DEVELOPING AND USING A DYNAMIC MODEL

OF THE HOUSING SYSTEM IN ENGLAND AND WALES

TO AID UNDERSTANDING OF THE SYSTEM AND

EXPLORE POLICY PROPOSALS.

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This thesis is an attempt to look at the total housing system in England and Wales with the aim of improving understanding of the system and of possibly providing a tool for the evaluation of policy proposals. The method adopted was to build a computer model which would act as a prototype for an improved version.

The first step taken was to carry out a detailed review of:

(i) the existing households situation,
(ii) the existing dwellings situation,
(iii) the market and other mechanisms determining how households are allocated to dwellings.

From this study, three computer sub-models were developed. One which relatively accurately reflects the demographic pattern of households for the last ten years. The second specifying with comparable confidence, the dwelling stock and its changes over that time. The third bringing the first two together to provide a dynamic picture of 'who lives where'.

These three components working together comprised the total model. Calibration following this step proved difficult and relatively crude results had to be accepted.

Nevertheless, a number of experiments, in the form of suggested policy proposals, were carried out to expose some of the potential of this broad modelling approach. These were:

(i) A reduction in the present building programme,
(ii) An increase in the sale of local authority dwellings,
(iii) A continued decline in the birth rate.
The efforts to calibrate and the experimental runs provided four useful types of information:

(i) An increased understanding of the housing system.
(ii) Insights into modelling such a system.
(iii) Research and data collection requirements.
(iv) Guidelines for policy makers.

The conclusions are discussed in Chapter Eight. The most significant would appear to be:

(i) The actual process of formalizing this dynamic model has proved to be of immense value in structuring the process of learning about the housing system.

(ii) There is a severe lack of a clearly defined and consistent set of housing objectives and hence also of a proper definition of 'the housing problem'.

(iii) Problems exist in unravelling the mass of data to support the rigorous demands of a computer model.

(iv) The learning experience from this type of model development needs to be embedded more deeply into the decision making process. It is recommended that any future model should be developed in close liaison with government policy makers.
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CHAPTER ONE

AIMS AND RESEARCH APPROACH

1.1. THE WHOLE HOUSING SYSTEM.

This thesis is a first attempt to describe the whole of the housing situation in England and Wales as a dynamic system and in so doing to provide a tool for the evaluation of policy proposals. The breadth of the approach was prompted by several considerations.

The most important was the belief in the need to develop a comprehensive and structured approach to housing policy and practice. Housing policy has developed in a haphazard fashion usually in response to particular crises; since 1919 there have been no fewer than fourteen major pieces of legislation, each lasting on average less than four years. The 'solutions' are inevitably short term, often devised in the belief that 'normality' will eventually return, their side-effects and longer term consequences rarely being considered. A clear example of a policy having unpredicted side-effects or failing to work as predicted is the phenomenon of 'gentrification'. This takes place when government grants, designed to improve the quality of the stock and housing conditions of the residents result in wealthy households moving into areas formerly dominated by poorer families in relatively cheap property. The availability of substantial improvement grants can make these properties attractive, i.e. they become fashionable. Landlords are encouraged to sell with vacant possession. Property values increase and low income purchasers are out-bid by more
affluent householders. If an appraisal of the achievements that the grants have brought is based on the narrow view of the resultant state of these dwellings the image is clearly of general improvement. But what happened to the previous residents? Did they produce unwanted pressures elsewhere? At present there is no structured framework to enable prior exploration of the likely effects of a suggested policy.

One explanation for the lack of any long-term structured planning is an incomplete understanding of how the total system works. As Judy Hillman states:

'The responsibility for the production, allocation, management, maintenance, and financing of housing rests with hundreds of local authorities, development corporations, housing associations, building firms of all sizes, small property companies, individuals and building societies. It is small wonder that political parties lazily decide policy without sufficient knowledge for reasons that have too much to do with fashion, rhetoric, pressure and dogma. There has been too little assessment of the housing situation.' (60)

As Anthony Crosland, the then Shadow Housing Minister stated, when outlining Opposition policy on municipalisation,

'An opposition is foolish to commit itself to excessively detailed policies; it lacks the knowledge and resources to test and check its suppositions and assumptions'. (29)

Viewing the housing system as a whole will help to identify those areas where research will be most beneficial in intensifying understanding of the system. Only in this way will policies develop which can have significant impact.

The incomplete understanding of the relationships and processes at work within the housing system is reflected in the way in which housing objectives are expressed. There is
not just one clear aim towards which all are working. The housing objectives that different parties assume should be sought by the nation either reflect the standpoint of the parties making the declarations thus producing a set of often unrelated and conflicting aims or are vague and ill-defined such as, 'a decent home for every family at a price within their means'. (25)

In any complex and interconnected system the pursuit of one aim invariably means that some other aim must be forfeit. But the problem of determining priorities is only exacerbated when the policy aims are ill-defined.

In the process of building up a total picture of the housing system it became apparent that it is no trivial matter to specify a structured and systematic hierarchy of aims towards which a nation's housing policy can be directed. It was found possible, however, by taking a broad view, to specify a number of questions which policy makers must consider if a usable statement of housing objectives is to exist. This list is contained in Appendix A.

The apparent difficulty in expressing housing objectives as a set of clearly defined and consistent aims is allied to the diversity with which the housing 'problem' is perceived. An examination of the literature quickly shows that there is not just one housing 'problem' clearly understood by all. Like beauty the 'problem' appears to be in the eye of the beholder. The following extracts are illustrative of ways in which the national housing problem and its solution has been perceived:

'there is not an absolute shortage of dwellings, the problem is (that) only the better-off can afford to buy a house...(because there are)... not enough building
materials, not enough skilled craftsmen, long planning permission delays, restrictions on the money available for first time buyers". (28)

'But for building society conservatism there might no longer be a housing shortage'. (1)

'Amend the 1974 Rent Act, say some advocates and the homeless would drown in a flood of property available for private rental'. (102)

'Many households in need cannot gain access to the kind of housing they require'. (82)

'Failure to work out a clear logical approach and then to pursue it with single minded vigour. In short to determine who needs help, what help and how are they to be enabled to get it'. (15)

'If you look at the mass, the morass, of housing legislation that exists on our legal shelves, you will understand why we have no houses'. (50)

'There is a problem because the relationship of the various forces acting upon housing are in a state of crisis'. (56)

It is believed that 'the housing problem' can only be clearly defined when the threatened shortfall in achieving certain specified aims is expected and understood.

Thus it was evident early in the research that the work was being carried out in the absence of any precisely defined problem.

A further reason for taking a broad yet quantitative view is that it would help to put particular policy proposals into context. For example, Shelter would like to see many vacant properties brought into use even if only for short periods. How significant an impact would this make compared with, say, a comparable release of space in
under occupied property?

Murie (32) reflecting on his extensive study of the housing system states:

"However much research can contribute to an understanding of the housing system and thus to improvements in policy formulation, it is still necessary to check that the policy is working as intended. Policies have side effects, and none can satisfy the needs of all groups equally well. The housing system is dynamic, it is constantly changing. Policies work over time and their effectiveness must be reviewed over time... it is no exaggeration to say that the most important contribution towards an improvement in housing policy formulation and housing performance is that made by observing and analysing change over time. Only in this way can the effects of policy be evaluated and suggestions for modifications be made as circumstances change, or as it becomes evident that the measures in operation are inadequate to deal with the problems that are being tackled."

If Murie is right then almost any attempt to build up a quantitative picture of the housing system as a whole is justified.

The preceding reasons for taking a broad view of the housing system provide somewhat idealised aims. In this research the view was taken that it would be a constructive step forward if only the problems and difficulties of trying to bring together all aspects of the system could be exposed.

A mass of information exists on individual components of the system. A search of the literature to identify attempts by other workers to see the system as a whole are much more limited. The major incentive for this research and a constant point of reference has been the work carried out by Murie, Miner and Watson at the Centre for Urban and Regional Studies at Birmingham University. Their research was an essentially qualitative attempt to draw together some of the main points of the housing system from a wide
range of related studies undertaken in various parts of the country.

The total systems approach can only be a relative concept, for inevitably there will be phenomena which impinge on the housing system which the research must treat as extraneous to the study. Taking a broad view of the system means painting the picture with a broad brush. This research has therefore been pursued with the clear understanding that too much pre-occupation with fine detail could be destructive of the main aim.

1.2. The Modelling Approach

Every politician and senior administrator who plays any part in formulating local and central government policies which affect housing will have a model in his mind of how the housing system operates. In so far as they depend on personal experiences and impacts made by the media these images are subjective. They will be factual and quantitative only to the degree that they rest on a careful study of housing survey data and a valid interpretation of what the data means.

This research does no more than try and build a dynamic working picture, or model, but it is constrained by two further requirements:

(i) The amount of subjective judgement is kept to a minimum, but certainly exists for without it the model could not be formulated.

(ii) The model of the housing system is formally defined as a set of logical procedures operating dynamically over time, i.e., is capable of producing descriptions of the state of the system for the past, present and future.

In short, the task was to study the available housing statistics, read widely about how others thought the system
worked, add personal experience and then write a computer programme which rendered that knowledge into a single working model of that interpretation of reality.

The list which follows specifies a range of policy proposals which a 'good' model of the housing system might be able to evaluate. At the same time it exemplifies areas of concern which influenced the design of the model.

Possible experimental policy changes:

1. Sell council rented dwellings to tenants at 20 per cent below the market value.
2. Give away council dwellings to tenants of over 30 years standing.
3. Give a cash grant to first time buyers.
4. Peg the mortgage interest rate.
5. Build more large dwellings.
6. Build more of all sized dwellings.
7. Encourage small households living in large dwellings to move to more appropriate dwellings.
8. Alter central government subsidies to Local Authorities to encourage rehabilitation rather than redevelopment.
9. Abolish all subsidies for housing including tax relief and rent control. Introduce a negative income tax.
10. Raise wage levels, especially in unskilled occupations.
11. Increase rent subsidies.
12. Reduce standards for new council dwellings and hence their cost.
13. Allow council tenants to take in lodgers.
14. Raise improvement grants rateable value limits to owner occupiers.
15. Place a statutory responsibility on Local Authorities to accommodate all homeless people.
16. Offer 100 per cent mortgages.
17. Reduce the time taken to build dwellings, especially by Local Authorities.
18. Extend the principle of equity sharing.
19. Let Local Authorities compulsorily purchase property which has been empty for longer than a certain period.
20. Introduce a subsidy for landlords who convert large dwellings into several smaller units.
21. Place responsibility for carrying out basic maintenance with the tenant.

In order to set this research in context it is useful to identify three concepts:

REALITY - Although it cannot be known and understood in all its detail and ramifications there exists in the real
world that ongoing process which is the actual housing system in England and Wales.

AN IDEAL MODEL - given enough time and resources together with a large enough computer it was envisaged that a model of that reality could be developed and rendered operational. It was expected that the ideal model would be developed by an appropriate group of specialists working close to design makers. The possibility of eventually developing such an ideal model provided a motivation for this work.

A LEARNING MODEL - At an early stage of this research it was apparent that only a first attempt could be made at designing the ideal model. It was hoped that developing and using a prototype model would provide an essential learning experience on which a 'better' model could be based. The aims of the learning process were to:

1. Determine an appropriate modelling technique.
2. Identify gaps in the research field.
3. Assess the data needs of an ideal model.
4. Show how such a model can be used as a tool for understanding reality.
5. Enable a growth in appreciation of both the potential uses and the potential users of an ideal model.

Some of these objectives have clearly been achieved but the reasons why pursuit of an ideal model should be such an attractive process have been brought into doubt. Both the feasibility and desirability of producing such a model are now questioned, and discussed in Chapter 8.
1.3. STRUCTURE OF THIS THESIS

Chapter Two provides a general introduction to the structure of the model which was finally developed. Chapters Three, Four and Five provide more detailed information on Households, Dwellings and the relationship between Households and Dwellings. In Chapter Six the problems of calibrating a model of such a complex system are discussed together with the 'successes' and 'failures' achieved with this model. The results of experimentation on the model with selected policy proposals are presented in Chapter Seven. Chapter Eight contains the major conclusions of the research.
INTRODUCTION TO THE MODEL

2.1 The Structure of the Housing System

At an early stage in the research it became clear that there were three major components to the housing system. These three components are:

- Households,
- Dwellings,
- The relationship between households and dwellings (later referred to as Allocation).

The literature on housing confirms this sub-division of the subject for even the recent Green Paper (67) has this classification implicit in its presentation.

Any model of the total housing system therefore seems bound to emerge with this sub-division. So too will this thesis. In fact the computer programme was developed in three stages. First the households sub-model was designed describing all households in England and Wales and how their numbers change with time (Scotland was not included as the nature of its housing system differs slightly from that of the rest of Great Britain). The dwellings sub-model was developed independently to describe the available dwellings and how they too are altering with time. Finally the allocation model was defined which brought together the first two sub-models to provide a dynamic specification of who is living where.

The modelling technique chosen was Systems Dynamics. This is a deterministic method and ensures that the
important feature of variations with time can be dealt with. The computer programme for the model equations was written in Algol language; an ICL 1900A machine being used.

Before describing this model in outline two practical difficulties which were encountered will be discussed. These are the problems of classification and of definition of terms.

2.2. THE CLASSIFICATION AND DEFINITION PROBLEMS

A difficulty which affects data collection and modelling is that of choosing a method by which households and dwellings should be designated into sub-groups. In both cases the options are very wide. Even when the decisions are made there will be generated all the cross-product possibilities thus creating a much larger sub-division in the allocation section of the model. This combinatorial effect can pose severe problems in defining the level of complexity that the model should take. Chapters Three and Four examine fully the many ways in which households and dwellings can and have been classified. At the end of these chapters the reasons are given for choosing the sub-divisions used in this particular model building research. In the last analysis, the method of classification is determined by the type of policy the model is intended to evaluate. Guidance on this point was provided by the list of policy proposals in Chapter One.

A second major problem concerns the inconsistency in definitions of data from varying sources. For example,
Census classifications of the dwelling stock by size is in terms of either number of household spaces or number of rooms, but data on new building is collected by number of bedrooms. Such a situation only makes the job of modelling changes to the dwelling stock more difficult. But it does point to the need for an agreed and structured framework as a basis for defining necessary data collection.

A brief outline of the model now follows.

2.3. MODEL DESCRIPTION.

The model is first used to describe past changes in:

(i) The number of households of each type.
(ii) The number of dwellings of each type.
(iii) The distribution of these households occupying these dwellings.

The model is then run forward in time with the assumption that present trends will continue. Confidence in these predicted results will depend upon the ability to calibrate the model for the historic period. Calibration is the process of 'matching' model output to available data. The predicted results are known as the Standard Run.

Various policy proposals are then 'implemented', as if from today, and the model again run forward in time. In this way the effects of any policy change on (i), (ii) and (iii) above can be explored.

The computer programme carries out calculations at the equivalent of every three months although facilities exist for the length of this time step to be adjusted.

Given limited resources certain details have been
sacrificed which an ideal model would necessarily include. Possibly the three most crucial limitations have been to ignore:

1) Land availability and use for dwellings.
2) The location of dwellings.
3) The financial mechanisms which act as controls on the physical entities which the model deals in. (Though many are included implicitly)

The reasons for omitting these aspects of the housing system are as follows: Land use would have added a degree of complexity resulting in a doubling of the number of classifications already used. The inclusion of the location of dwellings and households would mean a further sub-division of the model into zones – possibly to correspond with the twelve planning regions of the country. Similarly inclusion of finance would result in a further expansion of variables. To a limited extent finance is dealt with in the model by taking consideration of different sized and condition dwellings and by the socio-economic group of households. The increased complexity implied by inclusion of these factors could not be accommodated in this research programme.

Thus three main sub-models are defined:

- The households sub-model.
- The dwellings sub-model.
- The allocation sub-model.

**The Households Sub-Model.**

In the model a household is defined as one or more persons requiring separate accommodation. Thirty-two different types are defined arising from a three way classification system:

Socio-economic Group - four groups are used based on the
Registrar Generals classification system.

Age - households are divided according to age of the head of household - Old (45 years and over) and Young (Aged 18-44 years).

Family Status - four different states are defined: Single persons, married couples without children, married couples with children, single parent families.

The number of each type of household will depend upon some or all of the following rates of change -

- New Households (i.e. children becoming 18 year olds)
- Marriage
- Birth
- Separation
- Immigration
- Emigration
- Ageing (From age 44 to 45 years)
- Death

These demographic phenomena operate so that their effects are to shift groups of people through a range of life experiences from leaving home at eighteen years to death in old age.

The Dwellings Sub-Model

Twenty four different types of dwelling are defined, arising from a three way classification system -

- Tenure - Three modes of tenure are considered; owner occupied, local authority rented, and others (mainly privately rented).
- Size - Dwellings are classified as very small, small, medium and large (The traditional three-bedroom house is included in the medium category).
- Condition - Dwellings are classified as being in good condition if they are fit and have all basic amenities, and bad if unfit and/or lacking one or more basic amenity. These
twenty four types form an interconnected system where the number of each is affected by some or all of the following rates of change -

- New Building
- Conversions
- A change of tenure
- Ageing (good condition becomes bad)
- Modernization
- Demolition

in the same way as the households sub-model moves people through a life pattern so that dwellings sub-model moves dwellings from newly built to demolished.

The Allocation Sub-Model

Twenty four types of dwelling and thirty two types of household create the possibility of 768 ways in which households can occupy dwellings (In the model these numbers are held in the OCCUPANCY MATRIX).

In addition some households occupy temporary accommodation (TEMP) or share with friends or relatives (SHARING), some young single households will live together communally (COMACC) and some dwellings will remain unoccupied (VACANT). The information in brackets refers to the matrix or vector used in the computer programme.

Assuming that the numbers of household types in each dwelling type can be specified for a starting year, by the end of the following year many events will have occurred to change this distribution of 'who lives where'. The rates of change listed earlier will trigger off this disturbance. The term 'disturbance' is used with caution since in most cases these phenomena will not necessarily result in a physical change of dwelling. For example, a head of household will age and hence change its
classification but will remain in the same dwelling.

In another situation where an old single person dies the dwelling will be released and at the same time the number of households of that type will be reduced. In other circumstances a household will decide to move and a physical change of dwelling ensues. The propensity to move tends to be different for both different types of household and different types of dwelling occupied. In the model, all potential movers (households who have made positive efforts to find alternative accommodation) are transferred from cells in the OCCUPANCY MATRIX to a category called MOVING, and their dwelling added to VACANT. Some households in TEMP and SHARING are also transferred but in their case no dwelling is released. At this stage the original pattern of occupancy has been significantly disturbed.

There are a lot of vacant properties and a lot of households wishing to move, who must be allocated to appropriate dwellings. Three factors are taken into account in this allocation process:

1. Desirability of a dwelling type by a household type (called ACCESSIBILITY in the model).

2. Availability of dwellings.

3. Ability of a household to gain access to different parts of the housing system i.e. different tenures. Households are ranked according to, socio-economic group and family status thus producing a 'pecking order' of access to the different tenures.

Accessibility reflects the desirability in terms of size, cost and mode of tenure of a dwelling by a household assuming that such dwellings are in plentiful supply.
In practice in the model, for each household type it is assumed that a certain proportion of those wishing to move will move to each dwelling type, i.e., the ACCESSIBILITY matrix of 24 (no. of dwelling types) X 32 (no. of household types) numbers is constructed. Availability operates so that accessibility is constrained where it cannot be met by supply, i.e., only a certain proportion of vacant dwellings of each type are allowed to be taken up.

The 'pecking order' ensures that market forces operate in the owner occupied and privately rented sectors and that local authorities' definitions of 'need' operates on council tenancies.

Households in MOVING are allocated to dwellings according to a minimisation process. The number of households of a particular type moving into dwellings of a particular type is taken as a minimum of either:

- The 'accessibility' of the dwelling x the total number of households of that type wishing to move.

  or,

- The 'availability' of the dwelling x the total number of dwellings of that type which are vacant.

Households unable to move into their desired dwellings are allocated to either TEMP or SHARING.

The process of movement out of dwellings followed by movement into dwellings operates separately for each of the thirty-two household types, which are ranked according to the pecking order.

When this allocation process is complete, all potential movers are either occupying dwellings or are in temporary or shared accommodation.
The model then starts another iteration thus reproducing the state of the housing system in terms of who lives where in successive time periods.

Figure 2.1. provides a diagrammatic representation of the model structures. Comments (A) through to (E) provide a summary of the information shown in the boxes below. Chapters Three, Four and Five discuss in more detail Households, Dwellings and the relationship between Households and Dwellings and how these phenomena were modelled.
A DYNAMIC DESCRIPTION OF THE HOUSING SYSTEM

DATA INPUTS TO THE MODEL

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FOR SUBSEQUENT YEARS TILL 1977,

REPRODUCING THE HISTORIC SITUATION


FUTURE DWELLINGS SITUATION

THE NUMBER OF DWELLINGS

OF EACH TYPE WILL BE

AFFECTED BY THE POLICY

CHANGE THE MODEL WILL

OUTPUT THESE CHANCES.

FUTURE ALLOCATION SITUATION

THE EFFECT OF THE POLICY

CHANGE ON THE DISTRIBUTION

OF HOUSEHOLDS IN DWELLINGS

WILL BE THE MOST IMPORTANT

OUTPUT OF THE MODEL.

NEW DWELLINGS

SITUATION

DESCRIPTIVE OUTPUT

OF THE MODEL WILL

REPRODUCE THE

HISTORIC SITUATION.

NUMBER OF VACANT

DWELLINGS AND NUMBER OF

HOUSEHOLDS IN SHARING AND TEMPORARY

ACCOMMODATION WILL ALSO

BE SHOWN CLEARLY.

NEW DWELLINGS

SITUATION

DUE TO THESE FACTORS

THE NUMBER OF

DWELLINGS OF EACH

TYPE WILL CHANGE

FROM YEAR TO YEAR.

THE MODEL OUTPUT

WILL REFLECT THE

AVAILABLE DATA FOR

THE PERIOD.

NEW HOUSEHOLDS

SITUATION

DUE TO THESE FACTORS

THE NUMBER OF HOUSE-

HOLDS OF EACH TYPE

WILL CHANGE FROM

YEAR TO YEAR.

THE MODEL OUTPUT

WILL REFLECT THE

AVAILABLE DATA FOR

THE PERIOD.

NEW ALLOCATION

SITUATION

AS A RESULT OF

THOSE FACTORS

CAUSING CHANGE

A NEW DISTRIBUTION

OF HOUSEHOLDS IN

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THE MODEL WILL

REPRODUCE THE

HISTORIC SITUATION.

NUMBER OF VACANT

DWELLINGS AND NUMBER OF

HOUSEHOLDS IN SHARING AND TEMPORARY

ACCOMMODATION WILL ALSO

CHANGE TO MATCH

AVAILABLE DATA.

Some policy proposals

E.g.

1. sell more council...

2. Build more dwellings of all sizes in the private sector.

3. Encourage small households living in large dwellings to move to smaller dwellings.

4. Encourage local authorities to rehabilitate rather than redevelop.

5. Allow council tenants to take lodgers.

6. Place statutory responsibility on local authorities to house homeless people.

7. Raise improvement grants rateable value limits to owner occupiers.

Fig. 2.1

FUTURE DWELLINGS SITUATION

THE NUMBER OF DWELLINGS

OF EACH TYPE WILL BE

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OUTPUT THESE CHANCES.
CHAPTER THREE

HOUSEHOLDS

3.1. DEFINITIONS

The organisation and distribution of the population into households is one of the basic elements of the social and economic life of the country and as a concept 'the private household' is much wider and looser than 'the family' which is perhaps the more familiar and traditional social unit. Particularly in relation to the housing of the population the household is the most useful concept because by definition members of a household share the same accommodation and make collective demands for housing whilst in some contexts the family extends beyond people in this situation. (44)

The definition of household used in the 1971 census of population was:

"Either one person living alone, or a group of persons (who may or may not be related) living at the same address with common housekeeping. Persons staying temporarily with the household are included".

'Common housekeeping' in this definition is interpreted to mean the provision of at least one meal a day.

"A boarder having at least one meal (breakfast counts as meal for this purpose) a day with the household counts as a member of the household; but a lodger taking no meals with the main household counts as a separate one-person household, even if he shares kitchen and bathroom. A group of unrelated persons sharing a house or flat would count as one or as several households according to whether they maintained common housekeeping or provided their own meals separately". (20)

Households are distinguished in the 1971 census from non-private establishments such as hotels, holiday camps,
ships, religious communities etc. as these establishments, unlike households, have an identifiable function other than that of providing food or of satisfying some other domestic convenience.

The number of households enumerated gives only an approximate indication of housing need, however. It does not include individuals or families who are literally homeless or sleeping rough. There is no way of assuring that such an enumeration process will identify people without any recognisable accommodation. In 1971 the police did attempt to enumerate the vagrants, campers etc. whom they came across on Census night.

A more meaningful approach for relating households to housing need is the concept of the 'potential' household which is defined as 'families and other groups likely to want separate dwellings and their number is estimated as the total census type households plus married couple families, with or without children, not forming or heading a household, less three-quarters of those one person households who share dwellings with other households'. (44)

As a definition it has many arbitrary features but probably gives a better rough guide than does any other definition. Justification for the assumptions used is:

"While estimates of future numbers of households can be used for a variety of purposes their chief value to the Department is as a component of any projection of housing need or demand. The usual definition of a household, as used in the census, is not ideal for this purpose. The number of households must be adjusted to allow for groups of people who can be said, in some sense, to need to live as a separate household in their own dwelling but are at present obliged to live as part of another household because of a lack of housing or other reasons."
The most obvious case is the young married couple who live with in-laws until they can afford a home of their own. On the other hand some households, particularly one-person households will not want a separate dwelling but while preserving their independence and catering for themselves will be quite happy to share a dwelling with another household. We therefore use the notion of 'potential households', their number being derived from actual households by adding married couples not heading a household and deducting three-quarters of those one-person households sharing a dwelling with another household." (2)

Unfortunately the availability of data defined in this way is limited.

3.2. METHODS OF CLASSIFICATION

Households are not homogeneous entities, they may be distinguished by the:

Occupation of the head of the household.
Income of the household.
Level of education of the members of the household.
Political preferences of the members.
Types of social participation.

They may also be differentiated by the:

Age and sex distributions within the household.
Differing propensity to have children.
Likelihood of marriage.
" separation.
" divorce.
" to die.
Size of household.
Proportions of women employed outside the home.

On top of this, yet further differentiations may be made in terms of ethnic identity, mobility, religion, and a wide range of other indicants relating to characteristics of the population and to the frequency of various types of desirable or undesirable behaviour. Each of these factors will contribute to defining the households position within the housing system in terms of residential location and housing use and also the extent to which a household is able to adjust that use in response to
changing needs or desires. But it must be remembered that these are only characteristics and care must be taken not to attach importance to one as opposed to any of the others. Neither can any of these divisions be regarded as independent influences on the choice of residential location.

Despite the plethora of characteristics by which households can be identified much of the detailed variation may be accounted for in terms of the underlying variation along two or three basic differentiating factors.

The method of factor analysis has been used in many studies to describe the residential differentiation of the urban population. Factor analysis attempts to account for the manifold variation in the characteristics in terms of a much smaller number of underlying constructs.

Since the results of these studies vary not only with the nature of the data input and the particular type of factor analytic technique employed but also with the theoretical predilections of the investigators, difficulties arise in the deduction of hard and fast rules as to the selection of those factors which will always adequately describe the population in question. (118)

However, despite the many differences in factors chosen by different studies a general consistency of the findings emerges.

Gans (46), for example, maintains that if households have an opportunity to choose their housing that class, in all its economic, social and cultural ramifications, and
life-cycle stage will go far in explaining the kinds of housing and neighbourhoods they will occupy and the ways of life they will try to establish within them.

A more complete understanding of the workings of the housing system must include analysis of how these factors are affected by the processes, determinants and institutions involved in organising the urban system. This will be discussed in a later Section.

3.2.1. Family Life Cycle

The method of analysis most widely applied to housing in Britain has been the family life-cycle. In this an important explanation of the differences in both requirements and resources of a household is its position in the family life-cycle. (93)

Rossi (111) finds that shifts in family composition accompanying life-cycle changes constitutes the major reason why families move at all; mobility being the process by which families adjust their housing to the changing needs generated.

Professor D.V. Donnison (43) suggests that people pass through five 'housing stages' in the course of their lives involving six basic household types:

(1) For the first twenty years or so they live in their parents home.

(2) Then a growing proportion of them spend a brief period on their own or with friends after leaving home to study or find work. The first year or two of marriage when wives generally remain at work, may be regarded as a continuation of this phase; the household is small and mobile, and out all day; their home is not the centre of their lives.

(3) As soon as their first baby is born, the households needs change again and become, during this
expanding phase, increasingly extensive and demanding.

(4) In time, all or most of their children leave home, and for those who do not have elderly relatives living with them there follows a fourth phase. The household is again small and less dependent upon its neighbours and the services offered by the surrounding district, but a home has been established and filled with possessions, roots have been put down, and people are less likely to move than in earlier years.

(5) Finally, in old age, households shrink still further; they become even less mobile, and their comfort and peace of mind depend increasingly upon security of tenure, upon the design and equipment of the home, the services available in the neighbourhood and the support of nearby relatives and friends.

In Stage (1) individuals do not constitute a separate household whilst still dependent upon their parents.

In Stage (2) two household types can be defined:

Young Single Person Households.
Young Couple Households.

In Stage (3) families emerge and grow defining:

Young Family Households.
Young Single Parent Households.
Old Family Households.
Old Single Parent Households.

In Stage (4) the fifth household type can be defined:

Old Couple Households.

In Stage (5) are:

Old Single Person Households.

These six household types involve only three different household structures - single, couple and family, although single will encompass all never-married, widowed or divorced persons now requiring separate accommodation.

Analysis by structure alone imparts a limited understanding of either present needs or future demands; age of the head of the household will define more precisely
at what stage of the family life-cycle the household is situated. The housing behaviour of a young couple anticipating becoming a young family will differ considerably from an old couple the next stage for which may be old single household. Classification of households by age is an integral aspect of the life-cycle theory. In most studies young implies aged under 45 years and old implies aged 45 years and over.

Although this formulation provides a useful structure for analysis its limitations must be recognised. Previous studies indicate that there is a wide and contradictory variation in patterns of housing use among households at similar stages of the family cycle. Constraints and inertia factors may prevent housing adjustments in accordance with the family life-cycle. The family cycle formulation is intended to indicate 'needs'; it does not imply that the housing system distributes resources according to need. Other considerations need to be taken into account if family life-cycle is to be fruitful in housing analysis. Family life-cycle is best regarded as one of the factors which may be most important in determining the housing expectations, aspirations and demands of households.

At this stage it is useful to distinguish between housing 'need' and housing 'demand'. Murie, et al, (82) cover this point very clearly and show that it is essential that the two concepts be distinguished:

"Housing need has been defined as 'the extent to which the quality and quantity of existing accommodation falls short of that required to provide each household or person in the population, irrespective of ability to pay, or particular personal preferences, with
Demand, on the other hand, is an economic concept; the standard and amount of housing a household can command is a result of income and ability to pay. It does not imply the achievement of any specified minimum standard. There is a third possible concept, namely housing 'desires', based on household preferences and aspirations. In some circumstances, 'desires' can merge with both 'need' and 'demand'.

3.2.2. Social Class and Socio-Economic Group

Social Class or Socio-Economic Group is commonly taken to give a good indication of:

(a) A household's ability to demand certain types of housing - and

(b) A household's desire for certain types of housing.

Both are aspects of social stratification. The latter term being used to refer to any hierarchial ordering of social groups or strata in society.

Social class/group is a much more elusive concept than say age or sex and difficulties arise in defining its nature and meaning. There are some clear historical indications that divisions in society which exhibit most of the characteristics of social differentiation have long been recognised. Plato, for example, writing about 300 BC, wrote of gold, silver and tin people. The rights and privileges of these groups he saw as being based on inheritance, effort and worth to society. Aristotle wrote that the best administered states had a large middle-class-larger if possible than both the others - which is clearly a reference to the different degrees of political power enjoyed by the classes. Romans used the
term classis, which was a division of people on the basis of taxation and property. Hence the usual concomitants of class - status, power, wealth and so on have been recognised as a basis for dividing people into groups probably for as long as societies have existed. However, Briggs (16) has argued that social class/group as we know it emerged after the Industrial Revolution. Industrialisation broke up existing order of society and replaced it with a greater division of labour. People's occupations became much more differentiated in terms of skills and rewards. Together with the migration to the cities these differences brought about separation in residence, styles of life and interests.

One criterion which has been suggested for determining social class/group is income, recipients being graded according to the size of their income, irrespective of how it has been earned. But the income per se is not a satisfactory principle for establishing class, if only because, as Lockwood (76) describes, the question of occupational prestige interferes with simple economic gradations. Manual work is generally considered to have lower status than non-manual work yet many occupations within the skilled manual range receive higher wages than the lesser clerical jobs. Curates for example earn less than dock labourers. The difficulties of using income as a criterion of differentiation are further increased by the incidence of graded taxation and death duties, which reduce inequalities in the distribution of income.
Whereas the overall national income has doubled in recent years the lower income groups share of it has trebled hence narrowing the income gap between the middle and working classes. Although one person may command a higher annual income than another he may not be able to effectively demand better housing. In order to obtain a mortgage, for example, security of earnings and incremental salary scales are as much importance as the absolute level of earnings.

In British research almost the sole criterion of social class/group which has been used is occupation - it appears to be accepted as a reasonable general-purpose tool for classifying people. Or as Monk (81) has argued:

'occupation has remained the backbone of social grading because no better methods have been found and therefore it has remained a powerful and useful stratification factor even though the interpretation has become more complex'

Very little research has been carried out on the development and use of scales of social class/group based on other factors or on multidimensional measures. In America, however, combinations of factors such as occupations, income and education have been used. Even such unusual factors as participation in the community, and the contents and condition of living rooms (52) have been implemented but usually only for particular studies, their general use in other studies has been limited.

In terms of research use in Britain, data on occupation is easy to collect and has remained universally a popular criterion. In addition, occupation has been
consistently shown to be highly related to most other factors associated with social grading, particularly income and education. As Berger (14) has written:

'Different classes in our society not only live differently quantitatively, they live different styles qualitatively. A Sociologist worth his salt .... can make a long list of predictions about the individual in question even if no further information has been given .... the Sociologist will be able to make intelligent guesses about the part of town in which the individual lives, as well as about the size and style of his house'.

There are a number of reasons why occupation is recognised as an important descriptive element of social grading. In all societies where they exist occupations are differentially rewarded. Income is obviously an important determinant of possessions, style of life, and place of living in societies based on a cash nexus. Households with similar incomes are likely to be able to afford similar housing. Furthermore, individuals participating in similar occupations will interact with each other in particular ways, the experience of work affecting in some way a person's view of the world, his attitudes and opinions. i.e. not only will households with similar occupations have similar ability to demand certain types of housing they most likely will also desire similar types of housing.

The census contains two forms of classification of occupations:

Social Class - and
Socioeconomic group

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5.2.2.1. Census Classification by Social Class

The official collection of statistics related to social class can be traced back to the middle and late nineteenth century to the work of the General Register Office (GRO). 1937 saw the introduction of civil registration of births, marriages and deaths, which when combined with information collected in the decennial censuses of population of the number of males in different occupations showed striking differences in mortality between groups of workers in particular occupations. For the first time statistics were available which underlined the probability that hardship arising from poverty and its correlates in housing, nutrition, hygiene and clothing might also contribute to differential mortality.

The first systematic attempt to construct a social classification of the population in England and Wales was undertaken by Dr. Stevenson in 1911 primarily for the purpose of analysing infant mortality. The classification grouped relatively homogeneous occupations according to the degree of skill involved and the social position implied. (115) Eight social groups were identified, the first five being ranked in descending order of social position. These have become widely referred to as the Registrar General's Social Classes:

1 - Upper and Middle
III - Skilled
II - Intermediate between I and III
V - Unskilled
IV - Intermediate between III and V
Others - Textile workers
Miners
Agricultural Workers.
Due to certain defects in the 1911 classification (e.g. failure to distinguish between employers and employed or between skilled and unskilled in the manufacturing industries), in 1921 Dr. Stevenson made certain revisions to ensure that social grading was made entirely on the basis of occupational information. (116)

This broad criterion for allocating occupational groups to the social classes has survived through successive population censuses, although its application is nowadays regulated by such factors as occupational training and skill, education and professional qualifications. Since 1961 distinctions have been made between people with different levels of responsibility; account is taken of individuals employment status (e.g. if he is a foreman) in addition to his occupational group before being allocated to a social class.

In the 1970 Classification of Occupations Social Class III was split into manual and non-manual components thus enabling the social classes to be readily recombined into a non-manual and manual dichotomy. The social class categories currently used together with examples of the occupations covered are listed below:

Non-Manual

I - Professional Occupations (e.g. Doctors, Lawyers)
II - Managerial and lower Professional Occupations (e.g. Sales Managers, Teachers)
III N- Non-manual skilled occupations (e.g. clerks, shop assistants)

Manual

III M- Skilled manual occupations (e.g. bricklayers, underground coal miners)
IV - Partly skilled occupations (e.g. bus conductors, postmen)

V - Unskilled occupations (e.g. porters, ticket collectors, general labourers)

Changes in the social standing of particular occupations and shifts in occupational structure have led to modifications on the grouping of occupations into social classes at successive censuses since 1921. Such changes raise problems of comparability over time between statistics on the social classes but may be less than the corresponding problems brought by time alone in an age of rapid technological change.

In 1931 for example half a million male clerks were transferred from Social Class II to Social Class III. In 1911 they had been classified in Class I. With the growth in technology employees in many occupations have had to undergo extensive training and so such occupations have tended to climb the social class scale. Correspondingly, other groups have fallen in social status. The effect of such changes on the comparability of censuses will depend upon the size of the occupational group concerned.

The social classes are derived from aggregates of precisely defined occupational groups. Individuals are assigned to one of more than 200 groups on the basis of their current, most recent or last occupation as recorded for example at birth, marriage or death registration, or on census schedules. The most accurate statements probably are found at the census where generally the individual answers questions of a more specific nature.
than at registration where the informant might not know precisely the kind of occupational statement required. A 'mechanic' for example could, if unqualified, relate to several occupations - motor, electrical and so on - each of which falls into a different occupational group. A mechanic who was a foreman would be assigned to the wrong social class if his status were omitted. Over reporting of status - the street vendor who is reported as a travelling salesman - also give rise to bias.

Analysis using occupational data from different sources can give rise to errors. Statements about the occupation of individuals given at vital registration may not always be consistent with statements about the same individuals recorded at census. A certain amount of the discrepancies may be accounted for by social mobility after the census but the majority will be due to the inconsistency of statements. Such inconsistencies will affect the accuracy of rates derived from vital events.

3.2.2.2. Census Classification by Socio Economic Group

In 1947 a Socio Economic Group System was developed by the GRO in conjunction with Professor Glass in response to the suggestion that a need existed for 'a method of grouping (occupations) into a relatively small number of classes, larger than five, but still manageable' in order to analyse fertility patterns.(112) The SEG classification was not another attempt at ranking but rather the construction of social status divisions for a more limited field of comparison. For example, comparisons can be made

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between those professional workers who are self-employed and those who are employees. Thirteen SEG's were used. In 1961 the Conference of European Statisticians recommended that the groups be revised to contain 'people whose social, cultural and recreational standards and behaviour are similar. In practice, however, this ideal is considered difficult to obtain as it is impracticable to ask enough questions. The allocation of occupied persons to socio economic group is determined by considering their employment status. Further modifications to the SEG's is expected before 1981 to bring them in line with the SEC requirement of harmonization of classifications. The groups used in 1961, 1966 and 1971 are as follows:

1. Employers and Managers in central and local government, industry, commerce etc. - large establishments (with 25 or more employees)
2. Employers and Managers in central and local government, industry, commerce etc. - small establishments (25 or fewer employees).
3. Professional workers - self-employed
4. Professional workers - employed.
7. Personal Service workers.
12. Own-account workers (other than professional)
13. Farmers, employers or managers.
15. Agricultural workers.
16. Members of the Armed Forces.
17. Indefinite (inadequately described occupations)

Government research, particularly the General Household Survey, has also made use of a collapsed version. This collapse is achieved, as shown below, by placing fifteen groups into six categories. These categories are not identical with the Registrar General's classification of social classes but are clearly parallel:

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Thus a household's 'need' for housing will be determined largely by its position in the family life cycle and its 'demand' and 'desires' for certain types of housing will depend upon its social class/socio economic group.

3.3. DEMOGRAPHIC FACTORS AFFECTING THE NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS OF EACH TYPE.

For each socio economic group/social class at each stage of the family life cycle certain phenomena will cause the actual number of households of each type to change. These demographic phenomena, some affecting households at every stage of life and some being specific to particular stages are: births, deaths, marriage, divorce, emigration, immigration, growing old and children leaving
the parental home. In the following sections these phenomena will be discussed in terms of their changing nature and influence over time, and their importance in affecting and being affected by the housing system.

3.3.1. Immigration and Emigration

No population is ever static, movement taking place not only from one part of the country to another (internal migration) but also from one country to another (international migration). The motives for moving are manifold. Those concerned with internal migration will be discussed in a later section (Section 5.2). One of the strongest motives for movement between countries is the relative employment opportunities available. (ibl)

When a household emigrates a dwelling is necessarily made vacant. An immigrant household will require a vacant dwelling. It has been suggested in the previous section that certain household types will occupy certain types of dwelling. By analysing the household characteristics of immigrants and emigrants it may be possible to draw certain conclusions as to the effect of migration on the changing balance of vacant dwellings. If the characteristics of immigrants differ widely from those of emigrants the housing released by emigrants would not satisfy the needs or demands of immigrants.

Statistics referring to migrants are collected according to the following internationally agreed definitions. An immigrant is a person who having resided elsewhere for at least a year states on entry to this country that he intends to stay here for 12 months or
longer. An emigrant is a person who has been a resident of this country for at least the past year and who says on departure that he intends to stay abroad for at least one year. This definition is strictly a statistical one unrelated to the laws defining whose entry into the country is subject to immigration control.

Since 1964 information on international migration has been collected in the International Passenger Survey (IPS). This procedure involves the selection of a sample of passengers entering and leaving the UK by the principal air and sea routes excluding traffic between the UK and Eire. Information is obtained by interview on migration, tourism and the effect of travel expenditure on the balance of payments.

About 7 per cent of outgoing passengers and 4 per cent of incoming passengers, although a smaller proportion on small airports and sea ports, are sampled. In 1973 a total of 315,000 passengers were interviewed of whom over 10,000 were migrants. Allowance has to be made to population estimates for visitors who in fact become immigrants and for intending immigrants who subsequently do not stay for 12 months. Both these adjustments are fortunately not large.

Both immigrants and emigrants consist of foreigners and UK citizens (holders of UK passports). During the decade 1964 to 1974 the pattern of net migration has been relatively stable, more foreigners entered the country than left but even larger numbers of UK citizens left
the country than entered. The overall picture being in line with Britain's traditional role as a net exporter of people and in contrast to the exceptional experience of the late 1950's and early 1960's when mainly due to an influx of New Commonwealth citizens the country was a net importer of people.

A study by Christopher Walker at the Office of Population Census and Survey (OPCS) discusses the sex, age, marital status and occupational characteristics of international migrants with reference to data obtained from the International Passenger Survey. (97)

In every year between 1964 and 1975 the UK had a net loss of both adult men and adult women (apart from 1972) as a result of migration - an annual average of 22,000 men and 18,000 women over the 12 years. In general both immigrant and emigrant streams have been characterised by a greater number of female migrants in the early years of the period and only since the early 1970's have men consistently outnumbered women.

The age characteristics of migrants are heavily biased towards the younger age groups and hence bears little relation to the age structure of the population from which they come. Of emigrants from the UK about half were under 25 and 90 per cent under 45. For immigrants the corresponding proportions were rather more than half for ages under 25 and 90 per cent under 45. About one third of all immigrants are concentrated in the 15-24 age groups; this has remained a consistent proportion for the 12 years.
A similar proportion accounts for 25-44 year olds with children amounting to one fifth of the flow. The median age for immigrants for the period 1964-75 was around 24 years.

In contrast the median age of emigrants has centred around 26 years for the period with a rather higher proportion of children and those in the age group 25-44 than for immigrants and fewer in younger age groups. Of all migrants men were more concentrated in the 25-44 age range and women in the 15-24 year age range.

This small asymmetry between the age and sex structures of the immigrants and emigrants has some interesting effects. The net migration losses in virtually every year since 1964 have led to consistent net losses of males and females in all but one of the identified age groups. The exception being the 15-24 year olds where a net migration balance has roughly occurred for both men and women.

On the whole, since 1967 married immigrants have always slightly outnumbered single immigrants who have accounted for between 44 and 50 per cent of the adult inflow. A much higher proportion of emigrants is married. It is suggested that families make up a larger proportion of emigrants than immigrants; there is some evidence that married workers entering this country leave their families in their home country.

As there have been more emigrants than immigrants in this period and because a higher proportion of emigrants are married there has been a considerable net loss of
married people, totalling 50,000 in some years. In contrast in 5 of the 11 years there were net losses of single persons and net gains in the other years.

Due to the relatively small size of the IFS sample estimates of the occupational status of migrants are available only for broad categories. The economically active are divided into 'professional and managerial' and 'manual and clerical' occupations whilst non-gainfully employed groups are 'students', 'housewives' and others. Data refers to the migrants regular occupation before travelling and will not necessarily agree with the migrants intended occupation. (34)

During the 12 years 1964-75 about 39 per cent of economically active emigrants and over 40 per cent of immigrants belonged to the professional and managerial groups. Although taking into account that emigrant flows have exceeded immigrant flows it is estimated that less than 20 per cent of the net loss of economically active migrants were in professional and managerial occupations. To a certain extent the loss of higher qualified workers from Britain has been offset by the arrival of workers with similar skills.

Over this period the proportion of workers in the 2 occupational groups has remained fairly stable although since 1974 more selective immigration policies have been pursued by the main countries receiving UK migrants which has led to a decline in the numbers of clerical and manual emigrants. Among immigrants there has been a corresponding increase in professional and managerial workers.
60 per cent of adult immigrants and 70 per cent of adult emigrants are gainfully employed - these figures having remained steady despite the economic, social and migration policy changes which occurred over the period 1974-75.

The very broad conclusions that can be made are that:

(a) Britain is a net exporter of people,
(b) Net loss of males is greater than net loss of females,
(c) Net loss of married persons is greater than net loss of single persons,
(d) Majority of migrants are under age 45 years with a net loss of males and females in all age groups except 15-24 years where the number of immigrants tends to match the number of emigrants,
(e) Migrants tend to belong to the higher social groups,
(f) Immigrants and emigrants have broadly similar household characteristics.

3.3.2. Marriage.

The marriage of two single persons usually produces a need for fresh accommodation. Although certainly in some circumstances the marriage of two single persons may create accommodation - if they each live in a separate dwelling, many young couples live with parents and in-laws for a period after their marriage and this situation is generally believed to be unsatisfactory. In some cases couples will delay their marriage to avoid the situation. Many factors will affect the marriage behaviour of a nation - changing sex ratios, economic factors, availability of housing etc.

Few studies have attempted to analyse the effects of these social and economic factors on marriage rates although certain feedback effects must prevail. J.A. Banks (13)
has shown how the Victorian middle classes postponed marriage until the income of the bridegroom was such as to ensure that the couple started life with a well-equipped home. Nowadays, most building societies require prospective first-time buyers to have saved with them for a minimum of two years before being granted a mortgage. Many couples in this situation find it cheaper to remain living in their respective parental homes during the period they wish to save for a deposit. It is hypothesised that less stringent regulations on the part of the building societies might lead to earlier marriages for some sections of the community. The governments proposed policy towards first-time buyers involving an interest free loan of £500 so long as the couple have saved the same amount in a minimum of two years with a building society will possibly increase the proportion of couples delaying marriage until they have saved enough capital to buy a home of their own.

Until the 2nd World War marriages, in general, would occur at a relatively late age and a high proportion of persons remained unmarried. Subsequently there has been a change to an earlier age pattern. In 1974, for example, spinsters were marrying on average 2½ to 3 years younger than their counterparts 40 years earlier when the average age at marriage was 25.5 years. In addition a higher proportion of persons now marry. In 1931 17 per cent of all females remained unmarried at ages 45-49 but in 1974 this percentage had fallen to only 7 per cent at the same ages. Similar trends have been experienced by males
although the decline in the average age is slightly less than for females and the proportion remaining unmarried at ages 45-49 has only shown minor changes over the same period.

One major factor associated with these changing marriage patterns has been the changing sex ratio at marriageable ages. The 1st World War resulted in the deaths of large numbers of males and at the same time more males than females were lost through emigration, hence by the 1930's there were significantly more females than males at the most marriageable ages. By 1951 a more evenly balanced ratio was achieved. Since the early 1950's there has been a slight surplus of males (See Figure 3.1).

This change in the proportion of males may have helped to produce the greater decline for females than males in the average age at marriage in addition to giving rise to pressures for a higher proportion of females to marry.

3.3.2.1. **First Marriages**

In terms of the effect on or by the housing system first marriages are of greater importance than re-marriages. Most first marriages will represent a new demand for housing as many newly-married couples leave the parental home to set up home for the first time. With a remarriage each partner will most likely already possess an individual home.

In the decade 1965-74 trends for first marriages and
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Fig. 3.1
remarriages have differed. Up to 1970 there was an increase in first marriages which could be explained as those born in the post war baby boom passing through the marriage ages. Since 1970 there has been a downward trend of first marriages particularly at ages 20-24 which usually records the highest number. This reduction may be due in part to fewer numbers in this age group with the passage of the effect of the post war boom.

The Family Law Reform Act 1970 which lowered the age of majority from 21 to 18 had the immediate effect of increasing the number and rate of marriages for those under 20. Many people who might have waited until 21 to marry (in 1968 and 1969 this was the peak age at which spinsters married) brought forward their marriages to age 18-20. There have not been commensurate changes in the proportion married by ages 21 and over. The decline in marriage rates (first and remarriage combined) in 1974 led to lower proportions ever married for most generations compared with preceding generations at the same age. See Table 3

Whether a significant trend towards later first marriages is to be expected as has been seen for example in the USA in recent years or is merely a temporary phenomenon in response to recent economic constraints is open to conjecture. A significant decline in the popularity of marriage is not likely since even if first marriages continued at its present rate over 90 per cent of all persons aged 16 now would be married by the age of fifty.
Table 3.1 Proportion (per 1000) of women who were ever married* before attaining selected ages in England and Wales.

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<th>Birth generation†</th>
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<td>1958</td>
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* The figures in the right hand diagonal represent marriages up to the end of the calendar year 1974; those in the next diagonal to the left represent marriages up to the end of 1973 and so on.

† The 1950 birth generation represents a group with dates of birth ranging from 1/1/49 to 31/12/50 and so on.

** The figures to the right of the dotted line are affected by the reduction in 1970 of the age of majority.

(Source: (105))

3.3.2.2. Remarriages

The recent increase in divorce (see next Section) has been accompanied by a sharp rise in remarriages. In 1965 11 per cent of marriages involved a divorced bride or groom; by 1974 this had increased to 25 per cent. The number of widows remarrying has also risen slightly. Evidence suggests (see Table 3.2) that persons of a given marital status are more likely to choose partners of the same marital status, but this could be because most people marry within a narrow age band from their own age group and in these circumstances most eligible spouses tend to be of the same marital status. There is however, a
considerable variation in age of remarriage depending upon the marital status of the partner of the remarriage. The average age at remarriage of divorced women and widows is 35 and 54 respectively although the average age of divorced women marrying bachelors is 20 years younger than that of divorced women marrying widowers.

Table 3.2 Marriages by marital status of husband and wife - England and Wales.

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<tr>
<th>Marital status</th>
<th>Number of marriages</th>
<th>Per cent change</th>
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<td>Bride widowed</td>
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<td>4.5</td>
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<td>Groom divorced</td>
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<td>Bride single</td>
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<td>14.2</td>
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<td>Bride divorced</td>
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<td>Groom widowed</td>
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<td>8.6</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
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<td>371.1</td>
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Source (105)

Although the number of remarriages has increased over the last ten years little change has occurred in the rates of remarriage of divorced persons (calculated per 1000 divorced men or women in the population). The increase in the number is due to the increase in the population 'at risk' i.e. number of divorced men or women in the population. From 1970 to 1974 the number of divorced females under 60, for example, rose by over 50 per cent.

The highest remarriage rate occurs for both divorced
males and females in the age group 25-29; the rate declining in each subsequent age group.

3.3.3. Divorce

The effect of divorce on the housing situation or, conversely, the effect of the housing system on the rate of divorce is difficult to ascertain and very little work has been carried out in this field. When a couple divorce one of the partners will have to leave the marital home to find separate accommodation thus exerting a pressure on the demand for housing. Depending on the financial situation of the other partner, especially if children are concerned, it may not be possible for them to continue living in the marital home. Thus a move and increased pressure for cheaper housing may be generated. The more prevalent is divorce the greater will such activity be.

Civil divorce first became available in 1857 (110). The number of divorce decrees granted has since continued to rise; fluctuations in the numbers occurring only when there were either changes in the legal grounds for divorce or changes relating to financial assistance to litigants. Pre-World War II divorces amounted to 10,000 per annum. Between 1945 and 1947 the number of decrees made absolute quadrupled. The Legal Aid and Advice Act 1949 increased the financial assistance to litigants resulting in a temporary increase in divorces but this gradually declined to 24,000 divorces per annum by 1960. Again to 1970 the trend was upward when there were 58,000 divorces. The 1969 Divorce Law Reform Act which came into effect in 1971 resulted in a doubling in the number of divorces to
119,000 by 1972. In 1973 the number fell back temporarily but has since continued to rise.

The post war rise in the number of divorces cannot be accounted for by the increase in the number at risk (married persons in the population). The divorce rate per 1000 married women aged 15-59 years has shown an increase at all ages. The number of persons divorcing for a second time has however increased in proportion to the increased number at risk. The proportion of divorces involving persons divorcing for a second time increased only slightly from 9 per cent in 1964 to 10 per cent in 1973.

Up to 1971 and since 1973 there has been a growing tendency for husbands and wives to divorce at younger ages and at shorter durations of marriage. The reversal of these trends in 1971 and 1972 was a result of the new legislation allowing a backlog of broken marriages to be dissolved. In many cases cohabitation had ceased some years earlier and the new legislation allowed these and couples who had been previously debarred or reluctant to petition for divorce to proceed with their claims. A considerable number of couples now obtain a divorce because they have been separated for five years or longer or through both partners consenting after two years separation - both new provisions introduced in the legislation of 1969.

The divorce experience of couples marrying in the same year can be compared for different marriage cohorts at equivalent intervals from marriage.
Evidence suggests there is a very much greater risk of divorce at any given duration if the bride was aged 20 or under at marriage. This risk is enhanced still further if the groom is also under age 20 at the marriage.

In attempting to predict future levels of divorce it is difficult to isolate these factors which have led to the present unprecedented high level of divorce. Undoubtedly new legislation has made the process easier and cheaper. In addition divorce has become a more acceptable means of terminating a broken marriage. There may have been, as in the case of marriage, a feedback effect whereby increased social acceptance of divorce and remarriage has led couples to initiate divorce proceedings. Assuming the 1971-73 divorce rates were to continue at the same level and also the marriage rates were to continue at the current rate, 22 per cent of all females would divorce at least once by the age of 45 years.

3.3.3.1. **Children of Divorcing Couples**

A 'child' of a divorcing couple refers to a child who was aged 16, or if over 16 still receiving full-time education at the time the divorce was filed. Since there would be a delay before the decree absolute is filed the number of dependent children enumerated may be overstated.

In recent years there has been a decline in the proportion of childless couples divorcing and an increase in the average family size of divorcing couples with children. In part this may be related to the trends in duration of marriage and age of divorcing couples already mentioned. Present evidence does not permit judgement of
whether marriages with children are more, or less, prone to divorce than marriages without children.

3.3.4. Births

Considerable debate has been generated in recent years as a result of the continuing drop in the number of births. As the death rate also declines and migration continues to cause a net loss to the population serious questions have been raised as to what effects the possibility of not being able to replace the population might have.

Possibly the first impact of a declining birth rate will be a decline in the average completed family size unless the decline in births is due to mothers having children later in life rather than fewer children per family. Some couples may not have any children thus reducing the number of families in the population. As the size of the household declines the need and demand for certain types of housing will be adjusted.

During the last twenty years births were at first increasing but then followed a period of sharp decline. (See Figure - 3.2.)

Up to 1964 births in England and Wales increased by 3 per cent per annum. In contrast since then annual births fell by an average of 2 per cent each year to 1970, remained the same in 1971 and then showed sharp annual declines of around 7 per cent in 1972 and 1973 and 5 per cent in 1974; giving a figure of 642,000 births in 1974 compared with 876,000 births ten years previously. In the year ended March 1976 deaths exceeded births by a few thousand, the first time this has happened in peace time.

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since central records were first introduced 100 years ago.

The main source of data is information collected at birth registration under the Population (Statistics) Act, 1938. The father's occupation as shown on the birth certificate is coded using the 1970 Classification of Occupations (HMSO) and these codes allocated to the Registrar General's Social Classes as used in the 1971 Census Reports. Supplementary statistics are obtained from the General Household Survey.

An understanding of the changing reproductive behaviour of the population will be gained by analysing the characteristics of the women bearing the children - commonly the age of the mother at birth, also the age at marriage and duration of marriage (if married) the number of previous liveborn children, and where possible, the socio-economic group or class of the household into which the child is born.

Table 3.3 shows how the major source of the overall decline in births during 1970-1975 has been the substantial decrease in births to women with husbands in the lower social classes. For Social Class I and II there has been virtually no change in the level of births over this period; in contrast births fell by around one third for Social Classes IV and V. Social Class III N births fell by about one quarter - approximately the annual rate.
TABLE 3.3. - Estimated legitimate births by social class of husband, 1970 to 1975, England and Wales

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(1970 = 100)

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Source (108)

Evidence suggests that the recent drop in annual births has affected women no matter what their age, previous number of liveborn children, length of marriage or socio-economic group. This suggests that there are factors at work which generally affect the reproductive behaviour of all women at any one time. It may be that women are just timing the birth of their children differently rather than changing the completed family size significantly. In fact this latter statistic has shown more stability during this century than annual fertility rates. Other factors affecting the fertility behaviour of a generation include current and anticipated economic conditions and social
attitudes, changes in contraceptive practices and legalised abortion. (109)

3.3.4.1. Duration of Marriage Before First Birth

It might have been expected that with the earlier marriage patterns (discussed in Section 3.3.2) of the last decade an increase in births would have occurred to young married women; instead the number of births to married women under 20, for example, has fallen from 60,000 in 1969 to 53,000 in 1973. This suggests that getting married and starting a family are no longer so closely related as was the case a few years ago.

Cohort analysis for women married in a particular year is an effective method of studying such changes as the family building histories of difference cohorts can be examined. The percentage of women remaining childless after a given number of years of marriage is shown below.

The general picture is of a declining childlessness for couples married in 1961 compared with 1951 and then postponement of family building for those married later particularly since 1966. As the Table indicates -

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Source(108)
47 per cent of women aged 20-24 married in 1970 would wait at least 3 years before having their first child whereas in 1961 a similar proportion would have waited only 2 years.

Evidence from the General Household Survey suggests that the phenomenon of delay in childbearing has varied according to the socio-economic group of the husband. The level of childlessness in the early years of marriage was greater in Social Classes I and II than other groups. To a certain extent this may be a reflection of the marked fall in the number of pre-maritally conceived legitimate births (births occurring within eight months of marriage) three-quarters of which occur to women with husbands in manual occupations. In the non-manual social classes pre-maritally conceived births are a relatively small phenomenon; this reflects the younger ages of women who have pre-maritally conceived first births and the older age distribution of women with husbands in the higher social classes. Explanation of the fall in pre-maritally conceived births include the more widespread availability of contraception and legalised abortion - which also effects subsequent births - and possible changes in attitudes towards illegitimacy and marriage. For the Social Classes I and II the level of childlessness in the earlier years of marriage was higher for women married in 1970 than for women married earlier. For the lower social classes childlessness in the early years of marriage has not changed significantly for women married since 1955.
3.3.4.2. Number of Previous Liveborn Children

One of the dilemmas in projecting future births is to assess whether and if so what extent the late start in family building will lead to an increase in the eventual proportion of childless families or to a smaller average completed family size. Table 3.5 below sets out figures for earlier cohorts although the distribution of family size amongst women married in recent years will not be known for some time.

**TABLE 3.5** Family size distribution after 10 years of marriage for women married at ages 20-24 and married once only - England and Wales.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of liveborn children</th>
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<td>4 or more</td>
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<td>9</td>
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</table>

Source(108)

This Table points to a decline in the proportion of families going on to have four or more children a marked decline in childlessness and one child families and an increased proportion of two child families.

Whereas the annual changes in the number of first and possibly second births will in part reflect the timing of having children changes in the number and proportion of third or fourth or higher births will be associated with changes in completed family size.

Data from the 1971 Census indicates that the lowest family size was in Social Class III N. For this Group family size was 10 per cent lower than the national
average. The highest average family size was in Social Class V, 15 per cent above the average. Recent trends suggest that women married in the late 1960's will have lower completed family sizes than women married in the 1950's or early 1960's. (For data on this period see Table 3.6 below)

Table 3.6. Average family size for women married once only (under 45) by social class of husband and selected duration of marriage—England and Wales

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Marriage Duration</th>
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<th>II</th>
<th>III N</th>
<th>III M</th>
<th>IV</th>
<th>V</th>
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<td>10-14 Completed Years (1956-61)</td>
<td>2.24</td>
<td>2.23</td>
<td>2.12</td>
<td>1.99</td>
<td>2.28</td>
<td>2.30</td>
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<tr>
<td>15-19 Completed Years (1951-56)</td>
<td>2.29</td>
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Source (108)

The change between 1970 and 1975 in the number of births to women who have had 3 or more children (Table 3.5) and information from the General Household Survey suggests declines in completed family sizes for each of the Social Classes but without necessarily any significant narrowing of the fertility differentials. The evidence, therefore, points to a decline in the size of the household particularly to Social Class IV and V.

3.3.4.3. Illegitimate Births

The foregoing discussion has centred on legitimate births since they comprise 90 per cent of all live births. Recent trends suggest that illegitimate births as a proportion of
all births is declining. - Table 3.14.

Information on the social class of the father of an illegitimate child will only be available for those parents registering jointly. This may give a biased picture of social class distribution because illegitimate births registered jointly by both parents tend to occur to older women (higher social classes tend to have older age distributions of women). It is estimated that of the 27,000 illegitimate births registered jointly in 1975 around 20 per cent were to fathers with manual occupations compared with nearly 40 per cent for legitimate first births.

3.3.5. Ageing

Another topic which has aroused public debate in recent years is the changing age structure of Britain's population. In the period 1931-1974 Britain's population increased by just under ten million, of that increase 30 per cent were aged over 70, 43 per cent were over 65 and 56 per cent over 60. By 1974 16.8 per cent of the population was over the normal retirement ages of 65 for men and 60 for women compared with only 9.4 per cent in 1931. The sharp decline in births experienced in recent years (discussed in previous Section) has meant that the growth of population has virtually ceased. In a society where great emphasis is placed on education for the young and proper care for the elderly, such a changing age structure has widespread implications. If these trends are to continue many aspects of social and economic life need to be revalued. Is the housing stock capable of satisfying the specific needs
of older households, for example?

At the root of the current concern about changing age structure is the shift in the balance between the economically active members of the population and those who are economically dependent upon them i.e., the Demographic Dependency Ratio (DDR).

Norman Davis of the OPCS has examined this ratio and some of the social and economic implications. He discusses two of the demographic indicators used to summarize the broad age distribution of the population. The Index of Ageing shows whether the population is getting younger or older. The demographic dependency ratio relates the population over retirement age and under 15 to the rest of the population. The Index of Ageing is obtained by dividing the population of retirement age and over by the population under 15 and multiplying by 100. (See Fig.3.3.).

Choice of definition of young and old is somewhat arbitrary but in this context the population under 15 and over retirement age can reasonably be assumed to be economically inactive and the rest of the population over 15 and under retirement age to be economically active. Further it can be assumed that the economically inactive are dependent upon the economically active. The demographic dependency ratio is obtained by dividing the number of persons over retirement age and under 15 by the number of persons aged 15 to retirement age and multiplying by 100.

The Index of Ageing shows (Fig.3.3.) that in 1931 there were less than 40 people over normal retirement ages for every 100 under the age of 15. By 1974 there
INDEX OF AGEING, GREAT BRITAIN

DEMOGRAPHIC DEPENDENCY RATIO, GREAT BRITAIN

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\frac{\text{population over } 59/64^*}{\text{population under } 15} \times 100
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\[
\frac{\text{population over } 59/64^* \text{ and under } 15}{\text{population } 15 \text{ to } 59/64^*} \times 100
\]

Source: Population Trends 3, 1977, p.15

Fig. 3·3
were over 70 elderly to every 100 young persons.

With the present decline in fertility this ageing of the population is expected to continue at least until the 1980's when the trend will possibly reverse. The population over retirement age will by then be increasingly made up of those born in the inter-war years when birth rates were low and their numbers will decline both in absolute terms and as a proportion of the total population.

The DDR (See Figure 3.3) shows that while in 1931 there were only 51 people under 15 years and over retirement age for every 100 persons in the so called working age groups, by 1974 every 100 workers had to support 68 dependents. It is expected that the DDR will fall sharply in the next few years as the sharp decline in fertility more than compensates for the further increase in the proportion of elderly people in the population.

3.3.6. Mortality

Linked with the discussions on the influence of birth rates on the size of the population is discussion of the effect of lower mortality rates, since both phenomena reinforce the effects of each other i.e., both tend to lead to an ageing of the population. Such phenomena have far reaching effects in terms of housing. Elderly households very often require specific forms of accommodation; for example the 'sheltered' housing increasingly being provided by many local authorities and housing associations. An ageing population will exert pressure on these limited resources, unless policies can be devised which are capable
of being adapted to these new and changing needs.

A broad idea of the sizes of the death rates involved, and the amounts of improvement is given in Table 3.7 for males in Britain over a 35-year period. For women the ratios of actual to expected declines have been higher than for men.

Table 3.7. Approximate death rates for males over a 35-year period - Great Britain

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Age</th>
<th>Estimated mortality rate 1942-44</th>
<th>Reduction in 35 years expected</th>
<th>Actual reduction in 35 years (approx.)</th>
<th>Mortality rate today (approx.)</th>
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<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>0.0565</td>
<td>0.0276</td>
<td>0.0385</td>
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<td>20</td>
<td>0.0024</td>
<td>0.0014</td>
<td>0.0018</td>
<td>0.0010</td>
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<td>0.0014</td>
<td>0.0017</td>
<td>0.0025</td>
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<td>70</td>
<td>0.0524</td>
<td>0.0090</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>0.0524</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Source (27)

Actual improvements in mortality have created a small growth in the total population at all ages and have tilted its age-distribution slightly in the direction of the elderly. These results were obtained from results of work carried out in the Government Actuary's Department (27) on the effect of changing mortality on population projections. Estimated projections of the population made in 1942-44 were adjusted by comparing the actual fall in mortality, for various age groups, with the 1942 assumed fall and amending the expected population accordingly; and also by measuring the difference between actual population today and an estimate of what it would have been if mortality had remained as it was in the 1940's.
For the population of working age the increase in size is of the order of three per cent. The numbers of people aged 65 and over have however been raised by about six per cent. The proportion of old age pensioners in the population is now up by around two per cent as a result of declining mortality alone.

3.3.7. Children leaving home

'One of the principle uncertainties about the increase in the number of households relates to the number of single, widowed and divorced persons who will live as separate one person households' (61). So far the largest part of this increase has been among older people, most of whom are survivors of family households, and the tendency for an increasing proportion of widows and widowers to live longer as separate households is expected to continue. There appear to have been no marked increase in the number of young single people living as separate households. But this is an area where forecasting is extremely difficult, in that the effects of supply and demand are very much intermingled and it is not known whether young single people prefer to remain living with their parents or that institutional factors prevent them from setting up on their own. The increase in the availability of higher education, for example, has influenced the growing trend of young single persons to attempt to cater for themselves outside the family home. Especially in London more and more young persons decide to either live on their own or share with friends once they embark on full-time employment.
The number of single person households who will share voluntarily is even more difficult to predict especially as the vast majority will occupy dwellings in the privately rented sector and this itself is declining rapidly.

The number of 'children' leaving the parental home per annum not only affects the demand for housing by young single households but also the family household from which it has moved out. As dependent children continue to leave home the family household effectively diminishes in size. A point may be reached when the parent household decides to look for smaller accommodation to match their reduced needs. Thus the rate at which children leave the parental home is of considerable importance.

3.3.8. **Social Mobility**

Throughout their careers people change jobs and sometimes this entails a change of social class. Such 'movement' is referred to as intragenerational mobility, that is, upward or downward movement between social classes during a person's working life. Results from a government social survey concerned with this phenomenon are shown below.

Table 3.8 Social Class of Men in 1963 Compared with that in 1953 (percentages)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Social Class 1953</th>
<th>Social Class 1963</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>I</td>
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<tr>
<td>I</td>
<td>94</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>II</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>III (N,M)</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>III (M)</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IV</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>V</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Source (59)
The careers of 4062 men who were working both in 1953 and 1963 were studied. The figures in boxes show the percentage of people in each social class (following the Registrar General's classification) who remained in that class throughout the survey; the other figures show the movement taking place during the ten year period. Social Class III (N.M) and III (K) showed most movement in both directions although males in Class III (N.M) were equally likely to move up or down whereas males in Class III (K) were slightly more likely to move down.

Evidence from the same survey (59) suggests that social mobility typically involves a change of employer (only 2.4 per cent of the male mobility took place within the same employment). Of the men in the sample who had remained in the same employment, 97.6 per cent experienced no mobility, 1.9 per cent upward mobility and 0.5 per cent downward mobility thus indicating a general upward movement in social class. Job mobility, which does not necessarily mean social mobility, is a comparatively frequent phenomenon that also shows social class differences. In 1973 some 17.4 per cent of all male employees had been with their present employer for less than twelve months; the non-manual figure being 19.3 per cent whereas the manual figure was 13.9 per cent.

A model was constructed to describe in a very broad sense the growth and dissolution over time of the various types of household drawing on the evidence presented in these Sections. The Households Sub-Model will now be described.
5.4. DEVELOPING THE HOUSEHOLDS SUB-MODEL

5.4.1. The definition of a household

The definition of a household used in the model differs from that used in the Census (i.e., 'Either one person living alone, or a group of persons (who may or may not be related) living at the same address with common housekeeping. Persons staying temporarily with the household are included') in that all persons requiring separate accommodation are regarded as individual households.

This is an attempt to ensure that the total demand for housing is made explicit and in so doing to reduce the number of 'hidden homeless'. These are the households who are not necessarily houseless or even in an over-occupied dwelling but only desire separate accommodation for themselves.

All persons reaching their eighteenth birthday are assumed to require separate accommodation. Eighteen was chosen arbitrarily although as it is the age of majority there are certain legal implications. It is also the earliest age that most students enter higher education in which a move away from the parental home is involved. With hindsight however it would appear more sensible to include only a proportion of eighteen year olds as separate households as many persons of this age are willing and, in fact, prefer to be classified as a member of the parental household. Such a decision would necessarily introduce further complexity into the model structure as varying proportions of each age group above eighteen would then have to be considered as becoming new households.
It was further assumed that all couples, with or without children, require separate accommodation. The concept of the extended family i.e. more than one generation living together, is regarded as several independent households sharing accommodation either voluntarily or involuntarily.

Such a definition is closer to that of the 'potential household' as discussed on page 21.

3.4.2. The Classifications used

Guidance on an appropriate classification of households was given by the list of possible experimental policy changes as given on page 7. Each policy change was examined to identify the household characteristic(s) which would be relevant for such a policy to be implemented.

For example, Selling Council Dwellings at 20 per cent below Market value would require a distinction to be drawn between tenants able and unable to meet the cost. A classification by income would be ideal but could be partly satisfied by a more general division of households in Socio-economic groups.

It became apparent from this analysis that very many classifications could be defined but by using proxy variables where possible three major classifications were identified as the most all-embracing:

(i) Socio-economic Group (4 types)
(ii) Stage in Family Life Cycle (4 types)
(iii) Age of Head of Household (2 types)

Subdividing in this way enabled thirty-two types of households to be defined. These are discussed below:
(1) Socio-Economic Group (SEG)

Four groups are used based on the Registrar General's Classification of heads of household and being a collapsed version of the six used in the General Household Survey (GHS) shown on page 36. These six groups were reduced to only four to help equalize the numbers of households to be found in each group. In effect the GHS groups 1 and 2 are combined to form SEG I; GHS 3 becomes SEG II and GHS 4 becomes SEG III thus preserving the distinction between the manual and non-manual professions; GHS 5 and 6 become SEG IV. Note that this assumes that households in the GHS groups 1 and 2 will behave similarly in the housing market as also will households in GHS groups 5 and 6.

Thus the formal definitions assumed are as follows:

SEG (I) which consists of heads of households who are:

(i) Employers and managers in central and local government, industry, commerce etc. i.e. large establishments.

(ii) Employers and managers in industry, commerce etc. i.e. small establishments.

(iii) Professional workers - self employed.

(iv) Professional workers - employees.

(v) Farmers - employers and managers.

SEG (II) consists of heads of households who are:

(i) Intermediate non-manual workers.

(ii) Junior non-manual workers.

SEG (III) consists of heads of households who are:

(i) Foremen and supervisors - manual.

(ii) Skilled manual workers.
(iii) Own account workers (other than professional).
(iv) Farmers - own account.

SEG (IV) consists of heads of households who are:

(i) Personal service workers.
(ii) Semi-skilled manual workers.
(iii) Unskilled manual workers.
(iv) Agricultural workers.
(v) Members of armed forces.
(vi) Indefinite.
(vii) Other Economically inactive.

(ii) Stage in the Family Life Cycle.

Households are assumed to belong to one of four types of family group each representing a different stage in the life cycle. As discussed in Section 3.2.1, different housing needs will be experienced at different stages of a person/household's life. The four most pertinent stages appear to be:

SINGLE
MARRIED COUPLE WITHOUT CHILDREN
MARRIED COUPLE WITH CHILDREN
SINGLE PARENT FAMILY

The decision to include a single parent family group was based largely on the evidence presented in Section 3.3.3 on Divorce. If the annual number of divorces continues to rise as in previous years the special housing needs of the single parent family will have to be examined more fully.

Only married couples are considered as little or no data exists on the housing behaviour of unmarried couples. However, the model does consider unmarried couples since some young single person households are likely to share
dwellings communally and this phenomenon is included in the modelling process.

Thus the four stages in the family life cycle are defined as:

(a) Single - including all never-married, widowed and divorced males and females with no dependent children under the age of eighteen years.

(b) Single Parent including all never-married, widowed or divorced males and females with one or more dependent children under the age of eighteen years.

(c) Couple including all married couples over the age of eighteen years with no dependent children under the age of eighteen years.

(d) Family including all married couples over the age of eighteen years with one or more dependent children under the age of eighteen years.

Thus, this classification effectively adopts the analysis of Donnison (43) as discussed on page 24.

(iii) Age of the Head of Household

As discussed in Section 3.2.1, analysis of household groups by stage in the family life cycle alone imparts a limited understanding of either present or future housing needs and behaviour; further classification by age of the head of household helps define these more precisely. For example, a young single person differs quite distinctly from an old single person; the young household just having come into existence and the old household nearing completion of the cycle. A further implication for the distinction between young and old is in giving an indication of the likelihood of departure from home of children.

In the model two age groups are defined

YOUNG and OLD
Young is taken as between the ages of eighteen years and forty-four years inclusive;

Old is taken as aged forty-five years and over.

As mentioned earlier, with hindsight it would be more appropriate to include a proportion of over eighteen-year-olds as separate households as clearly many sons and daughters share their parent’s home voluntarily.

Forty-five years was taken as the dividing age between Young and Old for several reasons. For example, this is the age after which little family building takes place. During the period 1967 to 1974 only 1.4 per cent of all live births were born to women forty and over. (4) Similarly, this is also the age (approximately) when children will be in process of moving from the parental home and, depending upon the size of the family changing needs may be generated. Perhaps of overriding importance was the fact that a considerable volume of government collected statistics are presented in terms of age groups such that the distinction between under forty-five years of age and over forty-five is most easily dealt with.

3.4.2.1. The Number of Households of Each Type.

Input data for the households model was developed as follows:

The number of households of each of the 32 types in England and Wales was calculated directly from Census data on Household Composition and the Registrar General’s estimates of the population for the years 1966 and 1971.
It will be noted that for the total model 1967 is used as the starting date. Census data on households does not exist for 1967 therefore the households sub-model was developed from 1966 and, when 'calibrated', model output for 1967 used as input data for the total model. The Household Composition Tables for both the Sample Census of 1966 and the full Census of 1971 enumerates 'families' by socio-economic group of the head of the household, type of head and number of dependent children.

'Family' in the Census is defined as either:

(i) A married couple with or without their never-married child(ren); or

(ii) A mother or father (lone parents) together with his or her never-married child(ren).

Hence as a starting point the number of households in each of the following categories was calculated for each SEG.

(i) Young Single Parent Family Household (YSPPH) i.e. male or female lone parent under forty-five years and over eighteen years with one or more dependent children under eighteen years.

(ii) Young Couple Household (YCH) i.e. married couple with head of household under forty-five years with no dependent children under eighteen years.

(iii) Young Family Household (YFH) i.e. married couple with head of household under forty-five years with one or more dependent children under eighteen years.

(iv) Old Single Parent Family Household (OSPPH) i.e. male or female lone parent over forty-four years with one or more dependent children under eighteen years.
(v) Old Couple Household (OCH) i.e. married couple with head of household over forty-four years with no dependent children under eighteen years.

(vi) Old Family Household (OFH) i.e. married couple with head of household over forty-four years with one or more dependent children under eighteen years.

The following Table shows the total number of households in all SEG's of each type for 1966 and 1971.

**TABLE 3.9 - Total number of households by type of head and age of head (excluding single person households) in England and Wales for 1966 and 1971.**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>YCH</th>
<th>YFH</th>
<th>YSPFH</th>
<th>OCH</th>
<th>OFH</th>
<th>OSFPFH</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1966</td>
<td>1173</td>
<td>4021</td>
<td>276</td>
<td>4737</td>
<td>1565</td>
<td>167</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1971</td>
<td>1163</td>
<td>4202</td>
<td>367</td>
<td>4968</td>
<td>1585</td>
<td>212</td>
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</table>

Source (17, 21)

The total number of single person households, as defined in the model, was more difficult to determine as such information is not published in the Census.

With reference to the total adult population aged eighteen to forty-four and aged forty-five and over the number of young single households (YSH) was taken to be:

\[(\text{Total population aged 18-44}) - (2 \times \text{No. of YCH} + 2 \times \text{No. of YFH} + \text{No. of YSPFH})\]

The number of old single households (OSH) was taken to be:

\[(\text{Total population over age 45}) - (2 \times \text{No. of OCH} + 2 \times \text{No. of OFH} + \text{No. of OSFPFH})\]

From Table 38 Population Trends I, Autumn 1975 (104) estimates of the total population in each of the two age groups were as shown below.
TABLE 3,10. Total population by Age for 1966 and 1971 England and Wales.

Thousands

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>1966</th>
<th>1971</th>
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<tr>
<td>Number of people aged 15-44</td>
<td>19000</td>
<td>18941</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Estimated number of people aged 18-44</td>
<td>17100</td>
<td>17047</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Number of people aged over 44</td>
<td>17872</td>
<td>18389</td>
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</table>

Hence the total number of YSH in 1966 (in thousands) was:

\[17100 - (2 \times 1173 + 2 \times 4021 + 276) = 6436\] and in 1971 was:

\[17047 - (2 \times 1163 + 2 \times 4202 + 367) = 5950\]

Similarly the total number of OSH in 1966 (in thousands) was:

\[17872 - (2 \times 4737 + 2 \times 1565 + 167) = 5101\] and in 1971 was:

\[18389 - (2 \times 4968 + 2 \times 1585 + 212) = 5071\]

It was assumed that the number of young single households in each SEG occurred in the same proportion as the number of Young Couple plus Young Family household types in that Group.

The number of Old Single households in each SEG was assumed to occur in proportion to the number of Old Couple plus Old Family households in each SEG five years previously. See Table 3.11 below for proportions used.

TABLE 3.11. Proportions of couple and family households by age and SEG.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Socio-Economic Group</th>
<th>I %</th>
<th>II %</th>
<th>III %</th>
<th>IV %</th>
<th>ALL SEG's %</th>
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<tr>
<td>(YC + YF)</td>
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<td>1971</td>
<td>19.7</td>
<td>16.8</td>
<td>42.1</td>
<td>21.4</td>
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<td>16.4</td>
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<td>16.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>backwards</td>
<td>15.5</td>
<td>15.7</td>
<td>35.0</td>
<td>32.9</td>
<td>100.0</td>
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See Table 3.12 below for the number of households by type, age and SEG for 1966 and 1971 derived from these assumptions.

### TABLE 3.12 (a) Households by SEG of Head, Type of Head, Age of Head in 1966 - England and Wales.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SEG</th>
<th>YSH</th>
<th>YCH</th>
<th>YFH</th>
<th>YSPFH</th>
<th>TOTAL YOUNG HOUSEHOLDS</th>
<th>OSH</th>
<th>OCH</th>
<th>OFH</th>
<th>OSPFH</th>
<th>TOTAL OLD HOUSEHOLDS</th>
<th>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</th>
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<tr>
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<td>1094</td>
<td>181</td>
<td>700</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>1985</td>
<td>791</td>
<td>736</td>
<td>370</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>1908</td>
<td>3823</td>
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<td>1056</td>
<td>231</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>1965</td>
<td>801</td>
<td>757</td>
<td>262</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>1851</td>
<td>3816</td>
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<td>1730</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>5026</td>
<td>1831</td>
<td>1683</td>
<td>268</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>4087</td>
<td>9113</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SEG IV</td>
<td>1525</td>
<td>261</td>
<td>971</td>
<td>173</td>
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<td>1678</td>
<td>1562</td>
<td>224</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>3724</td>
<td>6654</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ALL SEG's</td>
<td>6436 (E)</td>
<td>1173 (C)</td>
<td>4021 (C)</td>
<td>276 (C)</td>
<td>11906 (E)</td>
<td>5101 (E)</td>
<td>4737 (C)</td>
<td>1565 (C)</td>
<td>167</td>
<td>11570 (E)</td>
<td>23476 (E)</td>
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### TABLE 3.12 (b) Households by SEG of Head, Type of Head, Age of Head in 1971 - England and Wales.

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<tr>
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<th>YSH</th>
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<th>YFH</th>
<th>YSPFH</th>
<th>TOTAL YOUNG HOUSEHOLDS</th>
<th>OSH</th>
<th>OCH</th>
<th>OFH</th>
<th>OSPFH</th>
<th>TOTAL OLD HOUSEHOLDS</th>
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<td>222</td>
<td>834</td>
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<td>892</td>
<td>886</td>
<td>402</td>
<td>19</td>
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<td>4442</td>
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<td>SEG II</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>254</td>
<td>647</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>1981</td>
<td>822</td>
<td>828</td>
<td>268</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>1953</td>
<td>3934</td>
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<tr>
<td>SEG III</td>
<td>2505</td>
<td>457</td>
<td>1803</td>
<td>40</td>
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<td>1562</td>
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<td>357</td>
<td>136</td>
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<td>ALL SEG's</td>
<td>5950 (E)</td>
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<td>4202 (C)</td>
<td>367 (C)</td>
<td>11682 (E)</td>
<td>5071 (E)</td>
<td>4968 (C)</td>
<td>1585 (C)</td>
<td>212 (C)</td>
<td>11836 (E)</td>
<td>23518 (E)</td>
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</table>

(C) Data from Census.  
(E) My estimate based on estimates from Population Trends I - Autumn 1975.

The 1966 figures provide essential input data for the households model and together with the 1971 information
permitted 'calibration' of the model to follow known trends.

3.4.3. Designing the Model Structure

A key requirement of the model was that it should be dynamic i.e. capable of describing changes over time. As mentioned in Chapter 2 the modelling technique chosen was that of Systems Dynamics. The model structure can be represented diagramatically by means of a flow chart as an aid to understanding. See page 95 for the structure of the model finally developed. The Households Sub-Model is presented there by a flow diagram in formal System Dynamics notation:

- indicates levels or physical quantities that can usually be measured directly - in this case the number of households of each type.
- indicates flows that influence those levels e.g. death rate.
- indicates the direction of the flows of people.
- represents sources or sinks that are not important to the model behaviour e.g. source of net emigration.
- indicates the rate determining the magnitude of the flow.

For example, take the 'level' Young Couple Households (YCH)

Very simply, at any point or time, the number of Young Couple Households (the 'level') will be influenced by the number of marriages taking place (tending to increase the number of young couples) and the number of couples having their first
child and becoming young families (tending to increase the number of young families). In turn, the number of marriages (the 'flow') will be influenced by the marriage rate (the 'rate') as will the number of births be influenced by the birth rate.

There are, of course, other factors not illustrated here which affect the number of young couple households.

Having decided upon the most appropriate method of classifying households for the purposes of this model (Section 3.4.2.), i.e., defining the 'levels', and then determining the numbers of such households for some past period (Section 3.4.2.1.) the next stage of the model development involved the determination of the magnitude of those phenomena believed to be of importance in affecting household behaviour in the housing system, i.e., the flows. From these flows the rates of change were determined.

The process by which the final model was constructed can be viewed in four main stages:

I. Defining all conceivable flows of households in order to ascertain the complexity of the system which was to be studied. In so doing, the nature of the data required to render such a model operational was also clarified. This stage was carried out purely as an aid to model design. It was believed that without having at least an idea of the true complexity of the system it would not be feasible to construct the necessarily simplified representation of that system.

II. Comparing the data needs with the data available to determine what data was available and how best it could be used.

III. Redefining the structure as dictated by the data availability. In effect, choosing those rates where the magnitude of the flows implied the existence of important phenomena.
Having carried out these steps it became apparent that with the present quality of data available and the time available it would only be possible to attempt calibration of a significantly less complex model than initially envisaged. Much of the data required just did not exist. In some areas assumptions could be made to reduce the data needs but in many cases there appeared to be no simple solution to the problems.

The final stage of model design consisted of:

IV. Condensing most flows into net flows. Thus the final shape of the model was determined only to a very limited extent by data availability but most significantly by the method of classification chosen for households. Thus the decision was made to work with net flows into and out of those classifications rather than partially known phenomena.

Details of these four stages now follow:

**Stage I**

The initial flow chart drawn up before taking account of the data available was more complex than that shown on page 95. For each level, where relevant it was hoped to apply all of the following rates of change:

- Births
- Death
- Marriage
- Divorce
- Ageing
- Emigration
- Immigration
- Children leaving home

For example, all household types both emigrate and immigrate; all young households age (unless they die or emigrate first); death occurs at all ages in all household types; both old and young single households marry; so too do single parent families.

In order to render such a model operational the following extensive data needs were identified.
For each SEG, annually:

(1) The number of first births to married couples under age 45 years.
(2) The number of first births to married couples over age 44 years.
(3) The number of first births to single persons under age 45 years.
(4) The number of first births to single persons over age 44 years.
(5) The number of deaths of single persons under age 45 years without children.
(6) The number of deaths of single persons under age 45 years with children.
(7) The number of deaths of married persons under age 45 years without children.
(8) The number of deaths of married persons under age 45 years with children.
(9) The number of deaths of single persons over age 44 years without children.
(10) The number of deaths of single persons over age 44 years with children.
(11) The number of deaths of married persons over age 44 years without children.
(12) The number of deaths of married persons over age 44 years with children.
(13) The number of marriages between single persons under age 45 years.
(14) The number of marriages between single persons over age 44 years.
(15) The number of marriages between couples aged under 45 years with children.
(16) The number of marriages between couples aged under 45 years without children.
(17) The number of marriages between couples aged 44 years with children.
(18) The number of marriages between couples aged 44 years without children.
(19) The number of single persons with children reaching age 45 years.
(20) The number of married couples with children reaching age 45 years.
(21) The number of married couples without children reaching age 45 years.
(22) The number of single persons without children reaching age 45 years.
(23) The number of single persons without children who emigrate.
(24) The number of married couples without children who emigrate.
(28) The number of married couples with children under age 45 years who emigrate.
(29) " " single persons without children over age 44 years who emigrate.
(30) " " with children over age 44 years who emigrate.
(31) " " married couples with children over age 44 years who emigrate.
(32) " " without children over age 44 years who emigrate.
(33) " " single persons without children under age 45 years who immigrate.
(34) " " with children under age 45 years who immigrate.
(35) " " married couples without children under age 45 years who immigrate.
(36) " " with children under age 45 years who immigrate.
(37) " " single persons without children over age 44 years who immigrate.
(38) " " with children over age 44 years who immigrate.
(39) " " married couples without children over age 44 years who immigrate.
(40) " " with children over age 44 years who immigrate.

This list is hereafter referred to as 'data needs (1) to (40).'

Furthermore, the data would need to be interpreted in terms of the impact on households rather than on individuals.

Hence for a model only slightly more complex in structure than that finally used a minimum of 40 (x 4 SEG's) rates would need to be determined.

**Stages II and III**

A discussion of the available data will demonstrate some of the difficulties in determining many of the rates listed above and how the data needs were redefined in an attempt to make maximum use of the available data without undue loss of model realism.

**Births**

The Annual Abstract of Statistics produced by the Central Statistical Office provides information on the number of live births per annum in England and Wales. For the purposes
of the model where the number of families is important, not
the actual family size, the number of legitimate first
births is taken to represent the number of 'new' families
formed each year and the number of illegitimate first
births taken as the number of young single households
becoming young single parent family households.

The best indication of the number of legitimate first
births is given in Table 20 Annual Abstract of Statistics
No. 112 - 1975 as shown below:

TABLE 3.13 - Number of first born legitimate children to
women married once only in England and Wales.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Number of Births</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1964</td>
<td>283716</td>
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<td>1965</td>
<td>284778</td>
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<td>1966</td>
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<td>1970</td>
<td>274252</td>
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<td>1971</td>
<td>280257</td>
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<tr>
<td>1974</td>
<td>237600</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1975</td>
<td>221500</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The problems associated with using this data to satisfy
data needs (1) to (4) are:

(a) There is no distinction between the socio-economic
groups.

(b) There is a limited classification by mother's age.

(c) Data is only available for women married once only.

Problem (a) could not be overcome.

Table 26 Annual Abstract of Statistics suggests that of all
live births in England and Wales from 1967 to 1971, on
average, only 0.14 per cent were to women aged over
forty-four years. It was therefore assumed that data on first births could reasonably be applied to women under forty-four years only and thus reduce the data needs. Table 28 from the same volume indicates that over the same period, on average 97.6 per cent of all legitimate births were to women married once only. Hence the data given in Table 3.3, slightly under-estimates the total number of first-born legitimate children, but was not adjusted. In addition Table 30 Annual Abstract of Statistics indicates that from 1966 to 1971, on average, 1.8 per cent of babies born each year die before reaching the age of one year. Hence using the number of first births as an indication of the number of newly formed families gives an over-estimate as deaths of babies are not included, but also under-estimates the numbers as only births to mothers married once only are included. Therefore, data need (1) can be partially satisfied (2) was found not to be important and the first step towards model simplification taken.

The best indication of the number of illegitimate births is given in Table 25 Annual Abstract of Statistics No.112 - 1975 as shown in Table 3.14 below. The problems with the data are:

(a) There is no distinction between socio-economic groups.

(b) The number of first-born births are not enumerated separately.

(c) There is no classification by mother's age.

Again, problem (a) could not be overcome.
Data presented in Social Trends (114) suggests that, in Great Britain in 1966, the mean number of dependent children for lone parents under age forty-five years was 1.7. Not all lone parents become so as a result of pregnancy whilst unmarried. Therefore, it was assumed that the mean number of dependent children for unmarried mothers would be less than 1.7. 1.5 was chosen as a best subjective estimate. The number of first-born legitimate children was taken as:

\[
\frac{2}{3} \times \text{Total number of illegitimate births.}
\]

and hence problem (b) above was overcome. See Table 3.14 for the number of illegitimate births in England and Wales.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Number of Illegitimate births</th>
<th>Estimated Number of 1st Born children</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1966</td>
<td>67000</td>
<td>44667</td>
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<td>1967</td>
<td>70000</td>
<td>46667</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1968</td>
<td>70000</td>
<td>46667</td>
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<td>44667</td>
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<td>1971</td>
<td>66000</td>
<td>44000</td>
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<td>1972</td>
<td>63000</td>
<td>42000</td>
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<td>1973</td>
<td>58000</td>
<td>38667</td>
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<tr>
<td>1974</td>
<td>56000</td>
<td>37333</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Source (6)

Problem (c) was overcome in the same way as for legitimate births i.e., All illegitimate first-births were assumed to occur to women under forty-five years of age.

The previous discussion on legitimate births indicated that approximately 1.8 per cent of babies born each year from 1966 to 1971 died before attaining the age of one year.
Similarly, therefore, the number of first-born illegitimate births will over-estimate the number of young single households becoming young single parent family households. Yet another source of error is introduced by not taking account of the number of illegitimate babies adopted each year.

Therefore, data need (3) is partially satisfied

(4) is found not to be important and the model simplified for its exclusion.

Deaths

Statistics relating to death are published in terms of age and sex alone. For the purposes of this model information is also required on the marital status of the deceased, number of surviving dependent children, socio-economic group to which he/she was last allocated i.e. data needs (5) to (12).

The problem of not being classified according to socio-economic group cannot reasonably be overcome.

In order to ascertain the death rates of persons of differing marital status and numbers of surviving dependent children assumptions could be made as to the average age of certain household types and the death rates inferred from total data analysed by age. But it was decided not to collect data on the age distribution of household types due to the difficulties of obtaining such information, and the complexity it would introduce.

The most striking feature indicated by the data is that deaths of persons aged over forty-four is far greater than the number of deaths of persons under age forty-five.
Due to the magnitude of the flows involved it was assumed that in the model death only occurred to old households thus reducing the data needs. See Table 3.15 for the average annual deaths by age of persons in England and Wales.

**TABLE 3.15 - Annual Average Deaths by Age - England and Wales for 1966 and 1971**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Age</th>
<th>1966</th>
<th>1971</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>16147</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1-4</td>
<td>2783</td>
<td>2204</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5-9</td>
<td>1341</td>
<td>1484</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10-14</td>
<td>1104</td>
<td>1109</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15-17</td>
<td>1643</td>
<td>1301</td>
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<td>17-19</td>
<td>1095</td>
<td>868</td>
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<td>20-24</td>
<td>2467</td>
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<td>25-34</td>
<td>5174</td>
<td>4882</td>
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<td>35-44</td>
<td>12855</td>
<td>11211</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total 18-44</td>
<td>21591</td>
<td>19519</td>
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<td>45-54</td>
<td>35926</td>
<td>34320</td>
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<tr>
<td>55-64</td>
<td>90023</td>
<td>86459</td>
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<tr>
<td>65-74</td>
<td>146904</td>
<td>153819</td>
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<tr>
<td>75 and over</td>
<td>246162</td>
<td>253327</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total over 44</td>
<td>519015</td>
<td>527925</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total over 18</td>
<td>540606</td>
<td>547444</td>
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</table>

Source (9)

**Marriage**

Data on marriage are available by sex, age and previous marital status, but not by age and previous marital status together. Once again, there is little classification by socio-economic group.

Hence data needs (13) and (14) cannot be fully satisfied. But Table 22 Annual Abstracts No.112 - 1975 indicates that over the period 1966-1971, 93.3 per cent of all marriages were between persons age under 45 years.
Hence it was assumed that in model terms only young single households marry. In this way data need (13) can be partially satisfied and the model simplified for data need (14) to be excluded. Table 3.16 shows the total number of marriages per annum from 1966 to 1974.

**TABLE 3.16 - Total Annual Marriages in England and Wales 1966-1974**

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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Marriages</td>
<td>384497</td>
<td>386052</td>
<td>407822</td>
<td>396746</td>
<td>415487</td>
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<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>1971</th>
<th>1972</th>
<th>1973</th>
<th>1974</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Marriages</td>
<td>404737</td>
<td>426341</td>
<td>400435</td>
<td>382590</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Source (7)

**Divorce**

Statistics on divorce are published in terms of absolute decrees granted, duration of marriage, age of wife at marriage, age of wife at divorce, divorces with no children, one or more children. Again there is no classification by socio-economic group. Neither are there any cross-classifications of the type specified by data needs (15) to (18). The problem of not being able to classify by SEG cannot be reasonably overcome.

Of the total number of divorces granted in England and Wales from 1966 to 1971 approximately 27 per cent involved couples with no dependent children, i.e., in model terms 27 per cent of divorces involved couple households; 73 per cent involved family households.

In addition 18.6 per cent of all divorces during this
period were between couples where the wife was aged under 45 years. Using these proportions it would be possible to approximate the numbers of divorces between couples under age 45 years with and without children and the number of divorces between couples over aged 45 years both with and without children, i.e., data need (15) to (18).

But such assumptions would inevitably introduce considerable errors. It was decided, despite the evidence presented earlier in Section 3.3, that divorce is a growing social phenomenon, that due to the magnitude of the flows involved and that relatively little is understood about the relationship between divorce and households housing behaviour that it would be more reasonable to ignore the phenomenon than to introduce large sources of error.

See Table 3.17 below for the total number of divorces granted 1966-1973.

TABLE 3.17 - Absolute Decrees granted - England and Wales 1966 - 1973

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Divorces</th>
<th>Divorces</th>
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<tr>
<td>1966</td>
<td>39067</td>
<td>74437</td>
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<tr>
<td>1967</td>
<td>43093</td>
<td>119025</td>
</tr>
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<td>1968</td>
<td>45794</td>
<td>106003</td>
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<td>1973</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Source (10)

**Emigration and Immigration**

Published statistics on emigration/immigration are very sparse. As explained in Section 3.3.1, the only indication of socio-economic group is given by numbers of migrants in very broad categories of occupational status.
Data is collected in terms of persons rather than households or families, i.e., no classification by marital status. Data needs (29) to (45) are almost impossible to satisfy with any degree of confidence.

Evidence from the International Passenger Survey (IPS) suggests that families take up a large proportion of both immigrants and emigrants and that the typical age structure of migrants is heavily biased towards the younger sections of the community.

Due to the difficulties shown in using data on the number of immigrants and emigrants it was decided that in model terms there would be a net emigration of young families only. Justification for this assumption is provided in the literature review on migration. On page 42 the broad conclusions of this review are stated. Items (c) and (d) indicate that the majority of migrants are married and under age 45 years. Table 3.18 below shows the net migration of migrants aged 15 and over. Statistics are only available for the whole of the United Kingdom.

**TABLE 3.18 - Net Migration, Migrants aged 15 and over, 1964-1975 - United Kingdom**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Persons (Thousands)</th>
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<tr>
<td>1965</td>
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<td>-8</td>
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<td>1973</td>
<td>-33</td>
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<tr>
<td>1974</td>
<td>-64</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1975</td>
<td>-19</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Source (97)
Ageing

Statistics on the ageing of the population as a whole are relatively easy to obtain. For example, the number of persons who will be 45 next year i.e., will age from Young to Old in model terms, will be approximately the number of households who are 44 years old now (assuming no one dies, emigrates or immigrates during the period). Analysing the population in terms of household types, however, presents problems unless the age distribution of each household type is known. As stated earlier the model is not concerned with such information and therefore difficulties arise using the data. Again, there is no classification by socio-economic group.

Table 3.19 shows the distribution of the population by age for 1966 and 1971.

TABLE 3.19. Age Distribution of Total Population in England and Wales in 1966 and 1971

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Age last Birthday</th>
<th>1966 (A)</th>
<th>1971 (B)</th>
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<tr>
<td>0-</td>
<td>4013</td>
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<td>5-</td>
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<td>30-</td>
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<tr>
<td>75-</td>
<td>2098</td>
<td>2317</td>
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</table>

Sources: A (19); B (22).
From the Table above it is estimated that on average 600,000 persons 'age' per annum i.e., 600,000 forty-four year olds become forty-five years old.

In order to satisfy data needs (19) to (22) several assumptions need to be made to counteract the lack of data. Too many assumptions lead to large sources of error. As the actual number of persons is very small (one per cent to two per cent of the population) and the number of households would be even smaller the decision was taken to ignore ageing of all households except young family and young couple households since they represent the largest groups.

**Children leaving home**

In the model, the number of new young single households (YSH) in any year is assumed to be equal to the number of 17 year olds alive the previous year assuming no deaths, or net migration.

Basic statistics on the age distribution of the population are relatively easy to obtain although there is no systematic classification by socio-economic group. The data used to determine the number of 'new' young single households per annum is shown in Table 3.19 on the age distribution of the population. For example in the period 1966 to 1971 the number of children leaving the Family Home, i.e., the number of 18 year olds will be the number of 13-17 year olds during 1966.

Hence the number of eighteen year olds leaving home each year can be determined, although not by socio-economic group. But data needs (23) and (24) require additional information.
It was desired to know whether the 'new' young household left a young family household or an old family household. As children leave home, depending upon the size of the family the parents may find their housing needs changing. As the last child leaves home the 'Family' household becomes a 'couple' household. Without making many simplifying assumptions it is not possible to determine from existing data the rate at which the phenomenon occurs.

Social Mobility

The only data which could be found on this phenomena is that presented in Section 3.3.8. It was decided that the phenomenon could only very crudely be incorporated into the model. First the magnitude of the net upward movement of each SEG, was determined by comparing data for 1966 and 1971. Then it was assumed that only YSH, YCH, YFH, OCH and OFH would move across the SEG's.

Stage IV

Thus having carried out the first three stages it was seen that it would not be possible to construct a model as complex as initially envisaged. There were many areas in which data was very limited and somewhere it was not possible to make reasonable assumptions to achieve the required degree of disaggregation.

From the original list none of the data needs could be satisfied in terms of SEG, only data needs 1, 3 and 13 could be partially satisfied. The remaining 37 data needs could not immediately be satisfied without using various
apportioning techniques. Thus the decision was taken to drastically reduce the complexity of the model and consequently also the data requirements by reducing most flows to net changes. The magnitude of each net flow being determined by the change in magnitude of the levels over a specified period. As a result each net flow becomes a proxy for all the flows believed to take place. This meant that wherever a simple net flow was adopted its physical interpretation as a social phenomenon was blurred. It was therefore given a neutral title as will be seen from Fig.3.4. This flow chart is a diagrammatic representation of the simplified pathway of a 'typical' household in each of the 4 socio-economic groups. At the age of eighteen children leave home (CLFH) and become young single households (YSH). Some young single households may have children (YSTYSPF) and become young single parent family households (YSPF) the majority will become (YSTYC) young couple households (YCH). Young couples may have children (YCTYF) and become a young family household (YFH) or age without having children (YCTOC) to become old couple households (OCH). Some young families will emigrate or immigrate (EYF) whilst others will age (YFTOF) to become old family households (OFH). A young single parent family will age (YSPFTOSPF) to become an old single parent family (OSPF). As children leave home, old single parent families become (OSPFTOS) old single households (OSH) and old families become (OFTOC) old couple households. Death or divorce in old family households will result (OFTOSPF) in old single parent families.
STAGE 3: DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSEHOLD TYPES

Fig.3.4
Definitions of terms used in Figure 3,4.

Where,

SINGLE represents all never-married, widowed and divorced persons with no children.

COUPLE represents all married couples with no children.

FAMILY represents all married couples with one or more children under age 18 years.

SINGLE PARENT FAMILY represents all never-married, widowed and divorced persons with one or more children under age 18 years.

YOUNG represents all households where the head is between the ages of 18 and 44 years.

OLD represents all households where the head is over the age of 44 years.

YSH Young Single Households
YCH Young Couple Households
YFH Young Family Households
YSPPH Young Single Parent Family Household
OSH Old Single Households
OCH Old Couple Households
OPH Old Family Households
OSPFPH Old Single Parent Family Households
CLFH Children Leaving a Family Household (No. of 18 year olds leaving the parental home per annum)

CLFH T Children Leaving a Family Household Table (No. of 18 year olds leaving the parental home per annum from 1967)

YSTYSPF Young Single To Young Single Parent Family. (Net No. of YSH becoming YSPFH per annum)
YSTYSPFN Young Single To Young Single Parent Family Normal. (Net No. of YSH becoming YSPFH per annum per total No. of YSH's)

YSTYC Young Single To Young Couple. (Net No. of YSH becoming YCH per annum)
YSTYCN Young Single To Young Couple Normal. (Net No. of YSH becoming YCH per annum per total No. of YSH)

YCTOC Young Couple To Old Couple. (No. of YCH becoming OCH per annum)
YCTOCH Young Couple To Old Couple Normal. (No. of YCH becoming OCH per annum per total No. of YCH)

YCTYF Young Couple To Young Family. (Net No. of YCH becoming YFH per annum)
YCTYFN Young Couple To Young Family Normal. (Net No. of YCH becoming YFH per annum per total No. of YCH)

EYF Net Emigration of YFH. (Net No. of YFH emigrating per annum)
EYFN Net Emigration of YFH Normal. (Net No. of YFH emigrating per annum per total No. of YFH)
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<td>Young Family To Old Family. (No. of YFII ageing to become OFH per annum)</td>
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<td>YFTOFN</td>
<td>Young Family To Old Family Normal. (No. of YFII ageing to become OFH per annum per total No. of YFII)</td>
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<td>YSPFTOSPF</td>
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<td>Death of Old Single (No. of OSH who die per annum)</td>
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<td>Death of Old Single Normal (No. of OSH who die per annum per total No. of OSH)</td>
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Death or divorce in an old couple household will result in an increase (OCTOS) in old single households. Finally the number of old single households will be decreased by deaths (DOS). Thus, for each of the four SEG’s, thirteen net flows were incorporated into the model as defined below:

- **CLFH**: Children Leaving the Family Home.
- **YSTYSPF**: Young Single To Young Single Parent Family.
- **YSTYC**: Young Single To Young Couple.
- **YCTYF**: Young Couple To Young Family.
- **YCTOC**: Young Couple To Old Couple.
- **EYF**: Net Emigration of Young Families.
- **YFTOF**: Young Family To Old Family.
- **YSPFTOSPF**: Young Single Parent Family To Old Single Parent Family.
- **OSPFTOS**: Old Single Parent Family To Old Single.
- **OFTOC**: Old Family To Old Couple.
- **OFTOSPF**: Old Family To Old Single Parent Family.
- **OCTOS**: Old Couple To Old Single.
- **DOS**: Death of Old Single.

### 3.4.3.1. Model Equations.

Thus thirteen flows were finally incorporated into the model to describe how the 'levels' i.e., numbers of households of each type were changing over time.

Each level depends upon the size of the 'level' in the previous time period plus all those flows of households entering that level during the time interval minus all those flows of households leaving that level during the time interval.
Hence for each SEG at time t where DT represents the size of the time interval: (Refer to Figure 3.4 for reference).

\[ YSH_t = YSH_{t-1} + (CLFH - YSTYSPPF - YSTYC) \times DT \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots (i) \]
\[ YCH_t = YCH_{t-1} + (YSTYC - YCTYF - YCTOC) \times DT \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots (ii) \]
\[ YFH_t = YFH_{t-1} + (YCTYF - EYF - YFTOF) \times DT \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots (iii) \]
\[ YSPFH_t = YSPFH_{t-1} + (YSTYSPPF - YSPFTOSPPF) \times DT \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots (iv) \]
\[ OSPFH_t = OSPFH_{t-1} + (YSPFTOSPPF + OFTOSPPF - OSPFTOS) \times DT \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots (v) \]
\[ OFH_t = OFH_{t-1} + (YFTOF - OFTOSPPF - OFTOC) \times DT \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots (vi) \]
\[ OCH_t = OCH_{t-1} + (YCTOC + OFTOC - OCTOS) \times DT \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots (vii) \]
\[ OSH_t = OSH_{t-1} + (OCTOS + OSPFTOS - DOS) \times DT \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots (viii) \]

In the model the magnitude of most flows depends upon the corresponding rate of change assumed to be effective. The rate pertaining to a particular flow is distinguished from that flow by the addition of a letter N to the label. Thus, in any period,

\[ YSTYSPPF = \text{Number of } YSH \times YSTYSPPFN \]
\[ YSTYC = \text{" } \text{" } YSH \times YSTYCN \]
\[ YCTYF = \text{" } \text{" } YCH \times YCTYFN \]
\[ YCTOC = \text{" } \text{" } YCH \times YCTOCN \]
\[ EYF = \text{" } \text{" } YFH \times EYFN \]
\[ YFTOF = \text{" } \text{" } YFH \times YFTOFN \]
\[ YSPFTOSPPF = \text{" } \text{" } YSPFH \times YSPFTOSPPFN \]
\[ OFTOSPPF = \text{" } \text{" } OFH \times OFTOSPPFN \]
\[ OFTOC = \text{" } \text{" } OFH \times OFTOCN \]
\[ OCTOS = \text{" } \text{" } OCH \times OCTOSN \]
\[ OSPFTOS = \text{" } \text{" } OSPF \times OSPFTOSN \]
\[ DOS = \text{" } \text{" } OSH \times DOSN \]
The number of children leaving the family home i.e., CLFH is read in annually, based on the number of seventeen year olds in the previous year. The following section describes in detail how the magnitude of the net flows and the corresponding net rates of change were calculated.
3.4.4. Determining the magnitude of the Net flows and the corresponding Net rates of change.

As explained in Chapter 2 both the Households Sub-Model and the Dwellings Sub-Model were 'calibrated' independently before being put together with the Allocation Sub-Model.

For the Households Sub-Model it was not possible to 'calibrate' i.e., 'match' model output with available data on the levels since the magnitude of the rates of change were chosen such that for the period over which data was available for the levels, model output was made to match data.

There were thirteen net flows to be calculated for each SEG. From these the thirteen corresponding net rates of change were determined. Due to the lack of data on SEG, however, it was decided to treat all SEG's in the same way i.e., to determine the net flows into and out of each level for all SEG's combined and then to apply the same rates of change to each SEG (except in the case of social nobility).

The process consisted of comparing the levels for the years 1966 and 1971 in order to find the total flows experienced during the five year period. The net rates of change were then inferred from the size of these actual flows. See Table 3.20. for the magnitude of these five year flows derived directly from the data on households presented in Table 3.12.

TABLE 3.20. Difference in levels from 1966 to 1971.

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<tr>
<th>For all SEG's Combined</th>
<th>Net change in 5 years</th>
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<td>YSH</td>
<td>-486</td>
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<td>YCH</td>
<td>-10</td>
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<td>YFH</td>
<td>+181</td>
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<td>YSPFH</td>
<td>+91</td>
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<td>OSH</td>
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<td>OCH</td>
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<td>OSPFH</td>
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The process by which all thirteen flows were determined was divided into three stages:

**Stage I**

In the first stage entries to and exits from the system were calculated irrespective of the household type concerned, in terms of number of persons. See Figure 3.5.

The following five-year flows were determined:

(a) The number of new young single persons i.e., CLFH,
(b) The number of deaths,
(c) The number of net migrants.

Estimates of the total adult population for 1966 and 1971 were taken from Table 16 Population Trends I-Autumn 1975 (103).

Total population aged 18 years or over in 1966 = 3497.2 x 10^4

Total population aged 18 years or over in 1971 = 3543.6 x 10^4

\[ \text{Net Increase in population in 5 year period} = \frac{46.4 \times 10^4}{5} \]  \hspace{1cm} (i)

Net Increase in population equals,
\[ \text{(Births)} - \text{(Deaths)} + \text{(Net Migration)} \] \hspace{1cm} (ii)

In the model,

(a) Births refers to 'new' young single households i.e., CLFH.

In the 5-year period 1966-1971 the number of 'new' young single households is assumed to be equal to the number of 13-17 year olds existing in 1966.

From Table 15 Population Trends 7-Spring 1977 (107)

No. of persons in age range 13-17 years in 1966 = 344.8 x 10^4

\[ \text{No. of CLFH in the 5-year period 1966-1971 is taken as} = 344.8 \times 10^4 \] \hspace{1cm} (iii)

\[ \text{Annual No. of CLFH} = \frac{344.8 \times 10^4}{5} = 68.96 \times 10^4 \]
STAGE 1: TOTAL EXITS FROM AND ENTRIES TO THE HOUSING SYSTEM

Net Emigration

New Young Single Households

Total population Aged 18 and over

Deaths

Fig. 3.5
(b) From Table 30 Annual Abstract of Statistics No. 112 1975 (9).

No. of deaths to persons aged 18 years or more in 1966 = 540606

In the 5-year period 1966-1971 it is estimated that the number of deaths of all persons aged 18 years or more = $540606 \times 5 = 270,300,000$ .......... (iv)

(c) From (ii)

Net increase in population = (Births) - (Deaths) + (Net Migration).

For the 5-year period, substituting (i), (iii) and (iv)

$46.4 \times 10^4 = 344.8 \times 10^4 - 270.3 \times 10^4 + (\text{Net migration})$

\[ \therefore \text{Net Migration of Persons} = -28.1 \times 10^4 \]

For simplicity, it was assumed that all emigrants belonged to a Young Family Household.

\[ \therefore \text{Total net emigration of households} = 14 \times 10^4 \ldots \ldots \ldots (v) \]

**Stage 2**

In the second stage the final model was temporarily slightly simplified. All Old Family Households (OFH) and Old Couple Households (OCH) were aggregated to form a temporary new level, All Old Married Households (AOMH).

Similarly, all Old Single Households (OSH) and Old Single Parent Family Households (OSPFH) were aggregated to form All Old Single Households (AOSH). See Figure 3.6.

Starting at the top left-hand corner with Young Single Households and proceeding in a clockwise direction the flows were calculated as a logical consequence of the magnitude of the five yearly change in the levels and of the previously determined flows. Hence all flows determined are 5-yearly unless otherwise stated.
STAGE 2: AGGREGATION OF OLD HOUSEHOLD TYPES SHOWING THOSE RATES WHICH DIFFER FROM STAGE 3

Fig. 3.6
\[(d) \Delta YSH = CLFH - YSTYSPFH - YSTYC \quad \ldots \quad (vi)\]

where,

\(\Delta\) denotes change in the magnitude of the level.

CLFH represents Children Leaving the Family Home.

YSTYSPFH represents Young Single To Young Single Parent Family Household.

YSTYC represents Young Single To Young Couple.

\[\Delta YSH = -486 \times 10^3 \quad \text{(From Table 3.20)}\]

\[CLFH = 344.8 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(From (iii))}\]

\[YSTYSPFH = 5 \times \text{Average Annual No. of 1st born illegitimate births.}\]

Average Annual No. of 1st Born Illegitimate Births \[= 2.86 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(From Table 3.14)}\]

\[YSTYSPFH = 14.3 \times 10^4 \quad \ldots \quad (vii)\]

Substituting in (vi)

\[-486 \times 10^3 = 344.8 \times 10^4 - 14.3 \times 10^4 - YSTYC\]

\[YSTYC = 379.1 \times 10^4 \quad \ldots \quad \text{(viii)}\]

The Net number of Young Single Households becoming Young Couples in the 5-year period is \[379.1 \times 10^4 \quad \ldots \quad (viii)\]

The net number of 'New' Young Couples in the 5-year period is \[379.1 \times 10^4 \div 2 \quad (1 \text{ couple } = 2 \text{ singles}) = 189.55 \times 10^4 \quad \ldots \quad (ix)\]

On average the annual number of Young Single Households becoming Young Couples is \[379.1 \times 10^4 \div 5 = 75.82 \times 10^4 \]

Consequently the average annual number of 'new' Young Couples is \[75.82 \times 10^4 \div 2 = 379,100.\]

This estimate compares favourably with data on the average annual number of marriages over the period 1966 to 1971 (See Section 3.3.2.) of 399,224. The apparent discrepancy is largely the result of introducing net flows to incorporate divorce and deaths to young couples.

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(e) \( \Delta YCH = YSTYC - YCTYF \) 

where,

YSTYC represents Young Singles To Young Couples.
YCTYF represents Young Couples to Young Families.
\( \Delta YCH = -1.0 \times 10^4 \) (From Table 3.20)
YSTYC = 189.55 \times 10^4 (From(ix))

Substituting in (x)

\[-1.0 \times 10^4 = 189.55 \times 10^4 - YCTYF\]

\[\therefore YCTYF = 190.55 \times 10^4 \] ........................  (xi)

Thus, on average, the annual number of 'new' families formed each year = 190.55 \times 10^4 \div 5 = 381100

According to the data in Table 3.13, the average number of legitimate first born births to women married once only in the period 1966 to 1971 was 279281. If first born births to all women were known the apparent discrepancy of the model could be reduced.

(f) \( \Delta YFH = YCTYF - EYF - YFTAOMH \) ........................  (xii)

where,

YCTYF represents Young Couples To Young Families.
EYF represents Net emigration of Young Families.
YFTAOMH represents Young Families To All Old Married Households.
\( \Delta YFH = 18.1 \times 10^4 \) (From Table 3.20)
YCTYF = 190.55 \times 10^4 (From (xii))

Substituting in (xii)

\[18.1 \times 10^4 = 190.55 \times 10^4 - YFTAOMH\]

\[\therefore YFTAOMH = 158.45 \times 10^4 \] ........................  (xiii)

This estimate cannot be compared with actual data since it is a flow introduced merely to aid estimation of other flows. Similarly this applies to the following three estimates.
(g) \[ \Delta \text{YPFH} = \text{YSTYPFH} - \text{YPFHTAOSH} \] 
where,

\text{YSTYPFH} \quad \text{represents Young Single To Young Single Parent Family Household.}

\text{YPFHTAOSH} \quad \text{represents Young Single Parent Family Household To All Old Single Households.}

\[ \Delta \text{YPFH} = 9.1 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(From Table 3.20)} \]
\[ \text{YSTYPFH} = 14.3 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(From (vii))} \]
Substituting in (xiv)
\[ 9.1 \times 10^4 = 14.3 \times 10^4 - \text{YPFHTAOSH} \]
\[ \therefore \text{YPFHTAOSH} = 5.2 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(xv)} \]

(h) \[ \Delta \text{AOMH} = \text{YFTAOMH} - \text{AOMHTAOSH} \] 
where,

\text{YFTAOMH} \quad \text{represents Young Families To All Old Married Households.}

\text{AOMHTAOSH} \quad \text{represents All Old Married Households To All Old Single Households.}

\[ \Delta \text{AOMH} = 25.1 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(From Table 3.20)} \]
\[ \text{YFTAOMH} = 158.45 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(From (xiii))} \]
Substituting in (xvi)
\[ 25.1 \times 10^4 = 158.45 \times 10^4 - \text{AOMHTAOSH} \]
\[ \therefore \text{AOMHTAOSH} = 133.35 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(xvii)} \]

(i) \[ \Delta \text{AOSH} = \text{AOMHTAOSH} + \text{YSPFTAOSH} - \text{DAOS} \quad \text{...(xviii)} \] 
where,

\text{AOMHTAOSH} \quad \text{represents All Old Married Households To All Old Single Households.}

\text{YSPFTAOSH} \quad \text{represents Young Single Parent Families To All Old Single Households.}

\text{DAOS} \quad \text{represents Death of All Old Singles.}

\[ \Delta \text{AOSH} = 1.5 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(From Table 3.20)} \]
\[ \text{AOMHTAOSH} = 133.35 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(From (xvii))} \]
\[ \text{YSPFTAOSH} = 5.2 \times 10^4 \quad \text{(From (xv))} \]
Substituting in (xviii)

\[ 1.5 \times 10^4 = 133.35 \times 10^4 + 5.2 \times 10^4 - DAOS \]
\[ \therefore DAOS = \frac{137.05 \times 10^4}{1} \]

Of the thirteen flows to be determined values have been obtained for seven of them, namely CLFH, YSTYC, YSTYSPF, EYF, YCTYF, YSPFTOSPF, DOS.

The remaining six flows are estimated in the following way.

**Stage 3**

In the third stage the amalgamated levels AOMH and AOSH were reverted to their component levels i.e., OFH and OCH and OSH and OSPFH respectively.

The final model structure, as shown in the flow chart on page 95 now being used.

The remaining flows to be estimated for the 5-year period are YCTOC, OFTOC, OPTOSPF, OCTOS, OSPFHSTSH, YFTOF.

Letting,

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{YCTOC} & \text{ be represented by } x \\
\text{OFTOC} & \text{ be represented by } y \\
\text{OPTOSPF} & \text{ be represented by } z \\
\text{OCTOS} & \text{ be represented by } u \\
\text{OSPFHSTSH} & \text{ be represented by } v \\
\text{YFTOF} & \text{ be represented by } w
\end{align*}
\]

Remembering that,

\[
\begin{align*}
(OCH + OFH) & = AOMH \\
(OSH + OSPFH) & = AOSH
\end{align*}
\]

and comparing Figures 3.4 and 3.6
Then,

\[ AOMHTAOSH = OCTOS + OPTOSPF \]
\[ = 133.35 \times 10^4 \quad (\text{From (xvii)}) \]

Now,

\[ OCTOS + OPTOSPF = u + z \quad (\text{From above}) \]
\[ u + z = 133.35 \times 10^4 \quad (xx) \]

Similarly,

\[ YFTAOLIH = YCTOC + YFTOF \]
\[ = 158.45 \times 10^4 \quad (\text{From (xviii)}) \]
\[ = x + w \quad (\text{From above}) \]
\[ w = 158.45 \times 10^4 - x \quad (xxi) \]

Now,

\[ \triangle OFH = YFTOF - OCTOC - OPTOSPF \quad (xxii) \]
\[ = 2.0 \times 10^4 \quad (\text{From Table 3.20}) \]
\[ \text{Substituting in (xxii)} \]
\[ 2.0 \times 10^4 = 158.45 \times 10^4 - x - y - z \]
\[ x + y + z = 156.45 \times 10^4 \quad (xxiii) \]

Similarly,

\[ \triangle OCH = YCTOC - OCTOS + OPTOC \quad (xxiv) \]
\[ = 23.1 \times 10^4 \quad (\text{From Table 3.20}) \]
\[ 23.1 \times 10^4 = x - u + y \quad (xxv) \]

Similarly,

\[ \triangle OSPFH = YSPFH + OPTOSPF - OSPFHTOSH \quad (xxvi) \]
\[ = 4.5 \times 10^4 \quad (\text{From Table 3.20}) \]
\[ YSPFH + OPTOSPF = 5.2 \times 10^4 \quad (\text{in the model a young single parent can only age}) \]
\[ 4.5 \times 10^4 = 5.2 \times 10^4 + z - v \]
\[ v - z = 0.7 \times 10^4 \quad (xxvii) \]
\[ \triangle OSH = OCTOS + OSPFH + OSPFHTOSH - DOS \quad (xxviii) \]
\[ \Delta \text{OSH} = 3.0 \times 10^4 \quad (\text{From Table 3.20}) \]
\[ \text{DOS} = 137.0 \times 10^4 \quad (\text{OSPFH assumed not to die}) \quad (\text{From } \text{xix}) \]

\[ u + v = 134.0 \times 10^4 \] \quad \text{(xxix)}

Within this system of equations there is not sufficient information to solve for the variables \( x, y, z, u, v \) as the equations (xx) to (xxix) are not independent. Further assumptions need to be made.

Since \( v \) and \( y \) correspond broadly to the number of OSPFH and OFH respectively who become OSH and OCH respectively due to their last child leaving the parental home, assume that,

\[ \begin{align*}
\text{No. of OSPFH} & = u \\
\text{No. of OFH} & = v
\end{align*} \]

For 1966
\[ \frac{v}{16.7 \times 10^4} = \frac{y}{156.5 \times 10^4} \quad \therefore y = 9.47v \]

For 1971
\[ \frac{v}{21.2 \times 10^4} = \frac{y}{158.5 \times 10^4} \quad \therefore y = 7.47v \]

However, OFH have a larger number of children than OSPFH (114) which may cause \( y \) to be over-estimated.

Assume \( y = 7v \) \quad \text{................................. (xxx)}

Also in 1966 in the 30-44 years of age range 64.0 \( \times 10^4 \) persons were YCH and 305.5 \( \times 10^4 \) were Yfh (103)

i.e., approximately 20 per cent of married couples had no children. Assuming half of these childless couples will later have babies i.e., that 10 per cent of YCH reach age 44 years without having children. (Table 3 Population Trends I 1977 suggests this may be a slight over-estimate.)

i.e., \[ x = \frac{158.4 \times 10^4}{10} - x \] \quad \text{................................. (xxxii)}
Substituting in (xxiii), (xxv), (xxvii) (xxx), (xxxi) and solving:

\[
\begin{align*}
x &= 14.4 \times 10^4; \\
v &= 17.8 \times 10^4; \\
z &= 17.1 \times 10^4; \\
y &= 124.9 \times 10^4; \\
u &= 116.2 \times 10^4;
\end{align*}
\]

From this information on flows of households, the rates of change were calculated.

\[
\begin{align*}
&\text{if} \\
&L \quad \text{f} \\
&\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad R
\end{align*}
\]

Where \( L \) is the average of the 1966 and 1971 levels and \( f \) the 5 yearly flow of households, then the annual rate \( R \) is given by:

\[
R = \frac{f}{5L}
\]

In the computer programme the rate pertaining to a particular flow is distinguished from that flow by the addition of a letter \( N \) to the label i.e., the flow YSTYC is influenced by the rate YSTYCN.

The rates of change used were as follows:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Rate</th>
<th>Value</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>YSTYSPPFHNN</td>
<td>0.005</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YSTYCN</td>
<td>0.122</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YCTYFN</td>
<td>0.302</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YCTOCN</td>
<td>0.025</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EYFN</td>
<td>0.007</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YFTOFN</td>
<td>0.07</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YSPFHHTOSPPHN</td>
<td>0.032</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OSPFHHTOSN</td>
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<td>OFTOSPPHFN</td>
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<tr>
<td>OFTOCN</td>
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<tr>
<td>OCTOSN</td>
<td>0.048</td>
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<tr>
<td>DOSN</td>
<td>0.054</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

These rates were applied equally to all socio-economic groups.
Some flows, however, were not determined by the rate of change but are read into the model directly as a piece of data i.e., CLFH.

CLFH was determined from data shown on Page 6.9 x 10^{5}

In addition, YSH, YCH, YFH, OCH and OFH were moved across the SEG's in the following ways:

From SEG II to I at the rate of 3 per cent per annum.
SEG III to II " " " 1.5 " " " "
SEG IV to III " " " 1.5 " " " "

3.4.5. Model Results 1967-1976

The households sub-model annually outputs information on the total number of households and the number of households by socio-economic group, age and family status.

Fig. 3.7 shows the model output of the number of households and how they are divided among the four socio-economic groups for the period 1967 to 1976. The total number of households increased only slightly from 23.47 million in 1967 to 23.72 million in 1976, an average annual increase of just under 30,000 households. These results reflect the almost zero population growth that has been experienced over the period and which was discussed in Section 3.3.5.

According to the model, SEG III forms the largest group of households with SEG II forming the smallest. In 1967 SEG III being just over twice the size of SEG II; this difference persisting for the period up to 1976. The two groups showing the greatest change over this period are SEG I and SEG IV. The number of households in SEG I rose
rapidly from just under 4 million in 1967 to just under 5 million by 1976. For SEG IV the model shows a rapid decline in the number of households from just over six and a half million in 1967 to five and three-quarter million by 1976. The model is clearly reflecting the effects of social mobility. Evidence presented in Section 3.3.8 suggested there had been a general upward movement in society in terms of households socio-economic grouping. The model further suggests that movement into SEG III and SEG II had been compensated by movement out of these two groups so that over the period net change was only experienced in SEG IV and SEG I.

Fig. 3.7. also depicts model output of total households by family status. The number of married couple households without children slightly exceeds the number with children, this difference increasing as the number of families declines by 1976 and the number of childless couples increases. This phenomena produced in the model is a reflection of the world situation of a declining birth rate affecting the number of first births. The number of single person households (as defined in the model) is approximately twice the number of childless couples or families although over the period 1967 to 1976 the number of single households in the model has decreased.

Single parent family households, according to the model, increased from 2 per cent of all households in 1967 to 3 per cent by 1976.

Fig. 3.7. further shows model output of total households by age of the head. The number of households where the head
was aged under forty-five years is taken to have declined slightly, the increase in total households being accounted for by the increase in older households. Such a result reflects the evidence presented in Section 3.5 on the progressive ageing of the population being experienced in England and Wales.

Thus the general trends produced by the model for the period 1967 to 1976 of the total number of households and their mix between socio-economic group, family status, and age broadly agree with those trends known to have occurred for the period.

Only two complete sets of data for the 'levels' were available. One set arising from the 1966 census and one set from the 1971 Census. The 1966 data were used as the initial conditions for the model; the 1971 set being used against which to calibrate the model. Table 3.21 below shows a comparison of the results from model output (M) with the 1971 data (D). The 1971 data was previously presented in Table 3.12 (b).

Model output of the total number of households agrees with the data. The 'row totals' i.e. total numbers of households subdivided by age (old and young), and by status (single, couple, family, single parent) is in very close agreement with the data. In fact in every case except young couples the agreement is within one half per cent, in the case of young couples the difference between model output and data is about one and a half per cent.
TABLE 3.21 Comparison of Model Output with available data for 1971.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SEG I</th>
<th>SEG II</th>
<th>SEG III</th>
<th>SEG IV</th>
<th>ALL SEG's</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>YSH M</td>
<td>1162</td>
<td>1016</td>
<td>2470</td>
<td>1310</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>1172</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>2505</td>
<td>1273</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YCH M</td>
<td>221</td>
<td>202</td>
<td>475</td>
<td>249</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>222</td>
<td>254</td>
<td>457</td>
<td>230</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YFH M</td>
<td>819</td>
<td>714</td>
<td>1743</td>
<td>926</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>834</td>
<td>647</td>
<td>1803</td>
<td>918</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YSPFH M</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>73</td>
<td>90</td>
<td>180</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>232</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

All young households

| M     | 2236   | 2005   | 4778   | 2665    | 11684    |
| D     | 2243   | 1981   | 4805   | 2653    | 11682    |
| OSH M | 801    | 805    | 1796   | 1671    | 5073     |
| D     | 892    | 822    | 1725   | 1562    | 5071     |
| OCH M | 959    | 814    | 1778   | 1416    | 4967     |
| D     | 886    | 828    | 1728   | 1526    | 4968     |
| OFH M | 351    | 266    | 614    | 354     | 1585     |
| D     | 402    | 268    | 558    | 357     | 1585     |
| OSPFH M | 32 | 38   | 58   | 85     | 215     |
| D     | 19     | 35    | 22     | 136     | 212      |

All Old households

| M     | 2143   | 1923   | 4246   | 3526    | 11838    |
| D     | 2199   | 1953   | 4103   | 3581    | 11836    |

All single households

| M     | 1963   | 1821   | 4266   | 2981    | 11031    |
| D     | 2064   | 1822   | 4300   | 2835    | 11021    |

All couple households

| M     | 1180   | 1016   | 2253   | 1665    | 6114     |
| D     | 1108   | 1082   | 2185   | 1756    | 6131     |

All Family households

| M     | 1170   | 980    | 2357   | 1280    | 5787     |
| D     | 1236   | 915    | 2361   | 1275    | 5787     |

All single parent households

| M     | 66     | 111    | 148    | 265     | 590      |
| D     | 34     | 115    | 62     | 368     | 279      |

All households

| M     | 4379   | 3974   | 9024   | 6191    | 23522    |
| D     | 4442   | 3934   | 8908   | 6234    | 23518    |

The 'column totals', i.e. total numbers of households in each SEG, all agree within one and half per cent the model values being higher than the data for SEG's II and III and lower for SEG's I and IV. Most of these errors arise for the old households; the reasons for which are
not clear but in any case the errors lie within the tolerance levels that may have been expected.

The 'cell totals' are not in such good agreement with the data as the row and column totals. This is most likely because the various rates in the model were of two types only i.e. (1) movements from one household type to another and these are assumed to be independent of SEG, (2) movements from one SEG to another and these are assumed to be the same for all household types to which they apply.

In percentage terms the greatest disagreements are for YSPFH and OSPFH. In the model YSPFH arise from illegitimate births to YSH, and OSPFH either from ageing of YSPFH or deaths of one parent in an OFH. Also single parent family households belong to the same SEG as the one they originated from. The model only allows YSH, YCH, OCH, YFH, OFH to migrate across the socio-economic groups. However the data shows a preponderance of single parent family households in SEG IV i.e. in 1971 sixty three per cent of YSPFH and sixty four per cent of OSPFH were in SEG IV; in SEG I there were only four per cent of YSPFH and nine per cent OSPFH. The model structure means that as time goes on, the spread of single parent family households will be broadly the same as for all other household groups.

It must be noted, however, that in absolute terms the errors in single parent family households are not large since these represent a household type of low numbers.

The largest absolute errors occur for OSH and OCH in SEG IV - however it will be noted that the data for YSH and OSH are in fact estimates so any lack of agreement between
these estimates and the model are unimportant.

In the case of OCH the model gives $1416 \times 10^3$ for SEG IV whereas the data gave $1526 \times 10^3$. This underestimate is balanced by over estimates in SEG I and III. The Census, from which the majority of the data is obtained, enumerates retired persons according to their last mode of employment. There will almost certainly be included in SEG IV some retired persons who when in full-time employment may have been in higher SEG. The model however, has no mechanism for explicitly moving people down the socio-economic scale as they age due to the use of net flows. This may account for the discrepancy.

If the model output is to match the data then a first step would be to stop the 'migration' applying to OCH and to move households to a more appropriate SEG when they become single parent family households.

In its present form the households sub-model is said to be calibrated to an acceptable standard.

3.5. A review of the Households Sub-Model

Looking back over the review section of this chapter it will be seen that the final model used represents a considerable simplification of what is currently believed to be the real situation.

But as emphasised in Chapter One, the primary function of this research was essentially to provide a learning experience of how to approach the problem of developing an operational model of the housing system. Households
demographic behaviour i.e., The Households Sub-Model represents but an aspect of that total model.

The object of the review section of this chapter was to identify the nature of those phenomena which an ideal model would have to include. The evidence presented in the previous section has shown why it was not possible to model exactly that reality at this stage.

A number of points remain which summarize the simplifications made and the drawbacks and advantages of such an approach.

In many ways it was unsatisfactory to work with net flows. The most important limitation being the resultant loss of realism as individual flows and rates of change could no longer be sharply defined as physical phenomena.

Take, for example, the flow YSTYC (Young Single To Young Couple) which is the net result of both young singles becoming young couples and young couples becoming young singles i.e., divorce in young couples, deaths in young couples, marriages of young singles. But many phenomena are taking place to affect the numbers of young singles and young couples in addition to the interchange between the two household types i.e., immigration, emigration, ageing, divorce in young families. Hence YSTYC has to account for all of these phenomena. The danger exists of trying to attach physical meaning to these proxy flows. But there is no physical meaning; these flows were introduced merely to facilitate the development of the sub-model.
This problem underlines the need for a complete array of information if anyone is to construct a model of any realism. Development of the households sub-model showed quite clearly the conflict which exists between model size and complexity (i.e., number of variables) on the one hand and data availability on the other. This point is discussed at greater length in Section 6.1.

Also of particular importance is that by amalgamating individual flows into net flows the assumption was made that the corresponding net percentage rates of change were constant. Quite clearly from the literature review rates of change are not constant. For example, the divorce rate (taken as the number of decrees granted divided by the number of households at risk i.e., All YCH YFH OCH OFH) was 3.4 divorces per thousand households at risk in 1966 but had increased to 6.2 per thousand by 1971.

A brief summary of how the major phenomena affecting the numbers of households were incorporated into the model will indicate the extent to which the model reflects the reality described in Section 3.3.

Immigration and Emigration

These two effects were simplified by assuming that all migration was effectively net emigration and involved only young family households i.e., the rate EYF. Justification for these assumptions is provided by the evidence summarized on page 42.

Marriage

Marriage has been inadequately dealt with due to the
use of net flows. Whereas the marriage of young single households and old single households is implicitly included in the flows YSTYC and OSTOC respectively, the remarriage (or indeed first marriage) of young or old single parent families has been omitted from the model in an attempt to reduce complexity and is justified only by the fact that the phenomenon involves relatively few households. In 1971, for example, out of 404.7 thousand marriages only 84.3 thousand were marriages in which at least one partner had been married previously. (See Table 3.2.)

**Divorce**

The evidence presented in Section 3.3.3, suggested that divorce is a growing social phenomenon and for this reason the levels YSPFH and OSPFH were included in the model structure. In the event, however, divorce was explicitly omitted from the model, although divorce of OFH is implicitly included in the flow of OFTOSPF and represents the dominant phenomenon. The divorce behaviour of couple households is also implicitly included in the flows YSTYC and OCTOS but does not represent a significant proportion of the household flow. The divorce experience of Young Families is not included since the data suggests that relatively few households are involved.

**Births.**

In the model only first births have been dealt with. This resulted from the decision not to include family size explicitly but to distinguish family households by age alone. Age does permit a certain distinction between families of
different sizes to be made since a family must age before it can grow in size. Illegitimate births were included but to young single households only and thus provides an input to the level YSPFH. In retrospect this may be an unnecessary detail which could be excluded in a future model. The omission of this flow would, however, mean that there would be no input to the level YSPFH. These households would consequently gradually disappear, unless an alternative input flow is incorporated into the model structure. For example, the divorce of YFH.

Aging

The evidence presented in Section 3.4.3. suggested that the most dominant flows of households were from Young Couple To Old Couple and Young Family To Old Family, and hence these flows were incorporated into the model structure. The flow YSPFTOSPF was included largely to allow YSPFH to change their status but also to prevent the number of YSPFH accumulating indefinitely.

Mortality

This phenomenon has been considerably simplified in direct response to the difficulties in using the data for this model. Only deaths of Old Single Parsons are included explicitly.

Children leaving the Family Home

The major drawback to the method by which this phenomenon has been incorporated into the model is that there is no tie-up between children leaving home and the rate at which OFH and OSPFH become OCH and OSH respectively.
The assumption is made that the flows OFTOC and OSPFTOS implicitly include this phenomenon of households changing their classification when the last child leaves home. Any direct link would of course require information about family size to be added since a family only becomes a couple when the last child leaves home.

Social Mobility

Social Mobility is a phenomenon which is known to exist but about which relatively little data is available to qualify that knowledge. The phenomenon was very crudely incorporated into this model by first determining the magnitude of the net upward movement of each SEG by comparing data for 1966 and 1971 and then by making certain subjective assumptions as to which household types in fact change SEG. It was assumed that only YSH, YCH, YFH, OCH and OFH would move across the SEG's.

Thus a model describing the growth and dissolution of certain household types was developed and rendered operational. The next task involved the similar development of a model to describe the nature of the dwelling stock which these households attempt to occupy.

It is the aim of Chapter Four to discuss the process by which this was achieved.
CHAPTER FOUR

DEWLLINGS

4.1. DEFINITIONS

At any point in time the housing stock is comprised of all those buildings, parts of buildings, and structures which are used or are usually used as living quarters. A very wide range of types and living arrangements exist. The majority of households live in either a detached, semi-detached or terraced house or in a flat, but substantial numbers also occupy chalets, huts, shacks, tents, converted railway carriages and mobile structures such as caravans, houseboats and barges. For yet others common lodging houses, hospitals, mental institutions, boarding houses, bed and breakfast accommodation and hotels constitute the usual place of residence.

The basic unit of the housing stock has been termed the DWELLING. The Sample Census 1966 defines a dwelling as:

'Structurally separate accommodation with independent access to the street or to a public staircase or hall,... (structurally separate accommodation is that which is) all contained behind its own front door; bathrooms and water closets did not count as part of the accommodation for this purpose, (independent access is the ability of the occupant to) come and go without having access to anyone else's living quarters. ' (13)

Another method of classification of dwellings used in the Census is to define the unit of accommodation occupied by a household as a household space. Thus there is always a one to one correspondence between households and occupied household spaces. As such no household is recorded as sharing a dwelling with another. Other difficulties with the use of this measure arise when considering the extent of
accommodation that is available for occupation but is at present vacant. By convention there can never be more than one vacant household space per dwelling and as a result of the definitions of a household one room cannot count as more than one household space. In the 1966 Census vacant dwellings were counted on the same basis as household spaces.

4.2. METHODS OF CLASSIFICATION

The range of dwelling types available represent the range of choices open to the household in deciding how and where he wishes to live. The more comprehensive the method of classifying dwellings the greater the appreciation of the decision making process undertaken by households. A very long list of the factors entering into a demand equation for housing could be constructed including tenure, number of rooms, number of bedrooms, age, condition, structural type, type of arrangements e.g. detached, semi-detached, terraced, flat etc., availability of amenities, geographical location, proximity to services (schools, shops, open space etc.), proximity to place of work of head of household, availability of garden, cost etc.

As Murie (82) discusses,

'No universally accepted means of classifying the housing system has been developed ...... The divisions which are appropriate depend on the orientation of the study and the main areas of concern'.

This study is aimed at adding to our understanding of housing as a system and with particular reference to the development of a tool for evaluating policy proposals. The choice of classification system arises directly from this approach.
Tenure is the legal basis for distinguishing how different dwellings are used. It is associated with the rights of the owners and users of land and property. Changes in legislation may alter the legal position of the owner, landlord or tenant. In general, property rights associated with a particular dwelling unit change according to user and contract. The majority of dwellings, do however retain consistent tenure status. The reason for this is mainly economic. In England and Wales there is little encouragement for investment in rented accommodation; the balance of advantage is consistently with owner occupation. It is only in areas with a highly competitive demand for house space that market considerations lead owners to alternate behaviour between letting and selling. Only in the private rented sector is tenure change occurring on any scale.

Differences in property rights lead to different patterns of use as they are also associated with different types of organization and management (For a more detailed discussion of this point see Section 5.2.3.) A major justification of the use of tenure as a classification criterion lies in the view that details of tenure indicate principle features of access in the housing system. Tenure sets the financial framework which affects certain housing market relationships.

Another factor explaining why tenure has emerged as an important criterion of classification is the nature and development of housing policy. Policy has usually evolved as a series of separate responses to problems within tenure
sectors, yet the differences between tenures have not been reconciled by legislation. Policy continues to be tenure specific.

Take, for example, the structure of taxation and subsidies. The arrangements governing rents and subsidies in the public sector have remained quite separate from rent controls and taxation in the private sector. Private landlords are treated differently from owner occupiers. Similarly the management and control of dwellings is also tenure specific; so too are the provisions on security of tenure and protection from harassment and eviction.

The different emphasis placed on any particular tenure at any point is a direct reflection of the prevailing ideology of the political party in power.

The Major Tenure Types

The three major tenure types are:

(1) Owner Occupation.
(2) Privately rented.
(3) Local Authority rented.

which will now be discussed separately. Other forms of tenure also exist although in terms of their proportional contribution to the housing stock are less important. These will be discussed under a fourth heading:

(4) Other tenures

4.2.1.1. Owner Occupation

An owner occupier owns outright, or is currently paying for by a mortgage, the freehold or leasehold of a dwelling. Most house purchase is on credit. About 90 per cent of home buyers get a mortgage from a Building Society -
the remainder borrow from Local Authorities (7 per cent) banks and insurance companies. 'Eligibility' for a mortgage depends upon such factors as income, age, sex and occupation. (See Section 5.2.3 for a more detailed discussion of the eligibility criteria). For a mortgage, the type and age of property to be purchased is also important. Building Societies tend to prefer modern, suburban, semi-detached properties, for example. Local Authorities tend to finance mortgages on older properties or to households on lower incomes i.e. 'bad risks'.

4.2.1.2 Local Authority Rented

The 1957 Housing Act gave councils the power to build and manage council housing, to select tenants and to evict them. The main functions of the Housing Department are:

Rent Collection.
Repairs and Maintenance.
Selecting Tenants.
Managing Estates.
Research.

Other council departments also have housing responsibilities. New building is planned and designed within the Planning and Architects Department. The Public Health Department has powers and duties relating to repairs and standards of council housing.

In a paper to the Royal Town Planning Institute's Annual Conference in May 1976, Francis Amos, Chief Executive, City of Birmingham, defined the role of local authorities in providing housing:

'Public housing has always been for that section of society which could not independently secure its own accommodation.' (3)

Each Council has its own system for allocating dwellings
to those households defined by them to be in need. Each system is a set of 'priorities' chosen by the council, varying according to local political decisions. There are usually three main parts to the system in the following order of priority:

(a) rehousing from a clearance area.
(b) homeless families.
(c) waiting list.

See Section 5.2.3. for a more detailed discussion of the eligibility rules for local authority dwellings.

Since 1935, excluding the period of the Tory Housing Finance Act 1972-75, council rents have been based on the pooled historic cost of building and maintaining all the council dwellings built by a local authority. Pooling means that each local authority combines all the land, construction, management and repair costs plus the interest charges on borrowing the money. This sum minus the amount of subsidies received from the Government and contributions from the rates, is then divided by the number of council houses a local authority owns and allowances made for the different size, condition etc. of the houses to arrive at a rent.

New council houses are paid for by local authorities borrowing money. Some money comes from the Government Public Works Loan Board (PWLB) and the rest from the banks and other financial institutions. In 1975 housing accounted for 52 per cent of the local authority debt of £24,000 million. Local authorities borrow from different sources as the supply and control of money varies between different institutions i.e. banks and building societies. Loans are not raised by the Housing Department itself - they are
raised through the local authority's own Consolidated Loans Fund together with loans for all major projects. The loans are then pooled in the same way as rents. About one-third of loans are obtained through the PWLB and the rest directly from the City through Brokers or through the loans bureau of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy.

New council dwellings are financed over a sixty-year period but the local authority usually borrows money for very much shorter periods, two-thirds are now for less than five years - which means that money has to be borrowed several times before the houses are finally paid for.

4.2.1.3. Rented Privately From a Landlord.

For the majority of households a privately rented dwelling provides a vital 'stepping-stone' to a council house or one to buy. Many households setting up home for the first time will rent from a private landlord. The eligibility rules for entry into privately rented accommodation are very much dependent upon the ability of the householder to pay. See Section 5.2.3. for a fuller discussion of this point. At the beginning of the century over 90 per cent of dwellings were rented from private landlords but by 1972 this had fallen to 14 per cent. Unlike the situation in many European countries and North America virtually no new housing has been built for private rental since before the Second World War. Some of the reasons for the dramatic decline being government intervention through housing standards and rent control; changing economic circumstances; slum clearance and re-development; and the
growth of alternative forms of tenure.

Until 1974 tenants in unfurnished dwellings enjoyed greater security than those in furnished accommodation. In contrast to the general decline of the privately rented sector as a whole, the number of furnished lettings has remained relatively stable in recent years, and in some areas has even increased, as landlords have converted previously unfurnished dwellings into furnished accommodation. The 1974 Rent Act gave full Rent Act protection to many furnished tenants by extending indefinitely the length of Security of Tenure (previously-6 months) that could be granted by Rent Tribunals. The main exception being lettings by resident landlords.

Since 1974 more meaningful distinctions between different types of privately rented dwellings are those of 'protected' tenancies, 'regulated' tenancies and 'controlled' tenancies as they are defined separately in law.

A 'protected' tenancy applies to all tenants of furnished and unfurnished houses and flats or rooms which are not part of their landlords home with a rateable value not exceeding £1500 in London or £750 elsewhere (1975 prices). Only a Court can order such tenants to leave, even if notice to quit has expired or a fixed term tenancy has ended. The Court cannot make such an order except on one or more of the grounds laid down in the Rent Act 1968, as amended by the Rent Act 1974- for example, that the tenant is not paying the rent.

A 'Regulated' tenancy is one which is protected by Rent Act Security but is not controlled (see below). A fair rent is fixed by the Rent Officer and once registered a higher rent cannot lawfully be charged except by a new.
registration (not less than 3 years later).

A 'controlled' tenancy is one dating from before 1957 and which remained controlled after the Rent Act 1957. Rents for controlled tenancies were fixed by the Act. They can be increased only if the landlord pays the rates and these go up, and then by the amount of the increase, or if the landlord improves or repairs the dwelling, and then by 12\(\frac{1}{2}\) per cent a year of the money spent on the improvements or repairs. If a dwelling let on a 'controlled' tenancy is certified by the local authority as being in a good state of repair and having a bath, wash-hand basin, sink, hot and cold water supply to these, and W.C., the tenancy comes out of control and becomes regulated. (37)

4.2.1.4. Other Tenures

Two forms of tenure currently gaining importance and both primarily sub-sets of local authority responsibility are housing associations and equity-shared dwellings. Both of these tenures could be said to represent attempts at an alternative to the rapidly declining privately rented sector.

Housing Associations

The term 'housing association' is the general term for all non-profit making housing bodies e.g. 'housing society', 'housing trust', 'model dwelling companies'.

The housing association movement, which is generally referred to as the "third arm" of housing (Council housing and Owner Occupation are the other two) is at present on the verge of a massive expansion.

There are four types of Housing Associations at present defined in various Acts:

1. Fair-rent Housing Associations - these are the traditional Housing Associations as defined by the 1936
Housing Act when the National Federation of Housing Societies was set up. Most Fair-Rent Housing Associations are registered charities. Within the group two types of association are:

(a) General family-building new estates e.g. the Sutton Housing Trust and the Guinness Trust, and converting older property, e.g. London and Quadrant Housing Trust.

(b) Special-need housing schemes for specialist groups e.g. students, disabled or 'sheltered' accommodation for the elderly e.g. Help the Aged.

2. Self-Build Associations - usually formed by people who come together and work as a group to build their own houses, and once the money is paid off they own their own houses and the society is disbanded.

3. Cost-Rent Societies - build houses for letting on a non-profit rent (i.e. covers the cost of building, management, maintenance, insurance etc.) These are defined by the 1961 Housing Act, and tenants can apply for rebates.

4. Co-ownership Societies - defined by the 1964 Act; tenants are all shareholders in the society and collectively own the dwellings and a share in the equity (if they stay more than five years they are usually entitled to a share in the increased value of the development when they leave). Tenants are also able to benefit from tax relief on Option Mortgages. Due to higher interest rates, such schemes are now relatively expensive and decreasing in numbers. Also (see later) the Housing Corporation will no longer lend money to new housing societies of this nature.

Housing Associations have existed in one form or another
for well over one hundred years, the first being started in the 1840's as 'model dwelling companies' e.g. the Metropolitan Association for the Improvement of the Dwellings of the Industrial Classes, and later in the 1860's The Peabody and Guinness Trusts. These were intended to show that private enterprise could provide good sanitation and proper housing for the poor at low rents and make a reasonable profit i.e. a minimum of 5 per cent. It was hoped to set an example to speculative builders and so help to change the terrible sanitary and overcrowded housing conditions of the working class. Some of the early schemes were successful but the rising cost of land and the need to show a profit meant that rents increased beyond the means of unskilled workers. By the 1880's there was mounting hostility to model dwellings as the standard of accommodation fell and as overcrowding increased with slum clearance and the building of the railways.

The provision of housing by housing associations continued but only to a very limited extent. In 1935 The National Federation of Housing Associations was set up with a government grant, with the purpose of furthering the cause of housing associations. By this time the number of housing associations had increased to 226 from 60 operating just prior to 1914.

The changing emphasis in the late 1960's towards improvement rather than redevelopment combined with financial support from Shelter and encouragement from the government, created opportunities for many new housing associations to be set up and existing ones to expand.
In 1964 the Housing Corporation was established under the auspices of the Housing Act. Its purpose was to encourage and to administer the provision of housing by voluntary societies on a cost rent and co-ownership basis. In the event, the Corporation made only modest contributions to housing provision. In 1972 the Housing Finance Act gave the Housing Corporation additional powers to finance fair rent schemes i.e. the ability to obtain 100 per cent loans.

The fair rent plan was an unavoidable social device in a period of housing stress to reduce market rents to the extent necessary to enable tenants to afford them. Nothing more or less. But the effect of the fair rent scheme now is to leave in most cases the major burden of the cost of servicing the capital involved in providing new housing units with the public purse, there being, of course, no possibility of financing new private accommodation at fair rents'. (51)

Further powers were invested with the Housing Corporation under the White Paper of 1973 "Widening the choice: The next step in housing". A few months later, a second White Paper, 'Better Homes: The next Priorities', outlined in detail the Conservative Government plans and the particular role envisaged for Housing Associations in the proposed Housing Action Areas.

The Government will look to housing associations increasingly to acquire and manage property in Housing Action Areas and so preserve a wide range of choice of rented accommodation. The Housing Corporation together with the National Building Agency will be ready to help housing associations to carry out this key social role by supporting them both financially and with technical advice. The Government looks to local authorities to work closely with housing associations and make full use of their expertise and enthusiasm in attacking the problems of the declining privately rented sector'. (26)

These proposals were embodied in the Labour Government Housing Act 1974.
Under Section Seven of the 1974 Housing Act the Corporation was allowed the full range of borrowing powers normally available to local authorities. Other powers include the ability to form subsidiaries, the disposal of assets to them and the development of ancillary land and buildings for commercial and recreational uses. But as a recent report by a NALGO Working Party says:

'It must be clearly acknowledged that housing associations do not have nor could they acquire from Local Authorities the necessary powers of compulsory purchase, or the planning powers to designate improvement areas, and can, therefore, only play a supplementary and subordinate role to local authorities'. (94)

Housing Associations still play a very small role in the provision of housing and although their activities are often important in the areas where they work, together they contribute less than 2 per cent of the total housing stock. On the one hand the need for and importance of a 'third force' in British housing has always been stressed; on the other (at least until 1974) housing associations have never been given the full support, either political or financial, to enable them to perform the wider role they have been seeking.

* Equity-Sharing *

Equity-sharing is a very new form of tenure. It means that the occupier rents part of the house from the Council and owns the rest i.e. acquires a long lease with a local authority mortgage for the rest. Half rented and half owned is the most popular share but it could be any proportion. The occupier is responsible for repairs and maintenance, but is largely free from the standard tenancy conditions,
and may make improvements or alterations to the house subject to the terms of the lease. He may also at any time purchase the freehold for half the current value of the house. For the first five years after the grant of the lease the City Council have first option to buy back the lessee's share at the price paid, if he wishes to dispose of it.

At present the Housing Corporation is also involved with similar schemes but legislation does not permit eventual full ownership. The recently published strategy for East London's Docklands suggested that some 10,000 of the 23,000 new homes should be equity-shared.

**New Towns**

Housing in new towns can be considered as a further element in the public sector. In 1976 over 170,000 houses were owned by the New Town Development Corporations. These were set up after the passing of the New Towns Act 1946. The Barlow Commission (1944) on the Distribution of the Industrial Population recommended dispersal from the congested cities for social reasons. The Abercrombie plan for London (1944) advocated a series of new towns as an essential part of this dispersal of population.

The basic premises behind the provision of the new town housing is very different to that of council housing.

New Towns are concerned very much more with regional or national needs and movements of population, and in fact the designation of the majority of Towns can be traced to such considerations. The housing needs of individual households are catered for indirectly through overspill arrangements with exporting authorities or industrial selection schemes.(32)

New Town Development Corporations are financed and
administratively controlled by Central Government. There is no rate income, housing subsidies only available from the Exchequer.

**Government Departments etc.**

Still further forms of tenure exist. Some government departments provide housing for their employees e.g. the Police Force, National Coal Board. Some firms in the private sector similarly provide accommodation for their employees. Farm labourers often have access to tied accommodation.

4.2.2. **Condition**

The next important distinction to be made between dwellings is their general adequacy in terms of accommodation standards and structural condition. Three measures are in common usage:

1. Fitness of the dwelling structure.
2. Availability of amenities.
3. Age of dwellings.

**4.2.2.1. Fitness**

Unfitness deals not with minimum acceptable comfort or convenience but represents an attempt to define the condition of the housing stock in terms of its unsuitability for habitation.

Section Four of the Housing Act 1957 states that for determining - 'Whether a house is unfit for human habitation, regard shall be had to its condition in respect of the following matters, that is to say:

(a) repair
(b) stability
(c) freedom from damp
(d) natural lighting
(e) ventilation
(f) water supply
(g) drainage and sanitary conveniences
and
(h) facilities for storage, preparation and cooking of food - and for the disposal of waste water;

and the house shall be deemed to be unfit for human habitation if, and only if, it is so far defective in one or more of the said matters that it is not reasonably suitable for occupation in that condition.

This list was subsequently amended in the Housing Act 1969 to include after (c) "(cc) internal arrangements" and the word 'storage' was deleted from (h). This means that bad internal arrangement is now grounds for considering any house unfit and, secondly, because of the availability of refrigerators, facilities for storage of food are no longer a necessity. (44)

The concept of 'unfitness' has existed in housing legislation for over a century and slum clearance was undertaken in the last quarter of the nineteenth century but no reliable national estimate of the number of unfit dwellings was made until 1967; before that there were estimates submitted by local authorities along with their clearance programmes, but these were drawn up on varying bases and could not be added to produce a reliable national total.

The last publication to use a local authorities own assessment of housing conditions was No.1 of Housing Statistics which gave a regional analysis for 1965 of the estimates of unfit houses and the number of dwellings they contained. In 1967 a more realistic attempt was made in the House Condition Survey to provide data on the structural condition of the dwelling stock in England and
Wales. Firstly, repair costs were estimated to enable some quantitative comparison between dwellings, and secondly the inspector's experience and judgements were checked in order to eliminate 'erratic' results, and measures were taken so that inspectors did not work in areas with which they were familiar or which were similar in character in order to reduce the problem of familiarity. This Survey indicated there were approximately one million more unfit dwellings in the first quarter of 1967 than had been reported by the old method two years before. Similar studies were conducted in 1971 and also in 1976 (for which only a few results have been published to date).

4.2.2.2. Availability of Amenities

In the post-war years there was a new development in policy on housing standards: the concept of 'basic amenities' and grants to owners towards the cost of installing them. The 'standard amenities' of the Housing Act 1959 are listed as:

(a) fixed bath or shower,
(b) wash-hand basin
(c) hot and cold water supply at 3 points i.e., at a fixed bath or shower, at a wash-hand basin, and at a sink,
(d) a water closet in or contiguous to the dwelling, and
(e) satisfactory facilities for storing food.

The installation of one or more of these standard amenities in a dwelling lacking them qualifies for a government grant. The Census definition of basic amenity varies slightly and has changed at successive Censuses. For example the 1951 Census collected details of either the shared use or lack of piped water supply in the building, (ii) a cooking stove or range, (iii) a kitchen
sink, (iv) a water closet and (v) a fixed bath. (A water closet means a flush toilet that empties into a main sewer, septic tank or cesspool, and a bath was only included if it had a waste pipe that led outside the building).

By 1961 the Census recorded households without or sharing (i) a cold water tap within the building (ii) a hot water tap within the building (iii) a fixed bath (iv) a W.C. within or attached to the building. By 1966 because of the almost universal availability of a cold water tap this was no longer included. The most important Census tables refer to the availability of individual amenities and the number of households with the exclusive use of a hot water tap, a fixed bath and an inside W.C.

As Farthing (44) points out, for such information to have any meaning it is necessary to have some yardstick by which to judge them. The Standard Amenities' described earlier are often taken as a guide to the amenities that should be available in every dwelling. But as mentioned above Census data is collected and published on a household rather than a dwellings basis. The number of dwellings lacking any of the 'Standard Amenities' was not known until the 1967 House Condition Survey.

The number of households with sole use, shared use and no use of a variety of amenities have been enumerated in Censuses since 1951 and useful comparisons can be made over the period 1951-1971(98)See Table 4.1. below.

(a) Dash indicates no question was asked on the amenity in the Census.
(b) 1951 and 1961 definition did not require piped water. In the 1966 Census a separate question was asked on the availability of a shower, but the results have not been published. The 1971 Census specified fixed bath or shower.
(c) 1951 Census form specifies simply piped water supply within the house. (Source 98)
### TABLE 4.1. Households and Amenities in England and Wales 1951-1971 (a)  

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<td><strong>Fixed Bath (b)</strong></td>
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<td>Exclusive use</td>
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<td>10749</td>
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<td>14506</td>
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<td>Shared use</td>
<td>1003</td>
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<td>667</td>
<td>561</td>
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<td>1786</td>
<td>310</td>
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<td>739</td>
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<td>13116</td>
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<td>Shared use</td>
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<td>258</td>
<td>317</td>
<td>337</td>
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<td>3207</td>
<td>1926</td>
<td>1055</td>
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<td><strong>Water Closet</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Exclusive use - inside building</td>
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<td>13976</td>
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<tr>
<td>outside</td>
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<td></td>
<td>2465</td>
<td>1692</td>
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<tr>
<td>Shared use - inside building</td>
<td>(1754</td>
<td>846</td>
<td>633</td>
<td>539</td>
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<tr>
<td>outside</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>292</td>
<td>118</td>
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<tr>
<td>None</td>
<td>1037</td>
<td>1008</td>
<td>274</td>
<td>185</td>
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<tr>
<td>Households with exclusive use of all amenities listed</td>
<td>6805 (52%)</td>
<td>10146 (69%)</td>
<td>11120 (72%)</td>
<td>13554 (82%)</td>
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The number of households with the exclusive use of a fixed bath, for example, more than doubled over the twenty year period 1951-1971 from 7.3 million to 14.5 million. So the number of dwellings without a fixed bath must have declined also. Following the reasoning of the Housing Policy Green Paper (67), the number of occupied dwellings without a fixed bath must lie between the numbers of households in unshared dwellings lacking a bath and the total number of households lacking a bath (See Table below).
TABLE 4.2. Households without use of a fixed bath
England and Wales 1951-1971

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>In Unshared Dwellings</th>
<th>In other Dwellings</th>
<th>Total</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1951</td>
<td>4108</td>
<td>743</td>
<td>4850</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1961</td>
<td>2955</td>
<td>266</td>
<td>3221</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1971</td>
<td>1297</td>
<td>146</td>
<td>1443</td>
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</table>

The average number of sharing households per shared dwelling can be calculated from Census data. Assuming those averages apply to sharing households without a fixed bath then the number of occupied dwellings without a fixed bath may be estimated at 4,440,000 in 1951 and 1,360,000 in 1971. Direct information about dwellings gives 1,379,000 (with someone present on Census night) without a fixed bath. The 1971 figure agrees well with the House Condition Survey estimate of 1,305,000 dwellings without a fixed bath. The reduction between 1951 and 1971 in the number of dwellings without a fixed bath is estimated in round terms at 3.1 million from 4.5 million in 1951.

This pattern of change is characteristic of all other amenities for which statistics are available. Not only has the proportion of households sharing or lacking particular amenities fallen, in all cases there has been an absolute decline in the number of households lacking or sharing amenities. The overall pattern is unequivocally one of improvement in the sense of more exclusive use of amenities.

Despite this trend the number of households still sharing or lacking certain amenities in 1971 was substantial, just under 3 million households lacked one or more amenities.

Table 4.3. illustrates how tenure is an important factor associated with the availability of amenities.
### TABLE 4.3. Households in England and Wales sharing or without amenities in 1971 by tenure.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Amenities shared or without</th>
<th>Local Authority Occupiers</th>
<th>Unfurnished Private Tenants</th>
<th>Furnished Tenants</th>
<th>All Tenures</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Fixed Bath or shower</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Sharing</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>0.7</td>
<td>4.6</td>
<td>40.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>None</td>
<td>5.8</td>
<td>2.1</td>
<td>28.9</td>
<td>7.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hot water tap</td>
<td></td>
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<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Sharing</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>0.4</td>
<td>2.3</td>
<td>22.9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>None</td>
<td>3.7</td>
<td>2.1</td>
<td>20.7</td>
<td>8.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Water Closet</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Inside but sharing</td>
<td>0.8</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>4.7</td>
<td>40.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Outside but exclusive use</td>
<td>7.6</td>
<td>6.0</td>
<td>26.9</td>
<td>4.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Outside sharing use</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>2.4</td>
<td>2.1</td>
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<tr>
<td>None</td>
<td>1.1</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>2.8</td>
<td>0.9</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Source (98)

In 1971 tenants of local authority dwellings had a greater chance of exclusive use of these three amenities than any other tenure. Between one third and one half of households who were unfurnished private tenants lacked a fixed bath, a hot water tap and a W.C. inside the building. A substantial minority of owner occupiers lacked basic amenities e.g. 1.0 per cent lacked a fixed bath.

Rising living standards and demands of households mean that in order to be realistic the collection of information on amenities must become more comprehensive. As dwellings come to be supplied with an ever increasing number of facilities e.g. central heating, plumbed in washing machines, households expectations rise and the lack of certain amenities ceases to be so important.
4.2.2.3 Age

Although periodic estimates of the age composition of the housing stock have been made in various ways it is generally held that age is a poor indicator of the adequacy of a building in terms of its accommodation standards and structural condition. As Farthing (44) points out,

'this is not surprising since if a dwelling remains in the stock work may be carried out on it and beyond a certain age a dwelling may become listed as a dwelling of historical or architectural worth and as such are less likely to deteriorate than some that are much younger'.

Conversely, the standard of a newly built dwelling may result in a far more rapid rate of deterioration than a house built 20 or 30 years ago. However, age is still taken as a significant factor in building society lending policies for example and, ceteris paribus, the older a dwelling the greater one should expect the cost of maintenance to be.

There are two ways of assessing the age distribution of the dwelling stock: (a) The life-table method basis estimates on the stock of dwellings in successive censuses. (b) The trends in new construction. Estimates of this kind are made periodically and published in Housing Construction Statistics.

The second method is by survey. The dates of construction of a sample of buildings are estimated by Surveyors and the proportion of dwellings in different age groups calculated. Such surveys tend to be less accurate than the census estimates, as they depend upon the subjective assessment of the Surveyor, but do have the advantage that age group can be compared with such factors.
as present tenure, condition etc.,

Evidence from the House Condition Survey 1967 suggested that 38 per cent of the stock dated from before 1914 and 34 per cent has been built since the 1939-1945 war.

The contrast between local authority and privately rented dwellings is particularly striking. Over three quarters of privately rented dwellings were built before 1914. Nearly two thirds of local authority dwellings were built between 1945 and 1967. See Table 4.4, below.

**TABLE 4.4. Stock of dwellings by age and tenure 1967**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Tenure</th>
<th>Pre-1919</th>
<th>1919-44</th>
<th>Post 1944</th>
<th>All Ages</th>
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<tr>
<td>Owner Occupied</td>
<td>3045</td>
<td>2972</td>
<td>2454</td>
<td>7971</td>
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<tr>
<td>Owner Rented from L.A. or New Town</td>
<td>291</td>
<td>1241</td>
<td>2716</td>
<td>4248</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other (Mainly PR)</td>
<td>2598</td>
<td>536</td>
<td>234</td>
<td>3368</td>
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<tr>
<td>Closed</td>
<td>95</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>113</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>ALL</strong></td>
<td><strong>6029</strong></td>
<td><strong>4255</strong></td>
<td><strong>5416</strong></td>
<td><strong>15700</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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In some ways it is surprising that the proportion of dwellings in owner occupation built since 1944 is lower than for those built in the pre-1919 inter-war periods, especially as owner occupation has only been a growing phenomenon since the last war. The most likely explanation is that a relatively large number of the older privately rented dwellings have passed into owner occupation. On
the other hand this could be a reflection of the sale of
local authority dwellings which took place at a fairly high
level in the early post-war period.

4.2.2.4. Disrepair

In the 1949 Housing Act the need for a high standard
of repair was recognised although no works of repair
qualified for grant-aid until 1969. The results of the
first National House Condition Survey (80) provided
evidence to suggest that there was a problem of substantial
disrepair on a much greater scale than had previously been
estimated. The 1969 Act introduced grants towards the cost
of repair needed for the purpose of making fully effective
other improvement carried out at the same time. Repairs
were also to be carried out to houses which were not unfit.

In 1967 about two-thirds of the housing stock, some
10 million dwellings, required expenditure of less than
£125 and so were in a reasonable state of repair. 1.7 million
dwellings were estimated to require expenditure of over
£500 and almost all dwellings requiring expenditure of over
£1000 were unfit. Only 60 per cent of those requiring
£500 - £999 were unfit.

TABLE 4.5. Stock of Dwellings by Tenure and Repair
Costs - 1967 - England and Wales

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Tenure</th>
<th>Under £125</th>
<th>£125-£249</th>
<th>£250-£499</th>
<th>£500-£999</th>
<th>£1000 &amp; Over</th>
<th>All Repair Costs</th>
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<tr>
<td>Owner Occupied</td>
<td>55.0</td>
<td>43.4</td>
<td>43.4</td>
<td>32.6</td>
<td>27.7</td>
<td>50.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Local Authority</td>
<td>34.8</td>
<td>21.7</td>
<td>7.2</td>
<td>5.4</td>
<td>3.6</td>
<td>27.1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Privately Rented</td>
<td>10.2</td>
<td>29.9</td>
<td>43.4</td>
<td>62.0</td>
<td>68.7</td>
<td>22.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>All Tenures (000's)</td>
<td>10132</td>
<td>2521</td>
<td>1328</td>
<td>969</td>
<td>750</td>
<td>15700</td>
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Source (80) 149
Table 4.5 above shows how repair costs differed for the different tenures in 1967. Over 64 per cent of all repairs costing over £500 were in the privately rented sector whereas under 5 per cent were to local authority dwellings. A significantly smaller proportion of local authority dwellings required repairs totalling over £250 than less than £250. Almost half the entire stock of privately rented housing required expenditure of over £250 to bring the dwellings up to standard.

Tenure comparisons between the 1967, 1971 and 1976 House Condition Surveys are complicated by the complex flows of dwellings between tenures, especially between vacant and occupied houses. The number of the local authority dwellings requiring extensive repairs more than doubled between 1971 and 1976, but this is by comparison with a very small number in 1971; moreover some of the increase may be due to outstanding repairs required on dwellings acquired during the period under municipalisation programmes.

The total cost of outstanding repairs in 1971 was estimated to be £3200 million at then current prices. An additional £800 million was required for the installation of all missing amenities. At 1976 prices the total cost of £4000 million equates £9400 million. The 1976 Survey showed that the total cost of outstanding repairs plus the cost of missing amenities would be £9350 million, of which £1000 million was for the cost of supplying missing amenities. Therefore, in total, the situation has changed very little although the proportion attributable to
missing amenities is much smaller, reflecting some progress in the intervening period.

4.2.3. **Size**

The enumeration of dwellings by size is a useful concept in determining the quantity of living space available to households. This is dependent to a large degree on the internal floor area of the dwelling and the number, size and shape of the rooms that make up the dwelling. There are three major ways in which the size of dwellings has been determined:

1. No. of rooms
2. No. of bedrooms
3. Internal floor area.

For the size distribution of the total stock the most reliable source of information is the Census. Considerable information exists about the size of local authority dwellings in terms of internal floor area and also of the number of bedrooms of both the private and public stock but is related only to new buildings.

4.2.3.1 **Number of rooms**

The Census data in Fig. 4.1 below suggests that there has been a small increase in the average size of dwellings from 1951-1971. But problems arise due to changes in the definition of rooms over the last four Censuses. In 1961 for example 'rooms' included all rooms used for living, eating and sleeping. Kitchens were included only if used regularly for eating meals (or in Scotland if they were slept in). The rooms need not to have been used for this purpose, merely to be available. This may have resulted in the recording of rooms in 1961 which had been excluded.
in 1951. In 1966 all kitchens were included. By 1971 kitchens less than six feet wide were not counted. But difficulties exist with the interpretation of the Census definition i.e. 'small' kitchens less than six feet wide or all kitchens less than six feet wide? Rooms used exclusively for business purposes have never been included for census purposes. In many cases this is a reasonable practice but is less so in the case of studies and offices since it understates the actual living space available to those households. It would appear that considerable difficulties exist in first obtaining a useful and working definition of a 'room' and secondly in carrying out an accurate enumeration of individual rooms.

Table 4.4 below shows the size distribution of dwellings by tenure using information from the General Household Survey.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number of rooms</th>
<th>Owner Occupied</th>
<th>Rented from Local Authority</th>
<th>Rented (a) Privately</th>
<th>All Tenures</th>
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<td>6</td>
<td>37</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>28</td>
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<tr>
<td>7 or more</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>9</td>
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</table>

(a) including accommodation owned by a housing association or provided by an employer. (Source 84)

From this Table, the availability and use of dwellings of different sizes in different tenures clearly has important implications for access and the realization of housing preferences, since households seeking certain housing facilities are less likely to obtain them in certain tenures. There are high proportions of very small dwellings in the privately rented sector - more than 20 per cent contain three rooms or under compared with, only 2 per cent in owner occupied dwellings and 14 per cent in local authority. Conversely 52 per cent of owner occupied dwellings had six or more rooms compared with 21 per cent in both local authority and privately rented sector.

4.2.3.2. Number of Bedrooms

New dwellings are enumerated according to the number of bedrooms but little information exists on the number of bedrooms for dwellings in the total stock. Data on the number of bedrooms in new dwellings is collected by the Department of Environment and published quarterly in Housing and Construction Statistics. It is not possible
to compare the size of dwellings with statistics of new dwellings in the census because the census uses total 'rooms' and there is no standard formula for describing a three-bedroomed house as an X-roomed dwelling for example.

Statistics on the number of bedrooms in a newly constructed dwelling are of limited value but do give an indication of the trends of sizes of dwelling required in the different tenures. See Table 4.7. below showing houses and flats completed in England and Wales 1945 to 1972 by number of bedrooms.

**TABLE 4.7. Houses and Flats Completed in England and Wales 1945 - 1972 by number of bedrooms**

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<td>For local Authorities and new towns; as a percentage of total.</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 Bedroom</td>
<td>4.1</td>
<td>27.4</td>
<td>26.7</td>
<td>31.2</td>
<td>31.6</td>
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<tr>
<td>2 Bedrooms</td>
<td>23.2</td>
<td>33.6</td>
<td>32.2</td>
<td>29.9</td>
<td>28.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>3 Bedrooms</td>
<td>70.0</td>
<td>37.0</td>
<td>30.1</td>
<td>34.7</td>
<td>35.6</td>
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<tr>
<td>4 or more Bedrooms</td>
<td>2.7</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>2.9</td>
<td>4.1</td>
<td>4.6</td>
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<tr>
<td>TOTAL (000's)</td>
<td>1561</td>
<td>548</td>
<td>724</td>
<td>117</td>
<td>94</td>
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<td>For private owners; as a percentage of total.</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 Bedroom</td>
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<td>2.0</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>2.4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2 Bedrooms</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>31.3</td>
<td>22.1</td>
<td>18.6</td>
<td>17.5</td>
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<tr>
<td>3 Bedrooms</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>62.6</td>
<td>63.8</td>
<td>69.8</td>
<td>69.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4 or more bedrooms</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>4.0</td>
<td>7.1</td>
<td>9.7</td>
<td>10.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOTAL (000's)</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>921</td>
<td>939</td>
<td>180</td>
<td>184</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(Source 99).

From this Table, two-thirds of private dwellings built for sale have 3 bedrooms and the size composition has not changed since the early 1960's except for an increase in
the proportion of dwellings with four or more bedrooms at
the expense of those with two bedrooms.

In the local authority sector trends have changed quite
considerably. Since the early sixties the proportion of one
bedroom dwellings has increased from just over one quarter
to nearly one third. The proportion of two bedroom dwellings
has declined slightly since the late sixties. The proportion
of dwellings with three or more bedrooms has scarcely
changed from about four in every ten.

4.2.3.3. **Internal Floor Area**

Statistics on the internal floor area of newly
constructed dwellings are to be found in Housing and
Construction Statistics. Unfortunately, they only relate
to the public sector, there being a distinct paucity of
information on new construction in the private sector.
Limited information of private construction is provided by
sample surveys which have been carried out since 1964 by a
private organization called the Building Statistical Service
and published as 'Annual Surveys of New Construction'.
These include data on floor area, type of dwelling,
construction materials, amenities and price but each report
costs £100 and hence is difficult to obtain.

4.2.4. **Dwelling Types**

Classification of dwellings by type of construction
further reveals the extensive range of choices open to
households. Table 4.4 shows the tenure distribution of
different dwelling types in Great Britain.
TABLE 4.8. Households by Tenure by Type of Accommodation: Great Britain 1971

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type of Accommodation</th>
<th>Owner Occupied</th>
<th>Rented from Local Authority</th>
<th>Rented Privately</th>
<th>All Tenures</th>
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<tr>
<td>Detached House</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>16</td>
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<tr>
<td>Semi-Detached House</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>33</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Terraced House</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flat/Maisonette</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>13</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other Flat/Rooms</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Source (82)

In 1971 a third of all dwellings were semi-detached and nearly as many were terraced. Most owner occupiers live in houses as opposed to flats which is the most common type of dwelling for private renters. The widest range of dwelling types is found in this sector.

To a certain extent the Table reflects trends in new building. Since 1919 most completions have been in the owner occupied and publicly rented sectors. Public sector new building (see Section 4.3.1) has included a high proportion of flats, maisonettes and terraced houses. The new dwellings of these types being quite different to, for example, existing flats in the private sector.

4.2.4.1. Architectural Considerations

The provision of dwellings in the form of tower blocks is one example of how the system of mass housing has been introduced into the housing process. Evidence suggests that in fact today our society employs this system for preference. Since at least 1919 the large scale provision
of dwellings has been seen as a perpetual necessity. As such the mass production of similar housing seems an obvious solution and is often seen as the only way to 'solve' the housing 'problem'.

In terms of providing shelter the achievements have been formidable. In the social context, however, the situation has deteriorated seriously, and it has been suggested that much of the random violence of modern urban life is a protest against an environment in which people have no sense of belonging and in which they feel powerless to shape, even at the level of their immediate surroundings. As we move towards a situation where the housing 'problem' ceases to be quantitative, more and more questions are being asked about the qualitative aspects of our living environment.

N J Habraken in his book: Supports An Alternative to Mass Housing (56) puts forward the thesis that a complex natural relationship exists between man and his dwelling; that man wishes to develop his protective environment in his own particular way to suit his own peculiar circumstances - he knocks down walls, builds extensions, improves the heating, decorates the walls etc. It is man's presence that determines what the dwelling is; not when it has a certain form, not when it fulfils certain conditions which have been written after long study, not when certain dimensions and provisions have been made to comply with municipal by-laws. But mass housing attempts to determine the 'average' households needs and to produce an 'average' dwelling to suit all households. The history of modern
housing has become a search for ideal form. It is the violation of the 'natural relationships', i.e. not allowing individuals to influence the process of housing provision which leads to dissatisfaction with the built environment. Mass housing can only operate if this 'natural relationship' is not allowed to function since as soon as the individual influences the process nuances arise and unwanted variations cannot be avoided.

Habraken further points out that housing as it is now being built fails to exploit fully the potential of modern industrial techniques. He argues that by a more flexible user-participation system mass production can genuinely be applied to the building process to create the variety and individuality that mass housing lacks.

Habraken's ideas on the nature of the relationship between architect, builder, management authority and individual user have been developed by various architects. (57,77,117) The Stamford Hill project introduced the idea of the Primary Support Structure and Housing Assembly Kits (PSSHAK). This is an experiment in redefining the responsibilities of those involved in the housing process with recognition of the significant role of the user. Their three main objectives have been to:

(a) Set up conditions under which the user can respond to a definable range of choices and decide on both general and detailed aspects of plan arrangement of the proposed dwelling. This aspect could be extended to allow individual cost budgeting where the prospective tenant can decide on how best to spend his income, the
balance sheet varying for each household.

(b) to increase the efficiency both of design and production of on-site operations so as to reduce complexity of work, simplify site organisation and reduce overall man-hour requirements for building.

(c) to cater for late stage modifications both in the design brief for dwelling types and mix. This would allow, for example, the untypical household to be more easily accommodated. This approach would simplify longer term conversion and modernisation to suit waiting list requirements and changing family needs. It would facilitate piecemeal improvement, encouraging on the one hand a continuous series of adjustment which would let the dwelling keep up with changing standards, and on the other, a process of phased renewal rather than total redevelopment.

In essence, the PSSHAK 'support structure' is designed to accommodate a variable mix of dwelling sizes. The basic structure has load-bearing cross-walls pierced in the appropriate places with 'soft' areas, in effect making the internal walls moveable, thus allowing both longer term adaption and the chance to decide the exact final mix late in contract stage. This future change of dwelling mix or size will not require modifications to the basic structure, and can be made without great inconvenience to existing residents.

The 'assembly kit' is a range of components which includes a demountable panel with cupboards, storage elements, and door sets. The panels rely on the frictional forces
developed by a sprung base unit, which can be recompressed by a jacking handle to hold them in position.

The PSSHAK support structure is therefore the collection of services providing the environment for the dwelling, the 'Assembly kit' is a collection of components, factory assembled or otherwise, which make that environment habitable.

As yet, developments such as PSSHAK have been applied on a very limited scale. Many questions still need to be discussed concerning the implications of management of such projects, the operations necessary for the design, production and construction of the kits, and detailed assessment of its desirability.

4.3. **PHENOMENA AFFECTING THE DWELLING STOCK.**

Various phenomena occur which tend to change the nature of the housing stock over time. The six major phenomena can be identified as:

(a) **New Building**
(b) **Demolitions**
(c) Modernisation of dwellings which are unfit or lack basic amenities.
(d) Ageing - dwellings falling into disrepair or unfitness.
(e) Conversion of dwellings - from one size to another.
(f) Dwellings change tenure.

In the following sections these phenomena will be discussed in terms of the past trends observed and expected future trends.

4.3.1. **New Building**

Figure 4.2. shows the new construction that has taken place in England and Wales since 1919. A peak of
HOUSE COMPLETIONS IN ENGLAND AND WALES
1919-1973

Fig.4.2
350,000 dwellings was reached in 1968 but has since declined. The general level of new house construction in recent years has not been particularly high compared with the post-war boom of the 1930's. Whereas in 1914 ninety per cent of housing was privately rented, 9 per cent owner occupied and 1 per cent rented from the local authority. There has been a consistent trend towards owner occupation and the local authority sector and away from the privately rented sector so that by 1972 fifty one per cent of dwellings were in the owner occupied sector, thirty one per cent in the local authority sector and fourteen per cent in the privately rented sector (the remaining four per cent of dwellings being government owned, rented as part of the job etc).

The standards which new houses must reach are laid down by Central Government. For houses built in the private sector there are the legal minimum standards determined through Building Regulations and under the Public Health Act. These apply to sanitation, water supply, and materials used, but not in general to standards of workmanship, size, comfort or convenience. Different standards were set in the 1960's by the National House Builders Registration Council (now National House Builders Council). The Government agreed with building societies and local authorities that they would make loans for the purchase of new houses only on condition that such houses had NHBRC certificates. NHBRC requirements relate to workmanship (inspected in the course of construction) and such matters as layout of kitchens, efficiency of heating, number of
power points, and storage space.

In the public sector, the Government has laid down both minimum and maximum standards for subsidised housing, with the two tending to be very close together. The Parker Morris Report in 1961 criticised the rigidity imposed by previous standards simply related to room sizes, regardless of design; as they said, 'this report is not about rooms so much as about activities people want to pursue in their homes'. They concluded that space and heating were the most important features. To meet the needs of the future there should be space for activities demanding privacy and quiet, for satisfactory circulation, for better storage generally, space to keep the new household machinery, and kitchens arranged for easy housework with room to take at least some meals. Satisfactory space heating is necessary to allow rooms to be used fully and to their best advantage. Standards based on these general premises were made quite specific by quoting the minimum floor space necessary for households of different sizes, defining minimum storage space needs and capacity for heating installations. It is at least to these standards that all local authority house building must now conform.

The committee stated quite specifically that 'our recommended minima are not to be taken as maxima'. (Central Housing Advisory Committee: Homes for Today and Tomorrow (23)). But financial controls imposed by central on local government has meant that in most cases these standards are taken as maximum standards.
Through the 'housing cost yardstick' the government seeks to limit the amount of money that local authorities may borrow for housebuilding purposes. The yardstick is based on Parker Morris Standards and allowable costs are expressed in terms of building costs per person. Account is taken of a number of factors including variations in density, sizes of dwellings and cost variations in different parts of the country. But building costs in England and Wales rose by 40 per cent between 1968 and 1972 and the yardstick has failed to keep pace. Whereas originally a 10 per cent tolerance was allowed for a local authority who wished to build above Parker Morris Standards, by 1974 a 30 per cent tolerance was allowed to enable local authorities to achieve Parker Morris Standards. In September 1974 a 70 per cent increase in the cost yardstick was announced. Thus without financial flexibility minimum standards can all too easily become maxima.

Local authority house building is also subject to other constraints not imposed by central government. Since 1919 the construction industry has periodically set limits to local authority achievements. Shortages of building materials and labour, and difficulties of obtaining price tenders in a period of rapid inflation, have plagued local authorities in recent years. Land shortage is a perennial problem of some local authorities - many of the old urban authorities (prior to 1st April 1974) had effectively used up all the undeveloped land within their boundaries, (but) amalgamations and extensions may have eased the situation in some places! (82) For many authorities future new
building will only be possible in redevelopment sites in the large urban areas. Elsewhere, rising land costs cause problems for authorities who do not have land reserves bought at an earlier date. It was the problem of land shortages that led to the development of the New Towns Development Corporation as discussed in Section 4.2.4.

For the private sector there are two very highly significant factors affecting the rate of new building. First, in the role of central government. Traditionally, the construction industry was seen as a means of regulating the economy; until a few years ago it was taken as an official indicator of the state of the economy. More recently however this has become less reliable, the general level of confidence in the construction industry is affected by the prevailing economic climate. Future programmes become uncertain and undue expansion is seen as unwise.

Second, the private builder is ultimately constrained by what he can expect to sell at a price which makes building worthwhile. Thus he is dependent upon levels and distribution of income, the proportion of income households are willing to pay for housing, the availability of mortgages, as well as consumer preferences in design, the location of the development in relation to employment centres, shops and schools, the rate of population growth or household formation in the particular locality. Clearly, private developers will experience difficulty in interpreting the signs of a stop-go cycle to their own financial advantage. As was seen in the mortgage famine of 1973-1974 when local
authorities were encouraged to buy up some of the estimated 30,000 private houses which could not be sold.

Perhaps the greatest constraint to the private developer is the availability of land and the associated problems of cost and planning regulations. The existence of a land use planning system assumes that private enterprise left to its own devices will not produce a satisfactory pattern of development; so land which is desirable to developers e.g. the Green Belt is effectively removed from the market. Development land is now a very scarce resource; prices being of the order of £21,000 per acre (40).

Not only have land prices risen, the price of building materials and construction industry wages are also now very high. In addition, high interest rates affect the cost and feasibility of borrowing. Private developers must take into account all these trends when making decisions - and must always make assumptions about what will happen in the future.

Planning controls also affect such factors as density of dwelling, garaging and parking space standards, childrens play space, landscaping and preservation of trees or other natural features, estate layout, or building materials and house design. Each requirement may correspond more or less well with the developers intentions and financial intentions, and ultimately affect the price ranges possible, and in turn, the potential customers the developers can expect to attract.

About two-thirds of private dwellings built for sale have three bedrooms, and this size composition has not changed much since the early 1960's except for an increase in the proportion of dwellings with four or more bedrooms.
at the expense of those with two bedrooms.

Table 4.9 compares trends in the size of new houses in the public and private sectors.

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<tr>
<th>TABLE 4.9. Houses and flats completed in England and Wales 1945-1975 by number of bedrooms.</th>
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For local authorities and new towns; as a percentage of total.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>1 Bedroom</th>
<th>2 Bedroom</th>
<th>3 Bedroom</th>
<th>4 or more bedroom</th>
<th>TOTAL (000's)</th>
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<tr>
<td>4.1</td>
<td>23.2</td>
<td>70.0</td>
<td>2.7</td>
<td>1561</td>
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</table>

For private owners; as a percentage of total.

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<th>1 Bedroom</th>
<th>2 Bedroom</th>
<th>3 Bedroom</th>
<th>4 Bedroom</th>
<th>TOTAL (000's)</th>
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<td>N/A</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>2.3</td>
<td>921</td>
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</table>

(Source: 72, 64.)

The trend for local authority housing is quite different. Since the early sixties the proportion of 1-bedroom local authority dwellings has increased from just over a quarter to nearly one third. The proportion of 2-bedroom dwellings has declined slightly from its early 1960's level of one-third. The proportion of dwellings with three or more bedrooms has scarcely changed from about four in every ten.

4.3.2. Demolitions

Dwellings are demolished for several reasons. By far the most common being that undertaken by local authorities as part of slum clearance programmes. Road widening schemes, office development, shopping developments may also give rise
to the demolition of dwellings.

Local action to demolish unfit buildings goes back to the nineteenth century, but the initiative was then entirely local. The first action by central Government occurred in the nineteen thirties when local authorities were given financial assistance and encouraged to attack the slums. (Some 1.7 million houses have been demolished or closed under slum clearance powers since 1930). Following the second World War the main emphasis was inevitably on reconstruction and the building of new homes, and it was several years before the pre-war drive for slum clearance was resumed. In the ten years from 1945 to 1954 the average rate of demolition/closure was only about 9000 houses per annum, but the figure rose rapidly from 1954. Local authorities were asked to estimate the number of unfit houses and to submit 5-year plans to deal with them. The estimate totalled 850,000 and in the five years 1955-1959 the average annual rate of demolition/closure rose to over 42,000. In the early nineteen sixties the need to find large sites for the industrialised building drive added to the impetus of the slum clearance programme. Clearance rates remained high until the nineteen seventies, but in 1974 showed a sharp drop to less than 42,000 and have remained below 50,000 in subsequent years. This was probably due to a combination of factors, including the increasing emphasis on the renovation of older housing, and specifically the introduction of the concept of gradual renewal in the 1973 White Paper "Better Homes - The next Priorities" (26). The 1974 Housing Act gave authorities the
opportunity to reconsider clearance proposals and introduce housing action areas (HAA) for which grants were available for the improvement of areas of older housing.

For the purpose of local authority collected statistics the building unit which is demolished is defined in terms of a house where a house may consist of two or more separate dwellings according to the number of families occupying it. Since many unfit dwellings are in multi-occupation there is considerable scope for error in converting the figures from a house to a dwelling basis.

Hence, annual demolitions tend to underestimate actual demolitions. Also statistics are not collected on other forms of demolitions or on demolitions not undertaken by local authorities.

4.3.5. Modernisations -of dwellings which are unfit or lack basic amenities

Modernisation is concerned with improving the condition of dwellings. A dwelling can be said to have been modernised if such work has been carried out so as to render the dwelling fit and having all basic amenities. (See Sections 4.2.2.)

Little reliable information is available on the level of modernisations at any time. The House Condition Survey 1971 comparing results from the 1967 House Condition Survey gives an estimate of the number of dwellings lacking at least one basic amenity in 1967 but having all by 1971. In the five year period it is estimated that 16.5 per cent of dwellings lacking one or more amenity in 1967 had all five by 1971.
Such information is too difficult to obtain for unfit/fit dwellings as a reduction in the number defined as unfit may be due to demolitions. As a guide the number of unfit dwellings in 1967 fell by 32 per cent by 1971.

4.3.4. **Ageing**

Whereas modernisation is mainly concerned with bringing the dwellings up to standard in terms of the provision of amenities, as a dwelling ages it is most likely that its condition will deteriorate in terms of its fitness rather than by losing any amenities. Changing standards (usually upwards) over time may mean that the condition of the dwelling will decline in terms of amenities available e.g. in 1951 a fixed bath was a desired amenity, by 1964 this had been extended to include showers as an alternative.

Very little information is collected on the effect of ageing on the general condition of dwellings. It has already been discussed (Section 4.2.2.3.) that age, per se, is a poor indicator of adequacy of a building in terms of its accommodation standards and structural condition. A more realistic set of statistics to be collected would be the rate at which dwellings formerly in good condition deteriorate to a bad condition, irrespective of their age.

The House Condition Survey 1971 estimates the number of dwellings not unfit in 1967 but unfit in 1971 as 400,000 or 2.9 per cent of all fit dwellings in 1967. But this figure can only be taken as a broad indication of the scale of change. It is suggested that the sample surveyed in 1967 marginally over-represented poorer quality housing and thus tended to overstate the number of unfit dwellings
at both dates. Another factor leading to errors in the estimate is that no account is taken of the number of dwellings moving into unfitness during the five-year period and being demolished before the 1971 Survey.

The 1976 House Condition Survey in England only estimates that since 1971 a further 350,000 houses became unfit.

4.3.5. Conversion of dwellings from one size to another.

Improvements of the standing stock in terms of the conversion from one size to another - splitting up of large dwellings into several smaller units or for example extensions and conversions of lofts into usable rooms - are not estimated nationally. The Censuses classify houses according to size by the number of rooms, whereas in statistics of new building, size is classified by number of bedrooms so that the number of houses with rooms added - or subtracted - cannot be estimated by comparing the net change between censuses with new building. Distribution by number of bedrooms can be estimated for 1971 and subsequent years from the General Households Survey but the errors involved are too great to permit estimates of the net change in the number of houses to which rooms have been added.

4.3.6. Change of Tenure

Another phenomenon affecting the number of dwellings in each tenure is the rate at which dwellings themselves change tenure. The major flows between the tenures are:

(a) A local authority rented dwelling becomes owner occupied.
(b) A privately rented dwelling becomes owner occupied.
(c) An owner occupied dwelling is let privately.
(d) A privately rented dwelling is bought by a local Authority.
(e) An owner occupied dwelling is bought by a local Authority.

These will now briefly be discussed in turn.
(a) Local authorities have been empowered to sell council houses since before the Second World War; a general consent has been in operation since 1952, and was consolidated in the Housing Act 1957. Sales are not compulsory, successive governments tending to give more or less encouragement to local authorities depending on their political ideology.

In 1972 a Conservative Government Circular stated that:

'unless the local circumstances are quite exceptional a local authority who deny their tenants the opportunity to own the house which they have made their home would be failing to exercise their powers under Section 104 of the Housing Act 1957 in a manner which is appropriate to present circumstances'. (35)

In 1967 a Labour Government Circular had contended that:

'it would .... be wrong to contemplate any substantial increase (in sales) where there remained a pressing need for more rented housing ... (to sell) would postpone the time when an adequate supply of rented housing becomes available; and would mean that families on the waiting list who are the most inadequately housed would have to wait longer for a vacancy'. (78)

Short-term arguments for the sale of council houses (the majority of dwellings sold are houses not flats) concentrate on the 'right' to purchase but long-term discussions must consider the whole future role of public sector housing. It is essential that the appropriate time scale is introduced into the decision making process.

(b) The decline of the privately rented sector has been discussed in Section 4.2.1, indicating some of the factors which have affected the supply of dwellings in the sector. These include government intervention, through housing standards and rent control; changing economic circumstances; slum clearance and redevelopment; and the growth of alternative forms of tenure.
One of the most significant results of these factors is that large numbers of formerly privately rented dwellings have been transferred to the owner occupied sector. Table 4.4 in Section 4.2.2.3 on the age of dwellings gives an indication that a substantial number of dwellings in recent years have passed from the private rented sector into owner occupation. Statistics on new buildings show that owner occupation has been a major feature of the last war period, and that more than three-quarters of privately rented dwellings were built before the 1914-1918 War. The relatively high incidence of owner occupation in dwellings built in the pre-1919 and inter-war years is a reflection of the number of dwellings which have in the postwar period passed into owner occupation from the privately rented sector. More detailed statistical evidence on this trend is very fragmentary.

(c) A further factor in the decline of the privately rented sector but again one which is increasingly difficult to quantify, is the rate at which former owner occupiers let their dwelling privately. There continues to be flow in this direction as households are taken abroad for job reasons, for example, but increasing rent controls and declining profitability has meant that this source of privately rented accommodation is slowly drying up, especially in the situation where one or two rooms are let as part of a house - an important area for young single households.

(d) In certain circumstances the local authority is empowered to buy up privately rented accommodation if the landlord refuses to undertake essential repairs for example. Again little statistical evidence exists to
validate this, although Holmans in his paper 'A forecast of the effective demand for housing in the 1970's', has estimated that the number of households becoming local authority tenants who had formerly rented from a private landlord was 60,000 in 1967, that this number would rise to 61,000 in 1971 and possibly to 73,000 by 1981.

(e) In other circumstances a local authority may wish to compulsorily purchase a dwelling if, for example, the dwelling falls in an area designated for slum clearance or for a road widening scheme. The Council will then be under an obligation, as in the example above, to rehouse the displaced occupants.

A model was constructed to describe in a very broad sense the changes in the numbers of dwellings of different types drawing largely on the evidence presented in Sections 4.1. to 4.3.

The way in which the Dwellings Sub-Model was developed will now be described.
4.4. DEVELOPING THE DWELLINGS SUB-MODEL

4.4.1. The definition of a dwelling

The definition of a dwelling used in the model is that used in both House Condition Surveys of 1967 and 1971. For these Surveys the same definition was used as in the 1966 Sample Census; this required that the living accommodation should be structurally separate and have independent access. Although in the House Condition Surveys an adjustment was made to include a number of very small dwellings which were not self-contained behind their own front door.

Only permanent, private dwellings were included i.e., caravans, houseboats, shacks, camps, hotels, hospitals, guest houses, medical institutions, childrens homes, old peoples homes etc., were excluded.

For the purposes of this model the concept of a household space was rejected as being an unsuitable definition for the number of dwelling units available for occupation. The household space is merely that unit of accommodation occupied by a household with no regard to its suitability for occupation in terms of privacy. Also as there is always a one to one correspondence between households and occupied household spaces, difficulties arise in estimating both the number of households sharing a dwelling with another and also the number of dwellings which are vacant.

4.4.2. The Classifications of Dwellings Used.

As discussed on page 111 there are very many criteria by which dwellings can be classified but little agreement
as to the best method to use. But as Murie (82) discusses, 'the divisions which are appropriate depend on the orientation of the study and the main areas of concern'.

This study is aimed at aiding our understanding of housing as a system. The choice of classification arose directly from this approach. Guidance was also provided by the list of possible experimental policy changes given on page 7. As in developing the households sub-model, each policy change was examined to identify the characteristic, this time of the dwelling, which would be relevant for such a policy to be examined.

It was apparent that policy is significantly tenure specific; that proposed legislation is aimed at the differences which exist between dwellings as a result of their tenure. See policy proposals 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21.

The next most important classification appeared to be that of size. Take, for example, policy proposals 5, 6, 7, 13, 20.

The third most important factor in distinguishing between dwellings appeared to be their general condition.

Thus, the three major classifications identified as being the most all-embracing and relevant for model purposes were:

(i) Tenure
(ii) Size
(iii) Condition

Therefore for the Dwellings Sub-Model dwellings were subdivided in this way, 24 types being defined.

A further classification could have been included on the distinction between different types of construction i.e., detached, semi-detached, terraced, flat, maisonette, etc.,
but it was considered that this would introduce considerable complexity into the model structure and which largely could not be validated by existing data nor meet any apparent analytic need.

The classifications used are discussed below:

(1) **Tenure**

The evidence presented in Section 4.2.1. stresses the important differences which exist between dwellings as a result of their different tenures. Tenure determines the legal basis for distinguishing how dwellings are used; the difference in property rights leading to different patterns of use. The major justification of the use of tenure as a classification criterion lies in the view that tenure indicates principle features of access into the housing system. This point is discussed at greater length in a later Section 5.2.3.

It was decided to concentrate the analysis on the three major tenure types:

- Owner occupied
- Local authority rented
- Privately rented

The smaller 'other' tenures described in Section 4.2.1.4. were, grouped together with the tenure type where access to the housing system is defined by similar criteria.

Thus the three classifications were defined as:

(a) **Owner Occupied (OOCC)** - either owned outright or by a mortgage. Access to this section of the system is determined by the ability to pay albeit over an extended period of time.
(b) Rented from a Local Authority (LAR). This also included rentals from New Towns, local authority tied accommodation and housing associations. Access to this sector is broadly determined by the urgency of the households housing need.

(c) All other tenures (PR). This corresponds to dwellings rented from private owners but also includes privately owned tied housing and dwellings owned by government departments. Access into the PR sector is again largely determined by ability to pay but not to the extent needed to enter the owner occupied sector. In fact households most likely to become private rented tenants are usually those who cannot satisfy the eligibility criteria for the other tenures (OCC and LAR) rather than choosing private tenancies as a preference. In many cases this sector acts as a stepping stone to the other two sectors.

In the model all private tenancies are included under the one classification. It was decided not to distinguish between furnished and unfurnished or between protected, controlled or regulated tenancies. The major reason for this being a lack of data on such classifications. Also a change in the law in 1974 has made security of tenure a feature of furnished as well as unfurnished tenancies.

This system of classification corresponds exactly with that of the 1967 and 1971 House Condition Surveys.

(ii) Size

The size of dwellings was considered to be a very
important classification since it determines the quantity of living space available to households, and hence gives a sensible indication of the under or over occupation of dwellings.

For the purposes of this model it was decided to classify dwellings according to the number of rooms available in the dwelling, as the most consistent data is found in this form. As explained in Section 4.2.3, the other most common methods of classification by size are by number of bedrooms and internal floor area. The number of bedrooms available would be a useful indication of size, but unfortunately the statistics on this factor are of limited value as they apply to newly built dwellings only. Statistics on internal floor area are scarce but also the concept itself was felt to be of limited value in indicating the actual living space available to households. Different internal arrangements of rooms could cover identical internal floor areas and might provide quite different amounts of space.

It was decided to define four sizes of dwelling thus:

(a) Very Small (VS) - representing one-roomed dwellings.
(b) Small (S) - representing two or three-roomed dwellings.
(c) Medium (M) - representing four, five or six-roomed dwellings.
(d) Large (L) - representing seven or more roomed dwellings

Bathrooms and Kitchens not used for eating are not included.

(iii) Condition

The third distinction between dwellings thought to be of great importance for inclusion in the model structure
is the general physical condition of dwellings. As discussed in Section 4.2.2, there are three basic measures in common usage:

(1) Fitness of the dwelling structure.
(2) Availability of amenities.
(3) Age of dwellings.

A further classification described in the literature review section was that of disrepair. Whilst representing a useful indication of the general condition of dwellings, the data on this subject is in terms of the cost of bringing dwellings up to the 5-point amenity standard or to an acceptable standard of fitness not in terms of the number of dwellings involved. For this reason it was decided that disrepair could not usefully be used in this model as an indication of the general condition of the stock of dwellings.

It was felt that for the purposes of this model (designed to aid understanding of the system and explore policy proposals) that classification was needed in terms of both (1) and (2) above, but for the reasons discussed in Section 4.2.2.3, it was decided not to classify dwellings according to their ages.

Both fitness and availability of amenities have important policy consequences as well as affecting the types of household to be found in different parts of the system. If, for example, a very large proportion of dwellings are found to be structurally unfit this would most likely lead to large scale demolition as opposed to rehabilitation. Similarly, if the majority of dwellings
in one particular tenure are found not to possess all
five basic amenities this must have implications for the
type of households most likely to be found there.

In the model a single classification was defined to
combine both fitness and availability of amenities and
was called condition. A combined classification was
preferred in an attempt to reduce the complexity of the
model structure.

Thus, in the model, dwellings are defined as being
in either:

(a) Good Condition, or
(b) Bad condition,

where, 'Good' is defined as being fit on the basis of
Section 4 of the Housing Act 1957 (See Section 4.2.2.1.)
and, possessing all five basic amenities (See Section
4.2.2.2.) 'Bad' is defined as being unfit and/or lacking
at least one basic amenity.

The following section describes how the number of
dwellings of each of the types described here was
calculated from available data.
4.4.3. The Number of Dwellings of Each Type

The number of dwellings of each type in England and Wales was calculated from results from the House Condition Surveys carried out in 1967 and 1971.

The decision was taken to use information from these Surveys rather than from the Census as they provided the most consistent evidence on a wide range of subjects. Of greatest importance was information on the fitness of the housing stock which had not been previously collected and is not included in Census data.

Although much of the survey data is subject to certain sampling errors, for the purpose of this model - where the major objective is to first set up a working model with not too much emphasis being placed on the numerical results - the use of a wide range of internally consistent statistics was seen to be of greatest importance.

The House Condition Survey, England and Wales, 1967 was the first large scale survey of its kind covering about 6,000 dwellings and employing skilled public health inspectors.

In 1971 a further House Condition Survey was carried out by the Department of the Environment so providing more recent estimates of the physical condition of permanent dwellings. (36) The sample of rateable units drawn in 1967 was re-used in 1971 as this enabled more 'precise' estimates of change to be made than if a new sample had been chosen. Adjustments were necessary to allow for additions to and subtractions from the housing stock since the sample had
been drawn. As a result 6215 addresses were issued to Inspectors in 1971, 12 of whom had assisted in 1967.

The total stock of dwellings by tenure for 1967 and 1971 is shown below in Table 4.10. In the 1971 Survey vacant dwellings were classified separately, 410,000 vacant dwellings were enumerated representing 2.4 per cent of the stock. Of these, 162,000 were declared unfit. No indication was given of their previous mode of tenure.

In the Survey it is stated that:

'Sixty per cent of the occupied unfit dwellings were of 'Other tenures' - primarily those privately rented - and the remainder were mostly owner occupied; in 1967 the distribution was very similar.'

### Table 4.10: Dwelling Stock by Tenure, England and Wales, 1967 and 1971

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Tenure</th>
<th>1967</th>
<th>1971</th>
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<tr>
<td>Rented</td>
<td>7971</td>
<td>9265</td>
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<tr>
<td>Owner Occupied</td>
<td>7971</td>
<td>9265</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>from Local Authority</td>
<td>4248</td>
<td>4858</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other Tenures (FR)</td>
<td>3368</td>
<td>2953</td>
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<tr>
<td>All Tenures</td>
<td>15507</td>
<td>17076</td>
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</table>

Source: (80, 36)

It is assumed that vacant unfit dwellings were similarly distributed i.e., 60 per cent were previously of 'other tenures', 40 per cent previously owner occupied.

According to the Shelter Publication 'Another Empty Home', fit vacant dwellings are distributed in equal proportions among all tenures. Hence fit vacant dwellings were redistributed among tenures accordingly.

The House Condition Surveys 1967 and 1971 enumerate:
### (a) Dwellings by Condition and Tenure 1967 and 1971

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<tr>
<th></th>
<th>OOCC</th>
<th>LAR</th>
<th>PR</th>
<th>All Tenures</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>%</td>
<td>%</td>
<td>%</td>
<td>%</td>
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<tr>
<td>1967 Unfit</td>
<td>556</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>72</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fit</td>
<td>7415</td>
<td>54</td>
<td>4176</td>
<td>30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>7971</td>
<td>51.1</td>
<td>4248</td>
<td>27.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>1971 Unfit</td>
<td>420</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>58</td>
<td>5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fit</td>
<td>8845</td>
<td>56</td>
<td>4800</td>
<td>30</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>9265</td>
<td>54.3</td>
<td>4858</td>
<td>28.4</td>
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### (b) Dwellings by Availability of Amenities and Tenure 1967-1971

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<td>%</td>
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<tr>
<td>1967 Stock</td>
<td>7971</td>
<td>51.1</td>
<td>4248</td>
<td>27.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lacking 1 or more basic amenity</td>
<td>1288</td>
<td>33</td>
<td>675</td>
<td>18</td>
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<tr>
<td>1971 Stock</td>
<td>9265</td>
<td>54.3</td>
<td>4858</td>
<td>28.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lacking 1 or more basic amenity</td>
<td>1080</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>530</td>
<td>19</td>
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### (c) Dwellings by Condition and Availability of Amenities 1967 and 1971

<table>
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<th>UNFIT</th>
<th>FIT</th>
<th>TOTAL Dwellings</th>
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<tr>
<td>1967 Stock</td>
<td>1746</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>15587 100</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lacking 1 or more basic amenity</td>
<td>1505</td>
<td>86</td>
<td>2353 17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1971 Stock</td>
<td>1221</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>17076 100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lacking 1 or more basic amenity</td>
<td>986</td>
<td>81</td>
<td>1857 12</td>
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From these Tables it was estimated that the following situation occurred in 1967 and 1971:
<table>
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<th>GOOD CONDITION</th>
<th>BAD CONDITION</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1967 OCCC</td>
<td>1971 OCCC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>LAR PR Total</td>
<td>LAR PR Total</td>
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<tr>
<td>GOOD</td>
<td>6587 3561 11488</td>
<td>1166 544 1382</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CONDITION</td>
<td>57.3 31.0 100.0</td>
<td>57.9 30.8 100.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BAD CONDI</td>
<td>1384 687 2028</td>
<td>1166 544 1382</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TION</td>
<td>33.8 16.8 49.5</td>
<td>37.7 17.6 44.7</td>
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</table>

Neither of the House Condition Surveys classified dwellings by size so certain assumptions had to be made. The Sample Census 1966 and Census 1971 enumerated rooms in permanent buildings by tenure and type of household space. A household space is defined as the space taken up by a household so there is not necessarily a 1:1 relationship between the number of household spaces and the number of dwellings. The proportion of each sized household space in each tenure has been taken as an indication of the proportion of each sized dwelling in each tenure. This method is likely to have over-estimated the number of smaller dwellings. It was further assumed that the same proportion of each sized dwelling occurs in each type of condition. See Table 4.12 (a) and 4.12 (b) for the number of dwellings by size, tenure and condition estimated for 1967 and 1971.
4.4.4. The Structure of the Dwellings Sub-Model

The structure of the sub-model used can be appreciated most easily with reference to the flow chart (See Fig. 4.3.)

The Dwellings Sub-Model is presented here in formal System Dynamics notation as explained in Section 3.4.3.

Far fewer difficulties were encountered in the construction of the dwellings sub-model than with the
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Definitions of terms used in Figure 4.3.

Where,

OOCC represents all privately owned dwellings.
LAR represents all local authority rented dwellings including those owned by housing associations.
PR represents all privately rented and other tenures.
G represents good condition dwellings.
B represents bad condition dwellings.

PRG Privately Rented Good condition dwellings.
PRB Privately Rented Bad condition dwellings.
OOCCG Owner Occupied Good condition dwellings.
OOCCB Owner Occupied Bad condition dwellings.
LARG Local Authority Rented Good condition dwellings.
LAB Local Authority Rented Bad condition dwellings.
PGFC Privately rented Good condition dwellings From Conversions.

(PGFC) Privately rented Good condition dwellings From Conversions Table.

(NPR) New Privately Rented good condition dwellings.

(NPRT) New Privately Rented good condition dwellings Table.

(PGBL) Privately rented Good condition dwellings Become Local authority rented dwellings.

(PGBLN) Privately rented Good condition dwellings Become Local authority rented dwellings Normal.

(PGBO) Privately rented Good condition dwellings Become Owner occupied dwellings.

(PGBON) Privately rented Good condition dwellings Become Owner occupied dwellings Normal.

(PRAR) Privately Rented good condition dwellings Ageing Rate.

(PRARN) Privately Rented Ageing Rate Normal.

(PRMR) Privately Rented Modernisation Rate.

(PRMRN) Privately Rented Modernisation Rate Normal.

(OGBP) Owner occupied Good condition dwellings Become Privately rented.

(No. of OOCCG becoming PRG per annum)
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<td>Owner occupied Ageing Rate. (No. of OOCCG becoming OOCCB per annum per total No. of OOCCG).</td>
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<td>OARN</td>
<td>Owner occupied Ageing Rate Normal. (No. of OOCCG becoming OOCCB per annum per total No. of OOCCG).</td>
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<td>OMR</td>
<td>Owner occupied Modernisation Rate. (No. of OOCCG becoming OOCCG per annum).</td>
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<tr>
<td>OMRN</td>
<td>Owner occupied Modernisation Rate Normal. (No. of OOCCG becoming OOCCG per annum per total No. of OOCCG).</td>
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<td>LGBO</td>
<td>Local authority rented Good condition dwellings Become Owner occupied. (No. of LARG becoming OOCCG per annum).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LGBON</td>
<td>Local authority rented Good condition dwellings Become Owner occupied Normal. (No. of LARG becoming OOCCG per annum per total No. of LARG).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NLAR</td>
<td>New Local Authority Rented dwellings. (No. of new LARG per annum).</td>
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<td>NLART</td>
<td>New Local Authority Rented dwellings Table. (No. of new LARG per annum from 1967).</td>
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<td>LGFC</td>
<td>Local Authority Good condition dwellings From Conversions. (No. of LARG from conversions per annum).</td>
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<td>LGFCT</td>
<td>Local authority Good condition dwellings From Conversion Table. (No. of LARG from conversions per annum per total No. of dwellings used for conversions per annum from 1967).</td>
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</table>
LAAR  Local Authority rented Ageing Rate,
(No. of LARG becoming LARB per annum)

LAARN  Local Authority rented Ageing Rate Normal,
(No. of LARG becoming LARB per annum per total 
No. of LARG)

LMR  Local authority rented Modernisation Rate,
(No. of LARB becoming LARG per annum).

LMRN  Local authority rented Modernisation Rate Normal.
(No. of LARB becoming LARG per annum per total 
No. of LARB)

LBLC  Local authority rented Bad condition dwellings
Lost to Conversions, 
(No. of LARB used for conversion purposes per annum)

LBLCN  Local authority rented Bad condition dwellings
Lost to Conversions Normal.
(No. of LARB used for conversion purposes per 
annum per total No. of LARB)

DLAR  Demolition of Local Authority Rented bad condition 
dwellings, 
(No. of LARB demolished per annum)

LBDO  Local authority rented Bad condition dwellings
Become Owner occupied, 
(No. of LARB becoming OOCCB per annum).

LBDON  Local authority rented Bad condition dwellings
Become Owner occupied Normal. 
(No. of LARB becoming OOCCB per annum per total 
No. of LARB)

OBLI  Owner occupied Bad condition dwellings Become 
Local authority rented, 
(No. of OOCCB becoming LARB per annum).

OBLLN  Owner occupied Bad condition dwellings Become 
Local authority rented Normal. 
(No. of OOCCB becoming LARB per annum per total 
No. of OOCCB)

OBLC  Owner occupied Bad condition dwellings Lost to 
Conversions, 
(No. of OOCCB used for conversion purposes per annum)

OBLCN  Owner occupied Bad condition dwellings Lost to 
Conversions Normal, 
(No. of OOCCB used for conversion purposes per 
annum per total No. of OOCCB)

DOOCC  Demolition of Owner Occupied bad condition dwellings.
(No. of OOCCB demolished per annum)

DOOCCN  Demolition of Owner Occupied bad condition dwellings 
Normal. 
(No. of OOCCB demolished per annum per total 
No. of OOCCB)

OEBP  Owner occupied Bad condition dwellings Become 
Privately rented. 
(No. of OOCCB becoming PRB per annum)

OEBPN  Owner occupied Bad condition dwellings Become 
Privately rented Normal, 
(No. of OOCCB becoming PRB per annum per total 
No. of OOCCB).
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<td>Privately rented Bad condition dwellings Become Owner occupied.</td>
<td>(No. of PRB becoming OOCCB per annum).</td>
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<td>PBBON</td>
<td>Privately rented Bad condition dwellings Become Owner occupied Normal.</td>
<td>(No. of PRB becoming OOCCB per annum per total No. of PRB)</td>
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<td>PBBL</td>
<td>Privately rented Bad condition dwellings Become Local authority rented.</td>
<td>(No. of PRB becoming LARB per annum).</td>
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<tr>
<td>PBBLN</td>
<td>Privately rented Bad condition dwellings Become Local authority rented Normal.</td>
<td>(No. of PRB becoming LARB per annum per total No. of PRB)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DPR</td>
<td>Demolition of Privately Rented bad condition dwellings.</td>
<td>(No. of PRB demolished per annum).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DPRN</td>
<td>Demolition of Privately Rented bad condition dwellings Normal.</td>
<td>(No. of PRB demolished per annum per total No. of PRB).</td>
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<td>PELO</td>
<td>Privately rented Bad condition dwellings Lost to Conversion.</td>
<td>(No. of PRB used for conversion purposes per annum).</td>
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<td>Privately rented Bad condition dwellings Lost to Conversion Normal.</td>
<td>(No. of PRB used for conversion purposes per annum per total No. of PRB).</td>
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households sub-model. As the flow chart shows, it was not necessary to move far from a realistic interpretation of the England and Wales situation. To a certain extent the rates of change chosen were dictated by data availability but it was possible to make other simplifying assumptions without loss of realism.

The process of matching model output to known data was carried out in a very different manner to that of the households section for two important reasons:

(a) the data available was of better quality and more easily accorded with the model definitions, and

(b) the real world situation is far less complex than for households. There are a limited number of factors which can affect dwellings.

The process by which the model was constructed and made operational can be viewed in five stages.

I - Setting up, diagrammatically, the system believed to be a realistic representation of the changing number of dwellings of each type.

II - Obtaining data necessary to validate the model.

III - Running the model with the data.

IV - Comparing model output with the data available for 1971.

V - Adjusting the input data, where possible, or model structure so as to 'correct' the model output for 1971 to match the data available.

The following data needs were perceived at Stage I for each size, annually, (See Fig. 4.3.)

(1) The number of new dwellings built for owner occupation........ NOOCC
(2) " " " " built for local authority rental............. NJAR
(3) " " " " built for private rental .......... NPR
(4) The number of dwellings demolished by private owners............. DOJCC
The number of dwellings demolished which were formerly rented privately ..... DPR

" " " " " which were formerly rented from the local authority ..... DLAR

The number of dwellings in OOCC sector moving from good to bad condition ..... OAR

PR sector moving from good to bad condition ..... PRAR

LAR sector moving from good to bad condition ..... LAAR

OOCC sector moving from good to bad condition ..... OGBP

" " " " PR sector moving from bad to good condition ..... PGBL

LAR sector moving from bad to good condition ..... PBBBL

Hence data on 22 (x 4 sizes) flows were required.

A discussion of the available data on the six phenomena will demonstrate some of the difficulties involved.

Stage II

New Building (i.e., Data Needs 1, 2, 3)

Housing and Construction Statistics is published quarterly by the Central Statistical Office and provides information on the number of permanent dwellings started, under construction and completed per annum in England and Wales by tenure. It is the number of completions which are most relevant to this model. No distinction is made
for new building in the private sector between dwellings built for owner occupation and those built for private rental. Evidence elsewhere (71) suggests that the number of dwellings built for letting by private owners was unlikely to have exceeded 100,000 in the period 1960 to 1975.

Table 4.13 below shows the number of new dwellings completed in the public and private sectors by the number of bedrooms. As an initial assumption no new building was assigned to the private rented sector.

### TABLE 4.13. Permanent Dwellings completed in England and Wales by number of bedrooms.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>PUBLIC SECTOR (LAR)</th>
<th>1 Bedroom</th>
<th>2 Bedrooms</th>
<th>3 Bedrooms</th>
<th>4+ Bedrooms</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
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<td>36351</td>
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<td>46226</td>
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<td>62301</td>
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<td>47092</td>
<td>57768</td>
<td>4102</td>
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<td>4637</td>
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<td>50165</td>
<td>5027</td>
<td>134874</td>
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<td>1971</td>
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<td>35087</td>
<td>40685</td>
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<tr>
<td>1972</td>
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<td>33367</td>
<td>4243</td>
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<td>26741</td>
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<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>PRIVATE SECTOR (OCCC)</th>
<th>1 Bedroom</th>
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<th>3 Bedrooms</th>
<th>4+ Bedrooms</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
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<td>149502</td>
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<td>213273</td>
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<td>3532</td>
<td>35845</td>
<td>120169</td>
<td>13831</td>
<td>173379</td>
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<td>1970</td>
<td>3646</td>
<td>33634</td>
<td>110118</td>
<td>14631</td>
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<td>29331</td>
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<td>139691</td>
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<tr>
<td>1976</td>
<td>4992</td>
<td>31967</td>
<td>80654</td>
<td>20864</td>
<td>138477</td>
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</table>

Source (72, 62, 65)
The information recorded in this Table was used as the initial input to the model with 1, 2, 3, 4+ bedrooms being used for sizes VS, S, M, L. Hence data needs (1) and (2) (See List on Page 192) was assumed to be satisfied. Data needs (3) is found not to be important at this stage.

Demolitions (i.e. Data Needs 4, 5, 6)

Housing and Construction Statistics publish details of the number of houses demolished or closed as a result of slum clearance orders by local authorities.

As mentioned in Section 4.3.2, the problem with such data is the definition of a 'house', as a 'house' may contain more than one dwelling. At this stage all demolitions were assumed to take place in the local authority sector at the levels shown by the data from Housing and Construction Statistics (73, 66, 63) given below.


<table>
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<th>Year</th>
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<td>1967</td>
<td>71586</td>
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<td>69233</td>
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<td>1969</td>
<td>67004</td>
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<tr>
<td>1970</td>
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</table>

Thus data needs (4) and (5) cannot be satisfied from existing data. Assuming all sized dwellings are demolished at the same rate, data need (6) can be approximated.

Modernisations (i.e. Data Needs 10, 11, 12)

The rate of modernisation in the model is defined as the rate at which dwellings are brought up to the 5-point amenity standard.
From the House Condition Survey 1971 information is given on the number of dwellings of each tenure lacking one or more of the basic amenities in 1967 now having all. Assuming all sized dwellings in each tenure are modernised at the same rate, the number of dwellings of a particular size modernised

\[ \text{Number of dwellings of a particular size modernised} = \frac{\text{proportion of that sized dwelling in that tenure}}{\text{x number of modernisations of that tenure}}. \]

**TABLE 4.15 Average Number of Modernisations by Size and Tenure, England and Wales 1967-1971**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number</th>
<th>OCCC</th>
<th>LAR</th>
<th>PR</th>
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<tr>
<td>Total Modernisations 1967-1971</td>
<td>347000</td>
<td>143000</td>
<td>137000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Annual Average</td>
<td>77000</td>
<td>32000</td>
<td>30000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Small (Very)</td>
<td>77</td>
<td>384</td>
<td>540</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Small</td>
<td>2541</td>
<td>5952</td>
<td>5380</td>
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<tr>
<td>Medium</td>
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<td>21480</td>
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<tr>
<td>Large</td>
<td>10780</td>
<td>544</td>
<td>2100</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Hence data needs (10), (11) and (12) have been estimated from existing data. 

**Aging (i.e. Data Needs 7,8,9.)**

Aging is defined in the model as the rate at which dwellings in good condition decline into bad condition. Information on this phenomenon is highly spurious. The House Condition Survey 1971 states that there were 400 x 10^3 dwellings not unfit in 1967, unfit in 1971. Hence the average annual estimated number of dwellings falling into unfit was 89 x 10^3 over this period.
Assuming further that dwellings decline in condition in proportion to the number of dwellings in each tenure and that all sizes decline at the same rate, see Table 4.16.

**TABLE 4.16 Average Annual number of Dwellings to Decline in Condition by Size and Tenure in England and Wales.**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Very Small</th>
<th>Small</th>
<th>Medium</th>
<th>Large</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Owner Occupied</strong></td>
<td>45</td>
<td>1498</td>
<td>37500</td>
<td>6356</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Local Authority</strong></td>
<td>288</td>
<td>4464</td>
<td>18840</td>
<td>408</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Privately Rented</strong></td>
<td>353</td>
<td>3841</td>
<td>14034</td>
<td>1372</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Hence data needs (7), (8), (9) are satisfied.

**Change of Tenure (i.e., Data Needs 13-22)**

Data on the number of dwellings transferring from one tenure to another is extremely poor. No information is provided from the House Condition Survey. A.E. Holmans' (61) estimates the demand for local authority houses arising directly from slum clearance and other demolitions. (As explained in Section 4.3.2, data for slum clearance only states that carried out by local authorities. Most of the demolition will be of their own property but some private property will have been bought specifically for this purpose. One of the statutory obligations of local authorities is to rehouse households displaced by slum clearance). Table 4.17 below is reproduced from the same article.

**TABLE 4.17. A forecast of demand for local authority houses arising directly from slum clearance and other demolitions.**

<table>
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<tr>
<th></th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Former Owner Occupiers</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>15-26</td>
<td>16-27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Former Tenants of Private Landlords</td>
<td>60</td>
<td>61</td>
<td>58-92</td>
<td>57-89</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>72</td>
<td>74</td>
<td>73-118</td>
<td>73-116</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Assuming each household separately occupied a dwelling and taking the average values for 1967 and 1971:
12,500 dwellings were transferred from owner occupancy to the local authority.
60,500 from private tenancies to the local authority.

It was further assumed that dwellings of all sizes transfer at the same rate.

### TABLE 4.18. Average Annual Number of Dwellings transferring to the local authority sector 1967-1971 by size and tenure.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Size of Dwelling</th>
<th>Owner Occupied</th>
<th>Privately Rented</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Very Small</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>1,089</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Small</td>
<td>413</td>
<td>11,856</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Medium</td>
<td>10,325</td>
<td>43,313</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Large</td>
<td>1,750</td>
<td>4,235</td>
</tr>
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</table>

It is further assumed that only dwellings in bad condition will be bought up by the local authority.

Hence data needs 16 and 22 are satisfied. Data needs 15 and 21 are assumed not to be important.

Privately rented property will also be transferred to the owner occupied sector.

From Table VII Components of Supply and Demand for Owner occupied housing in A E Holmans* (61)

The number of houses formerly rented adding to the supply of owner occupied dwellings = $75 \times 10^3$ in 1971 (estimate) and $65 \times 10^3$ in 1976 (estimated)

Assuming an average annual transference of $70 \times 10^3$ dwellings with this number divided proportionally between privately rented dwellings in good condition and bad condition, the number of each size transferring is given in Table 4.19 below.
TABLE 4.19. Average Annual, Formerly Privately Rented Dwellings transferring to the Owner Occupied Sector by Size and Condition

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Size</th>
<th>Privately Rented Good Condition</th>
<th>Privately Rented Bad Condition</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>37240</td>
<td>32760</td>
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<tr>
<td>Very Small</td>
<td>670</td>
<td>590</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Small</td>
<td>7299</td>
<td>6421</td>
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<tr>
<td>Medium</td>
<td>26664</td>
<td>23456</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Large</td>
<td>2607</td>
<td>2293</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Hence data needs 19 and 20 are satisfied.

On average 3993 dwellings were sold by local authorities per annum and 571 dwellings were sold by New Towns per annum in the period 1960 - 1969 (75).

It was assumed that only good condition dwellings are sold and that equal proportions of each size are sold.

Table 4.20 below shows the average annual number of local authority dwellings sold by size. These figures were used to satisfy data needs 17 and 18.

TABLE 4.20 Average Annual Number of Local Authority Dwellings Sold in England and Wales 1960-1969

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Size of Dwelling</th>
<th>Number Sold</th>
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<tr>
<td>Very Small</td>
<td>55</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Small</td>
<td>867</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Medium</td>
<td>3606</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Large</td>
<td>91</td>
</tr>
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</table>

It was not possible to find data to satisfy data needs 13 and 14.

Stages III, IV, V

As in the households sub-model each 'level' depends upon the size of the 'level' in the previous time period plus all those flows of dwellings entering that 'level' during the time interval minus all those flows leaving the
'level' during the time interval.

Hence, for each size, at time $t$, where $DT$ represents the size of the time interval the following equations were used (Refer to Fig. 4.3.)

$$PRG_t = PRG_{t-1} + (NPR - PRAR + PRMR - PGBL - PGBO + OGBP + PGFC) \times DT \ .................(1)$$

$$PRB_t = PRB_{t-1} + (PRAR - PRMR - PBBO + OBBP - PBBL - DPR - PBLC) \times DT \ .....................(2)$$

$$OOCCE_t = OOCCE_{t-1} + (NOOCC + OGFC - OGLC - OGBL + LGBO + OMR - OAR - OGBP + PGBO) \times DT \ ..........(3)$$

$$OCCCB_t = OCCCB_{t-1} + (OAR - OMR - OBBL + LBBO - OGLC - DOOC - OBBP + PBBO) \times DT \ ..........(4)$$

$$LARG_t = LARG_{t-1} + (NLAR + LGFC + LMR - LAAR - LGBO + OGBL + PGFL) \times DT \ .......................(5)$$

$$LARB_t = LARB_{t-1} + (LAAR - LMR - LBLC - DLAR + PBBL - LBBO + OBBL) \times DT \ .......................(6)$$

In the model the magnitude of most flows depends upon the corresponding rate of change assumed to be effective. The rate pertaining to a particular flow is distinguished from that flow by the addition of a letter $N$ to the label.

Thus in any period,

$$PRAR = \text{No of PRG dwellings} \times PRARN$$

$$PRMR = \text{ } \times PRMRN$$

$$PGBL = \text{ } \times PGBLN$$

$$PGBO = \text{ } \times PGBN$$

$$OGBP = \text{ } \times OGBP$$

$$PBBO = \text{ } \times PBBO$$

$$OBBP = \text{ } \times OBBP$$

$$PBBL = \text{ } \times PBBLN$$

$$DPR = \text{ } \times DPRN$$

$$PBLC = \text{ } \times PBLCN$$

$$OGLC = \text{ } \times OGLCN$$

$$OGBL = \text{ } \times OGBLN$$

$$LGBO = \text{ } \times LGBO$$

$$OMR = \text{ } \times OMRN$$

$$OAR = \text{ } \times OARN$$

$$OBBL = \text{ } \times OBBLN$$

$$LBBO = \text{ } \times LBBO$$

$$OBLC = \text{ } \times OBLCN$$

$$DOOCC = \text{ } \times DOOCN$$
Some flows however, are not determined by the assumed rate of change but read into the model as a piece of data from a time-based table. In these cases the flow is distinguished by the addition of T to the label, i.e., NOOCCT, NLART, NPrT.

Having determined from existing data the size of the flows from each dwelling type to all other dwelling types, it was necessary to calculate the annual rate of change.

If,

\[ RD = \frac{FD}{LD} \]

where \( LD \) is the magnitude of the 1967 levels, then the annual rate \( RD \) = \( \frac{FD}{LD} \)

In the computer programme, as in the households sub-model, the rate pertaining to a particular flow is distinguished from that flow by the addition of a letter N to the label i.e., the flow OAR is influenced by the rate OARN.

Stages III and IV of the modelling process involved running the computer programme with this data and comparing the models results for 1971 with the available data for the levels.

Adjustments were then made to the magnitude of the rates in order to 'correct' the model output for the levels for the year 1971. Justification for making such
adjustments to the rates was based largely on the incongruency existing between some model definitions of the levels and the definition of terms in statistics used for determining the rates. Statistics on slum clearance, for example, are only for the total number of houses demolished. One house may incorporate several model dwellings, hence, the rate at which model dwellings are demolished may differ from the rate at which actual houses are demolished. It is one of the functions of the calibration process to bring existing data into line with model definitions.

In some instances however, the discrepancies between model output and available data seemed too great for minor adjustments to be made to the rates. According to early results for model output for 1971 there appeared to be too few of the following dwelling types:

- Very Small, privately rented good condition PR,G (VS)
- Very Small, local authority rented, good condition LAR,G (VS)
- Small, privately rented, good condition PR,G (S)
- Small, owner occupied, good condition OOCC,G (S)
- Small, local authority, good condition LAR,G (S)
- Medium, local authority rented, good condition LAR,G (M)

and too many of these dwelling types:

- Small, local authority rented, bad condition LAR,B (S)
- Medium, privately rented, bad condition FR,B (M)
- Medium, owner occupied, bad condition OOCC,B (M)
- Medium, owner occupied, good condition OOCC,G (M)
- Medium, local authority rented, bad condition LAR,B (M)
- Large, privately rented, bad condition FR,B (L)
- Large, owner occupied, bad condition OOCC,B (L)
- Large, owner occupied, good condition OOCC,G (L)
- Large, local authority rented, bad condition LAR,B (L)

This situation suggested that the real world phenomenon of conversion of dwellings was not being depicted by the model. Due to lack of data the conversion rates had all
initially been set to zero. This now had to be corrected.

The method by which the phenomenon of converting property was incorporated into the model was carried out in two stages. First, the average annual number of dwellings of each type which were believed to have been used for conversion purposes over the period 1967 to 1971 was determined by comparing the model output to data on the levels for 1971 and summed to form the total number of dwellings affected (LC), i.e., losses to conversion. Secondly, the number of new dwellings of each type believed to have become available through conversion, i.e., 'gains' from conversion was determined by the same process. If the annual number of 'new' dwellings of each type i for the period 1967 to 1971 is represented by \( x_i \) then the rate at which newly converted property arises is given by \( x_i/LC \). Thus the 'gains' from conversion are a constant proportion of the 'losses' from conversion. Since in general large dwellings are converted to small dwellings the housing stock will increase i.e., in mathematical terms,

\[
\sum (x_i / LC) > 100 \text{ (per cent)}
\]

The following rates were finally used in the model: (See Page 166 for list of definitions).
| DOOCCN | DLAARN | DPRN  | OARN  | LAARN | PRARN  | OMRN  | LMRN  | PRARN  | PGBON  | OGBPN  | PBBON  | OBBPN  | PGBLN  | OGBLN  | LGBON  | LBBON  | OBBLN  | PBLC   | OBLC   | OGLC   | LBLC   | LGLC   |
|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 0.0    | 27.24  | 0.0   | 0.076 | 0.130 | 0.980  | 0.600 | 0.063 | 0.0340 | 0.0210 | 0.120  | 0.0190 | 0.0436 | 0.4800 | 0.0092 | 0.0013 | 0.0955 | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     |
|        |        |       | 0.103 | 0.077 | 0.150  | 0.056 | 0.056 | 0.0183 | 0.0210 | 0.0     | 0.0210 | 0.0348 | 0.0057 | 0.0     | 0.013  | 0.0105 | 0.0     | 0.210  | 0.0246  | 0.0006  | 0.0187  | 0.0061  |
|        |        |       |       |       |        |       |       |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|        |        |       |       |       |        |       |       |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |

**Flows determined by time-based data inputs:**

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4.4.5. Model Results 1967 - 1976

The dwellings sub-model annually outputs information on the total number of dwellings and the number of dwellings by size, tenure and condition.

Figure 4.4. shows output of the total number of dwellings and how they are divided between the three major tenure types. The total number of dwellings is believed to have increased by just over sixteen per cent in the period 1967 - 1976; from 15.6 million in 1967 to 18.2 million by 1976. These results reflecting the observed situation in the real world over the period of a steady but continuous increase in the housing stock.

In terms of tenure, the model shows that the greatest increase has occurred in the owner occupied sector with the local authority rented sector rising moderately and the privately rented sector steadily declining. As a proportion of all dwellings in the model the owner occupied sector has increased from 51 per cent in 1967 to 56 per cent in 1976. The privately rented sector falling from 22 per cent to 15 per cent. The direction and magnitude of these trends according well with the information presented in Section 4.2.1.
MODEL OUTPUT OF DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS

- All tenures
- OCC
- LAR
- PR
- All sizes
- Size
  - Medium
  - Small
  - Very small
  - Large
- All conditions
- Condition
  - BAD
  - GOOD

Fig. 4.4

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Fig. 4.4. also depicts model output of total dwellings by condition. The number of dwellings in good condition has increased whereas the number of bad condition dwellings has decreased. The proportion of the housing stock in bad condition declined from 26 per cent in 1967 to 14 per cent in 1976. In absolute terms the number of bad condition dwellings declined from 4.1 million to 2.6 million over the period. These model results reflecting the trend experienced of a general improvement in the quality of the housing stock discussed in Section 4.2.2.

In terms of size the model shows how the stock is dominated by medium sized dwellings - the traditional three bedroom house - with very small and large dwellings forming the smallest proportion. The number of very small dwellings has increased slightly - mostly in the local authority sector. - The number of large sized dwellings has shown a steady decline - a reflection of the real world situation of households adjusting their needs in terms of space requirements as average complete family size has fallen. Section 4.2.3. on the changing size distribution of new dwellings built over this period presents evidence to justify these model results.

Thus the general trends produced by the model for the period 1967 to 1976 of the total number of dwellings and their mix between tenure, size and condition broadly agree with these trends known to have occurred for the period.

Only two complete sets of data were available for the 'levels.' One obtained from the House Condition Survey
1967 and used as the initial conditions for the model, the other from the House Condition Survey 1971, this set being used to calibrate against.

Table 4.21 shows a comparison of model results (M) and 1971 data (D). The 1971 data was previously presented on page 186.

### Table 4.21 Comparison of Model Output (M) with available data for 1971 (D).

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**Note:**

VS = Very Small, S = Small, M = Medium, L = Large.

Model output of the total number of dwellings agrees well with the data. The 'row totals' i.e. total numbers of dwellings sub-divided by tenure and condition is also in very close agreement with the data i.e. a maximum of 2 per cent discrepancy for privately rented bad condition dwellings. As the absolute numbers concerned are small the problem is not serious.
The 'column totals' i.e. total number of dwellings by size agree within one per cent except for very small dwellings which are under-estimated by three per cent. The reason for this discrepancy is not clear. Again in absolute terms only small numbers are concerned. Subdividing size by condition produces a similar match between model results and the data, although large, bad condition dwellings are over-estimated by five per cent.

The 'cell totals' are not all in such good agreement with the data as the row and column totals. All output for small and medium sized dwellings agrees with the data to within at least two per cent. Very small dwellings are less well matched although the maximum difference in percentage terms is for local authority, bad condition dwellings which are under-estimated by 5 per cent. In absolute terms however this only represents 2,000 dwellings. Output for large dwellings agrees almost perfectly except for privately rented bad condition and local authority, bad condition dwellings. Again, in absolute terms the total discrepancy amounts to only 10,000 dwellings.

In general therefore the model results agree well with the 1971 data although the number of some large dwellings are over-estimated and the number of some small dwellings slightly under-estimated. This suggests that the phenomenon of converting large dwellings to small dwellings has not been implemented in the model on a large enough scale.

As such, the dwellings sub-model is said to be calibrated to an acceptable standard.
A Review of the Dwellings Sub-Model

Looking back over the review section of this chapter and comparing information contained there with the structure and results of the model developed it will be seen that the model is a fair, if simplified, representation of that reality as we know it.

As was mentioned previously, the process of matching model output to known data was much easier for the dwellings sub-model than for the households sub-model for two major reasons:

(a) the real world situation is far less complex than for households. There are a limited number of factors which can affect dwellings, and,

(b) the data available was of better quality and more easily accorded with model definitions.

The way in which the structure of the model was decided upon has been discussed in Sections 4.4.1 and 4.4.2. This choice of structure and method of classification being based on the orientation of the study i.e. the aim of aiding our understanding of how the total housing system works. Guidance on this choice was also provided by the list of experimental policy changes,(See Page 7).

From the literature review it appeared that there were six fundamental phenomena which occur to alter the number of dwellings of a particular type over a period of time. These are:

1. New building.
2. Demolition.
3. Modernization.
4. Ageing - i.e. moving from good to bad condition.
5. Changing size - i.e. Conversions.
A brief summary of how these major phenomena were incorporated into the model will indicate the extent to which the model reflects the reality described in Section 4.3.

(1) New building

In the model it is assumed that only dwellings in good condition are increased by new building. All tenures are affected by this phenomenon although data on newly built privately rented dwellings is very scarce. For this reason the annual number of such new dwellings is included in the model by means of an informed estimate. Clearly many factors affect the level of new building at any time but no feedbacks exist in this model. Factors which have been omitted are, the availability of land, availability of mortgage funds, availability of funds to local authorities, the level of demand for dwellings, the cost of new dwellings. The assumption was made that past trends in new building would continue at the same rate. Although an experiment was later conducted to note the effect of altering this assumption about the future. The omission of feedback loops in the model of the type just described was only accepted because of the relative ease with which they could be added at a later stage if data was found to support the phenomenon involved.

For the standard run the actual number of dwellings built was read into the model for the period 1967 to 1971. Recent statistics indicate that the rate of housebuilding is falling steadily and hence the figures for 1971 onwards were chosen accordingly.
(2) **Demolitions**

Information on demolitions is only available for that undertaken by local authorities, although demolition of privately owned dwellings also takes place. Demolition of all tenure types was therefore included in the model, although only bad condition dwellings were demolished. This was considered to be a reasonable assumption since it was suggested in Section 4.3.2, that the most common reason for demolition was as part of slum clearance programmes. Initially, data on local authority demolitions was used as input to the demolition of bad condition, local authority dwellings in the model. As part of the calibration process further flows were introduced into the model i.e. when the first set of model results based entirely on available data showed too many bad condition owner occupied dwellings, the demolition rate of these dwellings was increased from zero upwards to 'correct' the model output. It was believed that privately rented dwellings would not on the whole be demolished by their owners but first be purchased by the local authority. Hence the flow PBBL was introduced and the rate at which local authority dwellings were demolished in the model was increased accordingly. This approach was justified by evidence presented in Section 4.3.2, which suggested that data on demolitions considerably underestimated the total number of dwellings involved.

By modelling the phenomenon in this way it was felt that best use was made of the available data and also that the reality of the situation had been grasped.
(3) Modernizations

As emphasised in the review section, little reliable data is available on the level of modernizations at any time. The term modernization means the improvement in the condition of a dwelling and it was possible to incorporate into the model the limited data available from the results of the House Condition Surveys. Fortunately, the model definitions of 'good' and 'bad' accorded well with the definitions of condition given in these Surveys.

Thus although the data is poor it is felt that the concept has been adequately and meaningfully incorporated into the model.

(4) Ageing

Ageing is the term used to describe the phenomenon of dwellings deteriorating from good to bad condition but not necessarily as a result of the building getting old. Other factors will contribute to this ageing process e.g., vandalism, constant neglect and misuse, fire, flood etc. The model does not however contain feedbacks of this nature.

The number of dwellings falling into bad condition is taken to be a constant proportion of the number of good condition dwellings at any time.

(5) Conversions - Changing Size

This was the only phenomenon where no guiding data existed. In the event, it was only included towards the end of the calibration process as an aid to matching model output with available data on the levels.

The method used to facilitate the incorporation of this phenomenon was, with hindsight, far from satisfactory.
The method was to temporarily 'remove' from the stock a proportion of those dwellings which were in surplus and then to 'introduce' the required number of dwellings which were lacking.

Whereas it is believed that this method, though very crude, was satisfactory over the period of calibration, when extrapolating into the future it is expected to introduce considerable errors in that a situation could arise whereby more dwellings were being 'removed' than could feasibly be 'introduced' in different sizes.

Another drawback of this method is that it is not possible to identify how many large dwellings are made into smaller units and how many small units are either combined or added to so as to make larger units. Clearly in a future model the technique used must be able to show such effects.

(6) Change of Tenure

As with new building, demolitions, and modernizations it is felt that the concept of a dwelling changing its tenure has been adequately and meaningfully dealt with in this model. The problems however occur when deciding which dwellings change to which tenure and finding the data to validate the phenomenon.

With this model's structure there are twelve possible ways that a dwelling of a particular type can change its tenure. As discussed in the review section 4.3.6. and also in 4.4.3. only eight of these flows were incorporated into the model as only a small number of dwellings were involved in the other four transitions.
Thus the structure of The Dwellings Sub-Model is seen to accord well with the reality described in the literature review. Also, it was possible to incorporate to a very large extent the majority of those phenomena seen to affect the numbers of dwellings of different types. All of this was achieved without grossly over simplifying the model.

Thus, unlike with the Households Sub-Model the structure and concepts of dwellings as a system could be incorporated into a model although certain difficulties, as discussed in Section 4.4.3, arose with validating the model with existing data. But as has been seen, sufficient realistic assumptions could be made to render the model operational.

The following Chapter discusses the relationship between Households and Dwellings and how that relationship was modelled.
CHAPTER FIVE

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DWELLINGS AND HOUSEHOLDS

Having described how the population can be classified into many different and sometimes overlapping groups (See Chapter 3) and also how the almost infinite variation in the housing stock can be reduced to a manageable number of separate dwelling types (See Chapter 4) it is the aim of this Chapter to discuss how and why households occupy the dwelling stock in the manner experienced in England and Wales.

Evidence presented in Chapters 3 and 4 suggest that some of the factors households take into account in deciding where in the housing system they wish to be located are:

- Present and future household needs, aspirations, views on saving, proportion of income prepared to spend on housing, status perceptions, family background, career, social contacts and networks, ability to pay, location, nearness to schools, shops, open spaces.

It is the extent to which these factors can be satisfied that will determine the type and location of the dwelling. It is suggested that the function of mobility, in fact, is to adjust housing to housing needs and desires.

Some of the factors mentioned above have been discussed previously in devising a suitable method of classification of households. Thus it was decided (See Section 3.2) that household 'needs' are reflected by the stage in the family life cycle and that social class is a recognisable indicator of the factors such as aspiration, ability to pay etc., as given above.

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Actual location in the system will also depend on the restrictions that are placed on the household obtaining housing of its choice. Households in local authority dwellings must have satisfied certain qualification conditions defined by the authority; these qualifications are quite different from those governing access to mortgage loans; these in turn are different from the diverse and possibly inconsistent rules of eligibility applied by landlords and agents in the privately rented sector. It will be shown that, once again, stage in family life cycle and socio-economic group have a great influence on the ability of the households to gain access to certain parts of the system. Knowledge of a household's stage in the family life cycle and socio-economic group makes it possible to infer where in the housing system it is likely to be located. The nature of the restrictions on households access to certain parts of the system can be more fully appreciated by analysing households movement behaviour—why households wish to move in the first place and what determines their final destination. As Grigsby (55) states:

'households (are) links between the parts of the housing system. Thus, the number of households moving between dwellings with different characteristics, the number considering such movement, the restrictions on movement, the process of decision making and the characteristics of households who do not move are all indicative of the nature of the housing system and of the processes in it'.

Similarly, Murie (86) contends that:

'information concerning movement behaviour is vital for adequate forecasting, planning and policy evaluation. The pattern of linkages together with evidence of preference and satisfaction can suggest how households are allocated to parts of the system; where parts of the system are subject to heavy demand;
where households of particular types may be in situations of 'no choice', or may be trapped within particular parts of the system. The patterns of linkages can also indicate what impact changes in policy... (for example), changes affecting the choice between buying and renting, are likely to have'.

Thus the following Chapter will begin with a review of where certain households are located; this will be followed by a study of households movement behaviour. The final section will be a description of how these phenomena were incorporated into the model's calculations.

5.1 THE USE OF DWELLINGS

5.1.1. Which dwellings are occupied by which households.

Alan Murie in his study Housing Tenure in Britain 1958-1971 draws on information from several social surveys which have been concerned with housing behaviour. (24, 30, 31, 32, 120) These provide considerable evidence on the use of different sectors by households of different types.

The evidence suggests that consistent associations exist between tenure and household characteristics, i.e., socio-economic group, age and stage in the family cycle.

'The very consistency of the patterns indicated by the different surveys suggests that the distribution of households between tenures is not in constant flux despite the considerable shuffling process of households on the move'. (91)

The evidence further suggests that a households situation within the system depends largely upon the different eligibility and allocation policies operated by the different tenures. These criteria for access to the different tenures will be discussed in more detail in Section 5.2.3.

Following Murie's method of analysis of how households occupy dwellings, those characteristics considered important
in eligibility profiles i.e., age of head of household, household type, household size, social class, will now be discussed.

(a) Age of Head of Household

Evidence suggests that in both owner occupied sectors and the local authority sectors there is a wide range of age groups. Although among outright owners there are markedly more older households than those owning with a mortgage. In the privately rented sector a sharp age distinction exists between the furnished and unfurnished sectors. In the unfurnished sector there has been a consistently high proportion of 'older' households and the furnished sector more 'younger' households. Evidence from the General Household Survey is summarised in Table 5.1.

(b) Household type

The evidence suggests that the local authority sector consistently includes a higher percentage of large families. The privately rented furnished sector caters for a high proportion of individual and small households. The owner occupied caters for a wide range of all household types similar in distribution to the whole household population with slightly fewer one person households and rather more small family households. See Table 5.2.

(c) Household size

The size of households in each tenure is shown in Table 5.3. Comparison of Tables 5.2, and 5.3, shows that, in terms of who lives where, there is a marked correlation between household type and household size. The size distribution of owner occupier households was very similar to that of all households taken together apart from including rather fewer one person households.
### TABLE 5.1

**Age of Head of Household and Tenure - Great Britain 1971**

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Source (91)
TABLE 5.3 Size of Households by Tenure.—England and Wales 1971

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Source (91)

The local authority sector caters disproportionately for the larger households, for example the proportion of households with six or more persons was nearly twice as great as in the owner occupied sector. The private rented sector caters largely for smaller households with those in unfurnished accommodation being mainly old and those in furnished being mainly younger (Table 5.1.)

(d) Socio-Economic Group

The housing surveys referred to make use of the Registrar General's socio-economic group classifications. Table 5.4 below compares the social class and tenure of households in 1966 and 1971.

TABLE 5.4. Social Class and Tenure 1966-1971—England and Wales

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Source (91)
The greatest distinction is between the Social Class of households in the owner occupied sector compared with households in the rented sectors. Although both tenure types include the whole range of classes the rented sector has comparatively few households classified in the professional and non-manual groups. Despite the growth of the owner occupied sector the number of owner occupiers from Social Class 4 and 5 has not increased dramatically.

It appears that the privately rented sector has become more Class Specific, that social groups have graduated to owner occupation to different extents and that manual groups have not shared in the expansion of owner occupation to the same extent as other groups. The degree of exclusiveness or minority use of this tenure has been altered by this expansion and may have reduced the diversity of the population in the other sectors.

Some explanation of this may be attributed to the eligibility rules laid down by the various agencies responsible for access to the different tenures, although this applies to all household characteristics and will be discussed in a later Section.

Problems arise when a gap exists between housing need and the availability of dwellings. This gap may be one of a physical shortage - not enough dwellings of a specified standard to accommodate all the households who 'need' them; or it can be due to a shortfall between need and demand - the dwellings physically exist, but are
not available to households in need because they cannot make their demand effective. In particular areas one or other factors may be more important. The provision of dwellings is not sufficient to ensure all needs are met; allocation is as important as building. It is the aim of housing policy to ensure that 'needs' are met regardless of the level of effective demand.

Four 'problems' can be identified:

1. Unnecessarily Vacant Dwellings.
2. Overcrowding.
3. Sharing
4. Homelessness

which will now be discussed separately.

5.1.2. Unnecessarily Vacant Dwellings

Dwellings become vacant for a number of reasons, examples of which are:

(i) The Household voluntarily moves to alternative accommodation.
(ii) The household is evicted.
(iii) The dwelling is compulsorily purchased and the household rehoused.
(iv) The household is dissolved by death.
(v) A dwelling is newly created - by new building or conversion.

The reasons why dwellings remain vacant for extended periods are far less clear. The Government announced their intention to embark upon a sample survey of vacant houses in the Autumn of 1977 to get an up-to-date picture of the situation. The survey will involve a much needed examination of the causes of vacancy and the length of time dwellings remain empty as well as the type and former tenure of the
dwellings and their condition.

Until the results of this survey become available the reason for dwellings remaining vacant for long periods is the subject of conjecture.

Three possible reasons for needlessly empty council houses are:

- Short life dwellings acquired for slum clearances or roadworks are often left empty for long periods.

Ron Bailey in his book 'The Homeless and the Empty Houses' (11) shows that large numbers of houses get 'lost' or disappear from the statistics for no apparent reason thus leading to gross underestimates of the number involved. He also provides evidence that large numbers of houses are lost or destroyed years in advance of redevelopment plans. The amount of official information available on this subject is extremely limited.

- Dwellings awaiting improvement are often left empty for shorter periods particularly since improvement funds were cut under the Housing Act 1974.

- Delays in purchasing houses, and in letting houses, particularly because of the strict eligibility requirement for houses in new and expanded towns.

In the private sector vacancies may persist as a result of:

- Planning delays.

Nearly half of all planning applications are taking over the two month statutory period to determine despite the fact that the Department of Environment Circular 9 of 1976 stated that 'almost all' applications should be
dealt with within the two-month period. (41)

- **Improvement grant delays**
  A strong correlation has been found between the number of improvement grants and the number of empty houses and this may partly be explained by the delays of up to a year in obtaining improvement grants. (119)

- **Security of Tenure**
  It has been argued that landlords leave houses empty because of fear that they will never be able to get rid of the tenants. However, what little evidence there is suggests that it is rent control and increasing wealth that is causing the death of the private rented sector.

- **Speculation**
  When house prices are rising, speculators buy houses and then sell them a year or two later at the peak of the price boom. Speculators will not let the houses in the meantime partly because any rent is far less important to them than the capital gain to be realised, and partly because the house will sell for less with a sitting tenant.

- **Mortgage Restrictions**
  Dwellings in inner city areas many of which are old and in need of modernisation are often empty because building societies are unwilling to grant mortgages on such dwellings.

- **Tied Accommodation**
  Tied accommodation is often left empty awaiting the recruitment of an employee. This is particularly true
Availability of Credit

During the mortgage famine of 1973 and 1974, for example, the number of vacant dwellings in good condition increased as dwellings built for sale could not be sold. Houses, put up for sale by executors of owner occupiers who had died, or by landlords trying to sell when the tenants had gone could have stayed on the market for extended periods.

To assume that vacancies persist for want of would-be occupiers is an erroneous oversimplification. In some geographical locations this must be the case, but, in general, the problem is much more complex. In London for example, the inner boroughs generally thought of as areas of heavy housing pressures, namely Camden, Islington, Kensington and Chelsea, and Westminster had the highest vacancy rates in Inner London, which had an average of 5.6 per cent of all dwellings vacant in 1971 compared with the national average of 3.2 per cent.

Even the numbers of vacant dwellings is not straightforward to ascertain, because of doubts in some instances about whether a house is truly vacant as distinct from occupied with no-one at home; and ambiguities about where to draw the line between empty houses in poor repair and derelict structures no longer habitable, and between houses that are uninhabitable because they are incomplete and newly built houses that no one has yet moved into.

According to the 1971 Census there were 676,000 dwellings vacant of which 100,000 had not previously
been occupied. Applying the findings of the Scottish post-enumeration survey to England and Wales, about 35,000 enumerated vacant dwellings were in reality second homes.

(67)

The 1971 House Condition Survey suggests that about one half of the vacant dwellings were either unfit but lacking one or more of the basic amenities, and that the number of fit dwellings with all amenities that were vacant lay in the range 250-300,000, that is about 1.8 per cent of the stock. The total vacancy rate, including new dwellings and second homes, was 4.0 per cent (3.2 per cent excluding).

Since 1971 the number of vacant dwellings and the vacancy rate have risen. A half per cent survey of addresses undertaken in 1975 as a study of the labour force indicated that just over 3.6 per cent of dwellings were vacant (excluding new buildings and second homes).

The first results of the 1976 House Condition Survey do not suggest any major change in the number of vacant dwellings unfit, or fit but lacking one or more of the basic amenities since 1971 thus this increase appears to be of dwellings in good condition. See Table 5.5 below.

TABLE 5.5. Vacant Dwellings in England and Wales.

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<td>Unoccupied</td>
<td>540</td>
<td>265</td>
<td>275</td>
<td>650</td>
<td>375</td>
<td>275</td>
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<td>Dwellings.</td>
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<td>Second Homes.</td>
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<td>50*</td>
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<td>Occupied Dwellings.</td>
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<td>-</td>
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<td>Total Vacancies</td>
<td>675</td>
<td>390</td>
<td>275</td>
<td>800</td>
<td>525</td>
<td>275</td>
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</table>

* Estimated.
Evidence on the former tenure of vacant dwellings is limited to a number of small local surveys mostly carried out by interested pressure groups - tenants associations, community action groups etc.

The Government estimates that there were only 58,000 empty local authority dwellings in England and Wales at the end of 1974 and that there were proportionally four times as many empty private dwellings as empty council dwellings. (58)

Shelter however, (113) consider this a serious underestimate of the number of empty council dwellings and that proportionally the number of vacancies in the local authority sector may be as high as in the private sector. This opinion being based on evidence from empty house surveys in Paddington, Wandsworth, Southwark, Southampton, Sheffield. Another criticism of these particular Government figures is that they omit dwellings awaiting demolition.

There is no positive evidence to suggest that condition of vacancies in the two sectors differs in any way or that dwellings are distributed by size in any particular manner. On several occasions however local authorities have been known to officially damage dwellings in order to prevent squatters moving in. As well as this official vandalism, empty houses are easy targets for lead thieves, strippers and other vandals.

5.1.3. Households unable to Separately Occupy Dwellings

The progress made in providing sufficient housing space is indicated by changes in overcrowding and sharing.
5.1.3.1. Overcrowding

In 1935 the Housing Act laid down a definition as a basis for making overcrowding an offence, punishable by a fine and placing a statutory duty on local authorities to take steps to end it. The definition (which still applies) relates to permitted numbers of persons per number of rooms:

<table>
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<th>Persons</th>
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<td>One</td>
<td>two persons</td>
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<td>Two</td>
<td>three persons</td>
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<td>Three</td>
<td>five persons</td>
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<tr>
<td>Four</td>
<td>seven and one half persons</td>
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<td>Five</td>
<td>ten persons plus two for each room in excess of five</td>
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Children aged one to nine count as one half, and babies under one year do not count at all. Rooms under 50 square feet do not count; rooms between 50 and 110 square feet are counted according to a special formula. The standard is a minimum for the protection of health and morals, not of convenience or comfort.

According to this statutory standard, some 350,000 dwellings were overcrowded in 1936 but this had dropped to 81,000 by 1960.

The number of households living at densities above one and a half persons per room is taken as an indication of the incidence of severe overcrowding. Table 5.6 shows the changes between 1931 and 1971.

<table>
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<th>Year</th>
<th>Households</th>
<th>Persons</th>
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<td>Numbers</td>
<td>Proportion of all census enumerated households</td>
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<tr>
<td>1931</td>
<td>1174</td>
<td>11.5%</td>
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<td>1951</td>
<td>664</td>
<td>5.1%</td>
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<td>1961</td>
<td>415</td>
<td>2.8%</td>
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<td>1971</td>
<td>226</td>
<td>1.4%</td>
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(Source 69)
Crowding has been greatly reduced over the period although the 1971 figure is low in comparison with 1961 and earlier due to the changed criteria for counting kitchens as rooms (See Section 4.2.3). In the same period the proportion of households living at a density of less than 0.5 persons per room rose considerably. All sized household groups have experienced a reduction in average density of occupation though larger households are still the most likely to be overcrowded. (48)

Measures of overcrowding show important variations between tenures. In the privately rented sector furnished accommodation is proportionately more overcrowded than unfurnished; and there is more overcrowding in the privately rented sector than in the public sector; the owner occupied sector is the least overcrowded.

5.1.3.2. Sharing

Difficulties with gaining a true assessment of the sharing situation arise from problems with the definition of a separate household and a separate dwelling as discussed in Sections 3.1. and 4.1. For example, many potential one person households at present live involuntarily with their parents (many more of course are quite happy to do so). As these young single households have been unable to express their demand for housing the demand is assumed not to exist and they are included as part of the family household. Other examples of "concealed" demand for housing are newly married couples living with in-laws and loneparents living with parents. As with young single households not all multi-person households
that share do so voluntarily. Some are households who let part of their house to someone else - the two units of accommodation may not be self-contained (each contained behind its own front door) and so the two households will be classed as one. Census estimates of the number of sharing and concealed households is shown below:

TABLE 5.7. Sharing Households by Type; England and Wales 1931-1971. Thousands.

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<th>One Person</th>
<th>Multi-Person</th>
<th>Married Couple</th>
<th>Lone Parent</th>
<th>Concealed</th>
<th>All Sharing</th>
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<td>1931</td>
<td>349</td>
<td>1599</td>
<td>(430)</td>
<td>Known</td>
<td></td>
<td>2400 (Approx)</td>
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<td>1951</td>
<td>430</td>
<td>1422</td>
<td>750</td>
<td>185</td>
<td></td>
<td>2787</td>
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<td>1961 (1)</td>
<td>303</td>
<td>582</td>
<td>438</td>
<td>164</td>
<td></td>
<td>1487</td>
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<tr>
<td>1971 (2)</td>
<td>270</td>
<td>367</td>
<td>268</td>
<td>158</td>
<td></td>
<td>1065</td>
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Source (68)

(1) The number of sharing households in 1961 may have been reduced by some accommodation being incorrectly counted as separate, and there appears to have been some undercounting of one-person households.

(2) Some 130,000 bedsitting rooms were counted as separate dwellings in 1971, but would have been classified as parts of dwellings in earlier censuses. This definition change affects primarily the one-person households sharing.

For the reasons outlined above the exact extent of the reduction in the number of households sharing is in doubt. Also it must be remembered that the definition of a household varies slightly from that used in the modelling procedure, hence comparisons with the number of households given in Section 3.4.2.1. will be of limited
Evidence on the distribution of sharing households by type is limited to data involving classifications in the form given in Table 5.7. Some limited distinctions can be made between sharing in different tenures.

Owner occupiers living in shared dwellings are most likely to be householders who have let off parts of their houses. Many tenants renting privately are likely to be renting parts of other people's houses.

Amongst young single households, especially in the large conurbations there has been a growing tendency to combine resources and to rent accommodation as a group - in a certain sense to live communally. In many instances the major incentive for a group to live together under one roof is economic. Restrictions imposed by many building societies on sub-letting mortgaged property means that the phenomena is limited in the owner occupied sector. The majority of local authorities are unwilling to house any young single persons although recently one or two authorities in London have offered flats to small groups of young single households in an attempt to make use of properties which have consistently been refused by other household types. The extent to which this phenomenon is voluntary and increasing is open to conjecture as further information is not at present available.

5.1.3.3. Homelessness

According to the Greve Report 'Homelessness in London' 1971 - (54)
'Nobody knows or has ever known, how many homeless people there are, and there is no agreement about what in fact homelessness is.'

Since 1969 Shelter, the homelessness charity, has argued that any person/household who lives in intolerable conditions is homeless. But only a minority of these are actually houseless. It is the latter group which are generally considered to be statutorily homeless. The houseless fall into a number of categories:

1. people who reside in hostels, 'night shelters',
   common lodging houses and other such institutions;
2. those who are placed in bed and breakfast establishments by local authorities because there is no alternative available at the time;
3. those who reside in hospitals not because they need to or ought to, but because there is no suitable accommodation available for them in the community;
4. those families that are split up by 'official' action, such as the reception into care (Part III accommodation) of their children, because they are homeless;
5. those who wander from place to place, often sleeping rough, and are totally without shelter;
6. those whose shelter is an unlawful one—i.e. the increasing number of people who 'squat'.

Trying to gauge the extent of homelessness is an almost impossible task. The number of officially defined homeless households is obtained from statistics published annually by the Department of Health and Social Security of those applying for and being admitted to temporary accommodation. Under Part III of the 1948 National Assistance Act local
authorities have a legal obligation to provide for the homeless, aged and the sick:

'It shall be the duty of every local authority to provide temporary accommodation for persons in urgent need thereof, being need arising in circumstances which could not reasonably have been foreseen, or in any other circumstances as the authority may in any particular case determine.' (95)

Table 5.8 below gives the number of homeless in temporary accommodation from 1966 to 1971.

TABLE 5.8 Homeless families and persons in temporary accommodation - England and Wales, December 31st

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Number of families</th>
<th>Number of persons</th>
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<td>1966</td>
<td>2558</td>
<td>13031</td>
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<td>1968</td>
<td>3624</td>
<td>18849</td>
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<td>1970</td>
<td>4926</td>
<td>24283</td>
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<tr>
<td>1971</td>
<td>5630</td>
<td>26879</td>
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These figures only account for those accepted by a local authority. Glastonbury (49) estimates that for every household being accepted at least six are turned away. The number who make no attempt to apply is immeasurable. By either not applying or by being refused help the household will inevitably cease to be homeless - some alternative will be found. It will rarely be a solution, merely an alternative such as sharing with friends or relatives - often creating problems of overcrowding. Other solutions attempted may be living in the back of a car, in a tent, in a caravan, in bed and breakfast accommodation, or in an hotel.

Little information exists on the characteristics of households who become homeless or for what reasons.
Local authorities have strict rules about the type of household they are willing to accommodate. In general they will only provide shelter for families with children, or lone parents, old single persons and occasionally older couples without children. Young single households or young couples without children (even if the wife is pregnant) are most likely to be refused help. Similarly former owner occupiers, irrespective of the reason for becoming homeless will have difficulties in obtaining local authority temporary accommodation.

5.2. HOUSEHOLDS MOVEMENT BEHAVIOUR

It has been estimated that, on average, between seven and twelve per cent of households move each year. (91) It seems likely that since 1958 this annual rate has increased slightly. Several questions present themselves:

(a) What type of household is most likely to move?
(b) Why do these households wish to leave their homes?
(c) What determines the type of dwelling they are likely to move to?

5.2.1. The Characteristics of Households Most Likely to move.

Some understanding can be gained of the difference between households who move and households who do not move from Table 5.10. This presents data from the West Yorkshire Movers Survey 1969 compared with survey evidence from the West Yorkshire Conurbation Housing Survey carried out at the same time. The West Yorkshire Conurbation Housing Survey was a General household survey in which a sample of 2724 was drawn from local valuation lists.
Although it includes some recent movers (households having moved more than two years before the survey) it is useful in identifying the contrast with moving households in the West Yorkshire Movers Survey.

As the table indicates, non-moving households tend to be small and less likely to have young heads of household.

**TABLE 5.10 Characteristics of Movers and Non-Movers**

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<th>Movers Sample</th>
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<td>Age of head of household:</td>
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<tr>
<td>&lt;45</td>
<td>63</td>
<td>29</td>
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<td>45 and over</td>
<td>37</td>
<td>71</td>
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<td>Household Type:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Married Couple.</td>
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<td>67</td>
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<td>Lone Parent.</td>
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<td>Family.</td>
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<tr>
<td>One Person.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Others.</td>
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<td>Socio-Economic Group of</td>
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<td>Head of Household:</td>
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<td>Accommodation Characteristics</td>
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<td>Previous Tenure:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Owner occupied.</td>
<td>37</td>
<td>53</td>
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<td>Local Authority Tenant.</td>
<td>23</td>
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<tr>
<td>Privately rented and others.</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>17</td>
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<tr>
<td>No. of Bedrooms:</td>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
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<td>3</td>
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<tr>
<td>4 or more</td>
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**Source:** (93)
Only 29 per cent of heads of household were aged under 45 compared with 63 per cent among mover households. Non-mover households are more likely to consist of one person and include a larger proportion of aged and retired persons. Non-mover households are less likely to be in privately rented accommodation and more likely to be in owner occupied tenures. Households in the privately rented sector are proportionally more likely to move. Their accommodation does not differ markedly in size.

5.2.2. The Reasons for Household Movement.

Murie (93) in his study of Household Movement and Housing Choice draws a distinction between households which are new to the system and continuing households as there is a clear difference both in mover characteristics and in the destination of the two groups. Broadly, a new household is defined as one whose housewife had split off from an established household in which he/she had not been a housewife, had previously lived in non-private housing, or he/she is no longer living with the person who was head of household. The housewife is the person (male or female) who is responsible for most of the domestic arrangements and duties. In a continuing household the nucleus is likely to be the same, although household composition may have changed. New households tend to be younger and to include a higher proportion of small adult households than continuing households. (See Table 5.11, below). New households will also contain a small proportion of older heads of household who are most likely to be single persons or married couples without children.
These older households are more likely to be of lower socio-economic group. As the employers, managers and professional workers and intermediate and junior manual worker groups (SEG I) are more likely to be small adult households with the head of household at work, their incomes will tend to be higher. Although many differences exist between new and continuing households it seems probable that housing behaviour will be similar for groups with the same age, household structure, income or socio-economic characteristics.

Murie hypothesizes that the major reason for movement in new households is directly associated with the formation of the household rather than with changes in employment, housing aspirations or other factors. (See Table 5.12 and 5.13 below.)

For those households who cited the change of people within the household as the reason for movement, the nature of the change varied according to age. For heads of household under forty-five marriage was the predominant reason for deciding to move. Where the head of household was over 45 death of or separation from a member of the household became a more important reason for causing a move.

Change of employment of a member of the household was given as the reason for moving by under 8 per cent of all respondents.

Behaviour of continuing households is however of greater interest as movement by these households releases accommodation for use by other households. In the West Yorkshire Movers Survey the majority of continuing households were small
families where both head of household and wife were under age forty-five. Unlike new households there was a considerable proportion of older smaller households among movers. (See Table 5.11). These older households were more likely to have come from a lower socio-economic group and to have low incomes. Evidence suggests that the movement of continuing households is caused by quite different factors to those causing new households to move. Changes in household composition is stated as the reason for movement in only six per cent of moves with variations in age groups being insignificant (See Table 5.12). Where this reason was important it took a variety of forms. More important is the pattern indicated under which marriage, family growth, household fission and bereavement succeed each other as causes of movement in progressively older households (See Table 5.13). Such a pattern conforms to the theories of the influence of family life cycle on movement and dwelling use. (See Section 3.2.1. for discussion on the importance of family life cycle).

Of seemingly greater importance than household change, but not accounting for the bulk of movement, is movement explained by change of employment. Employment change as a reason for movement decreases with age and increases with socio-economic group and income. From this survey it would appear that the majority of movement among continuing households arises for reasons other than family or employment changes. Other reasons cited as important were dwelling condemned or demolished (16 per cent of all households), too large (11 per cent), too small (37 per cent),
### TABLE 5.11. Household Characteristics of New and Continuing Household Movers

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Age of head of household</th>
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<th>45 and over</th>
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<td>%</td>
<td>%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Household Type:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Married Couple</td>
<td>87</td>
<td>24</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lone Parent</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Family</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>Single Person</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>69</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Others</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Socio-Economic Group of Head of Household</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>II</td>
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<td>9</td>
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<td>III</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>39</td>
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### TABLE 5.12 Reason for Movement: New and Continuing

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<td>Sample No.</td>
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<td>%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Reason for move:</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Change of people in household</td>
<td>75</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Change of Employment</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>19</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>75</td>
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### TABLE 5.13 Nature of Change of People in Household: New and Continuing Household Moves

<table>
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<th>Age of Head of Household</th>
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<tr>
<td>Sample No.</td>
<td>448</td>
<td>84</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>%</td>
<td>%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nature of Household Change:</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Marriage</td>
<td>93</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Birth/Family Growth</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>51</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Relative added</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bereavement/ Separation</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>33</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Source (93)</td>
<td></td>
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</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Dwelling in poor repair (17 per cent), wanted change of tenure (49 per cent), neighbourhood (31 per cent), health of personal reasons (34 per cent).

Many of these 'other' reasons may be explainable in
terms of changes in family life cycle or changes in job circumstances not regarded as change in employment. Changing circumstances of these types may increase the opportunity to move even though they may not be perceived by the mover as being the determining factor in the decision to move. For example, a household may give the reason for movement as 'dwelling too small' when in actual fact this situation has arisen due to the children growing up and requiring more living space. Similarly an increase in income due to job promotion may improve the household's ability to compete for alternative accommodation in the private sector and hence precipitate a move. Moves may enable adjustments of dwelling characteristics to suit household requirements but they may also anticipate family changes, coincide with them or lag behind. The nature of the coincidence will depend upon the ability to compete in the housing system.

The major function of mobility therefore is to be the process by which households adjust their housing to the housing needs that are generated by the shifts in family composition that accompany life cycle changes. Mobility is greatest when households are experiencing greatest growth. Young families, especially those who have just added to their members are most likely to move. When such families find their housing inadequate for the demands generated by these shifts in composition, they are especially likely to move.

Housing varies to the extent to which it is adjustable to such changing needs. Large units are more flexible than
small units. Home owners have more control over their residence than renters and so an owned home can more easily be modified to meet family changes - particularly those which impinge on the dwellings interior characteristics.

For these reasons renters living in small dwelling units are particularly inclined towards mobility.

The previous discussion has shown that the household characteristics of movers and non-movers may differ considerably. Also the movement behaviour of movers themselves will depend upon whether the household is newly formed or was established before the desire to move arose.

The chart below indicates in a very broad sense, (as this is all that the surveys allow), the general conclusions concerning the variations in movement behaviour in terms of the household characteristics previously referred to in this study.

TABLE 5.14. General Household Characteristics of Non-movers and Movers (including both new and continuing households).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Household Characteristics</th>
<th>MOVERS</th>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Age of Head of Household</td>
<td>New</td>
<td>Continuing</td>
<td>Non-Movers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Young (mainly &lt;45)</td>
<td>Households</td>
<td>Slightly Older (mainly &lt;60)</td>
<td>More evenly Spread (25 - 60)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Household Type</td>
<td>Couples</td>
<td>Small Families</td>
<td>Larger Families Older Couples</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Socio-Economic Group</td>
<td>Higher SEG (Especially with higher incomes)</td>
<td>Higher SEG</td>
<td>Lower SEG's Lower Incomes</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

It will be noted that the previous discussions has drawn on evidence from studies of the characteristics of households who have actually moved. Very few surveys attempt to ascertain a households' intended plans for
moving i.e. its potential mobility.

The understanding of the housing system emerging from a consideration of successful movers only may be considerably distorted by the neglect of non-mover groups. At the extremes, immobility may indicate that current housing situations enable satisfaction to be maximised or that current housing situations represent a 'trapped' position which the household is unable to change. Rossi (111) attempted to measure how close a household's potential mobility was related to its actual mobility behaviour.

Eight months after an initial interview the interviewers returned to determine whether or not the household had moved. Of those planning to stay where they were 96 per cent had done so but of those planning to move only 80 per cent had been able to do so.

Evidence from surveys on actual mobility may go a long way in attempting to define characteristics of mobile as opposed to stable households but it must be remembered that actual mobility may underestimate the number of households desiring to move.

5.2.3. Factors Affecting the Destination of Movers.

Murie (93) has shown that the highest proportion of moves involve movement within the owner-occupied sector. Twenty-eight per cent of all moves were within this sector and fourteen per cent within the local authority sectors. See Table 5.15 below. Evidence from this survey suggests that the current housing situation i.e. current tenure has a considerable effect on movement behaviour and that households are most likely to move within the same sector.
Movement out of the tenure is likely to follow certain distinct patterns i.e. movement from private rented accommodation to local authority and owner occupied housing (involving 28.7 per cent of all moves). Movement from the local authority to the owner occupied sector appears to have been countered to a certain extent by similar flows in the opposite direction, both flows having increased in importance over time.

TABLE 5.15. Continuing Households: Present and previous Tenure.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Previous Accommodation</th>
<th>Present Accommodation</th>
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<tr>
<td>Local Authority Rented</td>
<td>% of all moves</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Owner Occupied</td>
<td>747 28.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Privately Rented</td>
<td>158 6.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>83 3.1</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>988</td>
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<tr>
<td>Local Authority Rented</td>
<td>% of all moves</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>171 6.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Privately Rented</td>
<td>307 11.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>453 17.1</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>1225 460</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>2655</td>
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</table>

From Murie (93)

Boxes — figures refer to moves within tenures.

Fig. 5.1 presents evidence from the 1972 National Movers Survey (Unpublished) in England and Wales of the pattern of movement between tenures.

This is consistent with previous evidence and also shows the importance of movements which might not have been expected i.e. moves away from owner occupation involve six per cent of all continuing households and moves to the privately rented sector 5 per cent.
Fig. 5.1. Continuing Household Movers: Proportion of all Moves by Tenure Origin and Destination; England and Wales (excluding Greater London) 1970-1-71. Percentages.

Table 5.16. indicates the relationship between tenure destination and household characteristics using evidence from the West Yorkshire Movers Survey 1969.

Certain distinctions emerge between the destinations of new and continuing households. New young householders are more likely to become owner occupiers and less likely to become local authority tenants, than continuing households in the same age group. New larger households are more likely to become tenants in the private sector than entering owner occupation. The privately rented sector is used proportionately more by new households than other sectors. Although the privately rented sector appears to
cater for the majority of SEG IV new households, continuing households in this group are much more likely to qualify for a council dwelling. A higher proportion of owner occupiers including both new and continuing households are from higher socio-economic groups. Markedly fewer households, new and continuing, in Socio-Economic Group I enter the local authority sector.

**TABLE 5.16. Tenure Destination by Household Characteristics:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Household Characteristic</th>
<th>Owner Occupied</th>
<th>Rented from Local Authority</th>
<th>Rented Privately</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>N = New</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>C = Continuing</strong></td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Age of Head</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>&lt;45 N %</td>
<td>60</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>53</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>&gt;44 N %</td>
<td>21</td>
<td>41</td>
<td>28</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>37</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>19</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Household Type</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Individual &lt;60 N %</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>61</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>33</td>
<td>36</td>
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<tr>
<td>Small Adult Household N %</td>
<td>74</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>19</td>
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<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Small Family N %</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>56</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>15</td>
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<tr>
<td>Large Family N %</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>60</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>14</td>
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<tr>
<td>Large Adult Household N %</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>69</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>47</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Small Older Household N %</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>35</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>18</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Socio-Economic Group</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>I N %</td>
<td>77</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>15</td>
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<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>81</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>II N %</td>
<td>62</td>
<td>11</td>
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<td>C %</td>
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<tr>
<td>III N %</td>
<td>62</td>
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<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>46</td>
<td>39</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>IV N %</td>
<td>33</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>42</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C %</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>22</td>
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Source: (93)
Some of the differences in movement behaviour can be accounted for by the relative sizes of the tenures. In terms of numbers alone it would appear that access to owner-occupation should be easier to achieve than to the public sector, which in turn should be easier than access to private renting. To a limited extent this is true. But access depends on vacancies arising rather than size of the stock. The National Movers Survey 1972 showed that 38 per cent of continuing households who moved in 1971 (to an address in England and Wales outside Greater London) left an owner occupied house, 23 per cent a public sector dwelling and the remainder left privately rented and other tenure groups. On this measure ease of access to private and other tenancies is much higher than their proportion in the total stock would suggest.

By far the greatest influence on movement behaviour are the eligibility rules operated by the various agencies responsible for access to the different tenures.

In each tenure it is possible to isolate those bodies which regulate supply and demand each having its own terms of reference and its own objectives and interests. In Britain there are over 400 local housing authorities, 24 New Town Development Corporations, The New Town Development Commission, over 2000 housing associations and various government departments all concerned with the provision and management of public sector housing. There are nearly 500 building societies as well as the local authorities, insurance companies, banks and private finance houses providing mortgages; over 70,000 firms in the construction industry,
over 25,000 estate agents, valuers and solicitors involved with the building or effecting the sale of a house in owner occupation. The number of individuals or companies who own and let housing is impossible to ascertain. In the owner-occupied sector especially the agents involved with provision and allocation may be quite different thus leading to greater complexity.

The distinction between housing 'need' and housing 'demand' (See Section 3.2.1.) is particularly pertinent when discussing the different criteria operated by agencies in different tenures. In the private sector the prime motivation is one of profit hence a household will only be allowed to enter the sector if it has proven ability to pay.

Building Societies (in the UK in 1972 eighty four per cent of all home loans were from a building society) try to minimise their financial risks; hence they are interested in the career prospects of potential borrowers, the stability as well as the level of their earnings, their age, the condition, expected future life of the property being purchased. Private landlords may expect, for example, their tenants not to have children as this may reduce the chance of damage to the property.

The local authority sector, developed in response to the demand for working class housing which could not be provided by the private sector at rents households could afford. Current local authority policies show that 'need' is still the main criterion which determines the allocation of council housing. 'Need' is usually defined in terms of housing conditions, overcrowding, underoccupation, lack
of self-contained accommodation and ill-health i.e. measurable physical factors, not social aspects. Within limits, local authorities are free to determine their own allocation policies but all authorities must rehouse, or make alternative arrangement, for households made homeless by slum clearance or redevelopment. Since the 1977 Housing (Homeless Persons Act) they also have a statutory obligation to provide housing for any homeless person/household providing that need has arisen for 'unforeseen' reasons (Although 'unforeseen' is not clearly defined).

In nearly all local authorities council housing is a scarce resource. The demand for tenancies exceeds the supply of vacancies, authorities therefore impose 'rationing' rules: first limiting those eligible for consideration of a tenancy and then deciding the priority of competing claims among those eligible. A household may not be allowed to register an application unless it has satisfied certain residential qualifications, i.e. lived on the area for a minimum of one year, or may be debarred by age or marital status - very few young single households find it possible to apply for council housing. For households on the waiting list most local authorities operate a 'points' system to define the households actual need. Different authorities will have different systems of priority. For most authorities transfer claims (existing tenants requiring alternative type of dwelling) are given greatest priority in the allocation of houses and bungalows leaving flats and maisonettes (inherently less attractive dwellings) for waiting list applicants. Despite the apparent differences between different local authorities broadly similar categories of
households can be identified as being housed by local authorities.

Because of the 'differences' between eligibility rules for the different tenures it is not easy to draw up an accurate hierarchy of ease of access to different tenures. But it is possible to give examples of the characteristics of households that would be likely to enter different tenures. The National Movers Survey of 1972 provides such evidence of continuing household movers whose destination was the tenure in question, but whose origin was some other tenure. Hence internal movers (owner occupied to owner occupied for example) are not considered as tenure entrants. The following three tables deal with the local authority sector, owner occupied sector and privately rented sector separately.

Table 5.17 shows those household types most likely to enter the local authority sector. The relatively large number of young small family entrants arise as applicants can rarely apply for a local authority dwelling until they are married and then they may have to wait a few years to gain 'points' against them - by which time one or more children may have been born. Old age pensioners are eligible to apply for a council tenancy often for reasons of ill-health and poor housing conditions. As mentioned previously councils have a statutory obligation to ensure that accommodation exists for those displaced by clearance or other demolition. Overcrowding and sharing attract the greatest number of points and thus the highest priority in many allocation policies. Applicants lacking any accommodation of their own receive priority (e.g. a married couple living with in-laws would
not be defined as a separate household for survey purposes if housekeeping were communal hence on applying for separate accommodation they would be regarded as a 'new' household.


<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Household Characteristic</th>
<th>England and Wales excluding Greater London</th>
<th>Great Britain</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Entrants to Local Authority Sector</td>
<td>All Movers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1970-71 %</td>
<td>1970-71 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Small Families.</td>
<td>38</td>
<td>34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Household head aged 25-29</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Small elderly households.</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Demolition as reason for move.</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Previous density of occupation 1½ or more persons per room.</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>New households.</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Former owner occupiers.</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>37</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Individuals aged 16-59.</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Moved distance over half hour journey from previous address.</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>32</td>
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</table>

Source (87)

Former owner occupiers are often deemed ineligible for a council tenancy. Clearance areas tend to involve
rented rather than owner occupied property. Entrants to the public sector are apparently less geographically mobile than all movers.

Table 5.18 shows those household types most likely to enter the owner occupied sector.

**TABLE 5.18. Entrants to Owner Occupation; England and Wales 1970-71 (Excluding Greater London) Comparison with All Households: Great Britain 1971.**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Head of Household:</th>
<th>England and Wales (excluding Greater London)</th>
<th>Great Britain</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Entrants to owner occupation 1970-1971 %</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>All Movers 1970-71 %</td>
<td>All Households 1971 %</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annual Income £1560 or more</td>
<td>51</td>
<td>43</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Non-Manual Worker, Unskilled or Semi-skilled Manual Worker.</td>
<td>46</td>
<td>39</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aged 45 and over</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>18</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>17</td>
<td>33</td>
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</table>

**Source: (88)**

The Survey evidence is in line with what would be expected from the policies and rules followed by building societies in allocating mortgage funds to new owner occupiers. House price levels and repayment requirements suggest that those with higher incomes will find it easier to obtain mortgage finance. Non-manual workers will be favoured due to security of earnings and incremental salary scales. Although unskilled workers may command higher wage levels the insecurity of such occupations makes it unlikely that a building society will favour an application from such a worker. Since building societies usually require that a loan be repaid before retirement age and the maximum repayment period is often 25 years a new borrower over aged 45
would be at a disadvantage.

Table 5.19 shows those household types likely to enter the privately rented sector.


<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Head of Household</th>
<th>Annual Income £1560 or more</th>
<th>Small Families</th>
<th>Individuals 16-59</th>
<th>Moved distance over 1 hour journey from previous address</th>
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Households most likely to become private rented tenants are those who cannot satisfy the eligibility criteria for other tenures, rather than choosing private tenancies in preference. Although, there is a high incidence of single person households under retirement age - out of proportion to all households - who possibly do choose private renting for preference. These households are highly mobile and the relative ease of movement within the sector - or to other sectors - means that the sector is very popular. The implications for this group of a continued decline in the privately rented sector seems particularly serious.

Relatively few households will have average or above average incomes since they would most likely be eligible for a mortgage for entry to owner occupation. Small families,
especially those living in poor conditions - will most likely be accepted for a local authority dwelling.

The apparent lack of common eligibility requirements for entry to the privately rented sector make it difficult to predict the type of household most likely to be found entering this sector.

Another factor influencing a household's destination is the extent of knowledge and information. The range of information possessed by, or available to, households and the time available for search are both important. They may depend upon the characteristics of the searcher but they are also linked with the objectives, attitudes and actions of the individuals and agencies which influence or control the flow of information. Variations in the destination of objectively similar households may not be explained by different preferences or the operation of constraints, but by knowledge and attitudes connected with both dwelling and location. Vacant dwellings arise throughout England and Wales; more in certain areas than others. A household's choice of dwelling may be severely restricted by lack of knowledge of what is actually available. Similarly, a household's attitudes to factors such as nearness to place of employment, schools, shops, open spaces etc., will affect the range of choices available.

In conclusion, those factors affecting the destination of household moves are:

(a) Present tenure;
(b) Eligibility criteria;
(c) Search, information and nearness to employment behaviour.
5.3. MODELLING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DWELLINGS AND HOUSEHOLDS. (THE ALLOCATION SUB-MODEL)

The phenomena described in the first part of this chapter relate to how and why the dwelling stock is occupied by households in the manner observed in England and Wales. The aim of this section of the chapter is to describe how and to what extent these phenomena were incorporated into the model.

As described in Chapter Two this third stage of modelling involved bringing together the households and dwellings sub-models in order to:

(a) reproduce the housing situation i.e., who lives where; and

(b) reproduce the processes involved in the allocation of households to dwellings.

5.3.1. Modelling who lives where

It appears from the literature review, Section 5.1., that, at any point in time, there are several 'locations' in the housing system where households will be found.

There it was shown that there are three major options open to households choosing a place to live:

(1) Occupy a permanent dwelling (as defined in the Census), separately; or,

(ii) Stay in temporary accommodation such as a hostel, hotel, bed and breakfast, hospital etc; or,

(iii) Share a permanent dwelling with one or more other households.

The discussion on homelessness in Section 5.l.3.3. showed that only a very small minority of households officially defined as homeless are in fact houseless. Even the houseless are found or find some temporary solution to their problem.
Section 5.1.3.2, discusses the growing tendency among young single households to combine resources to occupy accommodation as a group - in a sense to live communally. This form of sharing differs substantially from (iii) above in that voluntary sharing amongst YSH is considered to be acceptable whereas sharing of for example, family households is deemed not to be desirable.

Thus, in the model four locations are defined to which households are assigned:

1) **THE OCCUPANCY MATRIX**.

This is a matrix of 768 cells (24 x 32) containing the number of households of each type (of which there are 32 i.e., 4 family types, 2 ages, 4 SEG's) who are living separately in dwellings of each type (of which there are 24 i.e., 3 tenures, 2 conditions, 4 sizes) e.g., the number of young family households of SEG I living in good condition, medium sized, owner occupied dwellings.

2) **TEMP**

This is a vector (32 x 1) containing the number of households of each type who, having no dwelling of their own nor sharing accommodation, are temporarily staying in either an hotel, hostel, bed and breakfast, hospital, institution or Council Part III accommodation.

3) **SHARING**

This is a vector (32 x 1) containing the number of households of each type who have no dwelling of their own and are sharing with friends or relatives. The vector does not include the households with whom they share who will be
found in the OCCUPANCY MATRIX. No distinction has been made between households who share voluntarily – for example many 18 year olds still living with parents, or old persons living with their children – and those who share involuntarily. Neither is the dwelling type detailed. Groups such as gypsies, caravan dwellers, permanent inmates of hospitals or institutions, heads of households with residential jobs have not been dealt with explicitly in this model since the accommodation they occupy has not been included in the model classification of dwellings. A caravan, for example, is classified in the Census as a non-permanent dwelling and mental institutions and hospitals as non-residential accommodation. Only permanent, residential dwellings were included in the House Condition Surveys from which the majority of the model input data was obtained. It was decided that the magnitude of the groups involved did not warrant increasing the complexity of the model. In 1971 for example, there were 1.4 million persons living in non-permanent accommodation, representing just under three per cent of the total population.

(4) COMMAC

This is the number of Young Single Households in addition to the head of households who communally share accommodation. The head of the household will be in the OCCUPANCY MATRIX.

In addition, the number of dwellings of each type which remain unoccupied are held in the vector (24 x 1) VACANT. At the end of each iteration the model output will describe:

1. The total number of households of each type (HOUSEHOLDS).
2. The total number of dwellings of each type (DWELLINGS).
3. The number of households of each type living in dwellings of each type (OCCUPANCY MATRIX).

4. The number of households of each type living in temporary accommodation (TEMP).

5. The number of households of each type sharing accommodation (SHARING).

6. The number of extra young single households sharing dwellings communally (COMMAC).

7. The number of dwellings of each type remaining vacant (VACANT).

Information in brackets refers to the matrix/vector in the computer programme, in which the output is held.

The nature of the dwelling stock and the distribution of household types is in a constant state of flux; dwellings age, are modernised, change tenure, are built, are demolished, converted, households age, children are born, children leave home, people die, households migrate, marry, divorce. Even without actual household movement the use of the dwelling stock is continually changing.

Certainly with some moves the need for alternative accommodation will be manifest before the actual movement is carried out. For this reason, in the model, the household and dwelling phenomena above are dealt with before any household movement takes place.

For the purposes of the computer programme the households and dwellings phenomena were further classified in terms of the effect of the phenomenon on the housing system:

(A) Households Change (HHCHANGE)

Some households will change their status

i.e., YSTYSPF OPTOSPF
YSTYC OPTOC
YCTYP OSPFTOS
YFTOF OCTOS
YSPFTOSPF
YCTOC
(B) New Household (NEWHH)
where NEW means new to the system, not to be confused with the distinction made earlier between new and continuing households.
i.e., CLFH

(C) Household Dissolves (HHDISSOLVE)
Some households will cease to exist rather than change their status.
i.e., YSTYC EYF DOS

(D) Dwellings Change (DWCHANGE)
Some dwellings will change their state i.e., condition or tenure
i.e., PRAR PBBO
     PRMR OBPP
     OAR PGBL
     OMR PBBL
     LAAR OGBL
     LMR LGBO
     PGBO LBBO
     OGBP OBBL

(E) New Dwelling (NEWDW)
Some dwellings will be entirely new to the system.
i.e., NPR PGFC
     NOOCC OGFC
     NLAR LGFC

(F) Demolish Dwellings (DEMDW)
Some dwellings will cease to exist
i.e., DPR OBLC
     DOOCC OGLC
     DLAR LBLC
     PBLC LGLC

HHCHANGE, NEWHH, HHDISSOLVE, DWCHANGE, NEWDW, DEMDW are the names given to the procedures within the computer programme which simulate the effect of these phenomena.
These procedures, which contain several crucial model assumptions, will now be discussed in turn although their full implications for household movement will be dealt with in more depth in Section 5.4.

(A) HHCHANGE.

(i) Data from the Households Submodel used to determine the proportion of each household type changing to all other household types.

(ii) Totals for each household type adjusted by the number changing their state.

(iii) In the OCCUPANCY MATRIX the same proportion of each household type in each dwelling type is transferred to the new household type i.e., it is assumed that households change their state before deciding to move and that they will not move in anticipation of a change.

(iv) The same proportion of each household type is moved within TEMP and SHARING wherever the type of change applies.

(B) NEWHH.

(i) Data from the Households Submodel used to determine the total number of NEW households of each type.

(ii) These numbers added to the totals of existing households of each type.

(iii) The same number added to the SHARING category for each household type i.e., all NEW households share with friends or relatives before looking for their own accommodation.
(C) HHDISSOLVE

(i) Data from the Households Sub-Model is used to determine the proportion of each household type that has dissolved.

(ii) The total number of households of each type is reduced by this proportion.

(iii) Households in each dwelling type (i.e. cells in the OCCUPANCY MATRIX) are reduced by the same proportion for each household type affected.

(iv) The corresponding number is added to VACANT dwellings of each type.

(v) The number of households of each type in TEMP and SHARING is reduced by the same proportion.

N.B. By taking the same proportion it is assumed that the type of dwelling does not affect the rate at which households dissolve.

(D) DWCHANGE

(i) Data from the Dwellings Model is used to determine the proportion of dwellings of each type changing to all other dwelling types.

(ii) The totals for each dwelling type is altered by the number changing their condition or tenure.

(iii) In the OCCUPANCY MATRIX the same proportion of each household type in each dwelling type is transferred to the new dwelling type, i.e. it is assumed that when a dwelling changes type the household remains in situ.

(iv) The same proportion of each VACANT dwelling type is transferred to the new type.

(E) NEWDW

(i) Data from the Dwellings Sub-Model is used to determine
the total number of new and converted dwellings.

(ii) These numbers are added to the totals of existing dwellings of each type.

(iii) The same numbers are added to VACANT of each type.

(F) DWDEM

(i) Data from the Dwellings Sub-Model are used to determine the proportion of each dwelling type which are demolished or 'lost' to conversion.

(ii) The total number of dwellings of each type is reduced by this proportion.

(iii) A proportion of each household type in the OCCUPANCY MATRIX (occupying dwellings of the type to be demolished) is moved into TEMP, corresponding to the proportion of each dwelling type demolished.

(iv) The number of VACANT of each type which are to be demolished is reduced by the same proportion.

See Appendix D for a listing of the computer programme including the above procedures.

5.3.2. Modelling Households Movement Behaviour

A household's movement behaviour is viewed in two stages:

(1) Movement OUT of dwellings; and

(2) Movement INTO dwellings.

(1) Movement OUT of dwellings

Evidence presented in Section 5.2, indicates that households of different types move OUT of dwellings at different rates. Thus, in the model, each household type occupying each dwelling type is assigned a value corresponding to the average time spent by households of that type living in dwellings of that type before deciding to look for alternative
accommodation.

This matrix of values is of the same dimensions as the OCCUPANCY MATRIX, i.e., 768 cells and is called AVSTAY.

Similarly, the average length of time spent by households of different types in temporary accommodation before looking for a permanent dwelling is contained in AVSTAYTEMP. The average length of time spent by households of different types sharing dwellings before looking for alternative accommodation is known as AVSTAYSHARE. As a consequence of the problems involved in calibration the concept of Average Stay was later reviewed - See Chapter 6.

The parameters AVSTAY, AVSTAYSHARE, AVSTAYTEMP appear in the programme procedure SHAKEOUT which determines the total number of households looking for alternative accommodation between each iteration.

Thus, $H_o = \frac{DT \times OCCUPANCY[SEG,TYPE,AGE,SIZE,TENURE,COND]}{AVSTAY[SEG,TYPE,AGE,SIZE,TENURE,COND]}$

$H_T = \frac{DT \times HOMELESS[SEG,TYPE,AGE,TEMP]}{AVSTAYTEMP[SEG,TYPE,AGE]}$

$H_S = \frac{DT \times HOMELESS[SEG,TYPE,AGE,SHARING]}{AVSTAYSHARE[SEG,TYPE,AGE]}$

$H_C = \frac{DT \times COMACC[SEG] \times YSROOM}{AVSTAY[SEG,TYPE,AGE,SIZE,TENURE,COND]}$

Where, $H_o + H_T + H_S + H_C = H_M = HOMELESS[SEG,TYPE,AGE,MOVING]$

$H_M$ represents the total number of households of a particular SEG, TYPE and AGE who decide to look for alternative accommodation.

$H_o$ represents the number of households of a particular SEG, TYPE and AGE who move out of separately occupied dwellings.

$H_T$ represents the number of households of a particular SEG, TYPE and AGE who attempt to move from temporary accommodation.
\( H_s \) represents the number of households of a particular \( \text{SEG}, \text{TYPE} \) and \( \text{AGE} \) who attempt to move from shared accommodation.

\( H_c \) represents the number of young single households, apart from the head of household (who is included in \( H_s \)), who live communally but wish to move.

**OCCUPANCY** \([\text{SEG}, \text{TYPE}, \text{AGE}, \text{SIZE}, \text{TENURE}, \text{COND}]\) represents households in each \( \text{SEG}, \text{TYPE} \) and \( \text{AGE} \), separately occupying dwellings of each \( \text{SIZE}, \text{TENURE} \) and \( \text{CONDITION} \).

**HOMELESS** \([\text{SEG}, \text{TYPE}, \text{AGE}, \text{TEMP}]\) represents households in each \( \text{SEG}, \text{TYPE} \) and \( \text{AGE} \) living in temporary accommodation.

**HOMELESS** \([\text{SEG}, \text{TYPE}, \text{AGE}, \text{SHARING}]\) represents households in each \( \text{SEG}, \text{TYPE} \) and \( \text{AGE} \) living in shared accommodation.

**COMACC** \([\text{SEG}]\) represents the 'extra' young single households living communally.

**YSROOM** represents the average extra number of young single households per dwelling likely to be found living communally with the head of household.

**HOMELESS** \([\text{SEG}, \text{TYPE}, \text{AGE}, \text{MOVING}]\) represents the total number of households in each \( \text{SEG}, \text{TYPE}, \text{AGE} \) who wish to move.

**DT** represents the time step taken.

- **SEG** = SEG I, SEG II, SEG III, SEG IV.
- **TYPE** = Single, Couple, Family, Single Parent.
- **AGE** = Young, Old.
- **SIZE** = Very Small, Small, Medium, Large.
- **TENURE** = Owner Occupied, Local Authority Rented, Privately Rented.
- **COND** = Good Condition, Bad Condition.

For this formula to hold it is assumed that the propensity to move is independent of the length of stay. This appears to be borne out in the Owner Occupied Sector by the data in Table 5.20. However, less confidence can be placed in this assumption in the privately rented and local authority rented sectors.
MOVEMENT OUT OF DWELLINGS

Where:
AVSTAY\(^\ast\) indicates parameter affecting number wishing to move

Fig. 5.2

MOVEMENT INTO DWELLINGS

Where:
ACCESSIBILITY indicates parameter affecting number who actually move and their final destination

Fig. 5.3
It will be noted that in the model, average stay relates to the concept of potential movers as discussed in Section 5.2.1. Whereas in reality if a potential voluntary mover is unable to find suitable alternative accommodation it will remain in the present dwelling, in the model actual movement out occurs although this may be followed by movement back into exactly the same dwelling. In this sense, the model exaggerates the number of actual movers.

Having determined the total number of households of each type wishing to move, this number is held in a vector/matrix called MOVING - See Figure 5.2. The OCCUPANCY MATRIX, COMACC, TEMP and SHARING being adjusted accordingly.

Having made the decision to look for alternative accommodation, presently occupied dwellings are potentially available for another tenant/occupier. The dwelling of the potential mover is transferred to the vector VACANT thus increasing the supply of dwellings available for occupation.

At this stage a large number of households are looking for alternative accommodation and a similarly large number of dwellings are available for occupation. The modelling of the subsequent allocation will now be described.

(2) Movement INTO Dwellings

The factors determining movement INTO dwellings have been discussed in Section 5.2.3.

In the model, movement INTO dwellings depends upon
the availability of suitable dwellings and the desires, needs and ability to pay of each household type. Every household type is assigned 24 values representing:

The proportion of households of that type who wish to move (i.e., held in MOVING) that would move into each dwelling type given an infinite supply of such dwellings.

This parameter, called ACCESSIBILITY acts as a proxy for:

- the ability of the household to gain access to different tenures;
- size of the dwelling in relation to size of the household, i.e., 'needs' of the household;
- condition of the dwelling;
- cost of the dwelling;
- income of the household;
- aspirations of the household.

Thus, for example, proportionately more young family households of SEG I will move to owner occupied, medium sized, good condition dwellings than local authority, good condition, medium sized dwellings i.e., the accessibility of a YFH in SEG I will be higher for the owner occupied sector than the local authority sector.

The 32 sets of accessibility figures - one set for each household type - are entirely independent; no comparisons can be made between the figures for different household types.

In the model, the number of households who would like to move to a particular dwelling type is determined by

$$DT \times ACCESSIBILITY \times H_M$$

The accessibility figures for any particular household type add up to 100 per cent as they are intended to represent a households housing objectives in a situation of plentiful supply. But, household choice is constrained by the availability of vacant dwellings of suitable type,
price and location. Thus another concept was introduced into the model. AVAILABILITY is a matrix of numbers representing the proportion of vacant dwellings of each type that can be taken up by households of each type.

In the model, the number of vacant dwellings effectively available for occupation is determined by:

$$DT \times AVAILABILITY \times VACANT$$

ACCESSIBILITY and AVAILABILITY appear in the programme procedure ALLOCATE which assigns households who wish to move to dwellings of each type, to TEMP and to SHARING. The actual number of households of each type who are able to move to dwellings of each type, in order to separately occupy them, is taken as the minimum of either the number of vacant dwellings of each type effectively available to those households or the number of households of each type desiring to move to dwellings of that type.

Thus, $H_0 = \text{Minimum} ( ACCESSIBILITY \times VACANT )$ and

$$H_0 = \text{Minimum} ( ACCESSIBILITY \times H_M )$$

where, $H_0$ represents the number of households of a particular type who move and separately occupy a dwelling of a particular type.

AVAILABILITY represents the availability of that dwelling type to that household type.

VACANT represents the total number of vacant dwellings of that type.

ACCESSIBILITY represents the accessibility of that dwelling type to that household type.

$H_M$ represents the total number of that household type who wish to move.

In its present form the model does not allow households a second choice if their first choice is restricted by
availability. Of those households unable to acquire a dwelling of their own a certain proportion will share with friends or relatives; the remainder find temporary accommodation. Households unable to satisfy their objectives are assigned to either SHARING or TEMP.

The number of households of a particular type entering SHARING (M_S) is determined by

\[ M_S = (H_M - M_A) \times \text{SHARING ACCESS} \]

where, \( H_M \) is defined as previously

\( M_A \) represents all households of that type who actually move.

SHARING ACCESS represents the proportion of those households of each type who at the end of each time period have not acquired a dwelling of their own and share with friends or relatives.

The remainder (M_T) are assigned to TEMP

Thus, \( M_T = (H_M - M_A - M_S) \)

At the end of each time period MOVING is empty. All households are located in some part of the system. One iteration of the dynamic process is completed. See Figure 5.3.

A limitation of the model structure in its present form which is important to note is its ability to cater only for net flows of households. It is not possible to trace the path of individual households. This represents a limitation since, as was discussed in Section 5.2., one of the factors affecting the destination of moves is their original situation.

5.3.2.1. The Pecking Order

Each iteration of the dynamic process is carried out in two stages:
Stage I: Changes to households, dwellings and households occupation of dwellings caused by demographic (births and deaths etc.,) or housing phenomena (new building, modernisation etc.,) are made effective through procedures NEWHH, HHCHANGE, HHDISSOLVE, NEWDW, DWCHANGE, DEMDW, as discussed in Section 5.3.1.

Stage II: Potential movers are moved OUT of dwellings. They move back INTO dwellings subject to the availability of dwellings. This stage is carried out separately for each household type i.e., the process of movement OUT followed by movement INTO dwellings is carried out thirty two times in each iteration. As discussed in Section 5.2, different households have differing abilities to command housing of their choice. At times of housing shortage it can be said that a 'pecking order' exists for housing facilities which tends to reinforce the eligibility criteria of the various organisations controlling entry to the tenures.

Drawing on evidence presented in Section 5.2., in the model households are ranked in the following order:

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<th>Socio-Economic Group</th>
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<td>Young Family</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>YFH(SEG I)</td>
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<td>Young Couple</td>
<td>II</td>
<td>YCH(SEG II)</td>
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<td>Old Family</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>OFH(SEG I)</td>
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<td>6.</td>
<td>Old Family</td>
<td>II</td>
<td>OFH(SEG II)</td>
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<td>7.</td>
<td>Old Couple</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>OCH(SEG I)</td>
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<td>8.</td>
<td>Old Single</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>OSH(SEG I)</td>
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The first eleven groups represent those household types most eligible for entry to the owner occupied sector. The following eleven groups are household types most likely to enter the local authority rented sector – The final ten groups are most likely to be found in the privately rented sector.

Thus in the second stage of each iteration Young Couple Households in Socio-Economic Group I are moved OUT of dwellings first then moved INTO dwellings of their choice subject to availability. Young Single Households in Socio-Economic Group IV are deemed to be least able to enter the housing system in a location of their choice and are given the final 'peck' at vacant dwellings at each iteration.

A young couple in SEG I where both partners are most likely working and having few other financial commitments
would be viewed by Building Societies as favourable candidates for a mortgage. As households age or have children or if their income falls (e.g. at retirement) they will be considered more of a risk and hence are placed lower down the pecking order.

Young family households in SEG IV would most likely satisfy the criterion of need as required for entry to the local authorities sector as would old families and single parent families. Old single households are increasingly being catered for by the local authority.

Each 'peck' will have available to them those dwellings left vacant at the end of the previous 'peck' plus those dwellings vacated by the potential movers of the present 'peck'. The impact of the pecking order can be strengthened or weakened by adjustments to AVAILABILITY since AVAILABILITY affects the number of dwellings which can be taken up at each iteration.

5.3.3. The Use of Data.

In order to render operational the modelling of households movement behaviour certain data are required; the concepts defining these data needs have already been discussed i.e.

1. AVSTAY
2. AVSTAYSHARE
3. AVSTAYTEMP
4. ACCESSIBILITY
5. AVAILABILITY
6. SHARINGACCESS
7. YSROOM

None of these data requirements could directly be satisfied from existing sources of statistics. In all cases 'guesstimates' have been made based on a combination of available related statistics and qualitative evidence drawn

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from social surveys. The final choice of parameter values being determined via the calibration process. Each data need will be discussed separately.

(1) AVSTAY

In the model, AVSTAY is defined as the average length of time, in years, that a household of a particular type remains in a dwelling of a particular type before deciding to look for alternative accommodation i.e. AVSTAY determines the numbers of potential movers.

768 pieces of data are required for each household type living in different dwelling types to be assigned a unique value.

The General Household Survey provides information on the length of residence of households in the three tenures owner occupied, privately rented and local authority rented, See Table 5.20 below.

**TABLE 5.20. Length of Residence by Tenure**

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<th>Length of residence in years</th>
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<td>41 and over</td>
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Median 8 10 8

Source: (47)
As the data was in the form of length of stay rather than time before moving, for the purposes of determining values for AVSTAY, these stay times were extended to allow for those households who would continue to stay in the same dwelling. A simple method was adopted which, for the lack of any better information, was to double the median length of residence.

Hence, in the owner occupied sector, AVSTAY = 16 years in the privately rented sector, AVSTAY = 20 years in the local authority sector, AVSTAY = 16 years

Evidence presented in Section 5.2.1. broadly suggests that:

(a) young households move more often than older households.

(b) couple and family households move more often than other household types.

(c) higher SEG's move more often than lower SEG's.

(d) households in privately rented accommodation move more frequently than households in owner occupation who move more often than local authority tenants.

The survey material does not allow more precise conclusions to be drawn.

For model purposes households were assigned values to broadly satisfy the above criteria. For households in SEG I AVSTAY figures ranged from 3 to 12 years; for households in SEG II AVSTAY figures ranged from 4 to 18 years; for households in SEG III AVSTAY figures ranged from 4 to 25 years; and for households in SEG IV AVSTAY figures ranged from 9 to 40 years. The final choice being determined via the 'calibration' process of matching model output to known data. See Appendix B for a sample listing of the final AVSTAY values.
(2) AVSTAYSHARE

In the model, AVSTAYSHARE is defined as the average length of time in years that a household of a particular type remains in shared accommodation before looking for an alternative. As no account is taken of the type of dwelling which is shared, AVSTAYSHARE is a matrix of 32 values - one corresponding to each household type.

At this point in time, March 1978, no statistical evidence has been found on which to base the choice of values entering this matrix. Instead, guesstimates were made of the initial values with the final choice being determined via the calibration process.

It was assumed that the less desirable it were for a particular household type to share the shorter the time the household will wish to spend in shared accommodation. It was further assumed that the household characteristics of movers presented on page 214 equally applies to movers from shared accommodation i.e.:

(a) young households move more often than older households.
(b) couple and family households move more often than other household types.
(c) higher SEG's move more frequently than lower SEG's.

The final choice of AVSTAYSHARE values ranged from 0.5 years to 6 years - see Table 5.21.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SEG</th>
<th>YSH</th>
<th>OSH</th>
<th>YCH</th>
<th>OCH</th>
<th>YFH</th>
<th>OFH</th>
<th>YSPF</th>
<th>OSFF</th>
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<td>.7</td>
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</table>
(3) AVSTAYTEMP

In the model, AVSTAYTEMP is defined as the average length of time in years that a household of a particular type remains in temporary accommodation.

At present all household types are assigned the same value for AVSTAYTEMP. The figure is taken to be 0.25 years since this is the average maximum time that local authorities allow households to remain in Part III accommodation.

Facilities exist within the programme to allow each household type to be assigned a different value for AVSTAYTEMP.

(4) ACCESSIBILITY

In the model, ACCESSIBILITY is defined as the proportion of households of each type who wish to move (i.e. in MOVING) that would move to dwellings of each type if an infinite supply of such dwellings existed.

ACCESSIBILITY figures are held in a matrix consisting of 768 cells - a unique value for each household type occupying each dwelling type.

ACCESSIBILITY acts as a proxy for several factors. These include, ability to pay and suitability of the dwelling for the households needs and desires. Since peoples housing expectations tend to vary both with time and also with the changing state of the housing situation, it is unrealistic to apply an array of constants for each households' appraisal of its housing options. A better model would need to take account of this fact. Here however, the limitation has been accepted and constant values of ACCESSIBILITY used.

Once again a combination of common sense and qualitative
evidence was used to assign values to the ACCESSIBILITY matrix with the final choice being determined via the calibration process. The most useful source of evidence came from Murie (82) in his study of the eligibility criteria put forward by the various agencies responsible for allocating households to dwellings. The results are summarized in Tables 5.17, 5.18 and 5.19. To a certain extent also, the actual mix of households in different dwelling types, as indicated in Section 5.1.1., was taken into account in determining the values for the ACCESSIBILITY matrix even though the concepts of actual occupation and desired occupation do differ slightly.

To take an example, Young Family Households of Socio-Economic Group I were assigned the ACCESSIBILITY figures for each of the dwelling types shown in Table 5.22.

**TABLE 5.22.** ACCESSIBILITY figures for Young Family Households, SEG I for each dwelling type.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>TENURE AND CONDITION OF DWELLING</th>
<th>Owner Occupied</th>
<th>Privately Rented</th>
<th>Local Authority</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Dwelling Size</td>
<td>Condition</td>
<td>Condition</td>
<td>Condition</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Good %</td>
<td>Bad %</td>
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<tr>
<td>Very Small</td>
<td>1.1</td>
<td>1.0</td>
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<td>Small</td>
<td>16.8</td>
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<td>Medium</td>
<td>45.8</td>
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<td>Large</td>
<td>9.6</td>
<td>5.1</td>
<td>1.3</td>
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</table>

The choice of these figures were based on the following general assumption:

(a) Households in SEG I will most easily gain access to the owner occupied sector as opposed to the local authority sector and will not wish to enter the privately rented sector.

(b) Good condition properties are preferred to bad condition
properties despite the extra cost implied.

(c) A young family household will prefer medium sized accommodation.

(d) Young families will choose small dwellings as second best although a large, bad condition, owner occupied dwelling might be preferred given the opportunity to make improvements.

(e) Very small dwellings are the least desired size since a size of dwelling more closely related to the size of household will be able to be afforded.

A sample listing of the matrix of ACCESSIBILITY figures can be found in Appendix B.

(5) AVAILABILITY

In the model, AVAILABILITY is defined as the proportion of vacant dwellings of each type that can be taken up by households of each type.

Thus it is another matrix of 768 cells. However, at present all cells are assigned the same number. No information was available to aid even a 'guesstimate' of 'AVAILABILITY' to be made. Final choice of the magnitude of the parameter was determined via the calibration process. The range of possible values for AVAILABILITY is dependent upon the value given to DT. DT is the time step taken by each iteration and has been set to 0.25 years. Since in the model AVAILABILITY is multiplied by DT (See Page 238) and the number of dwellings available to households must be positive AVAILABILITY must lie in the range 0 to 4. A value greater than 4 will allow more dwellings to be taken
up than are actually available.

The value chosen for AVAILABILITY was 0.5. Thus for each iteration a maximum of one eighth of vacant dwellings can be taken up by each household type. Exploration with different values of AVAILABILITY has shown that this parameter affects the impact of the pecking order. Low values of AVAILABILITY mean few dwellings can be taken up at each iteration and the impact of the pecking order is strengthened.

(6) SHARING ACCESS

In the model SHARING ACCESS is defined as the proportion of households of each type who at the end of each iteration have not acquired a dwelling of their own and are likely to share with friends or relatives as opposed to entering temporary accommodation (TEMP). SHARING ACCESS is a matrix of 32 values - one corresponding to each household type.

Once again no suitable data exists in the required form. Common sense 'guestimates' were made. It was assumed that different household types have different attitudes to sharing. The vast majority of young single households would choose to share with their parents rather than live in a hostel or an hotel for example. Young families especially those in the lower SEC's who cannot find a suitable dwelling would be more likely to enter Council Part III temporary accommodation than a young couple household for example.

Table 5.23 shows the values for SHARING ACCESS used in the model.
TABLE 5.23  Model values for SHARINGACCESS.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SEG</th>
<th>YSH</th>
<th>OSH</th>
<th>YCH</th>
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<th>OFH</th>
<th>YSPFH</th>
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<td>I</td>
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<td>IV</td>
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<td>.85</td>
<td>.92</td>
<td>.5</td>
<td>.60</td>
<td>.62</td>
<td>.55</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Thus taking young family households in SEG I for example of those potential movers unable to find suitable accommodation 60 per cent enter SHARING and 40 per cent enter TEMP. For the household type in SEG IV only 50 per cent enter SHARING and 50 per cent enter TEMP.

(7) YSROOM

In the model, YSROOM is defined as the average number of spare rooms available for each dwelling type to be occupied by a young single household where the head of household is also a young single household. YSROOM is a vector of 24 values one for each dwelling type.

Information on young single households living together communally is extremely scarce. Evidence on the space occupied is even more limited. The magnitude of values assigned to the matrix were based on the following assumptions:

(a) Not all single heads of household wish to have other young single households living with them.

(b) Not all dwelling types are suitable/available for communal occupancy e.g., very small dwellings or dwellings in the local authority sectors.

(c) The extra space available is related to the size of the dwelling but may vary according to tenure.

See Table 5.24 for the values chosen.
TABLE 5.24. Model Values for YSROOM

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SIZE</th>
<th>Owner Occupied.</th>
<th>Privately Rented.</th>
<th>Local Authority.</th>
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<td></td>
<td>Condition</td>
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<td>Very</td>
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<td>Medium</td>
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<td>0.60</td>
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<tr>
<td>Large</td>
<td>1.00</td>
<td>1.00</td>
<td>1.25</td>
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</table>

The model deals with net flows of households and dwellings when considering movement behaviour. YSROOM is applied to the total spare accommodation in dwellings of a particular type not to an individual dwelling. Hence a YSROOM value of 0.25 would mean that for every four dwellings where the head of household was young and single one room would be available for occupation by another young single household.

5.3.4. Model Results

At the end of each iteration the following information is output from the model:

1. The total number of households of each type (HOUSEHOLDS).
2. The total number of dwellings of each type (DWELLINGS).
3. The number of households of each type living in dwellings of each type (OCCUPANCY MATRIX).
4. The number of households of each type living in temporary accommodation (TEMP).
5. The number of households of each type sharing accommodation (SHARING).
6. The number of 'extra' young single households sharing dwellings communally (COMACO).
7. The number of dwellings of each type remaining vacant (VACANT).

Information in brackets refers to the name of the matrix/vector in the computer programme in which the input/output is held.

In order to calibrate the model data is required in this form for at least two dates - preferably for 1967 and 1971 as in the households and dwellings sub-models.
But amongst the 916 output variables which were of interest only about 70 could be fixed from known data at one time.

For the HOUSEHOLDS and DWELLING matrices, data availability was satisfactory and has been described in Section 3.4.5. and 4.4.7.

For the OCCUPANCY MATRIX, TEMP, SHARING, COMAAC and VACANT, data either does not exist in the required form or is extremely limited.

It was only possible to obtain twelve summary statistics for the 768 values required for the OCCUPANCY MATRIX for the two dates 1967 and 1971. These were in the form of the proportion of occupiers in each tenure from each socio-economic group and were obtained from the Sample Census 1971. The assumption was made that the situation did not change significantly from 1966 to 1967. The results are shown in Table 5.25. This table is of limited value in terms of its use for calibration, but it was the only information of this nature available and did provide a useful guide to the proportions of households to be expected in each tenure.

Information of the nature required by the model may be collected at the Census. At present it is not published in this form. Obtaining such unpublished data is lengthy and expensive and could not be undertaken during this research programme.

Very limited statistics are available on vacant dwellings as discussed in Section 5.1.2. For calibration purposes as only total numbers of vacant dwellings was known, only
A common sense interpretation of the model results was possible. The distribution of vacant dwellings by type produced by the model were considered acceptable if the proportion of each type of dwelling left vacant broadly agreed with the proportion of all dwellings left vacant.

**TABLE 5.25. Tenure by Socio-Economic Group 1966 and 1971. England and Wales.**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Socio-Economic Group (SEG)</th>
<th>1966</th>
<th>1971</th>
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<td>SEG II</td>
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<td>SEG III</td>
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<td>SEG IV</td>
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<td>17</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Private Tenants</strong></td>
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<td>SEG I</td>
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<td>SEG II</td>
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<td>5</td>
</tr>
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<td>SEG II</td>
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<td>13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SEG III</td>
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<td>40</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SEG IV</td>
<td>44</td>
<td>42</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

*Source: (92)*

Statistics on SHARING are also extremely limited. Census data on sharing households does not include all model defined household types as discussed in Section 5.1.3.2. The assumption was made that if the model could be calibrated on the OCCUPANCY MATRIX and the total number of vacant dwellings then the number of households found to be sharing must be correct as a logical consequence. The vast majority of model defined sharers will be young single households.
as a result of their definition.

For TEMP and COMACC no suitable data could be found to even guide guesstimates of their values. It was assumed that previous assumptions about the magnitude of values in SHARINGACCESS and YSROOM would result in acceptable values for TEMP and COMACC.

Ideally, each of the above matrices/vectors are required as input data to provide the initial conditions for the model. As this was not possible a process of initialisation was carried out with the aim of producing an acceptable starting position for 1967.

Initialisation is carried out in two stages:

Stage 1: All households are 'placed' in MOVING. All dwellings are 'placed' in VACANT. All other matrices/vectors are empty at the beginning of this stage.

The model was run for one iteration using procedureALLOCATE only, which assigns households to dwellings. At the end of this iteration over 56 per cent of all households had been allocated to over 80 per cent of dwellings. No movement OUT of dwellings occurred i.e., SHAKEOUT was inoperative. Furthermore, no growth was allowed in either the Dwellings or Households sub-models i.e., the procedures NEWHH, HHCHANGE, HDDISSOLVE, NEWDW, DWCHANGE, DWDEM were not operative.

Stage 2: Further iterations were carried out until the total number of vacant dwellings remaining, reached the required target for 1967 i.e., 600,000. Eight iterations were required to reach this point. Still no growth was allowed but SHAKEOUT was fully operative so that movement

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OUT of dwellings took place. Hence some households, once allocated to dwellings, do move out and join all other households in MOVING. However, it is not possible to identify whether households not allocated during the first iteration take second choice in the second iteration etc., as the model only deals with net flows of households.

Initialization formed part of the calibration process in that model parameters were set to the same values for use before and after 1967. The running of the model for 1967 to 1976 was described in detail in Section 5.3.2, with each iteration corresponding to a three month period. The successes and failures of the calibration will now be discussed.

Fig. 5.4 depicts the model output for 1967 to 1976 on a very broad basis. The total number of households has shown only a very minor increase from 23.47 million in 1967 to 23.72 million in 1976. Dwellings have increased at a greater rate from 15.59 million in 1967 to 18.2 million by 1976. In the model this has had the effect of significantly reducing the number of households sharing over this period. Evidence presented in Section 5.1.3.2, on the decline in sharing justifies these model results. Over the period the total number of vacant dwellings has remained fairly static although the rate of increase in the period 1974 to 1976 was slightly higher than in the period up to 1974 reflecting the evidence presented in Section 5.1.2.

In very broad terms, the model is well calibrated, 90 per cent of households (excluding single households) are occupying 98 per cent of the dwelling stock. However,
Model output of Total Households, Total Dwellings, Total Sharing/Homeless, Total Vacant Dwellings 1967 to 1976

Fig. 5.4
VACANT DWELLINGS BY TENURE AND CONDITION

![Graph showing the change in number of vacant dwellings by tenure and condition from 1967 to 1976.](image)

- **Local Authority Rented**
- **Local Authority Rented good condition dwellings**
- **Owner Occupied**
- **Owner Occupied good condition dwellings**
- **Privately Rented**
- **Privately Rented good condition dwellings**

Fig. 5.5
closer analysis of the model's output will demonstrate to what extent calibration has been unsuccessful.

Fig. 5.5 shows vacant dwellings by tenure and condition. Although there is no evidence to justify these results it seems acceptable that given a known increase in the total number of vacant dwellings which occurred over the period that vacant owner occupied and local authority dwellings should have increased in the manner produced in the model.

It is not surprising that the number of vacant privately rented dwellings has declined slightly over the period since the total number of privately rented dwellings has also declined. The reasons why the model causes the number of vacant dwellings in the owner occupied sector to decline for the first three years are not clear although there is no statistical evidence to suggest that this happened. During the second stage of initialisation the total number of vacant dwellings is falling rapidly from iteration to iteration and the model may still be under this influence in the early years.

According to the model's output an increasing proportion of vacant dwellings in all tenures were of good condition over the period 1967 to 1976. There is no evidence to suggest that these results are incorrect. The evidence presented in Section 5.1.2, especially Table 5.5, suggests that, in fact, the total number of good condition vacant dwellings is increasing.

Fig. 5.6 shows vacant good condition local authority and owner occupied dwellings by size. Very small and small
VACANT LOCAL AUTHORITY, GOOD CONDITION DWELLINGS

VACANT OWNER OCCUPIED, GOOD CONDITION DWELLINGS

Fig. 5-6
Homeless/Sharing households (excluding all single households) by Socio-economic group and Family Status

**SOCIO-ECONOMIC GROUP**

- I
- III
- IV

**FAMILY STATUS**

- COUPLE
- FAMILY

**Fig. 5.7**
local authority vacant dwellings and medium and small owner occupied vacant dwellings appear to have increased most dramatically, especially since 1973. These are the dwelling types of which most new building is consisted, and a query arises as to whether the recent building programme has overtaken demand for these particular dwelling types. Again there is no evidence to suggest that the model results are incorrect.

Fig. 5.7 shows the number of homeless and sharing households, excluding single households, by SEG and family status. The results for households classified by SEG are dramatic and in conflict with common sense. Their only value being in questioning imperfect modelling. The very dramatic reduction in sharing of households in SEG III and SEG IV is difficult to justify when it appears to have occurred at the expense of households in SEG I where sharing increased over the period. It is feasible that total sharing should fall as the situation changes from one of housing shortage towards a situation of excess, but there is no common sense justification for households in Seg II to be satisfied first followed by SEG IV and SEG III.

In terms of family status the results cannot be clearly interpreted. The model has shown a general improvement for couple and family households after the first few years of the period.

Although not shown on the diagrams the number of sharing households is dominated by single person households. In 1967 for example there were, according to the
OCCUPIERS BY SOCIO-ECONOMIC GROUP

Fig. 5-8
this result is a consequence of the 'problem' in the model of allocating too many SEG I households to the SHARING category. Both results are believed to arise from model failures which have not yet been corrected. Comparing Figs. 5.8 and 5.7 it would appear that the model, in reducing sharing in SEG III, has allocated these households straight into owner occupation. According to the data, Table 5.2.5, the proportion of owner occupiers from SEG III remained at a constant of 30 per cent over the period 1967 to 1976. The model increases the proportion from 27 per cent to 33 per cent.

It is believed that if the problems associated with the model's treatment of households who share could be overcome many of the anomalies within the OCCUPANCY MATRIX would also be solved.

5.4. A REVIEW OF THE ALLOCATION SUB-MODEL

The allocation sub-model is concerned with modelling the way in which households of different types come to occupy dwellings of different types. As with the two other sub-models the methods adopted have not always been capable of modelling all phenomena explicitly. But, as emphasized in Chapter One, the primary function of the research was to provide a learning experience of how to approach the problem of developing an operational model of the housing system.

This section considers the extent to which those concepts discussed in Sections 5.1. and 5.2 of this Chapter
have been incorporated into the model. Important facts considered in those sections which are not accommodated by the model design are noted and recorded for the benefit of those who later seek to develop or improve upon the modelling process.

The material presented in this section follows the structure set out in Sections 5.1. and 5.2.

5.4.1. Which dwellings are occupied by which households

The evidence presented in Section 5.1.1. suggested that consistent associations exist between tenure and certain household characteristics i.e., socio-economic group, age and stage in the family life cycle.

In the model the OCCUPANCY MATRIX specifies who lives where. One notable phenomenon which could not be modelled is the sharp age distinction which exists between the type of tenants found in the furnished and unfurnished privately rented sectors. (See Table 5.1.). This is because no distinction is made between furnished and unfurnished tenancies. Size of family is also known to be different in different tenures but, in the model, is only reproduced in crude terms as defined by stage in the family life cycle. Quite clearly single and couple households are synonymous with one and two-person-sized households, but the size distinctions within family and single-parent families are less clear. To an extent the classification young and old helps to provide a further indication of size of the household. A family must age whilst increasing, although once children reach a certain age and start to leave home the
family size will decrease as the household ages. Thus age can only provide limited indication of the size of the household.

Table 5.4 compares social class and tenure of households for the years 1966 and 1971 and shows that a clear relationship exists between SEG and tenure. The extent to which the model results reflect that evidence has been discussed in great detail in the previous section. Here it was stated that some of the results for households classified by SEG are dramatic and in conflict with common sense; their major value being in questioning imperfect modelling. Contrary to the evidence presented in Table 5.4, the model consistently places insufficient households from SEG I in the owner occupied sector and concludes that, in fact, the vast majority of sharing households come from SEG I. This 'problem' of allocating too many SEG I households to SHARING has not been resolved, but it is believed to be a result of the incorrect modelling of the Average Stay concept which is discussed in greater depth in Chapter 6.

It was suggested in Section 5.1.1. that some explanation of why certain households are found in certain parts of the system can be attributed to the eligibility criteria laid down by the various agencies responsible for access to the system. These eligibility rules were modelled via the use of the ACCESSIBILITY matrix but a good deal more specific knowledge is available about the functioning of these rules than could be modelled.

The functioning of ACCESSIBILITY will be discussed later in this Section. Having discussed 'who lives where' it was
suggested in Section 5.1.2, that 'problems' arise when a gap exists between housing need and demand and the availability of dwellings. Four conditions were identified:

1. Unnecessarily vacant dwellings.
2. Overcrowding.
4. Homelessness.

The extent to which it was possible to incorporate these concepts into the model structure will now be discussed, and in particular comments will be made on the strengths and weaknesses of the model which has just been described in respect of these phenomena.

5.4.2. Unnecessarily Vacant Dwellings.

In Section 5.1.2, a number of examples of the reasons for dwellings becoming vacant are given. Of these, the majority were easily incorporated explicitly into the model, e.g., (i) A household voluntarily moves - procedure SHAKEOUT comes into operation, the household is moved and a dwelling becomes vacant.

(ii) A household is dissolved by death - procedure HHDISSOLVE reduces the number of households and increases the number of vacant dwellings.

(iii) A new dwelling is created - procedure NEWDW operates to increase the number of vacant dwellings.

There is no explicit treatment of cases such as eviction or compulsory purchase orders, but these could easily be introduced by reducing the AVSTAY figures for the household types most likely to be affected. Similarly, the model is not capable of representing the effect of speculation on the numbers of vacant dwellings. As there is no financial
sector, the effect of the availability of mortgages on the numbers of vacant dwellings also cannot be modelled explicitly. Implicitly, however, such an effect could be simulated by adjusting the magnitude of either the relevant AVSTAY or ACCESSIBILITY figures.

As discussed in greater detail in Section 5.1.2 there is little understanding of why some dwellings remain vacant for extended periods. In the model as it now stands there is no monitor on the length of time dwellings remain vacant. However, the mechanism AVAILABILITY affects the number of dwellings occupied each time step and therefore, also the number of dwellings remaining vacant. Due to the use of net flows, it would not be possible to model the length of time individual dwellings remain vacant, but a greater understanding of why and which dwellings remain vacant would enable a more precise definition of AVAILABILITY to be made.

5.4.3. Households Unable to Separately Occupy Dwellings

(a) Overcrowding

Since family (household) size is not explicitly included in the classification of households, difficulties arise in using the model to assess the incidence of overcrowding. As discussed earlier, only a limited indication of household size is possible with the classifications used. An improved model would need to distinguish between small and large families, but the data problems of too many model variables would arise. Overcrowding therefore, is not
a factor which has been explicitly examined with this model. It has only been possible to include the effect of overcrowding on the desire to move to a limited extent through the mechanism of AVSTAY, by reducing AVSTAY selectively for those household types living in dwellings where they are likely to be overcrowded e.g., Young Families in small dwellings.

(b) Sharing

An attempt has been made to model the phenomena of sharing so as to include all households who voluntarily or involuntarily share accommodation. The choice of model definition of Young Single Households - to include all eighteen plus year olds - was a deliberate attempt to reduce the number of hidden homeless. The separate category SHARING was defined so as to make clear exactly who are sharers. Unfortunately, in an attempt to reduce the size of the matrices it was not possible to increase the matrix classification to link the sharers with the shared. The model, therefore, is not capable of showing which dwelling types are being shared, nor which households are being shared with. Thus in terms of aiding understanding of the system so as to indicate possible policy proposals, this section of the model only shows who shares. Even if data was available to show where and with whom sharers share then there would need to be an expansion of the model complexity adding a three dimensional matrix 32 x 24 x 32.
Homelessness

As discussed in Section 5.1.3, attempting to gauge the true extent of homelessness is an almost impossible task. But there is general agreement that the number of households who are physically houseless is very small indeed; most people find somewhere to live no matter how unsatisfactory it may be in the long run. A homeless household will, in general, either share with friends or relatives or find some temporary accommodation. The model categories TEMP and SHARING were defined to take account of this. For the purposes of setting up an operational model it was believed unnecessary to introduce a further classification (Houseless) since the added complexity would have involved very small numbers and not necessarily led to any greater understanding of how the system works, nor led to any improvement in the quality of the model output. The media does tend however, to greatly emphasize the importance of this end of the scale of unsatisfactorily housed persons even at the expense of those households sharing or living in overcrowded or bad condition dwellings. Attempting to model this section of the system highlighted again the need for Housing objectives to be clearly defined since media 'noises' cannot replace a more fundamental look at the underlying problems.
5.4.4. Household Movement Behaviour

1. The Characteristics of Households most likely to move

The evidence presented in Section 5.2.1. suggested that certain household types were far more likely to move dwelling than others. The model sets up those conditions likely to induce movement and 'moves' households out of dwellings by means of the matrix AVSTAY (average length of time in years that a household of a particular type remains in a dwelling of a particular type before deciding to look for alternative accommodation). The matrix is of equal size as the OCCUPANCY MATRIX, hence it is possible for each household type in each dwelling type to be assigned a different magnitude for AVSTAY. The model procedure incorporating this concept has been described in great detail in Section 5.3.2. Initial guidance on the magnitude of values in the AVSTAY matrix was provided by information on households length of residence in the three tenures taken from the General Household Survey. Thus an average figure for each tenure was determined (details of which are contained in Section 5.3.3.) This average figure was then adjusted for each household type in each dwelling type to incorporate the qualitative conclusions drawn from the discussion on the reasons for household movement and which households occupy which dwellings as discussed in Section 5.2.2. and 5.1.1. e.g., couples and small families are more likely to move than larger older families.

It is important to note that AVSTAY refers to 'potential' movers i.e., those households who would like to move but
not necessarily those who are able to actually move. Most studies concentrate on the number of actual movers and, as mentioned in Section 5.2.2, a danger exists in studying the movement behaviour of actual households only. At the extremes immobility may indicate that current housing situations represent a 'trapped' position which the household is unable to change or that they enable satisfaction to be maximized.

In the model, however, all potential movers are initially 'moved' into the category MOVING although the unsuccessful movers may be returned to exactly the same category of dwelling type from which they were taken. However, this movement back to the same type of dwelling may be reflecting a move to another very similar dwelling in a different location or in fact a non-move i.e., the household wanted to move but was not able to find a suitably alternative dwelling, so remained in exactly the same dwelling. This inability for the model to produce output which distinguishes between actual and potential movers is a considerable disadvantage in aiding understanding of why some households find it easier to move within the system, but is inevitable due to the use of net flows. It appears necessary to trace individual flows in order to overcome the problem.

2. The Reasons for Household Movement.

The literature presented in Section 5.2.2. made great use of the distinction between New and Continuing Households in analysing the reasons why certain households move; the implicit assumption being that the likelihood of moving will
depend upon the circumstances surrounding the formulation of the household. These distinctions are not used in the model. Due to the use of net flows all households of a particular type irrespective of how or when they were formed are assumed to have the same propensity to move. As such it has not been possible to model explicitly the reasons why households move.

In Section 5.2.2, on the reasons for household movement the point was made that the need for alternative accommodation would be manifest before actual movement takes place. In fact, even without actual household movement the nature of the dwelling stock and the distribution of household types is in a constant state of flux as dwellings age, are modernized, converted etc., and households age, marry and have children etc., For this reason, in the model, the households and dwellings phenomena are dealt with before any household movement takes place i.e., before the procedure incorporating AVSTAY is allowed to operate. The procedures used to model these phenomena are:

HHCHANGE, NEWHH, HDISSOLVE, DWCHANGE, NEWDW, DEMDW.

Some of these procedures model phenomena which could induce a household to move e.g., a young couple have a baby (HHCHANGE); a 'child' leaves home (NEWHH); a dwelling becomes unfit to live in (DWCHANGE); a dwelling being demolished (DEMDW).

The operation of these procedures have been discussed in detail in Section 5.3.1, but the extent to which they replicate the present understanding of the real world needs to be made clear.
HHCHANGE

In the process of households changing their status, not only is it assumed in the model that this status is changed before moving, but also that a high proportion of households do not wish to move as a consequence of their new condition. In the model HHCHANGE causes under 10 per cent of households to change their status. Note also that the model assumes that households in TEMP and SHARING experience the same proportion of HHCHANGE as those separately occupying dwellings. This presumes that these detrimental housing states have no influence on the evolving states of these households. Although no suitable data was found it is generally held that household development is affected by current housing conditions, and therefore several feedback mechanisms are required in the model at this stage. (See Chapter Eight for a discussion of the nature of feedbacks to be incorporated into such a model).

NEWHH

In the model as it now stands the creation of new households is solely represented by the injection into the system of eighteen year old Young Single Households. There is no explicit link in the model between an eighteen year old leaving home, and the affect this may have on the Family household remaining. Once again, due to the use of net flows it is not possible to trace individual flows, therefore all eighteen year olds are assumed to 'appear' as YSH. It is assumed that some of these will be last children leaving home. Therefore, included in the flows OFTOC and OSPFTOS
are elements to cover families and single parents reduced to couples and single person-households as a result of the last child leaving home. Once more it would be necessary to add the further variable of family size to link these two phenomena.

**DWCHANGE**

In the process of DWCHANGE it is assumed that vacant dwellings change their state at the same rate as occupied dwellings. In the case of modernization, for example, it is often argued, as in Section 5.1.2, that dwellings are kept vacant in order that they may be modernized. Without more information on this subject i.e., reasons why vacant dwellings arise, the assumption built into DWCHANGE must remain.

**5.4.6. Factors Affecting the Destination of Movers**

Section 5.2.3, discusses those factors which affect where a household will move to. In conclusion it was suggested that the three most important factors affecting the destination of household moves are:

(a) Eligibility criteria.
(b) Present Tenure
(c) Search information and nearness to employment behaviour.

Households are moved into dwellings from MOVING by means of the matrix ACCESSIBILITY (The proportion of households of each type who wish to move that would move to dwellings of each type if an infinite supply of such dwellings existed). This matrix, as with AVSTAY, is of equal size as the OCCUPANCY MATRIX hence each household type in each dwelling
type is assigned a different value of ACCESSIBILITY. The model procedure for incorporating this concept has been described in great detail in Section 5.3.2.

Figures for the ACCESSIBILITY matrix could not be based on any existing data as information on such a concept is not collected. Subjective consideration of the evidence on who lives where, the characteristics of households most likely to move, and the factors affecting the destination of movers (Sections 5.1.1., 5.2.1., 5.2.3.) was used to determine the magnitude of the figures in this matrix. An attempt was made for information on the eligibility criteria and allocation policies of the various agencies controlling the different tenure sectors to be embodied in the ACCESSIBILITY figures. Thus, for example, since a YCH in SEG I both assumed to be earning a good income would be highly eligible for a mortgage and conversely would be very unlikely to qualify for a council dwelling, the ACCESSIBILITY figure for YCH’s in SEG I wishing to enter the owner occupied sector is far higher than those wishing to enter the local authority sector. (The final figures chosen were 91.7 per cent and 2.2 per cent respectively).

The second conclusion to be drawn from the literature review in Section 5.2.3. i.e., the importance of a household's present 'tenure' in affecting its destination after movement was not able to be incorporated into this model structure. In the present model all households of a particular type who wish to move, irrespective of their original location are transferred to the one category called MOVING. Thus
vital information on present tenure is lost. Such a model structure was unavoidable in an attempt to limit its size. However, if data on the likely destination of movers from particular dwellings was available continuous adjustments of ACCESSIBILITY values could be introduced.

Similarly it was not possible to model a household's search behaviour except to the extent that households of similar types and SEG's are assumed to behave in broadly similar ways as discussed in Section 3.2.2, and are therefore likely to have similar ACCESSIBILITY figures. Thus ACCESSIBILITY largely reflects only eligibility criteria and allocation policies of the various agencies.

Such is the belief in the strength of these eligibility and allocation policies that a further concept was introduced into the modelling process to enhance the effect of the ACCESSIBILITY matrix. This concept is the Pecking Order. Here, households were ranked according to their ability to gain access to first the owner occupied sector, then the local authority sector, and finally the privately rented sector. Guidance on this ordering was provided by evidence from Murie (93) on the factors affecting the destination of movers. Thus the household type at the top of the list is the household type with the greatest capacity to gain access to the housing system and that at the bottom the least able. The pecking order serves the three-fold purpose of ranking first those with financial power, then those with social power i.e., poor, large, and finally those with little or no financial or social power.
Each of these three groups are assumed, in the model, to be largely interested in different types of dwelling i.e., owner occupied, local authority rented, then privately rented.

Such an ordering is, however, highly dependent upon the availability of all dwellings. If dwellings are in plentiful supply the effect of the Pecking Order will be considerably reduced. The Pecking Order has the strongest effect when there is a shortage of dwellings.

Thus there is a strong link between the effect of the Pecking Order and the magnitude of the parameter AVAILABILITY which restricts the take-up of vacant dwellings at each peck. One of the effects of AVAILABILITY is, in fact, to allow for the differences between supply and demand for dwellings in different parts of the country. Whereas total supply may equal total demand on a national basis total supply may exceed total effective demand if the dwellings are not in the desired location and hence a number of dwellings will remain vacant.

Thus the strengths and weaknesses of the Allocation Section of the model have now been discussed. Chapter Six is concerned with why it is necessary to calibrate a model, some of the problems encountered in attempting to calibrate this model, and the results of running the model forward with the parameters as set for the period 1967 to 1976.
CHAPTER SIX
CALIBRATION AND TESTING

6.1. THE AIMS OF CALIBRATION WITH SOME EXAMPLES OF SUCCESS ACHIEVED.

'Calibration' involves the determination of the best estimates of the parameters of the model, and 'testing' means estimating the goodness of fit of the model when run with the best estimate parameters. If a model is to be used for predictive purposes it is essential that it be calibrated and tested for some historic period in order to have some degree of confidence in its predictions.

Ideally, calibration and testing should be carried out separately. For the Housing Policy Model this would mean defining the parameters over a period such as 1957 to 1966 and testing the model over the period 1967 to 1976. 1977 to 1986 being used as the predictive period.

However, severe problems with lack of historic data prevented such a procedure being employed. The decision was taken to use 1967 (including the initialisation period) to 1976 as both the calibration and testing period combined and in so doing to follow Forresters' example. (45)

The processes of calibration and testing are closely connected. As calibration proceeds it is necessary to adjust appropriate parameters according to some goodness of fit criteria. Inevitably the criteria are relaxed or tightened as success or failure in calibration develops.

The basic principle employed with the calibration and testing of this model consisted of first defining the best values for the input data based as far as possible on
existing sources of statistics and both qualitative and quantitative survey results. Second, running the model from 1967 to 1976. Third, adjusting the input data so that results on the model levels agreed with statistics which were available (in this case only for 1967 and 1971). Certain input data was available up to 1976 e.g. marriages and new house building, so the assumption was made that if the model could match 1971 data, the model results could be accepted up to 1976. The criteria for acceptance of model results from 1971 to 1976 being that no violent changes occurred in previous trends. It was believed that model predictions would not be acceptable for longer than a further ten year period. The usefulness of being able to predict only ten years ahead was brought into question when carrying out Experiment 3 and will be discussed in the following Chapter.

Calibration of models of complex systems such as housing is in many ways an incomplete and imperfect process. A compromise must be reached between model complexity and model realism (in terms of its ability to reflect observable phenomena) on the one hand and the quality of the existing available data on the other.

For a simple model with few variables, See Fig. 6.1, existing data may be suitable and easy to obtain and consequently the process of calibration relatively easy. In terms of its usefulness a simple model can give only a limited representation of reality. In efforts to describe the actual world with the model the temptation will be to increase
its complexity so as to increase its realism. But as the number of variables and parameters increases, the overall quality of the data will fall. A balance must be reached in order to maximize model realism subject to the availability of good quality data.

Fig. 6.1. Trade off between model complexity, model realism, quality of data.

The necessary prerequisites for achieving this balance are:
(a) comprehension of the complexity of the system in reality,
(b) knowledge of existing sources of data,
(c) knowledge of the ultimate use of the model.

Model design is inevitably an iterative process— as new sources of data are found the model structure can be revised accordingly. For calibration to be feasible the model must be designed only to that degree of complexity which can be satisfied by the available data.

The problems of calibrating this model have been referred to in Chapters Three, Four and Five when discussing the results from each of the sub-models. Consistently the
major problem was lack of suitable data. The extreme complexity of the housing system had long been appreciated. But as a large number of parameters, about 1650, were defined in such a way as to be freely adjustable without external constraint from known data, it was initially assumed that it would be possible to obtain many different solutions thus giving more chance of arriving at the 'correct' solution. But the problem now appears that there is too much freedom to set parameters. So many parameters are completely unknown. Even their original definition has been brought into question. Notably amongst these were AVSTAY, ACCESSIBILITY, SHARINGACCESS, AVSTAYTEMP, AVSTAYSHARE, AVAILABILITY. The chance of simultaneously hitting upon the correct choice of all parameters is extremely small. The experience of attempting such a task has been that as one section of the model, say total vacant dwellings, is brought 'under control' i.e. model results match the data, other previously controllable sections are upset. Correcting one variable has only resulted in the mismatch of others. A simultaneous solution matching all known output variables is necessary - piecemeal attempts so far having been only partially successful.

No systematic approach to calibration has yet been devised and it is not possible to know previously if a model is calibrateable or not. Experience has shown that in attempting calibration of a complex model the researcher requires a certain psychological standpoint to be able to
complete the task. When calibration is not straightforward there always seem to be further adjustments that could be carried out which might give a better answer. The researcher undertaking such a task needs to know when further attempts cease to be fruitful.

The very important lesson learnt from attempts at calibrating this model is that the next model of this nature must either be very much more simple if existing data is to be used; alternatively better data must be collected as defined by the needs of the model.

Despite the inability to calibrate the whole model as required for predictive purposes the efforts have not been entirely unsuccessful. A secondary function of the calibration process is to enhance understanding of how the actual system works. The initial objective was to design a model which could be used for learning purposes. In these terms the calibration process has proved very useful. The two sub-models have been calibrated to an acceptable standard as described in Sections 3.4.6 and 4.4.7. If this had not been achieved the allocation section could not have been embarked upon. Even though calibrations at the allocation stage has proved to be largely unsuccessful a great deal has been learnt, not only about those phenomena related to allocation in the real world but also about the special problems associated with the calibration of complex interactive social systems.

In the model there are about 2750 variables, parameters and constants. Of these there were about 1650 parameters...
which were defined in such a way as to be freely adjustable without external constraints from known data. These were AVERAGE STAY, ACCESSIBILITY, AVAILABILITY, AVERAGE STAY SHARING, AVERAGE STAY TEMP, PECKING ORDER, SHARING ACCESS, YSROOM. In the event only the first four parameters were used in the calibration process the remainder being kept at their initial values.

In all, over 100 computer runs were necessary to achieve 'calibration' of the model for the historic period 1967 to 1976.

A discussion of some of the problems arising from attempts at calibration will demonstrate how the model can be used as a learning tool.

In Section 5.3.4, it was shown that the model allocates an unacceptably large number of households in SEG I to the SHARING category at the expense of households in the lower socio-economic groups. The reasons why this situation persisted despite attempts to correct it are not entirely clear. The attempts did reveal that in the model, households sharing behaviour is most sensitive to changes in the parameter AVSTAY. There is clear survey data to show that the four socio-economic groups are likely to have different average stay characteristics. SEG I generally being the most likely group to be moving from dwelling to dwelling. This evidence prompted the use in the model of appropriate average stay figures so that more SEG I households were shaken out at each iteration than other socio-economic groups. Bearing in mind the model's use of a pecking order which would give many of the SEG I households
preferential allocation to dwellings the process might have been expected to respond realistically. This has been shown not to be the case.

One modification used to explore this issue involved the convenient step of setting AVSTAY figures for households in SEG I equal to the corresponding values for households in SEG II. Similarly, SEG IV AVSTAY figures were set equal to SEG III figures. Thus the range of AVSTAY values was reduced from between 3 and 40 years to between 4 and 24 years. The distinction between movement characteristics of households of different ages and at different stages in the family life cycle was still preserved as was the ranking of socio-economic groups i.e., higher SEG's still move more frequently than households in lower SEG's.

The effect of this change was to produce a more realistic result in which homelessness and sharing in SEG I was significantly reduced and made smaller than in the other social groups. Households in SEG IV now constituting the majority of sharers.

The results of this modification led to an exploration of the model's treatment of households who move. This in turn led to a more detailed understanding of the phenomenon in reality, and also indicated an area where more data is required.

The model definition of AVSTAY may not correspond with the actual use within the model. The present use of the AVERAGE STAY concept produces potential movers. A potential mover being a household who has made positive efforts to find alternative accommodation. All potential
movers unable to find suitable dwellings are allocated to SHARING irrespective of their original situation. In reality, however, the difference between potential movers and actual movers varies between the tenure sectors.

In general, in the owner occupied sector and to a lesser degree in the local authority sector movement out of a dwelling will not take place until a new dwelling has been found to move into and another household found to take over the old dwelling. In reality in both sectors the number of potential movers will be greater than or equal to the number of occupiers who actually move since unsatisfied potential movers will remain in their dwelling if they cannot find a suitable alternative.

For the model to recreate this situation the unsatisfied potential movers from the owner occupied and local authority sectors need to go back into the OCCUPANCY MATRIX.

In the privately rented sector and for households sharing or in temporary accommodation, in reality, movement out of a dwelling whether desired or forced e.g. when a lease expires, does not necessarily result in movement into another dwelling. Movement does not depend upon finding another household to move into the dwelling. As such the number of potential movers will often equal the number of actual movers although some moves may be into shared or temporary accommodation. For these sectors the model allocates households correctly.

In all sectors therefore, in reality, a relationship exists between those decisions and constraints relating to movement out of dwellings and those relating to movement.
into a dwelling. In addition actual movement depends upon the original situation of the household i.e. the owner occupied sector, the local authority sector, the privately rented sector, temporary accommodation or shared accommodation. In model terms a relationship exists between AVSTAY and ACCESSIBILITY, and varies depending on whether the potential mover is located in a particular sector of the OCCUPANCY MATRIX, in TEMP, or in SHARING.

The model results show that the number of households in SEG I sharing dwellings increases steadily from 1967 onwards implying that the number of households moving INTO dwellings is consistently less than the number of households moving OUT of dwellings. This suggests that the link between the concepts of AVERAGE STAY and ACCESSIBILITY have not been taken account of in the model.

Several requirements must be satisfied before the present model can be improved upon.

Research is necessary to ascertain more about the relationship between the reasons for wishing to move out of dwellings, the ability to actually move into a chosen dwelling, and the constraints to actual movement, for households of different types in different housing situations. In addition data is necessary on the number of successful movers in relation to the number of potential movers in each sector. In terms of the present research neither time nor resources allowed any further investigations into this area.

Another feature of the model noted in Section 5.3.4.
was the consistent reliability with which some types of household were successfully housed. Closer examination showed that these households tended to be small in number.

The allocation of dwellings to potential movers is based on a minimization process. The number of households to actually move is taken as the minimum of either:

- Potential Movers \times ACCESSIBILITY
- Vacant Dwellings \times AVAILABILITY

Thus a large group of potential movers will have a greater chance of being constrained by supply whereas small groups will most likely be restrained by demand. It was evident from the model results that the pecking order, designed to reflect the market strengths of the various households was being distorted by the relative sizes of the type of movers.

As an experiment a modification was introduced to the model which adjusted AVAILABILITY depending upon the size of the 'potential mover' group being considered. Although the effect of this change was for the pecking order to function more closely as intended other significant and questionable effects remained. The modification was not used in the standard run but does indicate how AVAILABILITY could be rendered dynamic and allowed to operate in a manner closer to its original definition. Much more needs to be known about how households attempt to find alternative accommodation and in particular the proportion of all dwellings available that households of different types are prepared to consider.

Thus, 'failure' to calibrate has drawn attention to aspects of the model structure which now appear to be incorrect and in some cases to have 'forced' greater
understanding of how the actual system may work. A secondary outcome has been the identification of further research required to facilitate a more appropriate model formulation.

In conclusion, those aspects of the model for which further investigation is necessary are summarized:

(i) Model sensitivity to the average stay phenomena;
(ii) The relationship between the concepts of Average Stay and Accessibility.
(iii) Model treatment of potential movers unable to find suitable alternative accommodation i.e. should they enter SHARING or the OCCUPANCY MATRIX?

6.2. THE STANDARD RUN

The 'standard run' is the term applied to the model results of the predictive period obtained by running forwards from the calibrated historic period. In this model the standard run starts at 1977 and finishes at 1986.

Fig. 6.2. provides a broad view of both the historic and predictive period. The historic period has been discussed at length in Sections 3.4.6., 4.4.7., and 5.3.4. In the standard run no great changes are predicted from those trends experienced from 1967 to 1976.

A steady growth is expected in the total number of households and dwellings; vacant dwellings increasing at a greater rate than in the past ten years. The number of households who are homeless/sharing is expected, in the model, to level out over the next five years, increasing slightly until 1986. The reasons for this are not clear but may be related to the model's treatment of households in SEG I mentioned in the previous section.

Fig. 6.3. shows the dwelling stock by tenure, size
Model output of Total Households, Total Dwellings, Total Sharing/Homeless, Total Vacant Dwellings 1967 to 1986

- Total Households: 27, 24, 21
- Total Dwellings: 27, 24, 21
- Total Sharing/Homeless: 6, 3
- Total Vacant: 0

Fig. 6.2
MODEL OUTPUT OF DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS

- TENURE
- TENURE
- PR
- PR
- LAR
- LAR
- OCCC
- OCCC
- All tenures
- All tenures
- All conditions
- All conditions
- BAD
- GOOD
- GOOD
- SMALL
- SMALL
- MEDIUM
- MEDIUM
- ALL SIZES
- ALL SIZES
- YEARS
- YEARS
- 1967
- 1967
- 1971
- 1971
- 1973
- 1973
- 1975
- 1975
- 1977
- 1977
- 1979
- 1979
- 1981
- 1981
- 1983
- 1983
- 1985
- 1985

Fig 6.3
and condition. The owner occupied sector is expected to continue to increase as a proportion of all dwellings with the privately rented sector continuing to collapse although the predicted decline is slightly lower than during the previous ten years. This would suggest that there is a level below which this sector will not fall. In terms of size, past trends are expected to continue with small dwellings rapidly increasing in number. By 1986 large dwellings will constitute the smallest proportion of all dwellings. Such trends are not unlikely if present low birth rates continue and family size declines. The general condition of the dwelling stock is expected to improve at a slightly greater rate than during 1967 to 1976.

Figs. 6.4. and 6.5 show the number of vacant dwellings by tenure size and condition. It is noteworthy that the model produces a remarkable expansion in vacant owner occupied and local authority dwellings; of equal significance is that they are dominated by dwellings in good condition.

Such prediction based upon a continuation of the present building programme suggests that demand for housing in the future, at least for these two sectors, will stabilise. These results raise an important query as to the nature of feedbacks which ought to be implemented in a model. In reality such a situation of vast increases in vacant good condition dwellings would undoubtedly cause some governmental reaction. But feedbacks can only satisfactorily be incorporated into a model if there is firm evidence that such a response will be implemented. The query which arises is, 'Should a model assume governmental responses?'.

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VACANT DWELLINGS BY TENURE AND CONDITION

- Local Authority rented totals
- Local Authority good condition dwellings
- Owner Occupied good condition dwellings
- Privately Rented good condition dwellings

Years: 1967 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86

Million Dwellings
According to model predictions only certain sized vacant dwellings are expected to increase at a more rapid rate than the historic period would suggest. In the local authority sector medium sized dwellings are not expected to increase faster than during the previous ten year period. This result is to be expected since local authorities cater primarily for young families who would need this sized dwelling. The dramatic increase expected in very small and small vacant dwellings is somewhat surprising in the light of local authorities changing attitudes towards smaller, especially older, households. In the owner occupied sector there is an expected surplus of medium and small sized vacant dwellings. The number of very small and large sized vacant dwellings is expected to decline further which could suggest a shortage of these sizes in this sector.

That such a situation of rapid increases in vacant dwellings of particular types is predicted by the model could reflect an inadequacy in the concept of ACCESSIBILITY. In reality accessibilities can be expected to reflect to a certain extent the supply of dwellings. Consequently as the supply changes e.g. expansion of small sized dwellings so should the accessibility figures change. At present there is no device within the model to do this.

Fig. 6.6 shows model predictions of the number of households by socio-economic group, family status and age. Again model predictions represent a continuation of past trends with SEG I and SEG II gaining in importance as the upward drift in social class continues. The proportion of households where the head is aged over forty five years is expected to level out in the next ten years as the number
of younger households increases. Single households (as defined in the model) continue to be the dominant family status. The number of childless couples is expected to increase and the number of family households expected to level out as the birth rate remains low.

Fig. 6.7. shows the total number of homeless/sharing couple, family and single parent households. Single households are excluded as in many cases their sharing is voluntary. From 1977 onwards a general improvement is to be expected in the number of households sharing dwellings. The model results for the historic period were discussed in Section 5.4.6, when questions were raised as to their credibility. The results could be feasible - as the dwellings situation has moved from a situation of shortage towards an excess but this does not explain why SEG IV is satisfied first then SEG II then SEG III, with all three tending to stability during the predictive period. No explanation can be given as to why the number of households in SEG I who are sharing is expected to fall quite so dramatically. In a sense the model appears to be 'correcting' the unsatisfactory results of the historic period. These results indicate a model failure - possibly of the nature described in Section 6.1.

Fig. 6.8. shows model output of the number of occupiers in each sector from each socio-economic group. The very rapid increase predicted by the model in the number of households in SEG I in owner occupation is not immediately justifiable and must be associated with the large number of SEG I households predicted to be in SHARING. Both results
Homeless/Sharing households (excluding all single households) by Socio-economic group and Family Status

**Socio-Economic Group**

**Family Status**

Fig. 67

- Couple
- Family
- Single Parent

Predicted period

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represent model failures as yet unsolved. The trends predicted for the other socio-economic groups in owner occupation are not unlikely when considering the actual growth in the size of these groups as shown in Fig.6.6. In the local authority sector the situation is expected to stabilize for all SEG's. In the privately rented sector a continued decline in use is predicted for SEG's II, III and IV although households from SEG I are expected to increase slightly in number.

Thus this is the housing situation predicted by the model for the period 1977 to 1986. Despite the inconsistencies with common sense expectations these results were believed to be acceptable for the purposes of showing how such a model could be used for the exploration of policy proposals. This is the aim of Chapter Seven.
CHAPTER SEVEN

THE EXPERIMENTS

There are two justifications for carrying out experiments on a model of this nature:

(i) to demonstrate the model's ability to be used for the exploration of policy proposals, and

(ii) to gain insights into both the real system and the model structure prior to its improvement.

Only limited confidence can be had in the model predictions for 1977 to 1986 and the anomalies have been noted in previous chapters. As such the results of any experiments will be limited. The process of experimentation does however explore in practical terms the role and value which could be expected from a model of this type operating in an environment where more extensive historic data was available and where the technological problems of fitting the model results to that data had been overcome.

Three experiments were carried out on the model and will now be discussed separately.

7.1. Experiment 1.

The first experiment was devised as a result of studying Figures 5.5. and 5.6 on the nature of vacant dwellings predicted for the period 1977 to 1986. The assumption was made that if such a situation were expected with confidence then policy responses would result. One likely response would be to:

Cut new building and conversions to the following dwelling types:
Thus the basis of the first experiment was formed. It was decided that new building and conversions to these dwelling types, assumed in the standard run, would be cut by 50 per cent per annum from 1977 onwards.

In very broad terms the general results of this experiment were:

1. Fewer dwellings in total.
2. Fewer vacant dwellings in total.
3. More sharing in total.
4. Fewer households in owner occupation.
5. More households in the Local Authority rented sector.
6. No change to households in the privately rented sector.

The greatest decline in dwellings in absolute terms occurred in the owner occupied sector. The cut back in this sector may have been too severe since in any one year only half of the reduction has resulted in a decline in the number of vacant dwellings. It would appear that this sector may require a greater vacancy rate as there are still substantial numbers of vacant properties.

In contrast, in the local authority sector the reduction in total number of dwellings leads to a reduction in the number of vacant dwellings slightly more than the initial reduction. For some reason, this sector appears to have attracted former owner occupiers.

Not all sizes of dwellings are affected, only those where a changed building or conversion programme was introduced. Neither are all household types affected - primarily Old Single Household (OSH), Old Couple Households (OCH), Young Family Households (YFH), and Old Family House-
holds (OFH) all in SEG I. Examination of the cells of the OCCUPANCY and SHARING matrices reveals that other household types are remarkably unaffected. The effect on these households in SEG I is to increase the number now sharing although a few enter the local authority sector.

That households in SEG I are again affected by an increase in sharing must be related to the model fault identified in Section 6.1. An observation is made that this defect must be corrected if the model is to be used effectively.

Some interesting discussion points arose out of this experiment. The reaction to the model predictions depicted in Figure 5.5. and 5.6 were that (a) they must be wrong, and (b) this situation would not be accepted. Reducing the number of vacant dwellings may, on paper, produce an apparently more efficient use of the housing stock but may also pose other problems. Not enough is known about the magnitude of the vacancy rate required for dwellings to be used most efficiently e.g. to facilitate adequate mobility (the function of which is to adjust housing to changing needs and desires), to ensure that house prices do not adversely affect mobility, to allow new households to enter the system - their entrance depending upon deaths and emigration of households and the rate of new building and conversion in relation to the rate of demolitions.

The present state of knowledge is geared to understanding a situation of housing shortage. As we move towards a situation of excess new questions need to be answered.

1. What is a 'good' situation to be aiming for - a balance between number of households and number of dwellings or an excess?
2. What level of excess could be tolerated?
3. What are the implications of a surplus of dwellings?
4. Can vacant property be regarded as a social asset?

This model cannot be used to answer such questions. The experiment has provided good evidence of how a model of this type can be used as a tool for identifying areas of incomplete understanding of reality. In addition it has become clear that objectives in housing must be clearly defined if any attempt is to be made at analysing the effect of policy proposals.

7.2. EXPERIMENT 2.

This experiment was devised in response to the current debate on the sale of council houses. The arbitrary decision was taken to increase the transfer of local authority dwellings to the owner occupied sector five-fold. In 1977 this has the effect of increasing the number of dwellings (all sizes) sold from 35,000 to 176,000 representing a dramatic change of policy.

In broad terms the general results of this experiment over the period 1977 to 1986:

1. The total number of dwellings was virtually unchanged.
2. Fewer vacant dwellings in total.
3. Fewer sharing households in total.
5. Fewer households in local authority sector.
6. No change to households in the privately rented sector.

Thus, as a result of selling large numbers of local authority dwellings a general improvement is experienced in the housing situation i.e. more dwellings are occupied and fewer households share.
An interesting outcome of this experiment was that a changing mix of sizes emerged in the local authority sector. See Table 7.1 comparing model results between the standard run and the experiment. Whereas in the standard run

TABLE 7.1 Local Authority Dwelling Stock by Size - Model Results.

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<th>Size</th>
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small and medium dwellings are of equal importance, with a policy of extensive sale of local authority dwellings the stock becomes dominated by small dwellings. If such a situation did result local authorities' role in providing dwellings would have to be reviewed. The ability to house households requiring medium sized dwellings (i.e. family households) would be severely restricted. At present these are the households most eligible for local authority dwellings. The possibility of local authorities finding difficulties in catering for these households as a result of their policy to sell dwellings must be recognised by policy makers so that either the situation is not allowed to arise or policies are directed at making it easier for such households to gain access to other sectors.

Concomitant with being unable to house some household types other household types will become more suitable candidates (at least in terms of size) for local authority dwellings.
There is some evidence to suggest that local authorities are already moving forward towards the provision of a service with rather different motives than previously. A recent television debate between a member of the Child Poverty Action Group and a Slough councillor centred on the councillor's refusal to house a family who had moved from Ireland into Slough. The councillor preferred what he termed 'the more deserving young couples who had resided in his borough for a substantial time, the family being the 'problem' of the borough from which they had left'.

If the policy of selling council houses is extended further a situation may arise when all that is left are the unsaleable flats in tower blocks. As such only those households in relatively critical need will be able to be helped.

Other model results from the experiment predict that the households most likely to be affected, in terms of sharing behaviour, will be Old Single Households (OSH), Old Couple Households (OCH), Young Family Households (YFH) and Old Family Households (OFH) in SEG I and SEG III. In general, the number of households in SEG I sharing being reduced but in SEG III increasing. To a certain extent the reduction of dwellings in the local authority sector has reduced the effect of the model defect, and once again the observation is made that this 'quirk' must be resolved for the model to be improved upon. It is not clear why sharing should increase for a particular group. One explanation could be that those households who did buy their own local authority dwelling are the sort of household who would have moved to the owner occupied sector anyway - but at a later date - and thus
released their dwelling for households in need e.g. in SEG III or IV. If local authority sales are increased this important source of supply may be reduced and households forced to share if access is denied to other sectors.

Thus experimentation has generated discussion of an aspect of the system not included in the model's calculations but of immense importance to the development of housing policy. Policy must dictate long term planning and hence the need for a methodology to assess alternative suggestions becomes a prime necessity.

7.3. EXPERIMENT 3

The third experiment was devised to explore the likely effects of a further reduction in the birth rate. It will be remembered that in the model first births are used as an indication of the number of new young family households developing each time period. As net rates of change are used in the model the rate (YCTYPN) also takes account of deaths and divorce to young family households. For 1967 to 1971 YCTYPN was set to 0.302 and for 1972 onwards to 0.264. For the purposes of the experiment the reduction is assumed to continue and YCTYPN is set at 0.226, which suggests a sharper decline than most sources predict.

In general terms the effects of this experiment were barely significant. Compared with the standard run changes in the totals amounted to less than 1 per cent.

As expected the number of young couple households (YCH) in each SEG rose and the number of young family households (YFH) fell. As a consequence of the modelling technique
i.e. using proportional rates of change, the number of Old Family Households (OFH) was also reduced. In reality the number of old family households will only be affected by a reduction in the birth rate (of first births) if the birth rate applying to mothers over aged forty four years is reduced. Since only one per cent of all births occur to women over aged forty years, and ninety per cent of first births occur to women under aged thirty years the number of Old Family Households should not be affected for ten or fifteen years. This represents a model error but which could be rectified by the introduction of delay mechanisms.

The increase in Young Couple Households and decrease of Young Family Households produced in the model has led to a slightly less efficient use of the housing stock. More young couples over and above the increase produced by the reduced birth rate apparently find it easier to obtain a dwelling at the expense of young families who increase their sharing. The reduction in the number of young family households appears to have released accommodation especially desired by young couples, although the reasons for this are not clear.

The model also shows a move away from the local authority sector towards owner occupation and the privately rented sector. As young family households are the household group most favoured by local authorities allocation policies if suddenly their numbers fall then without a change in policy certain dwellings will not be used by other household types. This explanation does not account for young family households finding it more difficult to obtain a
One reason why the effects of a reduction in the birth rate appear to be so insignificant is that the time scale chosen to study these effects i.e. ten years may be too short. Looking at Figure 5.8, for example, it takes twenty years to see any interesting effects. In terms of the model classification of households, a low birth rate this year will mean fewer young single households in eighteen years time and even fewer old single households in a further twenty seven years time. To explore the effects on housing of a reduction in the birth rate a model of this nature would have to be run for at least fifty years to allow the phenomenon to affect all household types.

If the model were to be run for this length of time the delay mechanisms mentioned earlier would have to be implemented.

Thus this experiment has drawn attention to the long time scale on which some phenomena must be viewed. Demographic phenomena such as changes in the birth rate will require planning horizons of say 50 years.

This contrasts with other phenomena such as changes in the building programme which could take effect within two or three years. Fortunately the modelling technique adopted is flexible enough to allow either of these time scales to be used. Indeed it is an important advantage of this broad modelling approach that it explores these planning horizons which are appropriate to different social phenomena and policy decisions.

The major conclusions of the research are discussed in Chapter Eight.
CHAPTER EIGHT

CONCLUSIONS

The major impetus for this work lay in the belief that one day an 'ideal' model (as defined in Chapter I) of the housing system in England and Wales could, and would, be developed. Such an 'ideal' model, it was thought, could act as a direct aid to the formulation and evaluation of housing policies. As discussed in Chapter I the primary function of this research was to provide a learning experience of how best to approach this task.

The major outcome of the work, however, has been to seriously question both the role of and the ability to ever develop an 'ideal' model as was initially envisaged. The function of this learning model now takes on an importance largely unforeseen at the beginning of the work. The value of this model is now seen in its ability to act as a tool for learning about housing and the housing system itself over and above that of learning how to build an 'ideal' model. Use of the model has provided an important stimulus to our subjective understanding of the functioning of the system, our ability to better define housing objectives, for recognition of data that would be valuable and also for exposing research needs. But significantly only functioning in a very indirect manner in supporting policy evaluation and formulation.

The lessons to be learnt from the experience of using the model will now be discussed under the following six
8.1. Contributions to an Increased Understanding of the Housing System.

8.1.1. Housing as a System

A major general conclusion of this work has been to reaffirm that housing does function as a system and that there is a great need to study the system as a whole. Even with this simple model without feedbacks it has been shown that understanding of the parts is enhanced by studying the system as a whole - it is not possible to usefully look at isolated parts of the system since the individual sectors overlap and interact. This conclusion is directly borne out by use of the model as, for example, when exploring the effect of the large scale sale of council dwellings. As was discussed in greater detail in Chapter Seven, and will be discussed further in this Section, the whole housing situation was affected in this experiment i.e., the number of vacant dwellings changed; the number of households sharing was affected; as were those households in owner occupation; also the mix of different sized accommodation in the local authority sector was dramatically altered.
8.1.2. **Moving Towards a Surplus of Dwellings**

The results of the model for the standard run indicate that if present building and demographic trends continue there is a possibility that the housing system in England and Wales will move towards a situation of a surplus of dwellings over households (See Section 6.2.) This simple conclusion could have been arrived at without recourse to a model of this nature, but as with many situations the obvious facts do not always manifest themselves until forced into the light. Certainly this result was not expected at the outset. It is believed that the mere existence of a structured framework allows a certain level of understanding to emerge, the conclusion that a surplus dwelling situation is expected being but one example.

Model output for the standard run (See Fig. 6.2.) also showed a rise in the number of vacant dwellings to be expected.

From these simple conclusions much interesting speculation arose. The present state of knowledge is geared to an understanding of housing shortage, the prevailing philosophy being that if more dwellings are built the housing problem will be solved. But a surplus of dwellings may present further social and other implications in each sector. In the owner occupied sector a surplus of dwellings may, in an extreme situation, cause house prices to fall. If property values are forced down significantly, mortgagees in certain properties may find themselves economically trapped and unable to move without losing money. If such a situation
does arise the whole nature of the housing system may change, with, for example, property agents coming into existence to purchase the vacant dwellings for later resale plus unforeseen and, as yet, unexperienced effects on Banks and Building Societies etc.,

In the local authority rented sector if no feedbacks operate to effectively control the building programme, local authorities role as provider of housing to households in need must be reviewed. Such a situation already exists in certain London Boroughs where eligibility criteria have been relaxed to allow young engaged couples to qualify for dwellings after only a short time on the waiting list.

The social implications to the privately rented sector are less easily predicted. Since this sector has been used primarily as a stepping stone to either the owner occupied or local authority sectors, if access to these sectors is increased by greater availability of dwellings it is feasible that the privately rented sector will decline still further.

8.1.3. The Changing Role of Local Authorities

The policy experiment on an increased sale of local authority dwellings highlighted several interesting possibilities (See Section 7.2.) The first tentative conclusion of this experiment was that a general improvement would be expected in the housing situation i.e. more dwellings occupied and fewer households sharing (especially SEG I). A possible explanation of this predicted phenomenon is that as owner occupation increases because households buy their formerly council owned dwelling, these households then take
on the behavioural characteristics of all owner occupiers i.e., in terms of their increased mobility (in model terms AVSTAY for owner occupiers is shorter than for local authority tenants.) As more households move more dwellings are released on to the market thus enabling more households in sharing to find accommodation. Conversely in the Local Authority Sector fewer dwellings are available, thus fewer households are able to move giving households in sharing who would wish to move to this sector less chance of finding suitable accommodation.

There would possibly be certain counter effects to this outcome but which have not been possible to incorporate into this model. For example, when a household owning a former council dwelling decides to sell and move he may experience some difficulty in finding a buyer for his dwelling especially if it is in the middle of an estate where the vast majority of the dwellings are still owned and let by the local authority i.e., in model terms AVSTAY for such households may be higher than for other owner occupiers. In practice, incorporating such a concept into the model structure would however, necessitate expansion of the OCCUPANCY MATRIX.

A further outcome of this experiment was the indication that the extensive sale of medium sized dwellings would deplete stocks leaving the sector dominated by small sized dwellings which clearly would only be suitable for certain types of household. The conclusion drawn from this result is that if such a policy were to continue it must be
accompanied by a reappraisal of local authorities role in the provision of housing. At present, for most local authorities the households most eligible for housing are those who require medium sized accommodation (i.e., family households). If the help that these households can be given is to be restricted then local authorities must review their policies on who they can accommodate and also policy makers must ensure that policies are directed at making it easier for these family-type households to gain access to other sectors of the housing system.

6.1.4. The Distinction Between Actual and Potential Movers and their Relationship with the Vacancy Rate.

An important outcome of the modelling process was to highlight the distinction between potential and actual movers, and in particular the different behaviour to be observed in the different tenure sectors. This understanding arose largely out of attempts to deal with a problem of model calibration whereby 'too many' SEG I households were allocated to the SHARING category. To recapitulate briefly, in the model AVSTAY transfers households wishing to move into the MOVING category. The majority of these households are then transferred back to the dwellings via the ACCESSIBILITY MATRIX; the residue of households being largely transferred to SHARING. Assuming that the ACCESSIBILITY MATRIX functions sensibly then over-large numbers of households in SHARING are possibly caused by an inappropriate modelling of the moving-out concept i.e., AVSTAY. Data from the General Household Survey had indicated that households in different tenures had different propensities to move. However, final figures for

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the AVSTAY MATRIX were arrived at via the calibration process i.e., adjusting individual values of AVSTAY until model output agreed as closely as possible with available data. Having started with an average figure for each tenure it became difficult to maintain that average and at the same time improve the model output. By trying to analyse why the model consistently placed unacceptably large numbers of households from SEG I into the SHARING category it seemed likely that the different propensities to move were directly related to the ability to move out of that tenure; this being due to the various legal responsibilities/institutional constraints associated with that tenure.

In the owner occupied sector, movement out of a dwelling usually depends upon finding another household to buy the existing dwelling at exactly the same time as buying an alternative dwelling to move into.

In the local authority sector the situation is similar although the local authority when allowing the move will not be concerned about who is to occupy the dwelling when the household moves out so much as the general circumstances of why and where the tenant wishes to move to e.g., are they in rent arrears, have they been good tenants etc.,

In the privately rented sector and for households in shared accommodation movement out of a dwelling is not subject to finding new tenants for the dwelling, nor necessarily to finding an alternative dwelling (e.g. in the case of a fixed-term lease expiring), neither does it depend on the tenants reasons for wishing to move or his past tenancy
Movement may take place into a shared or temporary dwelling if no other alternative is found.

Thus in the privately rented sector potential movers will most likely equal actual movers. This will be less likely in the owner occupied and local authority sectors. If the trend towards a surplus of dwellings continues then household movement may be seriously restricted in the owner occupied and local authority rented sectors.

Thus attempts at developing the model have forced a new appreciation of the housing system and also indicated an area of incomplete understanding. A useful piece of research to improve the existing weakness in model design would be to study the effects of different vacancy rates on household movement behaviour.

8.1.5. Response Times of the System

The exploration of the effects of a possible further reduction in the birth rate drew attention to the long time scale over which some phenomena must be viewed. Demographic phenomena, such as birth rates, require planning horizons in the region of 50 years and hence a model designed to study such situations must be capable of running forward for such a time. Experimentation also showed how some phenomena have relatively short response times e.g., the sale of local authority dwellings will have an immediate impact on the mix of the dwelling stock between tenures - an increase in owner occupation and reduction in the local authority rented sector.

Housing policies need to be seen both in the light of the short-term and long-term effects.
These examples suffice to show how the availability of a dynamic model stimulates questions about our subjective interpretation of what the real system is like. Had further experiments been carried out it is clear that a range of other questions about the true functioning of the housing system would have been provoked.

8.2. Improving the Model

8.2.1. Treatment of Potential Movers

In Section 6.1, the difference between potential movers and actual movers in each sector was discussed and shown to be a critical phenomenon. At present, in the model, all unsuccessful potential movers are allocated to the SHARING category. At least in the owner occupied sector and to a lesser extent in the local authority sector it would be more appropriate for these households to be re-allocated, as far as possible, to exactly the same cell of the OCCUPANCY MATRIX from which they tried to move. See 8.1.4. Without this modification, the model will over-estimate the number of former owner occupiers who are forced to give up their ownership, for example mortgage defaulters, and hence move into temporary or shared accommodation.

8.2.2. Need to Trace Household Movement more closely.

Arising from the discussion of model treatment of potential and actual movers was the belief that model performance would be more realistic if it were possible to trace the paths of household groups as they move from one tenure to another or back to the same tenure, rather than only dealing with net flows from all possible origins to
all possible destinations. Unfortunately this need adds complexity to the modelling process. The challenge remains how to achieve the same ends without this complex expansion of the model.

8.2.3. Delay Mechanism

At present there are very few delays built into the model. If such questions as a declining birth rate are to be investigated successfully then additional delay mechanisms must be introduced - as a first step the model must delay the reduction in number of Old Family Households which arise from fewer first births to Young Couples.

8.2.4. Small Groups

In Section 6.1, it was shown that, in the model, household groups which are small in number consistently tend to be successfully housed. It was evident that the pecking order was being distorted by the relative sizes of the types of movers. The modelling procedure must be adjusted to remove this anomaly. One method suggested is to effectively render the AVAILABILITY matrix dynamic by multiplying AVAILABILITY, when it is used, by a number representing the proportion of all household types which the particular household type in question constitutes. In this way, the smaller the group the fewer the vacant dwellings it will have to choose from.

8.2.5. Accessibility Matrix

It was noted in Section 5.3.3, that the ACCESSIBILITY figures should be defined in such a way to take account of households expectations varying both with time and with the changing nature of the dwelling stock. One of the first
steps in constructing an improved model would be to devise a method of producing input matrices capable of dynamic adjustments. One method would be to generate the individual ACCESSIBILITY figures at each timestep by means of relationships set between such complex factors as:

(1) The effect of socio-economic group on the ability to gain access to the different tenures.

(ii) Ratio of household size to dwelling size.

(iii) The effect of socio-economic group on choice of dwelling condition.

Dynamic feedbacks modifying such relationships would also need to be incorporated so that, for example, choice could be influenced by the possibility of gaining a particular dwelling type i.e., by the state of the market at any time. If this could be achieved then AVSTAY would become a derived output of the model instead of an input as at present. This development would aid the calibration process.

8.2.6. Model Output

The 'ideal model' initially envisaged would be far more complex than this prototype model. Even at the present level of complexity the model produces a lot of information (See Appendix B for a sample of model output) and difficulties arose in devising a method for its presentation. As a model becomes more complex so the need to organise and structure the form of the output increases.

The task would have been easier if well defined objectives had existed, since they would help define the most useful model output. This is a problem that a more complex model must be able to overcome for it to increase
its usefulness. A model capable of producing output at different levels of detail is seen to be of great importance in enabling the model to serve a variety of needs. For example, to calibrate the model at a broad level, it was sufficient to examine the sub-totals of, for example, vacant dwellings or sharing households or the proportion of each tenure occupied from households of each socio-economic group. In the experiment on the sale of local authority dwellings, however, it was necessary to study variations in each cell of the OCCUPANCY MATRIX in order to comment on the impact of the policy change.

8.2.7. Which Feedbacks to Incorporate

Model results on the number of vacant dwellings to be expected if the current building programme and demographic trends continue, raised an important query as to the nature of the feedbacks to be implemented in a model (See Section 6.2.). Feedbacks can only satisfactorily be incorporated into a model if there is either knowledge of their permanent existence or if there is firm evidence that a particular response will be implemented. Added to which there is a more fundamental issue. Any decision to control or influence a system will result in influencing the operation of the feedback processes. Thus it becomes meaningless to attempt to introduce all conceivable loops. The 'grey' area between policy making and presumed system behaviour must be clarified.

8.3. Setting Objectives.

Superficially, the setting of housing objectives is an
independent reflection of peoples hopes and aspirations. The existence of a formal model, however, which produces an output for inspection allows the attention to be drawn to certain aspects of the nature of these objectives. Results from the first two experiments on (a) a reduced building programme (Section 7.1.) and (b) an increased sale of local authority dwellings pinpointed the need for a consistent and complete set of housing objectives.

How can the effect of a policy be judged or indeed a policy be devised if the aim of the policy is not previously made clear.

An attempt was made at an early stage of the research to identify the nature of the specifications required, the model structure providing the basis for further definition. (See Appendix A).

But the fact remains that housing objectives are politically sensitive and vague. This means that objective setting must be viewed as a dynamic and on-going exploration and compromise. A model which can be used to give consistency and structure to that debate has obvious value.

8.4. The Stimulus to Data Collection Needs

In Chapters Three, Four and Five the point was repeatedly made that one of the major problems in constructing and calibrating this model were that either the data just did not exist or existed in forms incompatible both with the model definitions and other sets of data. For example,

(a) Data on slum clearance consists of numbers of 'houses' demolished; it is not possible to accurately estimate the number of separate dwellings involved.
(b) In the Census, the dwelling stock is classified by size according to the number of household spaces or rooms whereas new dwellings are only enumerated by number of bedrooms.

(c) For demographic data there is very little classification by social class or socio-economic group despite the emphasis in the literature (See Section 3.2.2.) on the need for analysis of households by some measure of social class.

Apparently the choice open to model builders is either to construct very simple models to minimise the effects of data inconsistencies or to delay the building of more complex and realistic models until improved data is available.

The designing of a model will exert considerable pressure on future data collecting practices. Because the model's design must be logically self-consistent so therefore must the data that feeds it. But if the model is limited so also will be the data definition it produces. It is conceivable that perhaps a number of models are needed at various levels of detail and covering different aspects of the system.

The attempts to calibrate each of the models developed (as discussed in Chapter Six) underlined strongly the importance of the need for consistency in data collection over relatively long time periods.

8.5. The Stimulus to Research Needs

In this Section a number of examples are given of the research needs which were generated by this study. The significant point being that the modelling process has itself served as a mechanism for defining where understanding is incomplete.
(1) A greater understanding is needed of the relationship between reasons for wishing to move out of dwellings, ability to move into a chosen dwelling and the constraints to actual movement i.e., on the behaviour of actual and potential movers. This would then enable the concept of AVSTAY to be refined, possibly as an output measure, and thus lead to a more appropriate reflection of reality. More precise data on the numbers of successful and potential movers in each sector would then allow the magnitude of values in the AVSTAY MATRIX to be generated.

(2) Research into the effect of different vacancy rates on household movement behaviour would be very valuable for it would enable a clearer definition to be made of the magnitude of the appropriate vacancy rates in each sector. This then would provide an additional parameter against which to calibrate.

(3) More research on a household's search behaviour i.e., the proportion of all vacant dwellings that different households perceive to be available to them would facilitate a more precise definition of the parameter AVAILABILITY.

(4) More research into the behaviour of the 10 per cent of households who are not satisfactorily housed i.e., in TEMP or SHARING would enable the parameters SHARINGACCESS, AVSTAYSHARE, AVSTAYTEMP to be more accurately defined. Information that would be particularly useful is how long households remain in either temporary or shared dwellings and which Sector they are most likely to move into.
8.6. **The Way Forward**

This research has shown quite dramatically that the development of an 'ideal' dynamic model of the housing system is at present unachievable. It was assumed initially that the housing system and the nature of its operation could be stated precisely and that the development of a model of that system (i.e. the 'ideal' model) would be a natural and relatively straightforward step. It is now evident that that step cannot yet be taken; so much more needs to be learnt.

As a direct result of this work the concept of an 'ideal' model is now seen to be less vital. But the process of developing is seen, in itself, to be of immense value in structuring the learning process. As shown in Sections 8.1. to 8.5., formalizing a dynamic model has stimulated many other areas of activity all closely related to the formulation and evaluation of policy proposals and each contributing to the policy making process. Principally these activities are: our subjective understanding of how the housing system functions; setting objectives; collecting data; and research.

The way in which decisions are taken in the national control of the housing system springs from debate and compromise in an environment in which precisely such subjects are always being questioned. That is to say:

1. What research should be encouraged?
2. What data should be collected?
3. What should our housing objectives be?
4. What will be the effect of implementing suggested policy proposals?
Administrative procedures are set up to respond to these questions but the biggest single omission to enrich this ongoing process is a built-in model building activity.

A clear recommendation has therefore arisen; this type of learning experience from model development needs to be embedded in the decision-making process. This will make model building an ongoing process just as data collection and research are ongoing and supportive to decision making. It has been shown many times in this thesis that the model does not necessarily give answers but does lead to more questions being asked and, of particular importance, its use generates ideas. Thus the value of this type of model development must be seen in the journey represented by its development, not necessarily in its destination.

The next step must be to build a more simple and better model, putting right those model weaknesses detailed in Section 8.2. It is strongly believed that any future model development should be in close liaison with government policy makers. Any learning experience must be seen to benefit those who seek to legislate against the apparent inconsistencies within the system.

The model described in this thesis is wrong in many respects but it is a first attempt. It points to the need to use the work which has been done as a starting point for a more balanced policy making process.
Structuring Housing Objectives.

The following list of questions represent an attempt to provide a structure for the definition of housing objectives. The list is not presumed to be complete, its purpose is to indicate the nature of the specifications required.

Definitions of terms to be used:

Socio-Economic Group

I Professional, employees, managers.
II Intermediate and junior non-manual.
III Skilled manual.
IV Semi-skilled manual, unskilled manual.

Household type.

YSH Young Single Household
YCH Young Couple Household
YPH Young Family Household
YPSPFH Young Single Parent Family Household
OSH Old Single Household
OCH Old Couple Household
OFH Old Family Household
OSPSPFH Old Single Parent Family Household

Dwelling Condition.

Good Fit with all 5 basic amenities (exclusive use of inside W.C., fixed bath/shower, a wash basin, a kitchen sink, hot and cold water system serving bath, wash basin and kitchen sink)

Bad Unfit and/or lacking at least one of the basic amenities.

All questions refer to objectives for 1980.

1. In Britain in 1971, 50 per cent of all dwellings were owner occupied, 31 per cent were rented from public authorities and 19 per cent were rented from private
landlords or other agencies. What balance of tenure types do you consider Britain should be aiming at?

2. For each tenure type (see Q.1) please specify in what proportion you consider each Socio-Economic Group should be allocated?

3. For each tenure type (see Q.1) please specify in what proportion you consider each household type should be allocated?

4. If your answers to Questions 2 and 3 result in different mixes of tenure types please specify which is closest to your view of an 'ideal' situation.

5. What do you consider to be the maximum and minimum occupancy rates, in terms of persons/room (excluding kitchen and bathroom), desirable for each household type.

6. What proportion of each household type do you consider would occupy larger dwellings than the occupancy rates you have given in Q.5, might suggest?

7. What proportion of each household type do you envisage would voluntarily share dwellings and what would be the average size of such households?

8. What proportion of each tenure type would you expect to be in bad condition?
APPENDIX B

THE INPUT DATA USED.

B.1. Copy of Data for Households Model.

B.2. Copy of Data for Dwellings Model.

In both B.1 and B.2 the numbers in the left hand column correspond to the numbers assigned to the variables in the computer programme for identification purposes.

B.3. Sample of AVSTAY and ACCESSIBILITY matrices for SEG I only.
### COPY OF DATA FOR HOUSEHOLDS MODEL

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| MEDIUM 0.443  | 0.049  | 0.023  | 0.015  | 0.005  | 0.012 |
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| SMALL 0.162  | 0.049  | 0.011  | 0.005  | 0.013  | 0.014 |
| MEDIUM 0.458  | 0.057  | 0.011  | 0.006  | 0.038  | 0.002 |
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| MEDIUM 0.217  | 0.060  | 0.054  | 0.018  | 0.072  | 0.016 |
| LARGE 0.036  | 0.007  | 0.040  | 0.005  | 0.005  | 0.002 |

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APPENDIX C

A SAMPLE OF THE MODEL OUTPUT

C.1. Total number of dwellings by type.
C.1. Total number of vacant dwellings by type.
C.3. Total number of households by type.
C.4. Total number of homeless/sharing households by type.
C.5. The OCCUPANCY MATRIX for households in Socio-Economic Group I i.e. households of each type in SEG I living in dwellings of each type.
FULL OUTPUT AT TIME= 1976.00

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APPENDIX D

THE COMPUTER PROGRAMME

The following pages contain a listing of the computer programme.

Procedure TEST is used within the Households and Dwellings Sub-Models to ensure that data cards are read into the computer in the correct order.

Procedure READTABLE is used to read information from tables of input data.

Procedure AREADTABLE is similar to procedure READTABLE but enables arrays of tables to be read into the computer.

Procedure IN is used to read an item of data into the computer and also to have that information printed out.

Procedure TABHL is used to read information from incomplete tables of input data. Information required outside the range given is taken as the value of the nearest end piece of data.

Procedure ATABHL is similar to procedure TABHL but is used to read arrays of tables.

Procedures SETUP, SETUPWITHMAINMAX, ENTER and OUTPUT are used to output graphs of model results.

(These last four procedures were not used once all three Sub-models were put together, as computer space would not permit)
'BEGIN' 'INTEGER' 'CARD:

'REAL' 'T, TIME, LENGTH, POUT, PNEXT, DT;

'PROCEDURE' 'TEST:

'BEGIN' 'INTEGER' 'J;
J+READ;
CARD+CARD+1: NEWLINE (1): PRINT (J, 1, 0);
'IF' 'CARD#J' 'THEN' 'BEGIN' 'WRITETEXT (' ('DATA%FAILURE%NEAR%LINE')
PRINT (CARD, 1, 0): PAUSE (99): 'END';

'END';

'PROCEDURE' 'READTABLE (Z): 'ARRAY' 'Z:

'BEGIN' 'INTEGER' 'J, K;
Z[0]+(Z[2]-Z[1])/Z[3];
K+Z[0];
'FOR' 'J+1' 'STEP' '1' 'UNTIL' 'K+4' 'DO' 'Z[J]+READ;
'FOR' 'J+1' 'STEP' '1' 'UNTIL' 'K+4' 'DO' 'PRINT (Z[J], 2, 3);

'PROCEDURE' 'AREADTABLE (Z, A): 'ARRAY' 'Z: 'INTEGER' 'A:

'BEGIN' 'INTEGER' 'J, K;
Z[A, 0]+(Z[A, 2]-Z[A, 1])/Z[A, 3];
K+Z[A, 0];
'FOR' 'J+1' 'STEP' '1' 'UNTIL' 'K+4' 'DO' 'Z[A, J]+READ;
'FOR' 'J+1' 'STEP' '1' 'UNTIL' 'K+4' 'DO' 'PRINT (Z[A, J], 2, 3);

'PROCEDURE' 'INCZPQ': 'REAL' 'Z: 'INTEGER' 'P, Q:

'BEGIN' 'Z+READ: PRINT (Z, P, Q);

'END';

'REAL' 'PROCEDURE' 'TABHL (NAME, X): 'ARRAY' 'NAME: 'REAL' 'X:

'BEGIN' 'INTEGER' 'I, J, K;
'REAL' 'DIFF:
'IF' 'X' 'LE' 'NAME[1]' 'THEN' 'TABHL+NAME[4]
'ELSE' 'IF' 'X' 'GE' 'NAME[2]' 'THEN' 'TABHL+NAME[NAME[0]+4]

'ELSE'
'BEGIN' 'I+ENTER ((X-NAME[1])/NAME[3]);
J+1+4; K+1;
DIFF*X-NAME[1]-I*NAME[3];
TABHL+NAME[J]+DIFF*NAME[K]-NAME[J])/NAME[3];

'END';

'END';
'REAL' 'PROCEDURE' ATABHL(NAME, A, X); 'ARRAY' NAME; 'REAL' X; 'INTEGER' A, J, K;

'REAL' 'DIFF';

'IF' 'X' 'LE' NAME[A, 1] 'THEN' ATABHL NAME[A, 4];

'ELSE'

ATABHL NAME[A, 4];

'END';

'BEGIN' I, INTEGER I, J, K;

'REAL' 'DIFF';

'IF' 'X' 'LE' NAME[A, 1] 'THEN' ATABHL NAME[A, 4];

'ELSE'

BEGIN I = ENTER (X - NAME[A, 1]) / NAME[A, 3];

J = 1; K = 1;

DIFF = X - NAME[A, 1] - NAME[A, 3];


'END';

'END';

'PROCEDURE' SETUP(G):

'ARRAY' G;

'BEGIN' INTEGER I, J;

'FOR' I = 1 'STEP' 1 'UNTIL' 10 'DO';


'FOR' G[I, 1] = 16 'OR' G[I, 1] = 3994 'THEN' GOTO A;

'FOR' J = 0 'STEP' 1 'UNTIL' 42 'DO' G[I, J] = 0;

'END';

G[0, 41] = 0;

'END';

'PROCEDURE' SETUPWITHMINMAX(G): 'ARRAY' G:

'BEGIN' 'INTEGER' I, J;

SETUP(G);

'FOR' J = 41, 42 'DO';

'FOR' I = 1 'STEP' 1 'UNTIL' 10 'DO' G[I, J] = READ;

'END';


'ARRAY' G, 'REAL' TIME;

'REAL' P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y;

'BEGIN' 'INTEGER' I:

I = G[0, 41];

'IF' I = 40 'THEN' 'GOTO' FIN;

G[0, 41] = I + 1;

G[0, 1] = TIME; G[1, 1] = P; G[2, 1] = 0;


G[6, 1] = U; G[7, 1] = V; G[8, 1] = W;

G[9, 1] = X; G[10, 1] = Y;

FIN: 'END';

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PROCEDURE OUTPUT(G,T):'ARRAY'G;'STRING'T:

'BEGIN' 'ARRAY'MIN,MAX,D[1:10]:
'INTEGER'ARRAY'EL0:200):
'INTEGER'I,J,K,L,N:'REAL'M,2:
PERFORMWRITE TEXT(C):;
'FOR'I=1'STEP'1' UNTIL '10' DO'
'IF'G(I,41)=0' AND 'G(I,42)=0
'THEN'MIN[I]+MAX[I]+G[I,0]
'ELSE' 'BEGIN'MIN[I]+G[I,41];MAX[I]+G[I,42] 'END';
L=G[0,41]-1;
'FOR'J=0'STEP'1' UNTIL 'L' DO'
'FOR'I=1'STEP'1' UNTIL '10' DO'
'IF'G[I,J]<MIN[I]' THEN 'MIN[I]+G[I,J]
'ELSE' 'IF'G[I,J]>MAX[I]' THEN 'MAX[I]+G[I,J];
'FOR'I=1'STEP'1' UNTIL '10' DO'
'BEGIN' 'IF'MIN[I]=MIN[I]' THEN 'GOTO'FIN;
M+1:
'IF'MAX[I]=0' THEN 'GOTO'C;
'IF'MAX[I]<0' THEN 'BEGIN'M+1;MAX[I]=MAX[I] 'END';
'IF'MAX[I]<1' THEN 'GOTO'B;
A: 'IF'MAX[I]<10' THEN 'GOTO'C;
MAX[I]+0.1;MAX[I];M+10*M;
GOTO'A;
B: 'IF'MAX[I]>1' THEN 'GOTO'C;
MAX[I]+10*MAX[I];M+0.1*M;
GOTO'B;
C: Z=ENTIER(MIN[I]):
'IF'Z=MAX[I] 'THEN'MAX[I]=Z*M
ELSE' 'IF'M<0' THEN 'MAX[I]=Z*M
'ELSE' 'MAX[I]=(Z+1)*M;
'IF'M<0' THEN 'M=-M;
Z=ENTIER(MIN[I]/M)*M;
'IF'Z=0' THEN 'MIN[I]+ENTIER(10*MIN[I]/M)*0.1*M
'ELSE' 'MIN[I]+Z;
FIN:'END';
NEWLINE(2):
'FOR'I=1'STEP'1' UNTIL '10' DO'
'BEGIN'PRINTCH(G(I,43));
SPACE(6):
'IF'MAX[I]=MIN[I] 'THEN' 'BEGIN'WRITE TEXT ('"CONSTANT:"') ;
PRINT(MIN[I],0.5);
WRITE TEXT ('"OMITTED FROM GRAPH"');G[1,43]+26;
D[I]+1; 'GOTO'FFIN;
'END';
D[I]+MAX[I]-MIN[I]:
'FOR'J=0'STEP'1' UNTIL '3' DO'
'BEGIN'
PRINT(MIN[I]+J*D[I]/4,0.3);
'IF'J#3' THEN 'SPACE(13);
'END';
'IF'(G[1,41]#0 OR 'G[1,42]#0) AND
(MIN[I]#6[I,41] OR 'MAX[I]#G[1,42] 
'THEN'WRITE TEXT ('"SCALE CHANGED")'; 'ELSE' 'SPACE(13)
PRINT(MAX[I],0.3);
FFIN:NEWLINE(1):
'END';
Procedure MAX is used to determine which of two variables has the maximum value.

Procedure MIN is used to determine which of two variables has the minimum value.

A declaration of all the model variables, parameters and constants follow these procedures.

Procedure MINP is used to determine which of two variables has the minimum value and to print out the result.

Procedure ADD(A) TO (B) is used for adding one sum to another.

Procedure SUB(A) FROM (B) is used for subtracting one sum from another.

Procedure MOVE (A) FROM (B) TO (C) is used to reduce one variable by a certain value and to increase another by that same value.

Procedure MOVEALL reduces one variable to zero and increases another by the same value.

Procedure MOVEFRAC is used to reduce one variable by a certain proportion and to increase another by the same value.

Procedure REDUCE reduces a variable by a certain proportion.
\[ k+0; \]
\[ 'FOR' i+0 'STEP' 1 'UNTIL' i'DO' \]
\[ 'BEGIN' 'NEWLINE(1);' \]
\[ PRINT(C[0, 1], 6, 0);' \]
\[ 'IF' 'K'=10 'THEN' 'K'=0;' \]
\[ 'FOR' j+0 'STEP' 1 'UNTIL' 100'DO' \]
\[ E[J]= 'IF' 'K'=0 'THEN' '26' 'ELSE' '16'; \]
\[ 'END'; \]
\[ 'FOR' j+0 'STEP' 1 'UNTIL' 100'DO' 'PRINT' 'C[0, 13, 6, 0];' \]
\[ 'END'; \]
\[ 'END' 'OF OUTPUT PROCEDURE;' \]
\[ 'REAL' 'PROCEDURE' 'MAX(P,Q);' 'REAL' 'P,Q;' \]
\[ 'BEGIN;' \]
\[ 'IF' 'P' 'GE' 'Q' 'THEN' 'MAX=P,' 'ELSE' 'MAX=Q;' \]
\[ 'END';' \]
\[ 'REAL' 'PROCEDURE' 'MIN(P,Q);' 'REAL' 'P,Q;' \]
\[ 'BEGIN;' \]
\[ 'IF' 'P' 'LE' 'Q' 'THEN' 'MIN=+P,' 'ELSE' 'MIN=Q;' \]
\[ 'END';' \]
\[ 'INTEGER' 'SEG, TYPE, AGE, SH, CM, FH, SPFH, YOUNG, OLD, SIZE, TENURE, COND, VS, S, M, L, OCC, PR, LAR, GOOD, BAD,' \]
\[ INIT,' \]
\[ STATE, TEMP, SHARING, MOVING;' \]
\[ 'REAL' 'ARRAY' \]
\[ HOUSEHOLD, RANK, SHARINGUTILITY[1:4, 1:4, 1:2], \]
\[ AVSTAYSHARE, AVSTAYTEMP, SHARINGACCESS[1:4, 1:4, 1:2], \]
\[ DWELLING, VACANT, YSROOM[1:4, 1:3, 1:2], \]
\[ HOMELESS[1:4, 1:4, 1:2, 1:3], \]
\[ OCCUPANCY, ACCESSIBILITY, AVSTAY, AVAILABILITY,' \]
\[ CONSTRAINT[1:4, 1:4, 1:2, 1:4, 1:3, 1:2], \]
\[ COMOCG, COMACE[1:4];' \]
\[ 'INTEGER' 'ARRAY' 'RANKLIST[1:32, 1:3];' \]
\[ 'BOOLEAN' 'INPUT, OUT;' \]
\[ 'INTEGER' 'H, P;' \]
\[ 'INTEGER' 'CONTROL;' \]
\[ 'INTEGER' 'PART1, PART2;' \]
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\[ MIGFROMSEGNC[2:4, 1:43];' \]

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'REAL' 'PROCEDURE' 'MINP(P,Q)'; 'REAL' 'P,Q';

'BEGIN'
'IF' 'P' 'LE' 'Q' 'THEN' 'BEGIN'
'MINP=P; CONSTRAINT[SEG,TYPE,AGE,SIZE, TENURE, COND]+1' 'END';
'ELSE' 'BEGIN'
'MINP+Q; CONSTRAINT[SEG,TYPE,AGE,SIZE, TENURE, COND]+2' 'END';
'END';

'PROCEDURE' 'ADD(A) TO:(B)'; 'REAL' 'A,B';
'B+B+A';

'PROCEDURE' 'SUB(A) FROM;(B)'; 'REAL' 'A,B';
'B+B-A';

'PROCEDURE' 'MOVE(A) FROM:(B) TO:(C)'; 'VALUE(A)'; 'REAL' 'A,B,C';
'BEGIN' 'C=C+A; B=B-A; ' 'END';

'PROCEDURE' 'MOVEALL(A) TO:(B)'; 'REAL' 'A,B';
'BEGIN' 'B+B=A; A=0; ' 'END';

'PROCEDURE' 'MOVEFRAC(FRAC) OF:(A) TO:(B)';
'VALUE(FRAC)'; 'REAL' 'FRAC,A,B';
'BEGIN' 'B+B+FRAC*A';
'A+(1-FRAC)*A';
'END';

'PROCEDURE' 'REDUCE(A) BY:(FRAC)'; 'REAL' 'A,FRAC';
A+(1-FRAC)*A;
Procedure NEWHH, HMDISSOLVE, and HHCHANGE are discussed fully in Section 5.3.

Procedure HOUSEHOLDMODEL calls the procedures of the Households Sub-Model.

Procedure SOCIOECONOMIC GROUP contains the equations of the Households Sub-Model which are repeated for each socioeconomic group.

Procedure MIGRATION ACROSS SEGS is used to adjust each household type in each socio-economic group to account for social mobility.
'PROCEDURE 'NEWHH(RATE, SEG, TYPE, AGE);

'REAL' RATE: 'INTEGER' SEG, TYPE, AGE;
'BEGIN' 'REAL' NUMBER;
NUMBER*RATE+DT;
ADD(NUMBER) TO: (HOUSEHOLD(SEG, TYPE, AGE));
'IF' CONTROL#3'THEN'
'BEGIN'
ADD(NUMBER) TO: (HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, SHARING));
'END';
'END' OF NEWHH;

'PROCEDURE 'HHDISSOLVE(RATE, SEG, TYPE, AGE);

'REAL' RATE: 'INTEGER' SEG, TYPE, AGE;

'BEGIN' 'REAL' NUMBER, FRAC;
NUMBER*RATE+DT;
FRAC+NUMBER/HOUSEHOLD(SEG, TYPE, AGE);
SUB(NUMBER) FROM: (HOUSEHOLD(SEG, TYPE, AGE));
'IF' CONTROL#3'THEN'
'BEGIN'
'FOR'SIZE=VS.SM.L'DO'
'FOR'TENURE=OC, PL.DR.A'DO'
'FOR'COND=GOOD, BAD'DO'
MOVEFRAC(FRAC) FROM:
(OCCUPANCY(SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND)) TO:
(VACANT(SEG, TYPE, AGE)); REDUCE(HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, TEMP)) BY: (FRAC);
REDUCE(HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, SHARING)) BY: (FRAC);
'IF' TYPE=SH AND AGE=YOUNG'THEN'
'BEGIN'
REDUCE(COMOCC(SEG)) BY: (FRAC);
REDUCE(COMACC(SEG)) BY: (FRAC);
'END';
'END';
'END' OF HHDISSOLVE:
'PROCEDURE' HHCHANGE {RATE} FROM; (SEG1, TYPE1, AGE1) TO; (SEG2, TYPE2, AGE2);

'REAL' RATE;
'INTEGER' SEG1, TYPE1, AGE1, SEG2, TYPE2, AGE2;
'BEGIN' 'REAL' NUMBER, FRAC:
  NUMBER * RATE * DT:
  FRAC + NUMBER / HOUSEHOLD [SEG1, TYPE1, AGE1];
  MOVE (NUMBER) FROM: (HOUSEHOLD [SEG1, TYPE1, AGE1])
  TO: (HOUSEHOLD [SEG2, TYPE2, AGE2]);
  'IF' CONTROL #3 'THEN'
  'BEGIN'
  'FOR' SIZE = XS, SM, LG 'DO'
  'FOR' TENURE = OCC, PR, LAR 'DO'
  'FOR' CONDITION = GOOD, BAD 'DO'
  MOVE FRAC (FRAC) FROM:
  (OCCUPANCY [SEG1, TYPE1, AGE1, SIZE, TENURE, COND])
  TO: (OCCUPANCY [SEG2, TYPE2, AGE2, SIZE, TENURE, COND]);
  MOVE FRAC (FRAC) FROM:
  (HOMELESS [SEG1, TYPE1, AGE1, TEMP3])
  TO: (HOMELESS [SEG2, TYPE2, AGE2, TEMP3]);
  'IF' TYPE1 = SH 'AND' AGE = YOUNG 'THEN'
  'BEGIN'
  REDUCE (COMACC [SEG1]) BY: (FRAC);
  MOVE FRAC (FRAC) FROM: (COMACC [SEG1])
  TO: (HOMELESS [SEG2, TYPE2, AGE2, TEMP3]);
  'END'
  'END'
  'END' OF HHCHANGE;

'PROCEDURE' HOUSEHOLDMODEL:

'BEGIN' SOCIO ECONOMIC GROUP (1):
  SOCIO ECONOMIC GROUP (2):
  SOCIO ECONOMIC GROUP (3):
  SOCIO ECONOMIC GROUP (4):
  MIGRATION ACROSS SEG:

'END'.
PROCEDURE'SOCIO ECONOMIC GROUP(SEG); 'INTEGER'SEG;

'BEGIN' 'INTEGER' CLIP;
'IF' TIME = -1 'THEN' 'GOTO' BB;
'IF' SEG = 1 'THEN'
 PAPER;THROW;NEWLINE(2);SPACE(5);CARD+0;
'IF' SEG = 1 'THEN'
 WRITETEXT ('"COPY OF DATA FOR HOUSEHOLDS MODEL"')
 NEWLINE(1);SPACE(5);
 WRITETEXT ('"SOCIO ECONOMIC GROUP")
 PRINT(SEG,1,0);
 TEST: IN(HOUSEHOLD(SEG,SH,YOUNG),0,4);
 TEST: IN(HOUSEHOLD(SEG,CH,YOUNG),0,4);
 TEST: IN(HOUSEHOLD(SEG,FH,YOUNG),0,4);
 TEST: IN(HOUSEHOLD(SEG,SPFH,YOUNG),0,4);
 TEST: IN(HOUSEHOLD(SEG,SH,OLD),0,4);
 TEST: IN(HOUSEHOLD(SEG,CH,OLD),0,4);
 TEST: IN(HOUSEHOLD(SEG,FH,OLD),0,4);
 TEST: IN(HOUSEHOLD(SEG,SPFH,OLD),0,4);
 TEST: IN(YSTYSPFN(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: IN(YSTYCYN(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: IN(EYFNC(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: IN(YCTOCN(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: IN(YCTOFN(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: IN(YSPFTOSP(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: IN(OSPFTON(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: IN(OFTOSP(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: IN(OFTOCN(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: IN(OCTOSN(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: IN(POSN(SEG),1,4);
 TEST: 'FOR' CLIP = 1,2,3,4 'DO' IN(YCTYFNC(SEG,CLIP),1,4);
 'IF' SEG = 1 'THEN'
 'BEGIN' TEST;
 'FOR' CLIP = 1,2,3,4 'DO' IN(CELH[CLIP],0,4);
 'END';
 'GOTO' CC;
 BB: 'IF' TIME = -1 'THEN' 'GOTO' AA;
 'IF' CONTROL = 4 'THEN' 'GOTO' CC;
 CLIP = 'IF' TIME < 1977 'THEN' 1 'ELSE' 'IF' TIME < 1981 'THEN' 2
 'ELSE' 'IF' TIME < 1984 'THEN' 3 'ELSE' 4;
 NEWNCR(0.5*YSTYCYC(SEG),CLFH[CLIP],SEG,SH,YOUNG);
 HHCHANGE(YSTYSPF(SEG)) FROM: (SEG,SH,YOUNG)
 TO: (SEG,SPFH,YOUNG);
 HHCHANGE(0.5*YSTYC(SEG)) FROM: (SEG,SH,YOUNG)
 TO: (SEG,CH,YOUNG);
 WHDISSOLVE(0.5*YSTYCYC(SEG),SEG,SH,YOUNG);
 HHCHANGE(YCTYF(SEG)) FROM: (SEG,CH,YOUNG)
 TO: (SEG,FH,YOUNG);
 WHDISSOLVE(EYFNC(SEG),SEG,FH,YOUNG):

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HHCHANGE (YCTOC[SEG]) FROM: (SEG, CH, YOUNG) TO: (SEG, CH, OLD);
HHCHANGE (YTOF[SEG]) FROM: (SEG, FH, YOUNG) TO: (SEG, FH, OLD);
HHCHANGE (YSPFTOSP[SEG]) FROM: (SEG, SPFH, YOUNG) TO: (SEG, SPFH, OLD);
HHCHANGE (OFTOSP[SEG]) FROM: (SEG, FH, OLD) TO: (SEG, SPFH, OLD);
HHCHANGE (OctOto[SEG]) FROM: (SEG, FH, OLD) TO: (SEG, CH, OLD);
HHCHANGE (TOCCSEG) FROM: (SEG, FH, OLD) TO: (SEG, CH, OLD);
HHCHANGE (OSPFTOS[SEG]) FROM: (SEG, SPFH, OLD) TO: (SEG, FH, OLD);

HHCHANGE (OfTOCCSEG) FROM: (Seg, FH, OLD) TO: (SEG, CH, OLD);
HHCHANGE (OSPFTOS[SEG]) FROM: (SEG, SPFH, OLD) TO: (SEG, FH, OLD);

HN DISSOLVE (DOCS[SEG], SEG, SH, OLD);

AA: CLIP* 'IF TIME <1971 THEN '1 ELSE ' 'IF TIME <1976 THEN '2
' ELSE ' 'IF TIME <1981 THEN '3 ELSE '4;
RATIO[SEG]*HOUSEHOLD[SEG, SH, YOUNG] / (HOUSEHOLD[1, SH, YOUNG] +
HOUSEHOLD[2, SH, YOUNG] + HOUSEHOLD[3, SH, YOUNG] +
HOUSEHOLD[4, SH, YOUNG]);

YCTYFLSEGJ+YCTYFN[SEG, CLIP] + HOUSEHOLD[SEG, CH, YOUNG];
YSTYSPF[SEG] + YSTYSPFN[SEG] + HOUSEHOLD[SEG, FH, YOUNG];
YSTYCN[SEG] + YSTYCNSEG + HOUSEHOLD[SEG, FH, YOUNG];
YFTOF[SEG] + YFTOFN[SEG] + HOUSEHOLD[SEG, FH, YOUNG];

YSPFTOSP[SEG] + YSPFTOSP[SEG] + HOUSEHOLD[SEG, SPFH, YOUNG];
OSPFTOS[SEG] + OSPFTOS[SEG] + HOUSEHOLD[SEG, SPFH, OLD];
OSPFTOS[SEG] + OSPFTOS[SEG] + HOUSEHOLD[SEG, FH, OLD];

TOCCSEG*TOCCSEG + HOUSEHOLD[SEG, FH, OLD];

CC: 'END':

'PROCEDURE MIGRATION ACROSS SEGS:

'BEGIN' 'INTEGER' CLIP, NEWSEG;
CARD=0;
'FOR' SEG=2, 3, 4 'DO'
'IF' TIME=-1 'THEN'
'BEGIN'
'IF' SEG=2 'THEN'
'BEGIN' 'NEWLINE (2);'
WRITE TEXT(' ('MIGRATION ACROSS SEGS') ');'
'END'

'BEGIN' 'TEST:
'FOR' CLIP=1, 2, 3, 4 'DO' 'IN(MIGFROMSEG[SEG, CLIP]) 1, 4
'END'

'END' 'ELSE'
'IF' TIME 'AND' CONTROL #4 'THEN'

'BEGIN' 'NEWSEG'=SEG-1;
CLIP* 'IF' TIME<1971 'THEN' '1 ELSE ' 'IF' TIME<1976 'THEN '
'2 ELSE ' 'IF' TIME<1981 'THEN' '3 ELSE ' '4;
'FOR' AGE=YOUNG 'AND' OLD 'DO'
'FOR' TYPE=SH, CH, FH 'DO'
'IF' AGE#OLD 'OR' TYPE#SH 'THEN'

HHCHANGE (HOUSEHOLD[SEG, TYPE, AGE] * MIGFROMSEG
(SEG, CLIP)) FROM (SEG, TYPE, AGE) TO (NEWSEG, TYPE, AGE):

'END': 28
PROCEDURE NEWDW, DEMDW, DWCHANGE are discussed fully in Section 5.3.

Procedure DWELLINGMODEL calls the procedures of the Dwellings Sub-Model.

Procedure DWELLING TYPE contains the equations of the Dwellings Sub-Model which are repeated for each dwelling size.
PROCEDURE NEWDW(RATE, SIZE, TENURE, COND);

'REAL' RATE; 'INTEGER' SIZE, TENURE, COND;
'BEGIN' 'REAL' NUMBER;
NUMBER+RATE*DT;
ADD(NUMBER) TO: (DWELLING[SIZE, TENURE, COND]);
'IF' 'CONTROL#' THEN'
'BEGIN'
ADD(NUMBER) TO: (VACANT[SIZE, TENURE, COND]);
'END';
'END' OF NEWDW;

PROCEDURE PEMDW(RATE, SIZE, TENURE, COND);

'REAL' RATE; 'INTEGER' SIZE, TENURE, COND;
'BEGIN' 'REAL' NUMBER, FRAC;
NUMBER+RATE*DT;
FRAC*NUMBER/DWELLING[SIZE, TENURE, COND];
SUB(NUMBER) FROM: (DWELLING[SIZE, TENURE, COND]);
'IF' 'CONTROL#' THEN'
'BEGIN'
'FOR' SEG=1, 2, 3, 4 'DO'
'FOR' TYPE=SH, CH, FH, SPFH 'DO'
'FOR' AGE=YOUNG, OLD 'DO'
'BEGIN'
'IF' TYPE=SH AND AGE=YOUNG 'THEN'
'BEGIN' 'REAL' LOST;
LOST+FRAC*OCCUPANCY[SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND] *YSROOM[SIZE, TENURE, COND]
SUB(LOST) FROM: (COMACC[SEG]);
MOVE(LOST) FROM: (COMOCC[SEG]) TO: (HOMELESS[SEG, TYPE, AGE, TEMP]);
'END';
MOVEFRAC(FRAC) FROM: (OCCUPANCY[SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND]) TO: (HOMELESS[SEG, TYPE, AGE, TEMP]);
'END';
REDUCE(VACANT[SIZE, TENURE, COND]) BY: (FRAC);
'END';
'END' OF PEMDW;
'PROCEDURE 'DWCHANGE (RATE) FROM: (SIZE1, TENURE1, COND1) TO: (SIZE2, TENURE2, COND2); 'REAL 'RATE; 'INTEGER 'SIZE1, TENURE1, COND1, SIZE2, TENURE2, COND2 'BEGIN' 'REAL 'NUMBER, FRAC; NUMBER*RATE*DT; FRAC*NUMBER/DWELLING [SIZE1, TENURE1, COND1]; MOVE (NUMBER) FROM: (DWELLING [SIZE1, TENURE1, COND1]) TO: (DWELLING [SIZE2, TENURE2, COND2]); 'IF 'CONTROL0 THEN' 'BEGIN' 'FOR 'SEG1, 2, 3, 4 'DO' 'FOR 'TYPE+SH, CH, FH, 5PF 'DO' 'FOR 'AGE+YOUNG, OLD 'DO' 'BEGIN' 'IF 'TYPE=SH 'AND 'AGE=YOUNG THEN' 'BEGIN' 'REAL 'CHANGE; CHANGE+FRAC*OCCUPANCY [SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE1, TENURE1, COND1]; SUB<CHANGE*YSROOM [SIZE1, TENURE1, COND1]) FROM: (COMACCISEG)); ADD (CHANGE*YSROOM [SIZE2, TENURE2, COND2]) TO: (COMA [C] [SEG]); 'COMMENT 'COMMON UNCHANGED; 'END' MOVEFRAC (FRAC) FROM: (OCCUPANCY [SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE1, TENURE1, COND1]) TO: (OCCUPANCY [SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE2, TENURE2, COND2]); 'END'; MOVEFRAC (FRAC) FROM: (VACANT [SIZE1, TENURE1, COND1]) TO: (VACANT [SIZE2, TENURE2, COND2]); 'END'; 'END' OF DWCHANGE; 'PROCEDURE 'DWELLINGMODEL; 'BEGIN' DWELLING TYPE (VS); DWELLING TYPE (S); DWELLING TYPE (M); DWELLING TYPE (L); 'END';
PROCEDURE DWELLING TYPE (SIZE): INTEGER SIZE;

BEGIN
  IF TIME=-1 THEN GOTO BB;
  IF SIZE=VS THEN
    PAPER THROW; NEWLINE (2); SPACE (5); CARD 0;
  IF SIZE=VS THEN
    WRITE TEXT ('"COPY OF DATA FOR DWELLINGS MODEL ... "') !
    NEWLINE (1); SPACE (5);
    WRITE TEXT ('"DWELLING TYPE")': PRINT (SIZE, 1, 0);
  TEST: IN (DWELLING [SIZE], OOC, GOOD), 0, 4);
  TEST: IN (DWELLING [SIZE], OOC, BAD), 0, 4);
  TEST: IN (DWELLING [SIZE], OAR, GOOD), 0, 4);
  TEST: IN (DWELLING [SIZE], OAR, BAD), 0, 4);
  TEST: IN (A READ TABLE (NOOCCCT, SIZE));
  TEST: A READ TABLE (NLART, SIZE);
  TEST: In READ TABLE (NPRT, SIZE);
  TEST: IN (DOOCCN [SIZE], 1, 4);

  TEST: IN (DLARN [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (DPRN [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (OARN [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (PRARM [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (OHRM [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (PGRN [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (OGBP [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (PBBP [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (OBBP [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (OGBL [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (LGBP [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (LBBP [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (OGBLN [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: A READ TABLE (PGFT, SIZE);
  TEST: A READ TABLE (COGFT, SIZE);
  TEST: A READ TABLE (LGFT, SIZE);
  TEST: IN (PBLCN [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (OBLCN [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (OGLCN [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (LBLCN [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (CLGNC [SIZE], 1, 4);
  TEST: IN (LC [SIZE], 6, 0);
Procedure ALLOCATIONMODEL calls the procedures which are used to determine who lives where.

Procedure REALLOCATE calls the procedures which move households out of dwellings and back into dwellings.

Procedure SHAKEOUT is used to move households out of dwellings - a detailed discussion of this procedure is contained in Section 5.3.2.

Procedure ALLOCATE is used to move households into dwellings - a detailed discussion of this procedure is contained in Section 5.3.2.

Procedure DATAINPUTFORALLOCATION calls the procedures used to read in data used in the allocation model.

Procedure DBLOCKHEAD, HBLOCKHEAD, MAINHEAD, DLINE, HLINE, SET3D, SET6D are used to print out headings for the model output.
'PROCEDURE ALLOCATIONMODEL:

'BEGIN'
'IF 'TIME=-1' THEN'
   DATA INPUT FOR ALLOCATION
'ELSE'
'IF 'TIME=0' THEN'
   'BEGIN'
      REALLOCATE(1);
   'END';
'END';
'PROCEDURE REALLOCATE(K): INTEGER K;'

'BEGIN' INTEGER I:
   'IF 'CONTROL<3' THEN'
   'FOR' I+1 'STEP' 1 'UNTIL' 32 'DO'
   'BEGIN'
      SEG*RANKLIST[I,1];
      TYPE*RANKLIST[I,2];
      AGE*RANKLIST[I,3];
      SHAKEOUT(SEG, TYPE, AGE, K);
      ALLOCATE(SEG, TYPE, AGE);
   'END';
'END';
'PROCEDURE SHAKEOUT(SEG, TYPE, AGE, K);'

INTEGER SEG, TYPE, AGE, K;
'COMMENT' IF K=0 ONLY HOMELESS HOUSES ARE SHAKEN OUT;
'BEGIN' REAL NUMBER:
   'IF 'INIT=1 THEN' 'GOTO' PP;
   HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING)+0;
   NUMBER+DT*HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, SHARING) /
   AVSTAYSHARE(SEG, TYPE, AGE);
   MOVE(NUMBER) FROM: (HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, SHARING))
   TO: (HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING));
   NUMBER+DT*HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, TEMP)/
   AVSTAYTEMP(SEG, TYPE, AGE);
   MOVE(NUMBER) FROM: (HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, TEMP))
   TO: (HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING));
   'IF 'K=1 THEN'
   'FOR' SIZE<VS, SM, L' DO'
   'FOR' TENURE+OCC, PR, LAR' DO'
   'FOR' COND+GOOD, BAD' DO'
   'BEGIN'
      NUMBER+DT*OCCUPANCY(SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND)
      (AVSTAY(SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND)/2.5);
   MOVE(NUMBER) FROM:
      (OCCUPANCY(SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND))
      TO: (HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING));
   ADD(NUMBER) TO: (VACANT(SEG, TENURE, COND));
   'IF 'TYPE=SH AND 'AGE=YOUNG THEN'
   'BEGIN'
      NUMBER+NUMBER*YSROOM(SIZE, TENURE, COND);
   MOVE(NUMBER) FROM: (COMACC(SEG))
   TO: (HOMELESS(SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING));
   SUB(NUMBER) FROM: (COMACC(SEG));
   'END';
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PROCEDURE ALLOCATE (SEG, TYPE, AGE); INTEGER SEG, TYPE, AGE;

BEGIN 'REAL' NUMBER, POOL;
'BOOLEAN' YSH; YSH+TYPE=SH AND AGE=YOUNG;
POOL+HOMELESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING];
'FOR'SIZE+VS, S, M, L'DO'
'FOR'TENURE+GOOD, BAD'DO'
'FOR'COND+GOOD, BAD'DO'
BEGIN

NUMBER+MINPCDT+AVAILABILITY [SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND]+VACANT [SIZE, TENURE, COND]
AND: (ACCESSIBILITY [SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND]
+POOL/('IF'YSH'THEN'1+YSROOM [SIZE, TENURE, COND]
'ELSE' ));
MOVE (NUMBER) FROM: (HOMELESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING])
TO: (OCCUPANCY [SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND]);
SUB (NUMBER) FROM: (VACANT [SIZE, TENURE, COND]);
'IF'YSH'THEN'
BEGIN
NUMBER+NUMBER+YSROOM [SIZE, TENURE, COND];
ADD (NUMBER) TO: (COMACC [SEG]);
'END';
'END'OF LOOP;
'IF'YSH'THEN'
BEGIN
NUMBER+MIN (COMACC [SEG]-COMACC [SEG])
AND: (HOMELESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING]);
MOVE (NUMBER) FROM: (HOMELESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING])
TO: (COMACC [SEG]);
'END';
NUMBER+HOMELESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING]+*
SHARING ACCESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE]
MOVE (NUMBER) FROM: (HOMELESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING])
TO: (HOMELESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE, SHARING]);
MOVE ALL (HOMELESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING])
TO: (HOMELESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE, TEMP]);
HOMELESS [SEG, TYPE, AGE, MOVING]+POOL;
'END'OF ALLOCATE)
PROCEDURE DATA_INPUT_FOR_ALLOCATION:

BEGIN
PAPER_THROW:
INPUT_RANK:

INPUT_SROOM:
INPUT_AVSTAY:
INPUT_AVSTAYSHARE:
INPUT_AVSTAYTEMP:
INPUT_AVailability:
INPUT_SHARING_ACCESS:
INPUT_ACCESSIBILITY:

IF CONTROL < 3 THEN
BEGIN
IF CONTROL > 0 THEN TAPE (INPUT):
IF CONTROL = 0 OR CONTROL < 2 THEN
INITIALISE:
END;

REAL "PROCEDURE "RIN(P, Q)" INTEGER P, Q;

BEGIN" REAL 'R;
R + READ; PRINT (R, P, Q): RIN + R;
END;

PROCEDURE DBLOCKHEAD:

BEGIN NEWLINE (1):
WRITE TEXT ('"SIZE%OCC, GOOD%OCC, BAD
%PR, GOOD%PR, BAD%LAR, GOOD%LAR, BAD"');
END;

PROCEDURE HBLOCKHEAD:

BEGIN NEWLINE (1):
WRITE TEXT ('"SEG%SH, YOUNG%SH, OLD%CH, YOUNG%CH, OL
%FH, YOUNG%FH, OLD%SPFH, YOU%SPFH, OLD"');
END;

PROCEDURE MAINHEAD:

BEGIN NEWLINE (2):
ELSE WRITE TEXT ('"HOUSEHOLDS%OF%SEG"');
PRINT (SEG, 1, 0);
END;
PROCEDURE DLINE:

BEGIN NEWLINE(1);
VS+1; S+2; M+3;
IF SIZE=VS THEN WrittEXT('V. SMALL')
ELSE IF SIZE=S THEN WrittEXT('S. SMALL')
ELSE IF SIZE=M THEN WrittEXT('M. MEDIUM')
ELSE WrittEXT('LARGE')
END;

PROCEDURE HLINE:

BEGIN NEWLINE(1);
PRINT(SEG,3,0);
END;

PROCEDURE SET3D(A) TO (B) SUFFICE: (I, J, K) LIMITS: (II, JJ, KK)

NEWLINE: (N) HEAD: (T):

BEGIN
REAL A, B; INTEGER I, J, K, II, JJ, KK, M, T;
BEGIN
NEWLINE(N);
IF N=0 THEN BEGIN
IF T=0 THEN DBLOCKHEAD ELSE HBLOCKHEAD
END;
FOR I+1 STEP 1 UNTIL II DO
BEGIN
IF N=0 THEN BEGIN
IF T=0 THEN DLINE ELSE HLINE
END;
FOR J+1 STEP 1 UNTIL JJ DO
FOR K+1 STEP 1 UNTIL KK DO
A+B;
END;
END;

PROCEDURE SET6D(A) TO (B) SUFFICE: (F, G, H, I, J, K) LIMITS: (FF, GG, HH, II, JJ, KK)

INTEGER FF, GG, HH, II, JJ, KK;
BEGIN
FOR F+1 STEP 1 UNTIL FF DO
FOR G+1 STEP 1 UNTIL GG DO
FOR H+1 STEP 1 UNTIL HH DO
BEGIN
IF N=0 THEN MAINHEAD;
SET3D(A, B, I, J, K, II, JJ, KK, N, D);
END;
END;
Procedures INPUTRANK, INPUTYSROOM, INPUTAVSTAY, INPUTAVSTAYSHARE, INPUTAVSTAYTEMP, INPUTAVAILABILITY AND INPUTACCESSIBILITY, are used to read into the computer data in the pecking order, YSROOM, AVSTAY, AVSTAYSHARE, AVSTAYTEMP, AVAILABILITY and ACCESSIBILITY.
PROCEDURE MNPUTRANK;

BEGIN 'NEWLINE(3);
  WRITE TEXT('('RANK%ARRAY%SET%TO:');');
  SET D(RANK[SEG, TYPE, AGE]) TO: (RIN(6, 0)) SUFFICES: (SEG, TYPE, AGE)
  LIMITS: (4, 4, 2) NEWLINE: (1) HEAD: (H);
BEGIN 'INTEGER 1;

FOR I = 1 STEP 1 UNTIL 32 DO
  BEGIN
    FOR SEG = 1, 2, 3, 4 DO
      FOR TYPE = SH, CH, FH, SPFH DO
        FOR AGE = YOUNG, OLD DO
          IF RANK[SEG, TYPE, AGE] = I THEN GOTO NEXT;
        WRITE TEXT('('ERROR IN RANK DATA');');
        PAUSE(99);
      NEXT : RANKLIST[I, 1] = SEG;
      RANKLIST[I, 2] = TYPE;
      RANKLIST[I, 3] = AGE;
  END;
END;

PROCEDURE INPUTYSROOM;

BEGIN 'NEWLINE(3);
  WRITE TEXT('('YS. ROOM%ARRAY%SET%TO:');');
  SET D(YSROOM[SIZE, TENURE, COND]) TO: (RIN(3, 2))
  SUFFICES: (SIZE, TENURE, COND) LIMITS: (4, 2)
  NEWLINE: (1) HEAD: (D);
END;

PROCEDURE INPUTAVSTAY;

BEGIN'
  REAL X;
  BEGIN
    NEWLINE(3);
    WRITE TEXT('('AV. STAY%ARRAY: ');');
    SET D(AVSTAY[SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND])
    TO: (RIN(4, 1))
    SUFFICES: (SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND)
    LIMITS: (4, 4, 2)
  NEWLINE: (1);
END;

PROCEDURE INPUTAVSTAYSHARE;

BEGIN'
  REAL X;
  BEGIN
    NEWLINE(3);
    WRITE TEXT('('AV. STAYSHARE: ');');
    SET D(AVSTAYSHARE[SEG, TYPE, AGE])
    TO: (RIN(3, 2))
    SUFFICES: (SEG, TYPE, AGE) LIMITS: (4, 4, 2)
  NEWLINE: (1) HEAD: (H);
END;
'PROCEDURE' INPUT AVSTAY TEMP;

'BEGIN'
'REAL' X; X+READ;
NEWLINE(3);
WRITE TEXT('('AV%STAY%TEMP*');
PRINT(X, 2, 2);
SET3D(AVSTAY TEMP(SEG, TYPE, AGE))
TO: (X)
SUFFICES: (SEG, TYPE, AGE) LIMITS: (4, 4, 2)
NEWLINE: (0) HEAD: (H);

'END';

'PROCEDURE' INPUT AVAILABILITY;

'BEGIN'
'REAL' X; X+READ;
NEWLINE(3);
WRITE TEXT('('AVAILABILITY*');
PRINT(X, 2, 2);
SET6D(AVAILABILITY[SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND])
TO: (X)
SUFFICES: (SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND)
LIMITS: (4, 4, 2, 4, 3, 2)
NEWLINE: (0);

'END';

'PROCEDURE' INPUT SHARING ACCESS;

'BEGIN'
NEWLINE(3);
WRITE TEXT('('SHARING ACCESS*');
SET3D(SHARING ACCESS[SEG, TYPE, AGE]) TO: (PIN(3, 2))
SUFFICES: (SEG, TYPE, AGE) LIMITS: (4, 4, 2)
NEWLINE: (1) HEAD: (H);

'END';

'PROCEDURE' INPUT ACCESSIBILITY;

'BEGIN'
'REAL' A;
'PROCEDURE' DIV(B)BY:(C):'REAL'B,C: A+B>B/C:
'REAL' SUM: BOOLEAN 'F';
NEWLINE(3); WRITE TEXT('('ACCESSIBILITY*');
FOR'SEG+T,2,3,4*DO'
'FOR'TYPE+SM,CH,FH,SPFH*DO'
'FOR'AGE+YOUNG,OLD*DO'
'BEGIN' SUM+0;
MAINHEAD; DBLOCKHEA D;
'FOR'F+TRUE',FALSE*DO'
'FOR'SIZE+VS,S,M,L*DO'
'BEGIN'
'IF' NOT'F THEN' DILINE;
'FOR'TENURE+DOC,PR,LAR*DO'
'FOR'COND+GOOD,BAD*DO'
'IF' F THEN'
'BEGIN'
A+READ;
ACCESSIBILITY[SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND] +A;
SUM+SUM+A;
'END';
'ELSE'
'BEGIN'
DIV(ACCESSIBILITY[SEG, TYPE, AGE, SIZE, TENURE, COND]) BY: (SUM);
PRINT(A, 2, 3);
'END';
'END';
'END';
'END';
Procedure INITIALISE is used for the initialization process as discussed in Section 5.3.4.

Procedure FULLOUTPUT is used to print out the model results in the form shown in Appendix C.

Procedure TAPE(IN) is used for both reading into the computer data from a papertape and also for producing a papertape of model output.
PROCEDURE INITIALISE:

BEGIN 'INTEGER' I,J,K,L,M,N;
'IF' CONTROL=0 'THEN' 
BEGIN 
'FOR' K+1,2,3,4 'DO'
'FOR' J+1,2,3 'DO'
'FOR' I+1,1 'DO'
'BEGIN'
VACANT[1,J,K]* DWELiNG[1,J,K];
'HOMLESS[1,J,K,TEMP]'
+HOMELESS[1,J,K,Moving]+0;
'HOMLESS[I,J,K,MOVING]'
+HOUSEHOLD[1,J,K];
'FOR' N+1,2,3,4 'DO'
'FOR' M+1,2,3 'DO'
'FOR' L+1,2 'DO'
'OCCUPANCY[1,J,K,L,M,N]=0;
'END';
'FOR' I+1,2,3,4 'DO' COMACC[1]+COMACC[1]+0;
'END';
I+0;
'FOR' INIT+1 'STEP' 1 'UNTIL' PART1+PART2 'DO'
'BEGIN'
'IF' PART1='AND' INIT=1 'THEN'
FULLOUTPUT;
REALLOCATE
('IF' INIT=LE'PART1 THEN'O' ELSE'1);
'IF' INIT=PART1 'THEN'
'BEGIN'
PAPERTHROW;
'WRITETEXT( ("AFTER%ST%PHASE%OF 
INITIALISATION; ");
FULLOUTPUT;
'END';
'IF' INIT>PART1 'THEN'
'BEGIN' 'REAL'SUM: SUM+0:

NEWLINE(2);
'WRITETEXT( ("ITERATION: ");
I+1;
PRINT(I,4,0);
DBLOCKHEAD;
'FOR' SIZE+1,2,3,4 'DO'
'BEGIN' 'NEWLINE(1);
DLINE;
'FOR' TENURE<0CC,PR, LAR 'DO'
'FOR' COND=GOOD, BAD 'DO'
'BEGIN' PRINT(VACANT[SIZE, TENURE, COND],6,0);
ADD(VACANT[SIZE, TENURE, COND]) TO: (SUM);
'END;
'END;
'WRITETEXT( ("%OF %VACANT %DWELLINGS: ");
PRINT(SUM,8,0);
'IF' SUM>600000 'THEN' 'GOTO' EXIT;
'END';
'END';
EXIT 'END' OF INITIALISE;
'PROCEDURE FULLOUTPUT;

'BEGIN' 'INTEGER' T;
ARRAY 'SUM[0:5]';
ARRAY 'SPREAD[1:6,1:3]';
'FOR' I<0 'STEP' 1 'UNTIL' 5 'DO' 'SUM[I]++';
'IF' TIME<1 'THEN'
PAPERTHROW;
WRITE 'TEXT (''FULL%OUTPUT AT TIME=1'')';
'IF' TIME<1 'THEN' PRINT (TIME, 4, 2)
'ELSE' PRINT (T, 4, 2);
'IF' 'CONTROL<3' 'THEN'
'FOR' I+1,2 'DO'
'IF' I=1 'OR' 'CONTROL<3' 'THEN'
BEGIN' NEWLINE (4);
'IF' I=1 'THEN' WRITE 'TEXT (''NUMBER OF%Dwellings:'')';
'ELSE' WRITE 'TEXT (''NUMBER % VACANT:'')';
DBLOCKHEAD;
'FOR' SIZE+VS,S,M,L 'DO'
BEGIN' NEWLINE (1);
DLINE;
'FOR' TENURE=OC,PR,LA 'DO'
'FOR' COND+GOOD,BAD 'DO'
BEGIN
PRINT (''IF' I=1 'THEN' DWELLING [SIZE, TENURE, COND]
'ELSE' VACANT [SIZE, TENURE, COND], 6, 0);
ADD (''IF' I=1 'THEN' DWELLING [SIZE, TENURE, COND]
'ELSE' VACANT [SIZE, TENURE, COND] TO: 'SUM[0]');
'END';
END;
WRITE 'TEXT (''GRAND%TOTAL=1'')';
PRINT (SUM[0], 8, 0); SUM[0]<0;
'END';
'IF' 'CONTROL<4' 'THEN'
'FOR' I+1,2 'DO'
'IF' I=1 'OR' 'CONTROL<3' 'THEN'
BEGIN' NEWLINE (4);
'IF' I=1 'THEN' WRITE 'TEXT (''NUMBER OF%Houses:'')';
'ELSE' WRITE 'TEXT (''Homeless%Sharing%
[Not%In%Communes]''');
HBLOCKHEAD;
'FOR' SEG+1,2,3,4 'DO'
BEGIN' NEWLINE (1);
DLINE;
'FOR' TYPE+SH,CH,TH,SPE 'DO'
'FOR' AGE+YOUNG, OLD 'DO'
BEGIN
PRINT (''IF' I=1 'THEN' HOUSEHOLD[SEG, TYPE, AGE] 'ELSE'
HOMELESS[SEG, TYPE, AGE, SHARING]
+HOMELESS[SEG, TYPE, AGE, TEMP], 6, 0);
ADD (''IF' I=1 'THEN' HOUSEHOLD[SEG, TYPE, AGE] 'ELSE'
HOMELESS[SEG, TYPE, AGE, SHARING]
+HOMELESS[SEG, TYPE, AGE, TEMP])
TO: 'SUM[0]';
'END';
'END';
WRITE TEXT ('( 'GRAND TOTAL = ' ) ' );
PRINT ( SUM [ 0 ] , 8 , 0 ) : SUM [ 0 ] = 0 ;
'END';

'IF' CONTROL < 3 ' THEN 'BEGiN'

PAPE R T H R O W ;
'FOR' SEG + 1 , 2 , 3 , 4 ' DO '
'FOR' TENURE + OCC , PR , LAR ' DO '
SPREAD ( SEG , TENURE ) + 0 :
WRITE TEXT (' ( ' OCCUPANCY : ' ) ' );
NEWLINE ( 1 ) ; SPACE ( 59 ) ;
WRITE TEXT (' ( ' HOUSEHOLDS % % HOMELESS ' ) ' ); SPACE ( 19 ) ;
WRITE TEXT (' ( ' COMOCC ' ) ' );
NEWLINE ( 1 ) ; SPACE ( 73 ) ;
WRITE TEXT (' ( ' TEMP % % SHARING % % MOVING ' ) ' );
'FOR' SEG + 1 , 2 , 3 , 4 ' DO '
'BEGIN' ' IF ' SEG # 1 ' THEN ' PAPER T H R O W ;
'FOR' TYPE + SH , CH , FH , SPF H ' DO '
'FOR' AGE + YOUNG , OLD ' DO '
'BEGiN'
MAINHEAD : @ BLOCKHEAD :
PRINT ( HOUSEHOLD [ SEG , TYPE , AGE ] , 6 , 0 ) ;
ADD ( HOUSEHOLD [ SEG , TYPE , AGE ] TO ; ( SUM [ 0 ] ) ;
'FOR' STATE + TEMP , SHARING , MOVING ' DO '
'BEGiN'
PRINT ( HOMELESS [ SEG , TYPE , AGE , STATE ] , 6 , 0 ) ;
ADD ( HOMELESS [ SEG , TYPE , AGE , STATE ] )
TO ; ( SUM [ STATE ] ) ;

'END';

'IF' TYPE = SH AND ' AGE = YOUNG ' THEN '
'BEGiN'
ADD ( COMOCC [ SEG ] , 6 , 0 ) ;
END';

FOR ' SIZE + VS , SM , L ' ' DO '
'BEGiN' D L I N E :
'FOR' TENURE + OCC , PR , LAR ' DO '
'FOR' COND + GOOD , BAD ' ' DO '
'BEGiN'
PRINT ( OCCUPANCY [ SEG , TYPE , AGE , SIZE , TENURE , COND ] , 6 , 0 ) ;
ADD ( OCCUPANCY [ SEG , TYPE , AGE , SIZE , TENURE , COND ] )
TO ; ( SPREAD [ SEG , TENURE ] ) ;

'END';

'FOR' TENURE + OCC , PR , LAR ' DO '
'FOR' COND + GOOD , BAD ' ' DO '
PRINT ( CONSTRAINT [ SEG , TYPE , AGE , SIZE , TENURE , COND ] , 6 , 0 ) ;
'END';

'END';

'END';
NEWLINE (2); SPACE (35):
WRITEFTEXT (' (GRAND% TOTALS%(ALL%SEG): )');
FOR I=0 STEP 1 UNTIL 4 DO PRINT (SUM[1], 6, 0):
PAPERTHROW:
WRITEFTEXT (' (TENURE%BY%SOCIOECONOMIC%GROUP)');
NEWLINE (2):
WRITEFTEXT (' (SEG%%OCC%%%%PR%%LAR)');
NEWLINE (2):
FOR SEG=1, 2, 3, 4 DO
BEGIN
HLINE;
FOR TENURE+OCC, PR, LAR DO
PRINT (SPREAD[SEG, TENURE], 8, 0);
END;
FOR TENURE+OCC, PR, LAR DO
BEGIN
SPREAD (6):
PRINT (SPREAD[1, TENURE]+SPREAD[2, TENURE]+SPREAD[3, TENURE]+SPREAD[4, TENURE], 8, 0);
END;
END OF FULL OUTPUT;
PROCEDURE TAPE(IN):

BEGIN 'BOOLEAN' IN;
  PROCEDURE INOUT(X,P,Q);

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BEGIN
  'REAL' X; 'INTEGER' P,Q;
  'IF' IN THEN 'X=READ' ELSE 'PRINT(X,P,Q);
  'IF' IN THEN 'SELECT INPUT(3)
    ELSE BEGIN 'SELECT OUTPUT(4); RUNOUT;
    WRITE TEXT('"DOCT-DATA"'); NEW LINE(1); END;
    FOR 'SIZE+VS.S,M,L' DO
      FOR 'TENURE+OCC,PR,LAR' DO
        FOR 'COND+GOOD,BAD' DO
          INOUT(DWELLING(SIZE,TENURE,COND),6,0);
        FOR 'SIZE+VS.S,M,L' DO
          FOR 'TENURE+OCC,PR,LAR' DO
            FOR 'COND+GOOD,BAD' DO
              INOUT(VACANT(SIZE,TENURE,COND),6,0);
            FOR 'SEG+1,2,3,4' DO
              FOR 'TYPE+1,2,3,4' DO
                FOR 'AGE+1,2' DO
                  BEGIN
                    INOUT(HOUSEHOLD(SEG,TYPE,AGE),6,0);
                    FOR 'STATE+TEMP,SHARING,MOVING' DO
                      INOUT(HOMELESS(SEG,TYPE,AGE,STATE),6,0);
                    IF 'TYPE=SH' AND 'AGE=HIGH' THEN
                      BEGIN
                        INOUT(COMAC(SEG),6,0);
                        INOUT(COMOC(SEG),6,0);
                      END;
                    FOR 'SIZE+VS.S,M,L' DO
                      BEGIN
                        FOR 'TENURE+OCC,PR,LAR' DO
                          FOR 'COND+GOOD,BAD' DO
                            INOUT(OCUPANCY(SEG,TYPE,AGE,SIZE,TENURE,COND),6,0);
                          FOR 'TENURE+OCC,PR,LAR' DO
                            FOR 'COND+GOOD,BAD' DO
                              INOUT(CONSTRAINT(SEG,TYPE,AGE,SIZE,TENURE,COND),6,0);
                            END;
                      END;
                    IF IN THEN
                      BEGIN 
                        SELECT INPUT(PAPER;
                        WRITE TEXT('"END"
                      END ELSE
                      BEGIN WRITE TEXT('"***")
                      RUNOUT;
                      SELECT OUTPUT(0);
                      NEW LINE(1);
                      WRITE TEXT('"OUTPUT%FINAL%POSITION" ON "PAPER\TAPE"");
                    END;
              END;
          END OF TAPE:
Model calculations are carried out at the equivalent of every three months i.e. \( DT = 0.25 \) years.

At each iteration the number of households of each type is determined (procedure HOUSEHOLD MODEL) followed by the number of dwellings of each type (procedure DWELLING MODEL). These calculations are followed by the determination of the number of households of each type living in dwellings of each type, of households sharing accommodation or in temporary accommodation and the number of dwellings remaining vacant at the end of each iteration.
'COMMENT
MAIN PROGRAM

INIT=0;
CARD=0;
TSTJ4(IN(TIME,4,0);IN(DT,1,4);IN(LENGTH,2,0);IN(OUT,2,0);
TIME=1;
PNEXT=T+0.5*DT;
INPUT='TRUE';
OUT='FALSE';
TEMP=1;SHARING=2;MOVING=3;
GOOD=1;BAD=2;
L=SPFH=4;
FH=M=LR+3;
CH=OLD+SP+2;
SH=YOUNG+VS+OCC+1;
D=1;H=2;
WRITEFTEXT('{"PAPERTAPE\CONTROL"}');
CONTROL<RIN(1,0);
'IF'CONTROL='OR'CONTROL=2'THEN'
'BEGIN'PART1<RIN(1,0);PART2<RIN(1,0);
'END';
'END'TIME=1,T=STEP'DT'UNTIL'LENGTH*0.5*DT'DO'
'BEGIN'
HOUSEHOLDMODEL;
DWELLINGMODEL;
ALLOCATIONMODEL;
'IF'TIME>PNEXT'THEN'
'BEGIN'FULLOUTPUT;
PNEXT+PNEXT+OUT+DT;
'END';
'END';
'IF'CONTROL<3'THEN'
'END'}
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