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**STATISTICS OF TRADE****The Census of Distribution (1972) Order 1970**

<i>Made</i>	- - -	11th November 1970
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		20th November 1970
<i>Coming into Operation</i>		31st December 1970

The Secretary of State in exercise of his powers under sections 2 and 11 of the Statistics of Trade Act 1947(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and all other powers in that behalf enabling him, hereby orders as follows:—

*Citation, commencement and interpretation*

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Census of Distribution (1972) Order 1970, and shall come into operation on 31st December 1970.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order in like manner as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

*Year of Census*

2. The calendar year 1972 is hereby prescribed, for the purposes of section 2(1) of the Act, as a calendar year in which the Secretary of State shall take a census of distribution and other services (the census to be so taken is hereinafter referred to as "the census").

*Scope of Census*

3.—(1) The undertakings included in Schedule 1 to this Order are hereby prescribed as the undertakings in the field of distribution to which the census, insofar as it relates to distribution, is confined.

(2) The undertakings included in Schedule 2 to this Order are hereby prescribed as the undertakings in the field of other services to which the census, insofar as it relates to other services, is confined.

(a) 1947 c. 39.

(b) 1889 c. 63.

*Matters to which returns may relate*

4. The matters about which a person may be required to furnish returns for the purposes of the census shall be all the matters set out in the Schedule to the Act as amended(a).

*John Eden,*  
Minister of State,  
Department of Trade and Industry.

11th November 1970.

## SCHEDULE 1

The undertakings referred to in Article 3(1) as the undertakings in the field of distribution to which the census, insofar as it relates to distribution, is confined are all undertakings in the field of distribution except—

- (a) any undertaking in the field of distribution of gas, electricity or water ;
- (b) any undertaking whose business in the field of distribution is confined to distribution by wholesale ;
- (c) any undertaking whose business in the field of distribution is confined to distribution of—
  - coal or other solid fuels
  - timber
  - building materials (other than wall-papers and paints)
  - corn, seeds, fertilisers or other agricultural supplies
  - motor vehicles or tyres, parts or accessories thereof
  - petrol or oilor any combination of such items ;
- (d) any undertaking whose business in the field of distribution is confined to sales by auction ;
- (e) any public house undertaking.

## SCHEDULE 2

The undertakings referred to in Article 3(2) as the undertakings in the field of other services to which the census, insofar as it relates to other services, is confined

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(a) S.I. 1963/1329 (1963 II, p. 2310).

are all undertakings which provide any of the following services :—

1. Hairdressing, manicuring or beauty culture service, not being any such service provided—

(a) in an hotel, hostel, service flat, holiday camp or other similar residential establishment exclusively for the benefit of residents in such establishment ;

or

(b) in any club exclusively for the benefit of members thereof.

2. Installing, maintaining, repairing, renovating, altering or letting on hire—

sound or television broadcast receiving sets or aerials

record players

tape recorders

washing machines

domestic refrigerators

dish washers

food mixers

electric shavers

vacuum cleaners

heating or cooking appliances

lawn mowers

furniture

musical instruments

sewing machines

cycles (other than mechanically propelled cycles)

perambulators

watches or clocks

jewellery

leather goods

sports goods

toys

clothing

footwear

books

towels, table or bed linen or babies' napkins

household textiles

carpets.

3. Laundering, dry cleaning, (including in relation to either of those services the provision of facilities for operation by customers), pressing or dyeing clothing, household textiles or carpets.

4. Pawnbroking.
  5. Relaying of sound or television broadcasts.
  6. Check trading, that is to say, trading carried on by any person in the course whereof financial facilities are provided in relation to the acquisition of goods from that or any other person, and in connection with the provision of those facilities checks, orders, vouchers, tallies or similar documents or things issued to facilitate the acquisition of goods are supplied for a consideration payable in a lump sum, or by instalments or in some other manner.
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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order prescribes the calendar year 1972 as a year in which the Secretary of State shall take a census of distribution and other services for the purposes of the Statistics of Trade Act 1947.

The Order also describes the undertakings in the field of distribution and in the field of other services to which the census will relate.

The undertakings in the field of distribution which are excluded from the census are those set out in Schedule 1 ; in the field of other services the census will cover only the services set out in Schedule 2.

The Order further provides that the returns to be furnished in the census may relate to all the matters set out in the Schedule to the Statistics of Trade Act 1947 as amended.

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