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### Introduction

This bulletin has been produced in the hope that it may be of some relevance to the increasing number of workers involved in the regional problems of the agricultural sector. It also offers material of interest to those doing research on the more general problems of manpower on a regional basis.

The data relates exclusively to the post war period and in general an attempt has been made to convert the data from various sources onto a Ministry of Labour regional basis. It was felt on the one hand that counties form too small a unit of analysis for many purposes, and on the other hand most of the data relating to general labour market conditions is produced and classified by the Ministry of Labour.

Having converted to Ministry of Labour regions important problems still remain. The definition of Ministry of Labour regions has not been constant over the post war period. In 1959 Eastern and Southern regions were combined and in 1961 three existing regions (Midlands, North Midlands and East and West Ridings) were combined to form two new regions - new Midlands (old Midlands plus North Midlands minus Lincolnshire) and Yorkshire and Lincolnshire (old East and West Ridings plus Lincolnshire).

The major deficiency is regional data on wage earnings. Industrial wage earnings at the regional level are only available as from 1960. The position for agriculture is even worse with data for 1961-

1963. Also, there is no available data on regional cost of living differences, an important omission in published statistics which should be corrected. Definitions and sources of data will be found in the Appendix.

Table I.1 AGRICULTURAL EARNINGS

This table has been omitted at the request of the Ministry of Agriculture, who are not prepared to release the statistics for general use.

Table I.2. INDUSTRIAL EARNINGS (London and S.E. 1960 = 100)

	London and South East	Eastern and Southern	South West	Midland	Yorks and Lincs	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1960	100	97.5	88.1	102.1	93.3	93.4	93.7	88.9	98.3	78.0
1961	107.6	103.7	95.8	108.1	100.4	100.7	101.7	95.2	104.5	82.5
1962	113.9	109.0	100.1	112.3	103.7	104.5	103.9	98.2	108.4	85.0
1963	117.7	112.4	104.0	115.0	106.5	107.7	105.4	102.1	113.2	89.1
1964	127.0	123.0	114.9	126.5	116.2	117.3	116.1	112.0	121.9	98.7

Table I.2.      INDUSTRIAL EARNINGS

	London and South East		Eastern and Southern		South West		Midland		Yorks and Lincs		North West		Northern		Scotland		Wales		Northern Ireland	
	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d	s	d
1960	291	1	283	10	256	5	297	4	271	7	272	0	272	11	258	9	286	3	227	1
1961	313	1	301	10	279	0	314	9	292	4	293	3	296	0	277	1	303	6	240	1
1962	331	6	317	5	291	6	326	10	301	9	304	4	302	8	285	11	315	8	247	6
1963	342	9	327	4	302	9	334	9	310	0	313	5	306	11	297	4	329	7	259	5
1964	369	6	358	0	334	6	368	3	338	4	341	5	337	11	326	2	354	11	287	5

Table II.1.

## TOTAL AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYEES

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1948	101,961	85,515	46,230	68,693	50,782	70,205	32,198	34,079	39,139	89,414	37,894	61,327
1949	102,665	84,814	48,634	70,992	53,335	74,407	33,538	34,889	40,169	89,337	39,084	56,935
1950	100,540	83,533	49,933	71,201	52,369	72,123	33,167	34,006	39,517	88,128	37,857	53,861
1951	96,660	80,861	46,854	68,735	50,253	70,797	32,158	32,029	38,085	87,710	35,640	50,117
1952	93,989	77,653	45,085	65,824	48,177	67,669	31,144	30,745	36,953	84,701	34,750	46,269
1953	90,605	75,691	43,875	64,618	47,292	65,548	30,410	29,819	36,596	79,954	34,214	45,004
1954	86,878	73,549	42,376	63,064	46,248	63,571	29,980	28,682	36,408	78,029	32,980	43,560
1955	81,367	70,732	40,213	60,209	43,509	61,530	28,308	26,685	34,603	75,807	31,062	40,780
1956	77,402	68,051	38,144	56,853	41,523	58,326	26,448	25,174	32,838	72,963	29,517	38,690
1957	75,392	67,404	37,710	56,181	41,178	57,553	26,314	24,812	32,041	71,800	28,997	36,686
1958	71,792	65,021	36,247	54,892	39,764	55,773	25,445	23,886	31,256	70,591	27,957	35,128
1959	69,273	99,691		54,596	38,999	54,884	25,229	23,667	30,923	68,624	27,182	33,738
1960	66,145	96,207		52,236	37,100	50,622	24,074	22,546	29,820	66,988	26,262	32,695
1961	61,952	92,156		49,427	35,228	47,813	22,747	21,529	28,402	65,634	23,875	30,091
1962	59,071	87,327		47,268	34,040	46,339	22,025	20,936	27,604	62,200	22,399	29,700
1963	56,830	84,261		45,696	32,868	45,710	21,521	20,518	26,941	59,600	21,823	27,200
1964	52,608	79,609		42,550	30,576	42,640	20,099	19,283	25,515	55,685	20,244	



Table II.2.(a)

## MIGRATION OF AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYEES : ABSOLUTE

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1948	- 5,603	- 1,868	- 1,732	- 2,593	- 2,417	15	- 379	- 741	- 62	- 1,245	- 549	4,072
1949	- 704	1,331	- 2,404	- 2,299	- 2,553	- 4,202	- 1,340	- 810	- 1,050	77	- 1,190	4,392
1950	2,125	651	- 1,299	- 209	966	2,284	371	883	652	1,209	1,227	3,074
1951	3,880	2,672	1,363	2,466	2,116	1,326	1,009	1,977	452	410	2,217	3,744
1952	2,671	3,208	1,769	2,911	2,076	3,128	1,014	1,284	1,152	3,009	890	3,848
1953	3,384	1,962	1,210	1,206	885	2,121	734	926	357	4,747	536	1,265
1954	3,727	2,142	1,499	1,554	1,044	1,977	430	1,137	188	1,925	1,234	1,444
1955	5,511	2,817	2,163	2,855	2,739	2,041	1,672	1,997	1,805	2,222	1,918	2,780
1956	3,965	2,681	2,069	3,356	1,986	3,204	1,860	1,511	1,765	2,844	1,545	2,090
1957	2,010	647	434	672	345	773	134	362	797	1,163	520	2,004
1958	3,600	2,383	1,897	1,289	1,414	1,780	869	926	785	1,209	1,040	1,558
1959	2,519	1,577		206	765	889	216	219	333	1,967	775	1,390
1960	3,128	3,484		2,360	1,899	4,262	1,155	1,121	1,103	1,636	920	1,043
1961	4,193	4,051		2,809	1,872	2,809	1,327	1,017	1,418	1,354	2,387	2,604
1962	2,881	4,829		2,159	1,188	1,474	722	593	798	3,434	1,476	391
1963	2,241	3,066		1,572	1,172	629	504	418	663	2,600	576	2,500
1964	4,222	4,652		3,146	2,292	3,070	1,422	1,235	1,426	3,915	1,579	1,620

Table II.2.(b)

## MIGRATION OF AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYEES : PERCENTAGE

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1948	- 5.81	- 2.23	- 3.89	- 3.92	- 4.99	.02	- 1.19	- 2.22	- .15	- 1.41	- 1.47	6.23
1949	- 0.69	1.55	- 5.20	- 3.34	- 5.02	- 5.98	- 4.16	- 2.37	- 2.63	0.08	- 3.14	7.16
1950	2.06	0.77	- 2.67	0.29	1.81	3.07	1.10	2.53	1.62	1.35	3.13	5.40
1951	3.85	3.19	2.82	3.46	4.04	1.84	3.04	5.81	3.62	0.46	5.85	6.95
1952	2.76	3.96	3.77	4.23	4.13	4.41	3.15	4.00	2.97	3.46	2.49	7.68
1953	3.60	2.52	2.68	1.83	1.83	3.13	2.35	3.01	0.96	5.60	1.54	2.73
1954	4.11	2.82	3.41	2.40	2.20	3.01	1.41	3.81	0.51	2.40	3.60	3.21
1955	6.34	3.83	5.10	4.52	5.92	3.21	5.57	6.96	4.95	2.84	5.81	6.38
1956	4.87	3.79	5.14	5.57	4.56	5.20	6.57	5.66	5.10	3.75	4.97	5.13
1957	2.59	0.95	1.13	1.18	0.83	1.32	0.50	1.43	2.42	1.59	1.76	5.18
1958	4.77	3.53	5.03	2.29	3.43	3.09	3.30	3.73	2.44	1.68	3.58	4.25
1959	3.50	1.55		0.53	1.92	1.59	0.84	0.91	1.05	2.78	2.77	3.96
1960	4.51	3.49		4.32	4.86	7.76	4.58	4.73	3.55	2.38	3.38	3.09
1961	6.33	4.21		5.37	5.05	5.55	5.51	4.51	4.75	2.02	9.08	7.97
1962	4.65	5.24		4.36	3.37	3.08	3.17	2.75	2.80	5.23	6.18	1.30
1963	3.79	3.51		3.32	3.44	1.36	2.28	1.99	2.40	4.18	2.57	9.19
1964	7.43	5.52		6.89	6.98	6.72	6.61	6.02	5.29	6.57	7.24	5.96

Table II.3.(a) TOTAL AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYEES

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1959	71,500	155,880		69,390	48,420	65,210	26,680	25,250	33,290	84,950	21,730	50,124
1960	69,200	149,550		66,890	45,800	62,970	28,140	24,740	32,880	82,710	19,880	48,753
1961	66,170	139,540		65,100	43,550	59,880	25,750	23,750	28,490	80,610	18,730	44,558
1962	63,170	134,320		61,320	Midland 65,340	Yorks and Lines 57,690		23,190	28,100	77,590	17,900	44,760
1963	61,860	127,190		60,880	66,470		58,480	22,620	26,590	77,340	18,210	41,438
1964	60,030	122,660		57,200	60,360		55,840	21,540	25,320	72,450	15,660	39,390

Table II.3.(b)

REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYEES AS A PERCENTAGE OF  
U.K. AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYEES

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1959	10.91	23.78		10.59	7.39	9.95	4.07	3.85	5.08	12.96	3.32	7.65
1960	10.96	23.68		10.59	7.25	9.97	4.46	3.92	5.21	13.10	3.15	7.72
1961	11.10	23.41		10.92	7.31	10.04	4.32	3.98	4.78	13.52	3.14	7.47
1962	11.03	23.45		10.70	Midland 11.41	Yorks and Lincs 10.07		4.05	5.01	13.54	3.12	7.73
1963	11.03	22.67		10.85	11.85		10.42	4.03	4.74	13.78	3.25	7.39
1964	11.32	23.12		10.78	11.38		10.53	4.06	4.77	13.66	2.95	7.43

Table II.3.(c)

REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYEES AS A PERCENTAGE OF  
REGIONAL TOTAL EMPLOYEES

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1959	1.30	6.72		5.68	2.25	4.34	1.44	0.85	2.56	3.95	2.28	10.53
1960	1.24	6.22		5.40	2.06	4.10	1.50	0.83	2.52	3.83	2.06	10.11
1961	1.16	5.71		5.12	1.94	3.82	1.36	0.79	2.18	3.73	1.92	9.23
1962	1.09	5.33		4.75	1.82	2.63	2.63	0.77	2.19	3.54	1.83	9.11
1963	1.06	4.97		4.65	1.85	2.64	2.64	0.75	2.03	3.54	1.85	8.17
1964	1.04	4.65		4.30	1.66	2.51	2.51	0.71	1.94	3.31	1.58	7.94

Table II.4.

## PERCENTAGE AGRICULTURAL UNEMPLOYMENT

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1948	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.7	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.4	4.2
1949	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.7	0.4	0.4	1.4	1.3	1.0	1.3	2.0	5.2
1950	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.9	1.2	1.1	1.5	1.8	6.2
1951	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.2	1.4	6.0
1952	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.4	1.0	1.1	0.9	1.4	1.2	5.6
1953	0.8	1.0	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.6	1.5	1.4	1.0	1.7	1.4	8.4
1954	0.8	1.0	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.4	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.7	1.3	7.6
1955	0.6	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.6	1.3	9.3
1956	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.7	1.6	9.3
1957	0.9	1.4	0.7	1.1	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.8	1.7	9.6
1958	1.1	1.9	0.7	1.4	1.1	1.4	2.1	1.6	1.4	2.8	2.2	11.2
1959	1.0	2.0	0.7	1.5	1.3	1.8	2.2	1.9	1.8	3.7	2.3	8.6
1960	0.8	1.3		1.2	0.9	1.4	1.8	1.5	1.4	3.1	1.6	8.6
1961	0.6	1.1		1.0	0.8	1.1	1.3	0.6	1.3	2.9	1.4	10.2
1962	0.8	1.4		1.2	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.6	3.1	2.0	8.9
1963	0.9	1.5		1.5	Midlands		Yorks and Lincs	1.9	2.3	4.2	2.4	9.9
1964	0.8	1.2		1.2	1.0	1.9		1.3	1.9	4.1	1.7	12.0

Table II.5. PERCENTAGE AGRICULTURAL UNFILLED VACANCIES

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1948	0.5	1.2	0.6	1.1	1.0	1.2	0.5	1.2	0.4	0.6	0.6	n.a.
1949	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.5	n.a.
1950	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.4	n.a.
1951	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.4	n.a.
1952	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.2	0.6	n.a.
1953	0.2	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.9	1.3	0.5	0.3	0.9	0.2
1954	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.6	1.0	0.8	1.3	0.4	0.2	1.0	0.1
1955	0.8	0.5	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.6	0.7	0.3	1.5	0.1
1956	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	2.1	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
1957	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4
1958	0.5	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	1.0	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2
1959	0.5	0.6		0.6	0.9	0.2	0.8	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1
1960	0.8	0.6		0.6	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.1
1961	0.8	0.6		0.6	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.2
1962	0.6	0.4		0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1
1963	0.7	0.6		0.4	Midland 0.4	Yorks and Lincs 0.5		0.3	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2
1964	1.1	0.9		0.6	0.6	0.5		0.5	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.1

Table II.6

PERCENTAGE AGRICULTURAL UNEMPLOYMENT MINUS UNFILLED VACANCIES

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1948	- 0.1	- 0.8	- 0.2	- 0.7	- 0.7	- 0.9	0.2	- 0.0	0.7	0.8	0.9	n.a.
1949	0.4	0.4	- 0.1	- 0.1	0.1	0.0	1.0	0.8	0.7	1.0	1.5	n.a.
1950	0.2	0.1	- 0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.5	0.6	0.9	1.4	1.4	n.a.
1951	0.1	- 0.2	- 0.4	- 0.2	- 0.1	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.4	1.0	1.1	n.a.
1952	0.4	0.1	- 0.2	- 0.1	- 0.1	- 0.1	0.6	0.4	0.5	1.1	0.6	n.a.
1953	0.6	0.3	- 0.3	- 0.3	- 0.0	- 0.1	0.6	0.0	0.4	1.4	0.5	8.2
1954	0.6	0.6	0.0	- 0.1	- 0.0	- 0.6	0.4	- 0.2	0.6	1.5	0.3	7.4
1955	0.4	0.3	- 0.4	- 0.5	- 0.4	- 0.3	- 0.2	- 0.7	0.3	1.3	- 0.2	9.3
1956	0.3	0.4	0.2	1.0	0.7	- 1.5	1.6	1.2	1.0	2.5	1.8	9.
1957	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.8	0.5	0.7	1.1	0.6	0.9	1.5	1.4	9.2
1958	0.6	1.1	0.3	1.1	0.8	1.2	1.5	0.7	1.2	2.6	1.9	11.0
1959	0.6	0.0		0.9	0.4	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.6	3.4	2.0	8.4
1960	0.0	0.7		0.6	0.5	0.7	1.5	1.0	1.2	3.0	1.1	8.4
1961	- 0.2	0.5		0.4	0.3	0.4	0.9	0.2	1.0	2.7	0.8	9.9
1962	0.2	1.0		0.8	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.5	3.0	1.6	8.8
1963	0.3	0.9		1.1	Midlands 1.1		Yorks and Lincs 1.8	1.7	2.1	4.1	3.8	8.9
1964	- 0.4	0.3		0.6	0.4		1.3	0.8	1.7	3.9	1.2	11.9



Table III.1.

## TOTAL EMPLOYEES

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1948	5,058,000	1,033,000	930,000	1,050,000	1,955,000	1,359,000	1,771,000	2,837,000	1,217,000	2,090,000	920,000	462,000
1949	5,109,000	1,044,000	919,000	1,049,000	1,949,000	1,379,000	1,769,000	2,886,000	1,219,000	2,086,000	911,000	462,000
1950	5,180,000	1,066,000	935,000	1,060,000	1,972,000	1,398,000	1,797,000	2,915,000	1,241,000	2,105,000	921,000	464,000
1951	5,184,000	1,074,000	946,000	1,056,000	2,010,000	1,404,000	1,821,000	2,956,000	1,237,000	2,105,000	912,000	466,000
1952	5,259,000	1,038,000	965,000	1,071,000	2,020,000	1,405,000	1,795,000	2,942,000	1,237,000	2,102,000	916,000	465,000
1953	5,284,000	1,101,000	981,000	1,076,000	2,011,000	1,418,000	1,785,000	2,935,000	1,247,000	2,116,000	926,000	467,000
1954	5,385,000	1,125,000	983,000	1,096,000	2,064,000	1,434,000	1,808,000	2,971,000	1,256,000	2,138,000	925,000	470,000
1955	5,342,000	1,190,000	1,047,000	1,113,000	2,132,000	1,463,000	1,831,000	2,963,000	1,260,000	2,153,000	946,000	473,000
1956	5,430,000	1,205,000	1,065,000	1,124,000	2,146,000	1,484,000	1,857,000	2,987,000	1,283,000	2,146,000	955,000	473,000
1957	5,494,000	1,232,000	1,075,000	1,137,000	2,138,000	1,501,000	1,869,000	2,997,000	1,286,000	2,165,000	956,000	476,000
1958	5,468,000	1,258,000	1,026,000	1,197,000	2,137,000	1,500,000	1,857,000	2,982,000	1,299,000	2,144,000	952,000	470,000
1959	5,514,990	2,318,850		1,221,070	2,148,910	1,502,530	1,850,360	2,967,150	1,300,050	2,150,700	953,390	476,000
1960	5,589,180	2,403,400		1,239,340	2,222,120	1,535,730	1,873,630	2,991,650	1,303,240	2,160,120	963,590	482,000
1961	5,694,430	2,442,530		1,270,500	2,242,210	1,567,790	1,888,770	3,009,680	1,304,260	2,161,240	972,590	483,000
1962	5,790,700	2,516,890		1,290,590	Midland 3,583,800	Yorks and Lincs. 2,190,510		3,016,040	1,312,350	2,189,450	977,670	486,000
1963	5,816,090	2,556,740		1,311,280	3,591,990	2,214,080		3,010,990	1,308,480	2,181,510	985,840	507,000
1964	5,797,000	2,637,000		1,327,000	3,627,000	2,224,000		3,023,000	1,307,000	2,187,000	991,000	496,000

Table III.2.

## TOTAL ABSOLUTE UNEMPLOYMENT

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1948	44,616	7,725	8,862	10,805	11,693	5,997	13,758	50,995	29,711	49,475	39,159	24,949
1949	44,397	7,760	10,426	11,962	12,377	5,459	13,452	43,860	28,216	52,630	31,104	27,503
1950	50,497	9,228	10,700	13,024	9,274	6,988	15,334	44,091	31,931	53,547	32,382	25,763
1951	50,799	6,368	7,528	9,242	6,836	4,247	11,747	28,698	22,346	42,310	20,655	23,748
1952	60,396	11,495	11,099	1,298	19,749	15,760	41,399	141,159	29,100	68,511	24,405	49,569
1953	54,271	10,277	10,311	13,467	20,429	8,042	19,619	53,463	25,621	56,556	25,682	36,778
1954	42,035	9,791	8,344	11,912	10,510	7,344	15,243	38,799	24,470	51,491	19,582	29,536
1955	32,590	7,843	7,153	9,684	9,417	6,602	13,647	41,440	19,906	47,319	14,942	32,377
1956	33,957	8,717	7,562	10,663	25,655	7,468	11,575	35,982	16,701	46,497	17,800	27,799
1957	42,900	12,061	9,939	15,124	25,650	14,712	14,377	42,149	18,139	49,246	20,426	32,376
1958	68,257	17,714	14,645	21,540	32,033	22,674	35,708	78,226	27,560	75,956	34,944	43,663
1959	56,599	27,512		20,253	27,262	19,686	31,113	74,446	38,762	85,311	32,367	36,157
1960	43,177	21,467		16,525	14,718	13,217	18,775	53,433	32,619	69,543	21,653	29,556
1961	42,390	19,196		13,201	18,494	11,451	14,663	40,807	25,926	59,761	20,023	33,480
1962	61,841	27,480		17,244	Midland 50,336	Yorks and Lincs 31,164		69,449	42,143	72,124	25,402	34,700
1963	70,636	31,333		20,307	56,471	37,118		83,668	56,535	94,838	29,011	36,422
1964	47,150	21,817		15,518	28,693	23,273		55,815	38,719	70,640	20,298	32,291

Table III.3.

## TOTAL ABSOLUTE UNFILED VACANCIES

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	
1948	Not available												
1949	107,802	26,538	20,650	22,581	42,689	38,424	42,124	66,529	16,118	32,853	11,087	n.a.	
1950	97,645	22,678	19,031	19,395	43,986	36,439	36,801	61,267	11,478	25,148	9,915	n.a.	
1951	124,798	29,710	25,494	27,622	58,012	41,672	44,251	72,161	16,937	33,324	13,371	n.a.	
1952	73,586	21,647	20,828	20,978	39,739	26,117	24,476	30,182	12,662	23,775	11,077	n.a.	
1953	76,071	20,379	18,714	18,464	29,140	29,986	26,993	35,033	11,807	21,819	8,796	924	
1954	93,833	23,105	22,483	19,841	42,787	32,358	29,867	46,510	11,704	20,681	10,482	1,251	
1955	127,549	30,138	28,316	24,943	55,321	36,345	35,316	52,318	15,517	23,398	14,064	997	
1956	111,043	28,906	24,158	23,137	39,588	35,650	34,880	46,117	16,294	22,910	13,961	1,080	
1957	86,950	24,420	18,094	18,659	22,947	25,093	28,392	38,593	14,017	20,392	11,068	1,125	
1958	57,691	17,466	13,091	17,194	19,382	15,528	15,509	23,734	10,080	14,301	8,131	771	
1959	72,160	38,210		19,424	24,273	18,287	16,667	26,319	8,844	12,912	9,654	791	
1960	106,149	52,084		22,277	44,417	26,856	27,354	42,669	9,787	16,888	12,399	957	
1961	111,034	50,658		25,250	38,427	30,450	31,177	48,323	11,597	19,848	16,560	668	
1962	75,370	37,374		18,641	Midland 37,324		Yorks and Lincs 23,677		26,691	7,832	14,638	10,186	632
1963	68,814	34,517		18,214	29,688		18,543		19,716	6,168	12,271	7,229	1,374
1964	111,182	58,943		24,131	25,422		33,353		36,441	9,732	17,588	11,565	1,420

Table III.4.

## TOTAL ABSOLUTE UNEMPLOYMENT MINUS UNFILLED VACANCIES

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1948	Not available											
1949	-63,405	-18,778	-10,224	-10,619	-30,312	-32,965	-28,672	-22,669	12,098	19,777	20,017	n.a.
1950	-47,148	-13,450	- 8,331	- 6,371	-34,712	-29,451	-21,467	-17,176	20,453	33,399	22,467	n.a.
1951	-93,999	-23,342	-17,966	-18,380	-51,176	-37,425	-32,504	-43,463	5,373	8,986	7,284	n.a.
1952	-13,190	-10,152	- 9,729	- 7,997	-19,990	-10,357	16,923	110,977	16,438	44,736	13,328	n.a.
1953	-21,800	-10,102	- 8,403	- 4,997	- 8,711	-21,944	- 7,374	18,430	13,814	34,737	16,886	35,854
1954	-51,798	-13,314	-14,139	- 7,929	-52,277	-25,014	-14,624	- 7,711	12,766	50,810	9,100	28,285
1955	-94,959	-22,295	-21,163	-15,259	-45,904	-29,743	-21,669	-10,878	4,389	23,921	878	31,380
1956	-77,086	-20,189	-16,596	-12,474	-13,933	-28,182	-23,305	-10,135	407	23,587	3,839	26,719
1957	-44,050	-12,359	- 8,155	- 3,535	2,703	-10,381	-14,015	3,556	4,122	28,854	9,358	31,251
1958	10,566	248	1,554	4,346	12,651	7,146	20,199	54,492	17,480	61,655	26,813	42,892
1959	-15,561	-10,698		829	2,989	1,399	14,446	43,127	29,918	72,399	22,713	35,366
1960	-62,972	-30,617		- 5,752	-29,699	-13,639	- 8,579	10,764	28,832	52,655	9,254	28,599
1961	-68,644	-31,462		-12,049	-19,933	-18,999	-16,514	- 7,516	14,329	39,913	3,463	32,812
1962	-13,529	- 9,894	- 1,397		Midland 13,012	Yorks & Lincs -7,487		42,758	34,311	57,486	15,216	34,068
1963	1,822	- 3,184	2,093		26,783	-18,575		63,952	50,367	82,567	21,782	35,048
1964	-64,032	-37,126		- 8,613	3,271	10,080		19,374	28,987	53,052	8,733	30,871

Table III.5. TOTAL PERCENTAGE UNEMPLOYMENT

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	
1948	1.5	1.0	1.5	1.5	0.5	0.5	1.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	5.5	5.4	
1949	0.9	0.7	1.1	1.1	0.6	0.4	0.8	1.5	2.3	2.5	3.6	6.0	
1950	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.2	0.5	0.5	0.9	1.5	2.6	2.7	3.4	5.6	
1951	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.3	0.3	0.6	1.8	1.8	2.0	2.2	5.1	
1952	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.1	2.3	4.9	2.3	3.2	2.6	10.6	
1953	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.3	1.0	0.6	1.1	1.8	2.1	2.7	2.8	7.9	
1954	0.8	0.9	0.8	1.1	0.5	0.5	0.8	1.3	2.0	2.4	2.1	6.3	
1955	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.5	0.5	0.7	1.4	1.6	2.2	1.6	6.8	
1956	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.9	1.2	0.5	0.6	1.2	1.3	2.1	1.9	5.9	
1957	0.8	1.0	0.9	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.8	1.4	1.4	2.3	2.1	6.8	
1958	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.9	2.6	2.1	3.5	3.7	9.3	
1959	1.0	1.2		1.7	1.3	1.3	1.7	1.5	3.0	4.0	3.4	7.7	
1960	0.8	0.9		1.3	0.7	0.9	1.0	1.8	2.5	3.2	2.3	6.2	
1961	0.8	0.8		1.1	0.8	0.7	0.8	1.4	2.0	2.8	2.1	6.9	
1962	1.1	1.1		1.4	Midlands 1.4		Yorks and Lincs 1.4		2.3	3.2	3.3	2.6	7.2
1963	1.2	1.2		1.6	1.6		1.7	2.8	4.3	4.3	3.0	7.5	
1964	0.8	0.9		1.2	0.8		1.1	1.9	3.0	3.2	2.1	6.5	

Table III.6.

## TOTAL PERCENTAGE UNEMPLOYMENT MINUS UNFILLED VACANCIES

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South-West	Midland	North Midland	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1948	Not available											
1949	-1.2	-1.8	-1.2	-1.0	-1.6	-2.4	-1.6	-1.0	1.0	0.9	2.2	n.a.
1950	-0.9	-1.3	-0.9	-0.6	-1.8	-2.1	-1.2	-0.6	1.6	1.6	2.4	n.a.
1951	-1.8	-2.2	-1.9	-1.7	-2.5	-2.7	-1.8	-1.5	0.4	0.4	0.8	n.a.
1952	-0.3	-0.9	-1.0	-0.7	-1.0	-0.7	0.9	3.8	1.3	2.1	1.5	n.a.
1953	-0.4	-0.9	-0.9	-0.5	-0.4	-1.5	-0.4	0.6	1.1	1.6	1.8	7.68
1954	-1.0	-1.2	-1.4	-0.7	-1.6	-1.7	-0.8	-0.3	1.0	1.4	1.0	6.02
1955	-1.8	-1.9	-2.0	-1.4	-2.2	-2.0	-1.2	-0.4	0.3	1.1	0.1	6.63
1956	-1.4	-1.7	-1.6	-1.1	-0.6	-1.9	-1.3	-0.3	0.1	1.1	0.4	5.65
1957	-0.8	-1.0	-0.8	-0.3	0.1	-0.7	-0.7	0.1	0.3	1.3	1.0	6.57
1958	0.2	0.01	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.5	1.1	1.8	1.3	2.9	2.8	9.13
1959	-0.3	-0.5		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.8	1.6	2.3	3.4	2.4	7.43
1960	-1.1	-1.3		-0.5	-1.3	-0.9	-0.5	0.4	2.2	2.4	1.0	5.93
1961	-1.2	-1.3		-0.9	-0.9	-1.2	-0.9	-0.2	1.1	1.8	0.4	6.79
1962	-0.2	-0.4		-0.1	0.4	Midland York and Lincs -0.3		1.4	2.6	2.6	1.6	7.01
1963	0.1	-0.1		0.2	0.7	-0.8		2.1	3.8	3.8	2.2	6.91
1964	-1.1	-1.4		-0.6	0.1	-0.5		0.6	2.2	2.4	0.9	6.22

Table IV.1

## OCCUPIED PERSONS IN AGRICULTURE AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL OCCUPIED PERSONS

Regions	Total Males	Total Females	Total Males plus Females	Agricultural Males	Agricultural Females	Agricultural Males plus Females	Agric. Males as percentage of total males	Agric. females as percentage of total females	Total agric. as percentage of total
London and S.E.	3,464,205	1,811,538	5,275,743	82,451	14,700	97,151	2.380	0.811	1.841
Southern	839,815	305,281	1,145,096	65,703	7,681	73,384	7.824	2.516	6.409
Eastern	915,293	341,848	1,257,141	145,938	13,678	159,616	15.944	4.001	12.697
South-west	941,972	343,209	1,285,181	115,073	12,220	127,293	12.216	3.561	9.905
Midland	1,458,944	667,940	2,126,884	77,354	9,533	86,887	5.302	1.427	4.085
North Midland	1,092,081	443,810	1,535,891	100,171	11,243	111,414	9.172	2.533	7.254
E.W. Ridings	1,298,761	591,724	1,890,395	50,747	4,645	55,392	3.908	0.785	2.930
North-west	1,994,891	1,067,363	3,062,254	54,259	7,619	62,148	2.733	0.714	2.029
Northern	981,479	339,023	1,320,502	59,638	7,034	66,672	6.076	2.072	5.049
Wales	794,917	246,020	1,040,937	70,715	10,233	80,948	8.896	4.159	7.776
Scotland	1,585,335	688,293	2,273,628	118,883	13,914	132,797	7.499	2.02	5.841
N. Ireland	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	26.1	4.4	19.6
<u>Conurbations</u>									
Greater London	2,779,690	1,508,618	4,288,308	13,218	3,158	16,376	0.476	0.209	0.382
S.E. Lancs.	774,961	461,177	1,236,138	5,977	856	6,833	0.771	0.186	0.553
W. Midlands	742,501	379,735	1,122,236	2,988	499	3,487	0.402	0.131	0.311
West Yorkshire	533,563	308,019	841,582	7,747	776	8,523	1.452	0.252	1.013
Merseyside	396,636	199,611	596,247	2,636	453	3,089	0.665	0.227	0.518
Tyneside	253,333	113,501	366,834	1,078	181	1,259	0.423	0.159	0.343

Table IV.1. (continued)

## OCCUPIED PERSONS IN AGRICULTURE AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL OCCUPIED PERSONS

Regions (Minus Conurbations)	Total Males	Total Females	Total Males plus Females	Agric- ultural Males	Agric- ultural Females	Agric. Males plus Females	Agric. Males as percentage of total males	Agric. Females as percentage of total females	Total agric. as percentage of total
London and S.E. (-Greater L'don)	648,515	302,920	987,435	69,233	11,542	80,775	10.114	3.810	8.180
Southern	839,815	305,281	1,145,096	65,703	7,681	73,384	7.824	2.516	6.409
Eastern	915,293	348,848	1,257,141	145,938	13,678	159,616	15.944	4.001	12.697
South-west	941,927	343,209	1,285,181	115,073	12,220	127,293	12.216	3.561	9.905
Midland (-West Midland)	716,443	228,205	944,648	74,366	9,034	83,400	10.380	3.959	8.829
North Midland	1,092,081	443,810	1,535,891	100,171	11,243	111,414	9.172	2.533	7.254
E. and W. Ridings (-West Yorks)	765,108	283,705	1,048,813	43,000	3,869	46,869	5.620	1.364	4.469
North West (- i) S.E. Lancs -ii) Merseyside)	823,294	406,575	1,229,869	45,916	6,310	52,226	5.577	1.552	4.246
North (-Tyneside)	728,146	225,522	953,668	58,560	6,853	65,413	8.042	3.039	6.859
Wales	704,917	246,020	1,040,937	70,715	10,233	80,948	8.896	4.159	7.776
Scotland	1,585,335	688,293	2,273,628	118,883	13,914	132,797	7.499	2.202	5.841
N. Ireland	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	26.1	4.4	19.6



Table IV.2.(a)

## AGE STRUCTURE OF GAINFULLY OCCUPIED PERSONS IN AGRICULTURE: MALES: 1951

Region	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75+	All Ages
London S.E.	7,943	7,722	7,746	7,025	17,383	16,016	5,761	5,300	3,706	2,376	1,473	82,451
Southern	6,729	6,537	6,555	5,797	13,629	12,770	4,596	4,107	2,563	1,488	932	65,703
Eastern	13,929	14,040	14,447	12,781	31,472	28,876	10,122	9,591	5,854	3,091	1,735	143,938
South-west	11,839	11,569	11,237	10,049	23,890	23,357	8,496	7,169	3,789	2,262	1,416	115,073
Midland	8,960	8,214	8,082	7,073	15,874	14,257	5,112	4,200	2,692	1,753	1,137	77,354
North Midland	11,411	10,916	11,118	9,337	20,459	17,707	6,343	5,760	3,702	2,113	1,305	100,171
E.W. Ridings	6,445	5,719	5,093	4,590	10,706	9,040	3,280	2,749	1,631	910	584	50,747
North-west	6,921	6,104	5,172	5,254	11,372	9,907	3,413	2,963	1,665	1,090	668	54,529
Northern	7,341	7,087	6,542	5,809	11,938	10,028	3,804	3,259	1,941	1,169	720	59,638
Wales (inc.Mon.)	7,503	7,182	7,195	6,733	13,767	12,905	5,298	4,419	2,694	1,784	1,235	70,715
<u>Conurbation</u>												
Greater London	1,312	1,116	1,159	1,094	2,996	2,569	899	835	591	381	266	13,218
S.E. Lancs.	806	637	523	541	1,358	1,055	371	328	196	102	60	5,977
W. Midlands	426	363	290	241	610	527	178	147	94	77	35	2,988
West Yorkshire	1,035	864	627	634	1,718	1,473	469	438	250	145	94	7,747
Hersoyafde	400	277	215	227	527	506	150	142	93	57	42	2,636
Tyneside	175	148	96	99	191	163	66	62	36	23	19	1,078

Table IV.2.(b)

## AGE STRUCTURE OF GAINFULLY OCCUPIED PERSONS IN AGRICULTURE: FEMALES: 1951

Region	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65+	All Ages
London S.E.	1,741	2,021	1,693	1,389	3,278	2,722	850	461	545	14,700
Southern	1,247	1,340	892	715	1,362	1,148	388	221	368	7,681
Eastern	1,977	2,185	1,661	1,295	2,776	2,290	700	342	452	13,678
South-west	1,879	2,026	1,450	1,018	2,084	1,870	732	446	715	12,220
Midland	1,380	1,468	1,078	761	1,640	1,566	579	379	682	9,533
North Midland	2,054	1,983	1,332	1,075	2,042	1,483	530	264	480	11,243
E.W. Ridings	757	796	546	408	816	702	227	141	252	4,645
North-west	1,208	1,160	865	651	1,330	1,222	424	282	477	7,619
Northern	1,127	1,196	778	585	1,118	1,069	393	289	479	7,034
Wales (inc.Mon.)	1,306	1,377	1,000	784	1,637	1,632	747	609	1,141	10,233
<u>Conurbation</u>										
Greater London	405	418	363	294	732	587	183	95	81	3,158
S.E. Lancs.	127	120	114	81	176	130	41	27	40	856
W. Midlands	100	83	54	38	79	74	32	16	23	499
West Yorkshire	85	115	89	88	158	144	43	16	38	776
Merseyside	77	93	51	41	76	62	13	13	27	453
Tyneside	13	23	19	22	43	38	9	3	11	181

Table V.1.      AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX

Year	London and South East	Eastern	Southern	South West	Midlands	North Midlands	East and West Ridings	North West	Northern	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland
1955	102.1	102.1	100.3	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.0	102.3	101.8	101.7	99.7	102.1
1956	100.2	100.4	100.1	99.9	99.8	100.0	100.0	99.7	99.6	99.6	100.1	99.6
1957	101.9	102.7	101.2	100.4	100.8	101.7	102.1	100.2	101.2	101.6	100.0	102.9
1958	101.2	103.6	100.2	99.3	100.2	103.5	101.0	97.4	101.5	102.9	99.8	97.8
1959	97.7	98.7	98.1	98.3	98.4	99.9	98.0	95.2	100.2	101.2	95.8	96.2
1960	92.4	91.9	93.1	93.9	93.9	93.5	93.0	92.0	95.7	96.1	95.1	93.5
1961	92.1	92.5	92.4	93.0	93.2	94.1	92.7	90.2	95.5	96.4	95.2	92.0
1962	94.6	96.7	94.3	93.9	94.4	97.2	95.0	89.9	96.8	98.3	95.3	93.3
1963	93.4	94.6	93.8	93.9	94.2	96.2	93.9	90.3	96.7	97.9	95.9	92.0
1964	93.4	92.4	95.7	97.5	96.8	96.1	94.5	92.3	100.3	99.5	101.0	94.9

APPENDIX

A. Definitions

I Earnings

1. Agricultural Earnings: Average weekly earnings (year ending 30th September) of hired regular whole-time adult male workers.
2. Industrial Earnings: Average weekly earnings of male manual workers (aged 21 and over). April figures.

II Agricultural Employment

1. Total Agricultural Employees: Total full time hired regular workers in agriculture by region. June figures.
- 2(a) Migration of Agricultural Employees: Absolute: Change in the number of full time hired regular workers in agriculture by region.
- (b) Migration of Agricultural Employees: Percent: Change in the number of full time hired regular workers in agriculture by region expressed as percentage of that number.
- 3(a) Total Agricultural Employees: Total Employees in agriculture and horticulture (employed plus unemployed) by region. June figures.
- (b) Regional Agricultural Employees as a Percentage of Total Agricultural Employees: Total employees in agriculture and horticulture (employed plus unemployed) by region as a percentage of total U.K. employees (employed plus unemployed) in agriculture and horticulture. June figures.
- (c) Regional Agricultural Employees as a Percentage of Regional Total Employees: Regional Employees (employed plus unemployed) in agriculture and horticulture expressed as a percentage of total regional employees (employed plus unemployed). June figures.
4. Percentage Agricultural Unemployment: Total adult male plus female unemployment in agriculture by region as a percentage of an agricultural labour force consisting of total full time hired regular workers plus total adult unemployment in agriculture by region. June figures.

5. Percentage Agricultural Unfilled Vacancies: Total adult male plus female unfilled vacancies in agriculture by region as a percentage of agricultural labour force defined in 4. June figures.
6. Percentage Agricultural Unemployment minus Unfilled Vacancies. Total adult male and female unemployment minus unfilled vacancies in agriculture by region as a percentage of agricultural labour force defined in 4. June figures.

III Total Employment (All Industries)

1. Total Employees: Estimated number of employees (employed plus unemployed) by region. June figures. The figures do not include employers or self employed persons or serving members of H.M. Forces.
2. Total Absolute Unemployment: Numbers registered unemployed in each administrative region of England and in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. June figures.
3. Total Absolute Unfilled Vacancies: Numbers of vacancies notified by employers and remaining unfilled. June figures.
4. Total Absolute Unemployment minus Unfilled Vacancies: Numbers registered as unemployed minus unfilled vacancies. June figures.
5. Total Percentage Unemployed: Number registered as unemployed expressed as a percentage of the estimated total number of employees (employed plus unemployed). June figures.
6. Total Percentage Unemployment minus Unfilled Vacancies: Numbers registered as unemployed minus unfilled vacancies as a percentage of estimated total employees (employed plus unemployed). June figures.

IV Total Occupied Persons in Agriculture

1. Occupied Persons in Agriculture as a Percentage of Total Occupied Persons: The columns relate to occupied persons (i.e. excluding unemployed) aged 15 and over in total and in agriculture and horticulture and express agriculture and horticulture as a percentage of the total occupied persons.

2(a) Age Structure of Gainfully Occupied Persons in Agriculture:

Males: Numbers in each age group of occupied males in agriculture and horticulture; (age last birthday).

(b) Age Structure of Gainfully Occupied Persons in Agriculture:

Females: Numbers in each age group of occupied females in agriculture and horticulture; (age last birthday).

Agricultural Product Prices

1. Agricultural Product Price Index: see Section C.

B. Sources

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II Agricultural Employment

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III Total Employment (All Industries)

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IV Total Occupied Persons in Agriculture

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C. Further Data Notes

1. Tables III 4-6 involve a manufactured inconsistency.

The agricultural unemployment (or unfilled vacancies or unemployment minus unfilled vacancies) figure consists of total adult male plus female unemployment i.e. including adult part-time and casual workers. The labour force consists of total full time hired regular workers i.e. including full time workers under 21 but not casuals, plus the unemployment defined above. The reason for taking only adult unemployment (or UV or U-UV) is because it is impossible to obtain disaggregated figures of unemployment and unfilled vacancies by category full time; part time; casual.

2. Tables III 5 and 6

Agricultural unfilled vacancy statistics included, during the period 1952-56, a large element of double counting owing to deferments of National Service being included. This double counting built up to a peak in 1954 and 1955 and was therefore proportionately scaled down after an examination of the statistics for the years immediately prior to 1952 and after 1956.

The actual 1952 figure was multiplied by 0.5

1953	0.5
1954	0.25
1955	0.25
1956	0.66

3. IV Census

The figures unfortunately are only available for 1951 because the Industry Tables have not yet been published for the 1961 Census. The essential difference between the employment figures in III and IV is that the Census Statistics include farmers but exclude unemployed and the Ministry of Labour Statistics include unemployed but exclude farmers. The Ministry of Labour, when calculating the total working force in Great Britain (published monthly in the Ministry of Labour Gazette) uses an estimated figure for farmers which has remained unchanged since 1957.

4. Method of Construction of Regional Agricultural Product Price Index. 1955-64.

Stages.

(i) Obtained County figures and aggregated to a regional level of

1. Acreage of crops and fallow
2. Cattle (excluding milk cattle)
3. Sheep and lambs
4. Pigs
5. Milk cattle
6. Poultry

(ii) Obtained weights of 1-6 used in constructing the U.K. agricultural product price index. These U.K. weights, in total, sum to 1000 but the categories 1-6 deliberately excluded fruit and vegetables. Therefore the weights were reconstructed for categories 1-6 so they summed to 1000.

(iii) The contribution of each region to the revised U.K. weights for each category was calculated. The regional weights were then reconstructed so that those for each region summed to 100.

(iv) A product price index for each category 1-6 over 1955-64 was calculated. e.g. pig product prices - a weighted average of pigs (bacon), pigs (other) and sow product prices.

(v) Combined (iii) and (iv)

(iii) representing cross section weights (by region)

(iv) representing time series weights (by product) to give a regional product price index.