Work then and now

What the street was, and what it is

Name _____ Date _____

These are real Census of Population 1926 totals for Kilkenny town, not our school street. They count people aged 12 and over by their main work. The two small drawings below are illustrative symbols, not historical sources.

Read the occupation totals.

Occupation group	Total
Transport and Communication	303
Commerce, Finance and Insurance	645
Public Administration and Defence	515
Professional Occupations (Teachers, &c.)	452
Personal Service	691

People aged 12 and over living in Kilkenny town on 18 April 1926, counted under their main work, from Table 9, page 129, which prints the males and the females in each group. The Total column is the two added together by us; for agriculture, transport, commerce, public administration, professional occupations, clerks, other gainful occupations and the bottom line it matches the totals that Table 6A prints for Kilkenny (pages 94 and 95). Group names are the volume's own (page 128), with ditto marks written out and footnote marks left off. The volume prints a dash where there were none; here that is 0. The ten smallest groups are left out: textile workers, makers of drinks and tobacco, other producers and repairers, painters and decorators, paper workers and printers, workers in leather, electrical fitters, mining and quarrying, fishermen and chemical workers, together 216 males and 57 females by our count, which is why the rows add up to less than the bottom line. All farm labourers are counted under agriculture. Clerks who worked for the government or a council are counted under public administration, not with the clerks. People out of work are counted under their usual job. Personal service includes 454 domestic servants (23 males and 431 females).

What people in Kilkenny worked at in 1926, counted on 18 April 1926, published 1928. Census of Population 1926, Volume II: Occupations (Stationery Office, Dublin, 1928), Table 9, page 129. Source: Central Statistics Office, CC BY 4.0. Rows chosen and totals added by Coding Ireland.

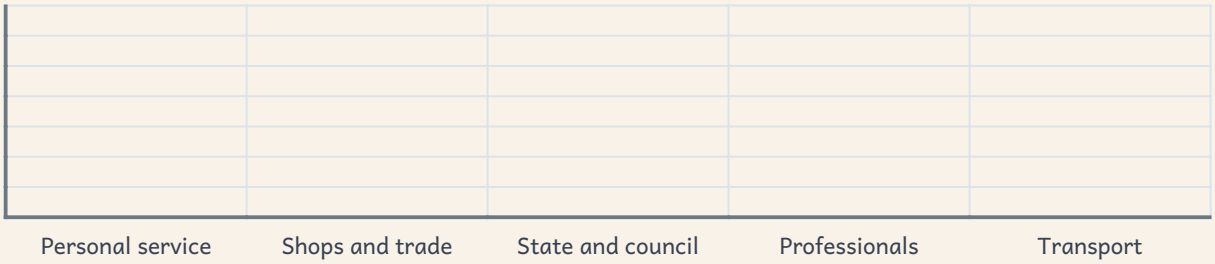
Chart labels: Personal service = Personal Service; Shops and trade = Commerce, Finance and Insurance; State and council = Public Administration and Defence; Professionals = Professional Occupations; Transport = Transport and Communication.

Lesson 16

WORK TOTALS

Write 700, 600, 500, 400, 300, 200 and 100 down the scale, with 0 at the bottom. Each row is 100 people. Draw a bar as close as possible to each exact Total, then circle the biggest bar.

Up the side: Number of people (one row = 100)

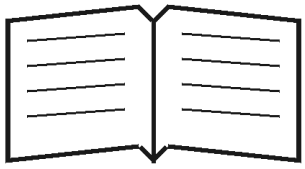


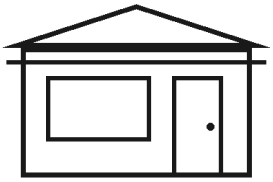
Personal service | Shops and trade | State and council | Professionals | Transport

Along the bottom: Kind of work

KEY WORDS

Join each illustrative drawing to its name.





workplace

record

Illustrative teaching drawing; not historical evidence.

EVIDENCE HAS LIMITS

Finish the sentences.

A map can tell us ...

To find what work happened inside a building, we need ...

workplace · record · change · stayed the same · map