping, air, etc. Payments made for sea freight on goods sold to customers overseas and on materials and fuel purchased from overseas suppliers are excluded.

WAGES AND SALARIES

These are the 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 any payments in kind, travelling expenses, lodging allowances, etc. is excluded.

Figures are also shown for average salaries etc. paid per head for the week ended 25th October, 1958. For staff paid monthly, the figures are based on payments made in October, 1958. Where payments related to periods other than a week or month, an appropriate proportion was returned. Only those bonuses and commissions actually paid in the period are included.

WORK GIVEN OUT

The figures shown represent the total amount paid for work done by other firms on materials supplied to them, and also by firms' own establishments for which separate returns were made. They do not include payments to individual outworkers or payments for business and other services.

ROUNDING OF FIGURES

The figures in the tables have, where necessary, been rounded to the nearest final digit. There may, therefore, be apparent slight discrepancies between the sums of the constituent items and the totals shown.

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Part 111. FURNITURE AND UPHOLSTERY

This report on the Furniture and Upholstery Industry relates to establishments engaged in the manufacture of wooden or upholstered domestic, office, school, church, theatre and cinema furniture; wooden radio and television cabinets; billiard tables; upholstered seats for vehicles and aircraft; basket furniture, etc. Metal furniture and rustic furniture are excluded. The industry corresponds to minimum list heading 472 of the second (1958) edition of the Standard Industrial Classification, which has been used for the first time in the 1958 Census.

This industry corresponds to Industry 10B in the reports on the last detailed Census of Production, for 1954, except that particulars relating to workrooms attached to retail shops are now excluded and classified to distribution.

The furniture excluded from this report is classified and reported on as follows:- metal furniture to minimum list heading 399 (Miscellaneous Metal Manufactures Report, Part 75); rustic furniture to minimum list heading 479 (Miscellaneous Wood and Cork Manufactures Report, Part 115).

For 1958, returns in full detail were required only from firms employing twenty-five or more persons and most of the tables in this report relate only to these larger firms. This is an important change from previous censuses when returns in full detail were required from firms employing eleven or more persons on productive work. In this industry, however, where small firms account for a relatively large proportion of employment and output, a sample of firms employing fewer than twenty-five persons was asked to complete a simplified version of the full census form; estimates based on the information received from these small firms are given in Tables 2(ii) and 4(i). Estimates for the industry as a whole are given in Table 1.

There were some other changes in the 1958 Census, which affect the comparability between 1954 and 1958 figures; these are explained in the notes prefacing this report.

METHOD OF CLASSIFICATION

This industry is defined in terms of its 'principal products' which are those shown in Table 4(ii). A census return was classified to this industry if the principal products of this industry (including, as well as sales, work done for the trade) accounted for a greater proportion of its output than the principal products of any other industry. Where, however, the application of this rule would have resulted in a change of classification between 1954 (on the revised basis) and 1958, the return was classified to the same industry as for 1954 unless the output of principal products in the new industry was one third more than in the old; this modification of the general rule was designed to avoid discontinuities as the result of marginal changes of output between the two censuses. Sales of merchanted products and of non-specific items such as waste products and canteen takings were not taken into account in classifying returns.

A similar procedure was followed in classifying to the sub-divisions of the industry shown in Table 2(i), the sub-divisions being defined in terms of their 'characteristic products'. The numbers shown in the left hand column of Table 4(ii) identify the sub-division of which the item is a characteristic product. The total value of sales of characteristic products shown in Table 2(i) includes, besides the products which define the sub-divisions, other items of output assumed to be closely related to them, e.g. waste products, but such items were not generally taken into account in determining the classification to sub-divisions.

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Industry summary: United Kingdom

TABLE 1
Estimates for all firms (a)

	Unit	1954	1958	
Number of enterprises	No.	..	2,412	
Number of establishments	"	..	2,631	
Sales	{ goods produced and work done { merchanted goods and canteen takings	£'000	156,856	172,431
Purchases of materials and fuel (b)	"	83,051	91,251	
Products on hand for sale (b)	{ change during year { at end of year	"	+ 75	+ 72
Work in progress	{ change during year { at end of year	"	+ 646	+ 186
Stocks of materials and fuel (b)	{ change during year { at end of year	"	+ 500	- 598
Payments for work done on materials given out	"	1,241	1,054	
Payments for transport	"	2,659	3,398	
Net output	"	71,124	81,860	
Average number employed (c)	{ operatives { other employees { total, including working proprietors	Th.	86.7	82.7
Wages and salaries	{ of operatives { of other employees	£'000	39,200	45,349
Capital expenditure (d)				
New building work	"	1,511	999	
Plant and machinery	{ acquisitions { disposals	"	1,878	1,726
Vehicles	{ acquisitions { disposals	"	172	172
	"	1,068	1,132	
	"	245	369	

- (a) For items in this table which are also shown in Table 2(ii), estimates for 1958 in respect of unsatisfactory returns account for about 4 per cent. of the figures shown. For other items (which no small firms were asked to report) estimates for small firms and unsatisfactory returns account for about 17 per cent. of the figures shown. Summaries of the detailed returns received are given in Table 2(i) for larger firms and in Table 2(ii) in respect of information collected from the sample of small firms.
- (b) Goods for merchandising and canteen supplies are included for 1958 but excluded for 1954.
- (c) Persons engaged in merchandising or factoring and canteen workers are included for 1958 but excluded for 1954.
- (d) Including expenditure in Great Britain for establishments not yet in production.

Analysis by sub-divisions
Firms employing 25 or more

TABLE 2 (i)

	Unit	Sub-divisions of the industry (b)				
		Domestic furniture not upholstered, mainly of wood		Upholstered furniture		
		01	02	1954	1958	
Number of enterprises (c)	No.	340	265	207	155	
Number of establishments	"	424	389	249	190	
Sales	£'000	goods produced and work done	73,553	72,983	33,927	38,026
		merchanted goods and canteen takings	..	2,282	..	505
Sales of characteristic products	"	64,691	62,944	30,529	31,534	
Purchases of materials and fuel (d)	"	37,925	36,630	19,886	22,283	
Products on hand for sale (d)	"	change during year	- 74	+ 62	+ 79	- 74
		at end of year	1,625	2,170	430	510
Work in progress	"	change during year	+ 281	+ 210	+ 62	+ 14
		at end of year	4,142	4,541	631	938
Stocks of materials and fuel (d)	"	change during year	+ 3	- 348	+ 204	- 73
		at end of year	7,296	6,199	2,864	2,889
Payments for work done on materials given out	"	429	353	114	46	
Payments for transport	"	1,436	1,640	472	692	
Net output	"	33,973	36,567	13,799	15,377	
Average number employed (e)	No.	operatives	40,997	36,592	16,510	14,719
		other employees	6,637	6,942	2,281	2,815
		total, including working proprietors	47,741	43,586	18,839	17,564
Net output per person employed	£	712	839	732	876	
Wages and salaries	£'000	of operatives	19,084	20,222	7,305	8,070
		of other employees	4,312	5,294	1,471	2,032
Wages and salaries per head	£	operatives	466	553	442	548
		other employees	650	763	645	722
Capital expenditure (f)						
New building work	£'000	520	405	118	126	
Plant and machinery	"	acquisitions	1,044	802	173	181
		disposals	109	109	11	14
Vehicles	"	acquisitions	546	513	227	244
		disposals	122	161	56	88

(a) For small firms' summary see Table 2(ii).

(b) The method of classifying returns to sub-divisions of the industry is explained at the beginning of this report; the characteristic products of each sub-division are identified in Table 4(ii).

(c) The sum of the figures for the sub-divisions exceeds the total for the industry to the extent that enterprises made returns for more than one sub-division.

of the industry
persons: United Kingdom (a)

	Unit	Sub-divisions of the industry (b);						Total	
		Office furniture		School furniture		Other			
		03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10
		1954	1958	1954	1958	1954	1958	1954	1958
		22	29	18	24	134	126	705	590
		24	30	18	25	157	161	872	795
		2,334	3,200	3,271	5,234	16,670	23,556	129,756	142,999
		..	443	..	669	..	722	..	4,621
		1,971	2,425	2,167	3,972	14,004	20,322		
		1,039	1,875	1,719	2,754	8,133	11,991	68,703	75,532
		+ 11	+ 2	+ 19	+ 9	+ 26	+ 61	+ 62	+ 59
		63	59	55	89	345	396	2,517	3,225
		+ 10	- 3	+ 40	- 19	+ 141	- 49	+ 534	+ 153
		154	267	299	420	866	1,188	6,092	7,354
		- 17	+ 52	+ 158	- 19	+ 66	- 107	+ 413	- 495
		342	446	552	382	1,753	2,204	12,808	12,120
		186	28	5	21	294	360	1,027	808
		27	40	83	139	181	300	2,200	2,811
		1,086	1,751	1,682	2,959	8,295	11,531	58,836	68,185
		1,244	1,698	1,907	2,313	11,389	13,398	72,047	68,720
		188	244	391	495	1,353	1,792	10,850	12,288
		1,436	1,942	2,300	2,811	12,760	15,207	83,076	81,110
		757	902	731	1,057	650	758	708	841
		559	985	855	1,289	4,787	7,135	32,589	37,702
		140	196	191	332	899	1,407	7,013	9,260
		449	580	448	557	420	533	452	549
		747	802	489	671	664	785	646	754
		31	26	29	15	293	232	992	805
		28	19	42	29	253	397	1,539	1,427
		-	1	1	1	20	18	143	142
		10	23	15	24	86	132	884	936
		3	6	3	12	18	38	203	305

(d) Goods for merchandising and canteen supplies are included for 1958 but excluded for 1954.

(e) Persons engaged in merchandising or factoring and canteen workers are included for 1958 but excluded for 1954.

(f) Excluding expenditure at establishments not yet in production.

Summary for small firms, 1958

TABLE 2(ii) Firms employing fewer than 25 persons that made satisfactory returns: United Kingdom (a)

	Unit	1958 (b)	
Number of returns	No.	1,508	
Sales	£'000	goods produced and work done	22,492
		merchanted goods	643
Purchases of materials and fuel (b)	"	12,027	
Payments for work done on materials given out	"	195	
Net output (c)	"	10,913	
Total employment, including working proprietors (d)			
Males	No.	10,831	
Females	"	2,137	

- (a) Only a sample of firms supplied the full range of information, the remainder giving employment figures only. Except for employment, the figures given are estimates based on the full returns made, which accounted for 43 per cent. of the total employment shown, which itself represents 85 per cent. of estimated employment in small firms in this industry (including those for which satisfactory returns were not made).
- (b) Goods for merchandising and canteen supplies are included.
- (c) Here defined as the difference between the value of sales and the cost of purchases of materials and fuel, less payments for work done on materials given out.
- (d) Persons engaged in merchandising or factoring and canteen workers are included.

Analysis by size of enterprise within the industry, 1958

TABLE 3 Firms employing 25 or more persons: United Kingdom

Average number employed by the enterprise in this industry (a)	Enterprises	Establishments	Total sales (b)	Net output	Employees		Wages and salaries		Capital expenditure (c)	Net output per person employed (a)
					Operatives	Others	Operatives	Others		
	Number	Number	£'000	£'000	Number	Number	£'000	£'000	£'000	£
25 - 49	223	249	14,455	6,592	7,255	1,003	3,832	758	332	793
50 - 99	181	203	24,773	11,064	10,773	1,885	5,868	1,378	514	872
100 - 199	116	144	31,452	14,221	13,976	2,189	7,756	1,601	585	878
200 - 299	30	40	13,393	6,207	6,148	1,095	3,633	773	342	857
300 - 399	10	13	6,820	3,217	3,153	424	1,881	361	205	899
400 - 499	12	14	10,739	5,398	4,469	882	2,767	756	303	1,009
500 - 749	6	12	7,118	3,352	3,062	618	1,856	510	188	911
750 - 999	4	13	7,883	3,577	2,856	467	1,663	342	103	1,077
1,000 and over	8	107	30,987	14,557	17,028	3,725	8,445	2,782	598	701 (d)
Total	590	795	147,620	68,185	68,720	12,288	37,702	9,260	3,169	841 (d)

- (a) Including working proprietors.
- (b) Value of sales of goods (including merchanted goods), work done, and canteen takings.
- (c) Capital expenditure on new building work and on acquisition of plant, machinery and vehicles. Excluding expenditure for establishments not yet in production.
- (d) If an enterprise mainly employing disabled persons was excluded from the above figures, the net output per person employed would be:

Average number employed	Net output per person employed
1,000 and over	£ 1,046
All firms	917

Estimates of total sales of principal products of the industry, 1958

TABLE 4 (i) Firms that made satisfactory returns: United Kingdom

	Totals for larger firms and for small firms (a)	Small firms (b)
	£'000	£'000
Furniture and upholstery		
Bedroom furniture: wardrobes, bedroom suite second and third pieces (including chests, dressing tables, cupboards and other bedroom furniture) and bedstead ends	33,200	2,387
Living room, dining room, etc. furniture: sideboards, dining tables, bureaux, bookcases, secretaires, etc. and occasional furniture not elsewhere specified	21,476	3,215
Chairs: dining room chairs (including bedroom and other small chairs with upholstered and padded seats)	8,057	808
Upholstered furniture: fireside and adjustable chairs, easy chairs, settees, bed-settees, studio couches, but excluding divans and upholstered spring bases (c)	42,281	6,152
All other furniture and upholstery, not elsewhere specified (e.g. woven fibre, kitchen, nursery, ship, school and office furniture) (d)	47,687	4,018
Other products (e)	5,838	4,602
Work done on commission, repair work, sub-contract work, etc.	4,814	1,308
Total	163,353	22,492

- (a) Including sales of principal products of the industry by larger firms, but not by small firms, classified to other industries. For a more detailed analysis of sales by larger firms see Table 4(ii).
 (b) Estimates based on a sample which covered about 43 per cent. of the total employment of small firms.
 (c) Excluding production by larger firms of upholstered furniture without wooden or metal frames.
 (d) Including sales of furniture wholly or mainly of metal by larger and small firms classified to this industry.
 (e) Including any sales by small firms of goods other than principal products of the industry (but excluding merchanted goods).

Sales of principal products of the industry by larger firms, including sales by establishments classified to other industries

TABLE 4(ii) Firms employing 25 or more persons: United Kingdom

Industry sub-division (a)	1954		1958	
	Value	Value	Enterprises	Entries
	£'000	£'000	Number	Number
Furniture wholly or mainly of wood (including upholstered furniture)				
01 Bedroom furniture: wardrobes, bedroom suite second and third pieces (including chests, dressing tables, cupboards, and other bedroom furniture) and bedstead ends	33,073	30,813	236	259
01 Living room, dining room, etc., furniture (excluding chairs): sideboards, dining tables, bureaux, bookcases, secretaires, etc. and occasional furniture not elsewhere specified	20,829	18,261	288	297
01 Chairs and stools: excluding fireside, adjustable, easy and nursery chairs	7,386	7,249	185	194
01 Kitchen furniture: kitchen cabinets, kitchen tables, built-in kitchen furniture	6,685	9,684	124	130
01 Nursery furniture: cots, playpens, high and low chairs, etc.	992	1,431	30	32
- 02 Upholstered furniture (with wooden or metal frames): fireside and adjustable chairs, easy chairs, settees, bed-settees, studio couches, but excluding divans and upholstered spring bases	34,879	36,129	288	306
05 Built-in furniture, not elsewhere specified (e.g. cupboards, wardrobes, chests, etc.)	(b)	760	41	43
03 Office furniture	2,765	3,355	110	114
04 School furniture	3,204	5,603	91	97
05 Wireless and television cabinets	8,961	11,222	65	67
- 05 Other furniture, not elsewhere specified, for example, for ships, churches, railway carriages, public vehicles, aircraft, theatres, cinemas, etc.	4,573	4,399	111	114
Component parts of furniture				
05 Of chairs, etc.	1,358	968	33	33
05 Of other furniture	635	2,537	44	46
05 Unclassified	542	(c)
05 Woven fibre, willow, cane or wicker furniture of all kinds, including domestic basketware	1,482	1,584	18	18
05 Upholstered furniture not elsewhere specified, e.g. pouffes	292	(c)
05 Unclassified furniture	-	552	7	7
05 Upholstery trimmings sold separately	703	390	25	26
Other products		1,213	80	83

TABLE 4(ii) (contd.)

Industry sub-division (a)	1954	1958		
	Value	Value	Enter-prises	Entries
	£'000	£'000	Number	Number
Waste products	9	23	27	29
05 Work done for the trade, for example, polishing and finishing, milling, machining, veneering and other fabrication, upholstery work, carpet planning, etc.	1,291	1,575	77	83
Repairs to furniture, cabinet-ware, etc.	461	544	84	95
Other work done	448	1,386	47	56
Total	130,568	139,677
Sales in other industries (see Table 5)	6,286	6,034
Principal products of this industry sold by establishments in the industry	124,282	133,643	590	621 (d)

(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 firms, not merely sales by establishments classified to the sub-division.

(b) Not separately recorded.

(c) Owing to the risk of disclosing information relating to individual firms this output is included in 'Other products'.

(d) This figure represents the total number of returns made by larger firms in this industry, which is less than the total number of establishments shown in Table 2(i) on account of combined returns covering more than one establishment.

Sales of principal products of the industry by establishments classified to other industries

TABLE 5 Firms employing 25 or more persons: United Kingdom

	1954	1958		
	Value	Value	Entries	Principal industries in which produced (a)
	£'000	£'000	Number	
Furniture wholly or mainly of wood (including upholstered furniture)				
Bedroom furniture: wardrobes, bedroom suite second and third pieces (including chests, dressing tables, cupboards, and other bedroom furniture) and bedstead ends	884	557	35	112, 113, 121
Living room, dining room, etc., furniture (excluding chairs): sideboards, dining tables, bureaux, bookcases, secretaires, etc. and occasional furniture not elsewhere specified	762	727	49	110, 112, 113, 124
Chairs and stools: excluding fireside, adjustable, easy and nursery chairs	32	94	11	112, 115, 128
Kitchen furniture: kitchen cabinets, kitchen tables, built-in kitchen furniture	301			
Nursery furniture: cots, playpens, high and low chairs, etc.	174	268	11	68, 112, 124
Upholstered furniture (with wooden or metal frames): fireside and adjustable chairs, easy chairs, settees, bed-settees, studio couches, but excluding divans and upholstered spring bases	1,332	1,973	57	63, 81, 112, 113
Built-in furniture, not elsewhere specified (e.g. cupboards, wardrobes, chests, etc.)	(b)	38	8	112, 113
Office furniture	162	191	15	113, 118, 126
School furniture	364	498	17	75, 113, 115, 128
Wireless and television cabinets	804	652	7	59, 93, 110, 114
Other furniture, not elsewhere specified, for example, for ships, churches, railway carriages, public vehicles, aircraft, theatres, cinemas, etc.	700	523	26	32, 53, 75, 113
Upholstered furniture, not elsewhere specified, e.g. pouffes	39	75	..	64, 75, 112
Unclassified furniture	-			
Component parts of furniture and upholstery trimmings sold separately	437	212	28	110, 113, 115
Woven fibre, willow, cane or wicker furniture of all kinds, including domestic basketware	44	32	..	114
Work done for the trade, for example polishing and finishing, milling, machining, veneering and other fabrication, upholstery work, carpet planning, etc.	250	195	21	112, 113, 128
Total	6,286	6,034	..	

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

(b) Not separately recorded.

Sales of other than principal products by larger firms in the industry

TABLE 6 Firms employing 25 or more persons: United Kingdom

	1954		1958	
	Quantity	Value £'000	Quantity	Value £'000
Shop and office fittings				
Built-in wooden and/or metal furniture and fittings, excluding amount charged for site-fixing				
For shops and offices (including banks)	..	250	..	483
For ships	..	119	..	59
For other purposes (other than domestic)	..	179	..	100
Shopfronts, excluding amount charged for site-fixing	..	29	..	45
		577		687
Less the value of goods included above and also included in the charges made for shop and office site-fixing shown below	..	55	..	29
		522		658
Furniture, wholly or mainly of metal and parts thereof (excluding upholstered furniture)	..	596	..	1,184
Wire mattresses	Th. 47.3	101	Th. 378	866
Other metal manufactures	..	220	..	145
Household textiles and handkerchiefs	..	248	..	6
Glass and glassware	..	35	-	-
Timber, builders' woodware, etc.	..	281	..	505
Bedding and soft furnishings				
Divan beds (excluding mattresses)	6.8 ..	51 21	91.5 ..	498 150
Bases for spring interior mattresses	14.0 ..	87 19	22.8	137
Upholstered mattresses				
Mattresses 4ft. in width and over				
Interior spring	86.4 ..	557 23	..	1,196
Other	67.8	232	13.7	44
Mattresses under 4ft. in width (other than cot mattresses)				
Interior spring	62.0	273	165 ..	717 325
Other	35.3	88	11.2	33
Cot mattresses	20.4	30	23.5	44

TABLE 6 (contd.)

	1954		1958	
	Quantity	Value £'000	Quantity Th.doz.	Value £'000
Bedding and soft furnishings (contd.)				
Bolsters and pillows	..	38	6.1	46
Cushions	2.2	27
Curtains	..	47	Th. 5.8	8
Loose covers	11
Wooden containers and baskets	..	438	..	22
Miscellaneous wood and cork manufactures				84
Domestic woodware	..	415	..	141
Other	..	63	..	666
Canvas goods and sacks	..	555	..	1,766
Other products
Work done				
Shop and office site-fixing (including value of fittings whether purchased or made)	..	35	..	18
Shop fronts	..	128	..	60
Other shop and office site-fixing	..	51	-	-
Making-up of loose covers, pelmets and curtains	..	61	-	-
Making-up of carpets
Total value of goods sold without being subjected to any manufacturing process (merchanted or factored)	4,381
Canteen takings	240
Total	13,977

TABLE 7 - Total make of intermediate products, 1958

This table is not applicable to the industry.

Employment and salaries, etc. for the week ended October 25, 1958

TABLE 8 Firms employing 25 or more persons: United Kingdom

	Males	Females	Total
	Number	Number	Number
Working proprietors	93	9	102
Operatives	57,939	11,269	69,208
Administrative, technical and clerical employees	7,689	4,712	12,401
Total employees	65,628	15,981	81,609
Average salaries, etc. paid per head for the week to administrative, technical and clerical employees	£ 18.1	£ 7.2	£ 14.0

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