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INTRODUCTION

The working population may be classified in two ways, according to two distinct concepts—

- (1) The *occupation*, which is personal to the individual;
- (2) The *industry* in which the individual carries on his occupation.

The distinction between the terms "industry" and "occupation" is not always sufficiently appreciated and frequently the terms are used as if they were interchangeable. It is desirable, therefore, to define the sense in which these terms are used.

Occupation. The occupation of a person is the kind of work that he or she personally performs.

The nature of the factory, business or service in which a person works has no direct bearing upon the classification of his occupation.

Industry is defined as any single branch of productive activity, trade or service. All persons engaged in any such branch of economic activity are classified industrially as belonging to the particular branch in question irrespective of their personal occupations within the industry.

Thus a single firm may employ individuals performing completely different occupations in order to make a particular product or to render a particular service, but the industrial classification of each of these individuals is determined by the nature of the product made or the service rendered by the firm which employs him.

This volume deals with only one of these methods of classifying the working population, namely the classification by industry.

Each person is assigned to an industry category according to the nature of the business of the establishment in which he works. The establishment is the individual factory, mine, farm, store, commercial office, etc. Establishments similar in nature are classified to the same industrial category whether operated by a government authority, corporation or individual.

Activities which are ancillary to the main business may be carried on by an establishment, either at the same site or elsewhere. For example, a garage operated by a retail store for the purpose of servicing its vehicles, or a foundry section attached to an agricultural machinery plant. Such ancillary activities are regarded as part of the establishment and classified accordingly.

An establishment may be generally defined as a single physical location where industrial activities are performed. If, however, a single physical location comprises two or more branches which are engaged in distinct and separate activities for which different industry classifications are provided, then each branch, is if practicable, treated as a separate establishment. Where two such branches are combined in a single unit which cannot be split, for example, a clay pit combined with a brick works, the whole unit is classified according to the final product.

An establishment operating as a single unit but producing more than one product or rendering more than one type of service is classified according to the principal product produced or service rendered.

The Classification and Classified List of Industries are designed primarily for use in classifying returns obtained from the Censuses of the Commonwealth of Australia and should be used in conjunction with the companion volume, Index of Industries.

The Classification and Index are revised and brought up to date for each Census. This revision, for use in the 1966 Census, has been made in accordance with the experience gained during the 1961 Census and from information gained from various other sources since that time.

The Classification divides the whole field of industry into fifteen major industry groups, which, in turn, are divided into 53 sub-groups and 342 categories. Each category defines a branch of productive activity, trade or service.

In the Classified List the categories are shown in the same order as in the Classification. The individual industry descriptions which comprise each category are arranged in alphabetical order under the category title. The component descriptions define the category.

The category "Other" is used—

- (a) When the industry description is quite definite but no other appropriate category is provided to which it can be assigned. In such cases, the description is assigned to the "Other" category for the group or sub-group to which it most closely corresponds.
- (b) When the industry description is not precise enough to enable it to be assigned to any other category within a particular sub-group, but is defined sufficiently to allocate it to that sub-group.

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Certain industry descriptions appearing in the Classified List are followed by a qualification—in brackets—most of which are self-explanatory. The qualifications shown below are used in the sense indicated—

“(n.e.i.)”—not elsewhere included.

“(undefined)”—a reported industry description is not to be coded to the number appearing opposite an entry in the Index qualified by “(undefined)” if there is any evidence, either in the reported description itself or *elsewhere on the Schedule*, that will enable the description to be coded to another Index entry. For example, the reported description “Metal furniture making” must not be coded to the Index entry “360—Furniture making (undefined)” but to the entry “147—Furniture making, Metal”.

“(so described)”—where an Index entry is qualified in this manner, only reported descriptions with precisely the same or synonymous wording may be coded to the number appearing opposite the entry. For example, the reported description “Fruit-growing and poultry farming” must not be coded to the Index entry “020 Mixed farming (so described)”.

“(no industry stated)”—entries so qualified refer to cases where no reply has been given to the “Industry” or “Place of Work” question but the occupation reported is such that it can be reasonably assigned to an industry category.

**SUMMARY
OF THE
CLASSIFICATION OF INDUSTRIES**

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SUMMARY

Code Numbers	Industry Group and Sub-group
000-079	A. PRIMARY PRODUCTION
000-009	Fishing
010-019	Hunting and Trapping
020-060	Rural Industries
070-079	Forestry
080-092	B. MINING AND QUARRYING
080-091	Mining (including Opencut Mining)
092	Quarrying
100-470	C. MANUFACTURING
100-109	Manufacture relating to Cement, Bricks, Glass and Stone
110-119	Manufacture of Products of Petroleum and Coal (excluding Chemical and Gas Works)
120-199	Founding, Engineering and Metalworking
200-209	Manufacture, Assembly and Repair of Ships, Vehicles, Parts and Accessories
210-239	Manufacture of Yarns, Textiles and Articles thereof (excluding Clothing and Furnishing Drapery)
240-249	Manufacture of Clothing and Knitted Goods (including Needleworking)
250-259	Manufacture of Boots, Shoes and Accessories (other than Rubber or Plastic)
260-340	Manufacture of Food, Drink and Tobacco
350-359	Sawmilling and Manufacture of Wood Products (other than Furniture)
360-369	Manufacture of Furniture and Fittings (other than Metal), Bedding and Furnishing Drapery
370-386	Manufacture of Paper and Paper Products, Printing, Packaging, Bookbinding and Photography
390-409	Manufacture of Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints and Non-Mineral Oils
410-412	Manufacture of Jewellery, Watchmaking, Electroplating and Minting
420-429	Preparation of Skins and Leather; Manufacture of Goods of Leather and Leather Substitutes (other than Clothing or Footwear)
430, 431	Manufacture of Rubber Goods
440-442	Manufacture of Musical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments and Apparatus
450	Manufacture of Plastic Products (n.e.i.)
460-469	Other Manufacturing
470	Manufacturing Undefined
480-491	D. ELECTRICITY, GAS, WATER AND SANITARY SERVICES (PRODUCTION, SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE)
480, 481	Gas and Electricity
490, 491	Water Supply, Sewerage, etc.
500-519	E. BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION
500	Construction and Repair of Buildings
510-519	Construction Works (other than Buildings)
520-560	F. TRANSPORT AND STORAGE
520-529	Road Transport
530-539	Shipping
540	Loading and Discharging Vessels
550, 551	Rail and Air Transport
552	Other Transport
560	Storage

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Code Numbers	Industry Group and Sub-group
570-579	G. COMMUNICATION
580-609	H. FINANCE AND PROPERTY
580	Banking
590-591	Insurance
600-609	Other Finance and Property
610-649	I. COMMERCE
610-619	Wholesale Trade
620	Livestock and Primary Produce Dealing, etc.
630-649	Retail Trade
650-679	J. PUBLIC AUTHORITY (N.E.I.) AND DEFENCE SERVICES
650-652	Public Authority Activities (n.e.i.)
660-669	Defence: Enlisted Personnel
670-679	Defence: Civilian Employees
680-749	K. COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS SERVICES (INCLUDING PROFESSIONAL)
680-689	Law, Order and Public Safety
690-699	Religion and Social Welfare
700-729	Health, Hospitals, etc.
730-739	Education
740-749	Other Community and Business Services (including Professional)
750-799	L. AMUSEMENT, HOTELS AND OTHER ACCOMMODATION, CAFÉS, PERSONAL SERVICE, ETC.
750-769	Amusement, Sport and Recreation
770	Private Domestic Service
780-789	Hotels, Boarding Houses and Other Accommodation and Restaurants
790-799	Other Personal Services
800	M. OTHER INDUSTRIES
810	N. INDUSTRY INADEQUATELY DESCRIBED OR NOT STATED