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Nuffield College Social Reconstruction Survey
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INTRODUCTION

The Nuffield College Social Reconstruction Survey began in February 1941, before the College had buildings of its own, and was an attempt to foster the co-operation of scholars and the nation's business and political leaders. Prompted by G.D.H. Cole, the Nuffield College Committee not only approved an initial research programme but set up a Social Reconstruction Committee to supervise it. The Social Reconstruction Committee was a sub-committee of the Nuffield College Committee, itself accountable to the Hebdomadal Council of the University.

The Survey's headquarters were in Oxford. It also had a small office in London and regional teams of largely unpaid volunteer investigators working from twenty-eight regional centres, based chiefly on the universities.

Under Cole's urgent direction, the Survey expanded its research activities from the initial inquiry on the location of industry and the distribution of population, during and after the war, to education, local government and social services. The Survey was an unofficial body but it began with official backing in the form of a grant of £5,000 from the Treasury in the financial year 1941–1942. In return, reports were prepared at the request of government departments and for official inquiries such as the Scott Committee, which investigated industrial developments in rural areas. The Survey collaborated with the Oxford Institute of Statistics and the Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House), and assisted the Beveridge Inquiry.

During this period, Cole instigated a series of private conferences, which brought together people from diverse political and professional backgrounds.

Opposition to the Survey first manifested itself in November 1941 when a motion was passed by the Hebdomadal Council urging the Survey to restrict the scope of its research. In the following year, Lord Nuffield expressed his unease at Cole's role in the Survey. In February 1943, the Treasury, which had proved increasingly obstructive, announced that it would not be renewing its grant beyond the end of March. Government departments were by now paying much greater attention to the issue of reconstruction. This inevitably led to friction and resentment on the part government departments at the perceived intrusion of the Survey into their spheres of responsibility.

The Nuffield Committee responded on 12 June by ordering that the Survey be wound up within seven months. After the official end of the Survey on 31 January 1944, the Education, Local Government and Social Services Sub-committees continued to meet. The fruits of their work were published in the form of books and pamphlets over the next four years.

G.D.H. Cole kept some of the papers of the Survey but these have been returned to the original collection. The arrangement of the papers reflects the original administrative structure of the Survey. Papers referring to specific [Private Conferences](#) held during the Survey have, however, been catalogued separately as have [publications](#) produced by Nuffield College during the war years.

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CHRONOLOGY

- 1939 September A.D. Lindsay [Nuffield College Committee member] to Sir Frederick Keith Ross. Nuffield College might "undertake special task for the government"
- 1940 May Memorandum by Harold Butler [Warden]. Nuffield College ought to be making a contribution to problems of economic and social reconstruction
- 1940 June 13 Nuffield College trustees support Butler's memorandum
- 1940 November 20 A.D. Lindsay proposes Nuffield College undertake research into local authorities and voluntary agencies
- 1940 November 23 Nuffield College Committee support for Butler's memorandum
- 1941 January Joint report of Butler and G.D.H. Cole. Proposed research would concentrate on problems caused by redistribution of population in wartime
- 1941 February Nuffield College Committee approves research scheme. Social Reconstruction Survey Committee set up
- 1941 November 10 Hebdomadal Council proposal that Survey could not be supported in its present form referred to Sub-committee
- 1941 November 17 Sub-committee recommends that Survey's research be concentrated rather than diffuse
- 1941 November 21 G.D.H. Cole to Vice-Chancellor. Deplores implied censure of Sub-committee's report
- 1942 January 1 Harold Butler returns as Warden of Nuffield College [having been Regional Commissioner for the Southern Region]
- 1942 May Butler to the United States as Minister at British Embassy. Cole appointed Sub-warden until 30 September 1943
- 1942 June 22 Hebdomadal Council proposal that Survey expenditure be limited to £8,000 defeated by 9 votes to 8
- 1942 November Lord Nuffield expresses anger to Veale (Registrar of the University) about Cole's role with Survey
- 1942 December 12 Nuffield Trustees Enquiry by Ross and Goodenough into quality of Survey research began

- 1943 March 31 Report of Ross and Goodenough. Some Survey research "too diffuse ... superficial". Treasury decision not to renew grant, instead payment by government departments for particular research projects
- 1943 April 8 Hebdomadal Council. Discusses report and decides to let Survey fade away on basis that Government conditions make payment per research project impossible
- 1943 May 15 Nuffield College Committee. Bowley, Clark and MacGregor appointed to investigate academic value of Survey research. Envisage Survey as ending on 31 January 1944
- 1943 May 21 Cole to Ross. Report of 31 March is inaccurate. Claims Treasury not unhappy with work and Reconstruction Secretariat had pushed strongly for renewal of grant
- 1943 June 4 Wartime Research Committee. Claims opposition to Survey from within government departments. Implication that Survey work defective unfair
- 1943 June 8 Report of Bowley, Clark and Macgregor. Survey reports to government "in the main scholarly and valuable". Local reports of unequal value
- 1943 June 12 Nuffield College Committee. Survey should work up research material for publication
- 1943 June 28 Hebdomadal Council. Vice-Chancellor claimed that Lord Nuffield felt "serious misgivings" about Survey
- 1943 September Cole agrees to winding up of Survey. Resigns as Sub-warden of Nuffield College
- 1944 January 31 Official end of Survey
- 1947 December Education, Local Government and Social Services Sub-committees finally wound up

BOXES 1–41

A1–6: General administration

At the beginning, the Survey was based in the offices of the Indian Institute, in Broad Street, Oxford, but in June 1941 all departments, save those responsible for local government research and statistics, moved to 17 Banbury Road. By March 1942, the Survey had expanded to fill rooms in 19 Banbury Road. In addition, the London representative of the Survey, G.R. Mitcheson, provided an office for Survey use in Tanfield Court, Temple.

By mid-1942, the Survey could boast sixteen paid staff. Moreover, local investigators based at twenty centres around the country worked for the Survey on a voluntary basis. Cole had, in fact, used a similar structure and, indeed, often the same people for the Manpower Survey, completed for Sir William Beveridge in 1940. The bulk of the correspondence in this section is that of G.D.H. Cole in his capacity as Chairman (later Director) of the Survey. He wrote prolifically, especially to government departments and to local investigators. The General Secretary, G.E. Fasnacht, handled the more prosaic tasks of the day-to-day running of the Survey, whilst strategic policy decisions were under the aegis of the Social Reconstruction Survey Committee.

A1		Social Reconstruction Survey Committee	
1	A1/1-5	Agendas, minutes, papers	1941 Feb 13 – 1943 Mar 25
A2		Chairman's office (correspondence unless otherwise stated)	
2	A2/1-13	Abercrombie – Bickersteth	1939 Jul 7 – 1946 Jan 28
3	A2/14-21	Biddle – Board of Trade	1941 Mar 19 – 1944 Jul 24
4	A2/22-31	Bowley – Carnegie United Kingdom Trust	1941 Feb 17 – 1944 May 10
5	A2/32-41	Carnegie United Kingdom Trust – Cunnison	1941 Mar 2 – 1945 Jan 5
6	A2/42-51	Cunnison – Doran	1941 Apr 21 – 1944 Jul 22
7	A2/52-63	Drinkwater – Fisher, A	1941 Feb 22 – 1945 Mar 12
8	A2/64-71	Fisher, E – Fogarty	1941 Mar 4 – 1944 May 22
9	A2/72-84	Foster – Gray	1941 Mar 7 – 1944 Jul 24
10	A2/85-99	Greenwood – de Hevesy	1941 Jan 31 – 1944 Jul 11
11	A2/100- 111	Highton – Institute of Statistics	1941 Feb 18 – 1945 Jan 30
12	A2/112- 120	International Institute of Social History – Jones	1941 Feb 22 – 1944 Jun 10
13	A2/121- 129	Jones – Keynes	1941 Feb – 1944 May 29
14	A2/130- 140	Laffan – Lutwak	1941 Aug – 1944 Jul 3
15	A2/141- 154	Macadam – Martin	1941 Feb 18 – 1944 Jul 3
16	A2/155- 163	Martin – Meredith	1941 Feb 18 – 1945 Feb 17
17	A2/164- 174	Michie – Ministry of Labour	1941 Mar 4 – 1944 Jan 28
18	A2/175- 186	Ministry of Labour – Ministry of Works and Planning	1941 Feb 27 – 1944 May 2
19	A2/187- 195	Ministry of Works and Planning – Mitchison	1941 Feb 10 – 1944 Jun 7

20	A2/196– 204	Mobbs – National Peace Council	1941 Feb 18 – 1945 Feb 24
21	A2/205– 214	National Planning Association – Nuffield	1941 Feb 17 – 1944 Feb 14
22	A2/215– 230	Nuffield Trust for the Special Areas – Piggott	1941 Feb 18 – 1945 Jan 22
23	A2/231– 243	Pilgrim Trust – Rankin	1941 Feb 18 – 1944 Nov 24
24	A2/244– 253	Rankin – Rees	1941 Feb 18 – 1944 Apr 16
25	A2/254– 264	Registrar-General – Royal Geographical Society	1941 Feb 18 – 1944 Jul 13
26	A2/265– 275	Royal Institute of International Affairs – Scottish Office	1941 Feb 28 – 1944 Jul 22
27	A2/276– 291	Shenfield – Tizard	1941 Feb 11 – 1944 Jul 22
28	A2/292– 299	Town & Country Planning Association (earlier Garden Cities & Town Planning Association) – United States (Library of Congress)	1941 Jan 27 – 1944 Mar 4
29	A2/300– 308	United States (Library of Congress) – Uthwatt	1941 Feb 18 – 1943 Dec 21
30	A2/309– 318	Vickers – War Cabinet Offices	1941 Jan 30 – 1943 Aug 3
31	A2/319– 329	War Cabinet Offices – West Midland Group on Post-war Reconstruction and Planning	1941 Mar 18 – 1944 Oct 26
32	A2/330– 341	West Midland Group on Post-war Reconstruction and Planning – Williams	1941 Feb 18 – 1944 Dec 11
33	A2/342– 355	Willink – Young Men's Christian Association	1941 Mar 12 – 1944 Jul 14
	A3	Secretary's office	
34	A3/1–16	Assistance Board – Workers' Educational Association	1941 Feb 26 – 1944 Nov 7
	A4	London office	
35	A4/1–13	Adams – Young Men's Christian Association	1941 Mar 10 – 1943 Apr 22

	A5	Research and secretarial staff, local investigators	
36	A5/1–12	Staff: minutes and papers of meetings, notes on salaries, <i>curricula vitae</i> , circulars. Local investigators: preliminary papers, <i>curricula vitae</i> , questionnaires	1941 Mar – 1945 May
37	A5/13–22	Local investigators: circulars, list of reports	1941 Feb 26 – 1944 May 2
38	A5/23–39	Financial expenses: circulars, statements, correspondence	1941 Feb 18 – 1943 Oct 14
39	A5/40–54	Financial expenses: circulars, statements, correspondence	1943 May 26 – 1945 May 7
	A6	Progress reports, administrative memoranda and notes	
40	A6/1–12	Preliminary papers. Progress reports [including annual report 1941–1942]. Memoranda on position of Survey	1941 Feb 17 – 1944 May 31
41	A6/13–20	Notes on meetings with interested parties. Future plans for Survey. Financial estimates. Notes on office equipment and procedure. List of Survey library books. Press cuttings	1941 Feb 27 – 1945 Oct

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B1–8: Local Government Department

From its inception, the research staff of the Reconstruction Survey were interested in the problems of local government. The Local Government Department concentrated initially on an inquiry into town and country planning. Later, the Survey was given official permission to study wider questions of local government. The division of papers in this section reflects these different areas of inquiry.

The Local Government Sub-committee met for the first time in September 1941 under the chairmanship of C.H. Wilson. The Department continued its work after the official end of the Survey in an effort to complete projects begun under the aegis of the Survey. The Sub-committee was formally dissolved in December 1947.

	B1	Local Government Sub-committee	
42	B1/1-9	Agendas, minutes, papers [including incomplete minutes of Finance Sub-committee, Finance Conference Sub-committee]	1941 Aug 27 – 1945 Dec 14
	B2	Town and country planning inquiry	
43	B2/1-9	Questionnaires with replies. Reports	1942 Feb – 1943 Apr
44	B2/10-19	Notes on planning authorities and officers. Memoranda by B.J. Charlesworth and V.D. Lipman. Town and Country Planning Act: memoranda; guidelines; schemes	1932 Nov – 1941 Dec 24
	B3	Inquiry into elected personnel	
45	B3/1-9	Preliminary papers. Questionnaires with replies: Birmingham City Council – Oxford City Council	1942 Dec 17 – 1943 Feb 1
46	B3/10-15	Questionnaires with replies: Oxford City Council – Rickmansworth Urban District Council	1942 Dec – 1943 Jul
47	B3/16-28	Questionnaires with replies: Southampton Borough Council – Wincanton Rural District Council. Summary of replies. Correspondence	1943 Jan 17 – 1945 Nov 11
	B4	Inquiry into professional associations	
48	B4/1-12	Preliminary papers. Replies to circular [including rules, annual reports, conference reports, examination regulations, leaflets]: Association of Architects, Surveyors and Technical Assistants – Institute of Public Administration	1942 Feb 16 – 1942 Aug 18
49	B4/13-22	Replies to circular [including rules, annual reports, conference reports, examination regulations, leaflets]: Institute of Sewage Purification – National Association of Bath Superintendents	1942 Aug – 1942 Sep
50	B4/23-30	Replies to circular [see above]: National Association of Cemetery and Crematorium Superintendents – Women Public Health Officers' Association. Correspondence. Notes and memorandum on professional associations	1942 Jul 28 – 1943 May 23

	B5	Inquiries into grants system and joint authorities	
51	B5/1–12	Memoranda. Notes and statistics. Correspondence.	1943 Nov – 1945 Apr
	B6	Departmental memoranda and notes on local government	
52	B6/1–9	Local government reorganisation: memoranda, drafts, notes, statistics, by G.D.H. Cole, E. Hardy, V.D. Lipman, Northumberland County Council. <i>Local government voting in Birmingham</i> by M.P. Fogarty	1941 Jun – n.d.
53	B6/10–18	Memorandum on local government by H.D. Dickinson. <i>Summary of social aspects of war-time changes in local government</i> . Memoranda on publicity by G. Montagu Harris. Memoranda on education by Sir Edmund Phipps. <i>Local authority boundary changes</i> by V.D. Lipman	1942 May 8 – 1945 Apr
54	B6/19–26	Public health: memoranda and notes by E. Hardy and Sir Arthur MacNalty, general articles, Medical Planning Commission preliminary summary. List of Survey memoranda and inquiries into local government	1943 Jan – 1944c
	B7	Correspondence and departmental circulars	
55	B7/1–15	Aitken, Sir James – Hardy, E.	1941 Aug 22 – 1946 Jul
56	B7/16–35	Harris, G.Montagu – Scott, F.G.	1941 Apr 8 – 1945 Jul
57	B7/36–42	Tiptaft – Wilson C. Circulars	1941 Oct – 1947 Jul 14
	B8	Barnett House, other leaflets, memoranda, notes	
58	B8/1–14	Barnett House correspondence. National Council of Social Services: leaflets on parish councils. Local government reorganisation: articles, reports, memoranda [by G.D.H. Cole, County Councils Association, N. Hobson, Oxfordshire County Council, Rural District Councils Association, E.A. Williams]	1939 – 1943 Jan
59	B8/15–22	Local government abroad: reports of conferences; memoranda; notes by G. Montagu Harris; correspondence; press cuttings	1924 c. – 1947

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C1–8: Industrial and Planning Department

The Industrial and Planning Department received the bulk of the reports from the Survey's local investigators. These local reports, concerned mostly with questions of population and industry, were of the utmost value to three committees of the Department.

Lord Justice Scott's committee used the data gathered to investigate the setting up of industry in the countryside. The committee sought to set out the conditions governing construction and development in rural areas so as to ensure the preservation of good agricultural land and of rural amenities. The secondary objective of the committee was to investigate the effect of locating industries in the countryside on local social life and employment.

The Royal Commission on the Distribution of the Industrial Population appointed in July 1937 under the chairmanship of Sir Montagu Barlow, also benefitted from the work of the local investigators. The Barlow Commission inquired into the causes of the contemporary geographical distribution of the industrial population, predicted changes in that distribution, considered the disadvantages of the concentration of industry in towns and in particular regions and reported on the necessary remedial actions.

In January 1941, an Expert Committee on Compensation and Betterment was set up by the Barlow Commission under the chairmanship of Mr Justice Uthwatt. The Uthwatt Committee examined questions of compensation for public control of the use of private land and it, too, relied on the local investigations.

The records of this section have been arranged, as they were originally, in order of the local investigation centre to which they were sent. Those reports sent to English centres are followed by those sent to the Scottish and Welsh centres.

Then follow general issues, including housing and inquiries into national industries.

The economist H.A. Silverman oversaw the national industrial inquiries made on the Survey's behalf. In December 1943, the Industrial and Planning Committee was formed to facilitate the publication of some of this research. The Survey's housing inquiry never went beyond its preliminary stages. Much of the material in this section was written by M.P. Fogarty, who was in overall charge of the Industrial and Planning Department.

	C1	Local surveys (England)	
60	C1/1-2	Accessions lists of local reports [1941 Oct – 1944 May]	c1942 May – 1944 May
61	C1/3-12	Birmingham local investigation centre: reports on industry, population and transport in Birmingham, reports on agriculture, industrial structure of Herefordshire	1941 Sep 8 – 1943 Dec 15
62	C1/13-23	Birmingham local investigation centre: reports on population and industry [Shropshire, Staffordshire (South), Coventry and East Warwickshire, Kidderminster, North Worcestershire], survey of Malvern, report on transport in Coventry, analysis of industrial development in West Midlands	1941 Sep 9 – 1943 Dec
63	C1/24-31	Bristol local investigation centre: reports on population and industry [South-west area, Stroud Valley], report on Royal Ordnance Factory in Puriton	1941 May – 1943 Oct 27
64	C1/32-37	Bristol local investigation centre: report on spending in Gloucester, reports on factories, employment characteristics of Gloucestershire. Cornwall local investigation area: reports on tin, Camborne – Redruth district	1941 – c1944 Dec
65	C1/38-49	Cumberland local investigation area: regional reports, reports on industry and population, report on transport. East Sussex local investigation area: regional reports, report of Post-war Development and Housing Sub-committee of Lewes Borough	1937 Oct – 1944 Jun
66	C1/50-54	Exeter local investigation centre: regional reports on Devon, report on Devonshire tourist trade, reports on Plymouth	1941 May – 1944 Jun
67	C1/55-58	Hertford local investigation centre: regional reports, interviews with factory managers	1941 Jun – 1943 Jan
68	C1/59-72	Hull local investigation centre: reports on region, the docks labour scheme, bomb damage, evacuation, fishing, agriculture in the East Riding, industrial prospects, the Grimsby fishing industry, the Humber ports, correspondence	1941 Jul – 1944 Mar
69	C1/73-81	Leeds local investigation centre: reports on regional economy, agriculture, population and industry, coal industry, Thorp Arch Royal Ordnance Factory	1941 Feb – 1943 Oct

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70	C1/82–85	Leicester local investigation centre: reports on population and industry of Leicestershire; report on location of population and industry in Northamptonshire	1941 Jul – 1943 Aug
71	C1/86–94	Liverpool local investigation centre: reports on population, industry, Bootle, Speke, transport, analyses of social statistics and factory inspector figures	1940 – 1943 Sep c.
72	C1/95–106	London local investigation centre: reports on movement of population and industry, transport, evacuation [with correspondence]	1941 May – 1941 Dec 1
73	C1/107– 116	London local investigation centre: regional report, reports on evacuation, engineering, town planning, industry in Middlesex, Surrey [industry and population], statistics of food returns for Greater London	1941 Dec – 1943 Apr
74	C1/117– 138	London local investigation centre: reports on London boroughs [Acton – Epsom and Ewell]	1941 May – 1942 Nov
75	C1/139– 166	London local investigation centre: reports on London boroughs [Erith – Uxbridge]	1941 Jul – 1942 Dec
76	C1/167– 181	London local investigation centre: reports on London boroughs [Walthamstow – Yiewsley], reports on the building trade [reports from Orpington, South London, supplementary report 'Building Trade']	1941 May – 1942 Nov
77	C1/182– 192	Manchester local investigation centre: reports on population and industry in Lancashire, transport report. Newcastle local investigation centre: reports on population and industry, social survey of Allendale parish, interviews with engineering firms, report on the Japanese cotton industry and trade	1941 Mar – 1943 Dec
78	C1/193– 205	Newcastle local investigation centre: reports on Aycliffe Royal Ordnance factory, correspondence. Norwich local investigation centre: reports on industry and population, national parks, agriculture in White Colne, local reconstruction plans [Binham, Harling, Great Yarmouth, King's Lynn]	1941 Aug – 1944 Jun 1
79	C1/206– 213	Nottingham local investigation centre: regional reports, reports on industry, transport	1941 Jul – 1943 Feb
80	C1/214– 228	Oxford local investigation centre: regional reports, local reports on industry and population, trades unionism, birthrate (including notes), reports, interviews with Oxford City Council officials, correspondence about housing	1938 Mar – 1944 Mar

81	C1/229– 236	Rotherham local investigation centre: regional reports, local reports on Bakewell, Matlock, Rotherham, Scunthorpe, reports on industry, population	1940 Jan – 1943 Jan
82	C1/237– 252	Southampton local investigation centre: regional report [with correspondence], local report on Pewsey, report of planning officers on New Forest, reports on industry, population, housing, railways	1941 Jun – 1943 Mar 10
83	C1/253– 264	Stoke-on-Trent local investigation centre: reports on pottery and metal industries, location of industry and population, transport, local reports on Stoke, Oakamore	1935 Nov – 1943 Oct
Local surveys (Scotland)			
84	C1/265– 270	Aberdeen local investigation centre: regional report, reports on housing [including correspondence], white fish industry, timber industry, granite industry	1941 May – 1943 Sep 11
85	C1/271– 283	Dundee local investigation centre: regional reports, reports on jute industry, housing, transport, statistics on evacuation, population, employment	1936 – 1942 Dec
86	C1/284– 296	Edinburgh local investigation centre: regional reports, reports on location of population and industry, reports on fine linen trade, brewing industry, industrial training	1941 Jun – 1943 Dec
87	C1/297– 305	Glasgow local investigation centre: regional reports, reports on location of industry and population	1941 Jun – 1943 Oct
88	C1/306– 320	Glasgow local investigation centre: local reports [Girvan, Falkirk, Leadhills], reports on transport, housing, industries. Scotland: report on location of population and industry, statistics on evacuation, report for Scottish Development Council on post-war reconstruction	1940 Jan – 1943 Dec
Local surveys (Wales)			
89	C1/321– 330	Aberystwyth local investigation centre: regional reports, pamphlet <i>The Cambrian scheme</i> . Bangor local investigation centre: regional reports [including correspondence], reports on population and industry, report on electricity and rural reconstruction	1939 Jul – 1943 Feb

90	C1/331– 336	Cardiff local investigation centre: regional report on industrial development, reports on location of population and industry	1941 Aug – 1941 Oct
91	C1/337– 344	Cardiff local investigation centre: supplementary regional reports on industrial development, transport, report on churches, memoranda of East Monmouthshire Planning Committee	1940 Jan – 1942 c.
92	C1/345– 355	Swansea local investigation centre: reports on industry and population, reports on tinplate, sheet steel and galvanising industries, transport, Welsh Reconstruction Advisory Council memoranda on Pembrokeshire, Milford Haven fishing industry	1941 Oct – 1943 Dec
Local surveys (topical)			
93	C1/356– 367	Index to subject files of local surveys. Subject files A–AD2	1943 c.
94	C1/368– 383	Subject files AD3–BA3 (i)	1943 c.
95	C1/384– 394	Subject files BA3(ii)–BA12	1943 c.
96	C1/395– 415	Subject files BA13–BB15	1943 c.
97	C1/416– 439	Subject files BB16–D2	1943 c.
98	C1/440– 445	Progress report on surveys. Note on <i>The attitude of town planning authorities to industry</i> (from local investigators' reports). Lists of local and general reports. Correspondence about local reports	1942 Jan 2 – 1944 Jun 30
C2 Inquiry for Scott Committee			
99	C2/1–15	Preliminary papers. Memoranda by G.D.H. Cole and C.S. Orwin. Questionnaire with replies by local investigators	1941 Nov 5 – 1942 Jul
100	C2/16–23	Interim and final reports. Transcript of oral evidence of G.D.H. Cole on behalf of Survey. Memoranda of the Springhead Ring (Shaftesbury, Dorset), and the Town and Country Planning Association. Correspondence	1941 Oct 28 – 1942 Mar 31

C3		Industrial and Planning Sub-committee	
101	C3/1-6	Agendas, minutes. Correspondence [including minutes of drafting sub-committee 23 March 1944]	1943 Dec 2 – 1944 Jun 17
C4		National industrial inquiries	
101a	C4/1-9	Agriculture industry: Ministry of Agriculture report on manpower, Harper Adams College conference report. Banking: questionnaire with replies, correspondence. Building industry: memoranda by G.D.H. Cole, memoranda and statistics from United States	1940 Mar – 1942 Feb 11
102	C4/10-19	Building: memoranda, pamphlets on apprenticeships in United States, constitution of Southern Builders' Emergency Organisation, memoranda, notes, correspondence about apprenticeships, post-war housing, school buildings	1939 c. – 1942 Jul c.
103	C4/20-31	Canals industry: memorandum. Carpet industry: draft report. Chemical industry: annual reports of Imperial Chemical Industries, notes. Clothing and textiles industries: reports on boot and shoe industry, straw and felt hat industry	1940 – 1944 Jul
104	C4/32-39	Clothing and textiles: reports on hosiery, jute, lace industries	1942 May – 1944 Sep
105	C4/40-44	Clothing and textiles: reports on rayon, tweed, wool industries	1942 Apr c. – 1945 Mar 6
106	C4/45-49	Coal industry: report on Yorkshire miners, report and correspondence about national coal industry	1942 Jan 26 – 1943 Sep 9
107	C4/50-61	Cotton industry: reports. Dry cleaning: report. Electricity: memoranda. Engineering and vehicle industries: draft reports on engineering, correspondence about motor industry, questionnaire on locomotive manufacture with replies	1939 Oct – 1946 Nov
108	C4/62-69	Fishing industry: reports, notes. Flour milling industry: report with drafts, notes	1942 Aug – 1943 Dec 30
109	C4/70-75	Flour milling: criticism of report, notes	1942 c. – 1943 c.
110	C4/76-80	Food industries [biscuit and confectionery manufacturers, canning, sausage making, bacon curing, dairy industry, slaughtering industry]: reports, memoranda, notes	1942 May – 1943 c.

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111	C4/81–87	Food [slaughtering industry]: draft reports with criticism, interviews and correspondence with sanitary inspectors, notes	1943 Mar c. – 1944
112	C4/88–95	Food [slaughtering industry and cold storage industries]: report, notes, correspondence, The Co-operative Union: memoranda based on replies to food questionnaire	1943 Jan 25 – 1944 May 5
113	C4/96–117	Food: Ministry of Food statistics on civilian buying population and production of types of foodstuff, correspondence. Metal industries: reports, correspondence, memoranda on aluminium, electro-chemical and electro-metallurgical products, ferro-alloys	1941 Apr – 1944 Mar
114	C4/118– 130	Paper, printing, and stationery industries: digest of local reports, memoranda. Pottery industry: reports, memoranda, questionnaire with reply. Railway industry: report, memoranda, circulars, correspondence. Rubber industry: report	1939 Nov 29– 1945 Jan
115	C4/131– 141	Shipbuilding industry: reports, notes. Timber industry: report with correspondence. Tobacco industry: notes. Board of Trade: memoranda on industries. Industrial surveys and inquiries: general circulars, correspondence	1941 c. – 1943 Nov 17
116	C4/142– 152	<i>Prospects of the industrial areas of Great Britain</i> [1945]: drafts of chapters [with criticism], summaries of local reports, notes	1943 Oct – 1944 Mar
117	C4/153– 161	<i>Prospects of the industrial areas of Great Britain</i> [1945]: drafts of chapters [with criticism]	1944 Jan 15 – 1944 Aug 1
118	C4/162– 172	<i>Prospects of the industrial areas of Great Britain</i> [1945]: drafts of chapters [with criticism], statistics of population, correspondence. <i>Studies in industrial organisation</i> : draft of introduction, notes, questionnaires with replies, correspondence. <i>Further studies in industrial organisation</i> : drafts	1943 Jul 1 – 1945 Jun 22
119	C4/173– 185	Inquiry into location of population and industry: reports, drafts of reports, notes, questionnaires with replies, correspondence	1941 Sep 3 – 1943 May 25
120	C4/186– 193	Memoranda on industry [including memoranda on location of industry, juvenile labour, status of foremen, industry after 1918]. Manifestos by industrialists on post-war industrial policy	1941 Apr 29 – 1944 Apr

	C5	Inquiries for the Uthwatt Committee and the Barlow Commission	
121	C5/1–8	<i>Britain's town and country pattern</i> [1943]: drafts of chapters [with criticism], correspondence. Non-departmental memoranda. Evidence to Uthwatt Committee by Association of Municipal Corporations	1941 Jul – 1943 Dec 2
	C6	Housing	
122	C6/1–10	Proposed inquiry: minutes of meeting and memorandum. Memoranda by G.D.H. Cole and M.P. Fogarty. Non-departmental reports and memoranda. <i>Housing policy in Birmingham</i> [1750–1939]: drafts of chapters, notes by M.P. Fogarty	1936 Apr c.– 1943 Jul 31
123	C6/11–21	Birmingham housing: draft chapter on period 1750–1939, report, notes, statistics [1939], questionnaire with replies, memorandum <i>The physical redevelopment of Birmingham</i> with notes. Birmingham C.O.P.E.C. Home Improvement Society: 15th annual report, leaflets. Municipal statistics	1929 Jul – 1943 Jun 10
	C7	Memoranda on industry, planning and the economy	
124	C7/1–14	Memoranda [including memoranda by G.D.H. Cole, A.C. Pigou, R.H. Tawney, Federation of British Industries, Management Research Group, Royal Institute of British Architects]. Notes on development areas. Statistics on unemployment	c1918 – 1944 Sep
	C8	Correspondence, departmental circulars	
125	C8/1–2	<i>Note on future programmes – Industrial and Planning Department</i> [10 Aug 1943]. Circulars with correspondence	1942 Mar 25 – 1944 Mar 2

Boxes 126-151

D1-9: Education Department

Discussions between the Survey and the Government on the scope of an education inquiry delayed the research of the Education Department until September 1941. Cole was the first chairman of the Education Sub-committee but from January 1942 his place as chairman was taken by Linda Grier, the Principal of Lady Margaret Hall.

The day-to-day running of the Department was the responsibility of Anne Bourdillon and, from July 1942, Helen Leys. A number of educational problems were investigated by the Department, including the supply and training of teachers, nursery and adult education, and the problem facing British universities. The Department also co-operated with the Arts Department of Dartington Hall in undertaking a study of the organisation of the arts in the United Kingdom. This inquiry into the arts was staffed and financed by the Arts Department of Dartington Hall but was associated, from the outset, with the Nuffield College Social Reconstruction Survey. Like its equivalents in the Local Government and Social Services Departments, the Education Sub-committee survived the official end of the Survey. It was formally dissolved in December 1947.

	D1	Education Sub-committee	
126	D1/1-5	Minutes	1941 Jul 16 – 1944 Jun 23 [incomplete]
127	D1/6-12	Agendas, papers	1941 Jul 8 – 1944 Jul
128	D1/13-16	Drafts of memoranda, correspondence	c1941 – 1943 Jun
	D2	Local education reports	
129	D2/1-11	Aberdeen – London	1934 – 1944 Mar 17
130	D2/12-20	Manchester – Wales [including index of and comments on reports, questionnaires	1941 Jul – 1943 Feb
	D3	Dartington Hall arts inquiry	
131	D3/1-8	Preliminary papers. Arts Enquiry Group: minutes, papers. Visual Arts Group: minutes, papers, draft report	1941 Aug – 1944 Jul 6
132	D3/9-18	Music Group: minutes, papers. Film Group: minutes, papers, reports. Design: proposal for conference, <i>Design in education</i> . Correspondence	1937 Jan – 1944 Jul 14
	D4	Teacher training inquiry	
133	D4/1-8	Memoranda by committee members and non-committee members, replies to circular	1942 Jan – 1944 May
134	D4/9-12	Swindon inquiry into industrial workers and teacher training: questionnaires with replies, analyses of replies, correspondence	1943 Sep – 1944 Jul
135	D4/13-18	<i>Memorandum on emergency schemes for post-war training of teachers</i> . Drafts of Nuffield College statement on supply and training of teachers. Correspondence. Comparison of teachers' salaries with those of other professions: memorandum, notes	1942 Mar – 1944 c.
	D5	Adult education inquiry	
136	D5/1-4	Memoranda by committee members and non-committee members, correspondence	1941 Jul – 1945 Mar c.
137	D5/5-7	Nuffield College statement on adult education: drafts, correspondence	1945 Mar c. – 1946 May

138	D5/8-14	Memorandum on adult education in Leeds. Interview with Ernest Green. Draft memorandum on education and women's institutes. Survey of premises for adult education. Correspondence	1941 Aug – 1946 Jan
139	D5/15-59	Reports, memoranda, circulars: Army Bureau of Current Affairs, British Institute of Adult Education, Political and Economic Planning, Workers' Educational Association. Pamphlets and journals on adult education	1939 c. – 1945 Jun
	D6	Other education inquiries	
140	D6/1-4	Inquiries [into junior school curricula, public schools, special places in secondary schools]: reports, memoranda, leaflets, questionnaires, correspondence	1941 Jan – 1943 Jan
141	D6/5-6	Inquiries [into religious education, co-education]: reports, memoranda, correspondence, press cuttings	1942 Oct – 1943 c.
	D7	The problem facing British universities	
142	D7/1-6	Correspondence from British universities, Irish universities, other overseas universities	1946 Oct – 1947 Oct
143a	D7/7-8	<i>The problem facing British universities</i> : drafts, criticism of drafts	1947 Jan – 1948 Jan c.
143b	D7/9-10	Source material: two albums of press cuttings	1946 May – 1948 Jan
143c	D7/11	Source material: one album of press cuttings	1946 May – 1948 Jan
	D8	Correspondence [in subject order]	
144	D8/1-9	Advanced schools – Cole memorandum on education	1938 Jun – 1946 Mar 26
145	D8/10-16	Common schools – Education Bill	1934 Jun – 1945 Jan
146	D8/17-27	Education in the forces – Leaving and transfer age	1939 – 1946 Jul
147	D8/28-34	National Council of Commercial Education – Playing fields	1940 Nov – 1943 c.
148	D8/35-46	Post-war reconstruction of education – Secondary education	1938 Aug – 1945 Apr 9
149	D8/47-53	Technical education – Youth services. General correspondence	1938 c. – 1946 Apr 29

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150	D8/54-61	General correspondence, circular	1941 Aug – 1948 Mar 15
	D9	Pamphlets, press cuttings	
151	D9/1-2	Nursery education: pamphlets, leaflets, notes. Educational reform: leaflets, press cuttings	1938 c. – 1945 Apr

Boxes 152-185

E1-14: Social Services Department

Originally, the Social Services and Education Departments were combined but the volume of work caused by the Beveridge inquiry forced the creation of two separate departments. The Social Services Department divided into two distinct parts. Anne Bourdillon, who was in overall charge of the Department, concentrated on the section which dealt with the voluntary social services. Inquiries into voluntary social services involved the Department in co-operation with various co-ordinating bodies and with the National Council of Social Services in particular. The Department's investigations covered a wide range of subjects, from evacuation to mental health provision. But the emphasis throughout was on youth and on the need to 'win the peace' as well as the war.

In December 1942, the Department was commissioned to investigate consumer needs for the Beveridge inquiry. In addition to researching how far these needs were not met by existing schemes, the Department reported general opinions and ascertained how social workers viewed the problem of social insurance. The work of the Department was co-ordinated by Margaret Stewart.

	E1	Social Services Sub-committee	
152	E1/1-8	Agendas, minutes, papers, correspondence	1942 Feb 24 – 1946 Feb 18 [incomplete]
	E2	Local reports on voluntary social services	
153	E2/1-7	Birmingham – Hertfordshire	1941 Feb – 1943 Dec
154	E2/8-17	Hull – Liverpool [including annual reports, leaflets, correspondence of voluntary societies in Leicester]	1937 c. – 1943 Jun
155	E2/18-26	Liverpool – Manchester	1938 – 1942 Dec c.
156	E2/27-34	Manchester – Stoke-on-Trent	1941 Aug – 1943 Nov
157	E2/35-46	Scotland – Wales [Aberdeen – South Wales]. Notes on local reports	1941 Sep – 1943 Jan
	E3	Inquiries into evacuation	
158	E3/1-10	Society of Women Housing Managers: report, notes on replies to questionnaire, correspondence. National Council of Social Service: Dispersal Survey Committee papers, report, correspondence. Borough of Cheltenham: reports of housing officer 1938-1940. British Federation of Social Workers: <i>Accompanied evacuation</i> . Ministry of Education: reports, circulars. Ministry of Health: reports, circulars	1938 – 1943 Jan
	E4	Inquiry into effects of war on voluntary social services	
159	E4/1-4	Memoranda. Notes. Questionnaire with replies. Correspondence. Reports of conferences: British Federation of Social Workers, Women Public Health Officers' Association	1941 Jul 6 – 1943 Mar 4

	E5	Inquiry into communal feeding	
160	E5/1-11	Preliminary papers, reports. <i>Communal feeding</i> by M.W. Grant. Questionnaires with replies from local investigators and canteen managers, correspondence	1941 Dec – 1944 Oct
161	E5/12-24	Reports, local reports, memoranda, notes, correspondence, press cuttings. Management Research Group: minutes of meeting, appendices to reports	1941 Jul 28 – 1944 May 12
	E6	Inquiries into youth organisations	
162	E6/1-9	Reports from London and South Wales. <i>The effects of the war on the voluntary youth organisations and their significance for the future</i> by P.F. Beard. Questionnaires with replies. Correspondence	1941 Dec 10 – 1943 Apr 7
163	E6/10-15	Reports, reports from local investigators, correspondence, press cuttings	1941 Nov – 1944 Aug 4
164	E6/16-26	Pamphlets [including annual reports, reports, journals]: Boys' Brigade – Kent Youth Committee	1938 – 1942 Jul 15
165	E6/27-30	Pamphlets [including annual reports, reports, journals]: Labour Party – Young Women's Christian Association	1937 – 1943
	E7	Inquiry into children's organisations	
166	E7/1-7	<i>Voluntary organisations which meet the needs of children</i> by R.M. Wrong, with notes and criticism. Correspondence and notes: Barnardo's – Waifs and Strays Society. General correspondence	1941 Nov 29 – 1943 Aug 23
167	E7/18-24	Annual reports [including articles of association, leaflets, journals]: adoption societies – Children's Play Centres Fund	1898 – 1943
168	E7/25-30	Annual reports [including articles of association, leaflets, journals]: Crusade of Rescue – Shaftesbury Society	1895 – 1942
	E8	Inquiries into the National Council of Social Service, playing fields, mental health provision, legal aid, charitable endowments	
169	E8/1-6	Memoranda, journals, notes, correspondence	1938 – 1943 Jul

	E9	Inquiry into voluntary holiday organisations	
170	E9/1–48	Conference and annual reports [including brochures, ephemera]: Camping Club – Youth Hostels Association. Minutes of Sea Lane Services meeting to consider forming an association to promote world-wide youth travel facilities by sea. Memoranda, notes, photographs, questionnaire with replies, correspondence	1931 – 1943 May
	E10	Memoranda by Hermann Levy on voluntary social services	
171	E10/1–9	Memoranda by H. Levy with correspondence [including memoranda on sailors' welfare, miners' welfare fund, land settlement association]. Memorandum on voluntary services for the deaf by J.D. Evans. Notes on district nursing associations by S.P. Grundy	1941 – 1944 Jun 15
	E11	<i>Voluntary social services: their place in the modern state [1945]</i>	
172	E11/1–8	Drafts and criticisms of chapters 1–12. Pamphlets on friendly societies. Notes, correspondence	1942 Jul 13 – 1944 c.
173	E11/9–15	Drafts and criticisms of chapters 12–14. Pamphlets and interview notes on friendly societies	1935 – 1944 c.
174	E11/16–19	Circulars, correspondence	1942 Feb 28 – 1944 Feb 3
	E12	Correspondence, notes, departmental circulars on voluntary social services	
175	E12/1–14 (E12/12 missing 5.4.2000)	<i>The voluntary social services: interim report.</i> Questionnaires with correspondence [including annual reports, leaflets, notes]: British Drama League – Women's Voluntary Service	1937 – 1943 Jul 14
	E13	Inquiry into statutory social services [evidence for Beveridge inquiry]	
176	E13/1–12	Questionnaire with replies from local areas 1–11, list of order of areas, circular	1942 Feb 14 – 1942 Jul
177	E13/13–21	Replies to questionnaire: local areas 12–13	1942 Mar – 1942 Jun
178	E13/22–29	Replies to questionnaire: local areas 13–17	1941 Oct – 1942 Jul

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179	E13/30-40	Replies to questionnaire: local areas 19-30	1942 Mar - 1942 Jul
180	E13/41-45	Replies to questionnaires [including Association of Family Case Workers, Association of Women Housing Managers, Medical Planning Research, National Association of Probation Officers, Soldiers' Sailors' & Airmen's Families Association]	1942 Jan - 1942 Apr
181	E13/46-56	Analyses of replies to questionnaire	1942 May c.
182	E13/57-62	War Cabinet: Inter-departmental Committee on Social Insurance and Allied Services: minutes of a meeting [at which evidence was presented on behalf of the Survey], Survey reports on national health insurance, pensions and Assistance Board, public assistance, workmen's compensation, summary of Survey's conclusions and recommendations	1942 Jun
183	E13/63-77	Evidence for supplementary Beveridge report: reports and replies to questionnaire from local areas; replies to questionnaire with other evidence (including evidence of Hospital Almoners' Association, National Association of Probation Officers, Socialist Social Workers' Association), summary of evidence	1941 Apr 17 - 1942 Jul
184	E13/78-87	Departmental memoranda, circulars, correspondence. Memoranda and circular: the deaf, the blind, dependants' allowances, workmens' compensation. Sir William Beveridge: transcript of speech [?], note of meeting at the National Institute of Social and Economic Research [1942 Dec 4]. Beveridge report: statement by The Charity Organisation Society, press cuttings	1941 May 14 - 1944 Jul 26
	E14	General departmental correspondence, circulars	
185	E14/1-4	List of reports from local investigations and inquiries, circulars, correspondence	1941 Mar 12 - 1945 Jul 27

Boxes 186-197

F1-5: International Department

The research of the International Department of the Survey was supervised by the International Joint Committee, which was run in conjunction with the Institute of Statistics. The Committee, which included representatives of the Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House), was established in May 1941 and met for the last time in June 1943. The Institute of Statistics assumed sole responsibility in August 1943 for the work previously carried out under the aegis of the Joint Committee.

The memoranda of the International Department were initially part of the Survey series but later formed their own International Reconstruction series. Much useful information on economic developments in Germany, German-occupied Europe and the Far East was supplied to the Department by the Ministry of Economic Warfare. A couple of months before the research conference of September 1942, however, the Department anticipated the theme of the conference by shifting its research focus towards the international agencies needed to effect post-war reconstruction.

	F1	International Joint Committee	
186	F1/1–8	Agendas, minutes, papers [including agendas, minutes, papers of International Research Committee]. Lists of departmental committees and committee members	1941 Jun 10 – 1943 Jul 28
	F2	Memoranda and pamphlets on international affairs	
187	F2/1–17	Reports prepared by International Joint Committee [incomplete set]. International Reconstruction series 1–9. Notes for planned memoranda. List of departmental memoranda. Other memoranda [1940 Apr – 1941 Sep]	1940 Apr – 1943 Aug
188	F2/18–30	Memoranda in date order [including <i>Economic unification of continental Europe</i> , <i>Post-war organization of European inland transport</i>]. Post-war planning in the United States: reports, memoranda, pamphlets, circulars, correspondence	1941 Sep – 1943 Nov
	F3	Research Conference on International Agencies for Economic Reconstruction	
189	F3/1–7	Preliminary papers 1–12. Summary of proceedings. Research conference document. Circulars	1942 Aug 27 – 1942 Dec 8
	F4	Correspondence and departmental circulars	
190	F4/1–10	Allport – Necas	1941 Dec 29 – 1943 Oct 16
191	F4/11–16	Nemec – Zwalf	1942 Jan 31 – 1943 May 21
192	F4/17–29	General correspondence, circulars. British Association Conference on mineral resources and the Atlantic Charter: reports, correspondence and circulars. Sir William Beveridge: speech on collective security, 20 July 1943. G.D.H. Cole: note on the future of the International Joint Committee, 6 May 1943	1941 May 19 – 1943 Oct 7
	F5	Ministry of Economic Warfare	
193	F5/1–6	<i>Summary of enemy economic developments</i> 107–125, including indices to 94–120. <i>Intelligence weekly</i> 1–19, 21–42, 44, 46–50	1941 Oct 6 – 1943 Jan 28

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194	F5/7-12	<i>Intelligence weekly</i> 51-71, 72B-110, including six-monthly reports 72B, 103, 108	1943 Feb 4 – 1944 Mar 16
195	F5/13-19	<i>Intelligence weekly</i> 111-138, 140-171, including six-monthly reports 134, 136 and indices to 100-172	1944 Mar 23 – 1945 Jul 31
196	F5/20-24	Six-monthly reports (2 Feb 1945, 21 Jul 1945). <i>Economic intelligence weekly</i> 1-14. <i>German economic review</i> 1-26	1945 Feb 28 – 1946 Feb 27
197	F5/25-29	Ministry of Economic Warfare (Enemy Branch): reports, memoranda [including memoranda on public finances in Europe, food rationing], statistics	1942 Sep 7 – 1945 May 5

Boxes 198-201

G1-4: Statistical Department

The Statistical Department of the Survey was based initially at the Indian Institute but in 1942 it was transferred to rooms in the Master's lodgings, University College. Philip Andrews was the Chief Statistician to the Survey and, at various times, was assisted by T.W. Kent, Elizabeth Brunner, Brenda Clapham and Barbara Joyce.

The Department not only prepared statistics and statistical advice for other departments of the Survey, but also produced its own research reports, for instance, into trends in the holiday trades and the educational background of prominent figures in certain professions. The Department was responsible to the Director of the Survey, G.D.H. Cole.

The burden of work of the Department increased slowly until, towards the end of the Survey, work began on the Courtauld Inquiry (see section M4). This inquiry investigated the nature of the advantages arising from the scale of business and the Statistical Department was responsible for the accountancy side.

The Courtauld Inquiry had first call on the Department's time. The Department also strove to meet the increased need of other departments of the Survey for statistical work. This inevitably meant little time remained for the Department's own research work.

	G1	Inquiry into education of leading men	
198	G1/1-4	'A study of Oxford undergraduates: their school and university records', by Mrs B.N. Clapham: draft, correspondence. Stencilled copy including 'Introductory note', by P.W.S. Andrews. Letters and typescript. Workings and tables	1943 c. – 1950 Feb 23
199	G1/5	Study of Oxford undergraduates: data cards for 1895, 1900, 1905, 1910, 1921, 1926, 1931, 1936	1943 c.
200	G1/6-7	'The educational background of leading men in certain professions', interim report by Mrs B.N. Clapham: typescript, correspondence. Drafts	1943 c.
	G2	Inquiry into holiday trades	
201	G2/1-7	<i>Holiday making and the holiday trades</i> : drafts with criticism. Correspondence. Press cuttings. Committee on Workers' Holidays: minutes, papers	1940 Jan – 1946 Mar 12
	G3	Statistical memoranda	
201	G3/1-4	Memoranda [including memoranda on building trade, juvenile labour, school leaving age, evacuation, migration, reabsorption of women into industry after the Great War	1941 Jan c. – 1942 Sep 11
	G4	Correspondence, departmental circulars	
201	G4/1-2	Circulars, correspondence, note by Philip Andrews on current and future work of the Statistical Department	1941 Mar 14 – 1944 Apr 19

Boxes 202-205

H1-3: Special Investigations

The first special investigation undertaken by the Survey was the inquiry into the costs of urban development, with particular concern for reconstruction after the war. This investigation was the responsibility of H.A. Silverman with assistance from Professor H.O. Meredith, who was seconded from the Queen's University, Belfast.

G.D.H. Cole was a prolific author of memoranda and he sometimes undertook special investigations on behalf of government departments. In October 1941, he prepared a memorandum, 'Training and recruitment for the building industry', on behalf of the Survey for the Ministry of Works and Buildings, with which the investigation co-operated.

H1		Inquiry into costs of urban development	
202	H1/1-7	Preliminary papers and statistics, local reports with correspondence, circulars	1941 Apr 28 – 1942 Jan 1
203	H1/8-15	Housing and planning: reports and memoranda, including 'Training and recruitment for the building industry', by G.D.H. Cole. Central Council for Works and Buildings: memoranda, notes. Town and Country Planning Association: conference reports, circulars, press cuttings. Census of production statistics [1935]. <i>Life and work in Welwyn Garden City</i> [1939]	1939 – 1945 Mar 21
H2		Inquiries into local government and public utilities	
204	H2/1-8	Public utilities [water, gas, electricity]: memoranda, notes, correspondence. National planning machinery and regions: memoranda. Local government reorganisation: memoranda	1940 c. – 1943 Apr 27
H3		Correspondence	
205	H3/1-5	Correspondence [including correspondence of H.A. Silverman (director of special investigations)]	1941 Apr 8 – 1941 Aug 27

Box 206

J1: Conferences

Gatherings of local investigators occurred at various times during the Social Reconstruction Survey. Cole invited the local investigators to a conference at University College, Oxford, on 22–24 March 1941 to discuss the practical problems involved in obtaining information. Furthermore, the delegates were given advice on the inquiry into the location of population and industry and were addressed by A.D. Lindsay on the voluntary services.

Chief investigators met at Balliol College, Oxford, on 5–6 July 1942 to discuss procedure. Scottish investigators convened in Edinburgh on 24–25 April 1942. Balliol College hosted, on 19–20 September 1942, a conference on regional and industrial development. Papers referring to the series of private conferences held during the war are listed in section M11, as they took place under the auspices of the Wartime Research Committee.

	J1	Local investigators' conferences	
206	J1/1-10	Reports of conferences, correspondence, circulars, 'A note on the history of the Nuffield College Social Reconstruction Survey' by G.D.H. Cole	1941 Feb 28 - 1943 Jun 4

Boxes 207-210

K1-3: Publications

The Survey published memoranda, forty-four in all, on all aspects of its work. These were sent to government departments and, on request, to individuals and groups. Indeed, it is these requests for memoranda which illustrate the extent of the Survey's influence and make up the bulk of the correspondence in this section.

In addition, pamphlets were published during the Survey's existence. These could be the result of private conferences, deliberations within committees, or inquiries by Survey staff. *Holiday making and the holiday trades* is an example of the latter.

	K1	Memoranda	
207	K1/1-4	Memoranda 1-40. List of memoranda	1941 Mar – 1943 May <i>c.</i>
208	K1/5-11	Memoranda (new series) 1-4. Memoranda 35, 37, 40: drafts, criticism, correspondence. Summaries of memoranda 11-15	1941 Feb 17 – 1945 <i>c.</i>
	K2	Pamphlets	
209	K2/1-8	Articles on Survey. Survey pamphlets [including pamphlets on education, social work, scientific research, 'The Nuffield College Social Reconstruction Survey: a description', 'A memorandum on wartime surveys' by G.D.H. Cole]	1940 Sept 20 – 1948
	K3	Correspondence	
210	K3/1-8	List of publications, requests for memoranda, circular, correspondence	1942 Feb 25 – 1945 Oct 18

[4 unnumbered boxes]

L1: Maps

Some of the maps in this collection were left to the Survey by the Politics Research Group, a precursor of the Wartime Research Committee. Others, such as the transport map of Birmingham or the illustration of the electricity industries, were clearly drawn up or purchased because of particular inquiries undertaken by Survey staff.

The maps in this collection fall into three different categories: printed maps; traced and inked maps; charts and graphs.

Maps [printed]

L1/1	Great Britain: counties, regions	n.d.
L1/2	Great Britain: untitled [shows English and Welsh counties and regions]	1939 – 1940
L1/3	England and Wales: administrative areas	1944 c.
L1/4	Scotland: administrative areas	1944 c.
L1/5, 6	England and Wales: boroughs, district boundaries	n.d.
L1/7	The mosaic of local authorities: prepared by the Ministry of Health	n.d.
L1/8	Great Britain: colliery districts, 1841	n.d.
L1/9	Great Britain: public expenditure on elementary and higher education, 1936-7	n.d.
L1/10	Great Britain: blackspots of unemployment, 1932-39	n.d.
L1/11	Oxfordshire (Bloxham, Tadmarton, Wigginton)	1923
L1/12–15	Ordnance Survey maps of Surrey, Hampshire and Isle of Wight, Dorset, Sussex, with administrative, electoral boundaries	1933, 1934
L1/16–19	Ordnance Survey maps of Oxfordshire, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Leicestershire, with administrative, electoral boundaries	1923 – 1935
L1/20	Great Britain: relative unemployment in each county, 1927-31 and 1931-36	n.d.
L1/21–24	Great Britain: unemployment in each county	n.d.
L1/25	London civil defence region	n.d.
L1/26	British Isles: untitled	n.d.
L1/27	Board of Trade map showing divisions of England	1939
L1/28	Electrical industries: graded supply map of England and Wales	n.d.
L1/29, 30	United Kingdom: census of production areas	n.d.
L1/31	England: students in schools and colleges of art and technology, industrial and commercial population	1936

Maps [traced]

L1/32-41	Maps of Buckinghamshire, Kent, Berkshire, Devonshire, North Riding and York, Cornwall, Dorset, Oxfordshire, Surrey, Pembrokeshire, showing women's institutes, extra-mural classes, adult school unions, technical schools, village halls, free libraries and universities	n.d.
L1/42	Location of training colleges in England and Wales in relation to the universities	n.d.
L1/43	Untitled	n.d.
L1/44, 45	England and Wales: rateable value of industrial hereditaments 1930, industrial development 1933-37	n.d.
L1/46	Oxfordshire: areas and offices of food executive officers	n.d.
L1/47	Great Britain: secondary schools by size, technical colleges and colleges of art, population density	n.d.
L1/48-51	Birmingham: residences of employees of Castle Bromwich Aero Factory, Austin Motor Works at Longbridge, bus routes, tram routes, map of the Birmingham district, district guide	n.d.
Charts		
L1/52	Numbers of passengers travelling from selected stations to Birmingham: January 1939, January 1942	n.d.
L1/53, 54	Industrial structure of Herefordshire, 1939-42	1943 Apr
L1/55	Pig iron, tinplate: comparative costs at new plant, displaced plant	n.d.
Graph		
L1/56	World exports of manufactures 1937	n.d.

Boxes 211 - 221

M1–12: Related committees and reconstruction organisations

The Wartime Research Committee existed to co-ordinate the work of the Institute of Statistics and the Survey. As a committee of Nuffield College, the Wartime Research Committee was responsible to the Nuffield College Committee. The Courtauld Inquiry into the scales of industrial projects was placed under its aegis, as were the private conferences. Before the Survey, the Oxford University Politics Research Group (precursor of the Wartime Research Committee) investigated the use of advisory bodies in relation to central government.

The Institute of Agrarian Affairs co-operated with the Survey on the long-delayed agricultural survey, which finally took place in March 1943. The Institute had its own committee, which was independent from that of the Survey, but connected to it. Relations between the Survey and the Institute of Statistics were even closer. Together, they formed the Joint International Committee, and Survey progress reports carried news from the Institute.

The relationship between the Survey and the Royal Institute of International Affairs was also a close one. G.R. Mitcheson was appointed to liaise with Chatham House in London. Harold Butler was closely involved with the Institute's work from January to May 1942. Sir William Jowitt was an enthusiast for the Survey's work and, as Paymaster-General, co-opted Cole onto official committees and allowed him the use of an office in London.

By June 1942, Cole had decided that the Survey should provide material and assistance for a series of local reconstruction classes. Co-operation ensued with, amongst others, the Workers' Educational Association. The final section consists of lists kept by the Survey of other reconstruction organisations together with some of their material.

	M1	Wartime Research Committee	
211	M1/1-5	Politics Research Group: minutes and papers, <i>A study in the use of Advisory Bodies in relation to Central Government</i> [drafts, memoranda, correspondence]	1936 Jul – 1940 Jul 23
	M2-6	Wartime Research Committee	
211	M2/1-6	Agendas, minutes, papers, correspondence [including agendas, minutes of Sub-committee on Research Workers]	1941 Jun 4 – 1944 Mar 2
212	M3/1-3	Minute book, preliminary memoranda, notes on food organisation	1940 Jan 19 – 1940 Jul 29
213	M3/4-12	Local Government Sub-committee: memoranda [Ministry of Food Organisation, House of Commons and the outbreak of war, local authorities, regional commissioners], air raid precautions [memoranda, notes, correspondence], index to parliamentary debates, correspondence	1939 Nov 7 – 1947 Dec 8
214	M4/1-7	Courtauld inquiry: sub-committee agendas and minutes, reports, circulars, correspondence	1943 Mar 3 – 1944 Oct
215	M4/8-14	Courtauld inquiry: sub-committee agendas and minutes, reports [size of firms, 'accountancy' side of pilot inquiry, artificial textiles], circulars, correspondence	1944 Oct 2 – 1947 Sep 17
216	M5/1	Private conferences: memoranda, circulars, correspondence	1941 Jul 21 – 1944 Feb 29
216	M6/1-3	Correspondence	1941 Mar 20 – 1943 Oct 16
	M7	Institute of Agrarian Affairs	
217	M7/1-12	Report of conferences [1943 Apr]. Draft report on Oxfordshire. Notes, circulars, correspondence	1943 Mar 3 – 1943 Aug 31
	M8	Institute of Statistics	
217	M8/1-12	Standing Committee: minutes. International Committee: agenda, minutes. Joint Committee on Salaries: minutes. Memorandum on relationship with Nuffield College	1941 Apr 2 – 1943 Dec 2

	M9	Paymaster-General's Department	
217	M9/1-6	Office Council: agendas, minutes, papers, correspondence. Advisory Panel on Home Affairs: minutes, papers, correspondence	1942 Apr 9 – 1942 Dec 8
	M10	Royal Institute of International Affairs	
218	M10/1-14	Council: minutes and papers. Committee on Social and Economic Reconstruction: agendas, minutes, papers [including papers of Anglo-Soviet Relations Group, Economic Group, Immediate Measures Group]. Study Group on the Rhine: minutes and papers. Conference on co-ordination of research: agendas, minutes, papers. Correspondence.	1940 Mar 29 – 1945 Apr 16
	M11	Workers' Educational Association	
219	M11/1-7	Local reconstruction reports: Binham, Chiselhampton. Draft syllabi, booklists, circulars, correspondence	1942 Jan 4 – 1943 Sept
	M12	Other reconstruction organisations	
220	M12/1-9	Ministry of Information: list of reconstruction organisations. National Institute of Economic and Social Research: register of research, correspondence. List of reconstruction publications.	1942 Apr – 1945 Jul 23
221	M12/10-16	Association for Planning and Regional Reconstruction: reports. Ministry of Works [Scientific Advisory Council]: draft programme of research. 1940 Council: <i>Demographic Survey and Plan</i> . Rotary International: pamphlet on reconstruction. Wales Survey Board [North Wales Area Council]: <i>The moral and spiritual aspect of reconstruction</i> by H. Lewis	1941 Mar 27 – 1946 Aug 14