

SOC consultation

1) At what level do you use SOC?

At Historic England we use 4 digit SOC in order to identify vital occupations in the heritage sector.

2) Describe how you use SOC in your role.

SOCs are vital to provide a quantitative understanding of the breadth and scale of employment and skills in the heritage sector. The historic environment is intrinsically linked to economic activity and supports sometimes very specialist roles that are vital to for example the repair and maintenance of the historic environment. This is vital as for example, over 28% of the residential stock in this country is traditionally constructed.

Historic England uses the 4 digit SOC codes to understand the scale of employment in the sector and the skills distribution of the heritage sector workforce. We develop employment estimates using a detailed SIC-SOC mapping. This methodology enables us to estimate the contribution of the heritage sector to employment and GVA generation.

3) Are there specific areas of the SOC that you would like to see considered for additional detail?

The heritage sector is diverse and multidimensional with heritage workers distributed across many different areas; we would like to see more specific detail in the following ones:

- *Managers, Directors and Senior Officials*
- *natural and social sciences professions,*
- *engineers*
- *architects, town planners and surveyors,*
- *librarians and related professionals,*
- *science engineering and production technicians*
- *draughtpersons and related architectural technicians,*
- *artistic, media and literary occupations*
- *construction and buildings trades,*
- *construction and building trades supervisors,*
- *agricultural and related trends*

4) What further detail would you like to see?

- *We would appreciate to have special categories for museums and heritage managers and directors*

<i>1</i>	<i>Managers, Directors and Senior Officials</i>
<i>11</i>	<i>Corporate Managers and Directors</i>
120	Museums and Heritage Managers and Directors
1201	Heritage Managers and Directors
1202	Museum Managers and Directors

- For social and humanities scientists, it would be useful to separate them between sociologists, historians and archaeologists.

211	Natural and social sciences professions
2114	Social and humanities scientists
21141	Archaeologists
21142	Sociologists
21143	Historians

- We would appreciate to have a special category for structural engineers:

212	Engineering professions
2121	Civil Engineers
21211	Structural engineers

- It would be good to distinguish those architects who work with historical sites as well as building control surveyors and conservation professionals:

243	Architects, Town Planners and Surveyors
2431	Architects
24311	Conservation Architects
2432	Town Planning Officers
24321	Conservation Professionals
2433	Quantity Surveyors
2434	Chartered Surveyors
24351	Building Control Surveyors
2436	Chartered architectural technologists
2437	Construction project managers and related professions

- To separate archivists from curators and to create a special category for heritage curators.

245	Librarians and related professions
2452	Archivists and curators
24521	Archivists
24522	Curators
245221	Heritage Curators

- It would be useful the creation of a special category of structural engineering technicians

311	Science, Engineering and production technicians
3114	Building and civil engineering technicians
31141	Structural engineering technicians

- It would be helpful the creation of a special category for conservation architectural and town planning technicians

312	<i>Draughtpersons and related architectural technicians</i>
3121	<i>Architectural and town planning technicians</i>
31211	<i>Conservation architectural and town planning technicians</i>

- *It would help the creation of special categories for heritage and historical workers, exhibition designer, exhibition guide and exhibition researcher*

34	<i>Culture, media and sports occupations</i>
341	<i>Artistic, literary and media occupations</i>
3418	<i>Exhibition designer</i>
3418	<i>Exhibition guide</i>
3419	<i>Exhibition researcher</i>
342	<i>Heritage Occupations</i>
3421	<i>Heritage and Historical workers</i>

- *It would be helpful to create a special classification code for construction and building trades who work with historical sites*

531	<i>Construction and building trades</i>
5312	<i>Bricklayers and masons</i>
53121	<i>Traditional Brickworkers</i>
53122	<i>Stone Conservator Mason</i>
5313	<i>Roofers, roof tillers and slaters</i>
53131	<i>Heritage Roofers</i>
5315	<i>Carpenters and joiners</i>
53151	<i>Conservation carpenters</i>

- *It would be helpful to create a special category for construction and building trades supervisors who work with heritage*

533	<i>Construction and building trade supervisors</i>
5330	<i>Construction and building trades supervisors</i>
53301	<i>Conservation construction and building trade supervisors</i>

- *To have a special category for gardeners and landscape gardeners who work with historical sites*

5113	<i>Gardeners and landscape gardeners</i>
51131	<i>Heritage Gardeners</i>