**Did women have an industrious revolution? Women’s time and work in London, 1750–1830**

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**Supplementary material**

**Appendix 1: Sectoral distribution of subjects in 1829–1831 compared with census data**

Table A1. Comparison of T2 subjects in my dataset with 1851 Census data for women’s employment in London, as categorized in Schwarz, *London*, 15

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sector | No. of subjects | Percentage | No. of subjects, excluding *closely related* cases | Percentage | Percentage of employed women in 1851 Census |
| Primary | 4 | 2.1% | 3 | 2.8% | 0.4% |
| Domestic service[[1]](#footnote-1) | 50 | 25.9% | 41 | 38.7% | 52.8% |
| Other services | 58 | 30.1% | 33 | 34.0% | 5.6% |
| Hospitality | 33 | 17.1% | 13 | 12.3% |
| Laundry | 10 | 5.2% | 8 | 7.5% |
| Lodging | 11 | 5.7% | 8 | 7.5% |
| Care | 2 | 1.0% | 2 | 1.9% |
| Manufacturing | 13 | 6.7% | 7 | 6.6% | 32.8% |
| Trade | 50 | 25.9% | 19 | 17.9% | 8.0% |
| Public | 1 | 0.5% | 0 | 0% | — |
| Prostitution | 17 | 8.8% | 3 | 2.8% | — |
| Other | — | — | — | — | 0.4% |
| Total | 193 | 100% | 106 | 100% | 100% |

Table A2. Comparison of 1829–1831 subjects in my dataset with 1841 and 1851 Census data for women’s employment in London, as categorized in C. H. Lee, *British regional employment statistics 1841–1971* (Cambridge, 1979)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sector | No. of subjects | Percentage | No. of subjects, excluding *closely related* cases | Percentage | Percentage of employed women in 1841 Census | Percentage of employed women in 1851 Census |
| 1 Agriculture | 4 | 2.1% | 3 | 2.8% | 0.5% | 0.2% |
| 2 Mining | 1 | 0.5% | 0 | 0% | 0.05% | 0.05% |
| 3 Food, drink and tobacco | 18 | 9.3% | 8 | 7.5% | 1.6% | 1.7% |
| 8 Instrumental engineering | 1 | 0.5% | 0 | 0% | 0.05% | 0.02% |
| 12 Metal goods not elsewhere specified | 4 | 2.1% | 2 | 1.9% | 0.2% | 0.1% |
| 13 Textiles | 8 | 4.1% | 2 | 1.9% | 3.7% | 4.2% |
| 15 Clothing | 23 | 11.9% | 9 | 8.5% | 17.5% | 25.3% |
| 16 Brick | 1 | 0.5% | 0 | 0% | 0.1% | 0.1% |
| 23 Miscellaneous distributive | 7 | 3.6% | 5 | 4.7% | 1.0% | 1.2% |
| 25 Professional services | 2 | 1.0% | 2 | 1.9% | 4.2% | 5.4% |
| 26 Miscellaneous services (including domestic service) | 106 | 54.9% | 72 | 67.9% | 67.1% | 57.5% |
| 27 Public administration | 1 | 0.5% | 0 | 0% | 0.1% | 0.06% |
| Prostitution | 17 | 8.8% | 3 | 2.8% | — | — |
| Total | 193 | 100% | 106 | 100% | — | — |

**Appendix 2. Holidays**

An asterisk indicates that a holiday is included in a list of holidays. ‘R’ or ‘N’ indicates that a holiday is included in my list as, respectively, a religious or a non-religious holiday. The dates of Shrovetide, Easter, Ascension and Whitsun were determined by reference to C. R. Cheney, *Handbook of dates for students of English history* (London, 1945). The lists used are:

J. Millan, *Coins, weights & measures. Ancient & modern, of all nations. Reduced into English on above 100 tables, collected & methodiz’d from Newton, Folkes, Arbuthnot, Fleetwood, &c.*, 6th edn (London, 1749), 15.

*A complete guide to all persons who have any trade or concern with the City of London, and parts adjacent*, 8th edn (London, 1760), 194.

*The British almanac, of the Society for the Diffusion of Useful Knowledge, for the year 1830* (London, no date), 7.

*The British almanac, of the Society for the Diffusion of Useful Knowledge, for the year 1831* (London, no date), 7.

F. Summerly ed., *A hand-book for holidays spent in and near London* (London, 1842), 51–62

Table A3. Lists of holidays

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Holiday | Date | Millan 1749 | *Guide* 1760 | SDUK 1830 | SDUK 1831 | Summerly 1842 | My holiday set |
| Circumcision | 1 January | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| Epiphany | 6 January | \* |  | \* | \* | \* | R |
| Prince Frederick of Wales born (d. March 1751) | 20 January O.S. | \* |  |  |  |  | N, 1747–51 only |
| St Paul | 25 January | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| Duke of Sussex born (1773) | 27 January |  |  |  |  | \* |  |
| George IV accession (1820; d. June 1830) | 29 January |  |  | \* |  |  | N, 1829–30 only |
| King Charles I martyred | 30 January | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | N |
| George IV proclaimed (1820; d. June 1830) | 31 January |  |  | \* |  |  | N, 1829–30 only |
| Purification of the Virgin Mary | 2 February | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| Valentine | 14 February | \* | \* | \* | \* |  | R |
| St Matthias; Duke of Cambridge born (1774) | 24 February | \* |  | \* | \* | \* | R; N, 1829–1831 only |
| St David | 1 March | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| Prince Edward (d. 1767) | 15 March O.S., 26 March N.S. | \* |  |  |  |  |  |
| St Patrick | 17 March |  |  |  |  | \* |  |
| Lady Day | 25 March | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| Duke of Cumberland born (d. 1765) | 15 April O.S., 26 April N.S. | \* | \* |  |  |  | N, 1748–1761 only |
| St George | 23 April | \* |  | \* | \* | \* | R |
| St Mark; Duke of Gloucester born (1776) | 25 April | \* |  | \* | \* | \* | R; N, 1829–1831 only |
| SS. Philip and James | 1 May | \* | \* | \* |  | \* | R |
| King George III born (d. January 1820) | 24 May O.S., 4 June N.S. | \* | \* |  |  |  | N, 1748–1761 only |
| Queen Victoria born (1819) | 24 May |  |  |  |  | \* |  |
| Corpus Christi | 26 May |  |  |  |  | \* |  |
| King Charles II restored | 29 May | \* | \* | \* | \* |  | N |
| Princesses Amelia and Caroline born | 30 May O.S., 10 June N.S. | \* |  |  |  |  |  |
| St Barnabas | 11 June |  | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| King George II inaugurated (d. 25 October 1760) | 11 June O.S., 22 June N.S. | \* | \* |  |  |  | N, 1747–60 only |
| King George II proclaimed (d. 25 October 1760) | 15 June O.S., 26 June N.S. | \* | \* |  |  |  | N, 1747–60 only |
| St John the Baptist | 24 June | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| William IV accession | 26 June |  |  |  | \* |  | N, 1830–31 only |
| William IV proclaimed | 28 June |  |  |  | \* |  | N, 1830–31 only |
| SS Peter and Paul | 29 June | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| Thomas à Becket | 7 July |  |  |  |  | \* |  |
| St Swithin | 15 July | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| King George IV crowned | 19 July |  |  | \* |  |  | N, 1829 only |
| St James | 25 July | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| Princess Augusta born | 31 July O.S., 11 August N.S. | \* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lammas Day | 1 August | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R[[2]](#footnote-2) |
| Dowager Queen Adelaide born (Queen Consort June 1830–June 1837) | 13 August |  |  |  |  | \* |  |
| Duchess of Kent born (1786) | 17 August |  |  |  |  | \* |  |
| William IV born | 21 August |  |  |  | \* |  | N, 1830–31 only |
| St Bartholomew | 24 August | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| London burnt | 2 September | \* | \* | \* | \* |  | N |
| Holy Rood | 14 September | \* | \* | \* | \* |  | R |
| King George landed | 18 September | \* |  | \* | \* |  | N |
| St Matthew | 21 September | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| St Michael | 29 September | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| King George II crowned (d. 25 October 1760) | 11 October O.S., 22 October N.S. | \* | \* |  |  |  | N, 1747–60 only |
| St Luke | 18 October | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| King George III accession (1760) | 25 October |  | \* |  |  |  | N, 1760–61 only |
| King George III proclaimed (1760) | 26 October |  | \* |  |  |  | N, 1760–61 only |
| SS Simon and Jude | 28 October | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| King George II born (d. 25 October 1760) | 30 October O.S., 10 November N.S. | \* | \* |  |  |  | N, 1747–59 only |
| All Saints | 1 November | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | R |
| All Souls | 2 November | \* |  | \* | \* | \* | R |
| Princess Sophia born (1777) | 3 November |  |  |  |  | \* |  |
| King William born | 4 November | \* | \* | \* | \* |  | \* |
| Powder Plot | 5 November | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Lord Mayor’s Day | 9 November |  | \* | \* |  | \* | \* |
| Prince William Henry born | 14 November O.S., 25 November N.S. | \* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Queen Elizabeth accession | 17 November O.S., 28 November N.S. | \* | \* |  |  |  | 1748–1761 only |
| Princess Dowager of Wales born | 19 November O.S., 30 November N.S. | \* | \* |  |  |  | 1748–1761 only |
| St Andrew | 30 November | \* |  | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Princess of Denmark born (d. 19 December 1751) | 7 December O.S. | \* |  |  |  |  |  |
| St Thomas | 21 December | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Christmas Day | 25 December | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| St Stephen | 26 December | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| St John | 27 December | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Innocents | 28 December | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Princess Elizabeth born (d. September 1759) | 30 December O.S., 10 January N.S. | \* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Shrove Tuesday | Variable | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Ash Wednesday | Variable | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Good Friday | Variable | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Easter Day | Variable |  |  |  |  | \* | \* |
| Easter Monday | Variable | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Easter Tuesday | Variable | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Easter Wednesday | Variable | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Ascension Day | Variable | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Whitsunday | Variable |  |  |  |  |  | \* |
| Whit Monday | Variable | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Whit Tuesday | Variable | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* | \* |
| Whit Wednesday | Variable | \* | \* | \* | \* |  | \* |

1. It is possible that some servants in public houses and shops, whom I classify under hospitality and trade respectively, were recorded merely as servants in the census and are included by Schwarz in the domestic service category (Higgs, ‘Women, occupations and work’, 69). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. I include Lammas Day with the religious holidays because, like some of them, it was connected to the agricultural and financial calendar of the country rather than the constitutional settlement or London (Ronald Hutton, *The stations of the sun: a history of the ritual year in Britain* (Oxford, 1996), 327–31). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)