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## Industrial Employment December 1998 (Final) March 1999 (Provisional)

|  | All IndustriesSeasonally <br> Unadjusted |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| March 1998 | 253,700 | Seasonally <br> Adjusted |
| December 1998 | 261,100 | 256,200 |
| March 19991 | 256,300 | 260,600 |
| Quarterly change | $-4,800$ | 258,900 |
| Annual change | $+2,600$ | $-1,700$ |
| (2, |  | $+2,700$ |

## Industrial employment up 2,600 in year to March 1999

Industrial employment was 256,300 in March 1999, an increase of 2,600 on the March 1998 figure. However, the seasonally adjusted figure fell by 1,700 between December 1998 and March 1999. This was the first fall, albeit a small one, since 1992.

The decrease of 4,800 in the unadjusted total between December 1998 and March 1999 included (See Table 2):

- a fall of 1,400 in the Food sector.
- a fall of 700 in the Textile sector.
- a fall of 700 in the Clothing, Footwear and Leather sector.
- a fall of 500 in the Metals and Engineering sector.

[^0]Table 1 Summary of Total Employment in Manufacturing, Transportable Goods and All Industries ('000) ${ }^{1}$

|  |  | Manufacturing Industries |  | Transportable Goods Industries |  | All Industries |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Unadjusted for seasonality | Seasonally Adjusted² | Unadjusted for seasonality | Seasonally Adjusted² | Unadjusted for seasonality | Seasonally Adjusted² |
| 1990 | June | 190.8 | 191.7 | 196.6 | 196.9 | 210.7 | 210.9 |
|  | September | 194.4 | 192.7 | 199.5 | 197.8 | 213.7 | 211.8 |
|  | December | 193.8 | 192.8 | 198.6 | 197.9 | 212.6 | 212.1 |
|  | Average | 191.9 |  | 197.1 |  | 211.2 |  |
| 1991 | March | 190.8 | 192.7 | 196.1 | 198.1 | 209.5 | 211.6 |
|  | June | 192.6 | 193.3 | 197.8 | 198.0 | 211.7 | 211.8 |
|  | September | 196.9 | 195.4 | 201.9 | 200.4 | 215.9 | 214.2 |
|  | December | 199.9 | 198.9 | 204.7 | 204.0 | 218.4 | 218.0 |
|  | Average | 195.1 |  | 200.1 |  | 213.9 |  |
| 1992 | March | 196.1 | 197.9 | 200.8 | 202.8 | 214.5 | 216.5 |
|  | June | 197.9 | 198.3 | 203.3 | 203.3 | 217.2 | 217.1 |
|  | September | 199.0 | 197.8 | 203.8 | 202.5 | 218.0 | 216.5 |
|  | December | 198.9 | 198.0 | 203.3 | 202.7 | 216.2 | 215.8 |
|  | Average | 198.0 |  | 202.8 |  | 216.5 |  |
| 1993 | March | 196.8 | 198.5 | 201.2 | 203.1 | 215.2 | 217.1 |
|  | June | 199.1 | 199.2 | 203.9 | 203.7 | 218.1 | 217.8 |
|  | September | 200.4 | 199.5 | 205.6 | 204.6 | 219.6 | 218.4 |
|  | December | 200.7 | 199.9 | 205.3 | 204.7 | 219.0 | 218.7 |
|  | Average | 199.3 |  | 204.0 |  | 218.0 |  |
| 1994 | March | 199.9 | 201.6 | 204.5 | 206.4 | 218.4 | 220.3 |
|  | June | 203.3 | 203.2 | 208.6 | 208.1 | 222.4 | 221.9 |
|  | September | 206.0 | 205.2 | 210.9 | 210.0 | 224.6 | 223.5 |
|  | December | 210.1 | 209.3 | 214.6 | 214.0 | 227.9 | 227.6 |
|  | Average | 204.8 |  | 209.7 |  | 223.3 |  |
| 1995 | March | 211.8 | 213.6 | 216.1 | 218.2 | 229.4 | 231.4 |
|  | June | 217.8 | 217.5 | 222.8 | 222.1 | 235.9 | 235.2 |
|  | September | 220.6 | 219.9 | 225.2 | 224.4 | 238.3 | 237.3 |
|  | December | 222.9 | 222.1 | 227.4 | 226.8 | 240.3 | 239.9 |
|  | Average | 218.3 |  | 222.9 |  | 236.0 |  |
| 1996 | March | 221.5 | 223.4 | 226.0 | 228.3 | 238.9 | 241.1 |
|  | June | 224.3 | 223.8 | 229.3 | 228.4 | 242.3 | 241.4 |
|  | September | 227.2 | 226.5 | 231.9 | 231.1 | 244.4 | 243.5 |
|  | December | 228.4 | 227.5 | 232.8 | 232.1 | 245.0 | 244.5 |
|  | Average | 225.4 |  | 230.0 |  | 242.7 |  |
| 1997 | March | 228.2 | 230.3 | 232.7 | 235.1 | 244.8 | 247.2 |
|  | June | 234.6 | 234.0 | 239.6 | 238.6 | 251.7 | 250.8 |
|  | September | 237.9 | 237.2 | 242.7 | 241.9 | 254.6 | 253.7 |
|  | December | 240.4 | 239.5 | 244.9 | 244.2 | 256.6 | 256.0 |
|  | Average | 235.3 |  | 240.0 |  | 251.9 |  |
| 1998 | March | 237.5 | 239.7 | 242.1 | 244.6 | 253.7 | 256.2 |
|  | June | 241.9 | 241.3 | 247.0 | 246.0 | 258.7 | 257.7 |
|  | September | 244.1 | 243.4 | 249.1 | 248.4 | 260.6 | 259.6 |
|  | December | 245.0 | 244.0 | 249.6 | 248.9 | 261.1 | 260.6 |
|  | Average | 242.1 |  | 247.0 |  | 258.5 |  |
| 1999 | March ${ }^{3}$ | 240.2 | 242.4 | 244.8 | 247.3 | 256.3 | 258.9 |

The data in this and subsequent tables relate to a week in the middle of each month
Based on seasonal patterns up to June 1998
Provisional

Table 2 Total Persons engaged by Industrial Sector ('000)

| Industrial Sector | NACE Code | $\begin{array}{r} 1995 \\ \hline \text { Dec } \end{array}$ | 1996 |  |  |  | $1997$ <br> Mar |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Mar | Jun | Sep | Dec |  |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 24 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.4 | 10.3 | 10.4 |
| Chemicals (incl. Man-made fibres) | 25-26 | 18.8 | 19.2 | 19.7 | 19.5 | 19.7 | 19.9 |
| Basic industrial chemicals (incl. fertilisers) | 251 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.2 |
| Pharmaceuticals | 257 | 10.1 | 10.4 | 11.0 | 10.8 | 11.0 | 11.0 |
| Chemicals, remainder (incl. Man-made fibres) | $\begin{aligned} & 255,256 \& \\ & 258-260 \end{aligned}$ | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.6 |
| Metals and Engineering | 22,31-37 | 87.3 | 87.8 | 88.7 | 91.4 | 92.0 | 94.2 |
| Production and preliminary processing of metals | 22 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Manufacture of metal articles | 31 | 13.7 | 13.6 | 13.9 | 14.0 | 14.4 | 14.4 |
| Mechanical engineering | 32 | 10.6 | 10.7 | 10.8 | 11.0 | 10.9 | 11.2 |
| Office and data processing machinery | 33 | 13.4 | 14.5 | 14.4 | 14.8 | 15.3 | 16.6 |
| Electrical engineering | 34 | 29.4 | 28.7 | 29.0 | 30.2 | 30.0 | 29.6 |
| Manufacture and assembly of motor vehicles (incl. parts) | 35 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.3 |
| Manufacture of other means of transport | 36 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Instrument engineering | 37 | 10.7 | 10.8 | 11.0 | 11.7 | 11.7 | 12.5 |
| Food | 411-423 | 40.0 | 39.0 | 39.2 | 40.0 | 40.6 | 39.4 |
| Slaughtering and preserving of meat | 412 | 12.6 | 12.1 | 12.3 | 12.7 | 12.8 | 12.0 |
| Manufacture of dairy products | 413 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 7.4 |
| Grain milling and manufacture of animal and poultry food | 416,422 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 5.7 |
| Bread, biscuit and flour confectionery Manufacture of sugar and cocoa, chocolate and sugar confectionery | 419 $420-421$ | 5.5 4.2 | 5.3 4.0 | 5.5 4.3 | 5.7 4.2 | 5.8 4.5 | 5.7 4.3 |
| Other foods | $\begin{aligned} & 411,414,415 \\ & 417 / 8 \& 423 \end{aligned}$ | 8.0 | 7.6 | 6.9 | 7.1 | 7.7 | 7.2 |
| Drink and Tobacco | 424-429 | 6.1 | 5.7 | 6.0 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.3 |
| Drink | 424-428 | 5.1 | 4.7 | 5.0 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.3 |
| Tobacco | 429 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Textile Industry | 43 | 9.5 | 9.2 | 9.1 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 8.7 |
| Wool industry | 431 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.0 |
| Knitting industry | 436 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| Other textiles | $\begin{aligned} & 432-434 \\ & 437-439 \end{aligned}$ | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| Clothing, Footwear and Leather | 44-45 | 11.0 | 10.6 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 10.3 | 10.1 |
| Leather and footwear | 44,451 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| Clothing | 453-456 | 9.7 | 9.4 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 8.9 |
| Timber and Wooden Furniture | 46 | 8.6 | 8.9 | 9.4 | 9.3 | 9.0 | 9.0 |
| Paper and Printing | 47 | 16.3 | 16.3 | 16.5 | 16.0 | 16.8 | 16.7 |
| Paper and paper products | 471-472 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 4.1 |
| Printing and publishing | 473-474 | 12.5 | 12.4 | 12.4 | 12.2 | 12.9 | 12.5 |
| Miscellaneous Industries | 14,48-49 | 15.0 | 14.6 | 15.3 | 15.5 | 15.3 | 14.6 |
| Processing of rubber | 481-482 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.1 |
| Processing of plastics | 483 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 8.6 | 8.7 | 8.8 | 8.9 |
| Other manufacturing industries | 49 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.4 | 3.3 |
| Total Manufacturing Industries |  | 222.9 | 221.5 | 224.3 | 227.2 | 228.4 | 228.2 |
| Mining, Quarrying and Turf | 111,21,23 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 4.5 |
| Total Transportable Goods Industries |  | 227.4 | 226.0 | 229.3 | 231.9 | 232.8 | 232.7 |
| of which: Industries mainly or wholly producing:- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital goods |  | 70.0 | 71.1 | 71.4 | 73.6 | 73.9 | 76.3 |
| Intermediate products |  | 65.9 | 66.2 | 68.0 | 67.3 | 67.1 | 67.2 |
| Consumer goods |  | 91.5 | 88.7 | 89.9 | 90.9 | 91.8 | 89.3 |
| Electricity, Gas and Water | 13,16 \& 17 | 12.9 | 12.9 | 12.9 | 12.6 | 12.2 | 12.1 |
| All Industries | 1-4 | 240.3 | 238.9 | 242.3 | 244.4 | 245.0 | 244.8 |
| of which: Energy producing industries | $\begin{aligned} & 11,13,14,16 \\ & \& 239 \end{aligned}$ | 13.2 | 13.2 | 13.7 | 13.1 | 12.5 | 12.4 |

Table 2 Total Persons engaged by Industrial Sector ('000) - continued

| 1997 |  |  | 1998 |  |  |  | 1999 | NACE <br> Code | Industrial Sector |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jun | Sep | Dec | Mar | Jun | Sep | Dec | Mar ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |
| 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.5 | 10.4 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 24 | Non-Metallic Mineral Products |
| 20.5 | 20.9 | 20.9 | 21.3 | 22.1 | 22.3 | 22.7 | 22.6 | 25-26 | Chemicals (incl. Man-made fibres) |
| 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 251 | Basic industrial chemicals (incl. fertilisers) |
| 11.3 | 11.8 | 11.9 | 12.2 | 12.8 | 13.0 | 13.1 | 13.1 | $\begin{aligned} & 257 \\ & 255,256 \text { \& } \end{aligned}$ | Pharmaceuticals <br> Chemicals, remainder (incl. Man-made fibres) |
| 6.9 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 258-260 |  |
| 98.6 | 99.8 | 101.3 | 99.9 | 102.2 | 102.8 | 102.1 | 101.6 | 22,31-37 | Metals and Engineering |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 22 | Production and preliminary processing of metals |
| 14.9 | 14.7 | 14.5 | 14.3 | 14.6 | 14.7 | 14.8 | 14.6 | 31 | Manufacture of metal articles |
| 11.5 | 11.4 | 11.8 | 11.9 | 12.1 | 11.9 | 11.8 | 12.2 | 32 | Mechanical engineering |
| 18.3 | 18.3 | 18.5 | 17.1 | 17.4 | 16.8 | 16.3 | 16.7 | 33 | Office and data processing machinery |
| 31.2 | 32.5 | 33.1 | 32.7 | 33.9 | 34.6 | 34.2 | 32.9 | 34 | Electrical engineering <br> Manufacture and assembly of motor vehicles |
| 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 35 | Manufacture and assembly of motor vehicles (incl. parts) |
| 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 36 | Manufacture of other means of transport |
| 13.0 | 13.1 | 13.5 | 13.9 | 14.3 | 14.5 | 14.6 | 14.6 | 37 | Instrument engineering |
| 39.3 | 40.0 | 40.7 | 40.3 | 40.6 | 41.5 | 42.6 | 41.2 | 411-423 | Food |
| 12.4 | 12.5 | 12.6 | 12.5 | 12.9 | 13.7 | 14.0 | 13.5 | 412 | Slaughtering and preserving of meat |
| 7.5 | 7.6 | 7.1 | 7.3 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 6.7 | 7.0 | 413 | Manufacture of dairy products |
| 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 416,422 | Grain milling and manufacture of animal and poultry food |
| 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 5.0 | 419 | Bread, biscuit and flour confectionery Manufacture of sugar and cocoa, |
| 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.5 | 4.3 | $\begin{aligned} & 420-421 \\ & 411,414,415 \end{aligned}$ | chocolate and sugar confectionery Other foods |
| 6.6 | 7.4 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.4 | 7.8 | 8.9 | 8.5 | 417/8 \& 423 |  |
| 5.6 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 5.8 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 5.8 | 424-429 | Drink and Tobacco |
| 4.7 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 4.8 | 5.1 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 4.9 | 424-428 | Drink |
| 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 429 | Tobacco |
| 8.8 | 8.5 | 8.3 | 8.1 | 7.9 | 8.0 | 7.7 | 7.0 | 43 | Textile Industry |
| 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 431 | Wool industry |
| 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 3.6 | $\begin{aligned} & 436 \\ & 432-434 \end{aligned}$ | Knitting industry Other textiles |
| 3.3 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 437-439 |  |
| 9.9 | 9.4 | 9.8 | 9.7 | 9.5 | 9.4 | 9.5 | 8.8 | 44-45 | Clothing, Footwear and Leather |
| 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 44,451 | Leather and footwear |
| 8.7 | 8.2 | 8.6 | 8.5 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 7.7 | 453-456 | Clothing |
| 9.4 | 9.4 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 9.8 | 10.3 | 10.3 | 10.3 | 46 | Timber and Wooden Furniture |
| 16.6 | 17.0 | 17.2 | 16.8 | 17.2 | 17.6 | 17.9 | 17.5 | 47 | Paper and Printing |
| 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 471-472 | Paper and paper products |
| 12.5 | 12.9 | 13.0 | 12.7 | 12.9 | 13.1 | 13.6 | 13.2 | 473-474 | Printing and publishing |
| 15.3 | 15.9 | 15.8 | 15.6 | 15.8 | 15.3 | 15.2 | 14.6 | 14,48-49 | Miscellaneous Industries |
| 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 481-482 | Processing of rubber |
| 9.2 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.0 | 9.2 | 9.1 | 483 | Processing of plastics |
| 3.5 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.1 | 49 | Other manufacturing industries |
| 234.6 | 237.9 | 240.4 | 237.5 | 241.9 | 244.1 | 245.0 | 240.2 |  | Total Manufacturing Industries |
| 5.0 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 111,21,23 | Mining, Quarrying and Turf |
| 239.6 | 242.7 | 244.9 | 242.1 | 247.0 | 249.1 | 249.6 | 244.8 |  | Total Transportable Goods Industries |
| $\begin{aligned} & 80.2 \\ & 69.3 \\ & 90.1 \end{aligned}$ | 81.3 69.4 92.1 | 82.8 69.3 92.8 | 81.7 69.6 90.8 | 83.9 71.0 92.1 | 83.4 71.0 94.6 | $\begin{aligned} & 83.1 \\ & 70.8 \\ & 95.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 83.1 \\ & 70.0 \\ & 91.7 \end{aligned}$ |  | of which: Industries mainly or wholly producing:Capital goods Intermediate products Consumer goods |
| 12.1 | 11.8 | 11.7 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 11.5 | 13,16 \& 17 | Electricity, Gas and Water |
| 251.7 | 254.6 | 256.6 | 253.7 | 258.7 | 260.6 | 261.1 | 256.3 | 1-4 | All Industries |
| 12.8 | 12.4 | 12.0 | 12.0 | 12.5 | 12.2 | 11.9 | 12.0 | $\begin{aligned} & 11,13,14,16 \\ & \text { \&239 } \end{aligned}$ | of which: Energy producing industries |

[^1]Table 3 Details of Persons engaged in each Industrial Sector in December 1998 ('000)

|  |  | Industrial Workers |  |  | Other Persons Engaged |  |  | Total Persons Engaged |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 24 | 7.4 | 0.7 | 8.2 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 2.7 | 9.3 | 1.6 | 10.9 |
| Chemicals (incl. Man-made fibres) | 25-26 | 9.3 | 3.9 | 13.3 | 5.2 | 4.2 | 9.4 | 14.5 | 8.1 | 22.7 |
| Basic industrial chemicals (inc. Fertilisers) | 251 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 2.0 |
| Pharmaceuticals | 257 | 4.9 | 2.3 | 7.2 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 5.9 | 7.9 | 5.2 | 13.1 |
| Chemicals, remainder (incl. Man-made fibres) | $\begin{aligned} & 255,256 \\ & 258-260 \end{aligned}$ | 3.2 | 1.6 | 4.8 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 2.8 | 4.8 | 2.8 | 7.6 |
| Metals and Engineering | 22,31-37 | 44.5 | 25.4 | 69.9 | 21.0 | 11.2 | 32.2 | 65.5 | 36.6 | 102.1 |
| Production and preliminary processing of metals | 22 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 1.8 |
| Manufacture of metal articles | 31 | 10.3 | 1.2 | 11.5 | 2.1 | 1.2 | 3.2 | 12.4 | 2.4 | 14.8 |
| Mechanical engineering | 32 | 7.7 | 1.0 | 8.7 | 2.2 | 0.9 | 3.1 | 9.8 | 1.9 | 11.8 |
| Office and data processing machinery | 33 | 4.7 | 3.7 | 8.3 | 5.3 | 2.7 | 8.0 | 10.0 | 6.3 | 16.3 |
| Electrical engineering | 34 | 10.2 | 12.0 | 22.2 | 7.8 | 4.2 | 12.0 | 18.0 | 16.2 | 34.2 |
| Manufacture and assembly of motor vehicles (incl. Parts) | 35 | 2.5 | 0.3 | 2.7 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 2.9 | 0.5 | 3.3 |
| Manufacture of other means of transport | 36 | 3.9 | 0.2 | 4.1 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 4.8 | 0.5 | 5.3 |
| Instrument engineering | 37 | 3.9 | 7.0 | 10.9 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 3.7 | 6.0 | 8.6 | 14.6 |
| Food | 411-423 | 24.9 | 8.0 | 32.9 | 5.7 | 4.0 | 9.7 | 30.6 | 12.0 | 42.6 |
| Slaughtering and preserving of meat | 412 | 9.7 | 2.3 | 12.0 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 2.0 | 10.8 | 3.2 | 14.0 |
| Manufacture of dairy products | 413 | 4.0 | 0.4 | 4.4 | 1.5 | 0.9 | 2.3 | 5.5 | 1.2 | 6.7 |
| Grain milling and manufacture of animal and poultry food | 416,422 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 3.0 |
| Bread, biscuit and flour confectionery | 419 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 4.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 3.7 | 1.8 | 5.6 |
| Manufacture of sugar and cocoa, chocolate and sugar confectionery | 420-421 | 2.2 | 1.3 | 3.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 2.8 | 1.7 | 4.5 |
| Other foods | $\begin{aligned} & 411,414, \\ & 415,417 / \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 3.4 |  | 0.4 | 1.1 | 2.8 | 1.7 | 8.5 |
|  | 8 \& 423 | 4.1 | 2.5 | 6.6 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 5.4 | 3.5 | 8.9 |
| Drink and Tobacco | 424-429 | 2.8 | 0.5 | 3.3 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 2.9 | 4.7 | 1.5 | 6.2 |
| Drink | 424-428 | 2.5 | 0.2 | 2.8 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 2.6 | 4.2 | 1.1 | 5.3 |
| Tobacco | 429 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.9 |
| Textile Industry | 43 | 3.5 | 2.9 | 6.3 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 4.2 | 3.4 | 7.7 |
| Wool industry | 431 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 1.1 |
| Knitting industry | 436 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 3.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 2.2 | 3.8 |
| Other textiles | $\begin{aligned} & 432-434 \\ & 437-439 \end{aligned}$ | 1.6 | 0.6 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 2.8 |
| Clothing, Footwear and |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leather | 44-45 | 2.1 | 5.9 | 8.0 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 2.9 | 6.6 | 9.5 |
| Leather and footwear | 44,451 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 1.2 |
| Clothing | 453-456 | 1.5 | 5.5 | 7.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 6.2 | 8.3 |
| Timber and Wooden Furniture | 46 | 7.3 | 0.7 | 8.0 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 8.8 | 1.5 | 10.3 |
| Paper and Printing | 47 | 8.7 | 3.1 | 11.8 | 3.6 | 2.5 | 6.1 | 12.2 | 5.7 | 17.9 |
| Paper and paper products | 471-472 | 2.6 | 0.6 | 3.2 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 4.3 |
| Printing and publishing | 473-474 | 6.0 | 2.6 | 8.6 | 2.9 | 2.1 | 5.0 | 8.9 | 4.7 | 13.6 |

Table 3 Details of Persons engaged in each Industrial Sector in December 1998 ('000) - continued

|  |  | Industrial Workers |  |  | Other Persons Engaged |  |  | Total Persons Engaged |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| Miscellaneous |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Industries | 14,48/9 | 8.1 | 4.0 | 12.1 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 3.1 | 10.1 | 5.1 | 15.2 |
| Processing of rubber | 481-482 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 2.0 |
| Processing of plastics | 483 | 5.6 | 1.8 | 7.4 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 6.8 | 2.4 | 9.2 |
| Other manufacturing industries | 49 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 2.8 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 3.6 |
| Total Manufacturing Industries |  | 118.8 | 55.1 | 173.9 | 44.1 | 27.0 | 71.1 | 162.9 | 82.1 | 245.0 |
| Mining, Quarrying and Turf | $\begin{aligned} & 111,21, \\ & 23 \end{aligned}$ | 3.3 | 0.1 | 3.4 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 4.1 | 0.4 | 4.6 |
| Total Transportable Goods Industries |  | 122.1 | 55.3 | 177.3 | 45.0 | 27.3 | 72.3 | 167.0 | 82.6 | 249.6 |
| Of which: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital goods Intermediate |  | 33.9 | 20.8 | 54.8 | 18.6 | 9.7 | 28.3 | 52.5 | 30.6 | 83.1 |
| products |  | 41.7 | 8.9 | 50.6 | 12.5 | 7.7 | 20.2 | 54.2 | 16.6 | 70.8 |
| Consumer goods |  | 46.5 | 25.5 | 72.0 | 13.8 | 9.9 | 23.7 | 60.3 | 35.4 | 95.7 |
| Electricity, Gas and Water | $\begin{aligned} & 13,16, \\ & 17 \end{aligned}$ | 6.6 | 0.2 | 6.8 | 3.2 | 1.5 | 4.7 | 9.8 | 1.7 | 11.5 |
| All Industries | 1-4 | 128.6 | 55.5 | 184.1 | 48.2 | 28.8 | 77.0 | 176.8 | 84.3 | 261.1 |
| Of which: Energy producing industries | $\begin{aligned} & 11,13 \\ & 14,16 \& \\ & 239 \end{aligned}$ | 6.9 | 0.2 | 7.2 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 4.8 | 10.2 | 1.7 | 11.9 |

## Background Notes

## Scope and Coverage

The latest quarterly industrial employment estimates are given in Tables 1 and 2. These cover industrial establishments (e.g. factories) in the State with 3 or more persons engaged. Persons engaged in non-industrial activities conducted by parent undertakings at the same location or any own account workers engaged by them on a contract or fee basis are not included (see definitions below). These estimates are not directly comparable with the industrial employment estimates obtained from household surveys (such as the quarterly National Household Survey or periodic Census of Population) which include own account workers, cover very small establishments and are classified by sector on the basis of respondents' descriptions of the main activity conducted at their place of work.

Methodology Employment information for every industrial establishment known to be operating in the relevant reference week is used in compiling these estimates. The information is comprised of:

- A full breakdown of employment from completed quarterly inquiry questionnaires;
- Total employment of respondent establishments in the monthly industrial inquiry or from special annual supplementary enquiries;
- Imputed employment estimates for non-respondent establishments based on trends in employment for respondents to the quarterly inquiry of a similar size and activity.

A full description of the methodology used in compiling the quarterly estimates of industrial employment is given in a special publication entitled Industrial employment, earnings and hours worked - Updated quarterly series 1980-1986 available from the Government Publication Sale Office (Price £2.60).

Definitions Industrial establishment: This is defined as a specific industrial activity at a particular location. It covers only those persons directly engaged in the particular industrial activity and those providing support services relating to that activity (i.e. managerial, clerical, transport, maintenance, sales, etc. staff). Persons engaged in non-industrial activities conducted by the enterprise at the same location (e.g. resale of goods purchased from another enterprise) and any own account workers employed on a contract or fee basis are excluded.

Total persons engaged: All persons engaged in the industrial establishment as defined above are in this category. It includes:

- full-time and part-time employees;
- proprietors and family members not paid a definite wage or salary;
- persons on holidays or temporarily out sick.

Industrial workers: This employment category includes operatives, maintenance workers, storekeepers, packers, cleaners, basic supervisory staff and apprentices.

Other workers: this employment category includes managerial, technical, clerical and sales staff.


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